

TOPIC NIGHT: CREATION

'You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.' - Revelation 4:11 (NIV 2011 Anglicised)

GENESIS 1-2

THE BIBLE'S USE OF THE CREATION ACCOUNTS

- Genesis 15:5
- Exodus 20:11; 31:17
- Exodus 25-31 (see also 1 Kings 6:38)
- Psalm 90:4
- Psalm 104
- Isaiah 40-55
- Matthew 19:4-5
- Romans 4:17
- Hebrews 1:2, 11:3
- Revelation 4:11

THE NON-NEGOTIABLE'S

- A real Adam and Eve
- A real fall
- Creation by God
- A deliberate creation
- The goodness of creation
- Time is going somewhere

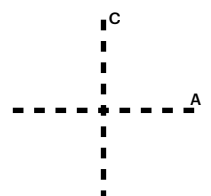
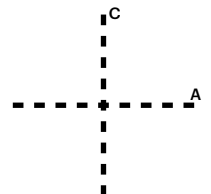
THE DIFFERENT ORTHODOX VIEWS

'Accommodation'

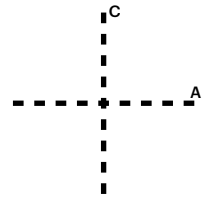
The 24-Hour Theory

The Gap Theory

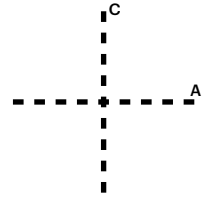
'Concordism'



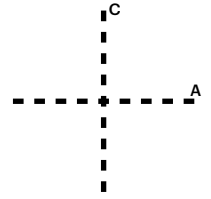
The Day-Age Theory



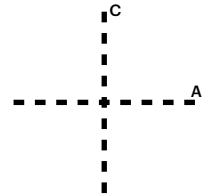
The Framework Theory



The Temple Inauguration Theory



The Historical Creationism Theory



SO THAT LEAVES...

RESOURCES I HAVE FOUND USEFUL...

- **40 Questions about Creation and Evolution (Keathley and Rooker)**
Written by two people with differing perspectives. Helpful for thinking about the topic generally.
- **Reading Genesis Well (C. John Collins)**
An attempt to take the author's purpose seriously and read the text faithfully.
- **God Dwells Among Us (Beale & Kim)**
Useful for seeing how the Bible uses the creation language elsewhere.
- **In the Beginning (Henri Blocher)**
Summarises a lot of the debates (up to 1984 at least!) and looks at what the Bible says.
- **Reading Genesis 1-2: An Evangelical Conversation**
Seven theologians with seven different views come together to discuss their views of Genesis 1-2.
- **BeThinking.org**
<https://www.bethinking.org/tag/creation>
Lots of articles on creation from lots of evangelical positions.
- **More than evolution (Dr Richard Buggs):**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Szve4PvJjU>
A short video looking at whether evolution gives atheism legitimacy.
- **Adam, Eve, and Human Genetic Diversity (Dr Richard Buggs):**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JpwyYBfZdVk>
Explains how evolutionary theory may, in fact, point to Adam and Eve.