

# ADVANCED Lesson 3

## The Study of God - Theology

Key Verses - 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Doctrine is simply what the Bible teaches.

### What would the world be like if there was no God?

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### How do I know there is a God?

God reveals himself to mankind in two ways. He reveals himself through natural and special revelation.

#### General Revelation

God reveals himself to all mankind through His creation and His power over it.

#### Special Revelation

God reveals the truth about Himself through His Word to specific people at specific times.

### General Revelation

General Revelation is available to every human being.

Romans 1:18-20

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; Because **that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them.**

**For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse...**

**manifest: clearly visible; open**

**without excuse: indefensible; inexcusable**

General Revelation observes the design of creation and understands that it requires a Designer.

#### The Designer

God created heaven and earth in seven literal days. (Genesis 1; Psalm 33:6-9)

We accept creation by faith. (Hebrew 11:3) (Evolutionists accept evolution by faith.)

#### The Design

Creation makes it clear that there is a Creator. (Psalm 8:3; Psalm 19:1)

General Revelation is not sufficient for salvation. The gospel is required for salvation (Romans 10:9-10) Therefore it takes special revelation for salvation.

General Revelation points man to Special Revelation.

# The Days of Creation

## DAY ONE

Light Created; day and night

## DAY TWO

Atmosphere above divided from waters beneath

## DAY THREE

Land made visible; plant kingdom created

## DAY FOUR

Sun, moon, and stars made visible to give seasons, months, and time

## DAY FIVE

Fowl and water creatures created

## DAY SIX

Land animals and man created

## DAY SEVEN

God Rested

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LET'S TAKE A DEEPER LOOK AT THE BIBLE

