# Creation Science versus Evolution

Lesson 1

## Which Came First?



We 're not asking which would come in first if there was a race.

How would a creationist answer the question which came first? Why?

What would an evolutionist say?



## What does Genesis say?

## Creation Science Model

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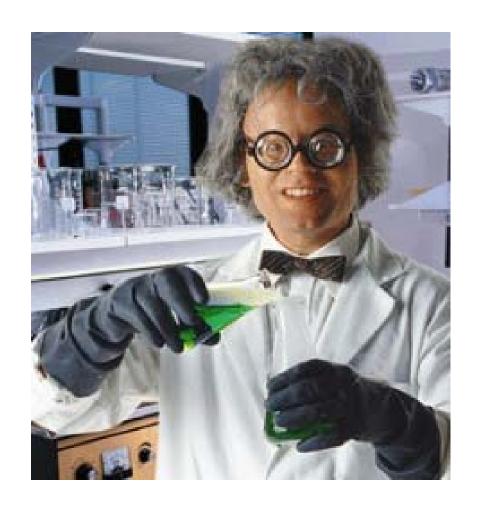
## The Book of Genesis tells us the origin of:

- The universe and the laws of nature
- Life including the origin of man
- Marriage
- Good and evil
- All languages
- Nations and Government
- True and false religions
- God's chosen people Israel
- God's plan to redeem fallen mankind

- The book Genesis is the foundation of all true history, as well as true science and true philosophy.
- No book of the Bible is quoted in other books of the Bible more than Genesis. There are at least 165 passages in Genesis that are referred to in the New Testament many more than once for a total of over 200 quotes. Chapters 1 – 11 are quoted most often.
- All writers in the New Testament refer to Genesis, never once hinting that Genesis is anything but a factual account of history.
- Jesus refers to something in each of the first seven chapters of Genesis.

## Belief in Genesis 1 – 11 is crucial to my belief in:

- God the Creator who made me,
- God the Judge to whom I will have to answer.
- God's offer to me of Salvation.
- God's resolution of the curse of the universe and my future Eternal state.
- The truth God is trying to reveal to me in every other chapter of the Bible.



As creationists, we do not like it when science makes statements that evolution is a fact. We think some of their scientific claims are silly.

# A CAUTION

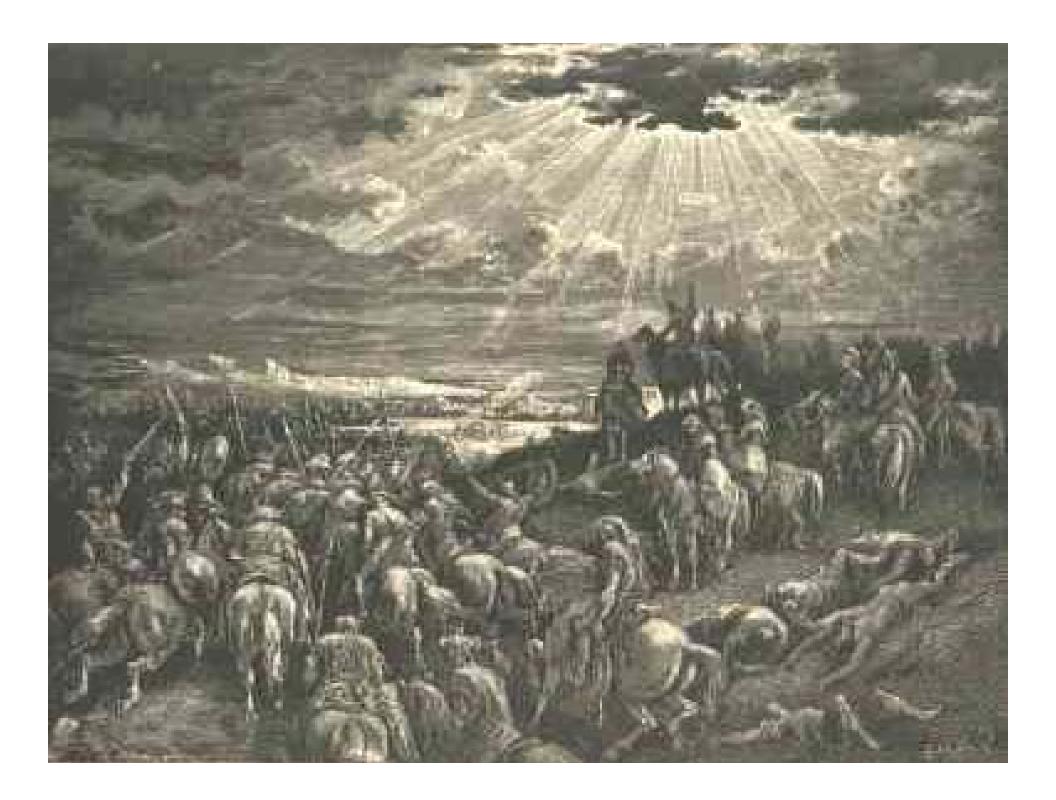
## **Interpret Bible Carefully!**

**Creation Science is a Theory** 

Joshua 10:12 – 14 On the day the LORD gave the Amorites over to Israel, Joshua said to the LORD in the presence of Israel:

"O sun, stand still over Gibeon,
O moon, over the Valley of Aijalon."
So the sun stood still,
and the moon stopped,
till the nation avenged itself on its enemies,
as it is written in the Book of Jashar.

The sun stopped in the middle of the sky and delayed going down about a full day. There has never been a day like it before or since, a day when the LORD listened to a man. Surely the LORD was fighting for Israel!



## Can we infer from this text that the sun revolves around the earth?

The text does not say how the sun stopped in the middle of the sky. It just says that it stopped.

Creation Science is a theory. But it is based upon the Bible and the Bible is an eye witness account of the beginnings of the universe.

True science is not bad. It is a pursuit to understand God through the creation that He has given to us to explore. Science may even help us understand Scripture better.



Genesis 1:1 -2 "In the <u>beginning</u>, God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

#### **Beginning of time**

I Corinthians 2:7 "No, we speak of God's secret wisdom, a wisdom that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began."



2 Timothy 1:9b This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time,

Titus 1: 2 "a faith and knowledge resting on the hope of eternal life, which God, who does not lie, promised <u>before</u> the beginning of time, "

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#### God - Elohim - one who is faithful

Elohim has an "im" ending indicating a plural form yet Elohim is used in a singular context implying uni-plurality. God is one yet more than one. "The boys is a team."

John 4:24 God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth."

God transcends what we know. He is not made of physical matter like we are and the tri-unity of the Godhead is difficult for us to understand and explain.

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Heaven "shamayin" Plural form that can be translated heaven or heavens. Which heaven?



Sky



Universe Stars Day 4

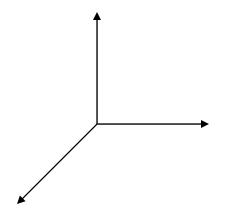


**God's Throne** 

Since the stars and planets did not come into existence until the fourth day, does it mean the heavens of outer space?

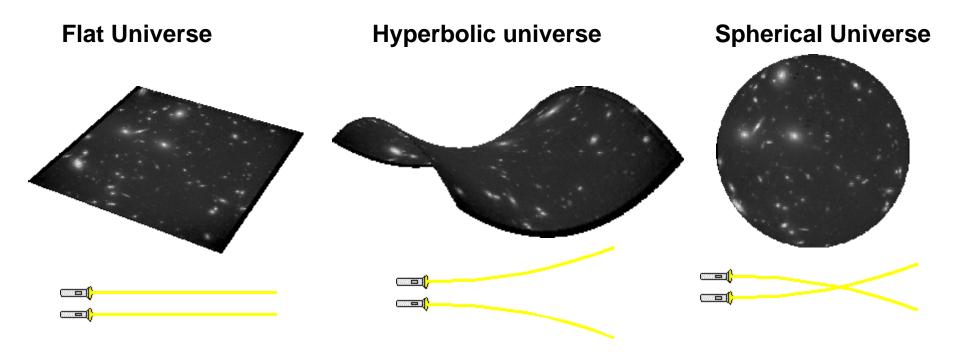
And the sky seems to have been created on the second day, "Let there be an expanse between the waters to separate water from the water above it," so does it mean the heavens as in our sky (atmospheric space)?

Heavens may not refer to any of the heavens mentioned but rather to phenomenon of 3 - D space itself.



**Jeremiah 10:12** But God made the earth by his power; he founded the world by his wisdom and <u>stretched out the heavens</u> by his understanding.

Einstein's Theory of General Relativity requires that space be "elastic". It is capable of being compressed, stretched, and even twisted by the presence of the mass and energy it contains.



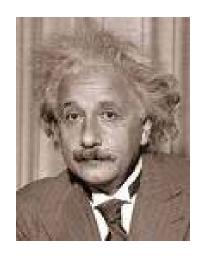


Isaiah 34:4 All the stars of the heavens will be dissolved and the sky rolled up like a **scroll**; all the starry host will fall like withered leaves from the vine, like shriveled figs from the fig tree.

Genesis 1:1 -2 "In the beginning, God <u>created</u> the heavens and the earth. <u>Now the earth was formless</u> and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

Created "bara" To call into existence that which had no existence.

Hebrews 11: 3 "By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible."



$$E = mc^{2}$$

$$Energy = Mass x (Speed of light)^{2}$$



Genesis 1:1 -2 "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the <u>earth</u>. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

Earth "erets"

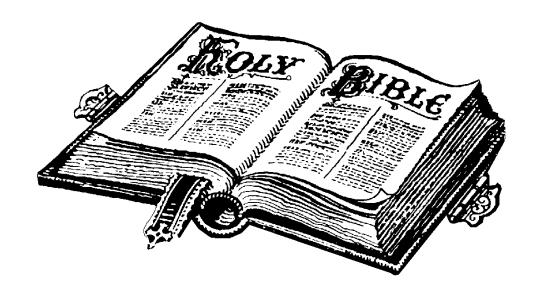
"Now the earth was formless" seems to indicate that the planet earth is not meaning here.

"Erets" may mean the elements (dust) of the earth and not the planet itself. In other words, God created the elements (atoms) of our physical world. Matter. Genesis 1:2 "Now the <u>earth was formless</u> and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

Il Peter 2:5 "But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water."

Proverbs 8:27 "I was there when he set the heavens in place, when he marked out the horizon (compass) on the face of the deep"

The elements were evidently suspended in space, mixed in a water suspension. No forces were acting upon them. In Genesis 1:2, the Holy Spirit activated the gravitational forces which caused the elements to begin to interact giving form to the planet earth.



The scientific translation of Genesis 1:1 may read, "In the beginning, the transcendent, omnipotent Godhead who is Spirit called into existence from nothing the Space – Mass - Time universe we inhabit today."

### **Before Creation:**

There was no space for God is not limited by three dimensions as we are.

There was no mass because God is Spirit.

There was no time for God is eternal. (Eternal literally means no time.) Remember God and Jesus said their name was, "I Am," meaning no past, present or future which is created by time as we know it.

## Genesis 1:3 And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light."

Isaiah 45:6b-7a "I am the LORD, and there is no other. I form the light and create darkness..."

Revelations 21:23 "The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp."

#### **Forces in our Universe:**

Nuclear - Gravitational - Electromagnetic (Light)

Father (1:1) Holy Spirit (1:2) Son (1:3)

Genesis 1:3 – 5 And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw that the light was good, and He separated the light from the darkness. God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.

Day "yom" is used exactly like our word for day. Day can mean the daylight hours or a 24 hour period of time or an indefinite period of time such as, "In the day of Abraham Lincoln."

When included with a number though, it always refers to a 24 hour period of time such as, "Abraham Lincoln's first day in office, ... would mean a 24 hour period of time.

The mention of evening and morning indicates that the earth was now rotating and that there was a source of light on one side of the earth corresponding to the sun even though the sun was not yet formed. Since this phrase is used throughout Genesis 1, it consistently refers to a literal 24 hour period of time.

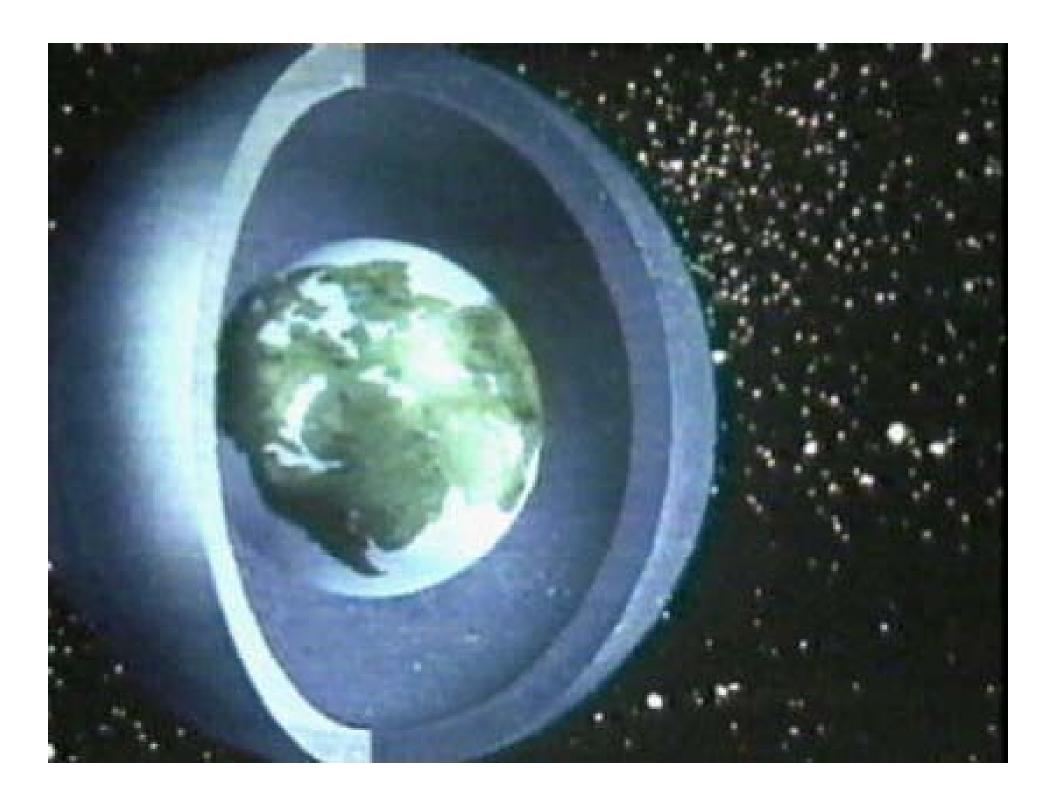


Genesis 2:2 - 3 By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. And God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.

Genesis 1:6 – 8 And God said, "Let there be an expanse between the waters to separate water from water." So God made the <u>expanse</u> and separated the water under the expanse from the water above it. And it was so. God called the expanse "sky." And there was evening, and there was morning—the second day.

#### Expanse, sky "raqia" separated water from water

Theory: A vast blanket of water vapor (invisible) existed above the traposhpere or stratosphere as well, in the high-temperature region known today as the ionosphere.



The canopy acted like a global greenhouse keeping in warm air even at the poles. Because the temperatures around the world were fairly even, there would not have been the great jet streams of wind currents that we have today.



### Scientist probes fossil oddity: Giant redwoods near North Pole

Once upon a time, Axel Heilberg Island was a very strange place. Located within the Arctic Circle north of mainland Canada, a full 8/9ths of the way from the equator to the North Pole, the uninhabited Canadian island is far enough north to make Iceland look like a great spot for a winter getaway, and today there's not much to it beyond miles of rocks, ice, a few mosses, and many fossils.

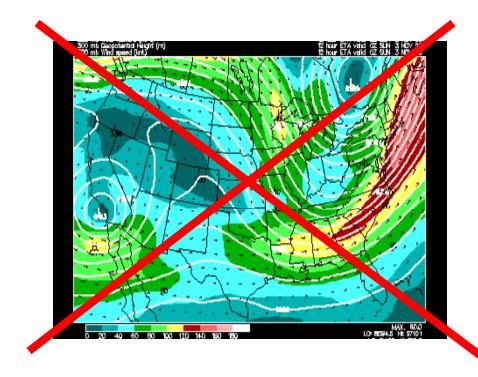
The fossils tell of a different era, though, an odd time about 45 million years ago when Axel Heilberg, still as close to the North Pole as it is now, was covered in a forest of redwood-like trees known as metasequoias.

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Genesis 2:5-6 "and no shrub of the field had yet appeared on the earth and no plant of the field had yet sprung up, for the LORD <u>God had not sent rain on the earth</u> and there was no man to work the ground, but <u>streams came up from the earth and watered the whole surface of the ground</u>.

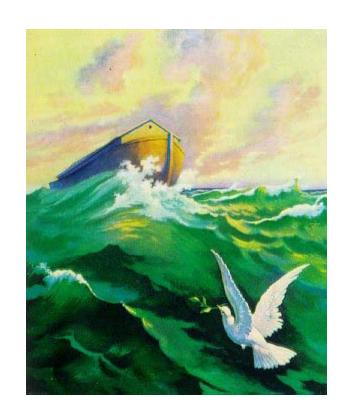
Wind would not carry evaporated water from the oceans inland and there would not be storms (rain) as we know them today.

God watered the ground with underground streams.



Genesis 7:11-12 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, on the seventeenth day of the second month—on that day all the springs of the great deep burst forth, and the floodgates of the heavens were opened. And rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights.

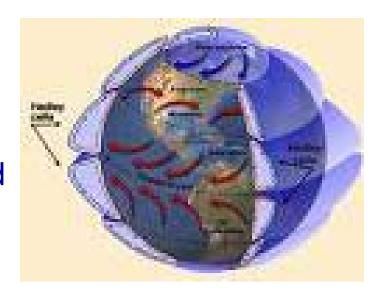
The water vapor canopy would supply the rain that fell during Noah's flood.



Genesis 8:21-22 "Never again will I curse the ground because of man, even though every inclination of his heart is evil from childhood. And never again will I destroy all living creatures, as I have done.

"As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease."

With the removal of the water vapor canopy, the poles would begin to freeze and the differences in temperatures would create the jet streams and the types of weather that we experience today.



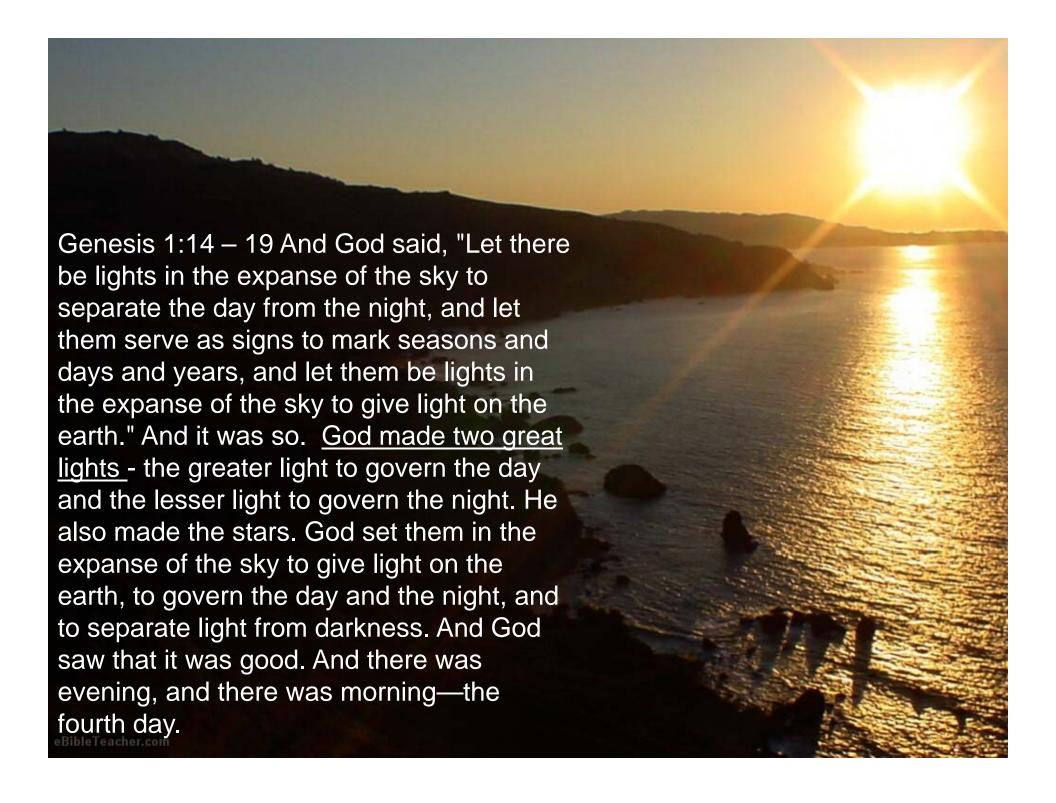
Genesis 1:9 – 10 And God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear." And it was so. God called the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters he called "seas." And God saw that it was good.

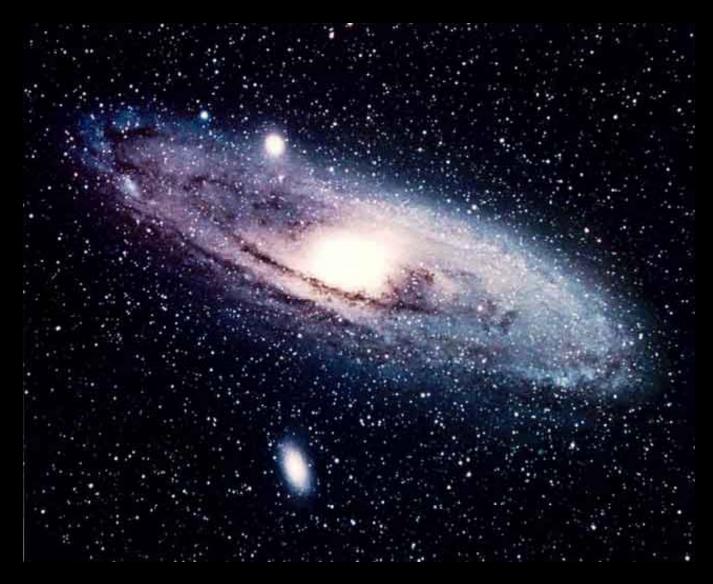


Genesis 1: 11 – 13 Then God said, "Let the <u>land produce</u> <u>vegetation</u>: <u>seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that</u> <u>bear fruit with seed in it</u>, <u>according to their various kinds</u>." And it was so. The land produced vegetation: plants bearing seed <u>according to their kinds</u> and trees bearing fruit with seed in it <u>according to their kinds</u>. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening, and there was

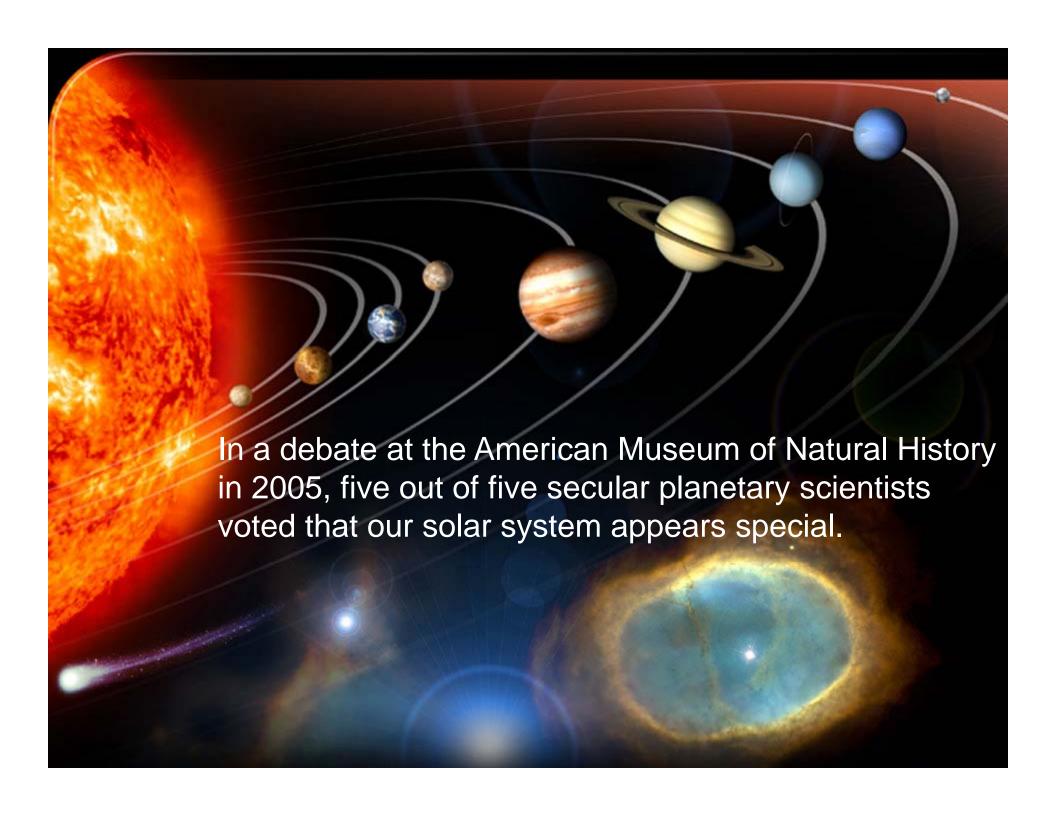
morning—the third day.

Days must be short periods of time because plants are created on the Third Day and Insects on the Fifth Day. How would the plants pollinate during this time period if a day was a long period of time?





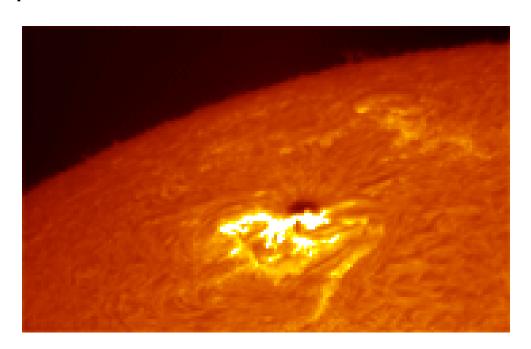
We are located in a relatively safe position within the Milky Way.

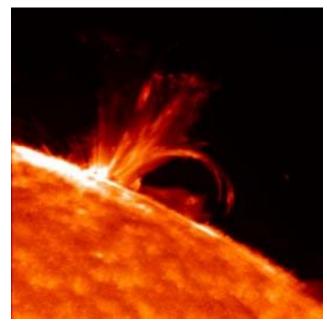


Astronomers at the McMath Solar Observatory at Kitt Peak measured solar output with high precision. Researchers White, Wallace, and Livingstone recently published the results of their 32 year study "Sun-as-a-Star" program in the *Astrophysical Journal* and <u>concluded that our sun is uncommonly stable.</u>

Our sun belongs to a spectral class representing only 5% of all stars: a G2V yellow dwarf mainsequence variable.

Many stars in our sun's class pulsate much more radically than ours, giving off deadly flares. Scientists know the sun goes through an 11-year activity cycle of solar flares. The energy of these magnetic storms escapes between the granules instead of heating the photosphere. As a result, the sun's heat output has only varied by 6 one-hundredths of a percent during the entire observational period of 1974-2006







And there is the amazing coincidence between the apparent diameters of the sun and moon that allow total solar eclipses to be visible on earth--dazzling displays of the wisdom and power of God.

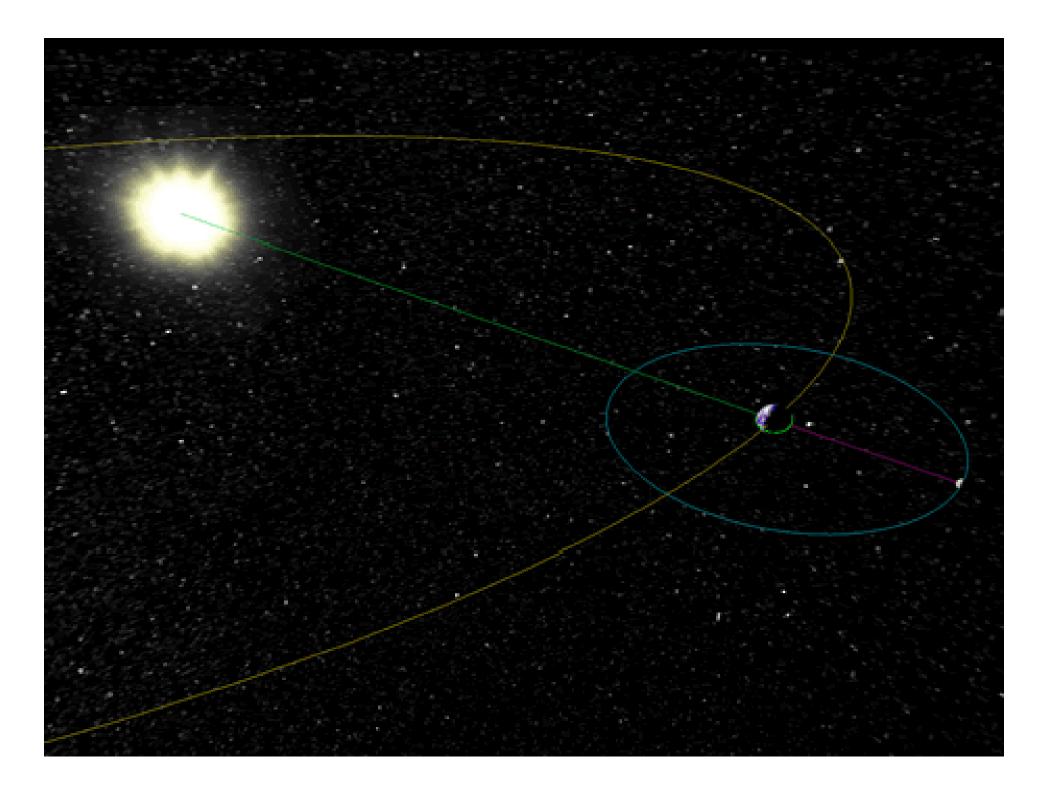
## Moon Mechanics: What Really Makes Our World Go 'Round

The Moon has had dramatic effects on our planet and the life that inhabits it, researchers believe. The Moon stabilizes Earth's rotation, for example, preventing otherwise dramatic movements of the poles that would fuel climate swings that some scientists figure might have doomed any chance for life to form, let alone evolve.

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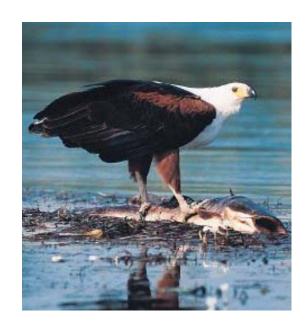
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Genesis 1:20 - 23 And God said, "Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the sky." So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living and moving thing with which the water teems, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let the birds increase on the earth." And there was evening, and there was morning—the fifth day.







Genesis 1:24-25 And God said, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: livestock, creatures that move along the ground, and wild animals, each according to its kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.





Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."



Mankind is a special creation unlike any of the other creatures God created.

Genesis 1:27 – 30 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

Then God said, "I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds of the air and all the creatures that move on the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food." And it was so.

1:31 God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.



No Death

## Theistic Evolution?

- Can I believe that God used evolution to create the universe?
- Carl Sagan reduced the 15 billion years of evolutionary theory down to one year.
   Compare the order in which evolutionists claim life was created with the Biblical account.
- Do they agree?

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| 15<br>Cambrian<br>Explosion<br>(burst of<br>new life<br>forms) | 16          | 17 Emergence of first vertebrates   | 18<br>Early<br>land<br>plants       | 19.          | First four-limbed animals | Variety of insects begin to flourish |
| 22   | 23          | First dinosaurs appear  | 25 First mammalian ancestors appear | 26           | First known birds         | 28                                   |
| Dinosaurs<br>wiped out<br>by asteroid<br>or comet              | 30          | 10:15am Apes appear 9:24pm First human ancestors to walk upright 10:48pm Homo erectus appears 11:54pm Anatomically modern humans appear 11:59:45pm Invention of writing 11:59:50pm Pyramids built in Egypt 1 second before midnight: Voyage of Christopher Columbus |                                     |              |                           |                                      |