



On the Origin of Species

First in a 5-part series titled: *Crafted*

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Today’s big idea...

The creation story is essential to the gospel story.

What parts of the creation story are non-negotiable for Bible believers?

- #1 – God, who is distinct from His creation, created the world out of nothing. ([Genesis 1-2](#); [1 Kings 8:27](#); [Nehemiah 9:5-6](#); [Psalm 33:4-9](#); [90:1-4](#); [102:25-27](#); [Isaiah 45:5-18](#); [Matthew 6:26-30](#); [John 1:1-3](#); [8:58](#); [Acts 4:24](#); [14:15](#); [17:24-28](#); [Romans 4:17](#); [1 Corinthians 8:6](#); [Colossians 1:15-20](#); [Hebrews 1:3](#); [11:3](#); [Revelation 10:6](#))
- #2 – God created the world good and for His glory. ([Genesis 1-2](#); [Exodus 20:11](#); [Job 38:1-42:6](#); [Psalm 19:1](#); [96:11-13](#); [136:5-9](#); [148](#); [Isaiah 6:3](#); [43:7](#); [Romans 1:20](#); [11:33-36](#); [1 Timothy 4:1-7](#); [Revelation 4:11](#))
- #3 – Adam and Eve were humanity’s first parents—created in God’s image—and are historical figures who really did disobey God in the Garden of Eden. ([Genesis 1:26-31](#); [Luke 3:38](#); [Acts 17:26](#); [Romans 5:12-21](#); [1 Corinthians 11:7-12](#); [15:20-49](#); [2 Corinthians 11:3](#); [1 Timothy 2:13-14](#); [Matthew 19:3-5](#))

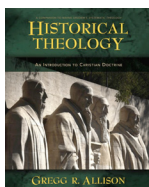
Over what parts of the creation story can Bible-believing Christians disagree?

- The age of the earth
- The length of the Genesis 1 days
- Animal/insect death before Adam and Eve’s fall

In light of the creation story, what does God invite us to do?

- #1 – Believe the gospel. ([John 3:16](#); [Acts 26:18](#); [Romans 1:16-20](#); [2 Corinthians 4:6](#))
- #2 – Major on the majors and minor on the minors. ([Psalm 133:1](#); [Matthew 23:23-26](#); [John 13:34-35](#); [17:1-11](#), [20-23](#); [Romans 14-15](#); [1 Corinthians 15:3-4](#); [Ephesians 4:1-6](#); [Philippians 2:1-16](#); [1 Timothy 1:3-7](#); [4:1-11](#); [6:2b-5](#), [20-21](#); [2 Timothy 2:14-17](#), [23-26](#))
- #3 – Enjoy His creation. ([Psalm 34:8](#); [1 Timothy 4:1-7](#); [6:17](#))
- #4 – Make things. ([Genesis 1:27-28](#); [Exodus 25:9](#); [31:1-11](#); [Ecclesiastes 9:10](#); [1 Corinthians 10:31](#); [Colossians 3:23](#); [Revelation 22:3](#))

Book Recommendations:



[Historical Theology:
An Introduction to Christian
Doctrine](#)

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[50 Core Truths of the
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