



The Book of Genesis

In the beginning...
מִיְהִי אֵל וְיֵשׁוּעַ



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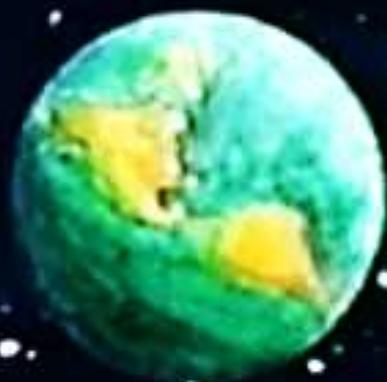
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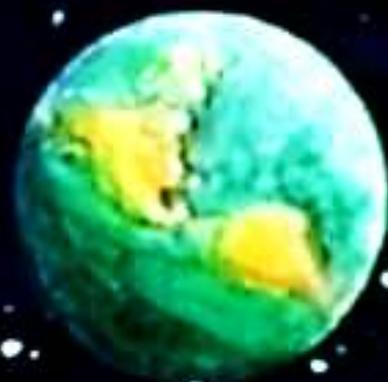
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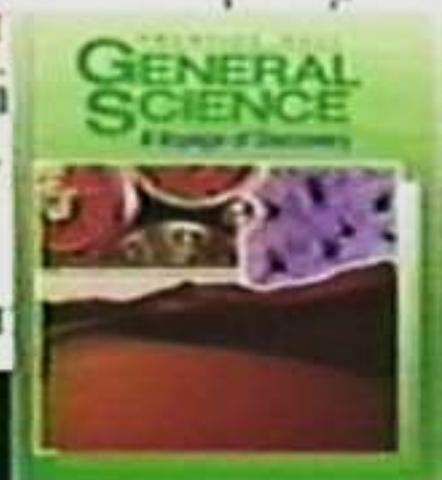
**Creationist world-view:
God is God and judges all men.**

The Birth and Death of the Universe

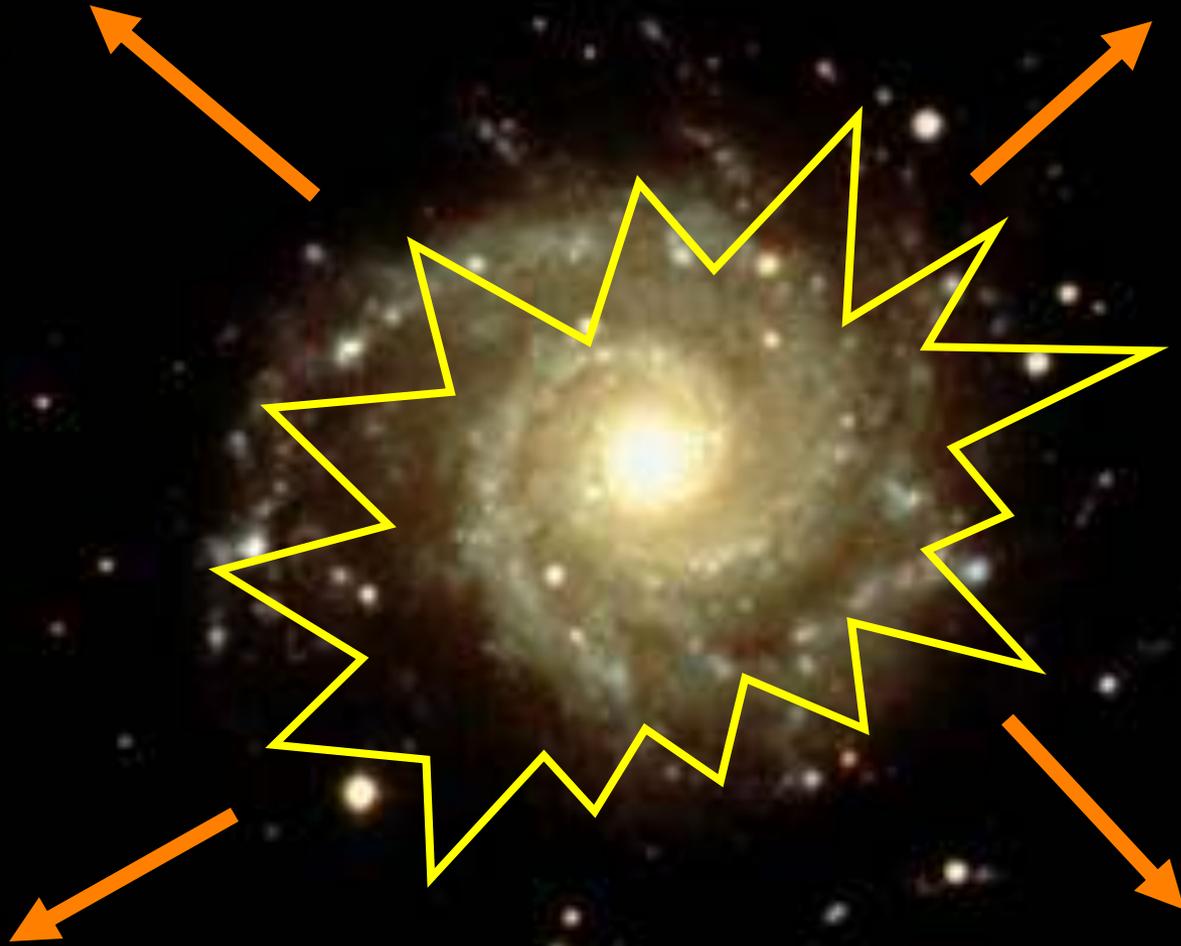
How was the universe born and how will it end? Most astronomers believe that about 18 to 20 billion years ago all the matter in the universe was concentrated into one very dense, very hot region that may have been much smaller than a period on this page. For some unknown reason, this region exploded. This explosion is called the big bang. On the big bang was the formation of galaxies away from one another. This explains why the universe is still expanding.

Will the universe keep expanding for

Prentice Hall General Science, 1992, page 61



The 'Big Bang'?



“... the observable universe could have evolved from an infinitesimal region*. It's then tempting to go one step further and speculate that the entire universe evolved from literally nothing.”

—Alan Guth & P. Steinhardt *Scientific American*, May 1984 p.128

See Darling, David & “On Creating Something from Nothing.” *New Scientist*, vol. 151 (September 14, 1995).

17.6 The Origin of the Universe

If the universe is expanding, then it must have once been much smaller. If you could run the life of the universe in reverse, like a film, you would see the universe contracting until it disappeared in a flash of light, leaving nothing.

In the realm of the universe, nothing really means nothing. Not only matter and energy would disappear, but also space and time. However, physicists theorize that from this state of nothingness the universe began in a gigantic explosion about 16.5 billion years ago. This theory of the origin of the universe is called the Big Bang theory. The Big Bang theory does not explain how the universe began. The theory only explains how the existing universe could have developed.

Facts you need to know!

- There is no universally accepted 'big bang' theory
 - There are various hypotheses (guesses)
- The 'big bang' theory' is not/cannot be science.
 - Science demands observation using one or more of our five senses (taste, touch, sight, smell, hearing) and repeatable experimentation
- The 'big bang' theory' is a belief system about our origins
 - Thus the 'big bang' theory is by definition a religion

Facts you need to know!

The 'high priest' of Evolution, Dr Richard Dawkins said the following in a BBC Radio 2 interview:

(The Jeremy Vine Show, BBC Radio 2. January 5, 2006)

- *“Religion demands belief in the supernatural”*
 - *Nothing exploding & becoming everything?*
- *“Religion requires belief in things that cannot be verified by science”*
 - *Spontaneous generation of life? Formation of DNA? Transitional forms?*
- *“The time has come for people of reason to say: enough is enough. Religious faith discourages independent thought, it's divisive, and it's dangerous.”*

Scientific Problems?

In astrophysics, the questions of galaxy formation and evolution are:

- *How, from a homogeneous universe, did we obtain the very inhomogeneous one we live in?*
- *How did galaxies form?*
- *How do galaxies change over time?*

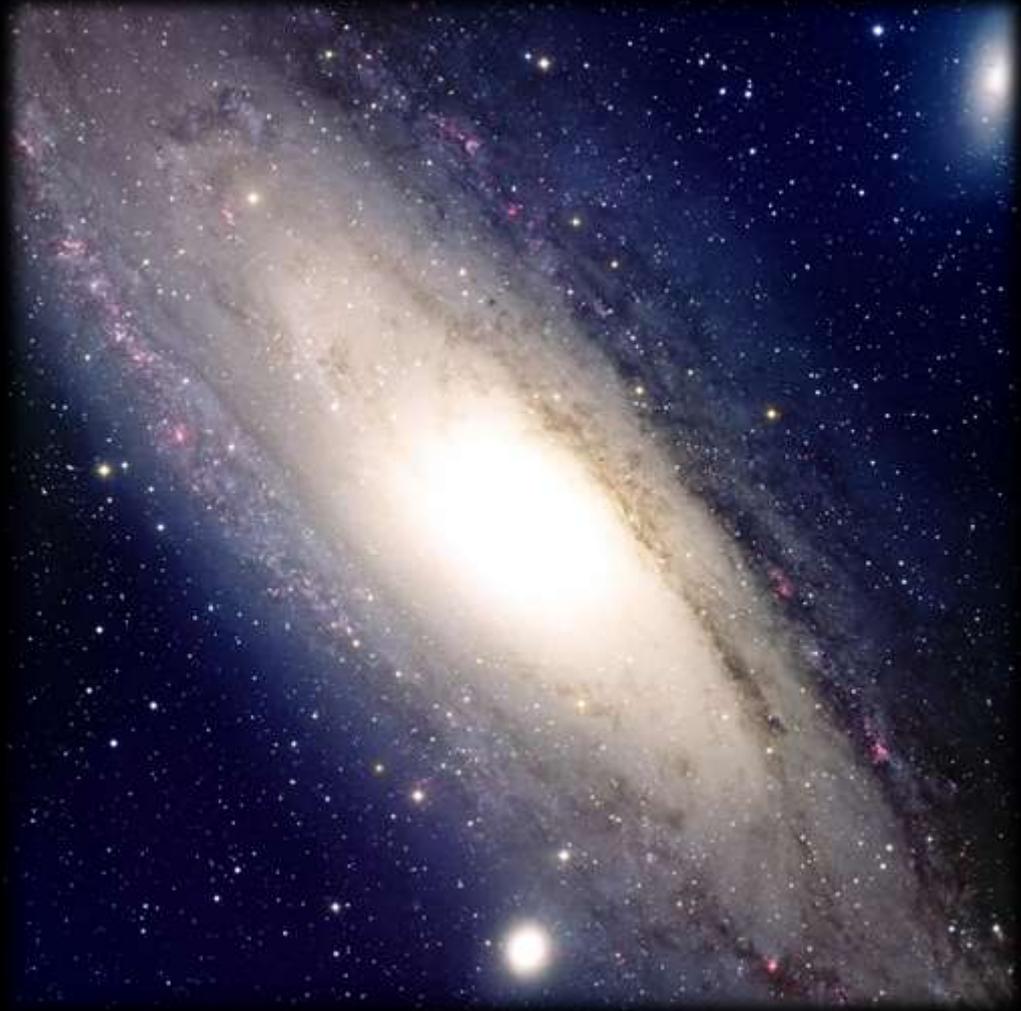
Homogenous :composed of similar or identical parts or elements
:having a constant property, such as density, throughout

Source: Wikipedia

The 'Big Bang'?

“If the big bang were true the matter would be evenly distributed. Instead it is ‘lumpy’.

There are clusters of stars then great ‘voids’”



Galaxy Formation

The earliest modern theory of the formation of our **galaxy** describes a single (relatively) rapid monolithic collapse.....**Another view published in 1978** describes a more gradual process.....**An even more recent idea** is that significant portions of the stellar halo could be stellar debris from destroyed dwarf galaxies and globular clusters.....Giant elliptical galaxies are **probably formed** by.....etc.,etc.

While we have learned a great deal about ours and other galaxies, the most fundamental questions about formation and evolution remain only tentatively answered.

Source: Wikipedia

'Tentative'

- 1 Not fully worked out, concluded, or agreed on; provisional: *tentative plans*.
- 2 Uncertain; hesitant.

Source: Dictionary.Com

Star Formation

According to **current theories of star formation**, cores of molecular clouds (regions of especially high density) become gravitationally unstable, fragment and begin to collapse (sometimes, shockwaves from supernovae will trigger star formation in nearby gas clouds).

The youngest and brightest stars we now see in the Orion Nebula are **thought to be** less than **300,000 years old**, and the brightest **may be** only **10,000 years in age**.

Source: Wikipedia

Our Sun

A large, glowing orange and red sun with a visible solar flare on the left side. The sun's surface is covered in a dense pattern of bright yellow and orange spots, representing solar activity. The background is a dark, deep red.

The Sun is using losing 4 billion kilograms of mass a second!

“The Sun has been in it’s current form for about 4.5 billion years and will continue to be one for another 4.5 billion years”

Source: Wikipedia

“... The conclusion I have come to is this: the law of **Christ is incompatible with the law of **evolution**...
Nay, the two laws are **at war with each other**...”**

Evolutionist, Sir Arthur Keith *Evolution & Ethics*. (Keith wrote the forward to Darwin's book for the 1959- 100 year anniversary reprint.)

Bible account & Evolution are opposites

Creation

Death only after Adam's sin

Earth before the Sun

Birds before land animals

Chicken before egg

Light before stars

Earth made under the waters

Everything 'after its kind'

Everything fully formed

Gradual decay

Man made in God's image

Evolution

Death before Man

Sun before the Earth

Land animals before birds

Egg before chicken

Stars before light

Earth hot molten rock then rain producing the oceans

Transitional forms

Basic form needing to develop

Gradual improvement

'god' made in man's image

Conclusion

- Both Creation & Evolution are belief systems about our origins
- The debate is between the science of one religion vs. the science of the other

When we look at the science, the Creation model wins hands down!



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Two Critical Discoveries

- 1) We have in our possession
an *Integrated* Message System
 - 66 separate books
 - Penned by 40 different individuals
 - Over thousands of years
- 2) Which provably has its origin from
outside our time domain.

The Principal Discovery

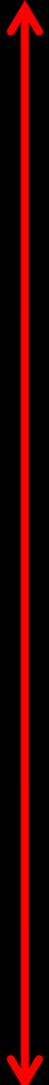
Job
Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy
Joshua
Judges, 1 & 2 Samuel,
1 & 2 Kings
1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah
Esther
Psalms
Proverbs, Ecclesiastes
Isaiah
Jeremiah, Lamentations
Ezekiel
Daniel
Minor Prophets
Matthew
Luke
John, 1,2, 3 John, Revelation
Mark, 1, 2 Peter
14 epistles
James
Jude

66 books

?
Moses
?
Samuel
?
Ezra
?
David +
Solomon +
Isaiah
Jeremiah
Ezekiel
Daniel
The 12
Matthew
Luke
John
Peter
Paul
James
Jude

40 +

~2000 years



One Integrated Design

The New Testament

is in the Old Testament concealed;

The Old Testament

is in the New Testament revealed.

Augustine

The Central Theme

- The OT is an account of a Nation.
- The NT is the account of a Man.
- The Creator became a Man. His appearance is the Central Event of all history.
- He died to purchase us and is alive now.
- The most exalted privilege is to know Him. That's what the Bible is all about.



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The Torah

The Five Books of Moses

Genesis

The Book of Beginnings

Exodus

The Birth of the Nation

Leviticus

The Law of the Nation

Numbers

The Wilderness Wanderings

Deuteronomy

The Laws Reviewed

The Book of Genesis

Part 1

Genesis 1, 2	Creation
Genesis 3	Fall of Man
Genesis 4	Cain & Abel
Genesis 5	Genealogy of Noah
Genesis 6-9	Flood of Noah
Genesis 10-11	Tower of Babel

Part 2

Genesis 12-20	Abraham
Genesis 21-26	Isaac
Genesis 27-36	Jacob
Genesis 37-50	Joseph

Genesis = Beginnings

- Time/Space/Matter
- Life/Blood
- Man & Woman
- Marriage
- Personal Ownership
- Childhood
- Sin
- Murder
- Sabbath
- Sacrifice
- Grace
- Trade
- Agriculture
- City life
- Cultures
- Languages
- Chosen people
- ...etc.

Anticipates All False Philosophies

- Atheism Created by God
- Pantheism God is transcendent and distinguishable
- Polytheism One God
- Materialism Matter had a beginning
- Humanism God, not man, ultimate reality
- Evolutionism God created
- Uniformism God intervenes

All Major Doctrines

- Sovereign election
- Salvation
- Justification by faith
- Believer's Security
- Separation
- Disciplinary chastisement
- Divine Incarnation
- Rapture of the Church
- Death and Resurrection
- Priesthoods:
 - Aaronic
 - Melchizedek
- The Antichrist
- Palestinian Covenant

Genesis vs. Revelation

	Gen	Rev
• Earth Created	1:1	
• Earth Passed away		21:1
• Sun to govern Day	1:16	
• No need of sun		21:23
• Darkness called night	1:5	
• No night there		22:5
• Waters He called seas	1:10	
• No more sea		21:1
• A river for earth's blessing	2:10-14	
• A river for New Earth		22:1,2

Genesis vs. Revelation

	Gen	Rev
• Earth's government (re: Israel)	37	
• Earth's judgment (re: Israel)		16:8
• Man in God's Image	1:26	
• Man Headed by Satan's Image		13:
• Entrance of sin	3:6	
• End of sin		21:27
• Curse pronounced	3:14-17	
• No more curse		22:3
• Death entered	3:19	
• No more death		21:4

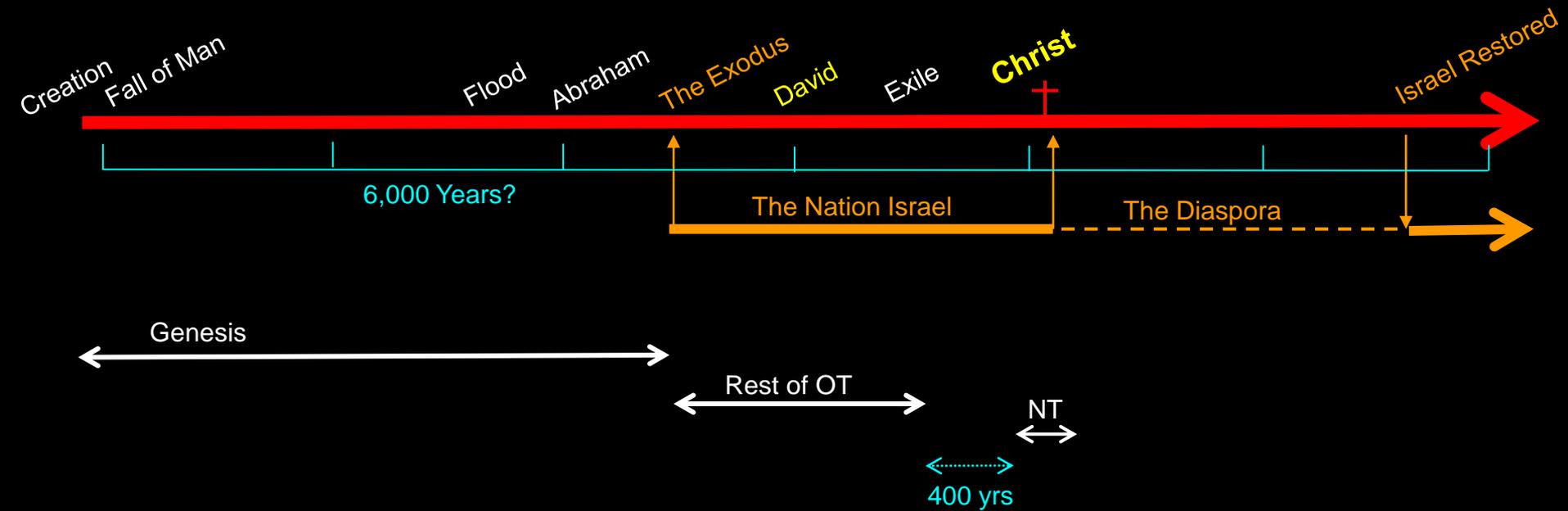
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• Man driven out of Eden	3:24	
• Man restored		22
• Tree of life guarded	3:24	
• Right to Tree of life		22:14
• Sorrow & suffering enter	3:17	
• No more sorrow		22:4
• Nimrod founds Babylon	10:8-10	
• Babylon falls		17,18
• God's Flood to destroy evil generation	6 - 9	
• Satan's flood to destroy elect generation		12

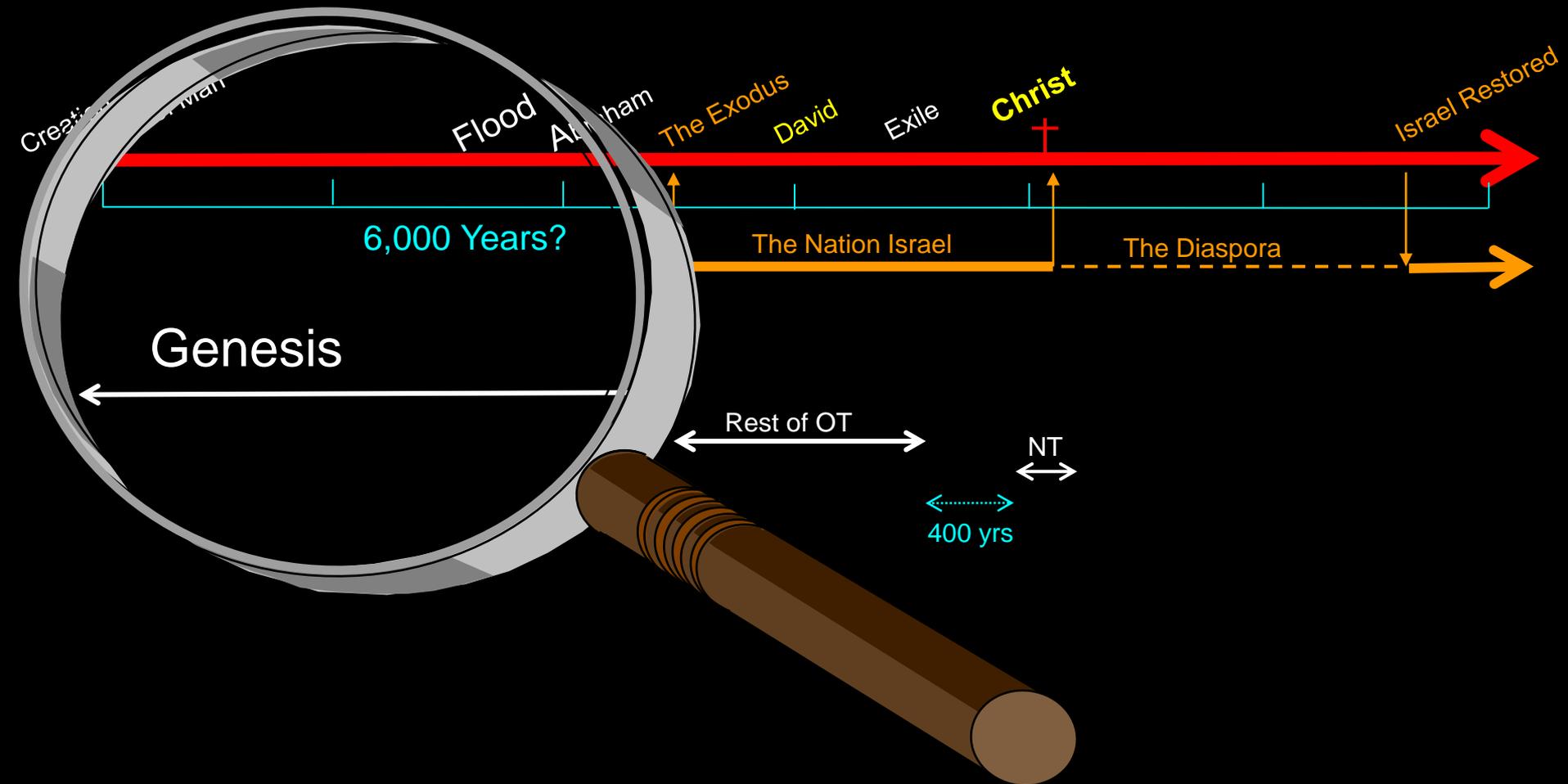
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• A bow: God's promise	9:13	
• A bow for remembrance		4:3; 10:1
• Sodom & Egypt: corruption, judgment	13,19	
• "Sodom & Egypt"(Jerusalem)		11:8
• A confederation vs. Abraham's people	14	
• A confederation vs. Abraham's seed		12
• A bride for Abraham's son	24	
• A bride for Abraham's Seed		21
• Marriage of 1st Adam	2:18-23	
• Marriage of Last Adam		19
• Man's dominion ceased; Satan's begun	3:24	
• Satan's domain ended; man's restored		22

The Panorama of History



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Genesis – The Foundation

If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?

Psalm 11:3

A major national poll...by one of America's leading researchers.. commissioned by AiG [Answers in Genesis]...as a follow-up to the results of an alarming Barna Research poll of 2002 and a Southern Baptist poll... clearly shows that ...many have left the church because they no longer believe the Bible is the absolute Word of God

Source: Answers Update, Vol 13:11:2

Genesis – The Foundation

How do mainline Protestant clergy stand on theological issues such as biblical infallibility? Many take a decidedly nonconformist view, according to a survey of 7,441 ministers conducted by sociologist Jeffrey Haden.

Here are the percentages of ministers who answered “No” to the following questions, by denomination:

Question: *Do you accept Jesus’ physical resurrection as a fact?*

Methodist ministers 51% / Episcopalian ministers 35% / American Baptist ministers 33% / Presbyterian ministers, 30% / American Lutheran ministers, 13%

Question: *Do you believe in the virgin birth of Jesus?*

Methodist ministers 60% / Presbyterian ministers, 49% / Episcopalian ministers 44% / American Baptist ministers 34% / American Lutheran ministers, 19%

Question: *Do you believe the scriptures are the inerrant work of God in faith, history and secular matters?*

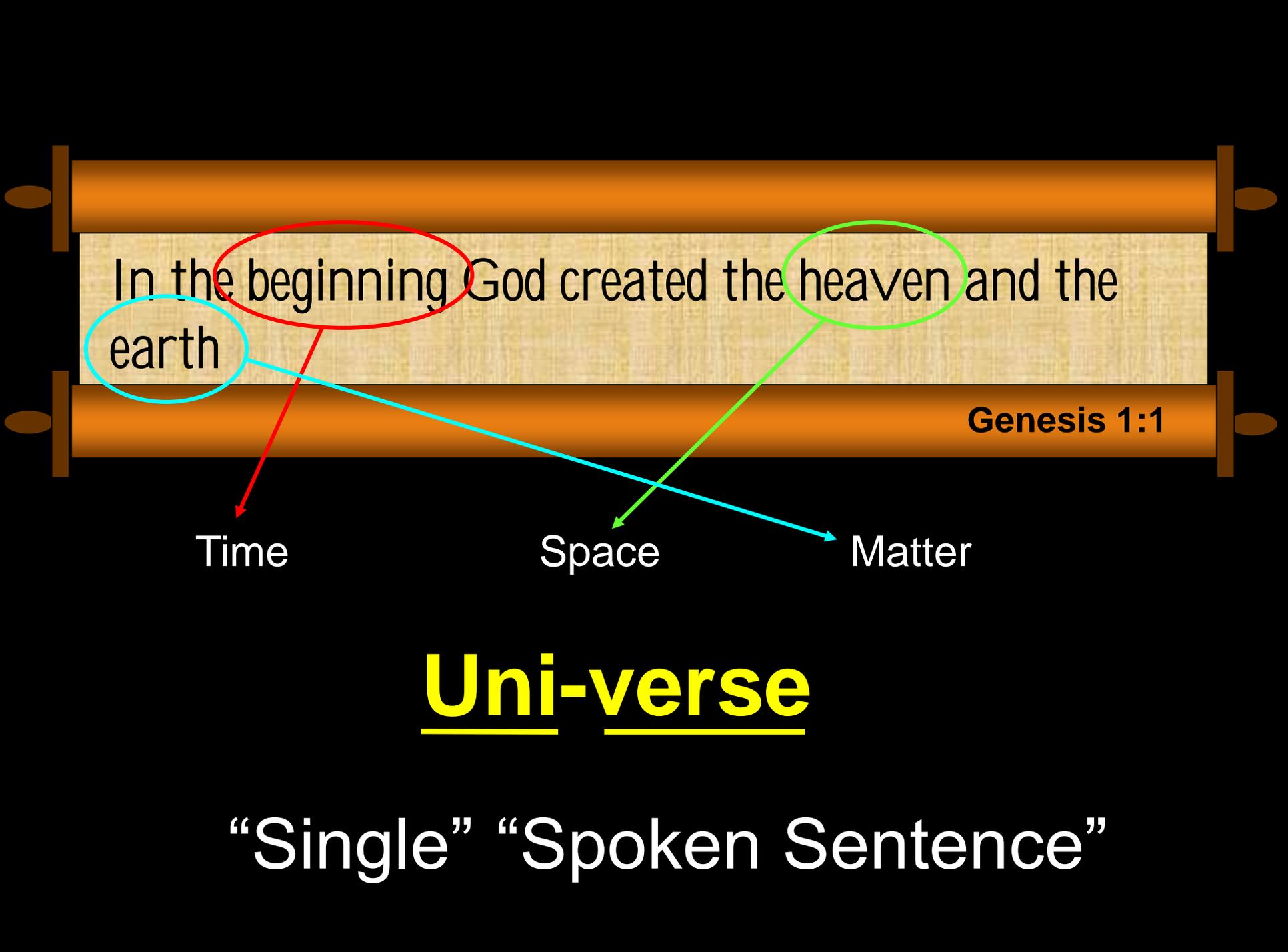
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A diagram of a scroll with a central text box. The text box contains the sentence "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth". Three words are circled: "beginning" in red, "heaven" in green, and "earth" in cyan. Three arrows point from these circles to the words "Time", "Space", and "Matter" respectively. The scroll is labeled "Genesis 1:1" on the right side.

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth

Genesis 1:1

Time

Space

Matter

Uni-verse

“Single” “Spoken Sentence”

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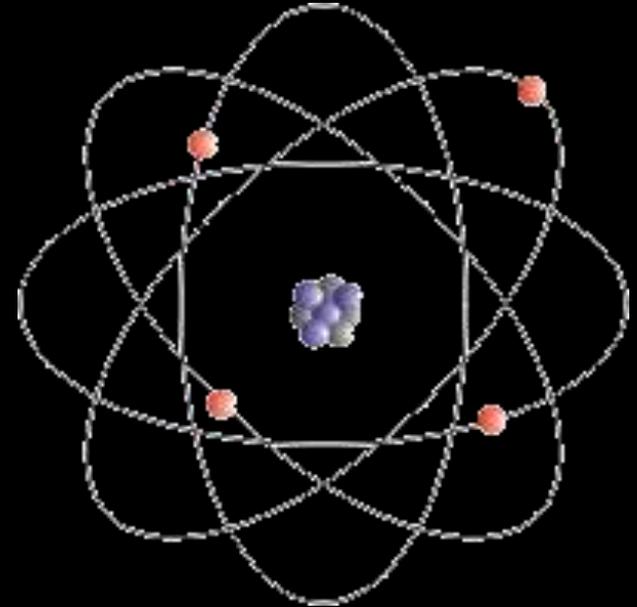
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1st Law of Thermodynamics

(Law of conservation of energy)

“In any process, the total energy of the universe remains constant.”

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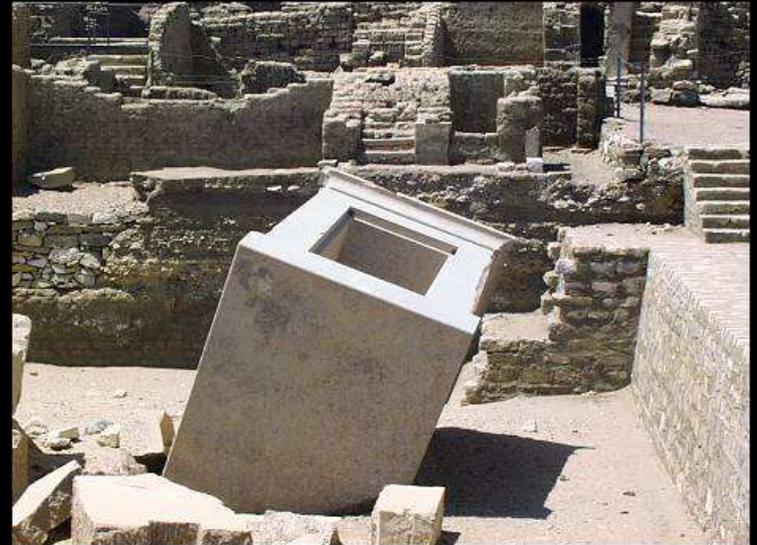


“Matter (and/or energy) cannot be created or destroyed”

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Wikipedia

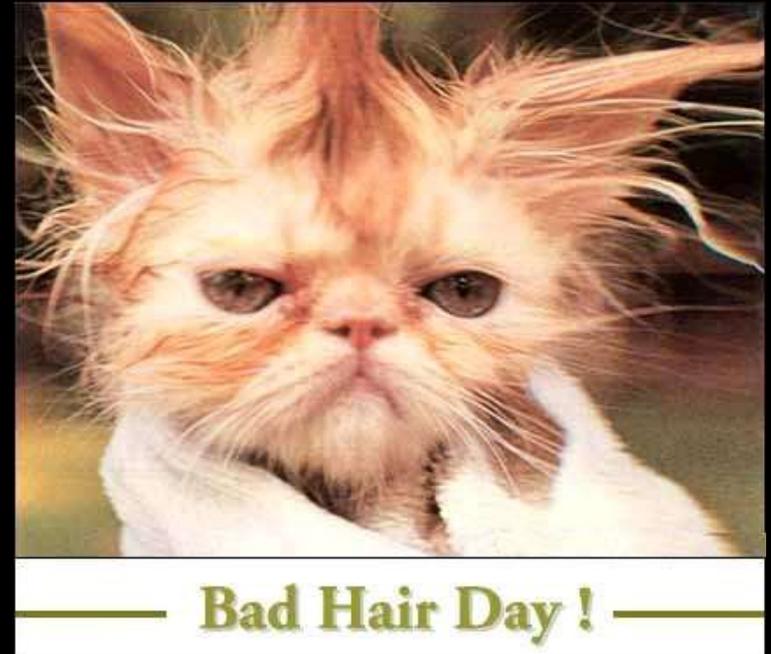


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Entropy in Scripture

Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth:
and the heavens are the work of thy hands. They
shall perish, but thou shalt endure: yea, all of them
shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt
thou change them, and they shall be changed:

Psalm 102:25-26

Entropy in Scripture

And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands: They shall perish; but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment;

Heb 1:10-11

Entropy in Scripture

Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment,

Isaiah 51:6

Entropy in Scripture

Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

Matt 24:35

Entropy to be Repealed?

...because the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God

Romans 8:21

Thermal Decay

- Heat always flows from hot bodies to cold bodies.
- If the universe was infinitely old, the temperature throughout the universe would be uniform.
- It isn't; therefore, it isn't infinitely old.
- The universe had a beginning.
- And it is destined for an ending.

In the beginning **God** created the heaven and the earth

Genesis 1:1

- If there was a time when there was nothing...
- The cause of everything had to be Someone!
 - Someone who is outside of time

From Outside Time

For thus saith the high and lofty One that
inhabiteth eternity

Isaiah 57:15

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Genesis 1:1

tiyarB

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arB

Bara = create out of nothing

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(*Yatsa* = form)

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Eloheim = Plural noun, used as a singular

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The Alpha & Omega

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

Rev 1:8

The Creator

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

John 1:1-3

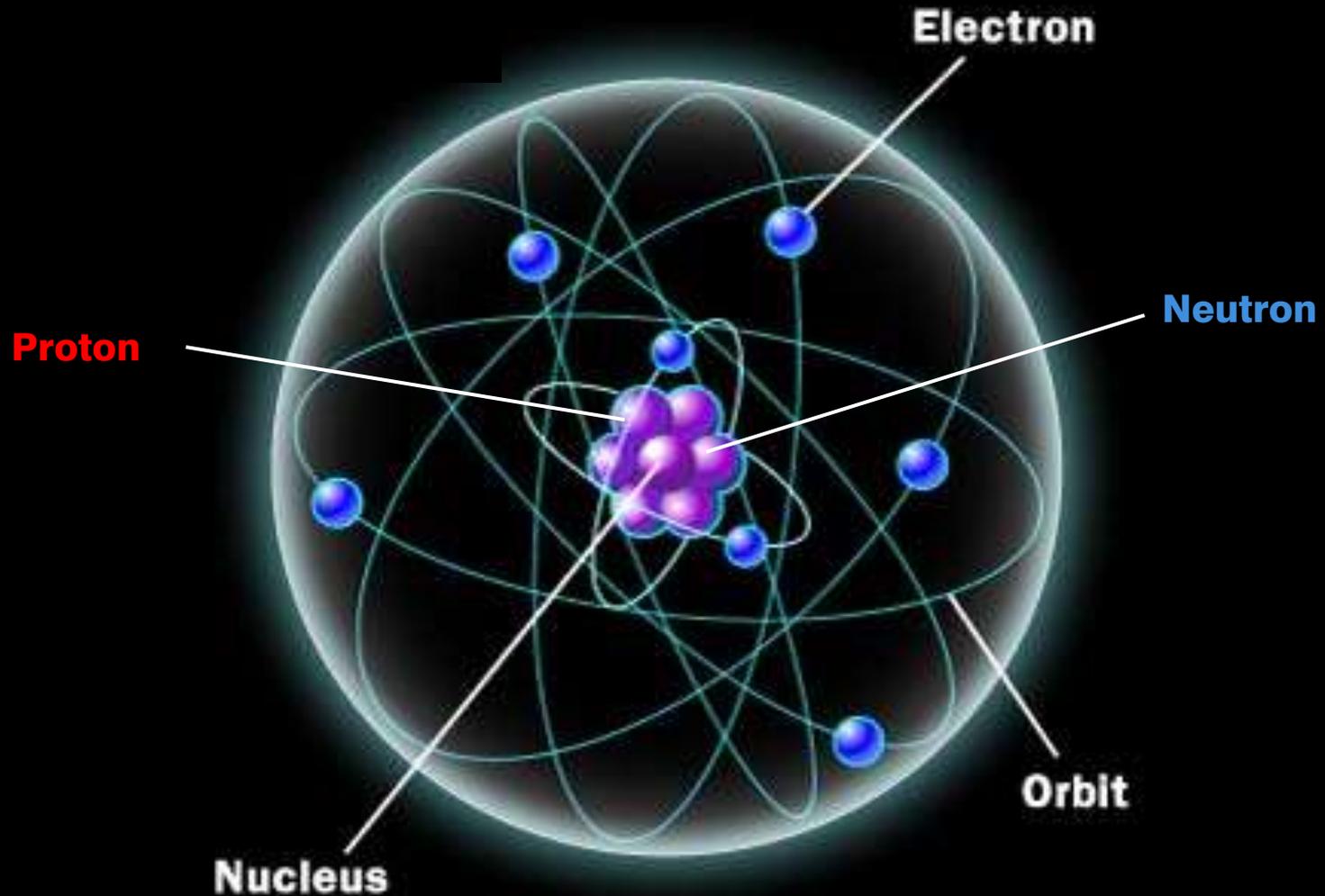
The Creator

For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

Colossians 1:16-17

The Atom

(What holds it together?)



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Colossians 1:16-17

sunistao (soon-is-tah'-o); to set together, to be held together

On Every Page...

Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.

John 5:39



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