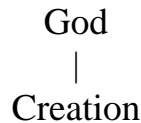


God and His Creation

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The Bible teaches that creation is not God and that His creation depends on Him. God is the Creator and therefore greater than creation, and that He is always involved in His creation.



Since the Renaissance there has been a shift in thought from God being involved in life to the scientific model where only what can be proved through experiment exists.

Four Popular Beliefs About God and Creation

1 People who believe that they must live their lives acquiring possessions practice materialism.

Living for → possessions

2 People who believe that God is the universe practice pantheism.

We become god. Everything is god.

The Universe = God

3 People who believe that God and the universe exists side by side practice dualism.

They don't believe that God is over His creation.

Often, they believe that creation is evil or of evil and good forces as in the Star Wars movies.

God →
Universe →

4 People who don't believe that God is involved in creation practice deism.

Creation is like a clock that God wound up and He leaves it to run on its own.

God – Is Separate – From Creation

These ideas creep into our theology and lifestyle (almost continually).

This shift from a biblical view has fueled skepticism, fear and unbelief.