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STUDIES IN GENESIS

GENESIS 1:24-25

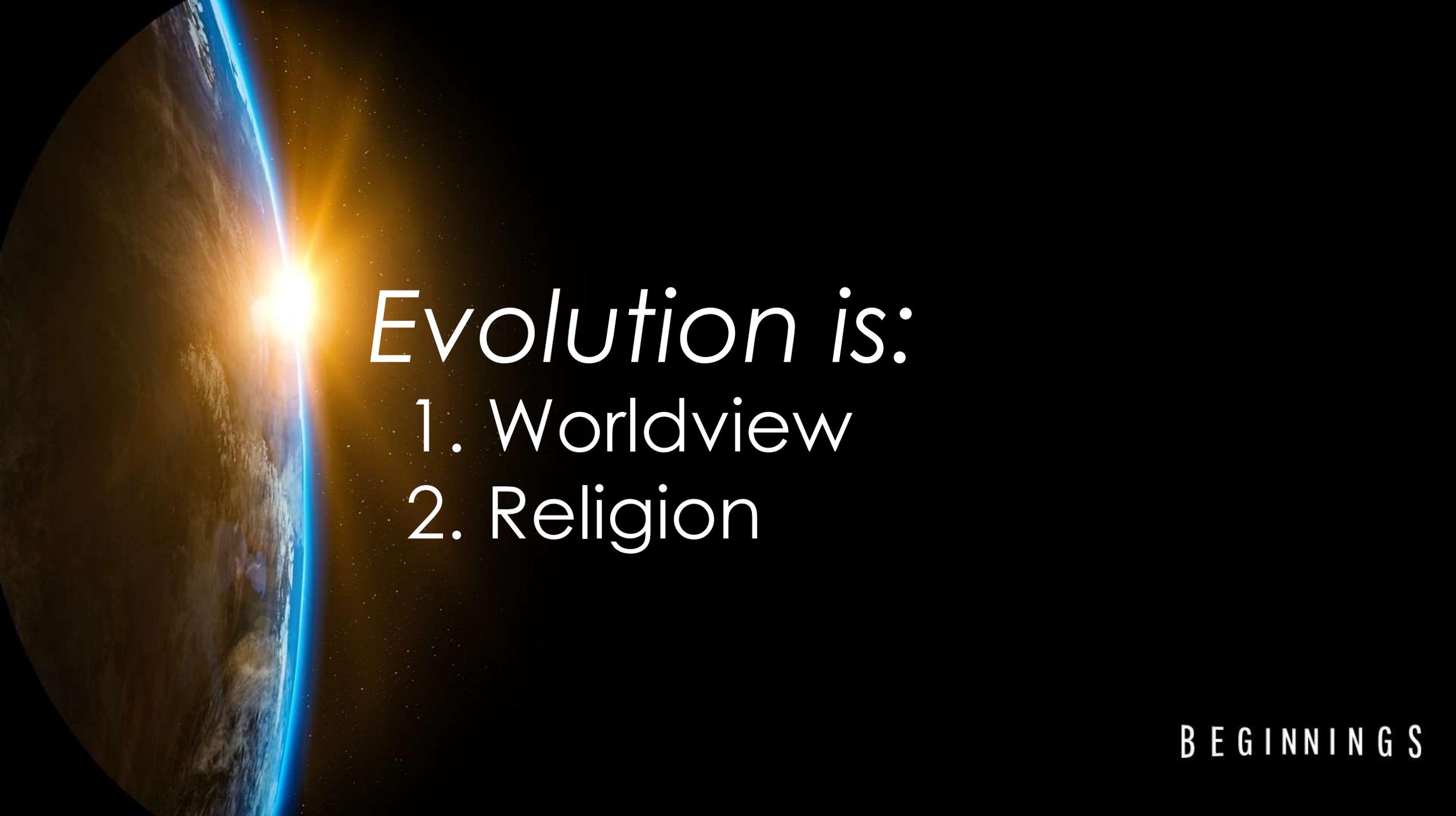
Theory of Evolution (from Wikipedia)

Evolution is change in the heritable characteristics of biological populations over successive generations. These characteristics are the expressions of genes that are passed on from parent to offspring during reproduction. Different characteristics tend to exist within any given population as a result of mutation, genetic recombination and other sources of genetic variation. Evolution occurs when evolutionary processes such as natural selection and genetic drift act on this variation, resulting in certain characteristics becoming more common or rare within a population. It is this process of evolution that has given rise to biodiversity at every level of biological organization, including the levels of species, individual organisms and molecules.



3 *Proofs:*

1. Fossil Record
2. Comparative Similarities
3. Geographical Distribution



Evolution is:

1. Worldview

2. Religion

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Richard Dawkins: *'It is absolutely safe to say that if you meet somebody who claims to not believe in evolution that person is ignorant, stupid, or insane, or wicked, but I'd rather not consider that'*

Bruce Waltke *'If the data is overwhelmingly in favor of evolution to deny that reality will make us a cult''*

Bio logos Website *'...genetics removes all reasonable doubt'*

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Evolution: All Creatures Evolved

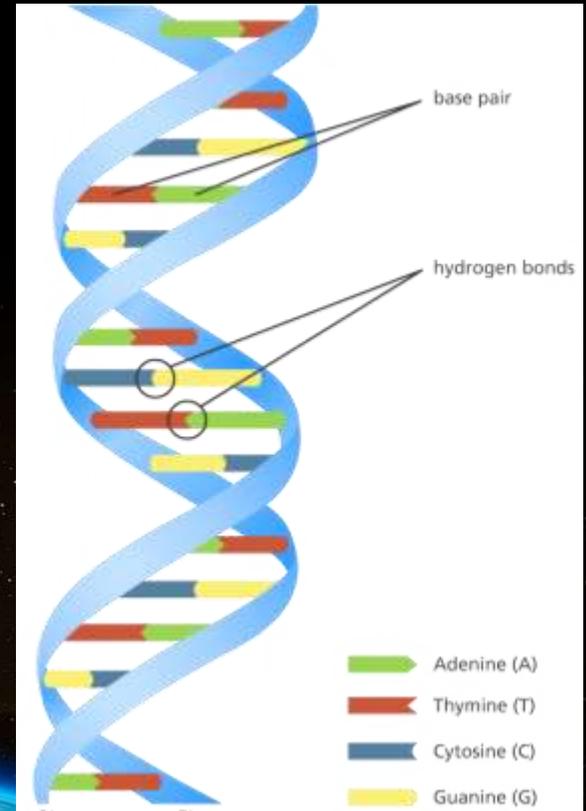
Bible: “God said...”

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Evolution: Comparative Similarities

- a. 99% same as all Human DNA
- b. 98.7% same as Chimpanzee DNA
- c. 85% same as Mouse DNA
- d. 60% same as Banana DNA



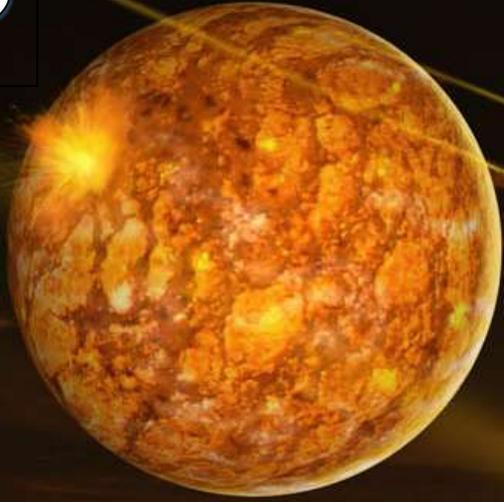
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Bible: 'let the earth bring forth'

Gen 2:7 then the Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground & breathed into his nostrils the breath of life & the man became a living creature.

- a. Creatures of the Earth all made of **Same Stuff**
- b. Creatures of the Earth all made by **Same Designer**

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*Evolution: Life Spontaneously
Evolved from Primordial Soup*

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Bible: 'living creatures'

a. God is **Author of Life**

b. We are **Accountable to Him**

Dawkins: *'Even if there were no actual evidence in favor of the Darwinian theory we should still be justified in preferring it over all rival theories'*

Harvard biologist Richard Lewton: *'We have a prior commitment to materialism... materialism must be absolute for we cannot allow a Divine foot in the door'*

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Evolution: Fossil Record

Bible: 'according to their kind'

- a. No Missing Link*
- b. No Intermediate Fossils*
- c. No Fossils over most time*

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Bible: God Creates 3 kinds of Animals

- a. Livestock
- b. Creeping Things
- c. Beasts

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Evolution: Geographical Distribution
Bible: **'and it was so'**

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Evolution: Violent & Harsh

A detailed prehistoric scene set during a golden sunset. In the foreground, a Triceratops with a large, textured frill and three prominent horns is shown in profile, facing right. In the middle ground, a large Tyrannosaurus Rex stands on its hind legs, its mouth open as if roaring or communicating. To the right, a smaller, bipedal dinosaur is running towards the right. The background features a large, leafy tree on the left, a smaller fern on the right, and distant, hazy mountains under a sky filled with soft, golden light. Two pterosaurs are seen flying in the upper portion of the sky.

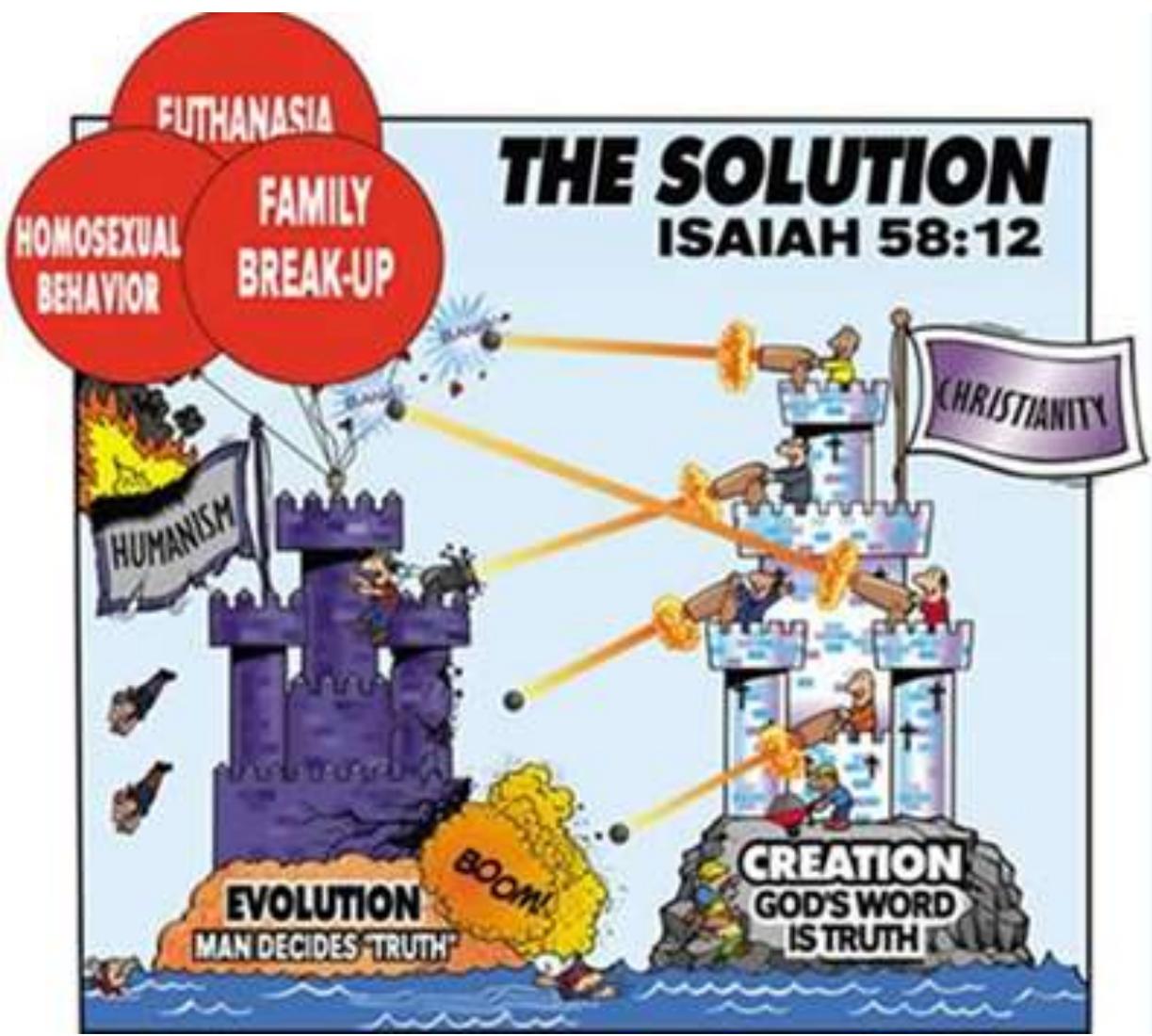
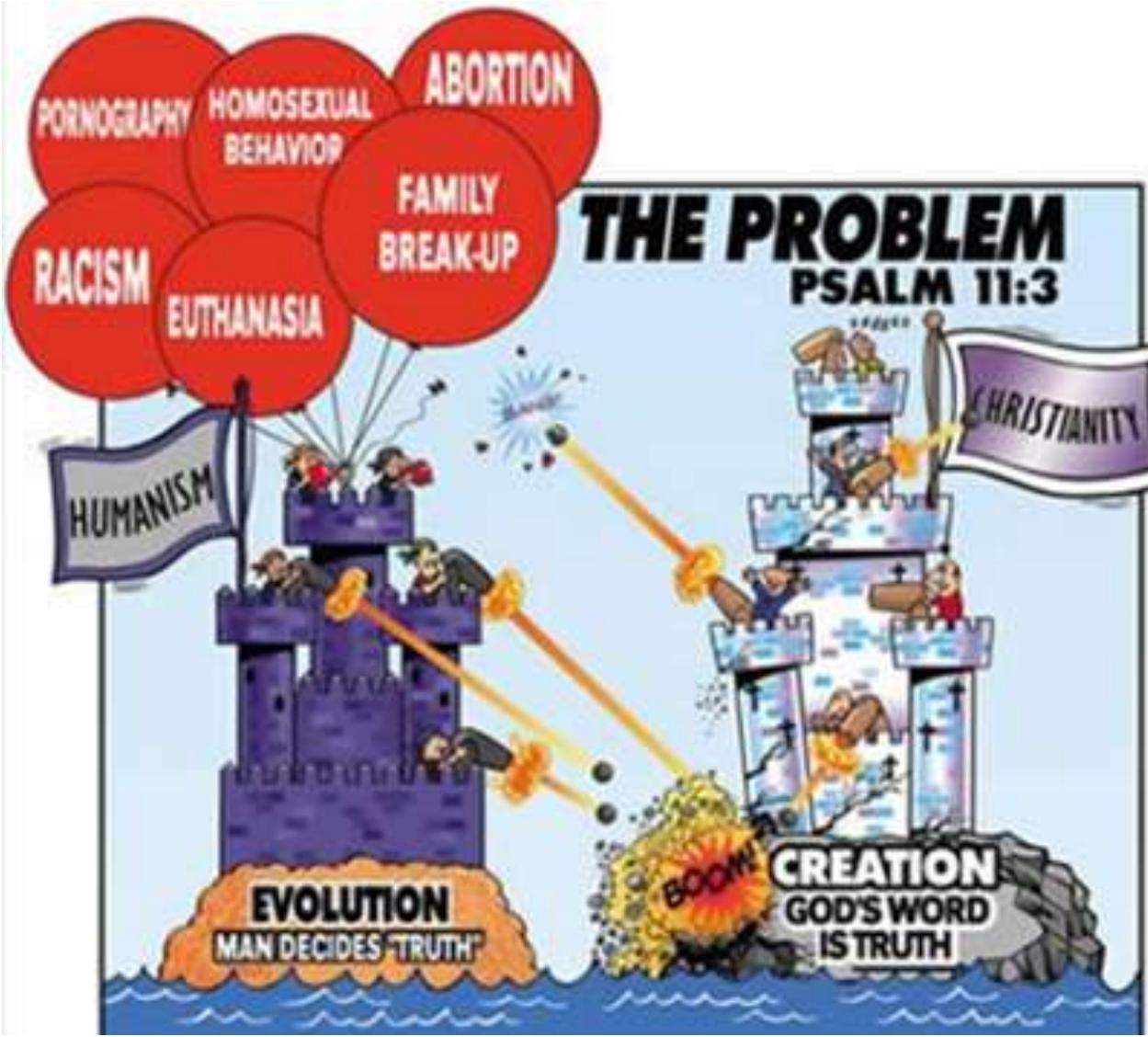
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Bible: 'God saw that it was good'

- a. Creation is Perfect
- b. Creation is Made for Mankind

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1. To Protect God's Glory
2. To Protect Inerrancy of Bible
3. To Protect Jesus' Redemption
4. To Protect us from Sin





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