

# Defending Doctrinal Distinctives: Six Day Creationism

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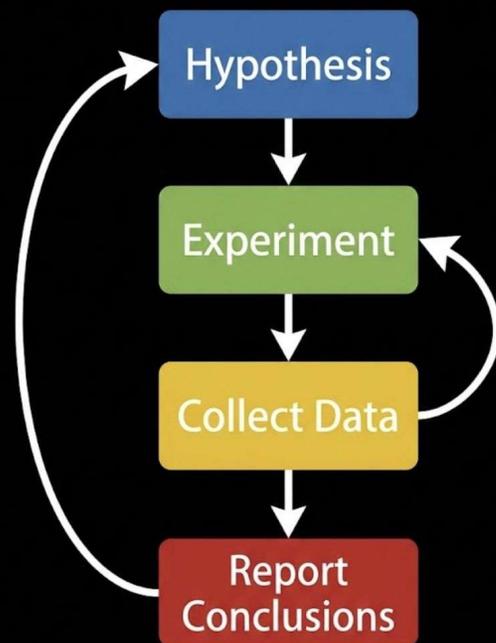
JOHN 3:12 ·

NASB

"If I told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things?"

# What Is Science?

## The Scientific Method



Real Science Must Be

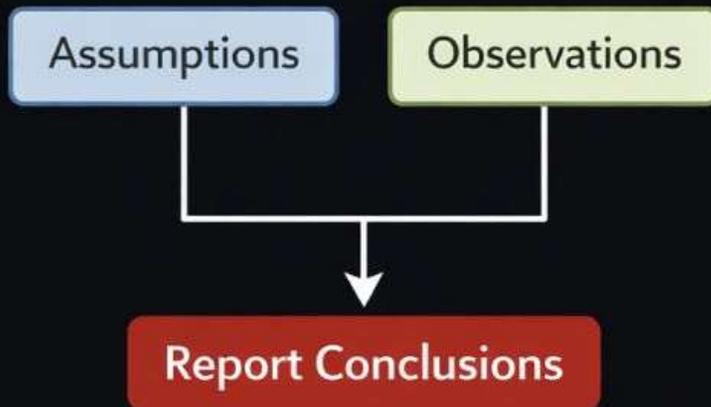
**Testable** – subject to experimental verification

**Repeatable** – results confirmed by others

**Falsifiable** – capable of being proven wrong

Skepticism is Valued and Welcomed!

# ~~Origin Science~~



Assumptions Dictate Conclusions!

**NOT Testable** – cannot travel to the past!

**NOT Repeatable** – macroevolution not demonstrated!

**NOT Falsifiable** – theories simply change when falsified

Skepticism is dangerous and must be eradicated.

...so belief in Origin Science must be **Enforced**



Thought Compliance Enforcement:

**Teach** ... as "settled fact" in grade school textbooks

**Ridicule** ... and blacklist all who dare disagree

**Deny funding** ... to professors who do not tow the line

# Church has been successfully confused!?

## COMPROMISE VIEW OF GENESIS 1

- Gap
- Day-age
- Theistic evolution
- Day-gap-day
- Framework hypothesis
- Progressive creation
- Adam is metaphor for Israel
- Cosmic temple inauguration view
- Humans from animals with amnesia

All have one thing  
in common.

Inserting millions of  
years into Genesis!

**Problem: Don't want to be labelled**

"anti-science"!

**Solution: Reinterpret Genesis**

"in light of science"

## But what does the Bible say?

Romans 3:4 · NASB

"let God be found true, though every man be found a liar"

# 6 Reasons to Believe in Young Earth Creationism

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01

# The Plain Reading of Genesis 1

Just read it like the original audience would have understood it: six 24-hour days!

# 01 The Plain Reading of Genesis 1

## Genesis 1

### 1:3-5

"Let there be light" ... And there was **evening** and there was **morning**, one **day**.

### 1:6-8

"Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters" ... And there was **evening** and there was **morning**, a **second** day.

### 1:9-13

"let the dry land appear"..."Let the earth sprout vegetation" ... There was **evening** and there was **morning**, a **third** day.

### 1:14-19

"Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night"...There was **evening** and there was **morning**, a **fourth** day.

### 1:20-23

"Let the waters teem with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth" ... There was **evening** and there was **morning**, a **fifth** day.

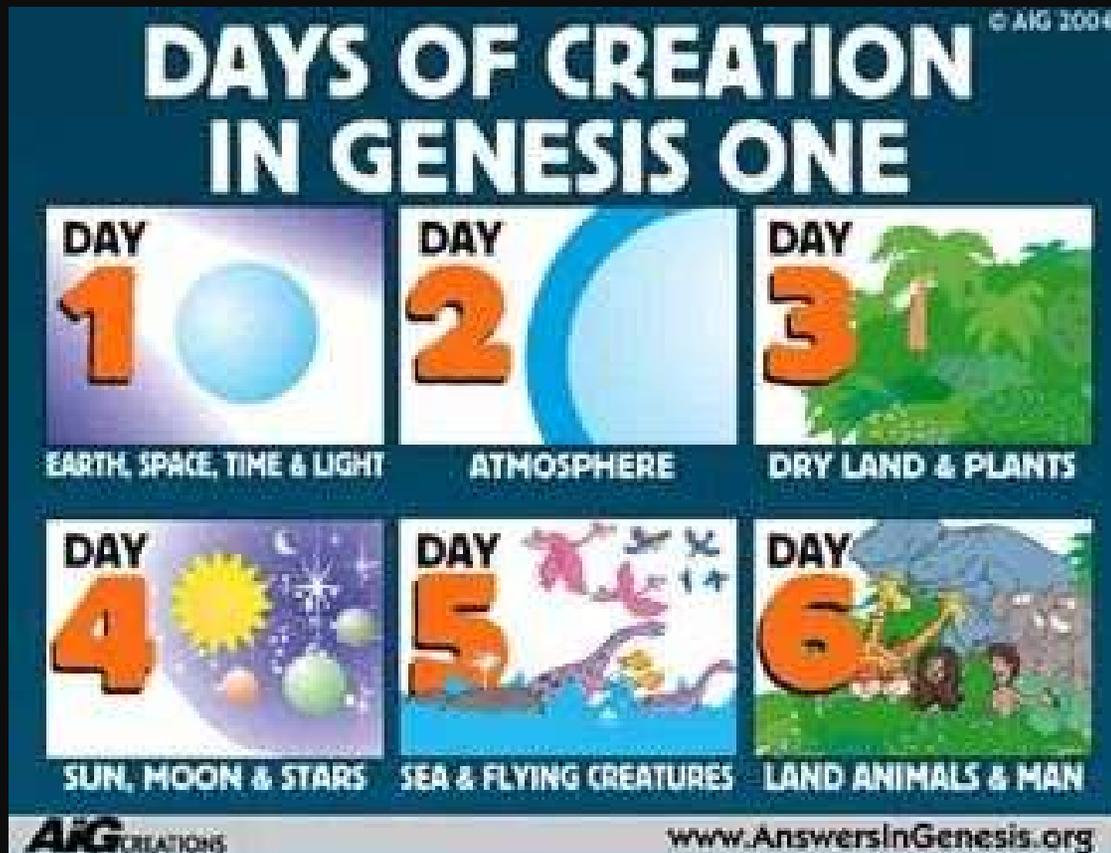
### 1:24-26

"Let the earth bring forth living creatures ... Let Us make man in Our image..." it was very good. And there was **evening** and there was **morning**, the **sixth** day.

**Ordinal Number**

**Evening/Morning**

# 01 The Plain Reading of Genesis 1



## Order of Creation Inconsistent with Billions-of-Years "Science"

- Sun on day 4 means Plants evolved before the Sun
- Did Plants survive millions of years before animals?
- Birds before land animals?

02

# The Fourth Commandment

It sure seems like God is a 6-day creationist!

## 02 The Fourth Commandment

Exodus 20:9-11

**Six days you shall labor** and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath of the Lord your God; in it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter, your male or your female servant or your cattle or your sojourner who stays with you.

**For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth**, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day; **therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.**

## 02 The Fourth Commandment

Exodus 31:16-17

So the sons of Israel shall observe the sabbath, to celebrate the sabbath throughout their generations **as a perpetual covenant.** It is a sign between Me and the sons of Israel forever; **for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth,** but on the seventh day He ceased from labor, and was refreshed.”

03

# The Genesis Genealogies

There just isn't anywhere to insert millions of years between Adam and Jesus

## 03 The Genesis Genealogies

Wait...is Adam a real person?

### Romans 5

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin ... **death reigned from Adam until Moses**, even over those who had not sinned in the likeness of the violation committed by Adam

### 1 Cor 15:45-49

“The **first man, Adam**, became a living person.” The last Adam was a life-giving spirit. ... The **first man is from the earth**, earthy; the second Man is from heaven ... **Just as we have borne the image of the earthy**, we will also bear the image of the heavenly.

**Adam must be as real as Moses or Jesus for the Gospel to make any sense**

## 03 The Genesis Genealogies

1. **Genesis 5:** Adam to Noah

2. **Genesis 7:7:** Flood in Noah's 500th year

3. **Genesis 11:10-32:** Noah to Abram

- *"Became the father of":* Direct father!
- Not like New Testament Genealogies
- Precise years (95 years, 162 years, etc)

} **2000 years!**

**Jude 1:14 confirms: "... Enoch, in the **seventh** generation from Adam, prophesied"**

# Jesus and the Apostles Assume YEC

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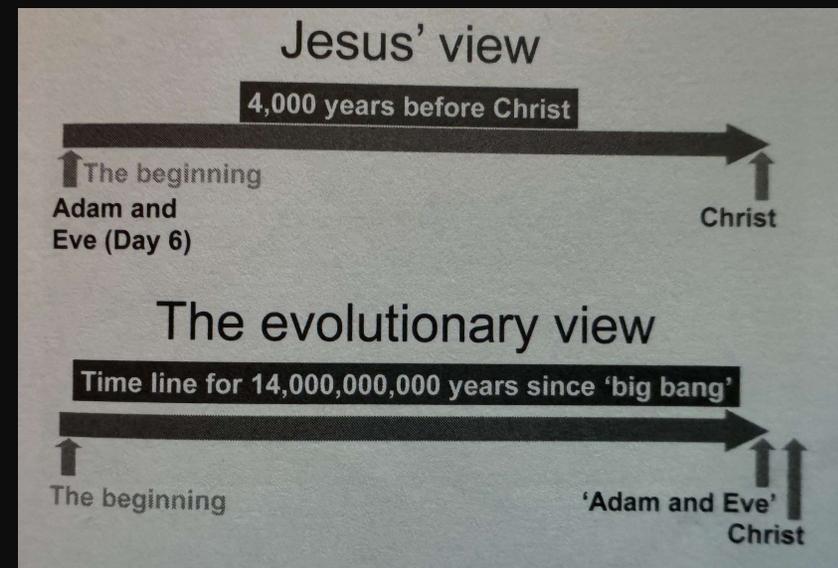
... you can't fit billions of years between Creation and Adam either.

## 04 Jesus and the Apostles Assume YEC

### A long period of time before Adam?

#### Mark 10:5-7

But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. But from **the beginning of creation, God made them male and female.**



**Adam must have been created near the beginning for Jesus to make sense!**

## 04 Jesus and the Apostles Assume YEC

### A long period of time before Adam?

#### Romans 1:18-20

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and **unrighteousness of men** who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because that which is known about God is evident within them; **for God made it evident to them**. For **since the creation of the world** His invisible attributes, that is, His eternal power and divine nature, **have been clearly perceived, being understood** by what has been made, so that they are without excuse.

Man is condemned **because** man was there at the beginning!

## 04 Jesus and the Apostles Assume YEC

### A long period of time before Adam?

#### Hebrews 9:25-26

nor was it that He would offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the holy place **year by year** with blood that is not his own. Otherwise, He would have needed to **suffer often since the foundation of the world**; but now once at the consummation of the ages He has been manifested to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.

**The fall must have happened near the foundation  
of the world**

05

# The Global Flood

The Global Flood will have washed away your entire long ages geological record

## 05 The Global Flood

Wait, it *was* a global flood, right?

### Genesis 7:19

The water prevailed more and more upon the earth, so that all the **high mountains** everywhere under the heavens were covered.



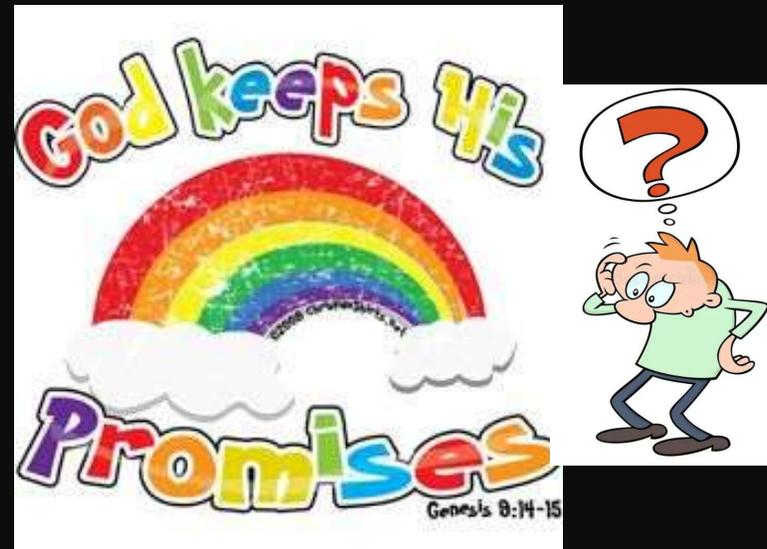
**Mountains cannot possibly be flooded "locally"**

## 05 The Global Flood

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### Genesis 9:11

I establish My covenant with you; and **all flesh shall never again be cut off by the water of the flood**, neither shall there again be a flood to destroy the earth.”



If God was referring to local floods, He is a covenant-breaker thousands of times over!

## 05 The Global Flood

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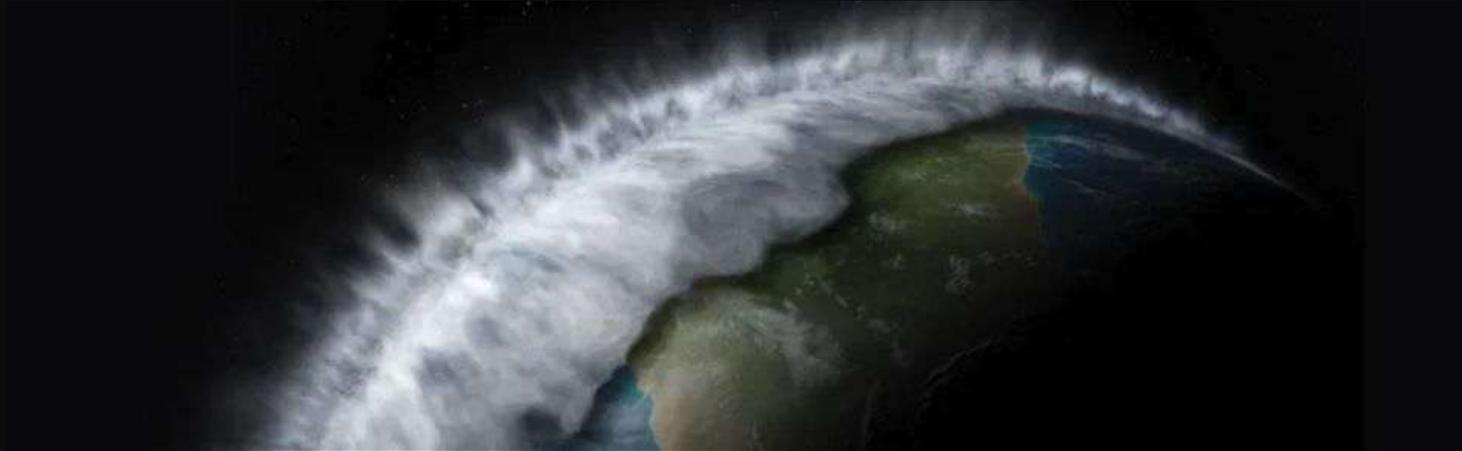
### 2 Peter 3:5-7

...by the word of God ... the **world at that time was destroyed**, being flooded with water. But by His word the **present heavens and earth are being reserved for fire**, kept for the day of judgment...



**Local fiery judgement!**

## 05 The Global Flood



- Torrential rain for 40 days, 150 days of flooding!
- Catastrophic reshaping of earth (volcanos, plate tectonics)

**Wrong uniformitarian assumptions -> Wrong Answers**

06

# Death and Suffering

"Billions of years" requires death and suffering before the fall, which present serious theological problems.

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## 06 Death and Suffering

### Genesis 1:29-30

Then God said, “Behold, I have given you every **plant yielding seed** that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has **fruit yielding seed**; it shall be food for you; and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to every thing that moves on the earth which has life, I have given **every green plant for food**”; and it was so. God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was **very good**.



**No Death (and no Steak) before the fall**

# 06 Death and Suffering

## Is a world with death, cancer, thorns "very good"?

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### Malignant cancer diagnosed in a dinosaur for the first time

Royal Ontario Museum and McMaster University researchers diagnose osteosarcoma in a *Centrosaurus apertus*

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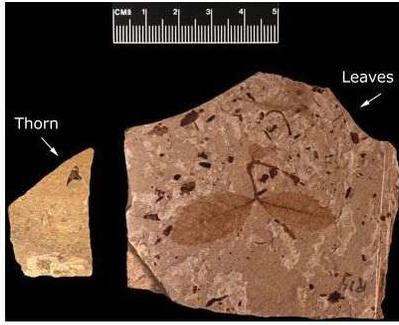
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Thorn  
Leaves

Identification and interpretation of pathologies in the fossil record allows for unique insights into the life histories of organisms. However, the rarity of such finds limits the sample size for palaeopathologic studies, but also the types of analyses that may be performed. In this study, we present the first occurrence of a palaeopathology in a vertebrate from the

The UK Natural History Museum describes the above fossils—"Leaves of: *Rosa hillebrandii* Lesquereux from the Oligocene period (23–35 million years), Colorado, USA. Thorns [sic]: *Rosa penelopes* Unger from the Miocene (5–23 million years), Styria, Austria."

**Genesis 3:17**

Then to Adam He said ...  
Cursed is the ground  
because of you;  
"Both **thorns and thistles**  
it shall grow for you;  
And you will eat the plants  
of the field;

## 06 Death and Suffering

If death is very good, will it be in the new earth?

### Isaiah 11:6-9

And the wolf will dwell with the lamb,  
And the leopard will lie down with the  
young goat, And the calf and the  
young lion and the fatling together;  
And a little boy will lead them. Also the  
cow and the bear **will graze** ...And the  
lion will **eat straw** like the ox.

### Rev 21:3-5

...God Himself will be among  
them, and He will wipe away  
every tear from their eyes; and  
there **will no longer be any  
death**; there will no longer be  
any **mourning, or crying, or pain**;

**Death is part of the curse. It is not "very good"**

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