

A Weekly Publication of the



120 Cave Street Horse Cave, KY 42749 We gladly welcome you to our congregation, trusting that — if you are *seeking Christ* you will find Him here, if *sorrowing* you will receive comfort and strength here, if *troubled in spirit* you will gain the blessing of peace here, if *discouraged* you will rejoice in encouragement and hope here, if *friendless* you will find companionship and Christian love here. That these and other blessings may be yours is our prayer.

TIME OF SERVICES (CST):

Sunday: Bible Study 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday: Bible Study 6 PM

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The Savior Settles the Issue

When did mankind appear upon the earth? Many people disagree. Some think evolution allowed man to ascend from a lower life form. Others think that God created man instantly out of the earth and breathed into him the breath of life (based upon Gen. 1-2). Many Christians even disagree on this issue, despite what the Bible says. Some even blend the two ideas – that God created man via the evolutionary process. Still others say that Gen. 1-2 are poetical accounts of what ancient man believed, but are not fact concerning the origin of man. Sometimes the debate gets quite heated. How can we find the truth?

What if Jesus could answer the question for us? Would we accept that? Well, He did. When He was questioned about divorce and remarriage in Matthew 19, Jesus then gave an answer that included the origin of the home and the origin of man. In part, He said, "Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning 'made them male and female'" (Matthew 19:4).

Note that Jesus said that God "made" that initial pair. The word Jesus used for "made" in that passage is the word "poieo" and means "to produce, to fashion, to create." In fact, the English Standard Version has translated that word as "created." Additionally, the Greek tense (the aorist) indicates that this was an individual specific act. If Jesus wanted to give the impression that God made mankind through a slow, developmental process, He would have used the imperfect tense, which suggests a progressive ongoing action as viewed in the past. But He didn't, because He knew that they were made all at once.

Note also that Jesus said that God made them "male and female." Jesus did not subscribe to the notion that life was originally an asexual or bisexual blob of some sort that ultimately evolved into male and female. He said that they were intentionally created male and female and remained that way all along.

Finally, note that Jesus said that God made them male and female "at the beginning." Mark's parallel passage in Mark 10:6 says that this was at "the beginning of the creation." Jesus puts mankind at the creation of the world, not millions of years afterwards (cf. Exodus 20:11).

Without a doubt, Jesus confirmed the idea of divine, intentional, instant creation of mankind as their origin – and He ought to know, for He was there (Genesis 1:26-27; John 1:1-3; Colossians 1:16).

I know this: If I believe exactly what My Lord knew and spoke about the origin of man, I will not be wrong. Hallelujah, the Savior settles the issue!

- Edd Sterchi Broadway Church of Christ Campbellsville, KY

NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Becky Hatcher undergoing dialysis 3X times a week; Doris Wallace undergoing therapy; Sydney Bunnell; Dennis Hogan tested+ for COVID and had to stay home last Sunday, but was here Wed.; Billy Bybee met with his dr. in Nashville a few days ago as he seeks relief from his pain; Mary Whittington; Joey Palmore recuperating at home from orthopedic surgery, still some pain; Mark Hatcher had a colonoscopy Wed.; Becky Bush has returned to her home after back surgery; Tony Bush; Connie Campbell; Mike Thompson; Joyce Dye; Sonny Dye has been having back issues; Dixie Napier's son Randy; Dennis Hogan wasn't feeling well Wed. and did not get out; Helen Edwards in Bowling Green; Don Waddell; Carl Thomas; Steve Seaton; Willadean Jones (Becky's aunt) recovering from broken hip; Terry and Debbie Bunnell; Mary Hatcher; Parker Bybee; Brenda Brooks recovering from surgery to remove cancer

BARREN COUNTY HEALTH & REHAB

Brenda Jaggers Room #47

NHC in Glasgow

Randal Lockett (Doris Wallace's brother-in-law)

PRAY FOR MISSION EFFORTS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks World English Institute (WEI) Darrell Wallace Manna Project

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10 a.m.

We are studying the *Gospel of John*. Dennis Hogan is serving as the teacher.

PREACHING TODAY

11 am Dennis Hogan Jesus Spoke With Authority 5 pm Dennis Hogan Lessons from the Golden Calf

WEDNESDAY NIGHT 6:00

We continue our study of the *Parables of Jesus*. last Wed. Scott Huff had a great lesson last week. This Wed. Wayne is to be the teacher.

OUR RADIO PROGRAM

We are very pleased to sponsor "In Search of the Lord's Way" heard on our local radio station WLOC 101.7 FM and 1150 AM each Sunday morning from 8:30 - 9:00 with Phil Sanders. Please pray for this great ministry as the seed of the gospel is being sown by means of this biblical program. Phil Sanders does an excellent job!! It is produced in Edmond, OK

NOTE: If you are unable to pick up the radio signal or do not live in our area, you can log on to **wloconline.com** and then choose to listen on your computer or use the **tunein** app on you mobile devices.

AREA GOSPEL MEETINGS

March 12 Mt. Pleasant Church of Christ with with Dale Jenkins Session 1 - 9 am Worship/ Session 2 Meal Session 3 - following meal

March 15-17 South Green St. Church of Christ in Glasgow "The Parables of Jesus" Guest Speaker: Melvin Otey

March 17-20 Elizabethtown Church of Christ with Ron Stough of Duncan, OK

March 24-27 Poplar Log Church of Christ 12220 Tompkinsville Rd. Glasgow Guest Speaker: Bill Watkins

Flyers are on our bulletin board

LADIES DAY

March 16 Elizabethtown Church of Christ "Finding Joy in the Journey" with Tiffany Gaines See flyer on bulletin board

Dennis Hogan's Podcast https://jesus360degrees.podbean.com/





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