

"From the cowardice that shrinks from new truth, from the laziness that is content with half-truths, from the arrogance that thinks it knows all truth, O, God of Truth, deliver us."



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IS GENESIS A MYTH?

If one read the book of Genesis without pre-conceived ideas and as if he lived in 1400 BC, before so called modern science and dozens of unbelievers' hypothesis, what would he conclude?

No Doubt:

- That God created the heavens and the earth in six literal 24-hour days that had evenings and mornings and rested on the seventh day.
- That the Garden of Eden was unique from the rest of the world and had everything that was needed by man for contentment and peace with God.
- That Eve, the first woman, was deceived by a sinister personality and that her husband joined her in her sin.
- That in Noah's day there was a flood that covered the entire world due to the wickedness of man's evil imagination. Only eight persons were saved and life started all over again for mankind.
- That from these three sons of Noah; Shem, Ham, and Japheth, came the origins of nations and a chronology of the ages of the earlier patriarchs who lived on this earth.
- That since the fall, the flood, the frustration at Babel, the famine, and the forefathers are mentioned that Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and Judah, were the generators of the Savior who was promised in **Genesis 3:15**, "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel." To mythicize any of these is to nullify this promise.
- That the history of the men who are specifically highlighted in the book, stand or fall together as the narratives links them into one historical unit. If we remove any of these events or persons, you do not have a complete Mosaic. (Pardon the pun.)

In light of the fact that Adam, Cain, Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Lot, Isaac, Melchizedek, Ishmael, Jacob and the twelve sons of Jacob and some of their wives and

children are mentioned and are specifically mentioned in the rest of the Bible, it is groundless to say that any part of the book is not historical, but mythological.

The fall, Cain's murdering of Abel, the destruction of the world by a flood, the sacrifice of Isaac, Abraham leaving Ur, His paying tithes to Melchizedek, the destruction of Sodom, and other such events, removes any doubt if they were historical events to the thinking man.

Jesus and the apostles referred to all of these events. If one leaves out these historical accounts, you have a book with no plot and only a book using lies as illustration in the other books of the Bible. It's like putting Jack and the beanstalk or Paul Bunyan in an American history or genealogical record.

Genesis shows that man sinned and needed a Savior. Then it displays God's sovereignty in electing certain men as the vehicles to bring grace to fallen man. It sets the stage for God's work in the rest of the Bible by promising the race and nation from which He would come, the land in which it would occur, and the seed through whom all the peoples of the world would be blessed. **Genesis 12:1-3**

Frankly, no serious student of the Word of God can miss the underlying plot for the rest of the scenarios of the redemption of man. To remove these is to spoil the very basic theme of the Gospel. Paradise was lost and God's plan for man to regain it requires that a man believe the entire book of Genesis.

Without Genesis there can be no true foundation or theology, there can be no types, there can be no allegories or successive world history. To reject **Genesis 1-50** is to put your soul in peril, because if it is true only in part, then one cannot trust the whole, nor Him who said, "Scripture cannot be broken!" (**John 10:35**)

To reject it is to deny inspiration and revelation from Him who said, "All Scripture is God-breathed." **Acts 1:16** To begin a book that claims to be "THE TRUTH" with lies, myths, and deceptions, is ludicrous. For one to pick and choose what he will believe due to alleged new evidence rather than what is obviously meant to be revealed by the author of the book, does not appear to be an honest reading of the Holy Scriptures.

It does not allow the Creator to tell His story as it happened. One may believe there is a God and deny the Genesis account but he cannot believe that the Lord is the God of the Bible, or that Jesus is the Incarnate Son of God. Jesus fully accepted the Genesis account. If one does not believe Jesus is the Son of God, he is condemned already.

John 3:16-18, "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. 18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: **but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.**"

Better re-think your modernistic or humanistic position on Genesis!!!

It is not called the "seed plot" of the Bible for no reason. First the seed, then the tree, then the bloom and then the fruit.

The seed better not be imitation or there is not fruit to be enjoyed.

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