What Do You See?

Introduction

Scripture Reading: Genesis 1:6-27

- 1. Read Poem "What Do You See?" by Kaleena Thetford
- 2. This question, "What Do You See?" is ever before man.
 - A. "Beauty is in the eye of the beholder."
 - 1) We can see what we want or choose to see. To the Bible believing, faithful Christian God is seen all around us on a constant basis.
- 3. It is sad, as reflected in this beautiful poem, that the very existence of God is denied by so many.
- 4. Others have claimed that there are many gods consisting of anything that one wants to worship and cling to.
- 5. Some claim that "God is dead" or never existed!
- 6. In this morning's lesson, using the Bible as our inspired guide, we will examine and prove that almighty God does exist and He is REAL!

Something Did Not Come from Nothing!

- 1. If there truly is "nothing," then something can not exist because "nothing" is there and "something" can't be born from "nothing."
- 2. Listen to God He can tell it best.

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Isaiah 42:5 Thus says God the LORD, Who created the heavens and stretched them out, Who spread forth the earth and that which comes from it, Who gives breath to the people on it, And spirit to those who walk on it:

Genesis 1:6-27

John 1:3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

Colossians 1:16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.

3. God is the creator of ALL things. He existed before anything was created. He brought all things into existence and that includes every soul that has ever lived.

Every Effect Must Have an Adequate Cause!

- 1. God proves Himself and His creation in that the effect of something had to have a cause. God caused it all to happen. We and all things are the effect of what only God could cause.
- 2. Let His Holy word show us:

Job 26:7 He stretches out the north over empty space; He hangs the earth on nothing.

Psalms 19:7 The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul; The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;

Psalms 19:1 The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork.

A. "Firmament" - The firmament refers to the vault or arch of the sky, also known as the heavens. It is the expanse of the sky.

(Merriam-Webster Dictionary)

Hebrews 1:1-3

Acts 17:22-29

- 3. The cause of all things was almighty God and the effect is all things.
 - A. The vast sky with its stars, comets, moon, and planets
 - B. The forests, grass, animals
- 4. In all of these things and everything else we can see, touch, and hear, do we always see the awesome power of God who is always right here with us?

A Design Implies a Designer!

- 1. There has never been a design made without one to design it. God is the master designer and all things were designed by Him.
- 2. Again, let God speak for Himself:

Isaiah 40:22 It is He who sits above the circle of the earth, And its inhabitants are like grasshoppers, Who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, And spreads them out like a tent to dwell in.

Genesis 1:3-5

Genesis 1:26-27

John 4:24 God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

- A. God has given us a manner in which to worship Him. This is totally by His design. We do not have the authority to change what He has instituted for us to follow to be pleasing to Him.
 - 1) In "spirit" and in "truth" right attitude in accordance with His divine truth the scriptures.

Psalms 104:24 O LORD, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all. The earth is full of Your possessions—

Conclusion

1. Think carefully about the last stanza of this beautiful poem:

What did you see through those unique eyes while they flashed?

How did your brain perceive the world while you lived?

You didn't see God when you walked along the path

You never saw God while you lived on this earth.

So, I guess

You never saw anything after all.

- 2. Open the Bible, cherish the word that God gave us.
 - A. It is only by having knowledge of Him, knowing that He created all things, gave us His only Son to die for each one of us, and obeying our master creator in order to obtain eternal life with Him.
- 3. When you look outward and upward, do you see nothing or do you see God surrounding you, comforting you, and providing the peace that only He can give?
- 4. "In the beginning, GOD created the heavens and the earth!"

Invitation **Place Date**

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