

David's Heir: Principles on Inheritance: Jesus Heir of All Things, Heb 1:2 & Creator of All Things, Col 1:16–17; Heirship of Believer Based on Faith in Christ Titus 3:7, Rev 21:7; Jesus Is Firstborn of God; Believers are Fellow Heirs with Him, John 1:12; Adoption Roman Style, Gal 4:4–5; Holy Spirit Guarantees Inheritance, Eph 1:14; Our Inheritance Is Secure, 1 Pet 1:4–5; Attitude of Thanksgiving, Col 1:12; Jesus' Inheritance from David Confirmed by Resurrection & Claimed at the Second Advent

24. With these verses in mind, here are some principles on the doctrine of inheritance:

(1) Jesus Christ is the Heir of all things:

Hebrews 1:2 - ... in these last days God has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom He made the world.

Colossians 1:16 – For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him.

v. 17 - He is before all things, and in Him all things exist. (NASB)

1. Verse 16 begins with the causal particle **ὅτι (hóti)** and translated “Because.”
2. It is followed by the preposition *en* plus the instrumental of means of the pronoun **αὐτός (autós)** which in context refers to Jesus Christ.
“Because by means of Jesus Christ.”
3. Next is the plural subject **πάντα (pás)** translated “all things.”
4. These things are acted on by the aorist passive indicative of the verb **κτίζω (ktízō)**: were created.”
5. The aorist tense constative indicating that “all things” were created instantaneously. The Greek word *ktízō* is equivalent to the Hebrew **בָּרָא (bara')** which is the verb found in Genesis 1:1. Each word refers to an act of creation that occurs at a moment in time without use of any preexisting materials. The universe and everything in it, including planet earth, were created by our Lord speaking it into existence. The Latin term is *creatio ex nihilo*: to create out of nothing.
6. The passive voice indicates that the creative act was instantaneous and the indicative mood is a statement of historical reality. What were created are the heavens and the earth.
7. The word for heavens is the plural noun **οὐρανός (ouranós)** with the locative of sphere of the definite article **ἐν (en)** and translated “in the sphere of the heavens.”
8. The second subject is introduced by the genitive of place of the preposition *epí* plus the singular subject **γῆς (gés)**: “upon the earth.”
9. What were created is mentioned next. First is the plural neuter subject of the noun **ὁρατός (horatós)**: visible things, for example, mankind.
10. The second subject is the neuter plural of the noun **ἀόρατος (aóratos)**: “invisible things,” such as the structure of the universe.
11. Examples of those additional things that were created include the masculine plural subject **θρόνος (thrónos)**: “thrones.” This refers to the authority structure of the laws of divine establishment which are imperative for the orderly function and survival of mankind during the angelic conflict.
12. It is a given that where freedom exists it is sustained by the protection of individual liberty to use one's free will to seek his own destiny.
13. Limitations on free will occur when government infringes on free will decisions that have nothing to do with maintaining order but rather to promote some anthropocentric notion such as equality or a utopian ideal.

14. These laws include the four divine institutions: **Volition** means that man must be left free to make his own decisions and live with the result. Everyone faces difficulties in life but spiritual growth is facilitated during the process as the individual is forced to rely on divine provisions and protection. Appealing to government instead of God for these things is to swap the guaranteed benefits of the grace pipeline for Lucifer's system of largess in which the labors of others are confiscated and given to others for political gain.
15. **Marriage** is the union of right man and right woman. It forms the basis for stability in society. Sexually transmitted diseases are nonexistent among couples who remain celibate prior to marriage and remain loyal to their spouse in the confines of a heterosexual relationship.
16. Heterosexual marriage under the principle of a lifetime contract provides stability in society. Any children that come from the union are cared for by a mother and father who provide, protect, and sustain until adulthood.
17. **Family**. Violations of the heterosexual, lifetime contract results in various expressions of the phallic cult including unrestricted sexual relationships prior to marriage and all too often a broken marriage due to infidelity. Children that come from such relationships have fractured souls and they themselves often repeat the sins of their parents causing the cycle to continue into the third generation.
18. **Nationalism** is the order imposed by God on the human race. The reason for nationalities, multiple languages, and racial differences is to protect human freedom against the collectivist strategy of the Dark Side. People tend to accumulate with those who are citizens of their society, speak their language, and in general are members of their own race. Large-scale deviations from these arrangements results in dysfunction among people.
19. As the United States seeks to harmonize 315-million people into a polyglot society there will be clashes of cultural differences. To appease those who are going to naturally be offended by the ingrained conflict of visions, government has imposed "political correctness" as a means of controlling those deemed to have violated a bureaucratically concocted social code.
20. Back in 1959, The Kingston Trio dramatized this dilemma through the lyric of Sheldon Harnick's "The Merry Minuet." You will discern that for the most part, this song could have been written and sung today:

They're rioting in Africa.
They're starving in Spain.
There's hurricanes in Florida and Texas needs rain.
The whole world is festering with unhappy souls.
The French hate the Germans.
The Germans hate the Poles.
Italians hate Yugoslavs.
South Africans hate the Dutch and I don't like anybody very much!
But we can be tranquil and thankful and proud
For man's been endowed with a mushroom shaped cloud.
And we know for certain that some lovely day someone will set the spark off
And we will all be blown away.
They're rioting in Africa.
There's strife in Iran.
What nature doesn't do to us will be done by our fellowman.¹

21. It is the breakdown of thrones and dominions, i.e., human government or its anointed leaders that foment consistent replays of "The Merry Minuet."

¹ The Kingston Trio, *The Kingston Trio/From the Hungry i*, compact disc, Capitol Records, CDP 7 96748 2, © and © 1992 Capitol Records, Inc.

22. If what man can do to us is not enough there is always the Dark Side to contend with, for the next word in the verse is the plural noun **ἀρχή (arché)**. This is the same word used to describe general officers in the Dark Side's army in Ephesians 6:12. Such is also the case for the next noun, **ἐξουσία (exousía)**, which refers to commissioned officers.
23. Jesus Christ is therefore the One that created the angelic race in eternity past. Following the fall of Lucifer, one-third of the angelic populations joined the rebellion and were conscripted and organized into a demonic army with an authority structure whose details are found in Ephesians 6:12.
24. Their creation is mentioned with the perfect passive indicative of *ktízō*. The perfect tense indicates that their creation occurred in eternity past but continues to the present. Angels are still active both elect and fallen. The passive voice means the angelic population received creation in eternity past. The indicative mood indicates they are real beings not some allegory stuck into Scripture in most of the books of the Bible.
25. The source of their creation is said to be **δι' αὐτοῦ (di' autós)**: "through Jesus." Plus the preposition **εἰς (eis)** and the pronoun *autós*: "for the use of Jesus."

Colossians 1:16 - Because by means of Christ all things were created *ex nihilo*, in the sphere of the heavens [**that around the earth & the universe at large**], and upon the earth, the visible things [**geological phenomena**] and the invisible things [**gravity**], whether human governments under the laws of divine establishment or anointed authorities, or angelic general officers and commissioned officers of the Dark Side: all things through Christ and for His purpose stand created *ex nihilo*.

v. 17 - Christ is before all things and all things by means of Him are held together [**Higgs boson (?)**].

26. For an explanation of the Higgs boson, consult this article on the Internet:

<http://coherence.wordpress.com/2012/07/08/the-higgs-boson-simply-explained/>

- (2) Heirship is based on personal faith in Christ.

Titus 3:7 - ... being justified by His grace we would be heirs according to the confidence of eternal life.

Revelation 21:7 - "He who is a winner will inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son."

- (3) Heirship is based on sonship, i.e., primogeniture. Jesus is the firstborn of God. We are in Him, therefore "fellow heirs with Christ."

John 1:12 - As many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name.

- (4) Heirship is based on positional sanctification and resultant adoption.

- (a) Church Age believers are in the family of God through spiritual birth. Due to our position "in Christ," God has adopted us. This is illustrated by the Roman system practiced during the time of the New Testament.