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Thoughts from our Pastor:

God Created Everything.

Genesis 1:1 "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."

I have found in listening to some people, that they just have a hard time believing God. But they have no problem believing a liar like Charles Darwin. He was the man who invented a false doctrine named Darwinism back in about 1860 or so. This false doctrine that was called Darwinism and is today known as evolution. I am not a student of evolution and my knowledge it is very limited, but of what I do know, it's a very false doctrine. Satan hates God, Satan is the father of all false knowledge about God. Satan uses poor biblical ignorant souls like Darwin to create an opposition to Truth. People search for a truth that they can latch onto so they can satisfactorily understand things. The problem is if they do not know the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour and have a living spirit in them, then they would believe the lie of Satan over the truth of God. Jesus said, "Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word. (44) Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it. (47) He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God." John 8:43 – 44, 47 Satan is the "father of lies" Satan is the first liar, and he is the god of all liars. It is because He has the world blinded so that they cannot see the truth. If God does not lift that cloud of darkness by quickening their inner spirit than they will live and die believing the lies of Satan, never hearing, or understanding God's truth.

Therefore, lost people and even some ignorant Christians believe the lies of Satan over the truth of God. When it comes to the beginning of the earth, people are easily convinced that evolution is real, and creation is a lie. There is one true, and detailed recorded account of how everything got here, the account of the bible. God tells us, in pretty good details how everything was created by Him. God tells us how He created the earth, how He with His glory gave it light, then He created the sun, moon, and stars for light, how He created everything else. God even explains how man and woman were created in detail; He even explains how life got here. God gave a very satisfactory explanation of His creation, except to the world, they would rather believe a mythical account that has no satisfactory account over God's account. Their account is this, a cell fell into the ocean, evolved into a fish like

creature, evolved into a sea-creature, washed up on the seashore, evolved into a monkey, then an ape, then a man. Wow, what an imagination that thought that all up. The problem with a lie is, it is never provable, it is never fully explainable. The question that destroys their lie is, where did life come from? Life must have a beginning; life does not just appear. Where did everything come from before the evolution started. And last, why did the evolution stop? None of this is explainable in the teachings of evolution, however, they are when God explains it. Life came from the Eternal God, and He created everything else. People talk about science, how brilliant these people are in explaining things, but did you know almost all scientists are agnostic? Satan has his lies and God has His truth, and people will believe Satan's lie over God's truth every time. God said, "In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them." 2 Corinthians 4:4 Jesus said they are blinded by Satan's lie and will never believe the Truth of God. Therefore, they believe lies about the bible, they say salvation is within man own ability and God said its by grace, they say salvation is by works and God said its through Jesus Christ, they say the church is universal and God said it's a local body, they say the church started in Act's two and Jesus said He started it. All lies with no explanation because lies have no foundation. These people are always Anti-God in every thought, every imagination is evil. "And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually." Genesis 6:5 Do you believe God's word, as written, or Satan's unprovable lies?

Those ghastly corpses might well have affrighted Rizpah! By Charles H. Spurgeon

"Then Rizpah, the mother of two of the men, spread sackcloth on a rock and stayed there the entire harvest season. She prevented vultures from tearing at their bodies during the day, and stopped wild animals from eating them at night." 2 Samuel 21:10

If the love of a woman to her slain sons could make her prolong her mournful vigil for so long a period, shall we be weary of considering the sufferings of our blessed Lord? She drove away the vultures, and shall not we chase away those worldly and sinful thoughts which defile our minds? Away, you evil birds! Leave the sacrifice alone!

Rizpah bore the scorching heat of summer, the night dews and the rains, *unsheltered* and *alone*. Sleep was chased from her weeping eyes, for her heart was too full for slumber. Behold how she loved her children! Shall Rizpah thus endure, and shall *we* give up at the first little inconvenience or trial? *Are we such cowards*, that we cannot bear to suffer with our Lord? She even chased away the wild beasts, with courage unusual in her gender; and will not we be ready to encounter every foe for Jesus' sake?

Her children were slain by *other* hands than hers, and yet she wept and watched. What ought *we* to do, who by *our sins*, have crucified our Lord! Our *obligations* are boundless, our *love* should be fervent, and our *repentance* thorough!

Those ghastly corpses might well have affrighted Rizpah! But in our Lord, at whose cross-foot we are sitting--there is nothing revolting, but everything attractive! Never was *living beauty* so enchanting, as a *dying Savior*! To abide by His cross, will be our solace.

Scripture For Thought!

Jeremiah 23:23 - 24 "Am I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off? (24) Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD.

Proverbs 15:3 "The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good."