

THE CREATOR-CREATURE CONFLICT

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Good Morning!

Let's Make a Mental Shift

Good morning! Second Peter, Chapter 1, Verses 12 and 15...

/2PE 1:12

Therefore, I (Peter) will always be ready to remind you of these things (the instructions for the New Self Life that are in the Word of God), even though you already know them, and have been established in the truth (of the Word of God) which is present (resident) with you.

/2PE 1:15

And I (Peter) will also be diligent (so) that at any time after my departure you will be able to call these things (from the Word of God) to mind.

<WHERE IS YOUR SOUL TUNED?>

Bible study is a time of RENEWING, but it is also a time of REPETITION...it's a time for you to hear things from the Word of God over and over until you can't forget them. I never tire of hearing things from the Word of God over and over because the Word of God unlocks the spiritual blessings we have at our disposal. Romans, Chapter 12, Verse 2 says...

ROM 12:2

...(keep on) be(ing) transformed by (God in) the RENEWING of your mind...

Repetition also helps us to see how our perspective changes over time through our study of the Word of God. It helps us to see how we are maturing. Welcome to the place where God the Holy Spirit enables you with power to “in humility receive the Word implanted, which is able to save your souls.”

/MUSIC AND REFLECTION

Be Occupied with the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ

Enjoy the Singing of His Praises

In the Beginning\

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As God prepares you for the RENEWING of your mind, let's listen to June Murphy worship our Lord in song...the opening song is IN THE BEGINNING.

/OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray...\

We're grateful Heavenly Father for the privilege of studying the absolute truth...the Word of God...

Show us our progress that we have made because of your perfecting us...

We ask this through the power of God the Holy Spirit...in Christ's name...Amen.

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Rory Clark
Pastor-Teacher\

Welcome to Barah Ministries. My name is Rory Clark. My spiritual gift is Pastor-Teacher, a gift given to me by God for the building up of God's Royal Family...the Church...the body of Christ...the bride of Christ. It is my job to help you become fruitful through the true knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ...fruitful through the development of a deep, intimate and personal relationship with the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

/TODAY'S STUDY

Unconditional Love is the Reason the Creator Creature Conflict is Allowed

One of the stupidest questions that people ask when they learn about the Creator versus Creature Conflict is, "Why would God create creatures knowing that they were going to betray Him?"

Why is this question so stupid to my way of thinking? It's stupid because we understand the "why" in the human realm. It's the same "why" that makes a husband and wife want to have children, knowing full well that these "cutie pies" as babies will grow up to be teen-age Cretans. Parents

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know in advance that their children will go into a seven-year period, between the ages of thirteen and nineteen, when aliens will abduct their brains. During that period of time, the only solution for dealing with Cretans is the divine solution, unconditional love. First Corinthians, Chapter 13, Verse 13 says...

/1CO 13:13

But now faith, hope, love, abide (in the sphere of) these three; but the greatest of these is (unconditional) love.

The CREATOR made CREATURES and He loves them unconditionally, and He loved them this much even before they were created...Romans, Chapter 8, Verse 29 says...

/ROM 8:29

For those whom He (God the Father) foreknew (all believers in Christ in eternity past), He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son...

Yet it is not only believers that God loves...God loves all of His creatures unconditionally...John, Chapter 3, Verse 16 says...

/JOH 3:16

“For God (the Father) so (much) loved the world (all mankind), that He gave His only begotten (uniquely born) Son (the Lord Jesus Christ), that who(so)ever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.”

We are studying the Creator vs. Creature Conflict.

<CREATURE CREATURE CONFLICT SLIDE MODIFIED 21 categories of biblical thought>

The Creator vs. Creature Conflict is the **CONTEXT** of Divine History. Romans, Chapter 1, Verse 25 says...

/ROM 1:25

For they (the fallen angels and unbelievers) exchanged the truth of God for a (Satanic) lie, and worshiped and served the creature (Satan) rather than the Creator (the Lord Jesus Christ), who is blessed forever. Amen.

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Our perfect **CREATOR** existed before the foundation of the world. John, Chapter 1, Verse 1 says...

/JOH 1:1

“In the beginning (not a beginning) was the Word (God the Son), and the Word (God the Son) was with God (the Father), and the Word (God the Son) was God (the same in essence as God the Father).”

John, Chapter 8, Verse 58 says...

/JOH 8:58

Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I (the Lord Jesus Christ) am (existed).”

By divine decree, the Triune Godhead held a **CONFERENCE** in which they comprehended simultaneously all things that ever were or that ever will be and set forth the certainty of the fruition of all things. They factored your free will and your choices into every decision. Acts, Chapter 2, Verse 23 says...

/ACT 2:23

This (God-)Man (the Lord Jesus Christ), (was) delivered over by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God (the Father), (and) you nailed (Him) to a cross by the hands of godless men and put Him to death.

The details of this predetermined plan, this divine decree, and the details of all divine history, are chronicled in the inerrant **CANON** of Scripture, which is also known as the bible...the Word of God. First Corinthians, Chapter 2, Verse 16 says...

/1CO 2:16

For WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD (so well), THAT HE WILL (be qualified to) INSTRUCT HIM (no one!)? But we (believers in Christ) have the mind of Christ (the Bible).

Second Peter, Chapter 1, Verses 20 and 21 say...

/2PE 1:20-21

But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own (private) interpretation, for no prophecy was ever made by an act of

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*human will, but men moved (carried along) by the Holy Spirit spoke from (the exact thinking of THE) God (the Lord Jesus Christ). *

At the conference, the Godhead set forth a divine **CHRONOLOGY**, the sequence of events throughout divine history, as they would unfold. Ecclesiastes, Chapter 3, Verse 1 says...

/ECC 3:1

*“There is an appointed time for everything. And there is a time for every event under heaven.” *

Then, through a single act of **CREATION** at a single moment in time, the Lord Jesus Christ immediately spoke the universe into existence. Genesis, Chapter 1, Verse 1 says...

/GEN 1:1

*In the beginning (which was not a beginning THE) God (Jehovah Elohim...God the Son) created the heavens and the earth. *

Creatures, know as angels, were present at the creation of the heavens and the earth...a moment described in Job, Chapter 38, Verse 7...

/JOB 38:7

*When the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God (beniha Elohim...the angelic creatures) shouted for joy... *

At a single moment in time, the universe was created, spoken into existence in a state of absolute perfection. Deuteronomy, Chapter 32, Verse 4 says...

/DEU 32:4a

The Rock! (All of) His work is perfect...

The most beautiful, the most brilliant, and the greatest of God's angelic creatures, Satan, became a **CONSPIRATOR**...devising an evil, unlawful, treacherous, and surreptitious plot, formulated in secret, to overthrow the Lord's rule of the universe. Ezekiel, Chapter 28, Verse 12...

/EZE 28:12

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Thus says the Lord God, “You had the seal of perfection, Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.”

Ezekiel, Chapter 28, Verses 14 and 15...

/EZE 28:14

“You were the anointed cherub (the Lord’s angel) who covers (a bodyguard), and I (the Lord) placed you there. You were on the holy mountain of God (in the third heaven); you walked in the midst of the stones of fire (you had access to the throne room of heaven).”

/EZE 28:15

“You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created until unrighteousness (sin) was found in you.”

Satan perpetrated a **CONSPIRACY** that instigated a rebellion against God, causing the fall of ALL angelic creatures and himself. Isaiah, Chapter 14, Verses 13 and 14 say...

/ISA 14:13-14

“But you (Satan) said in your heart, ‘I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God, and I will sit on the mount of assembly in the recesses of the north.//I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.’”

Ezekiel, Chapter 28, Verse 16a says...

/EZE 28:16a

“By the abundance of your trade (rekullah...the trafficking of slander) You (Satan) were internally filled with violence, and you sinned...”

All angelic creatures joined in the rebellion...

/ROM 3:10

...as it is written, “THERE IS NONE (NO CREATURE WHO IS) RIGHTEOUS, NOT EVEN ONE...”

Thus began the Creator vs. Creature **CONFLICT**. Ephesians, Chapter 6, Verse 12 says...

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/EPH 6:12

For our struggle is not against flesh (sin natures) and blood (souls), but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.

Take a five-minute break.

/BREAK

Be Glorified

When I Think About Home

Welcome back!

<CREATOR VERSUS CREATURE 21 C's SLIDE>

We pick up our tour with an unfortunate misfortune...Satan's **CATASTROPHE** of rebellious thought, his conspiracy perpetrated, made God shut down the planet...Genesis, Chapter 1, Verse 2a says...

/GEN 1:2a

(But)...the earth was (became) formless and void...

The catastrophe of thought resulted in **CONDEMNATION** for all creatures.

Ezekiel, Chapter 28, Verse 16 says...

/EZE 28:16b

Therefore I (the Lord) have cast you (Satan) as profane from the mountain of God (the third heaven).

Yet God in His grace would give His creatures a second chance. Jeremiah, Chapter 4, Verse 27 says...

/JER 4:27

*For thus says the Lord, "The whole land shall be a desolation (formless and void), Yet I will not execute a complete destruction." *

Lamentations, Chapter 3, Verses 22 and 23 say...

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/LAM 3:22-23

The Lord's lovingkindnesses indeed never cease, For His compassions never fail.//They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.

Satan's act of betrayal and rebellion and conspiracy landed all angelic creatures in the **COURTROOM** of the Supreme Court of Heaven. Genesis, Chapter 1, Verse 2b says...

/GEN 1:2b

...and darkness was over the surface of the deep...

Angels are creatures of light, with free roam of the universe, yet with darkness covering the earth they were confined to planet earth. A trial was held, and Satan and the reconciliation rejecting angels were sentenced to the Lake of Fire. Matthew, Chapter 25, Verse 41 says...

/MAT 25:41

"Then He (the Lord Jesus Christ) will also say to those on His left (Satan and the fallen angels), 'Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels...'"

Satan and the fallen angels appealed their sentence by assailing God's character. They claimed that the verdict of God in the formal trial was both unfair and unloving. You've undoubtedly heard this in your time on earth. You've heard, "How can a loving God cast one of His creatures into the lake of Fire?" Or you've heard, "God's not fair!"

Perfect God, with unconditional love toward all creatures, especially the reconciliation rejecting angels, and in absolute impartiality and fairness toward them, with His perfect righteousness in view, accepted their appeal, and ordered **(re)CONSTRUCTION** of formless and void planet earth by God the Holy Spirit. Genesis, Chapter 1, Verse 2c says...

/GEN 1:2c

...and the (Holy) Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters.

The salvation of condemned creatures could only be satisfactorily accomplished by a just, righteous, and loving Godhead, who sent the Lord

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Jesus **CHRIST**, the God-Man, as their physical manifestation...Mathew, Chapter 1, Verse 23 says...

/MAT 1:23

“BEHOLD, THE VIRGIN SHALL BE WITH CHILD AND SHALL BEAR A SON (the Lord Jesus Christ), AND THEY SHALL CALL HIS NAME IMMANUEL,” which translated means, “GOD WITH US.”

The Lord Jesus Christ died a spiritual death and a physical death on a **CROSS**, shedding His blood to pay the penalty for creature betrayal and rebellion...the sins of the world. John, Chapter 19, Verse 30 says...

/JOH 19:30

Therefore when (the Lord) Jesus (Christ) had received the sour wine, He said, “It (salvation) is finished!”

First John, Chapter 2, Verse 2...

/1JO 2:2

...and He Himself (the Lord Jesus Christ) is the propitiation (the ONLY perfectly satisfactory payment in the eyes of God the Father) for our sins; and not for ours (as believers in Christ) only, but also for those of the whole world (unbelievers as well).

Thus every creature has a **CHOICE**, by means of free will...

/JOSHUA 24:15a

“If it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served which were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living...”

One choice is **CHRISTIANITY**, a relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ...

/JOSHUA 24:15b

“...but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”

There are many other choices, **COUNTERFEITS** to Christianity like

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Religion and Satan Worship, which pervert, distort, and debase the reputation of God's Person, the essence of God character, and the veracity and effectiveness of God's Plan. The apostle Paul warns in Second Corinthians, Chapter 11, Verse 4...

/2CO 11:4

For if (1) one (a false teacher) comes and preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached (a false Jesus, and they do)...

Beware of false teachers!

So what's your choice? That's what John, Chapter 3, Verse 36 asks...

/JOH 3:36

"He who believes in the Son (the Lord Jesus Christ) has eternal life (the resurrection life); but he who does not obey the (command to believe in the) Son will not see (eternal) life, but the wrath of God (the Lake of Fire) abides on him."

When you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, you are a Christian. Christianity is not a religion; it's a relationship with the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

With freedom of choice come the **CONSEQUENCES** of your choices, whether positive or negative.

/GAL 6:7-8

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap.//For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.

Hosea, Chapter 8, Verse 7...

/HOS 8:7

For they sow the wind and they reap the whirlwind (a tornado).

So in the creature creator conflict, you get to choose sides. Matthew, Chapter 22, Verse 42 asks...

/MAT 22:42

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“What do you think about the Christ (the Messiah)?”

The wrong choice has consequences...Revelation, Chapter 20, Verse 15...

/REV 20:15

And if (1) anyone's name was not found written in the book of life (and some names are not found), he was thrown into the lake of fire.

The right choice, to be on God's team and to learn the truth of His Word, is a cause of **CELEBRATION** for all eternity. Colossians, Chapter 2, Verse 15 says...

/COL 2:15

When He (God the Father) had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display of them, having triumphed over them through Him (the Lord Jesus Christ).

Luke, Chapter 20, Verses 42 and 43 say...

/LUK 20:42-43

“For David himself says in the book of Psalms, ‘THE LORD SAID TO MY LORD, SIT AT MY RIGHT HAND, //UNTIL I MAKE YOUR ENEMIES A FOOTSTOOL FOR YOUR FEET.’”

Philippians, Chapter 2, Verses 9 to 11...

/PHI 2:9

...God (the Father) highly exalted Him (the Lord Jesus Christ), and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name...

/PHI 2:10

...so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth...

/PHI 2:11

...and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

God loves all of His Creatures unconditionally...and that's why He allows the Creator Creature Conflict to run its course.

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/CLOSING SONG

You Don't Have to Beg\

CLOSING VERSES

/PHI 1:6

For I am confident of this very thing, that He (God the Father) who began a (divine) good work in (the creation of) you will (keep on) perfect(ing) it until the day of Christ Jesus.

/PSA 37:1-2

Do not fret because of evildoers, Be not envious toward wrongdoers.//For they will wither quickly like the grass And fade like the green herb.

/PHI 4:7

And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard (garrison) your hearts and your minds (for those of you) in (union with) Christ Jesus.

/CLOSING PRAYER

Let us pray...\

THANKS
INTERCESSION
PETITION

And we pray that you continue to shape the messages from this pulpit that are an accurate reflection of your person, your thinking, your work, your reputation and your essence...we ask this through the power of God the Holy Spirit, in Christ's name, Amen.

/Thanks for coming!

Thanks for watching!

Thanks for listening!

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