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***The Facts of Life***

***The Answers to the Questions!***

***“Everything that goes into a life of pleasing God has been miraculously given to us…” The Message***

**“God Created”**

***“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.” Genesis 1:1***

# **There are four versions of that are offered…**

1. Natural : Over time, random mutations present some creatures with environmental advantage over their peers and those stronger traits are reproduced. “Survival of the fittest” and reproduction of those.
2. Evolution: God began life millions of years ago and then natural selection is responsible for the biological complexity and diversity.
3. Intelligent : Comprises a variety of thought but all believing that design is evidence for a designer.
4. Creationism: God created exactly as the Bible says. In this, there are young earth and old earth enthusiasts.

***“How amazing are the deeds of the Lord! All who delight in Him should ponder them.” Psalm 111:2***

1. **The Bible …**

***“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters.” Genesis 1:1-2***

1. God , “***Let there be…”***
2. And it was … “***And that is what happened.”***
3. God , ***“It was good!”***
4. God a benediction by naming and marking each day.
5. God with a formless and empty world.
6. In days 1-3, He the earth.
7. In days 4-6, He the earth.
8. In day 7, He !

***“Before the mountains were born, before you gave birth***

***to the earth and the world, from beginning to end, you***

***are God.” Psalm 90:2***

1. **Some for the Bible and Creation story…**
2. Population would be an argument for young earth.

***“Then God blessed them and said, ‘Be fruitful and***

***multiply. Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over the***

***fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals***

***that scurry along the ground.’" Genesis 1:28***

1. Noah’s is real.

***“Look! I am about to cover the earth with a flood that will destroy every living thing that breathes. Everything on earth will die.” Genesis 6:17***

1. If the had a beginning, it had to have a “Beginner!” (*The God Question* Pg 137-138)

***“In the beginning God created…”***

1. **Do you have to assassinate your to believe in the Creation account?**

***“Do not scoff at prophecies, but test everything that is said. Hold on to what is good. Stay away from every kind of evil.” 1 Thessalonians 5:20-22***

1. Science and faith are in conflict. They both desire to discover and pursue truth.
2. There are many scientists with strong . (*The God Questions* Pg 174-176)
3. Pascal’s . (*The God Questions* Pg 171-172)

***“You alone are the Lord. You made the skies and the heavens and all the stars. You made the earth and the seas and everything in them. You preserve them all, and the angels of heaven worship you.” Nehemiah 9:6***

**For more research and videos on this topic:**

www.icr.org/video

www.creationminute.com

www.answersingenesis.org/media/video/

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**September 27*: 40 Days of Prayer and Fasting***

***began and ends November 5 in the evening!***

**October 30: Fact #6 – Heaven is a Place for Eternity**

Answer to the Question – What Will Heaven Be Like?

**November 6: *Friend Day***