

# Lesson 1: Creation Not Evolution

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Central Point: The Universe was created through Jesus

No one knows for sure, but astronomers estimate the big bang occurred 14 billion years ago:

**Psalms 90:2**, “Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.”

- **Question:** “What would time be to God?”

**Psalms 147:4-5**, “He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name. Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit.”

- He is an extravagant God, just look at His creation
  - o Approximately 10 trillion galaxies
  - o Our Milky Way galaxy alone has around 100 Billion stars
  - o Using that as an average, we have 1 + 29 zeros of stars in the universe
  - o For each star there are 5 – 10 planets – so multiple that by the above number
- How about our little planet called earth
  - o Vertebrates – 59,811, Invertebrates- 1,203,375, plants 297,326 & others – 28,849
  - o 10,000 species of animals are discovered each year – 2 – 50 million on earth

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

- The Bible does not place an age on the earth; how much time elapsed between vs 1 & 2
- What we do know for sure is the exact genealogical record from Adam to Jesus
- Luke 3:23-38- approximately 4,000 years + 2,000 years since Jesus = 6,000 years for man
- **Please Read: John 1:1-14**
- It was through Jesus that the universe was created- **1 Corinthians 8:6**

**Hebrews 1:2**, “In these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe.”

- **Question:** “Why do you think God created the universe and us in particular?”
- God created us for his glory according to **Isaiah 43:7**

## Evolutionary Basics

- Charles Robert Darwin (1809-1882) was an English naturalist and geologist
- Darwin published his theory of evolution in his 1859 book "On the origin of species"
- That all species of life have descended over time from common simpler ancestors
- Darwin's Five Fundamental Theories
  - o **Evolution:** species come and go through time, while they exist they change
  - o **Common descent:** organisms are descended from one/many common ancestors
  - o **Species multiply:** one species diverging until they become two separate species
  - o **Gradualism:** evolutionary change occurs through incremental small changes
  - o **Natural selection:** evolutionary change occurs through variation between individuals; some variants give the individual an extra survival probability

Life on Earth supposedly began around 3.7 billion years ago, when chemical compounds in a "[primordial soup](#)" that somehow sparked into life. A pool of water containing basic molecules stuck repeatedly by lightening until it fused into more complex molecules- Frankenstein

## The Problems with Evolutionary Theory

- **Question:** "What purpose does the philosophy of evolution serve the devil today?"
  - o **Please Read: Romans 1:18-32**
- It's all about change and probability; given enough time things just happen by accident
- Their theory begins with matter or substance already in existence- how did it get there?
- It is the law of nature that nothing reproduces anything greater than itself
  - o Entropy: lack of order or predictability; gradual decline into disorder
- Evolutionists often speak of missing links; bridge between man and the apes- not found!

## True Science Rejects

- The theory that the hair is but elongated scales of pre-historic animals
- The legs of all animals developed from warts on aboriginal amphibians
- Eyes are but accidental development of freckles on blind amphibians that responded to the sun
- Ears came about by the air waves calling to spots on early reptiles;
- Man came from monkeys and the vast universe came from a few molecules
- Nothing working on nothing by nothing, through nothing, for nothing, begat everything
- With that being said, It takes more faith to believe in evolution than our Creator God

**1 Timothy 4:1-2**, "The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons."

- Evolution is a religion of the senses; based on sense knowledge- what they can see
- **Psalms 53:1**, "The fool says in his heart, 'There is no God.'"