

Defending Doctrinal Distinctives: Six Day Creationism

Part 2: Questions

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6 Reasons to Believe in Young Earth Creationism

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The Plain Reading of Genesis 1 is 6 literal 24 days

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The Fourth Commandment shows God is a YEC

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Genesis Genealogies leave no room for long ages after Adam

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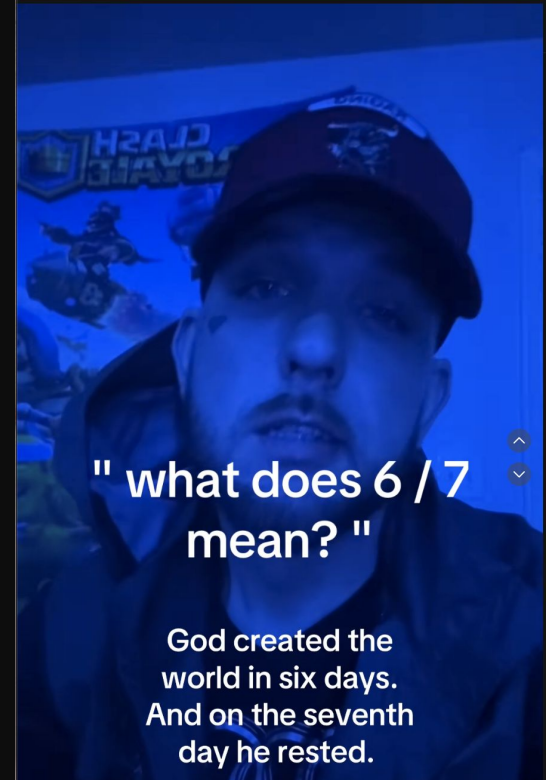
Jesus and the Apostles leave no room for long ages before Adam

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The Global Flood is incompatible with long ages

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Death before the Fall is an intractable theological problem for long ages



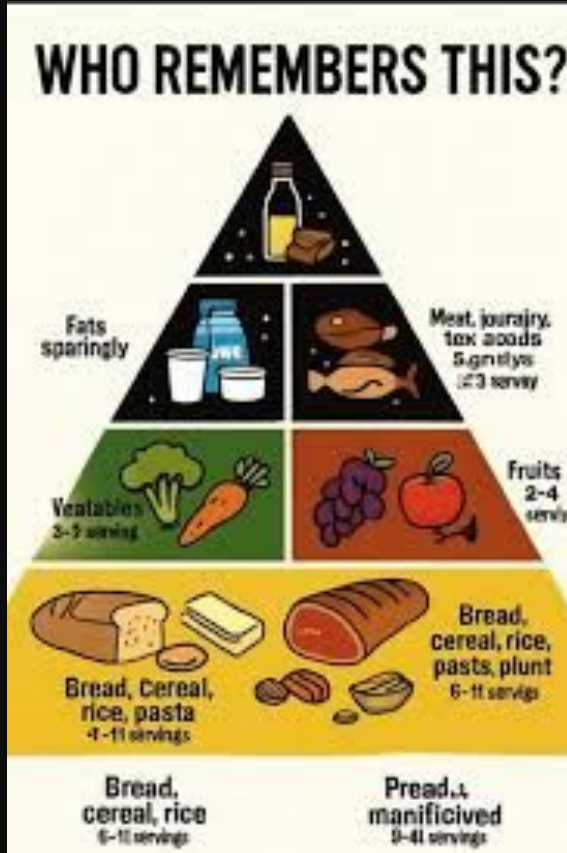
Question 1: The Bible is not a science textbook, so why should we expect it to be scientifically accurate?

JOHN 3:12 ·

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

Is the "consensus of scientists" ever ... wrong?



The food pyramid was wrong: How it changed and why it matters

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For decades, Americans were told they were following "healthy" nutrition guidance, yet obesity, type 2 diabetes, and metabolic disease kept rising.

Recently, the FDA and USDA have acknowledged what many health experts have been saying for years: The old food pyramid wasn't working.

OK ... but surely we should trust scientists TODAY right? Cuz that's different.

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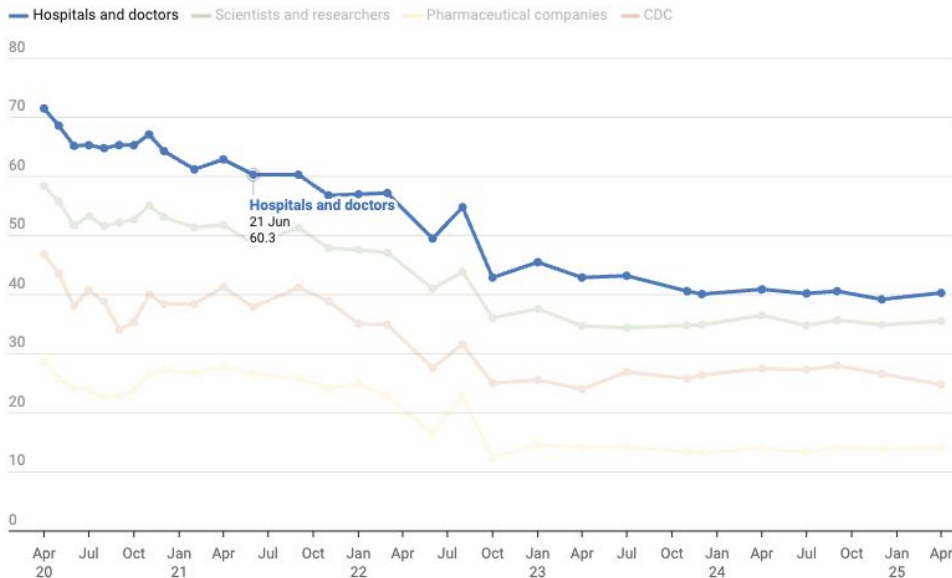
Is There a Crisis of Trust in Science and Medicine?

Surveys of shifting U.S. attitudes reveal concerning trends — and some surprises

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Figure 1. Trust in science and medicine since 2020

Starting in April 2020, the Civic Health and Institutions Project (CHIP50) periodically surveyed Americans to gauge their trust in a range of institutions, asking "How much do you trust the following people and organizations to do the right thing to best handle the current coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak?" In August 2022, the question was changed to "How much do you trust the following people and organizations to do what is right?" Over the five years of the survey, the percentage of Americans who responded, "A lot" dropped when asked about institutions related to science and medicine, including both "hospitals and doctors" and "scientists and researchers."



Source: Civic Health and Institutions Project • Created with Datawrapper

But scientists are objective, right?



Press Release

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Hearing Wrap Up: Suppression of the Lab Leak Hypothesis Was Not Based in Science

Origin) correspondence. Select Subcommittee members asked Dr. Kristian Andersen and Dr. Robert Garry — co-authors of Proximal Origin — about their effort to skew scientific evidence to fulfill Dr. Fauci's vision of a single narrative in support of a natural COVID-19 origin. Drs. Andersen and Garry testified to the political motivations for suppressing the lab leak hypothesis and detailed the lack of science available to support their declared conclusions. Members also questioned the witnesses about their inclination to protect the Chinese government and demanded accountability for the apparent disregard of the scientific process while drafting the

Really? No scientists believe in six-day creation?

No True Scotsman

Example

Angus: "No Scotsman puts sugar on his porridge."

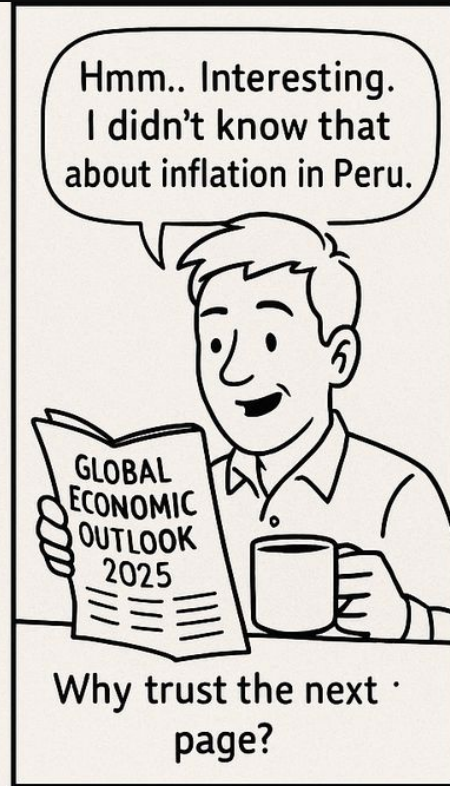
Scotty: "But my uncle is a Scotsman and he puts sugar on his porridge."

Angus: "But no *true* Scotsman puts sugar on his porridge!"

Definition

An attempt to defend a generalization of a certain group by excluding any counter-examples for not being "pure" enough.

Gell-Mann Amnesia



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Gell-Mann Amnesia Effect | ElasticDog

When you encounter a news article covering a topic that you're a subject matter expert in, and you notice a lot of errors or misunderstandings, but then read another article by the same publisher and just assume that it's accurate.

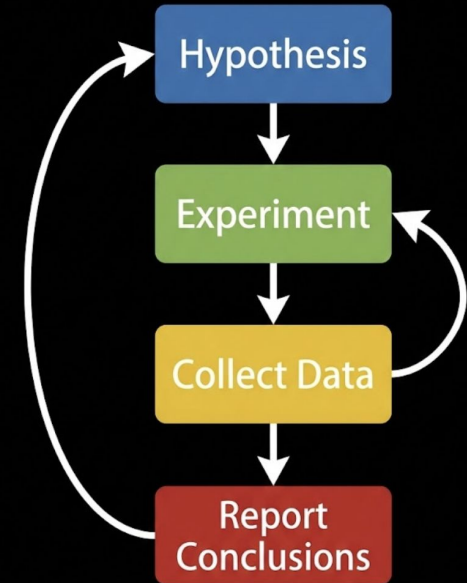
How should we think about science? My thoughts

- Science is **NOT** all wrong!

BUT ...

- Be able to distinguish between what is "real science" and what is dogma / propaganda
- Understand ... most pop news reports of scientific articles are sensationalized
- Scientists are people. So they
 - have biases and presuppositions
 - susceptible to groupthink
 - sinners

The Scientific Method



Be careful who you trust!

Trust the Bible over Science Textbooks!

Romans 3:4 · NASB

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

Question 2: How do people who believe in an Old Earth reconcile themselves with the Genesis account?

Old-Earth Views of Genesis

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!

Popular competing theories

WHERE DO YOU "FIT" THE MILLIONS OF YEARS?

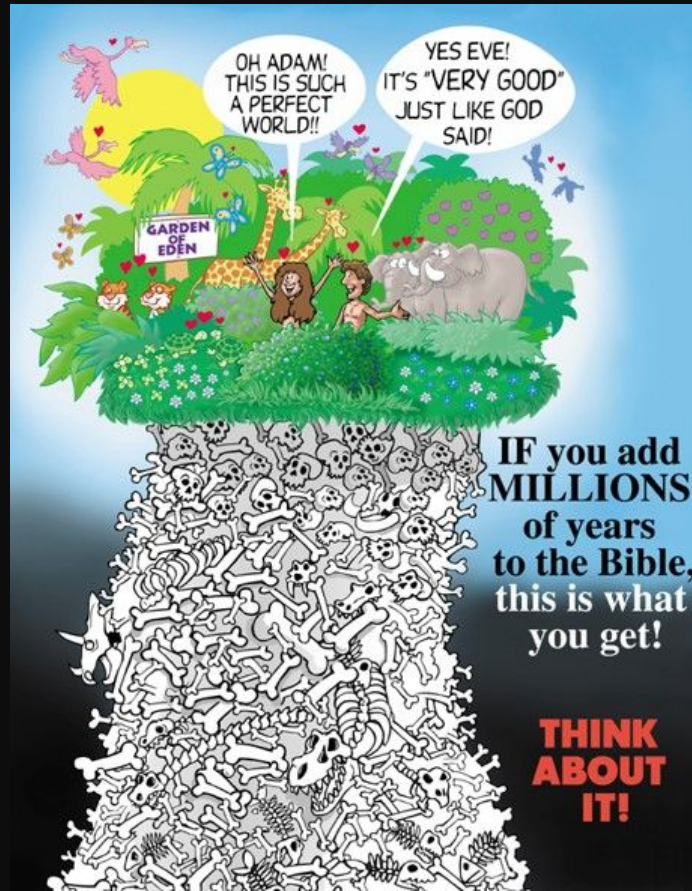
Somewhere?

Between Genesis 1:1 and 1:2
(gap theorists)

Spread the millions of years out in the six "days"
(progressive creationists and theistic evolutionists)



Death Before Sin



Question 3: If the sun was only created on day four, then how can we be sure that the first three days were exactly 24-hour periods? Could we interpret the first three days as non-solar periods while maintaining that days 4 through 7 were ordinary 24-hour days?

“Marking” the seasons

Genesis 1:14

Then God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and let them be for **signs** and for seasons and for days and years;

Question 4: What about carbon dating methods? Are they reliable and how do they fit in with a young earth? And if we say they are not, are we being inconsistent when trusting it for biblical archeology?

Funny Video



Radiometric Dating Assumptions

- **The amount of parent isotope present at start is known (zero)**

← **Naturalism**

- **The decay rate stays constant**

← **Uniformitarianism**

- **No other processes other than decay can change the fraction of parent and daughter isotope**

← **Uniformitarianism**

Radiometric Dating

Volcanic eruption	When the rock formed	Date by (K-Ar) radiometric dating
Mt. Etna basalt, Sicily	122 B.C.	170,000–330,000 years old
Mt. Etna basalt, Sicily	A.D. 1972	210,000–490,000 years old
Mount St. Helens, Washington	A.D. 1986	Up to 2.8 million years old
Hualalai basalt, Hawaii	A.D. 1800–1801	1.32–1.76 million years old
Mt. Ngauruhoe, New Zealand	A.D. 1954	Up to 3.5 million years old
Kilauea Iki basalt, Hawaii	A.D. 1959	1.7–15.3 million years old

Is there a study where the radiometric age of a rock agreed with the known age of the rock?

Question 5: Distant starlight from stars billions of light years away should have taken billions of years to reach earth...the fact that we see them seems like evidence for an old universe. Is this true?

Does Science have a perfect answer?

It turns out ... no

The horizon problem



- Light from A has no time to reach B (it takes longer than the age of the Universe)
- A and B can not communicate
- So why is the Universe isotropic?

Possible Solutions #1: Dasha

Faulkner (2013)

Genesis 1:11

Then God said, “Let the earth **sprout** vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees on the earth bearing fruit after their kind with seed in them”; and it was so. The earth **brought forth** vegetation, plants yielding seed after their kind, and trees bearing fruit with seed in them, after their kind; and God saw that it was good.

Possible Solution #2

Anisotropic Synchrony Convention (Lisle, 2010)

therefore implies a synchrony convention that is understandable throughout history – and that is the visual synchrony convention.

Under that convention, there is no distant starlight problem because the creation of the stars is concurrent with the arrival of their first light on earth. No time is required to traverse the distance, and we see the universe as it is now. The perception of starlight problem arose from the assumption that the visual synchrony convention is wrong, and the Einstein synchrony convention is correct. But such an assumption is not compatible with modern physics.

Nonetheless, the notion that the one-way speed of light can be stipulated and cannot be objectively measured without circular assumptions is deeply counterintuitive, especially to those who have had little exposure to the physics of Einstein. Therefore, people sometimes raise objections to the

Possible Solution #2



The Astonishing Implication

So, what does all this mean? What is its significance for the distant starlight issue? For one, the conventionality thesis implies that the ancient visual synchrony convention *is just as legitimate* as the modern Einstein synchrony convention. So, when we look at Alpha Centauri in a telescope, are we seeing it as it is now, or as it was 4.3 years ago? If you have tracked the above discussion, then you know the answer is: both. By the Einstein synchrony convention, we see it as it was 4.3 years ago, and by the visual synchrony convention, we see it as it is right now. People are tempted to ask, “yes but which one is right? When did the light *really* leave the star?” But such questions are meaningless because they assume the false concepts of absolute time and

Question 6: If humans and dinosaurs lived at the same time, why aren't humans found with dinosaur bones?

Dinosaurs in the Bible?

Job 40:15-24

“Behold now, Behemoth, which I made as well as you; He eats grass like an ox.

“Behold now, **his strength in his loins** And his power in the muscles of his belly.

“He bends his **tail like a cedar**; The sinews of his thighs are knit together. “His bones are tubes of bronze; His limbs are like bars of iron. ...

“Can anyone capture him when he is on watch,
With barbs can anyone pierce **his nose**?

Dinosaurs in the Bible?

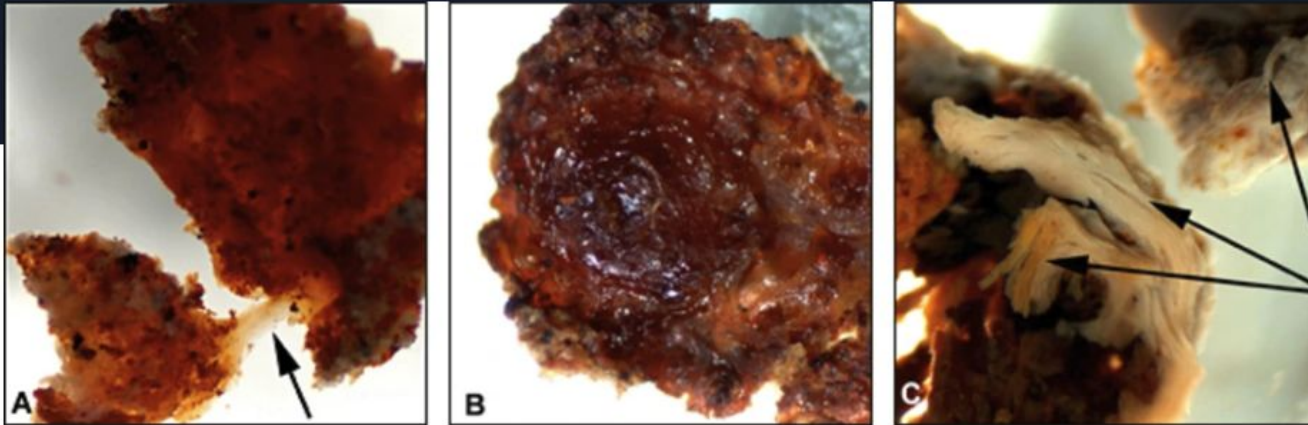


Dinosaurs in the Bible?

SCIENCE NEWS

Scientists recover T. rex soft tissue

A 70-million-year-old *Tyrannosaurus rex* fossil has yielded soft tissue, including blood vessels and perhaps even whole cells, U.S. researchers reported on Thursday.



— Tissue fragments from a *Tyrannosaurus rex* femur are shown at left, when it is flexible and resilient and when stretched (arrow) returns to its original shape. The middle photo shows the bone after it is air dried. The photo at right shows regions of bone showing fibrous character, not normally seen in fossil bone. *Science via AP*

A Living Fossil



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Question 7: What does AI and social media say on this topic?

Answer as a biblical Christian who believes the Bible is the word of God. Did God create the world in 6 literal 24-hour days? Be honest and concise.

Yes. As a biblical Christian who believes the Bible is the inspired, authoritative Word of God, I believe God created the world in six literal 24-hour days.

My reasoning is straightforward:

- **Genesis 1** repeatedly defines each day with “evening and morning,” which naturally reads as a normal day.
- The Hebrew word *yom* (“day”) when paired with a number (first day, second day, etc.) consistently refers to an ordinary day elsewhere in Scripture.
- **Exodus 20:11** grounds the human workweek in God’s creation week: “For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth...” This comparison only makes sense if the days are of the same kind.
- Jesus and the New Testament writers refer to Adam and Eve as real historical people (e.g., Matthew 19:4–5; Romans 5), implying a historical Genesis.

For those reasons, I affirm six literal, consecutive 24-hour days.

Answer as a biblical Christian who believes the Bible is the word of God. Did God create the world in 6 literal 24-hour days? Be honest and concise.

Yes, I believe God created the world in six literal 24-hour days.

As a Bible-believing Christian, I take the plain reading of Genesis 1 to be historical and accurate:

- Each day is marked by “evening and morning” (Gen 1:5, 8, 13, etc.), the normal Hebrew way of indicating a 24-hour period.
- The Hebrew word *yóm* (day) is used with ordinal numbers (“first day,” “second day,” etc.) and is qualified by “evening and morning,” which everywhere else in Scripture refers to a regular solar day.
- Exodus 20:11 directly grounds the seven-day week (including a literal Sabbath) on God creating in six days and resting the seventh.
- Jesus Himself referred to the creation of male and female as happening “from the beginning of creation” (Mark 10:6), not after billions of years.

While some godly Christians hold other views (day-age, framework, etc.), the most straightforward, honest reading of the text—without imposing modern scientific assumptions—is six literal, consecutive, 24-hour days.

That is my conviction based on Scripture alone.

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Gemini

Temporary Chat



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As a biblical Christian who holds that the Bible is the inspired, inerrant Word of God, the answer is **yes**.

I believe God created the world in six literal, 24-hour days based on several key biblical observations:

- **The Context of "Day" (Yom):** In Genesis 1, the Hebrew word for day (*yom*) is qualified by the phrase "there was evening and there was morning." Throughout the Old Testament, whenever *yom* is used with a number and the evening/morning cycle, it consistently refers to a literal day.
- **The Fourth Commandment:** In Exodus 20:11, God Himself links the human seven-day week directly to the creation week: "*For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day.*"
- **Scriptural Clarity:** While God certainly *could* have taken billions of years, the plainest reading of the text indicates a rapid, supernatural series of events intended to show His absolute power over every element of creation.

creation timeline interpretation

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Identified theological question requiring direct biblical perspective response >

This is a question where sincere, Bible-believing Christians hold different views. Here's an honest summary:

The case for literal 24-hour days is strong within the text itself. The Hebrew word *yom* (day), when paired with "evening and morning" and a number (as in Genesis 1), consistently refers to a normal day elsewhere in Scripture. Exodus 20:11 grounds the Sabbath command in God's six-day creation pattern, treating it straightforwardly. Many church fathers and reformers read it this way.

Other faithful interpretations exist among Christians who equally affirm Scripture's authority. Some hold to the day-age view (*yom* can mean an era), the framework hypothesis (Genesis 1 is a literary structure conveying theological truth), or analogical days (God's workdays, not human ones). They point to things like the sun not being created until Day 4, or the open-ended nature of Day 7.

My honest take from within that framework: The most natural, face-value reading of Genesis 1—especially in light of Exodus 20:11—points toward six ordinary days. But I'd also say this is an in-house debate among Christians, not a line that divides orthodoxy from heresy. What is non-negotiable from a biblical standpoint is that God is the intentional, sovereign Creator of all things, and that humanity is made in His image—not the product of blind, purposeless processes.

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