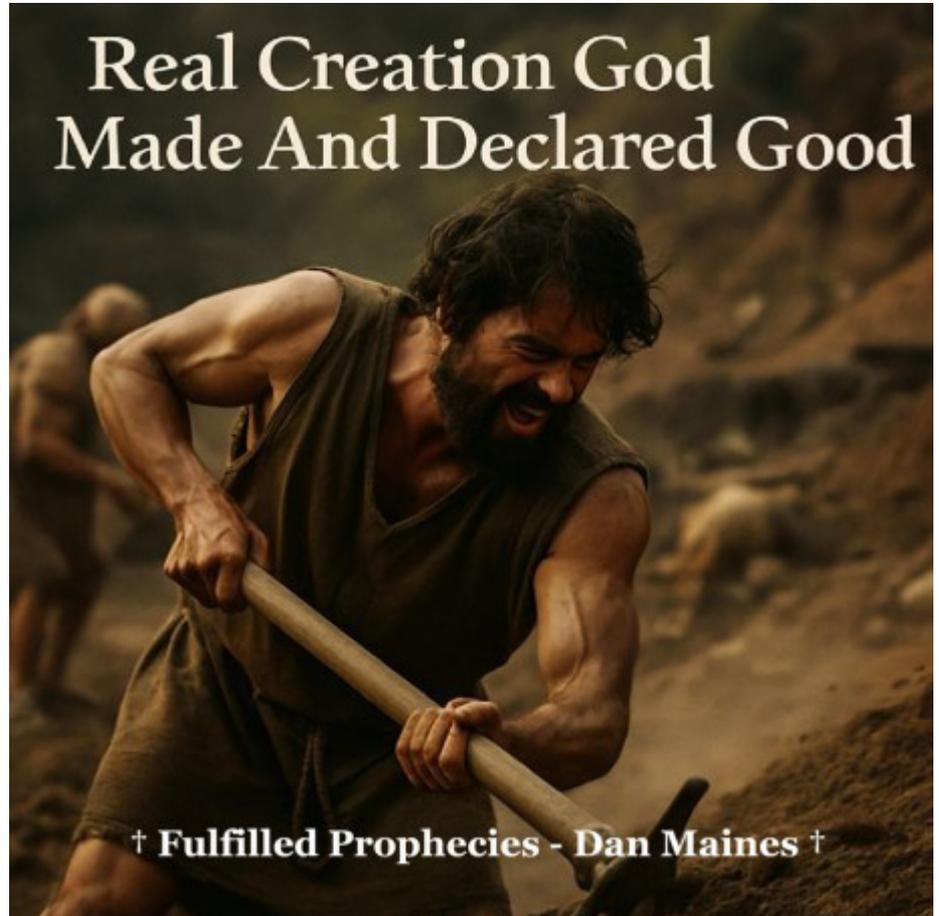


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What Is Wrong With Covenant Creation (CC)

Introduction

† Covenant Creation claims that Genesis creation language is entirely covenantal and not about the material world, but Scripture itself never makes that claim and repeatedly treats creation as real, physical, and historical.

† CC collapses biblical history into symbolism, which creates contradictions with both Scripture and the testimony of Jesus and the apostles.

† The fulfilled perspective affirms covenantal language where Scripture uses it, without denying the real creation God made and declared good.

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

† The text says God created, not covenanted, and it gives no indication that this is metaphorical language.

† Scripture consistently treats this as the starting point of all created reality, not merely Israel's covenant story.

† CC has to redefine plain language because the text itself doesn't support their claim.

Genesis 2:7

Then the Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living being.

† Adam is formed from dust, which is material language, not covenant terminology.

† Paul later appeals to this verse as historical fact, not symbolism, which means CC contradicts apostolic interpretation.

† If Adam wasn't a real man, Paul's entire argument about sin and death collapses.

Exodus 20:11

For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day, therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.

† The Sabbath command is grounded in God's real creative work, not covenant symbolism.

† If creation is only covenantal, then the commandment itself loses its foundation.

† Israel's law appeals to literal creation as precedent, not

metaphor.

Matthew 19:4

And He answered and said, Have you not read that He who created them from the beginning made them male and female.

† Jesus treats Genesis creation as historical reality.

† He grounds marriage and human identity in creation, not in a later covenant structure.

† CC requires saying Jesus accommodated error, which undermines His authority.

Romans 1:20

For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.

† Creation itself is the evidence Paul appeals to, not covenant structures.

† What is made refers to the created order, not Israel's covenant identity.

† CC forces Paul to argue from symbolism, when he explicitly argues from observable creation.

1 Corinthians 15:45-47

So also it is written, The first man, Adam, became a living soul. The last Adam became a life giving spirit.

The first man is from the earth, earthy, the second man is from heaven.

† Paul treats Adam as the first man, not a covenant construct.

† Adam being from the earth is a statement about material origin, not covenant status.

† CC undermines Paul's contrast between the earthy and the heavenly.

Hebrews 11:3

By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things which are visible.

† The writer affirms creation itself, not covenant transformation.

† What is seen refers to the physical world, not covenant categories.

† CC reverses the author's argument by denying what he affirms.

Historical References

† Josephus treated Adam, Abel, and creation as real history in Antiquities of the Jews.

† Justin Martyr affirmed Genesis creation as the literal beginning of mankind.

† Irenaeus argued against symbolic reductions of creation in Against Heresies.

† Tertullian rejected allegorizing creation away, affirming its historical reality.

† Eusebius affirmed Genesis creation as the beginning of human history while recognizing covenant fulfillment in Christ.

† Justin Martyr argued that creation preceded and grounded all covenant dealings.

† Irenaeus rejected symbolic reductions of creation, insisting on its historical reality.

Additional Clarifications Regarding Covenant Creation

Isaiah 45:18

For thus says the Lord, who created the heavens, He is the God who formed the earth and made it, He established it and did not create it a waste place, but formed it to be inhabited, I am the Lord, and there is none else.

† God states plainly that the earth was created to be inhabited, not merely symbolized.

† This verse assigns purpose to physical creation, not covenant identity.

† Covenant Creation must reinterpret this verse against its plain meaning.

Acts 14:15-17

and saying, Men, why are you doing these things? We are also men of the same nature as you, and preach the gospel to you that you should turn from these vain things to a living God, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them.

In the generations gone by He permitted all the nations to go their own ways, and yet He did not leave Himself without witness, in that He did good and gave you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness.

† Paul appeals to creation when speaking to Gentiles outside Israel's covenant.

† Creation language is universal, not restricted to covenant membership.

† This destroys the claim that creation only refers to Israel's covenant world.

† Fulfilled eschatology does not require denying physical creation.

† Covenant language explains redemption history, not the existence of the created world.

† Over-spiritualizing creation creates the same error futurism makes in reverse.

† Scripture never sacrifices reality to protect a theological system.

How It Applies To Us Today

- † We don't need to deny creation to defend fulfillment.
- † Covenant language doesn't erase created reality.
- † Holding to fulfillment while affirming real creation keeps Scripture consistent and grounded.
- † Truth doesn't need redefinition to stand firm.

† This is the fulfilled perspective we proclaim at Fulfilled Prophecies †

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