

CREATION VS. EVOLUTION: THE BIG BANG

According to the Big Bang theory the universe began as an infinitely dense point and has been expanding since. There may be something to it, but it fails to explain where the “infinitely dense point” came from. When God created the universe it is entirely possible the “bang” was caused by the sound of His Word which ordered the planets and the starry skies. It all comes down (or more correctly up) to the origin matter. Democritus argued that all matter was composed of small, finite particles called “atomos,” a term derived from the Greek word for indivisible. But, where did the finite particles come from? The earliest Greek philosophers believed that humans originated from a single substance, which could be water, air, or an unlimited substance called “apeiron.” But, where did the apeiron come from? Aristotle believed that every physical object is a compound of matter and form. However, he failed to explain where matter and form came from. Plato believed the universe was made of five types of matter: earth, air, fire, water, and cosmos. But where did that stuff come from? The Hebrew word for create is “bara” which means to bring into existence out of nothing. If man could do that, we don’t need God. If man can’t do that (and there is no evidence that he can), it calls for a bigger Power than man and an intelligence greater than man. This is the dividing line of faith. Creation vs. evolution requires faith in God’s revelation or faith in man’s reason. That is the choice. And the choice is by faith, either way you go. If you go with God it leads to a world to come. If you go with man it leads to a different world to come. Those two worlds also are only ascertained through divine revelation. Evolution is not merely a philosophical view. It is an open rebellion against the revealed will of God. Therefore, “Knowing the terror of the Lord, we persuade men” (I Corinthians 5:11).