# The Lord has made all things for Himself

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### The Almighty is to be praised

"Touching the Almighty, we cannot find him out: he is excellent in power, and in judgment, and in plenty of justice: he will not afflict." (Job 37:23)

"[16] And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God,

[17] Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned." (Revelation 11:16, 17)

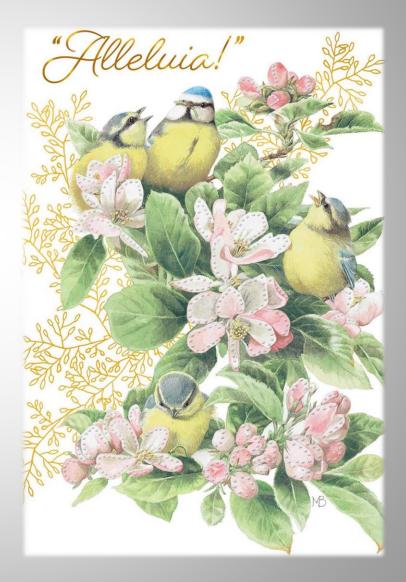
#### The purpose of creation

"For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is ..." (Exodus 20:11a)

"The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil." (Proverbs 16:4)

#### The purpose of creation

"Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created." (Revelation 4:11)



### What does creation testify of?

"The heavens declare <u>the glory of God</u>; and the firmament sheweth <u>his handywork</u>." (Psalm 19:1) "Their <u>line</u> [directed path] is gone out through all the earth, and their <u>words</u> [information] to the end of the world. In them hath he set a <u>tabernacle</u> [ordained place] for the sun" (Psalm 19:4)

### Creation testifies of God

#### The glory of God

It shows the almighty power of God in scope, design, intricacy and preciseness.

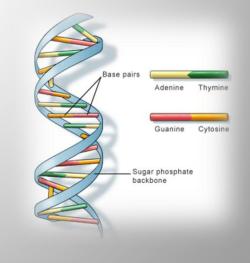
#### **His handywork**

The design of God is evident throughout creation in both micro and macro areas.

#### His words

The information from God in creation is shown through structure DNA, mathematical laws, His statutes for the operation of everything.





#### God made beauty

"He hath made every thing beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end." (Ecclesiastes 3:11)



#### What the fall has done

"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned" (Romans 5:12)

"For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now." (Romans 8:22)

See also Genesis 3:13-19.

The curse has come into creation through sin.

#### What will happen to creation?

"[41] The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;

[42] And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

[43] Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear." (Matthew 13:41-43)

### What will happen to creation?

"And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. ... And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away." (Revelation 21:1, 4)

"And there shall be <u>no more curse</u>: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him" (Revelation 22:3)

### The creation in Christ glorifies God

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2:10)

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." (2 Corinthians 5:17)

#### Christians point people to the Creator

"[14] In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

[15] Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

[16] For by him [our Redeemer] were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

[17] And he is before all things, and by him all things consist." (Colossians 1:14-17)

#### We rebuke error, such as false science

"[20] O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of <u>science falsely so called</u>:

[21] Which some professing have erredconcerning the faith. Grace be with thee. Amen."(1 Timothy 6:20, 21)

"And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather <u>reprove them</u>." (Ephesians 5:11)

#### Give glory to the Creator

"Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest." (Revelation 15:4)

"[3] For this man [Jesus Christ] was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house.

[4] For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God." (Hebrews 3:3, 4)

#### The Creator – Jesus Christ

- "[1] In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- [2] The same was in the beginning with God.
- [3] <u>All things were made by him</u>; and without him was not any thing made that was made.
- [4] In him was life; and the life was the light of men." (John 1:1-4)

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