

Is There A Real Spirit World?

Part 2

To understand the present spirit world we need to look at pre-human history

Not much of pre-human history is revealed in the Christian Bible, but enough to allow us to make right choices as to what spirit being we allow to influence our life, God or Satan.

Genesis 1:1-2 [NIV] *“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.”*

Between verse one, God’s initial creation and verse two there is an immeasurable length of time.

How do I know this?

The Hebrew word translated “was” is “hâyâh” which means “to exist”, “come to pass” or “became”.

When we read in the following verses about the creation which included the creation of human beings we see that God’s evaluation of His creation was always *“God saw that it was good”*, **not** *“formless and empty”*.

Genesis 1:3 [NIV] *“And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light.”*

Nor was this new creation “darkness” for the first thing God created was “light”.

Psalms 104:30 [NIV] *“When you send your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth.”*

Speaks about this re-forming of the face of the earth.

When we understand and accept this re-creation of the earth to prepare for the introduction of human beings, there is **no** conflict between the millions of years that science places on the physical existence of the earth and the Christian Bible account of the re-creation of the earth’s surface about 6,000 years ago.

What happened to cause the first creation to become so damaged as to be “formless and empty”?

What life existed on earth before this re-creation ready for human beings?

Job 38:4-7 [NIV] *“Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation? Tell me, if you understand. Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone, while the morning stars sang together and **all the angels shouted for joy?**”*

Note that when God was explaining to Job the re-creation of the earth on which he lived, God said the *“angels shouted for joy”*.

Angels pre-existed this creation that included human beings!

1 Corinthians 15:45 [NIV] *“So it is written: “The first man Adam became a living being”; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit.”*

Adam is called the first human being.

Genesis 3:20 [NIV] *“Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living.”*

Eve is called the mother of all human beings.

Genesis 6:5-7 [NIV] *“The LORD saw how great man’s wickedness on the earth had become, and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the time. The LORD was grieved that he had made man on the earth, and his heart was filled with pain. So the LORD said, “I will wipe mankind, whom I have created, from the face of the earth, men and animals, and creatures that move along the ground, and birds of the air, for I am grieved that I have made them.”*

This wickedness, sin, of human beings caused what we call Noah’s flood that destroyed the surface of the earth.

Whose wickedness or sin caused the destruction of the original earth and universe?

This destruction was not confined to the earth, for geologists and astronomers see a universe that shows signs of being the wreckage of some titanic battle.

The surface of our moon and nearby planets are all covered with giant craters.

The pre-human earth was populated by angels with Satan [ex-Lucifer] as their king.

2 Corinthians 4:4 [NIV] *“The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.”*

Satan is the past and present “god”, leader or one in charge of this world.

Matthew 4:8-10 [NIV] *“Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. “All this I will give you,” he said, “if you will bow down and worship me.” Jesus said to him, “Away from me, Satan! For it is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.’”*

Jesus did **not** tell Satan that the world was **not** his to give!

Isaiah 14:12-14 [NIV] *“How you have fallen from heaven, O morning star, son of the dawn! **You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations! You said in your heart, “I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of the sacred mountain. I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.”***

Satan [former Lucifer] tried to take over God’s throne.

This could be the reason for the battle that caused the destruction of the surface of the earth, moon and planets, the rebellious sin of Satan a powerful created angel.

Ezekiel 28:12-17 [NIV] *“Son of man, take up a lament concerning the king of Tyre and say to him: ‘This is what the Sovereign LORD says: “**You were the model of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. You were in Eden, the garden of God; every precious stone adorned you: ruby, topaz and emerald, chrysolite, onyx and jasper, sapphire, turquoise and beryl. Your settings and mountings were made of gold; on the day you were created they were prepared. You were anointed as a guardian cherub, for so I ordained you. You were on the holy mount of God; you walked among the fiery stones. You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created till wickedness was found in you. Through your widespread trade you were filled with violence, and you sinned. So I drove you in disgrace from the mount of God, and I expelled you, O guardian cherub, from among the fiery stones. Your heart became proud on account of your beauty, and you corrupted your***

wisdom because of your splendour. **So I threw you to the earth; I made a spectacle of you before kings.**”

Satan’s sin, downfall and violence.

1 Peter 5:8 [NIV] *“Be self-controlled and alert. **Your enemy the devil** prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.”*

Satan has this same violent spirit full of hate for human beings and is prowling the earth seeking to destroy us.

Satan is our enemy.

Revelation 12:3-4 [NIV] *“Then another sign appeared in heaven: **an enormous red dragon** with seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns on his heads. **His tail swept a third of the stars out of the sky and flung them to the earth.** The dragon stood in front of the woman who was about to give birth, so that he might devour her child the moment it was born.”*

The “*dragon*” [one of Satan’s names] took with him when he was cast down to the earth one third of the created angels. [“*stars*” refer to angels – see **Revelation 1:20**]

These angels are the demons who are now on earth working for Satan.

1 Peter 5:8-9 [NIV] *“Be self-controlled and alert. **Your enemy the devil** prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. **Resist him, standing firm in the faith,** because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings.”*

We are told to resist Satan our enemy and to stand firm in our faith.

To resist and overcome an enemy we need to know their tactics, how they attack us.