

TEXT- Gen 1:26-28 *And God said, Let us make man in our image, after*

INTRO – God said, God saw, and God separated. Everything is organized according to God's plan, even the days of the week.

C.S. Lewis said he was "met at every turn by the serene truth of God's existence." For Lewis, there can be no such thing as an atheist, because the atheist, by definition, cannot prove their position, therefore atheists do not really exist at all.

There are four questions every man should ask. They are the most important questions that can be asked.

I. Where Did You Come from?

From where did man originate? There are several theories:

A hypothesis a supposition or proposed explanation made on the basis of limited evidence as a starting point for further investigation

A theory is a group of linked ideas intended to explain something. A theory provides a framework for explaining observations. The explanations are based on assumptions. From the assumptions follows a number of possible hypotheses. They can be tested to provide support for, or challenge, the theory.

1. Out of Africa theory

2. UFO theory

3. Evolutionary theory

4. Creation

- Man had a beginning
- Man is a superior species
- Man has dominion over animals
- Animals do not have a spirit
- The world has an amazing design
- Man has a capacity for God

Psa 100:3 *Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.*

Two people come together and from their beings a child is formed.

That child has a personality and life.

A. Man came from God

Ecc 11:5 *As thou knowest not what is the way of the spirit, nor how the bones do grow in the womb of her that is with child: even so thou knowest not the works of God who maketh all.*

Isa 44:2 *Thus saith the LORD that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, which will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen.*

Jer 1:5 *Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.*

B. God formed man

Job 31:15 *Did not he that made me in the womb make him? and did not one fashion us in the womb?*

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C. Man is wonderfully made

Psa 139:14 *I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.*

D. Man came into being with nothing

Job 1:21 *And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.*

II. Why Are You Here?

A. Man is here for God

Isa 43:7 *Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.*

Col 1:16 *For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:*

B. Man is the pinnacle of creation

Ecc 3:11 *He hath made every thing beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end.*

C. Man is to live for the eternal purpose of God

Eph 3:9-11 *And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ: 10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God, 11 According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:*

"More men fail through lack of purpose than lack of talent."

Billy Sunday.

Eph 1:12 *That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.*

1 Co 10:31 *Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.*

God is not a spare tire to pull out and put on in time of trouble.

III. Where Are You Going?

A. Heaven is a prepared place for prepared people

There are only two destinies for man – Heaven or hell.

Christ was crucified to pay our sin debt and the only way to heaven is to be born again.

John 3:3 *Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.*

Salvation is a divine act of God where He places us into the family of God.

B. Hell is a prepared place for the devil and his angels

Mat 25:41 *Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:*

**There will be many religious people in hell that did religious deeds
Men choose to go there!**

IV. What Have You Accomplished?

I want the whole Christ for my Savior, the whole Bible for my book, the whole Church for my fellowship, and the whole world for my mission field. - John Wesley.

Mat 5:11-12 *Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. 12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.*

1 Co 3:12-15 *Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; 13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. 14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. 15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.*

2 Co 5:10 *For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.*

Gal 6:7-10 *Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. 8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. 9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. 10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.*

1 Co 15:58 *Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.*

Ecc 12:13-14 *Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. 14 For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.*

"What have you done that you believe in and you are proud of?"

CONCL – Time is of the essence - A phrase in a contract that means that performance by one party at or within the period specified in the contract is necessary to enable that party to require performance by the other party. Failure to act within the time required constitutes a breach of the contract.

Jas 4:14 *Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.*