

## **DEFENDING CREATION**

1. Text: Genesis 1:6-10
2. This lesson will deal with the defense of the biblical doctrine of creation, especially in light of the theory of evolution.

### **I. Defending Against The Assumptions Of Evolution**

1. Carl Sagan: "The Cosmos is all that is, or ever was, or ever will be."
2. "Nobody times nothing equals everything."
3. The unholy trinity: matter, time, chance
4. "Evolution was devised to explain away the God of Scripture."
5. Terms: supernatural, natural, anitsupernatural.
6. "Man created in God's image is awesome; God created in man's image is comfortable."
7. The two circles:

### **II. Defending Against The Compromises Of Religious Friends**

1. Many with some "faith" are willing to compromise and explain away the sacred text to make it compatible with evolutionary ideas.
2. Is Scripture or science the ultimate test of truth?
3. General versus special revelation (Psalm 19:1, Romans 1:19-20) "The 67<sup>th</sup> Book?"
4. Terms: Ex Nihilo (out of nothing) and "divine fiat" (by God's order, decree, or word)
5. If God did not mean to communicate the world was made in six literal days as Genesis One says, how could He have made it plainer?
6. Micro versus macro
7. Simple truths: Appearances, eggs and chickens.
8. The New Testament (and Jesus Christ) treats the creation as historical events: for instance Matthew 19:4.

### **III. Defending Against The Fruits Of The Evolutionary Philosophy**

1. Karl Marx was a "devoted admirer."
2. Social Darwinism and the survival of the fittest
3. Racism
4. Nietzsche and the master race
5. Ultimately nihilism (nothing has purpose, value, meaning)
6. The issues of our times

Conclusion:

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