

What Wasn't Good During Creation Week?

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Did you know there was one day during the creation week that God did **not** say was good?

The 2nd day.

Then God said, "Let there be a space between the waters, to separate the waters of the heavens from the waters of the earth." And that is what happened. God made this space to separate the waters of the earth from the waters of the heavens. God called the space "sky." And evening passed and morning came, marking the second day.
Genesis 1:6-8

It's interesting considering what was created that day... Nothing.

As far as I can tell, God only separated already created things making an expanse, a void so to speak.

And during the creation week, do you recall what God said was not good?

That man should be alone.

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him."
Genesis 2:18

So before sin on the earth, there was something God said was not good and something God was silent about, possibly because of lack of goodness. I find this fascinating.

I see a possible connection between the two, I don't want to be accused of trying to add to scripture, but it seems to me that loneliness and the separation of matter making an expanse has **"nothing"** in common. That perhaps the lack of something or lack of anything or consequently the lack of God is what is not good.

It could be said that there is nothing that God did not create. That is to say that God did not create "nothing"; nothing is the absence of God's creation. It can also be said that evil is the absence of God while sin is the act of moving further from God and closer to evil. Although sin is a product of free will and free will is a product of God, God giving man the ability to choose between God and nothing is not the same as creating nothing and thus, not the same as creating evil.

Also, God does not make mistakes or change His mind. Some may argue that in various places in the Bible, God does change His mind, like in Genesis 6 when it's recorded that God was sorry He made man, but God's attitude towards sin is always the same. What is really happening is man becomes so evil, it prompts a response from God. It is man who really changes, not God. An example of this is how different materials slow the speed of light down (glass, water, etc.). However, light is constant and like light, God too is constant.

Since we live in God's presence every day, from the moment we are born to the moment we die, we do not know what it truly means to be apart from God, if we did we surely would not choose to be. We can only experience small glimpses of what it would be like when we lose loved ones or lose the love of the ones we love.

So it is the sad reality that sin separates us from God. God does not want us to be separated from Him but because of the gift of free will which God has given each of us, we can choose to live a life without Him. Because God is holy, He cannot give anyone a "free pass" and let sin go unpunished but the good news is that someone already bore your punishment for you and His name is Jesus! All you need to do is accept His gift and turn from your sin. It is my prayer that you choose to do so right now, because you may not get another chance tomorrow and there is nothing worse than a lack of God for eternity.

"For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him. "There is no judgment against anyone who believes in him. But anyone who does not believe in him has already been judged for not believing in God's one and only Son."
John 3:16-18