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How Do We Approach This?

Genesis 1:1

"In the beginning God..."

1) Everything begins with God

Genesis 1:3

"And God said let there be light and there was light"

2) What God says is eternal and true

1 Peter 1:24,25

For, "All people are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, ²⁵but the word of the Lord endures forever."

Genesis 1:27

"So God created mankind in His own image, in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them."

- We are all created in the image of God.
- Creation was affirmed by Jesus

Matthew 19:4

"Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female.."

God distinctly created them male and female

Genesis 1:31

"God saw all that He had made, and it was very good."

3) Everything God does is good

How Do We respond?

We always love

<u>1 Corinthians 16:14</u>

"Do everything in love."

Love always contains truth

Ephesians 4:15

"Instead, speaking the <u>truth in love</u>, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ."

Love without Truth is Hypocrisy Truth without Love is Brutality

1 John 4:18

"There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love."

• Love always leaves the door open

We all must Learn to be content

Philippians 4:13

"I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. ¹² I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. ¹³ I can do all this through Christ who gives me strength."

Notes