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Part 1 Chapter 3: "How Mankind and the World Were Created"

1. Long before the gods appeared, there was only the formless confusion of CHAOS _____. Into this, two children were born: Night and **EREBUS** (both were children of Chaos). From darkness and from death **LOVE** was born.
2. The first creatures who had the appearance of life were the children of **MOTHER EARTH** and **FATHER HEAVEN** (whose names were **GAEA** and **OURANUS**. They [the children] were **MONSTERS**
3. Describe the first three children: **MONSTROUSLY HUGE AND STRONG, 100 HANDS AND 50 HEADS**
4. The three of first children were called **CYCLOPS** which means wheel eyed.
5. The last of children was called the **TITANS**. There were a number of these and they were in no way inferior to the others in **SIZE AND STRENGTH**, but they were not purely **DESTRUCTIVE**. What did Father Heaven do with the things with 100 hands and fifty heads?: **IMPRISON THEM IN SECRET PLACE WITHIIN THE EARTH**
6. The **CYCLOPS** and the **TITANS** he left at large.
7. Only one was bold enough to overthrow Father Heaven. His name was **CRONUS** who was eventually named lord of the **UNIVERSE**. His sister-queen is named **RHEA**
8. Explain what Cronus does with his children as they are born and why. How does Zeus avoid being swallowed too?
9. **HE SWALLOWS THEM BECAUSE HE IS TOLD THAT ONE WILL EVENTUALLY OVERTHROW HIM. RHEA HAS ZEUS SECRETLY CARRIED OFF TO CRETE AND GIVES CRONUS A STONE TO SWALLOW INSTEAD.**
10. Later, when Zeus was grown, he forced his father with the help of his **GRANDMOTHER**, the **EARTH** to disgorge it along with the five earlier children.
11. There followed a terrible war between **CRONUS**, helped by his brothers the **TITANS** against **ZEUS** with his five brothers and sisters.
12. Who wins? **ZEUS**
13. The creation of mankind is entrusted to two brothers, **PROMETHEUS**, whose name means **FORETHOUGHT** (the wise brother) and **EPIMETHEUS** whose name means **AFTERTHOUGHT** (He was a scatterbrained person who often followed his **FIRST IMPULSE** and then changed his mind later.)
14. Epimetheus was in charge of creating the **ANIMALS** to whom he gave too many good qualities, so his brother **PROMETHEUS** takes over and creates **MAN**.
15. Prometheus made man walk **UPRIGHT** like the gods and gave them a gift from the sun, **FIRE**

16. Another creation story describes man experiencing five different races. List and describe the five races of man and tell what happened to each:

The **golden** race **was like gods; knew no sorrow, toil or pain; became pure spirits and "guardians of mankind."**

The **silver** race was **of little intelligence; fought amongst themselves; disappeared without a trace.**

The **brass** race was **made up of terrible men; immensely strong; loved war and violence; destroyed themselves**

The "**heroes/splendid**" race was **comprised of men who fought glorious wars and had great adventures; went to heaven to live in perfect bliss.**

The final race is the "**iron race**"- **live in evil times and who have evil natures; will always toil and will worship power. Zeus will destroy them.**

17. For revenge on mankind, Zeus made a sweet, lovely, shy maiden. All the gods gave her gifts.

They called her **PANDORA** which means **GIFT OF ALL** The source of all misfortune was not her wicked nature, but only her **CURIOSITY** The gods presented her with a box into which each had put something harmful, and **FORBADE HER EVER TO OPEN IT** The gods sent her to Epimetheus, who took her gladly although Prometheus had warned him never to accept **GIFTS FROM ZEUS** Pandora had to know what was in the box, so she lifted the lid and out flew **PLAGUES INNUMERABLE SORROW AND MISCHIEF** for mankind. Pandora closed the lid, but it was too late. The only good that was in the box was **HOPE**

18. Tell the story of the "Great Deluge" including how the earth was repopulated.

(Zeus decided to destroy the world and its wickedness with a flood. Prometheus saved his son Deucalion and his wife Pyrrha (Prometheus' niece) in a great wooden chest which landed on Mt. Parnassus. The stones they were ordered to throw behind them became a new race of men.)