

The Day God Founded Science

science *'sai əns \ n* : systematic knowledge of the physical or material world gained through observation and experimentation.

Have you ever read a more orderly account of anything than the description of creation in Genesis 1? In six days, God created the cosmos, the world and everything in it (Ps. 24:1). Light, water, land, heavenly bodies, aquatic animals, flying creatures, land animals and humankind all came to be by his powerful word. He formed the earth to be inhabited (Isaiah 45:18).

God saved the best of his creation for last: human beings. It was day six when God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness...So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them” (Genesis 1:26a,27). Every inch of God’s creation says something good about him, but none of it reflects his glory like human beings (Psalm 8). Humans alone are made in the image of God. Humans have a level of intellect, certain abilities and utmost responsibilities that are unique in all of creation.

“And God blessed them. And God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on earth’” (Genesis 1:28). Plants were part of God’s plan for humans, too (Genesis 1:29). God mostly left it to mankind to discover how to subdue and manage the world he formed for us to inhabit. It would require seeing the systems God put in

place, observing and experimenting to see what works and how things work. In other words, on day six, when God put the kind of humans he made in the kind of world he made and made known his plan to Adam and Eve, God made science.

God didn’t directly tell anyone lots about biology, chemistry, physics or other sciences. But he made all the life, matter, energy and more that consume those fields of study. He crafted the ways in which all of it works and works together. He made it all observable, worthy of observation, and useful for the good things human beings would do to harness it. Without a wise and powerful God and the order he established as described in the orderly account of Genesis 1, science would be impossible; how would we ever explain a near endless chain of beneficial accidents? God is not anti-science, and there could be no science if there were no Creator God.

We’re all scientists, and God holds us accountable for the kind of investigation we do. “For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse” (Romans 1:19-20). God has always wanted everyone to “test everything and hold fast what is good” (1 Thessalonians 5:21).

Danny Boggs

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In Our Thoughts & Prayers



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 **Every "One" Counts:** When you give an extra dollar each Sunday, it goes to help someone in need. If you know someone in need, please contact Jennifer Daniels or Natalie McInturff.

Devo and Donuts is Tuesdays at 7:00 in the activities center. Enjoy a devotional, food and fellowship. 

If you can't be here when we **worship**, visit our website, Facebook page or YouTube channel to join us live or to catch up on what you missed.

Please pick up your **dishes** from the Ladies' Corner.

New Devo is tonight after services at the Collinsworths' home. Boys are asked to bring drinks and Fritos, and girls are asked to bring desserts.

Our ladies will be returning from **Ladies Retreat** today. We pray for their time of spiritual encouragement and for their safe return.



Today's Sermons

A.M.: *Humble Humanity*
(Danny Boggs)

P.M.: *It's Hard*
(Mark 5:25-34, Danny Boggs)

Ladies, our annual **Ladies seminar** is March 10 and 11. We will have the opportunity to hear Jill Jackson. Please make plans to be here and invite family and friends. Flyers are on the welcome desk. Lessons on the *Principles in Proverbs* will be presented. Friday night will be on *Holiness Within* and Saturday morning on *Holiness in Action*. You don't want to miss this opportunity to study God's word with other ladies.

We need some ladies who are willing to let some of our **out of town guests** stay with them on Friday night during the Ladies Seminar. If you would be willing to be hostess to some of these ladies, please let Molly Cobb know.

A **welcome bag** will be prepared for our Ladies Seminar speaker, Jill Jackson. If you want to help with this, please give cash donations to Brenda Kimbrough.

Please sign the **cards** on the welcome desk for some kids at Fair Haven and for some of our shut-Ins.

Teens don't forget to register for **Horizons**. It often fills up so get your registration in soon. See Caleb's door for details. Email the office after registering for your refund.

Save the Date: Neosho Christian School **Benefit Banquet** will be April 1.

Hillcrest Family,
I want to thank all of my Christian family who have done so much for me. Thank you for the visits, cards, food, calls and prayers. Thanks to those who helped me move and for the plant for my new home. You are welcome to visit anytime. I appreciate all you have done for me.
Carol Bessman



WORSHIP LEADERS	
Today	This Wednesday
AM Opening Prayer: Pete Babb	Announcements: Mike Kidwell
AM Closing Prayer: Glen Honeycutt	Singing: Jason Bryan
Communion Prayers: Jonathan Pendergraft	Invitation: Carl Cobb
PM Opening Prayer: Todd Murray	Opening Prayer: Wayne Douthitt
PM Closing Prayer: Charlie Collinsworth	Closing Prayer: Joe McLain

RECORDS	2-12-23	2-13-22
Bible Study	144	146
AM Worship	187	185
PM Worship	108	115
Wednesday	147	119
Contribution	\$8,504.62	\$8,558.98
Budget	\$8,250.00	\$8,250.00