

Evidence for a young creation

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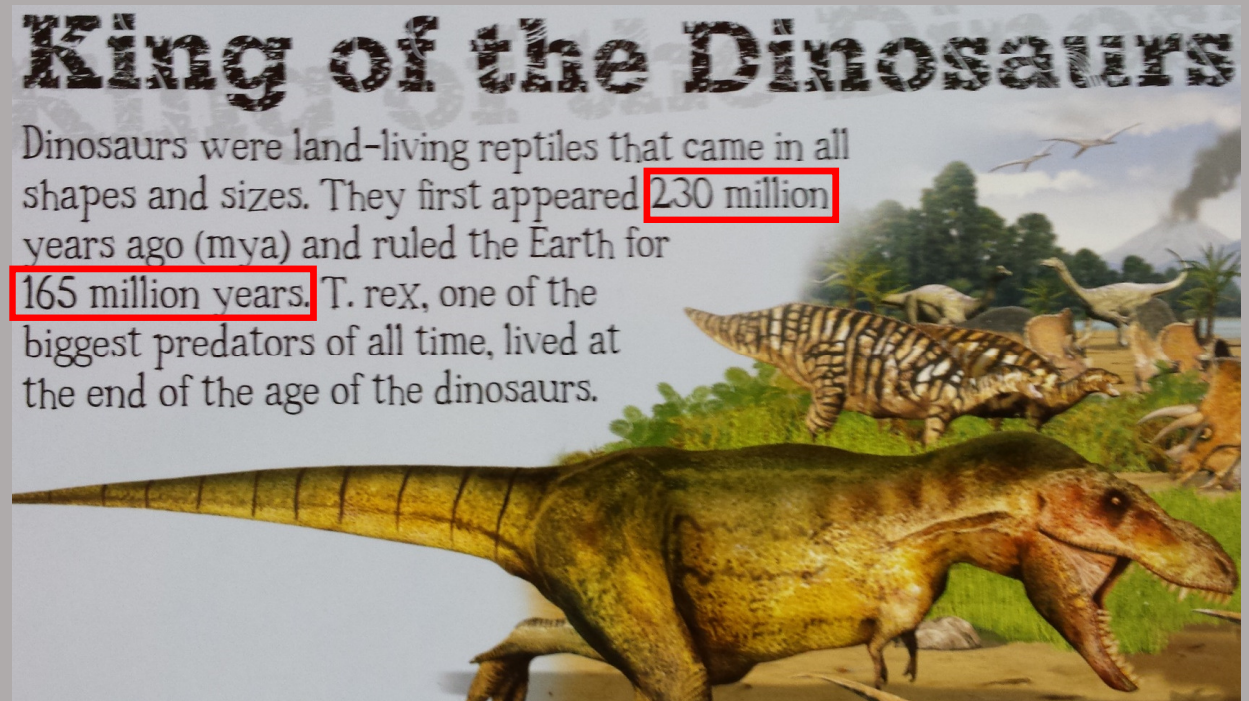
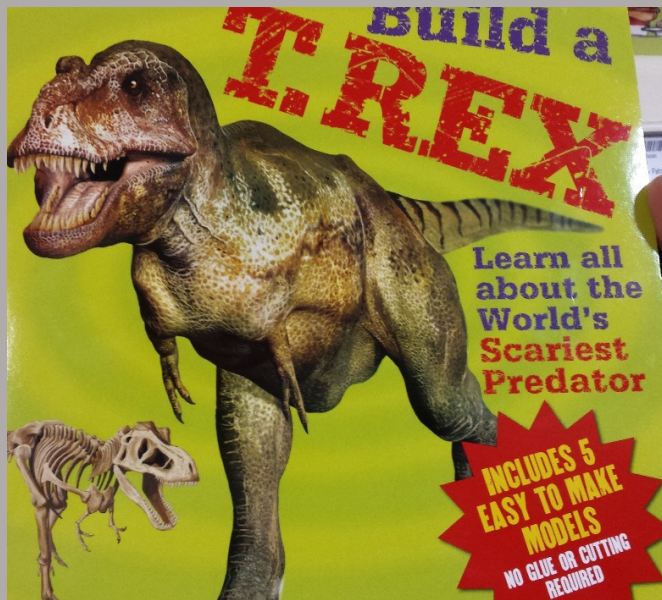
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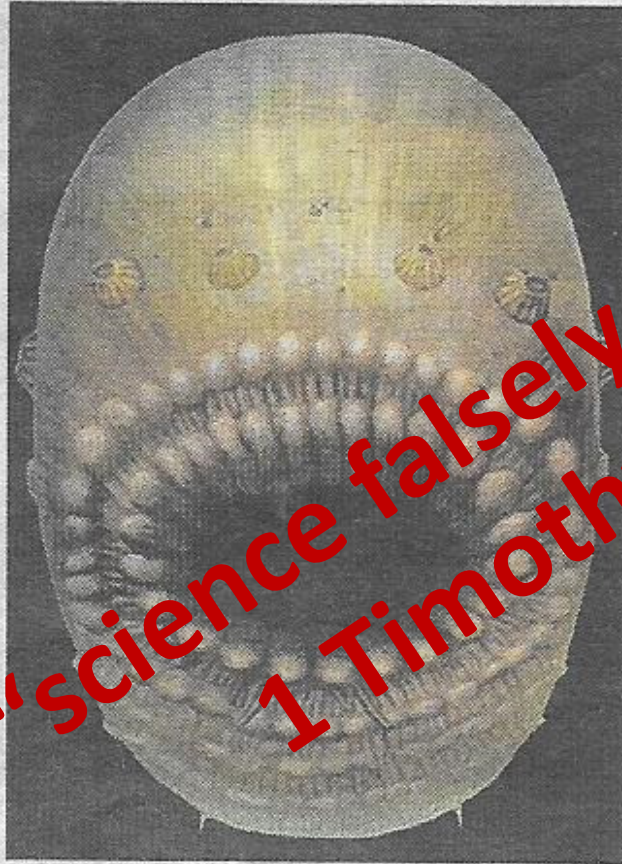
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"Behold, thou hast made my days as an handbreadth; and mine age is as nothing before thee" (Psalm 39:5a)

Pushing and teaching evolution

The world is against: “In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.” (Genesis 1:1)





Saccorhytus coronarius

SURE, ITS MOTHER LOVED IT

SCIENTISTS have discovered our oldest known ancestor — but it has a face that, it is fair to say, you would not wish to see in your family album.

Believed to be the earliest prehistoric human ancestor, it is a microscopic, bag-like sea creature which lived about 540 million years ago.

Named *Saccorhytus coronarius*, after sack-like features created by its elliptical body and large mouth, it is new to science.

It is thought to be the most primitive example yet found of a so-called deuterostome, a category including humans and other vertebrates.

This means the creature is likely to be the common ancestor of a huge range of species, including all animals with backbones.

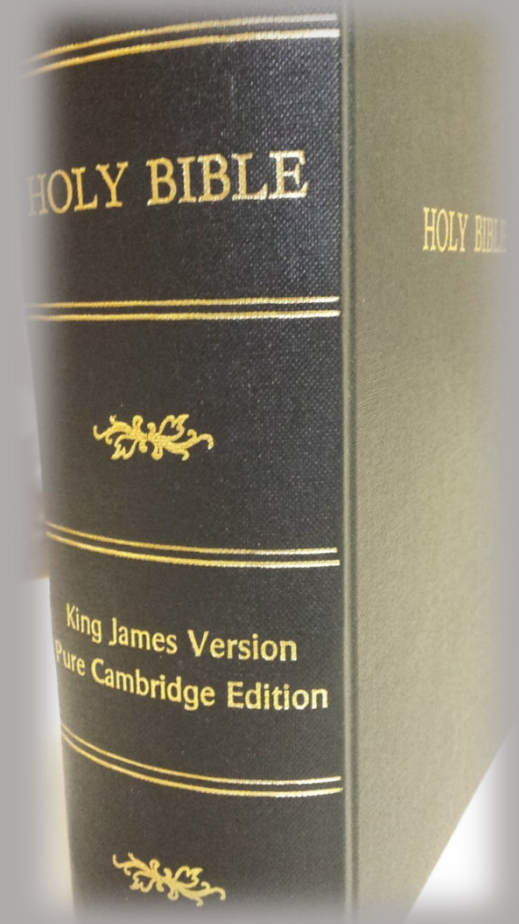
The creature was just a millimetre in size, and lived in grains of sand on the seabed, according to new the journal *Nature*.

Young Earth creationism strength

“Of all the topics that constitute the arsenal [weaponry] of the scientific creationists and their challenge to the dominance of the evolutionist establishment, **there is none stronger than the case for a recent creation.** ... The evidence in support of a young universe has grown rapidly in recent years as a result of the data explosion stemming from enormous advances in sophisticated technology.” (Paul D. Ackerman, *It's a Young World After All*, 1990, pp. 12-13, 47 emphasis added)

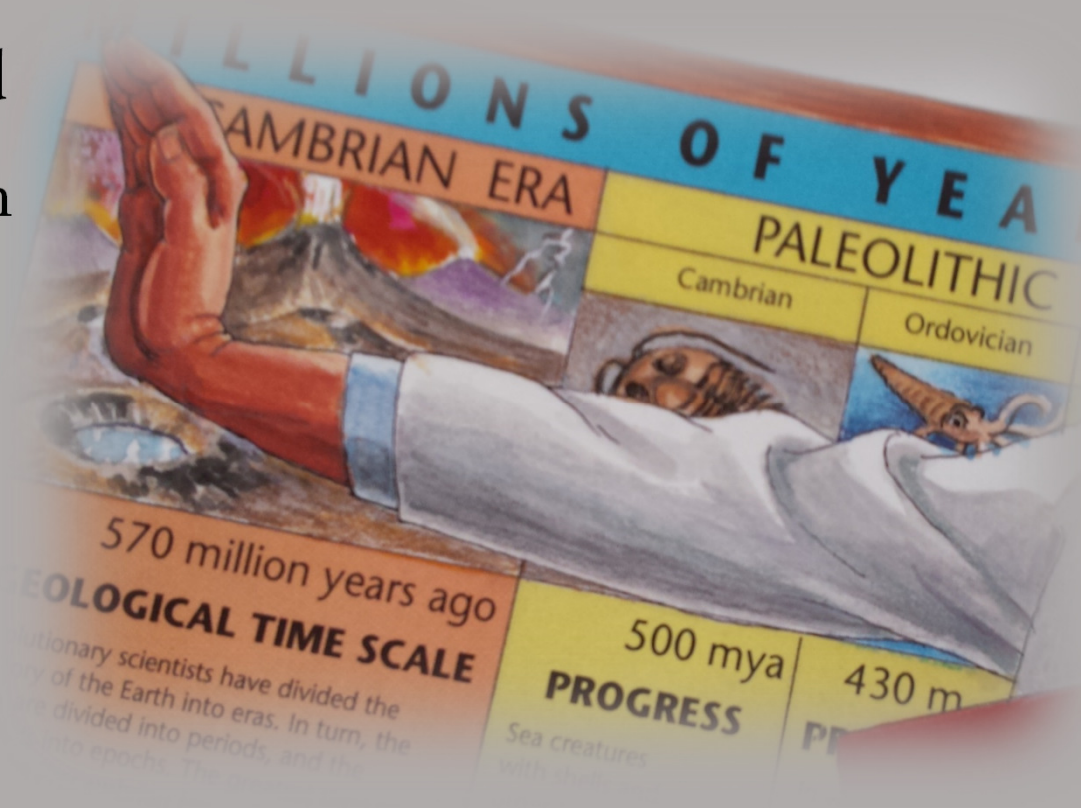
What evidence is there for a young creation?

- There is **Biblical** evidence.
 - The Bible gives no indication of creation being billions of years old.
- There is **natural** evidence.
 - Most physical age indicators (natural clocks and phenomena) point to a young creation.



Biblical evidences for a young creation

“Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the Sabbath ... For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested on the seventh day” (Exodus 20:9-11)



Biblical evidences for a young creation

"So God created man in his own image ... And the evening and the morning were the sixth day."

(Genesis 1:27a,31b.)

"And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul" (1 Corinthians 15:45a).



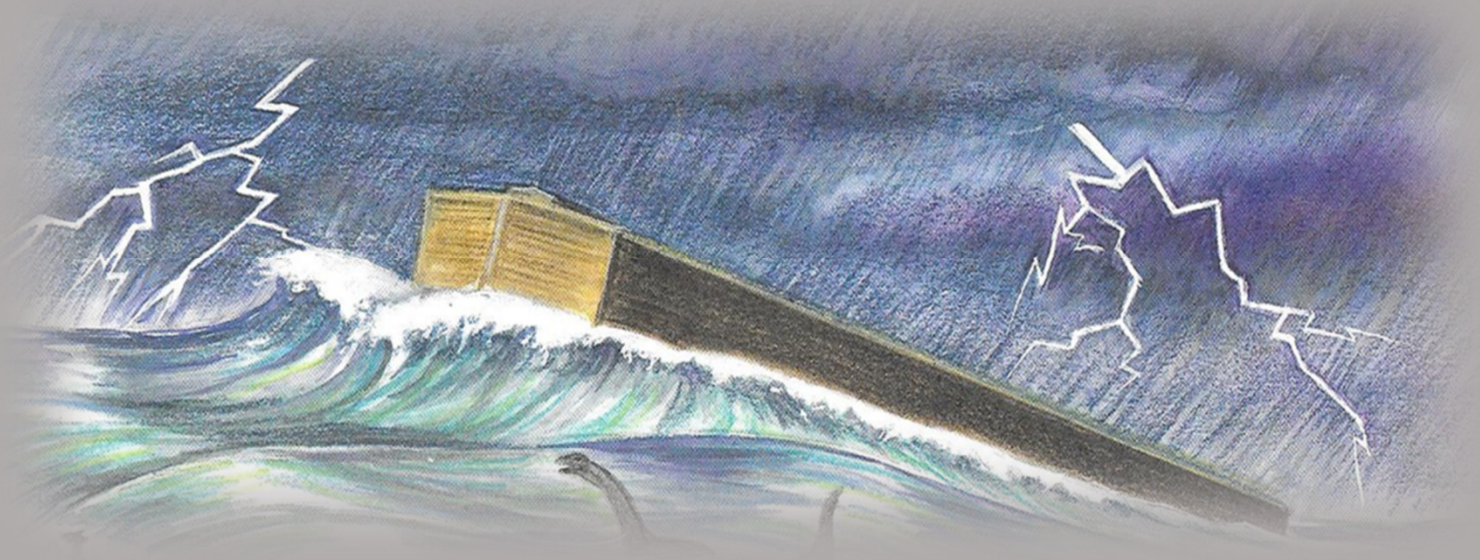
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Biblically, we can conclude:

1. God created the entire universe in six 24-hour days, not over a long period of time.
2. God created man on the sixth day of creation.
3. Adam was the first man.
4. Eve was the first woman. (see Genesis 3:20)

The Biblical timeline

“**Genesis 1** gives the time from the creation of the universe to the creation of man [Adam]. **Genesis 5** contains chronological data from the time of the first man to the great Flood.” (Morris, H., *The Genesis Record*, 1990, p. 43.)



The Biblical timeline

"Genesis 11 summarizes the chronology from the Flood to Abraham, the founder of the Hebrew nation. ... [T]he possibility of one or more gaps in Genesis 11 does exist; but they could not be legitimately stretched in any case to fit the evolutionary chronology of human origins [ie. 1 to 3 million years ago]." (Morris, H., *The Genesis Record*, 1990, pp. 43, 285.)

Biblical evidences for a young creation

"So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David until the carrying away into Babylon are fourteen generations; and from the carrying away into Babylon unto Christ are fourteen generations." (Matthew 1:17)

Thus, we can conclude:

There were approximately 1260 years (ie. 42×30) passed from Abraham to Christ.

Biblical evidences for a young creation

Genesis 1: Day 1 of Creation beginning to Adam = 6 days

Genesis 5: Adam to the Flood ~ 1700 years

Genesis 11: The Flood to Abraham ~ 1100 years

Matthew 1: Abraham to Christ ~ 1260 years

Christ to now ~ 2000 years

TOTAL AGE OF CREATION ~ 6000 to 7000 years

Biblical evidences for a young creation

“The best-known chronological system based on these Biblical data is that of Archbishop James Ussher (1581-1656), who computed the date of creation as 4004 B.C ... [T]he Bible will not support a date for the creation of man earlier than about 10,000 B.C.” (Morris, H., *The Genesis Record*, 1990, p. 44, 45.)



A major problem for evolutionists

“The problem ... for evolutionist scientists is that since — as the creationists maintain — the overwhelming weight of actual physical evidence indicates that things are quite young, the evolutionists must come up with fantastic and totally implausible mechanisms to explain how things are kept going for the billions of years evolution requires.” (Paul D. Ackerman, *It's a Young World After All*, 1990, p. 35 emphasis added)

Assumptions for 'age of the universe' clocks

Clocks (eg. Radiometric dating) for determining the age of physical things have underlying assumptions:

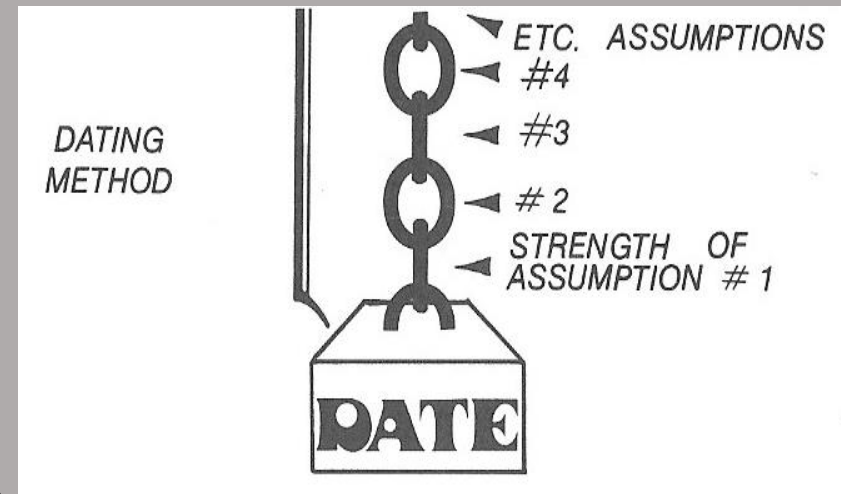
- The conditions at the beginning are known.
- The rates of decay are continuous.
- The conditions do not change.

All of these and more can be WRONG.

A wrong evolutionary age assumption!

“An assumption common to all dating methods showing ages of great antiquity, is that there was no creation or non-uniform cataclysmic historic earth episodes. If either creation or catastrophes have occurred, then dating methods based on uniformity ... are invalid.” (R. L. Wysong,

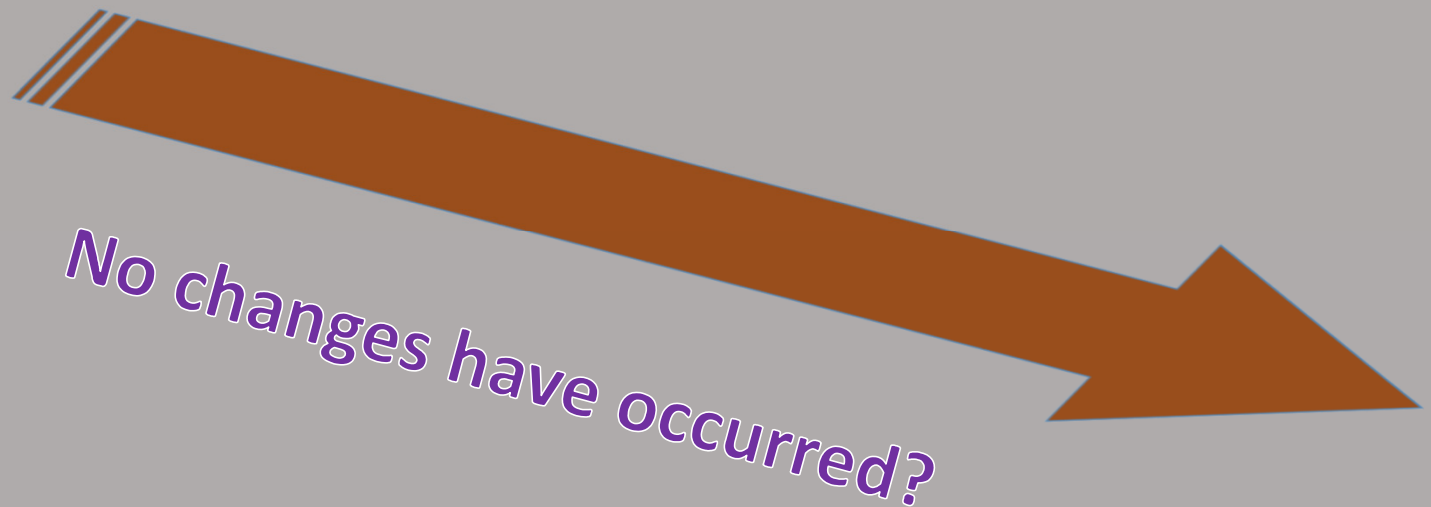
The Creation-Evolution Controversy, 1987, p. 156)



Assumption: All things (eg. decay rates) continue unchanged.

A wrong evolutionary age assumption!

The Bible predicted that scoffers of the last days would make a uniformitarian statement “all things *continue* as they were from the beginning” (see 2 Peter 3:4).



Real history versus evolutionary fantasy!

Historically, according to the Bible, there has been:

- **Creation** — “In the beginning God created ...” (Genesis 1:1a)
- **Sin and decay entered** — “For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.”
(Romans 8:22; see also Romans 5:12)
- **The Flood** — “And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered.” (Genesis 7:19)

Does light from stars say an old universe?

Evolutionists say, “If the universe is only 10,000 years old, how can we see galaxies that are millions or billions of light years* away?”

(Donald B. DeYoung, *Astronomy and the Bible*, 1990, p. 80)

1 light year = the distance travelled in a year by light at today's present speed (assuming a constant speed of 300,000 km/s)
 $= 9.4607 \times 10^{12} \text{ km} = 9,460,700,000,000 \text{ km}$

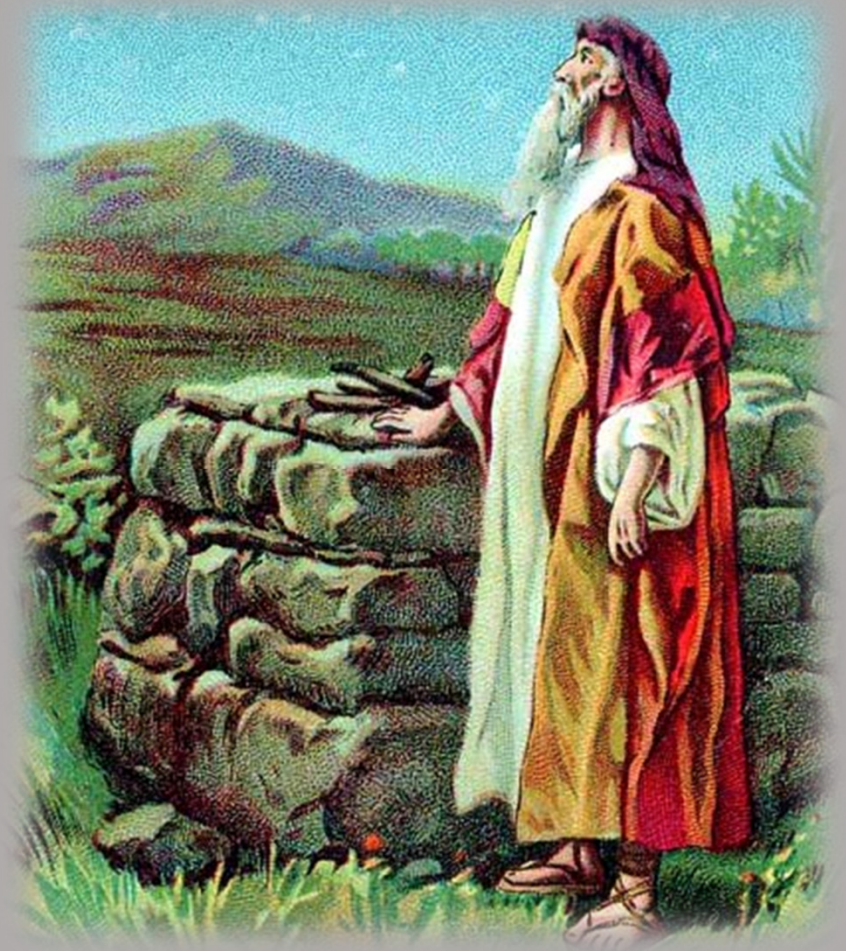
Bible verses for understanding light

“... he made the stars also.”

(Genesis 1:16b)

“He telleth the number* of the stars; he calleth them all by their names.” (Psalm 147:4)

* There are millions of galaxies and each galaxy has millions of stars.



Bible verses for understanding light

"The day is thine, the night also is thine: thou hast prepared the light and the sun." (Psalm 74:16)

"Who coverest thyself with light as with a garment: who **stretchest** out the heavens like a curtain" (Psalm 104:2; see also Job 26:7; Isaiah 40:22; Isaiah 42:5; Isaiah 44:24; Isaiah 45:12; Isaiah 51:13; Jeremiah 10:12; Jeremiah 51:15; Zechariah 12:1)

The God that created light and uses light for His glory must also know that light speed is not an argument against a creation only thousands of years old.

Was the speed of light faster in the past?

“A new experiment reveals that focusing or **manipulating the structure of light pulses reduces their speed, even in vacuum conditions**. A paper reporting the research, posted online at arXiv.org and accepted for publication, describes hard experimental evidence that the speed of light ... should be thought of as a limit rather than an invariable rate for light zipping through a vacuum [**such as from the stars**].” (Andrew Grant, *Speed of light not so constant after all*, Science News, Vol. 187, No. 4, February 21, 2015, p. 7)

The speed of light faster in the past

The rate of decay of radioactive elements is directly related to the speed of light. When the speed of light was higher, decay rates were faster, and the long ages would be expected to show up. As the speed of light slowed down*, so the radioactive decay rates slowed down.

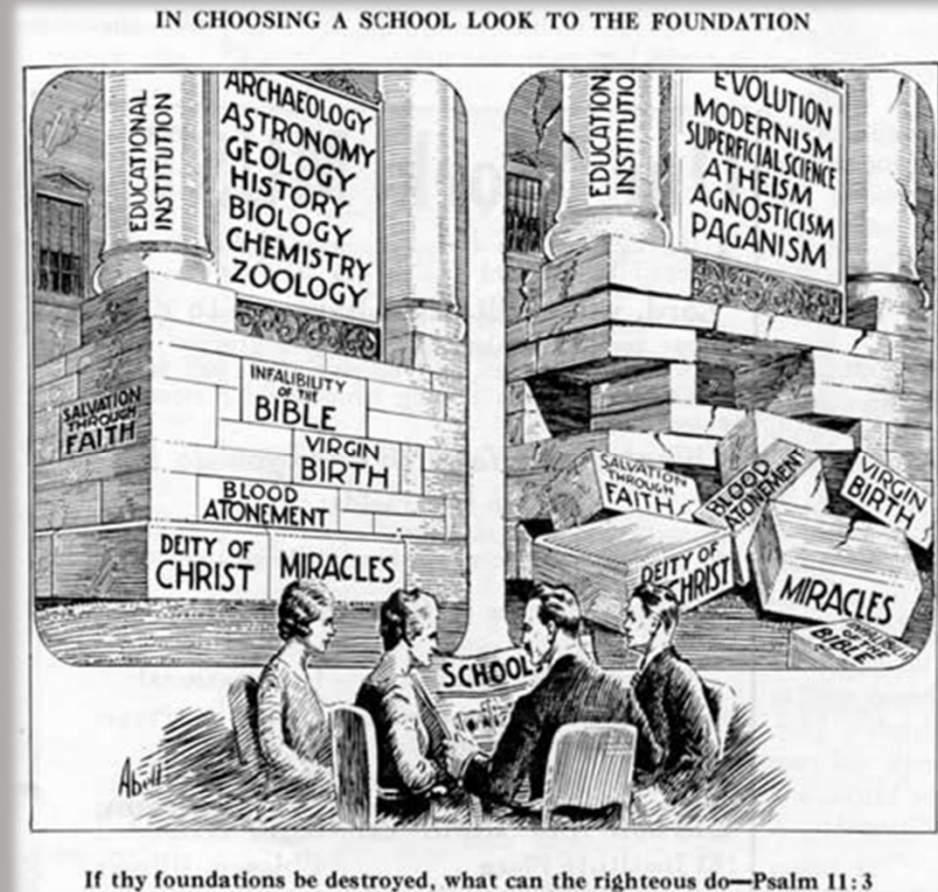
* When God stretched the heavens, light speed went from almost instant down to very fast. When sin entered creation, light speed decayed to where it is now.

Dating errors with radioactive ‘clocks’

“The evidence that radioclocks have actually been deranged [altered] is clear from the many dating errors of objects of known age. ... For example, lava from Hawaiian and other volcanoes around the world that is known to have flowed within the last two hundred years has been dated by potassium-argon and uranium-lead methods at thousands of millions of years” (R. L. Wysong, *The Creation-Evolution Controversy*, 1987, p. 154)

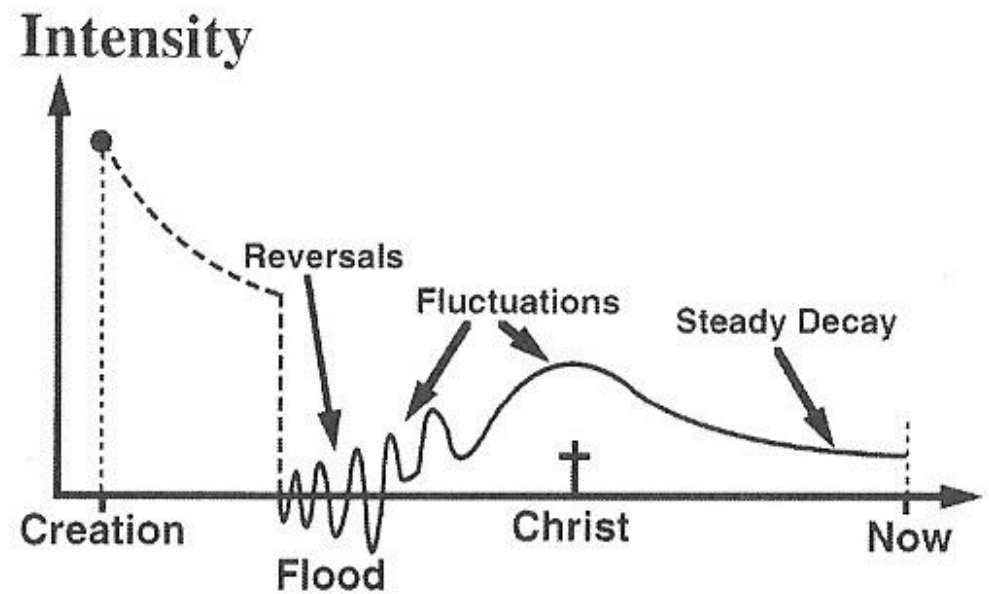
Natural creation evidences

“The reason many dating methods are concordant in showing vast ages is simply because dates that show concordant [agreeing] vast ages are selected. Methods arguing for youth are simply omitted” (Wysong, R., *The Creation-Evolution Controversy*, 1987, p.158.)



The Earth's magnetic field steadily decreasing

"The energy stored in the earth's magnetic field has steadily decreased by a factor of 2.7 over the past 1,000 years ... At that rate the field could not be more than 10,000 years old." (Creation Ex Nihilo, Vol. 13 No. 3, June-August 1991, p.31,32.)

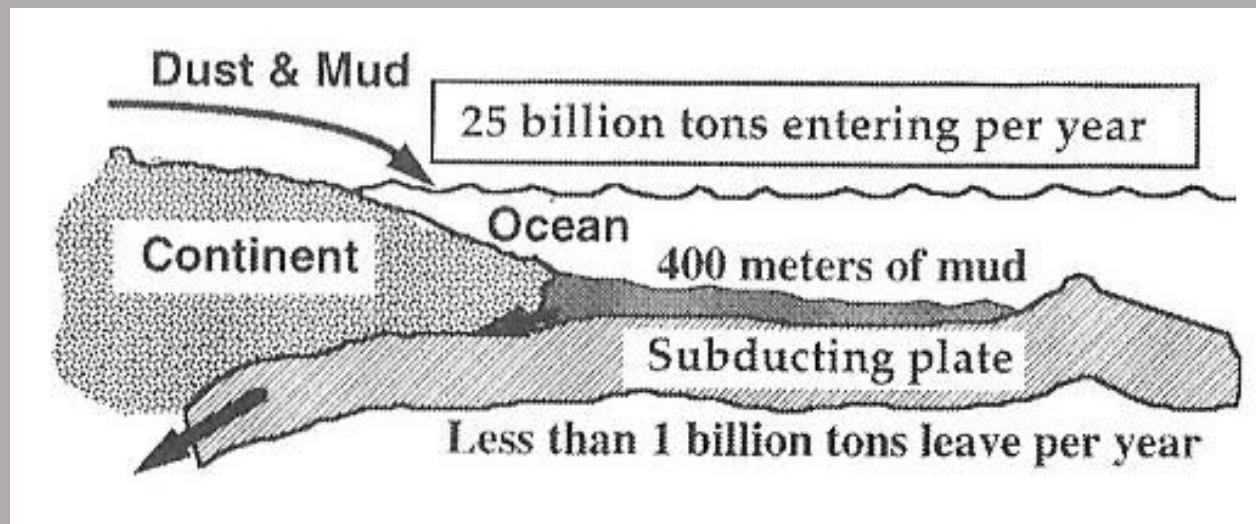


Magnetic field intensity at the earth's surface

Source: Wysong, 1987.

Erosion rate of continents and ocean mud

"The average height reduction for all the continents of the world is about 60 mm per 1,000 years ... If erosion had been going on for billions of years, no continents would remain on Earth". (Creation Ex Nihilo, Vol. 22, No. 2, March-May 2000, p.19.)

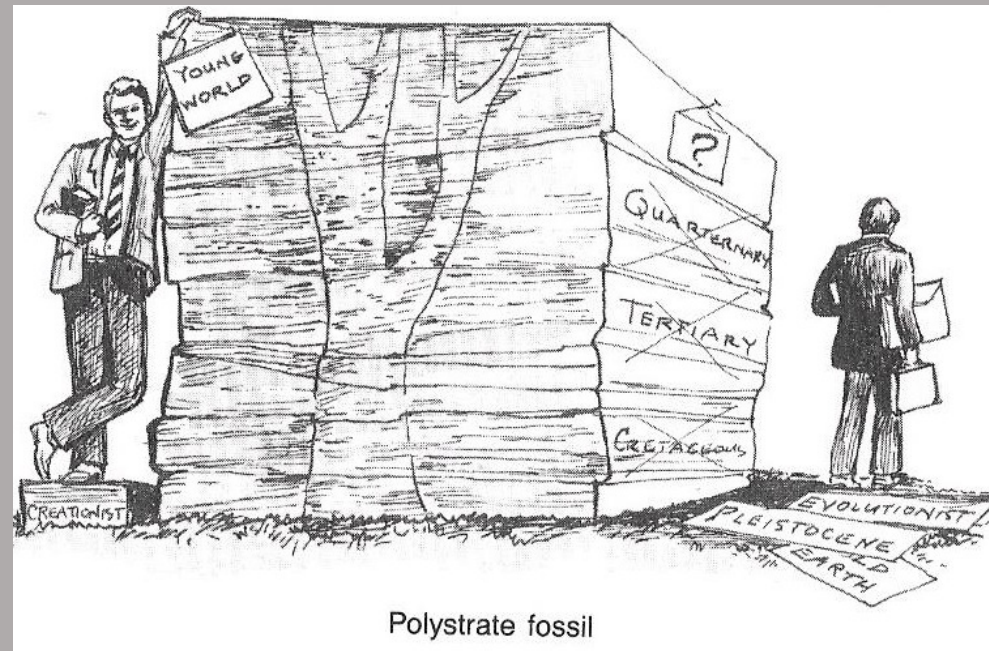


Source: Wysong, 1987.

Rock layers laid down quickly by flood

“Recent creationists ... believe that these rock layers were all deposited quickly under catastrophic conditions in the relatively recent past. The occurrence of polystrate fossils in numerous places ... is evidence.” (Paul

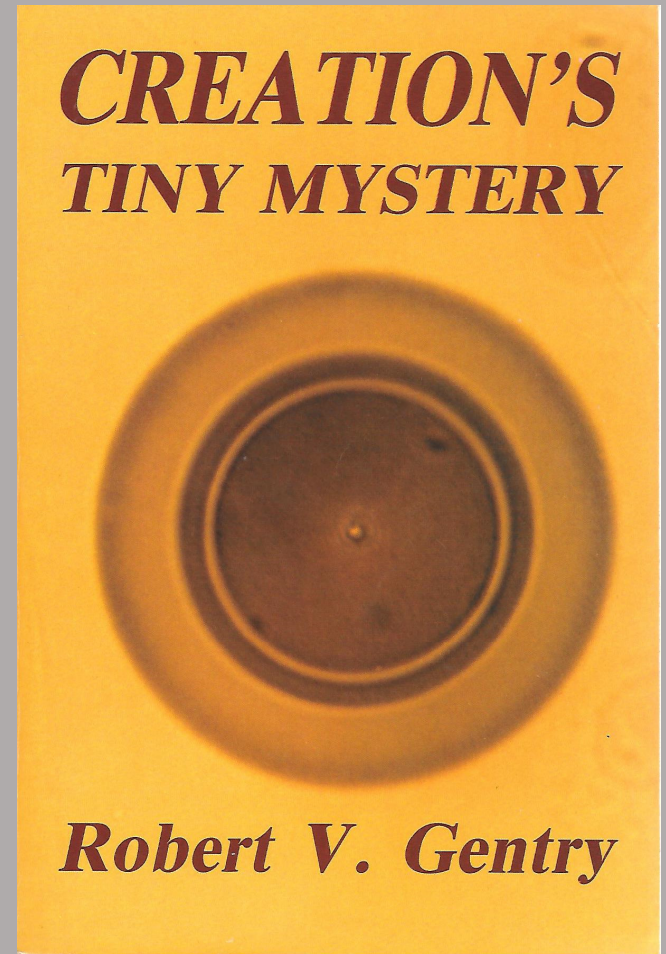
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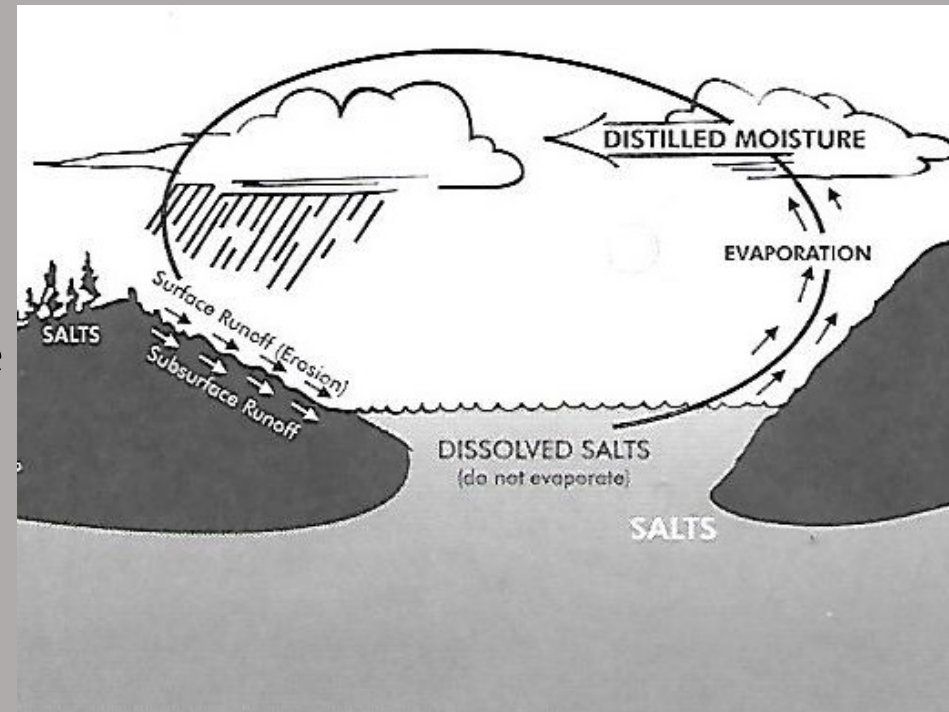
Granite cooled quickly in Earth's past

“Even in the hypothetical situation where polonium isotopes [with short half-life] are imagined to initially exist on the primeval earth, they would never survive the hundreds of millions of years presumably required for its surface to cool down and finally crystallize into granite-type rocks.” (Gentry, R., *Creation's Tiny Mystery*, 1992, p.30.)



The build-up of salt in the sea is increasing

“Every year, rivers and other sources dump over 450 million tons of sodium into the ocean. Only 27% of this sodium manages to get back out of the sea every year ... [giving the ocean’s age] much less than the evolutionary age of the ocean”. (Humphreys, Dr., R., *Evidence for a Young World*, 2000, pp. 8, 9.)



Source: Hovind, 2007.

Amount of helium in the atmosphere is small

“Helium is continuously being formed by the disintegration of uranium or thorium in the earth’s crust. However, there is not nearly enough helium in the atmosphere to correspond to the supposed age of the earth and the rate of escape of helium from the rocks.” (Baker, S., *Bone of Contention*, 1986, pp. 25, 26.)

Recorded history only started recently

“According to evolutionists, Stone Age man existed for 100,000 years ... [and] built megalithic monuments, made beautiful cave paintings, and kept records of lunar phases. Why would he wait a thousand centuries before using the same skills to record history [a few thousand years ago]?”

(Creation Ex Nihilo, Vol. 13 No. 3, June-August 1991, p. 31.)

The moon is receding from the Earth

“[O]ne can show that the moon would never have survived a nearness to the earth of less than 11,500 miles. That distance is known as the Roche Limit.” (Dr

Thomas G. Barnes, *Young Age for the Earth and Moon*, ICR, 1982)



Source: NASA

The Poynting-Robertson effect of the sun

The Poynting-Robertson effect causes dust particles around the sun, through the sun's radiation and gravity, to act as a giant vacuum cleaner that pulls in about 100,000 tonnes of micrometeors per day. Even given the rate of dust entering the solar system, the solar system should be devoid of dust by now if it really were billions of years old.



Source: NASA

The sun is shrinking

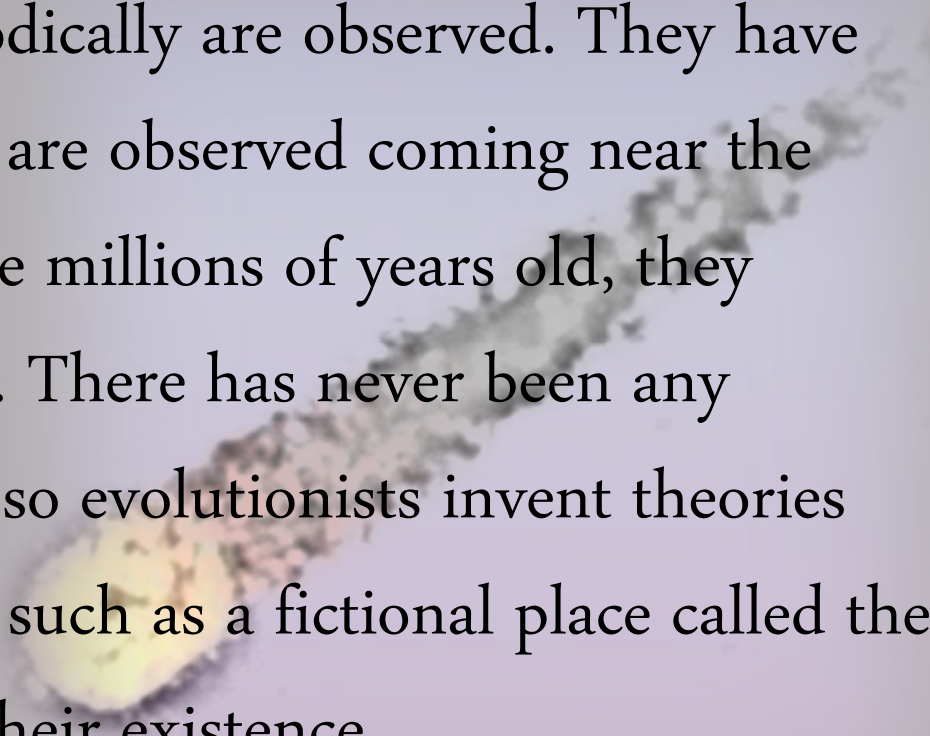
The sun is losing both mass and diameter at a constant rate. Going back past a certain date would make the sun too hot and large for life to ever exist on Earth.

Therefore, the sun could not be billions of years old.



The existence of short-period comets

Comets go in orbits and periodically are observed. They have shrunk in size each time they are observed coming near the sun. If the universe really were millions of years old, they should have long disappeared. There has never been any creation of a comet observed, so evolutionists invent theories (NOT based on observation), such as a fictional place called the 'Oort Cloud', to account for their existence.



Spiral galaxies are not wound up

If spiral galaxies had been winding up at their present rate for millions of years, their arms would be severely twisted. But they have maintained their shape, showing them to be young. Even structures of galaxies are now known to be so amazingly large, and yet relatively thin, that they could not have formed by slow gravitational attraction.



Source: NASA

Let God be true ...

God's record in the Bible is always true:

“... let God be true, but every man a liar ...” (see Romans 3:4)

“He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.”

(1 John 5:10)

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