# FOUNDATIONS

BEGINNINGS AND ORIGINS

# MALE AND FEMALE HE CREATED THEM

Reading: Genesis 1:26-27

#### Introduction

- There are 2 belief systems or world views that people buy into.
- The early chapters of Genesis provide us with the Christian world view.
- The Christian one answers all of life's great questions.

## 1 The Story So Far

- There is a God who initiated a beginning.
- Genesis 1 is His 'worksheet' for the week.

### 2 Let Us Make Man In Our Image

- [Gen 1:26/27] are a statement of fact. [2:7 & 2:20-23] are the details behind the fact.
- World view says we are just 'cosmic accidents... grown up germs....
  advanced breed of monkeys'.
- This view advocates a 'biq bang' and 'apes'.
- The Christian world view advocates a big God and Adam.

- The Godhead took a decision to make a 'special creation' made in their image called 'humanity'.
- Created to be God's representatives/vice regents. [Psalm 8:4-9].
- He made us 'imago Dei' or 'in the image of God' to reflect some thing of the character of God.
- That image was marred but not destroyed in 'the Fall.'

#### 3 Male And Female

- Within the 'special creation' God made noticeable differences.
- The first one He created was 'man' and the second was called 'woman'.
- NB. The Creator decided what was male and what was female.
- Our gender is decided by the presence of X and Y chromosomes at conception but it is God who decides.

#### 4 Transgenderism

- 'Transgender' to identify with a different gender than the one identified at birth.
- A 'transsexual' is one who has taken medical steps to transition from one sex to another.
- This is another example of rebellion against the Creator God.
- They do not accept God's decision of their gender.
- Today's youth are being encouraged to accept this.
- These early chapters of Genesis oppose transgenderism and thus they are hated and rubbished.
- These chapters have become a battle ground but are vital to knowing the truth.