



“6-Day Instantaneous Creation ”

Gen. 1:1

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1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

- “Genesis” means origins or beginnings.
- Genesis gives us the beginning of –

universe
life
man
seven-day week
marriage
family life
sin
sacrifice
redemption
death
nations
government
cities
music
literature
art
agriculture
languages

- This is a critical subject. 2 reasons:

1. Much of the true Church of born-again believers have either adopted an unbiblical view of creation or they consider creation as unimportant.
2. An errant view will bring into question and undermine the rest of the Bible.

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Rom 5:12

12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned —

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2. **Gap/Recreation** - 6 literal 24-hour days BUT between Gen. 1:1 & 1:2 there is a gap of indefinite time (millions perhaps billions of years.) Various views as to what happened during gap. It was a catastrophic event. Therefore vs. 1 was original creation, however, vs. 2 was the aftermath of what happened in the gap and left the earth “formless and void.” Thus vs. 3 begins a recreation by God. Death before sin. Theory.
3. **Day/Age** – the “days” are not 24-hour literal days but instead stand for geologic ages of billions of years. Big Bang. Death before sin. Theory.

Ex 20:8-11

- 8 "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.
- 9 "Six days you shall labor and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is a sabbath of the Lord your God; in it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter, your male or your female servant or your cattle or your sojourner who stays with you.
- 11 "For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day; therefore, the Lord blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.
- One of the most fundamental laws of Bible interpretation is this. Whenever a word is employed several times within a context, it will carry the same meaning in each case — unless there is a compelling reason for assigning an unusual sense to the term (cf. Mt. 8:22 - and allow the dead to bury their own dead." There is certainly no such reason apparent in Exodus 20:8ff.
 - The sabbath day law was designed to commemorate the seventh day of the creation week, which consisted of seven days (of the same type as the sabbath). Try substituting the terms "age or ages" for the words "day or days" in Exodus 20:8-11, and see just how much sense it makes.