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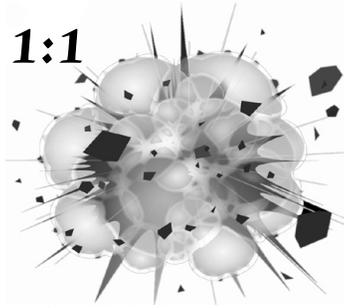
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- 1) **Atheism:** the denial of the existence of God. “In the beginning God.”
- 2) **Evolution:** all life originated from natural processes apart from an Almighty Creator. “God created.”
- 3) **The Big Bang Theory:** Genesis 1:1 does not say, “In the beginning *BANG!*”
- 4) **Blind chance:** everything originated and evolved apart from any intelligent Designer. It does not say, “In the beginning *it just happened!*”
- 5) **Polytheism:** a belief that there are many gods. “God (not a multitude of gods) created.”
- 6) **Materialism:** the belief that physical matter is the only reality and that matter is eternal. Materialism also denies the immaterial such as the soul and spirit. “In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth” (that is, all the matter that makes up our universe had a beginning, created by a God who is spirit, separate from matter).
- 7) **Pantheism:** a doctrine that equates God with the forces and laws of the universe. Genesis 1:1 shows that God the Creator is distinct and separate from that which He created.
- 8) **Humanism:** all revolves around man. Genesis 1:1 shows that God is the ultimate reality, not man.
- 9) **Dualism:** the universe has been ruled from its origins by two conflicting powers, one good and one evil, both existing as equally ultimate first causes. Genesis 1:1 states that God alone was in the beginning long before the origin of evil.
- 10) **Determinism:** all is the result of fate. Genesis 1:1 shows a deliberate, willful action by a personal, powerful Being—“God created.”

We can rejoice that this great Creator is also our blessed Saviour who became a Man that He might redeem us (*Gal. 4:4-5; Heb. 2:9*).

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