The Beginning of the Creation of God

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"And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; 'These things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the **Beginning of The Creation of God**.'" (Revelation 3:14)

Beginning: From the Greek word <u>arche</u> which means: Beginning, <u>or origin</u>, or commencement; properly, from the beginning, i.e. "the initial (starting) point"; (figuratively) what comes first and therefore is chief or foremost; i.e. has the priority because ahead of the rest ("preeminent"). (a) rule (kingly or magisterial, (i.e. Archangel, high-priest ...).

(in context, the title the **Beginning of The Creation of God**, has a similar meaning to archegos - which means 'Author' or prince, or ruler, depending on context)?

(similar also to the first part of the title of Jesus: The Beginning and Ending, where Jesus is actively present and involved, in the beginning, in the initial creation of the heavens and the earth; (as well as being actively present and involved in the 'passing away' or 'ending' of this present creation, and ...!!!)

Creation: From the Greek word *ktisis* which means: 1. Creation, "that" which was created by God, the Creator (*ktistés*), from nothing (the universe). 2. The "act or action" of creating.

God: From the Greek word *theos* which means: God.

The appellation the **Beginning of The Creation of God** is used as a purposeful "title" of Jesus; and is not an 'action' of God in the sense of Jesus Himself being being created by God out of nothing as the first action of creation in the beginning. Jesus was eternally preexistent with God, and was God. Consider the apostle Johns profound opening presentation of Jesus:

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. This-One was in the beginning (arche) with God. All things were made through Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made. (John 1:1-3)

Consider also the following verses:

"But to us there is but one God, the Father, from whom are all things (all creation), and we in Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom are all things, and we through Him." (1 Corinthians 8:6)

"He (that is Jesus) is the Image of the Invisible God, the Firstborn of Every Creature (or all Creation); for in Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are upon the earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers; all things were created through Him, and for Him: And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist (or hold together). And He is the Head of the Body, the church. He is the Beginning, the Firstborn From the Dead; that in all things He might have the preeminence. For it pleased Him (the Father) that in Him (the Son) should all the fulness dwell; And, having made peace through the blood of His cross, through Him to reconcile all things unto Himself; through Him, I say, whether they be things on the earth, or things in heaven. And you, who were formerly alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now has He reconciled us In the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy and blameless and beyond reproach in His sight: If indeed you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which you have heard, and which was preached to every creature who is under heaven; of which I Paul am made a minister." (Colossians 1:15-23)

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"God, who many times, and in various manners, spoke long ago unto the fathers by the prophets, Has in these last days spoken unto us in His Son, whom He has appointed <u>Heir of All Things</u>, <u>through whom also He made the ages (aions - all created things)</u>; who being the <u>Brightness of His Glory</u>, and the Express Image of His Substance, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had through Himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the **Majesty on High**. (Hebrews 1:1-3)

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For in this (in faith) the elders (of long ago) obtained a good-testimony. Through faith we understand that the ages (all created things) were prepared by the 'word' of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which are visible." (Hebrews 11:1-3)

Genesis chapter 1

- 1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.
- 2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.
- 3 And God said, "Let there be light: and there was light."
- 4 And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.
- 5 And God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.
- 6 And God said, "Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters."
- 7 And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so.
- 8 And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.
- 9 And God said, "Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear;" and it was so.
- 10 And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called the Seas; and God saw that it was good.
- 11 And God said, LLet the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after its kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth;" and it was so.
- 12 And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after its kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after its kind; and God saw that it was good.
- 13 And the evening and the morning were the third day.
- 14 And God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:
- 15 And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth;" and it was so.
- 16 And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night; and He made the stars also.
- 17 And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,
- 18 And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness; and God saw that it was good.
- 19 And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.
- 20 And God said, "Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that has life, and birds that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven."

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- 21 And God created great whales, and every living creature that moves, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged bird after its kind; and God saw that it was good.
- 22 And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth."
- 23 And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.
- 24 And God said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature after its kind, cattle, and creeping things, and beasts of the earth after its kind;" and it was so.
- 25 And God made the beast of the earth after its kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creeps upon the earth after its kind; and God saw that it was good.
- 26 Ånd God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."
- 27 So <u>God created man in **His own image**</u>, in the image of God created He him; male and female created He them.
- 28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."
- 29 And God said, "Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for food.
- 30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creeps upon the earth, in which there is a living soul, I have given every green herb for food;" and it was so!
- 31 And God saw every thing that He had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.
 - "Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their hosts." (Genesis 2:1)
- And, "... Since the creation of the world <u>His invisible attributes</u> are clearly seen, <u>being understood</u> <u>by the things that are made (His Creation)</u>, <u>even His eternal power and Divine-nature</u>, ..." (see Romans 1:18-20-25)

This title of our Lord Jesus Christ, **the Beginning of The Creation of God**, is revealed to us in Gods Word (Revelation 3:14); **and His eternal power and Divine-nature** are revealed to us in His marvelous Creation !!!

Jesus is ...

the Beginning of The Creation of God

In the beginning all things were made through Him; and without Him nothing was made, except what was made!

And in Christ Jesus all creation is held together!

"To <u>us</u> there is but one God, the Father, from whom are all things, and <u>us</u> in Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom are all things, and <u>us</u> through Him."

and for us "it is very good"

Lord may my life, our lives, our praises to You be such that they truly acknowledge How Great You Are !! Lord we are like grass ...!

All praise, and honor, and glory is Yours – always and always! Amen and Amen!