



Evolution? Or Creation?

"We believe in one God...who created heaven and earth"
Orthodox Creed

WHY IS CREATION SO IMPORTANT? WHO CARES?

SCIENTIFIC FACT: EVOLUTION IS JUST A _____

*"When it comes to the origin of life on earth, there are only 2 possibilities: creation and spontaneous generation [evolution] – there is no other possible way. Spontaneous generation was disproved over 100 years ago – so that leads to only one conclusion, that of supernatural creation. **We can't believe that for philosophical reasons so we choose to believe the impossible** – that life arose spontaneously, by chance."*

Anonymous Scientist

SOME THEISTIC THEORIES OF CREATION

1. Theistic Evolution View
2. Six Day Creation View
3. Gap Theory or Six Day Re-Creation View

ORTHODOX VIEW: _____ CREATION VIEW

"But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day." 2 Peter 3:8

"For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand" Psalm 84:10

"For a thousand years in Your sight are like yesterday when it is past" Psalm 90:4

"...He who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers, who stretches out the heavens like a curtain..." Isaiah 40:22

"Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away." Matthew 24:35

"It is beyond your ability to comprehend how God created these things; as you, yourself, are created to obey Him as a slave, in order to comprehend Him as a friend." St Augustine

FACT: SCIENCE PROVES THE EXISTENCE OF A _____

"What we have found is evidence for the birth of the universe...It's like looking at God." George Smoot, project leader of Big Bang Discovery Team

"By the word of the LORD the heavens were made and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth" Psalm 33:6

"Now Mount Sinai was completely in smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire. Its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked greatly. And when the blast of the trumpet sounded long and became louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him by voice...Now all the people witnessed the thunderings, the lightning flashes, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking; and when the people saw it, they trembled and stood afar off. Then they said to Moses, "You speak with us, and we will hear; but let not God speak with us, lest we die." Exodus 19:18-19, 20:18-19

WHY IS CREATION SUCH A BIG DEAL???

IF WE DON'T NEED CREATOR, ALSO DON'T NEED A _____

"For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him." Colossians 1:16

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- <http://www.suscpts.org/literature/orthodoxfaith.html>
- The Book of Genesis. Fr. Tadros Yacoub Malaty.
- Evolution: The Fossils still say No! Duane T Gish.
- True science agrees with the Bible. M Bowden.