



Session 9

Topic

Doctrine of Man - His Creation

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STUDENT NOTES



THE CREATION OF MAN

- The study of the doctrine of MAN is referred to as “anthropology” in theology (Grk., [anthropos — man; logos — expression](#)).
- There are three general areas of inquiry:
 - i. The Creation of Man
 - ii. The Nature of Man
 - iii. The Fall of Man
- It is not surprising that in each of these areas the Devil has conjured up some a _____, Bible-denying theories: notably “evolution” and the “man is basically good” theory.
- These theories are both widespread and damaging to the work of the Lord.
- The basic purpose of this course of study is to determine what the Word of God teaches concerning these three areas.
- We will not be looking at a detailed treatise against evolution in this course.

I. THE FACT OF MAN'S CREATION

- The Biblical accounts of creation give the following facts:
 - i. It was “ex nihilo” - out of nothing ([Hebrews 11:3; Psalm 148:5](#))
 - ii. It took six literal days ([Exodus 20:11](#))
 - iii. It was with purpose and design ([Colossians 1:16; Isaiah 45:18](#))
- A. THE ACTUALITY OF MAN'S CREATION**
 - The Bible expressly declares that man was created by:
 1. A D_____ Act of God ([Genesis 1:26](#))
 2. A D_____ Act Of God ([Psalm 139:14](#))
 3. A D_____ Act Of God ([Genesis 1:27](#))
 4. A D_____ Act Of God ([Genesis 1:25,27](#))
 - On the sixth day, God first created animal life ([v.25](#)); then He created man ([v.27](#)).
- B. THE ACT OF MAN'S CREATION**
 1. In General Terms ([Genesis 1:26,27](#))
 - This passage relates the creation of man in the context of all the creative acts of God.
 - Also: [Nehemiah 9:6; Job 33:4; Psalm 100:3; Acts 14:15; 1 Cor 8:6](#)
 2. In Specific Terms ([Genesis 2:7,21,22](#))
 - A discrepancy has been imagined at this point.
 - [Genesis 1](#) declares that God created male and female on the 6th day, whereas [Genesis 2](#) suggests some time may have elapsed between the creation of Adam and the making of Eve.
 - Answer: The creation of Eve did occur on the sixth day as indicated by [Genesis 1:31](#).
 - Eve was “___” Adam from the first ([1 Timothy 2:13](#)).
 - We were also “in” Adam ([1 Corinthians 15:22a; Romans 5:12](#)).



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- Though we often say (correctly) “God made us,” He did not literally form us from the dust of the ground as He did Adam.
- He uses the means of parental reproduction.
- So too with the creation of the female.
- Here the Bible makes a clear d_____ between the sexes — “male AND female.”
- This is maintained elsewhere in the Word of God (**Deuteronomy 22:5; 1 Corinthians 11:14,15**)
- The image of God is properly reflected by this distinction; any form of “gender-blending” only serves to m___ this image and glory (**Rom 1:21**).

C. THE ASPIRATION OF MAN'S CREATION

- Why was man created??
- 1. For The P_____ Of God (**Isaiah 43:7; Psalm 150:6**)
- 2. For The P_____ Of God (**Revelation 4:11**)
 - Part of this involved personal fellowship between the Creator and His crowning creation (**Genesis 3:8a,9**).
 - Although all of the creation was great and mighty, marvellous and wonderful, God could not fellowship with it, nor set His love upon it - neither could man (**Genesis 2:18-20**).
- 3. For The P_____ Of God (**Psalm 8:4-6**)

II. THE FALLACY OF MAN'S EVOLUTION

- The “Theory of Evolution” is exactly that — a theory!
- It has no basis in fact.
- It is Satan's fictitious response to the fact of God's creation, the modern version of it stemming from the writings of Charles Darwin (1809-1882).

A. WHAT IS THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION?

- In actual fact, there are several theories of evolution.
- Basic to all is the development of an increasingly complex organism over a time period of millions of years, resulting in modern day man — along the lines of:
Cell > Jellyfish > Fish > Crocodile > Lizard > Dog > Monkey > Ape > Cave Man > Modern Man
- Man is said to have evolved from apes (pithecines), gradually changing from Australopithecus africanus (3 million years ago) to Homo habilis (2–1.5 m.y.a.) to Homo erectus (1.6–0.4 m.y.a.) to Homo sapiens.

B. THE BRANCHES OF EVOLUTIONARY THOUGHT

- There are two broad schools of evolutionary thought:
- 1. A_____ Evolution
 - This leaves God and the Bible completely out of the picture, but cannot answer the question of how matter first began (so there could be a “big bang”).
 - **Romans 1:22; Psalm 14:1**
- 2. T_____ Evolution
 - This view is held by modernistic and neo-orthodox theologians in an attempt to remain happy bedfellows with the “scientific” fraternity.



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- It attempts to place God at the very beginning of things by saying that He “kicked things off” (e.g. the “Big Bang!?!”), then allowed evolutionary processes to take over (this is a form of deism).
- This theory usually interprets the creation account in Genesis in a “demythological” way, finding hidden meanings in the narrative. e.g. the six days were in reality six eras of mega-years.
- However, the “Law of First Mention” defines the word ‘day’ as a literal 24 hour day ([Genesis 1:5,8,13,19,23,31; 2:1-3](#)).
- That this is what God meant is further demonstrated by [Exodus 20:11](#) and [Deuteronomy 4:32](#).

C. BIBLICAL CREATIONISM AND EVOLUTION COMPARED

- It should be fully understood that Creation and Evolution are not mere differences of opinion — they are diametrically and irreconcilably o_____ to one another, as the following chart reveals:

| BIBLICAL CREATIONISM | EVOLUTIONARY UNIFORMITARIANISM |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Matter created by God in the beginning | Matter existed with “God” in the beginning |
| Earth before the sun and stars | Sun and stars before the earth |
| Oceans before land | Land before oceans |
| Light before the sun | Sun was the earth’s first light |
| Atmosphere between two hydrospheres | Atmosphere contiguous with the hydrosphere |
| Land plants the first life form created | Marine organisms the first forms of evolved life |
| Fruit trees before fishes | Fishes before fruit trees |
| Birds before insects (“creeping things”) | Insects before birds |
| Land plants before sun | Sun before land plants |
| Whales before reptiles | Reptiles before whales |
| Birds before reptiles | Reptiles before birds |
| Man before woman (by creation) | Woman before man (by genetics) |
| Man before rain | Rain before man |
| Creation complete and perfect | “Creative” processes still continuing |

- **QUOTE**
 Bancroft gives the following contrasts between evolution and Biblical creation as it applies to man:
 1. The evolutionary theory represents man as rising from a lower order of being, while the scriptures declare his origin to be due to the direct creative action of God.
 2. The evolutionary theory represents man as being the result of successive changes in the material forms due to resident forces within, while the



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scriptures declare that man's physical being is the result of God's action upon it from without.

3. The evolutionary theory represents man as the climax of development, ascending through the lower forms of animal life, while the Bible declares him to belong to the distinctive human order, whose entrance into being was immediate and direct.

D. THE EFFECTS OF THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION:

- There is NO common ground between the Bible and this unfounded "scientific" fancy.
- To accept the theory of evolution as fact is to deny the Genesis account of creation — which is to deny the Word of God (1 Timothy 2:13) and to call the Lord Jesus Christ a liar (Matthew 19:4-6).
- The sad truth is that multitudes have swallowed this fanciful theory as fact, giving rise to the following:
 1. M_____ (1 Timothy 6:20,21; 2 Timothy 4:3,4)
 - Modernism is a denial of the Word of God in r_____ circles.
 - Present-day modernism and evolution both came out of the rationalism of the "Enlightenment," but it was Darwin's theory that shook the foundations of Christian belief.
 2. H_____
 - Humanism is a denial of the Word of God in m_____ circles.
 - Humanism denies the fact of s____, declaring that man is not getting worse — he is getting better!
 - Abortion, euthanasia, and suicide are the logical outcomes of a society that considers man to be nothing more than an animal striving for the survival of the fittest!
 - The Bible does not advocate survival of the fittest — it teaches love toward others and the sacredness and uniqueness of human life.
 3. S_____ And C_____
 - Socialism is a denial of the Word of God in p_____ circles.
 - In the Marxist "calendar of saints" Darwin ranks second to Karl Marx, the founder of modern-day communism.
 - Marx was greatly influenced by the theories of Darwin.
 - Fascism (National Socialism, Nazi-ism) and racial supremacy is the f_____ of evolutionary thought (Matthew 7:18).

E. THE FAILURE OF THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION

- Today, more and more scientists are moving away from the theories of evolution for the simple fact that they cannot be proven.
- The evidence has not come in!
 - > There is NO evidence for any "transmutation of species."
 - > There is NO evidence that shows a "missing link" between monkey and man.
- Evolution is not an established scientific reality, it is a b_____ — a system of f_____.



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- No one was present at the beginning of time, so it takes faith to believe in a special, direct, supernatural creation by God just as much as the random, natural selection processes.
- The real question is: “Which is more credible? — the Bible, or science (so-called)?
- The theory of evolution c_____ two well-established, demonstrable scientific facts:
 - i. The First Law Of Thermodynamic
 - The law of mass-energy conservation states that nothing is now being created or annihilated.
 - ii. The Second Law Of Thermodynamics
 - The law of entropy states that all systems tend to become disordered and simple.
- The scientific ‘evidence’ for evolution is based upon a preconceived model and relies heavily on the radiometric dating methods used to determine the age of strata and fossils — radio-carbon, potassium-argon, etc., which measure radioactive decay.
- Although couched in very scientific terms, these methods are subjective frauds — in simple terms, the meters are calibrated by measuring rocks of ‘known’ prehistoric age, so that the meters than can measure the age of the rocks!

F. ATTEMPTS TO HARMONISE SCIENCE AND THE BIBLE

- Many evangelical scholars (those who claim to believe in the inspiration of the Word of God, and accept the integrity of Genesis record) find themselves in a dilemma because they also accept the old-age of the earth claims as scientific fact.
- If the fossil record places man back several millions of years ago, how can the Genesis account be made to fit the facts?
- There are two theories put forward to answer this problem:
 1. The Old Earth–Old Adam Theory
 - Yes, God did create man — but over the long periods of time represented by the geological ages.
 - This is very close to Theistic Evolution.
 - Bernard Ramm proposed this kind of approach.
 - He says creation was revealed in six days, not performed in six days — that creation was progressive, guided by natural law.
 2. The Old Earth–Recent Adam Theory
 - Accepting the obvious, that Adam is of much recent time (according to the Biblical account), those who hold this view say the earth indeed is very old, but that the creation of Adam was recent.
 - The hominid fossils, dated by scientists to be millions of years old, then must represent some pre-Adamic creature with only animal intelligence.
 - These old fossils include the Cro-Magnon and Neanderthal ‘creatures’ who made cave paintings, manufactured tools, buried their dead — yet they were non-human??
 - One question is: If death resulted from Adam’s sin, why did all this pre-Adamic life die?



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- These views stem from the ready acceptance of the “vast geological ages” theory and the dating methods for determining the age of fossils.

G. THE BIBLE ANSWER TO HUMAN EVOLUTION

- The Bible expressly declares the following facts:
 1. Man Was Created, He Did Not Evolve (**Genesis 1:27; 5:1,2; 6:7; Deuteronomy 4:32; Isaiah 43:7; Malachi 2:10; 1 Corinthians 11:9**)
 2. Only ONE Man Was Created (**Acts 17:26; 1 Corinthians 15:45; Matt 19:4**)
 3. Man And Animals Were Created Separately (**Genesis 1:24-28**)
 4. Animals Were Created To Reproduce After Their Kind (**Genesis 1:21,24,25**)
 5. Plants Were Made To Reproduce And Bear Fruit After Their Kind (**Genesis 1:11,12**)
 6. The Nature Of Man Differs From That Of Animals.
 - Man has “G___-c_____.”
 7. A World-wide Flood Accounts For The Fossil Record.
 - Noah’s flood covered the whole earth (**Genesis 6:19-24; 2 Peter 3:6**).
 - Such a universal catastrophic event not only accounts for the fossil record, but also for the geological strata (sediment) and features (such as the Grand Canyon in Arizona).
 - The true geological record clearly indicates a sudden, devastating event.
 - The theory of vast geological ages is a scientific fraud.
 - But, if you repeat a lie often enough and long enough, it will eventually be accepted as fact!

III. HUMAN LIFE

- Evolutionary thinking has been the prime reason for the popular acceptance of abortion as a means of birth and population control.
- At the heart of the “abortion debate” (for anyone genuinely not approaching the issue from a selfish ‘convenience’ standpoint), is the question: “**When does human LIFE begin?**” **At conception? or at birth? or at some point in between?**

A. THEOLOGICAL POSITIONS REGARDING THE ORIGIN OF THE SOUL

1. The Theory Of Pre-Existence (Plato, Philo, Origen)
 - In an attempt to explain why the human soul possesses ideas and dispositions not derived from the senses, this view holds that all the souls of men past, present, and future were created by God in one act — and that the individual soul “transmigrates” to the individual at the point of conception.
2. The Theory Of Creation (Aristotle, Jerome, Pelagius)
 - This is the Roman Catholic and Reformed belief.
 - It regards the soul (and spirit) of a man as being specially and directly created by God — either at conception, birth, or at some point in between.
 - The parents are only the ‘creators’ of the body.
3. The Traducian Theory (Tertullian)
 - Traducianism holds that the human race (as a species) was specially, immediately, and directly created by God in Adam, but since that time has been propagated by natural generation.
 - God ceased from His creative acts following man’s creation (**Gen 2:2**)



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- Today, human souls can be said to have been 'created' by God only in a secondary sense through the laws of propagation (i.e., potentially).
- This does not mean, however, that God is detached from this process.
- The parental transmission of the soul accounts for the transmission of physical, mental, spiritual characteristics, etc., — AND the Adamic (sin) nature.
- Adam and Eve were made in the likeness of God, but Seth (and the first couple's subsequent children) is said to have been made in Adam's likeness ([Genesis 5:1,3](#))

B. WHEN DOES LIFE BEGIN?

- Pro-abortionists argue that a human embryo is just a mass of cells and tissue — simply a part of the mother's body.
 - Therefore (to them), abortion is no different from a tonsillectomy or an appendectomy.
 - The Bible is very clear as to when life begins — b_____ birth, in the w_____!
1. God Knew David Intimately While He Was Forming In The Womb ([Psalm 139:13-16](#))
 2. David Received His Sin Nature At Conception ([Psalm 51:5](#))
 3. God Knew Jeremiah When He Was A Cell ([Jeremiah 1:5](#))
 4. John The Baptist Expressed Emotion Inside The Womb ([Luke 1:41,44](#))
 5. Esau And Jacob Squabbled Before Birth ([Genesis 25:21-23](#))
 6. The Mosaic Law Protected The Life Of The Unborn ([Exodus 21:22,23](#))
 - Medical science supports these facts.
 - An embryo has a separate heartbeat, brain waves, and makes its own red and white blood cells!



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