## Genesis<sup>1</sup> Chapter 1 Student

**Contents:** The origin of earth its accommodation for mankind and animals.

**Characters:** *GOD*, Genesis 1:1. *SPIRIT*, Genesis 1:2. *CHRIST*, Genesis 1:26 (See Colossians 1:15-17; John 1:3) first man and woman.

**Conclusion:** An all-wise, all-powerful, loving **GOD** created and formed all things perfectly in the beginning. **GOD** made mankind, the crown of **GOD's** creation, perfectly complete and capable of fellowship with **GOD** and able to enjoy and govern Eden.

Key Word: Beginnings, 1:1.

Strong Verses: 1, 27.

**Striking Facts:** 1:1. Please compare John 1:1-3; 14. Not only was **JESUS CHRIST** present in creation, but creation was bound up with **HIM** as its secret. Colossians 1:15-17. See Hebrews 1:3. Gen. 1 is not a history of the original creation, but of a reconstruction following a cataclysmic judgment which had befallen the original creation. Genesis 1:1 Original creation. Genesis 1:2 Its destruction. Genesis 1:3 and on, Reconstruction.

**The Big Bang** - The **Big Bang** <u>theory</u> is the prevailing <u>cosmological model</u> for the <u>universe</u> from the <u>earliest known</u> <u>periods</u> through its subsequent large-scale evolution. The model

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Old English Genesis, first book of the Pentateuch, which tells among other things of the creation of the world, from Latin *genesis* "generation, *nativity*," in Late Latin taken as the title of first book of the Old Testament, from Greek genesis "origin, creation, generation," from *gignesthai* "to be born," related to genos "race, birth, descent" (see genus). Greek translators used the word as the title of the biblical book, rendering Hebrew *bereshith*, literally "*in the beginning*," which was the first word of the text, taken as its title. Extended sense of "origin, creation" first recorded in English c. 1600.

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accounts for the fact that the universe <u>expanded</u> from a very high density and high temperature state, and offers a comprehensive explanation for a broad range of phenomena, including the abundance of<u>light elements</u>, the <u>cosmic microwave background</u>, <u>large scale structure</u> and <u>Hubble's</u> <u>Law</u>. If the known laws of physics are extrapolated to the highest density regime, the result is a <u>singularity</u> which is typically associated with the Big Bang.

**Gravitational Singularity** - a location in <u>space-time</u> where the <u>gravitational</u> field of a celestial body becomes <u>infinite</u> in a way that does not depend on the <u>coordinate system</u>. The quantities used to measure gravitational field strength are the <u>scalar</u> <u>invariant curvatures</u> of <u>space-time</u>, which includes a measure of the density of matter. Since such quantities become infinite within the singularity, the laws of normal space-time could not exist.<sup>1</sup>

**Darwinism** - is a <u>theory</u> of <u>biological evolution</u> developed by the English <u>naturalist</u> <u>Charles Darwin(1809-1882)</u> and others, stating that all <u>species</u> of <u>organisms</u> arise and develop through the <u>natural</u> <u>selection</u> of small, inherited variations that increase the individual's ability to compete, survive, and <u>reproduce</u>.

**Intelligent Design** - the theory that life, or the universe, cannot have arisen by chance and was designed and created by some intelligent entity

**Irreducible complexity** (**IC**) is the argument proposed by Micheal Behe, which states that certain <u>biological systems</u> cannot <u>evolve</u> by successive small modifications to pre-existing functional systems through <u>natural selection</u>. Irreducible complexity is central to the <u>creationist</u> concept of <u>intelligent design</u>, but it is rejected by the <u>scientific community</u>, which regards intelligent design as <u>pseudoscience</u><sup>2</sup>. Irreducible complexity is one of two main arguments used by intelligent design proponents, the other being <u>specified complexity</u>.

**Specified complexity** is a concept proposed by <u>William Dembski</u> and used by him and others to promote the <u>pseudoscientific arguments</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> **Pseudoscience** is a term used to describe a claim, belief, or practice presented as <u>scientific</u>, but which does not adhere to the <u>scientific method</u>.

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of <u>intelligent design</u>. According to Dembski, the concept can formalize a property that singles out patterns that are both *specified* and *complex*, in specific senses defined by Dembski. He states that specified complexity is a reliable marker of design by an intelligent agent - a central tenet to intelligent design, which Dembski argues for in opposition to <u>modern</u> <u>evolutionary theory</u>.

**Legal-Historical proof** encompasses oral/written testimony and physical evidence. Utilizing Legal-Historical proof, I could prove (beyond a reasonable doubt) that I had lunch at Burger King last week. To verify my claim, you and I could:

- 1. make contact with employees at the restaurant,
- 2. I could introduce you to friends of mine that may have been with me to speak on my behalf, and, lastly,
- 3. I could present a receipt.

With all in mind, you could make the conclusion (beyond a reasonable doubt) that I did in fact have lunch at Burger King last week, never having "physically" seen me. It would be ridiculous to think otherwise.

**Empirical evidence** is information[proof] which is acquired by observation or experimentation. This data is recorded and analyzed by scientists and is a central process as part of the scientific method. The basis of the conclusion is that the event can be reproduced repeatedly with the same results.

## **Questions:**

- 1. How would you describe the original structure of earth?
- 2. Which animal-kind was created first [terrestrial, aquatic, avian]?
- 3. Who was created first ... mankind or animals?
- 4. Who/what was the model from which mankind was made?
- 5. Who was created first man or woman?

6. What did GOD do after GOD created man and woman?

7. What did GOD command man and woman to do?

8. What abilities did GOD give the man and woman?