

KNOW AND TELL THE GOSPEL

Part 2: Box 1 Creation

INTRODUCTION

1. The gospel is...

2. TWTL is...

Two Ways To Live Outline



BOX 1: CREATION

THE MAIN IDEAS

1. God is the creator of the World

a

b

Heb 11: 3 By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

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Romans 1: 18 The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness, 19 since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. 20 For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.

2. God is the loving ruler of all things

Revelation 4: 11 "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."

Acts 14:17 Yet he has not left himself without testimony: He has shown kindness by giving you rain from heaven and crops in their seasons; he provides you with plenty of food and fills your hearts with joy."

Col 1:16 For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him.

Heb 1:3 ...sustaining all things by his powerful word.



3. Man rules creation under God

Psalm 8

Hebrews 2:5-9

Romans 8:29 For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

EXERCISE

In pairs: Person 1 try and explain these biblical concepts in two sentences or less using simple language without referring to the concept of God as creator. Person 2 do the same but using the concept of God as creator.

- *Sin*
- *Judgment*
- *Eternal life*

WHY IT MATTERS

Isaiah 40:12 Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, or with the breadth of his hand marked off the heavens? Who has held the dust of the earth in a basket, or weighed the mountains on the scales and the hills in a balance? 13 Who has understood the mind of the LORD, or instructed him as his counselor? 14 Whom did the LORD consult to enlighten him, and who taught him the right way? Who was it that taught him knowledge or showed him the path of understanding?

...18 To whom, then, will you compare God? What image will you compare him to? 19 As for an idol, a craftsman casts it, and a goldsmith overlays it with gold and fashions silver chains for it.



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WHAT THE WORLD THINKS

1. Materialism

2. Mysticism

1 Tim 4:2 Such teachings come through hypocritical liars, whose consciences have been seared as with a hot iron. 3 They forbid people to marry and order them to abstain from certain foods, which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and who know the truth. 4 For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, 5 because it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer.

3. Deism

Matthew 10:29 Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from the will of your Father.

4. The problem of evil



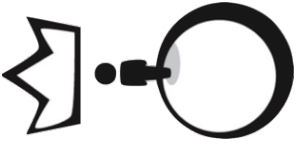
CONCLUSION

TO DO...

*In the boxes below draw the pictures and begin to learn the Bible verses.
Finish this off in your own time.*

Two Ways To Live Outline


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**1. God is the loving ruler of the world.
He made the world.
He made us rulers of the world under him.**

"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things and by your will they were created and have their being"
Revelation 4:11

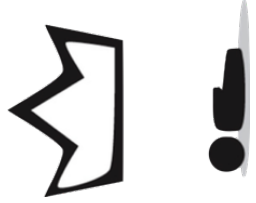
But is that the way it is now?



**2. We all reject the ruler - God - by trying to run life our own way without him.
But we fail to rule ourselves or society or the world.**

"There is no-one righteous, not even one; there is no-one who understands, no-one who seeks God. All have turned away." Romans 3:10-12


What will God do about this rebellion?



**3. God wont let us rebel for ever,
God's punishment for rebellion is death and judgment.**

"Man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment." Hebrews 9:27

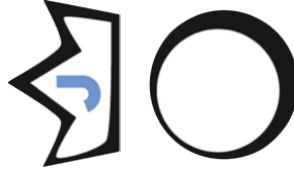
God's justice sounds hard. But..



**4. Because of his love, God sent his son into the world: the man Jesus Christ.
Jesus always lived under God's rule.
Yet by dying in our place he took our punishment and brought forgiveness.**

"Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God." 1 Peter 3:18

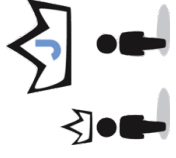
But that's not all...



**5. God raised Jesus to life again as the ruler of the world.
Jesus has conquered death, now gives life, and will return to judge.**

"In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." 1 Peter 1:3

Well where does that leave us?



6. The two ways to live

**A) Our way: reject the ruler - God.
Result: Condemned by God, facing death and judgment.**

**B) God's new way: Submit to Jesus as our ruler. Rely on Jesus' death and resurrection.
Result: Forgiven by God, Given eternal life.**

"Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on him." John 3: 36

Which of these represents the way you want to live?