



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

*Obviously*, this maiden treatise falls short of *scholarly* standards that characterize a large number of modern *professional- theological* works same as in *secular* publications. However, “As Christians are diverse in temperament and background, their manner and methods of communication will likewise be varied. We should accept this diversity as a blessing, knowing that God can both bless and use all of us...Unfortunately, the world of Christian ministry is swamped by ‘copyrighted’ methods and products (as well as by secular scholarly standards), that often do not fit the personality, (theological background) and gifts of the communicator who attempts to use them.”<sup>1</sup>

I have no *regrets* about any *academic deficits* in this *maiden* treatise. Nor, do I seek to justify my *failure* to strictly adhere to any conventional *scholarly secular standards*. It was of prime concern to me to *communicate* with full conviction, but in all simplicity, the *Biblical Creation Truth* relating to *pre-historical, historical and prophesied future works* of Creation. This aspect has been somehow *overlooked* by the modern adherents of the *Traditional Six-day Creationism* and by *Young Earth Creationists*. So also, it has been equally *ignored* by the so-called *theistic evolutionists and others*.

Admittedly, as a maiden *theological* work with *controversial* material this *treatise* is bound to be undoubtedly *fallible*. As such, any *theological inferences or conclusions* in this maiden work that are found to be *biblically untenable* are my own *responsibility*. The same are open to unbiased *biblically-based feedback* and unreservedly *subject to correction* with the ‘*Sword of the Spirit*’– even, the *very sure and authoritative* truth of God’s Word, which is ‘*forever settled in the heavens*’ (Psalms 119:89). Accordingly, a *revised* version (*hermeneutical spiral*) of this maiden work will be published in due course of time, God enabling me and making it all possible according to the riches of His Grace.

In *compiling* relevant material for this book, various *works* have been referred to and *quoted* herein to *reprove* the faulty *Traditional Six-Day Creationism* as well as to *refute* the *atheistic evolutionary concepts* that are *appealing* to *Theistic Evolutionists*. My due *apologies* to all the Authors and Publishers from whose ‘*copyrighted*’ works I’ve *quoted* freely without any written permission. This *lapse* was *unavoidable* because of the *technicalities* involved. *Still*, am willing to face *all* the *legal* consequences resulting from any probable *infringement* of *rights* of those concerned. Anyway, I am very much *indebted* to all those from whose *works* I’ve *quoted* without obtaining any prior written permission to *reprint* previously published material relating to *Biblical Creation Truth*.

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1: Vivo Soggaard, *Media in Church and Mission: Communicating the Gospel*, Theological Book Trust, Bangalore, India; 1993, p. 21

