

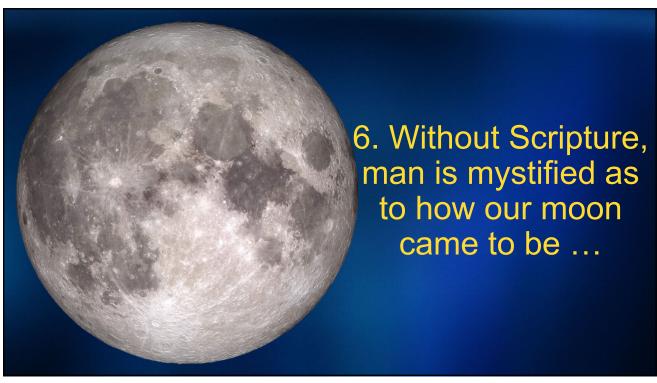
Day 4

Gen 1:14-19 Then God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; ¹⁵ and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so. ¹⁶ Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. He made the stars also. ¹⁷ God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸ and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ So the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

5. Was Moses an astronomer?

- Moses said the sun is larger than the moon even though the moon would normally seem larger to ancient man
- Moses did not make the mistake of calling the sun the "greatest" light in the sky: Antares is the size of 64 million suns, Auriga is the size of 64 billion suns

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Fission Theory

The earth spun so fast a chunk broke off

Problem

- 1. The moon is chemically different
- 2. The earth could never spin fast enough
- 3. The escaping moon would break up

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Capture Theory

The moon was captured by the Earth's gravity

Problem

The moon would need to lose a lot of energy or it would be slingshot rather than be captured

Co-Creation Theory

The earth and moon formed at the same time from debris orbiting the sun

Problem

- 1. The earth and moon are different chemically
- 2. It is unlikely the gravitational attraction would be strong enough

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A. Snyder Ruzicka and L. A. Taylor, "Giant Impact and Fission Hypotheses for the origin of the moon: a critical review of some geochemical evidence, *International Geology Review*, 1998:

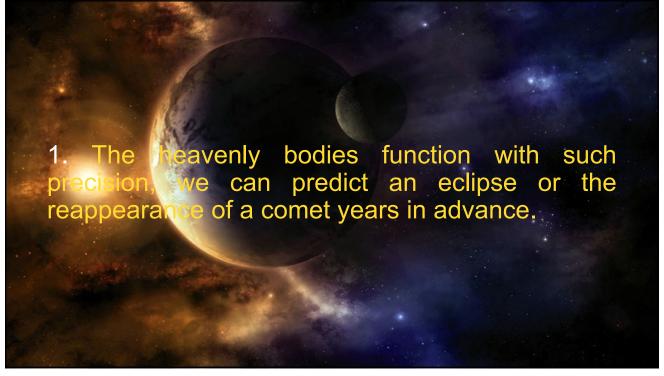
"The origin of the moon is still unresolved."

7. Earth's force of gravity pulls on the moon

- The moon pulls back on the earth (Newton's 3rd law of motion)
- This causes the moon to accelerate in its orbit so that it slowly spirals away from the earth (4 cm/ year)

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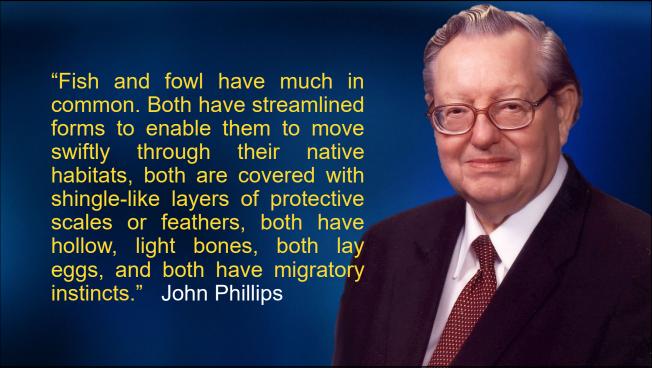






Day 5

Gen 1:20-23 Then God said, "Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens." ²¹ So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²² And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³ So the evening and the morning were the fifth day.



Day 6

Gen 1:24-25 Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind"; and it was so. ²⁵ And God made the beast of the earth according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.



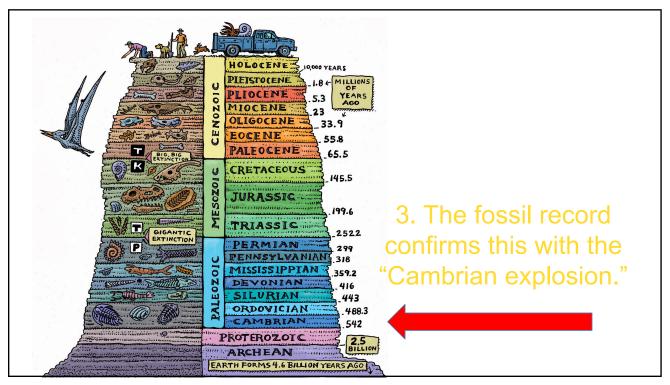






"Only God who is infinite could have worked on such a majestic scale as we see in the skies and on such a microscopic scale as we see in the seas. There is no such thing as bigness or smallness to a God who is infinite." John Phillips

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Gen 1:26-27 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." ²⁷ So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

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4. What does it mean to be made "In God's image?"

- We have His eternal nature
- We have personhood & personality just as He does
- We have His moral and spiritual capacities
- We have His emotional, intellectual, will, & conscience capacities

What are the components of personality?

Emotional Intellect Will

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6. "In His image" does not mean:

God is a man

Num 23:19 "God is not a man, that He should lie, nor a son of man, that He should repent.

Man is a god

7. Moses does not begin with the creation of man's body and relate him to the beasts, but instead, begins with his soul & spirit and relates him to God.

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8. Man's body is relegated to a footnote in Gen 2:7

Gen 2:7 And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

9. If Adam was not created and therefore, not a real person, then:

- The message of Scripture is a lie
- The entire order of things is destroyed
- The Gospel is based upon a false premise

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10. How much dominion was Adam given?

Gen 1:28 Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

Notice the word is dominion – not ownership or rule in the ultimate sense

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Over the created order

Gen 2:15 Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.

Heb 2:7-9 You have made him a little lower than the angels; You have crowned him with glory and honor, and set him over the works of Your hands. ⁸ You have put all things in subjection under his feet." For in that He put all in subjection under him, He left nothing that is not put under him. But now we do not yet see all things put under him. 9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone.

He was not made "king of the earth"

Ps 24:1 The earth is the Lord's, and all its fullness, the world and those who dwell therein.

Ps 50:12 For the world is Mine, and all its fullness.

Ps 89:11 The heavens are Yours, the earth also is Yours; the world and all its fullness. You have founded them.

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Ps 89:8-9 O Lord God of hosts, who is mighty like You, O Lord? Your faithfulness also surrounds You. 9 You rule the raging of the sea; when its waves rise, You still them.

Rev 12:5 She bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron. And her Child was caught up to God and His throne.

Col 1:15-16 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.

11. The significance of the Sabbath:

The substance

Gen 2:2-3 Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. ² And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. ³ Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

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Ex 20:8-11 "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God. In ityou shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. 11 For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it.

The symbol

Jn 5:17 But Jesus answered them, "My Father has been working until now, and I have been working."

19:30 So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

Heb 4:3-11

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Heb 4:10 For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His.

Eph 2:8-10 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not of works, lest anyone should boast. ¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.