

Origin of the Earth and Mankind  
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I accept the literal account concerning the origin of the earth as given in the book of Genesis. I believe that God created the earth in six literal, 24-hour days, and that He rested on the seventh day. I do not accept the idea that there is a “gap” between Genesis 1:1 and 1:2, nor do I believe in the “Day Age Theory.” I reject the false idea that God used macroevolution (evolution from one distinct kind of organism into another) to create the world; in addition, I further reject the false idea that God Himself used evolution as a tool to create the world, commonly referred to as theistic evolution. God created the world *ex nihilo*, that is, “out of nothing.” Furthermore, I believe that macroevolution is absolutely incompatible with what the Bible teaches, and that it is a false religion that cannot be proven without denying the first and second laws of thermodynamics, as a starting place.

Concerning the origin of mankind, I believe the literal account as given in the book of Genesis concerning the direct act of creation of man by God. I believe that Adam and Eve were the first two people on earth, and that they were a man and a woman, not merely representative of mankind as explained by leftist theologians. I believe that man has been made in God’s image and that he is the highest creature in God’s hierarchy based on that fact. I reject the false philosophy that man has come about as an accident by chance, random processes of nature and that he is nothing more than a graduated animal. I believe that man is a tripartite being, consisting of body, soul, and spirit. I believe that it is man’s spirit that enables him to have fellowship and communication with the Creator when he has been restored to fellowship by accepting the substitutionary atonement of Christ on the cross.