There Is No Excuse

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Herbert Spencer (1820-1903, British philosopher, sociologist, and evolutionist, announced before his death that there are only five "manifestations of the unknowable" in existence — time, force, action, space, and matter. This was hailed as a great announcement and discovery at that time.

However, it's interesting to note that when the Holy Spirit directed Moses to pen Genesis 1:1 (2 Peter 1:20-21; cf. Acts 1:16), he put the same elements in it long before Mr. Spencer announced them. Moses wrote: "In the beginning" (time); "God" (force); "created" (action); "the heavens" (space); "and the earth" (matter).

Paul states in Romans 1:18-20, that men will have **no excuse** in not believing in the God of creation: "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse" (cf. Psalm 19:1-6).