

Genesis 1:1 In the Beginning, God...

Most religions have an origin story. These are mankind's attempts at explaining where they came from in poetic, or in some cases disturbing, ways. These stories include characters that seem and act just like those that created them. Often you have a story where there is one god that creates many others. Each taking up a handful of responsibilities like agriculture, health or war. Mesopotamian civilization had thousands of such gods. Each with back stories, rules and explanations as to what they could do. They fit the pattern of comic books or fairy tale stories. These would comfort small children and entertain workers at the end of the day. If your child were to say "Mom, Dad, where does lightening come from?" depending on where you are on the planet and what year it is you might say, "Thor (Norse), Zeus (Greek), Indra (Hindu), Raijin (Japan), Thunderbird (Native American) or St. Barbara, is putting on a show. Prayers and often sacrifices would be given to these gods in hopes of currying favor with their particular attributes.

Beyond fairy tales, there is theory. Theory is a scientist's educated guess. We can't prove it as fact, but its what we think based on what we can observe and test. The theory of evolution is just as ridiculous as the pagan creationist stories. A massive explosion of matter doesn't explain where the matter came from. They say that single-cell organisms came to life from inorganic material. A trick we have never been able to witness or prove. Billions have been spent trying to make life out of inorganic material, they have never been able to do it, and we will never be able to do it, because it is impossible. When mankind tries to explain where it came from without giving credit to Jehovah, we make fools out of ourselves. Every guess as silly as the last!

The Bible opens with a fact. It doesn't go into a hard back story of why there is a God, how there could be a God or where God came from. He is Jehovah. He isn't one of a cycle, He is the one and only. The living God. The beginning of the book of Genesis speaks of God as sovereign as He is. As though, "Of course He is, and of course He has the power!".

He is responsible for all of creation and things only exist because He created them. Which means you, me and everything around us are His and were created because He wanted them. (Revelations 4:11) Though He has His chosen people, and His elect, He doesn't belong to us, we neither created Him nor can we change Him. It goes the other way around. He fashioned us in His image and continues to shape us as individuals to further fit His expectations of us.

The conclusion:

Reject mankind's fables and accept God as a fact. Believe that He is the sole creator of all things. The next time you see a sunrise or sun set, praise God for it. When you enjoy time out in nature (please tell me you are spending time out in God's beautiful creation) thank God for the work He has done there. We have no other option than to give God credit for creation, and worship Him in it. Everything we can see on this earth is a testament to the power of God. Though we may create beautiful things, nothing we could ever make could compare to the beauty, size and intricacy of what God can make. Consider often the maker of the world you live in, treat what He has made with respect, and give Him credit and praise for it.