

RESTORATION BIBLE MINISTRIES

The Three Great Works of God



Creation, Redemption, Restoration

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When a person is transformed by believing in the only begotten Son of God, their View of the World and the Universe substantially changes. Former "Rock Solid" atheistic World Views now crumble to the ground. Phoney "scientific" arguments about a Godless creation and a Godless random beginning of life have to be re-examined in light of the simple realities of a very complex design. The automated and incredibly complex systems by which the earth operates every day preclude random. The miracle of birth in and of itself is so complicated that random is simply not an option. The Godless View of the World and Universe must give way to the obvious simple truths of the World and of the Universe.

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. Psalms 19:1

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To seek and search for the Intelligence in the design of the World and Universe, only to deny the source of the Intelligence, is so intellectually ludicrous, that those who hold to this idea should be dismissed as not even worthy of intellectual consideration.

Bottom line, where there is a design, there must be a designer. Falling prey to Satan's agenda to use "science" as a tool to persuade people to dismiss God as non-existent is devastating to the community in body, soul, and spirit. We see the effects of this all over society.

I believe Romans 1:18-22 describes what is happening in our society very well.

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;

19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them.

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20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

It's not the first time that Satan has attempted to deceive people into believing his foolish lies.

Romans tell us that the "invisible things of him from creation of the world are clearly seen". They are clearly seen, but people refuse to see them.

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There are consequences for rejecting the Creator of the Universe. As a society, we are seeing the results of atheistic attitudes in a Godless society. Shootings are common place in our society because we don't fear God or respect each other. Tyranny is the norm because a "dog eat dog" society is the result of a power at any cost mindset instead of leadership making good decisions on behalf of all. Godless societies typically implode under the weight of their own sinfulness. Godless societies revert to the "dog eat dog" mentality instead of the truth of the Creator - Love your neighbor as yourself.

So, let's take a look at the 3 Great Works of God, starting with God as the Creator.

Creation



God is the Creator



In the Beginning God Created the Heavens and the Earth. Genesis 1:1

Genesis 1:1 gives us a foundational tenant of the faith and the fundamental reality of our Universe. God is the Creator. Since God is the Creator, He owns everything.

Psalms 24:1 tells us that the Earth and the fullness of the Earth belong to the Lord. Those that dwell on the Earth also belong to Him.

The earth is the LORD'S, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. Psalms 24:1

Since God owns everything, we must understand that we live in the reality He created. We live in His world.

God is the Creator

Many times, before people are asked to repeat the "Sinner's Prayer", they are told that they need to "Accept" the Lord. Although I appreciate the sentiment, we don't pray to accept Him, we pray that He will accept us. We are the rebels in need of forgiveness. He is the God of the Universe.

Jesus gives us an example of this in Luke 18:13

13 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.

Luke 18:13

It is our decision to accept or reject the free gift of salvation from the Lord, but I believe that it is very important to understand the dynamics of the relationship between God and man. Much of the time, the Lord is portrayed as only merciful and loving, but the "fear" of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom according to Psalms 111:10.

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever.
Psalms 111:10.

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In the account of Creation in Genesis 1:1, God provides us with all of the Elements of Life, including the very breath in our lungs. He has defined Himself with the Elements of Life. These themes of Life run throughout the entire Bible.

God is Light - The Theme of Day One and Four

5 This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. 1 John 1:5

The Spirit of God is the Living Water that Flows from our Bellies - The Theme of Day Two and Five

38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.
39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.) John 7:38-39

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Jesus is the Bread of God from the Seed and the Son of Man - The Theme of Day Three and Six.

33 For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.

John 6:33

23 And Jesus answered them, saying, The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified.

24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.

John 12:23-24

He is also the "Lord of the Sabbath" - The Theme of the Seventh Day of Rest.

8 For the Son of man is Lord even of the sabbath day.

Matthew 12:8

The Fundamental Truth of this Universe is that God is the Creator. He has given us our life, and He defines Himself with the elements of life that sustain us every day. God is the Creator!

God is the Redeemer

Redemption

The Fundamental Principle of our World is that "God is the Redeemer".

The reality of our world is that it is a planet at War. There is an Epic War Between God and Satan that Goes way back to the period before the "Foundation of the World". It has been Satan's plan to set his throne above the throne of God for a long, long, time. We see this in a proverb from the Book of Isaiah, Isaiah 14:12-15, where Satan, the deceiver, is identified as Lucifer, son of the morning.

12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

Isaiah 14:12

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13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit. Isaiah 14:13-15

So the question is "Why is death the just penalty for a rebel?".

The answer is obvious. Standard practice in a war on the earth is that the leader who is defeated, and his family, are put to death. The death of the leader will put an end to the rebellion or end the lineage of the throne that is displaced by the rebellion. A war generally results in the death of thousands, and sometimes millions of innocent people.

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In Genesis Chapter Two, We see God planting a garden and placing man in the Garden to care for the garden including naming all of the animals.

In Genesis Chapter 3, Satan, in the form of a serpent, deceives the first woman, Eve, and she and her husband, Adam, become rebels against God and are kicked out of the Garden. The man and the woman have now brought death to themselves, and the human race has now sided with the enemy of God and are in rebellion to God by breaking His commandment. They are now rebels before the God of the Universe, worthy of death.

It is only the goodness of God that allows the human race to continue. This conflict has to be resolved. Atonement has to be made. Ultimately, the only just penalty for a rebel against the God of the Universe is death. But, the merciful Creator has a plan to redeem the human race and restore them to their original state of Holiness before the God of the Universe. This is the plan of redemption.

God is the Redeemer

If death is the penalty of a rebel, then death is the required payment from a redeemer.

That is why the Son of God had to die to redeem mankind.

11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,

12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and Godly, in this present world;

13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

14 Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Titus 2:11-14

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A redeemer is a person who pays the price for another person.

When a family member has overwhelming debt and is about to go under, a family member can pay the debt and "redeem" the person from financial devastation. In times past, this financial devastation included being sold into slavery.

The human race, as rebels, has a debt of death that it could not pay. The only solution was the death of the Son of God, who had the ability to die and get his life back in resurrection. Jesus is our redeemer. He is the one who paid our debt. He gave His life for ours. He was sent to give us Eternal Life. The Eternal life we lost when we became rebels before the God of the Universe.

16 For God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

17 For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.

John 3:16-17

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Jesus, the only begotten Son of God, is our redeemer. He was obedient to His Father, even unto death.

5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

7 But made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

8 And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name:

10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;

11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2:5-11

God is the Restorer



Restoration

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The third Great Work of God is Restoration. God is going to Restore the Heavens and the Earth as at the Beginning. All of His enemies will be destroyed. Never again will another rebellion be allowed. Sin and Iniquity will be completely eliminated and Satan and those who follow him will be judged and punished.

A world of sin and death is not the desired goal of a good God, but necessary for a time. Everyone is witness to the fact that life is tough in it's current state of Sin and Death. God will restore Heaven and Earth to it's original state of Beauty and Peace, as it was in the beginning.

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When all of the enemies of God have been destroyed, and Heaven and Earth restored, nobody in the Kingdom will ever want to go back to a world of sin, death, and war. Revelation 21:1-8 gives us a description of the Restored Heaven and Earth.

1 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.

2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God.

4 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

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5 And He that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And He said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

6 And He said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

Revelation 21:5-8

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Creation

A rectangular panel with a gradient background transitioning from green on the left to purple on the right. A faint, semi-transparent world map is visible in the background.

Redemption

A rectangular panel with a gradient background transitioning from pink on the left to yellow on the right. A faint, semi-transparent cityscape is visible in the background.

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Psalms 119:104

Through thy precepts I get understanding:
therefore I hate every false way.

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Psalms 119:105

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet,
and a light unto my path.



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