

# RIVER BIBLE COURSE

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## HOW THE WORLD BEGAN

### River Bible Course - Creation

The biggest enemy to attack Christianity in the 20th century was the pseudo-scientific lie of evolution. But as the 21st century dawns new evidence has emerged giving Christians powerful arguments concerning how the world **really** began.

However the scope of this study is to teach what the **Bible** says about creation rather than debate the details. And the bottom line is this: God created the world! Write out Genesis 1:1

Fill in the missing words:

"You alone are the LORD . \_\_\_\_\_ even the highest heavens,  
and all their starry host, \_\_\_\_\_ and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them.  
You give life to everything, and the multitudes of heaven worship you." (Nehemiah 9: 6)

There is no disagreement between Christians up to this point. But when it comes to **how** God created the world people begin to contradict each other.

### Theory 1

God created the world but ...  
**Evolution was the method God used to do it?**

This theory is a cop-out for Christians who want to believe in God but don't want to get into arguments about it. However it creates more problems than it solves. Evolution by definition requires that one species, over millions of years, changes into a completely different kind.

Is that what the Bible says?  
Study Genesis 1:21-25  
and tick the correct box.

Everything was created  
according to its kind

Gradual evolution from  
one kind to the other

What is worse, evolution lowers man from the image of God to the level of an animal. So take your pick: -

God used evolution to make man.  
Not created in God's image after all.  
Therefore Genesis is not true.

Man is an evolving animal.  
Yes, God made man in His image.  
Therefore God is an animal too.

God is a moral and spiritual being.  
Man is made in the image of God.  
Therefore evolution is a lie!



Fill in the missing line.

"Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground. So God created man in his own image,

\_\_\_\_\_ male and female he created them." (Genesis 1: 26-27)

Since God created us in His image it means that we are capable of spiritual perception; making moral judgements; showing altruistic love. Animals cannot do these. (See study seven, "Why you are special to God.") That is why evolution could not be the method God used to create the world. Christians who say they believe in 'Theistic Evolution' should stop and consider what the 'Image of God' means. The theory simply doesn't fit!

