

GENESIS 1

&

Part 2

SCIENCE

**The most important
Book ever Written**

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GENESIS 1 & SCIENCE

I. Introduction

A. Assumptions

B. Attacks

C. Approaches

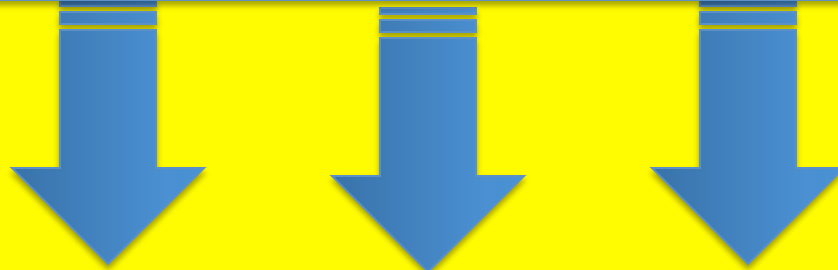
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INTERPRETING CREATION

- 1. Methodological Naturalism**
 - a. Imposes naturalistic theory**
 - b. Attempts to harmonize text**

BIBLICAL VIEW

Creator & Sovereign Lord



**Temporarily
Constant &
Dependent Creation**

INTERPRETING CREATION

1. Methodological Naturalism

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2. Biblical Worldview

a. Begin with Scripture

b. Avoid unbelieving worldview

c. Interpret physical data

ISSUE of AUTHORITY

➤ Old Earth View -

Science = Final Authority

Scripture twisted to fit

➤ Young Earth View -

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Science fit into framework

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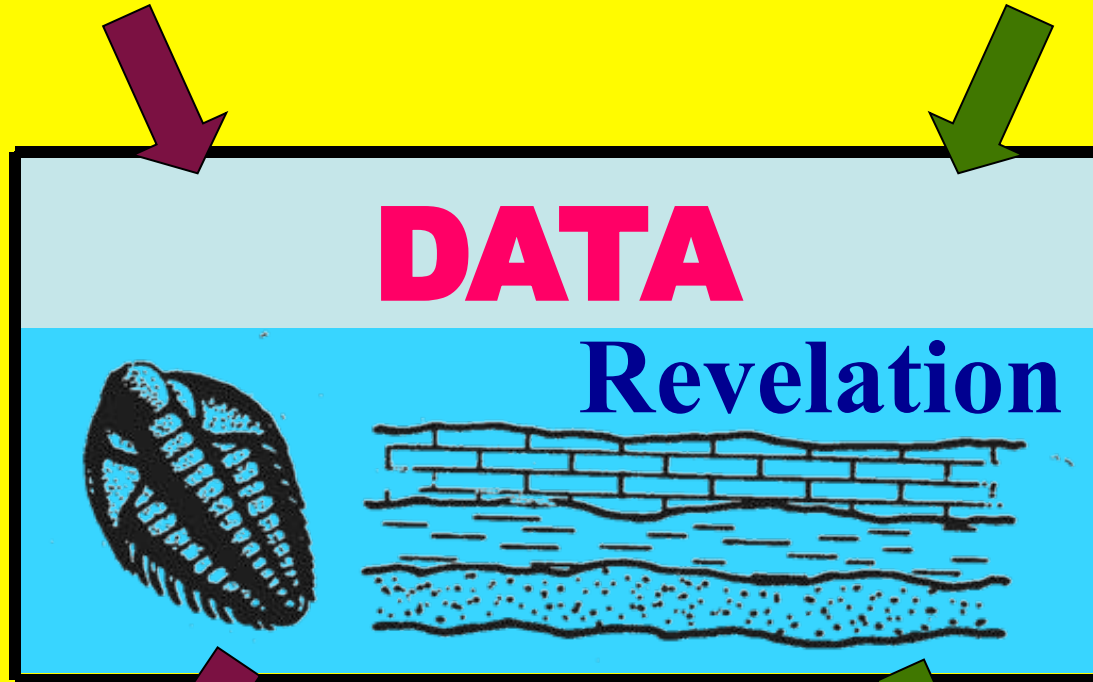
II. Exposition of Genesis 1

**“Where were you when I
laid the foundations of the
earth? ...”**

Job 38:4

Presupposition A

Presupposition B



Interpretation A

Interpretation B

GENESIS - A POLEMIC

- ✓ **Egyptian theology**
- ✓ **Canaanite theology**
- ✓ **Babylonian cosmology**
- ✓ **21st Century science**

STRUCTURE

- I. Intro Summary Stmt. 1:1**
- II. Pre-creation Situation 1:2**
- III. Creation Narrative 1:3-31**
- IV. Concl. Summary Stmt. 2:1**
- V. Sabbath Epilogue 2:2-3**

GENESIS Outline

- I. Primeval History 1:1-11:26
 - A. History of the Creation 1:1-2:3
 - 1. Creation of the Universe 1:1-2

In the beginning God created
the heavens and the earth.

Gen 1:1



SCIENCE STATEMENT

- **Matter - Universe**
 - **Energy - Omnipotence**
 - **Processes - Creation**
 - **Agency - God**
 - **Time - In beginning**
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אֱלֹהִים (Elohim) - God

➤ **Transcendent**

➤ **Eternal**

➤ **Self-existent**

➤ **Trinitarian**

➤ **Personal**

➤ **Immanent**

➤ **Sovereign**

➤ **Gracious**

➤ **Omnipotent**

➤ **Good**

➤ **Wise**

➤ **Covenanter**

1:1-2 - SCIENCE

- **Creator/creation Distinction**
- **Absolute beginning**
- **No Big Bang - “nothing exploded & became everything?”**
- **Origin of Physics & Chemistry**
- **General relativity - time & matter connected**
- **Earth is priority - water, gravity**

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 - a. Day One - light** **1:3-5**

STRUCTURE

- *1. Revelation - “God said ...”
- *2 Fiat - “let there be ...”
- *3 Fulfillment - “& it was so”
- *4. Action - names, places, etc
- 5. Evaluation - “it was good”
- 6. Blessing - “God blessed them”
- *7. Terminus - “was evening ...”

DAY 1

1. Beginning of cause & effect

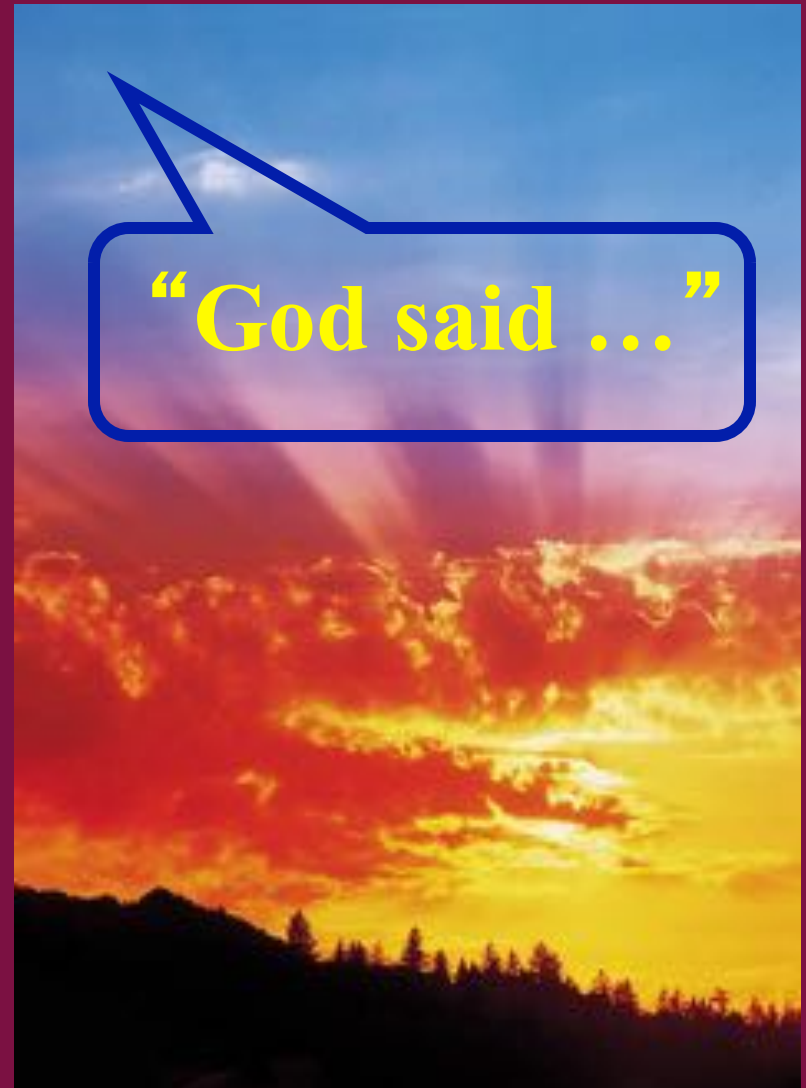
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REVELATION

- 1. God Communicates**
- 2. Origin of Language -
Intra-Trinitarian
Power of His Word**

MEANS

➤ **His Word**



**6 By the word of the Lord
the heavens were made, And
by the breath of His mouth
all their host. 9 For He
spoke, and it was done; He
commanded, and it stood
fast.**

Ps 33:6-9

MEANS

- **His Word**
- **His Wisdom**
- **His Power**



LANGUAGE - Foundation

- 1. God Communicates - not silent**
- 2. Means of Creation - not trivial**
- 3. Origin in God - not man**
- 4. God Names - not linguists**
- 5. Built into Man - not evolution**
- 6. Basis of Communication - not rationalism**
- 7. Basis of Science - not naturalism**

אֱלֹהִים (Elohim) - God

- ✓ Created - 1, 21, 27, 2:3
- ✓ Said - 3, 6, 9, 11, 14, 20, 24
- ✓ Separated - 4
- ✓ Made - 7, 16, 25, 2:3
- ✓ Placed - 17
- ✓ Blessed - 22, 28

A "HANDS ON" WORK



DAY 1

1. Beginning of cause & effect
2. Means of Creation - God speaking
3. Origin of language, science, technology
4. Work of God - no naturalism

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אור (Light)

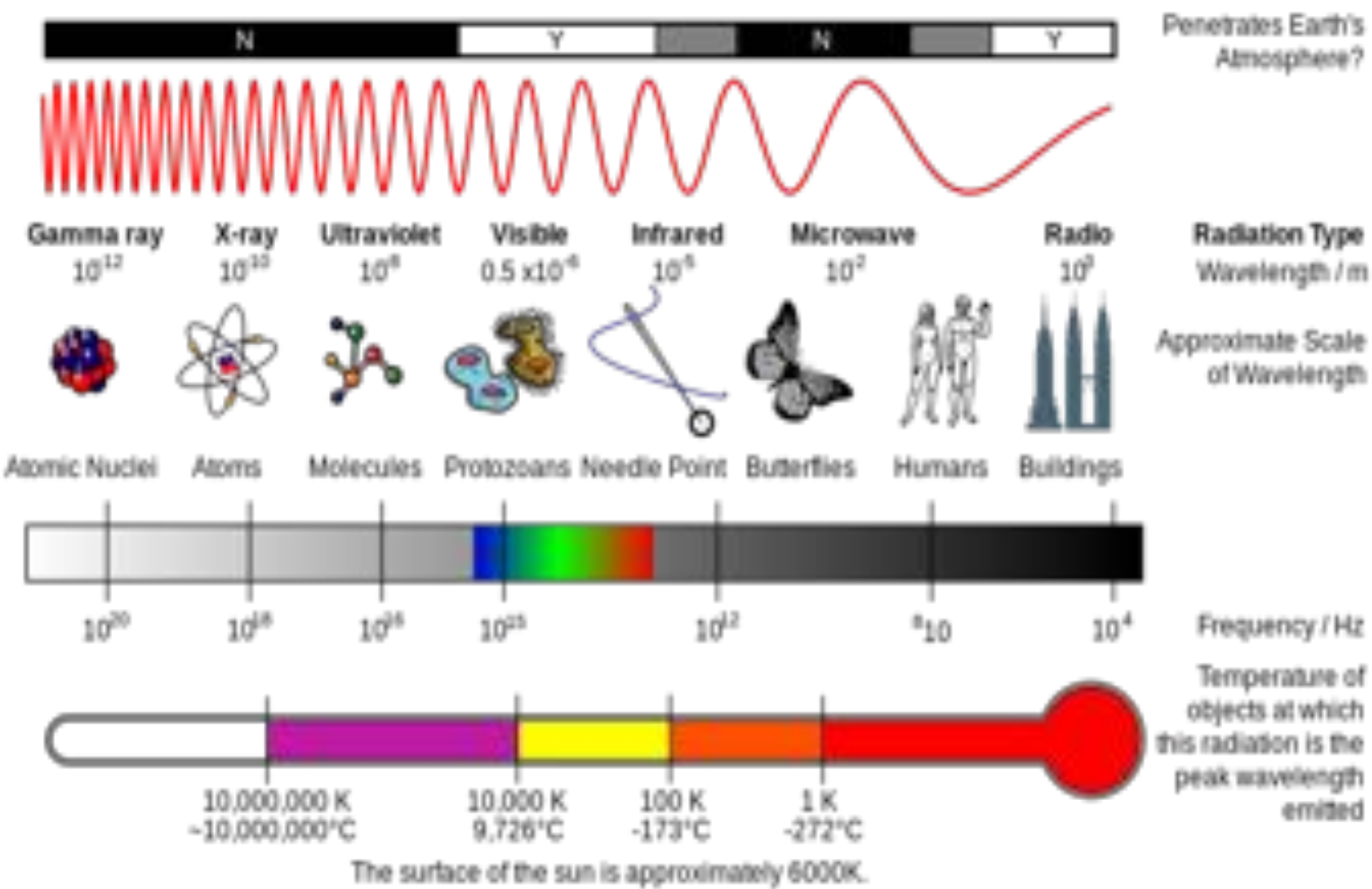
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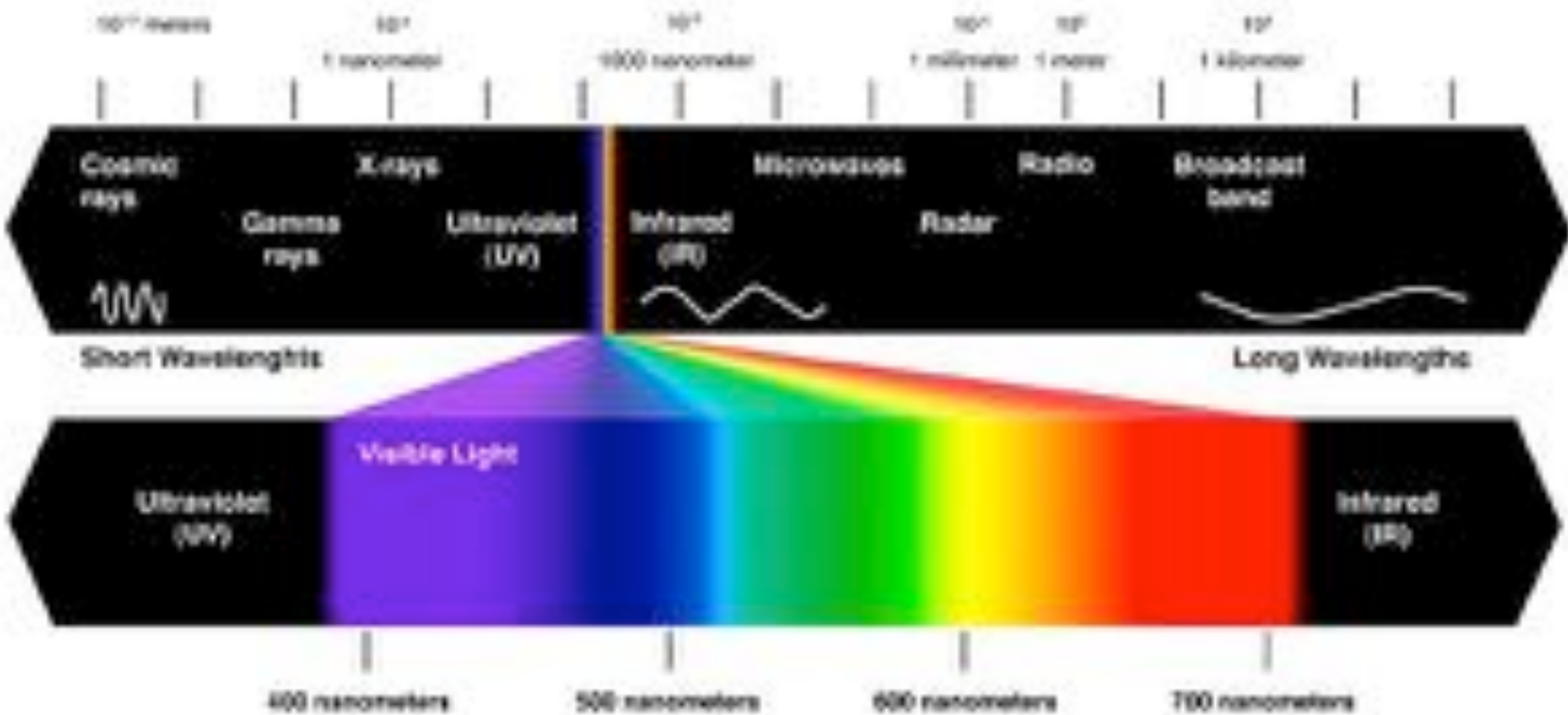
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God's light

Physical Light - spectrum





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 - Physical Light - spectrum**
- **Sources - chemical, thermal, nuclear, electrical, sun**

SUPERNATURAL LIGHT

- Ex 10:23 - 3-day plague of darkness**
- Ex 13:21 - pillar of fire**
- Ex 34:29 - Moses' face**
- Lk 2:9 - glory of the Lord at birth**
- Mt 17:2 - transfiguration**
- Act 9:3 - Paul going to Damascus**
- Act 12:7 - light shined in the prison**

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“ ... it was so.”
- immediacy

“ ... it was good.”
- evaluation

LAW OF 1ST USE

“God called the light day, and the darkness He called night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day.”

Gen 1:5

AVAILABLE TERMS

עוֹלָם - long duration

אָרָה - be long

DAY 1

1. Beginning of cause & effect
2. Means of Creation - God speaking
3. Origin of language, science, technology
4. Work of God - no naturalism
5. Electromagnetic spectrum
6. Origin of optics
7. Immediacy of fulfillment
8. Origin of time-frame
9. Young Earth

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- b. 2nd Day - expanse** **1:6-8**

רִקְנִיעַ - spread out thinness

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Atmosphere or Space



WATERS SEPARATED

**1. Atmospheric
& Oceans**

**2. Edge of
universe & Oceans**



STRETCHING

Ps 104:2 Covering Yourself with light as with a cloak, Stretching out heaven like a tent curtain

Isa 44:24 Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, and the one who formed you from the womb, “I, the Lord, am the maker of all things, Stretching out the heavens by Myself And spreading out the earth all alone,

STRETCHING

Isa 48:13 “Surely My hand founded the earth, And My right hand **spread out the heavens**; When I call to them, they stand together.

Jer 51:15 It is He who made the earth by His power, Who established the world by His wisdom, And by His understanding He **stretched out the heavens**.

Isa 40:22, 42:5, Zech 12:1, Job 26:7

CREATION

Day 1 - Light

Day 2 - Universe

Waters Separated

Day 3 - Earth

Vegetation

Grass & Herbs

Fruit Trees

Day 4 - Sun, Moon, & Stars

Day 5 - Aquatic Life

Flying Creatures

Sea Monsters

Day 6 - Domestic Animals

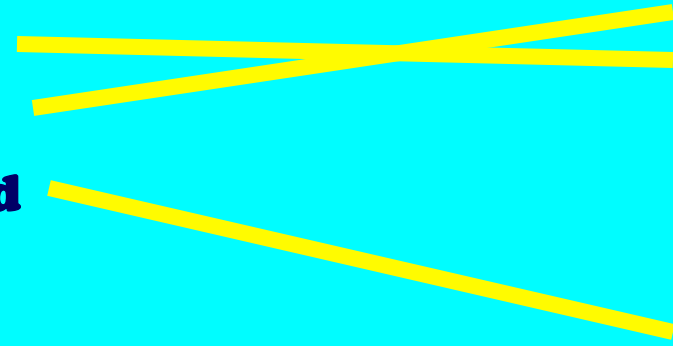
Creeping Animals

Wild Animals

Man

EVOLUTION

1. **Big Bang**
2. **Light**
3. **Stars**
4. **Galaxies**
5. **Planets**
6. **Earth**
7. **Oceans**
8. **1st Cell**
9. **Ocean Life**
10. **Invertebrates**
11. **Fish**
12. **Amphibians**
13. **Land Animals**
14. **Boneless Fish**
15. **Seed Plants**
16. **Insects**
17. **Reptiles**
18. **Dinosaurs**
19. **Birds**
20. **Mammals**
21. **Man**



DAY 2

1. **Stretching out of space**
2. **Origin of Astrophysics**
3. **Material possibly spread in space**
4. **Separation of water mass**
5. **Origin of Oceanography**

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Sea of Galilee

**God as Creator means we
are accountable to Him.
Praise Him for His
Sovereignty!!!**