



# CHRISTIANS & CREATION

Genesis 1:28

# MAN & NATURE

- God created man and nature in harmony with one another (Gen. 2:5-9).
- Then sin entered in and nature became hostile to man (Gen. 3:17-19).
- But the mandate remains (Gen. 1:28).
- God occasionally gave specific instruction on the usage of resources (Ex. 23:10-11; Lev. 25:1-7).
- He also gave instructions on the treatment of animals (Deut. 25:4; cf. 1 Cor. 9:9-10).
- God is more concerned with how we treat our neighbor than how we treat the planet (Matt. 25:34-46).

# FALSE PROPHETS & FALSE GODS

- The foundations of their beliefs are faulty (Gen. 1:1, 26).
- Earth becomes more important than the creator or the souls who dwell here (Rom. 1:25).
- There is a simple test to determine whether or not to trust a prophet (Deut. 18:21).
- When they aren't worshiping the earth, they worship themselves (Jas. 4:13-15; Ecc. 1:3-7).



# GOD IN CONTROL



- The world will not end in flood (Gen. 9:11-13).
- God makes firm promises about the ongoing course of nature (Gen. 8:22).
- When the normal cycles are disrupted, it is because of man's sin (Deut. 28:23-24).