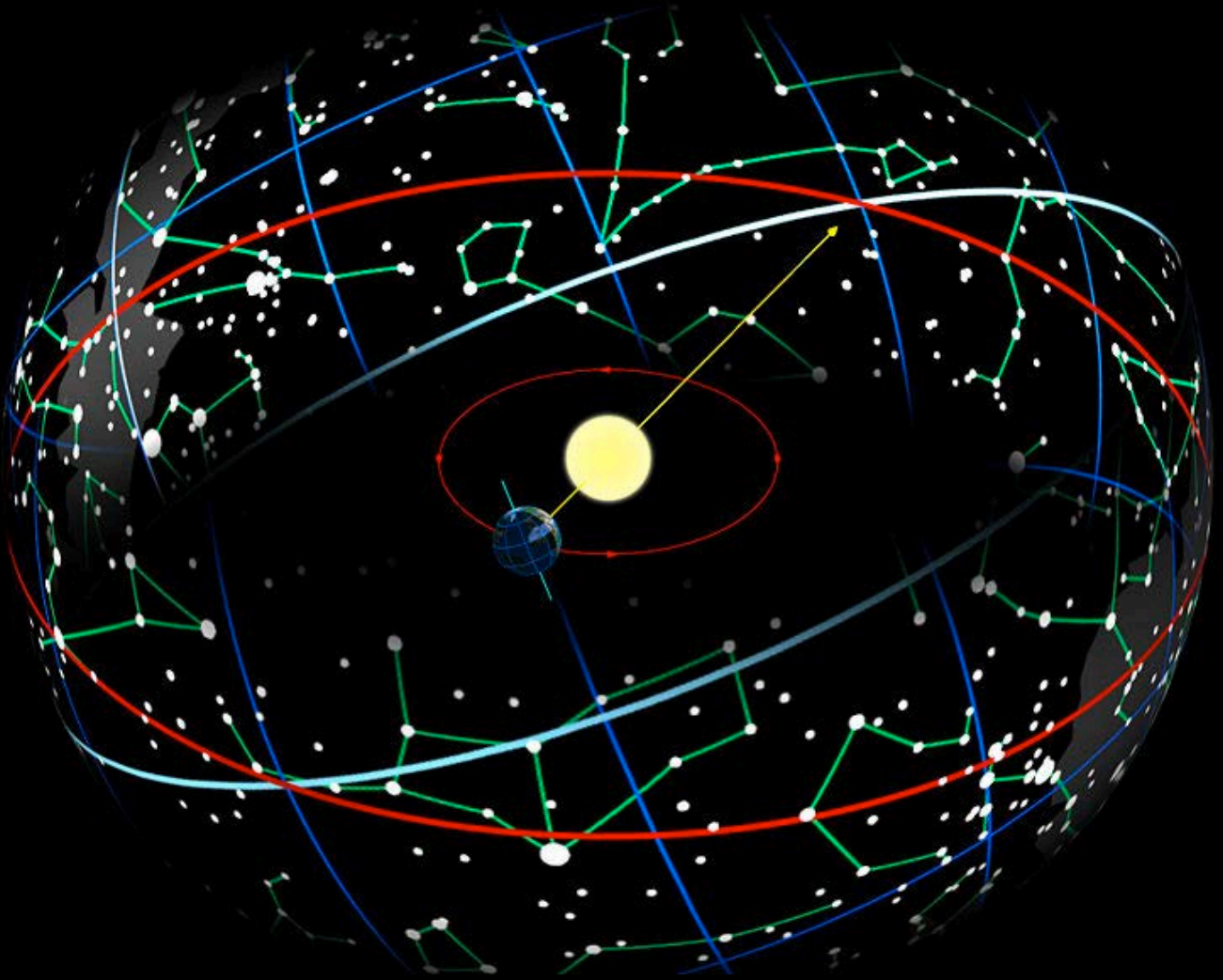


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Review:

We must remove our preconceived notions regarding creation that we learned in secular school. God speaks and we must listen to the plain text that is clearly presented to us through traditional grammar and word definition.

Proverbs 8: 8-9 All the words of my mouth are in righteousness; There is nothing crooked or perverse in them. They are all plain to him that understandeth, And right to them that find knowledge.

God tells us to pay attention to Him as He has spoken. Again the text tells us that the creation occurred in a literal six-day week with 24-hour days. In fact the liberal theologians who abandon any serious hermeneutics usually embrace the long-day theory do so without any scientific evidence.

When we end the six days of creation I'll provide a list of observable scientific facts supporting the 24-hour day, six-day creation account refuting evolution.

The waters under the firmament (Hebrew רָקִיעַ "rakeeah") completely covered the earth at the beginning of the third day. Remember that this water (seas) covering the earth was the result of the sin of Satan, which caused the earth to be corrupted. God began one of His acts of dividing on this day. This would be His third major dividing within the creation account thus far. The Hebrew word (יַקַּוּ) "yeekavoo" gives insight into the division God carried out. The word has a meaning of collecting together or dividing out, that is, separating one thing from another. In binding together the Hebrew word gives the connotation of binding together as by twisting.

1. Light was divided from darkness.
2. The firmament divided the waters above from the waters below.
3. The division would be the dry land from the lower waters.

Just as in day one the energizing agency was the Word of God (John 1: 3). Now the dry land was separated from the lower waters. The cataclysmic action of creation yeekavoo caused the materials to arrange themselves isostatically (gravitational equilibrium) with heavier materials sinking and lighter materials floating. Lots of matter remained suspended in the waters below as the dry earth began to clear.

As the solid surface began to appear the waters simultaneously began a twisting current network of channels that descended into substrata reservoirs. The earth opened up its crust to receive the water from the surface to newly formed networks of tubes and waterways, which were described as the conduits for the water to be "gathered into one place." The water in the form of twisting currents descended to distinct basins deep

within the earth. The Bible speaks frequently to the hydronic cycles of water movement (*Ecclesiastes 1: 6-7*).

This hydrology of water on day three of creation is different than the cycles we have now due to the Flood. The continental and marine areas were rearranged through the Flood, which came upon the entire earth. What is important for us to realize here is the earth became porous to receive the twisting current channels of water descending to their sub strata destinations. These same waters watered the Garden of Eden and would bring forth a tremendous volume of water to contribute to the Flood.

THE FOLLOWING CHARACTERISTICS OF HYDROLOGY ARE DESCRIBED IN THE BIBLE.

✚ Water Cycle	Ecc. 1: 6-7; Job 36: 27-28
✚ Jet Stream	Ecc. 1: 6-7
✚ Evaporation	Job 26: 8; Ecc. 1: 6-7, Amos 9: 6
✚ Source of River Water	Ecc. 1: 6-7
✚ Fresh-Water springs in the Sea	Job 38: 16
✚ Pathways in the sea	Ps. 8: 8; Isa 43: 16

OTHER ALLUSIONS TO CREATION IN JOB 38

✚ The Rotation of the earth	12-15
✚ The springs and the pathways to the sea	16
✚ The breadth of the earth	18
✚ The travel of light	19
✚ The dividing of light	24
✚ The source of rain, and ice	28-30
✚ The universal nature of physical laws	33
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After the division of the waters below to form the dry land God spoke again and organized chemical elements of the earth in deeply complex systems. Each of the systems had a unique informational intelligent reproductive design incorporated within them. Each fruit tree, grass, and herbs all were created as fully mature organisms and had the programmed ability to reproduce after their own kind. These general classifications are intended to cover all the taxonomic divisions God intended. Present taxonomic nomenclature is man-made not God made. It is important to be mindful of the fact that the whole universe was made as a fully developed universe with all that is in it. This was how God created it from the onset of creation.

It is important to realize that each organism had the ability to reproduce “after its own kind.” Each organism of creation was endowed with deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA). This digital programming is the set of instructions our God gave to each organism. The main role of DNA molecules is the long-term storage of information. DNA is often compared to a set of blueprints, like a recipe or a code, since it contains the instructions needed to construct other components of cells, such as proteins. What is important for us to realize is that each organism can only reproduce after its own kind not any other. In other words one organism cannot morph or evolve into another. There is a lot of horizontal verity

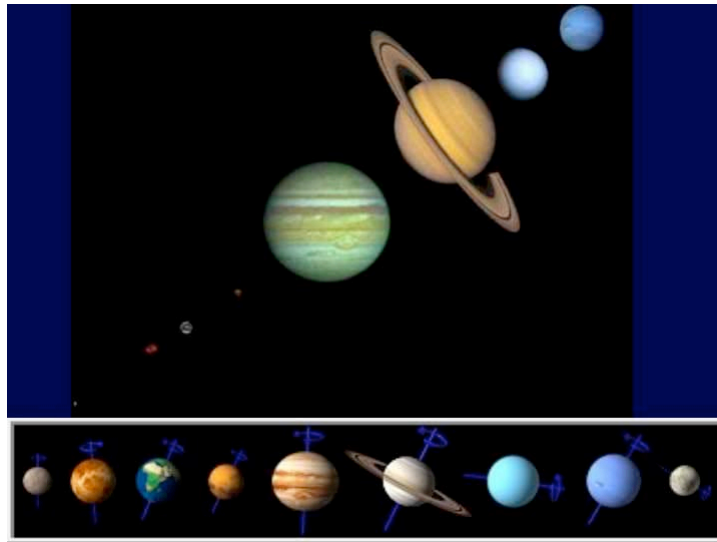
within a species that allow for differences in characteristics. There is no vertical change programmed to allow one to become another. This is the hand of God.

The Hebrew word “for kind” (their is implied) is lahmeenaahoo (לְמִינֵהוּ), which means groups of living organisms belonging to the same created “kind” if they have descended from the same ancestral gene pool. This does not preclude new species because this represents a partitioning of the original gene pool. Information is lost or conserved not gained. A new species could arise when a population is isolated and inbreeding occurs. By this definition a new species is not a new “kind” but a further partitioning of an existing “kind.” It comes from a root, which means to portion out.

Today's Message:

Dividing the night from the day is the fourth major division in creation and these lights replace the light God provided of Himself in day one

The Mazzaroth – The Zodiac or The Way



Genesis 1: 14-19 And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days and years: and let them be for lights in the firmament of heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. And God made the two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of heaven to give light upon the earth, 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. And there was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.

One of the reasons for making the stars in the heavens was for a sign. A sign signifies or represents something. Signs therefore, are meant to lead one to something else. The sign itself is not the end destination. It is the method employed to direct our attention to something else. In the stars God is the direct object the signs point to. We should realize that His entire creation which theologians call “general revelation,” speak to Him and coming from Him. In fact God charges all mankind to know Him through the ‘signs’ He has provided. God is trying to tell us things about Himself through the stars in the heavens. The heavens declare His creative output.

Psalm 19: 1-6 The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows his handiwork. Day unto day utters speech and night unto night reveals knowledge. There is no speech nor language where their voice is not heard. Their line has gone out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world. In them he has made a tabernacle for the sun, which is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoices like a strong man to run it's race. It's rising is from one end of heaven, and it's circuit to the other end; and there is nothing hidden from it's heat thereof.

This psalm of David announces that the heavens declare the glory (splendor) of God’s handiwork. Verse one is a summary statement: the majestic Creation is evidence of the even more majestic Creator-God. The heavens continually (every day and every night) display the fact that there is a Creator. Even though Creation does not speak audibly as humans do, its message goes out for all the earth to witness. The message from nature about the glory of God reaches all nations, and is equally intelligible to them all. It is a universal language.

The stars in the heavens move around a circular path. The band of stars on both sides of this path (circuit), which is known today as the Zodiac, is called the Mazzaroth in Hebrew. The names of these stars, Virgo, Pisces, Capricorn, Leo etc., are familiar to us today, because astronomers and navigators designate various areas of the sky with them. Satan has corrupted them for occultic purposes, which are very far from the original truth. We will look at this again when we study Genesis chapter 11 and Babylon. The 12 signs have nothing to say about man, however they do have a great deal to say about God's plan of redemption for mankind - from the virgin birth (Virgo) to the triumph of the Lion of the Tribe of Judah (Leo).

The stories He is trying to tell us about are directed straight at Himself. He wants us to know and acknowledge Him through these “signs.”

Isaiah 40:26 Lift up your eyes on high, and see who hath created these, that bringeth out their host by number; he calleth them all by name; by the greatness of his might, and for that he is strong in power, not one is lacking.

God wants us to see Him *through* these stars. He is not in the stars, as some would believe. He created them. He wants us to realize just how powerful He is. God, who cannot be compared to anyone or anything knows everything about His Creation and sustains it. In His strength He created and also controls and sustains millions upon millions of stars, each one of which He, amazingly, has named. In Isaiah chapters 40-66,

God is revealed as the Creator and Maker. He does not want us to worship the stars, as in astrology (Isaiah 47: 13-14; Deut. 4: 19; 17: 2-5; Isaiah 47: 13-14). *He wants us to worship Him.*

The psalmist also tells us that God has provided names for the stars as well as knowing exactly how many there are. He is clearly demonstrating His sovereign control over His creation.

Psalm 147:4 He counteth the number of the stars; He calleth them all by their names.

Since God has created the heavens and the stars as signs pointing to Him and His message for us it should not be surprising that Satan has corrupted it along with the rest of God's creation. The specific signs that the stars told have been obscured with satanic corruption.

The Hebrew word for the constellations is Mazzaroth. We see this word in the plain text of Scripture. The first appearance of the word is in Job chapter thirty-eight. God is having a discussion with Job. In order to demonstrate Job's weakness as a man compared to the power of God He uses the constellations as an example.

Job 38: 31-33 Canst thou bind the cluster of the Pleiades, Or loose the bands of Orion? Canst thou lead forth the Mazzaroth in their season? Or canst thou guide the Bear with her train? Knowest thou the ordinances of the heavens? Canst thou establish the dominion thereof in the earth?

Job 9: 7-9 (Job speaking of God) That commandeth the sun, and it riseth not, And sealeth up the stars; That alone stretcheth out the heavens, And treadeth upon the waves of the sea; That maketh the Bear, Orion, and the Pleiades, And the chambers of the south;

Job is the oldest book in the world. It was written during the period of the patriarchs who lived at the time of events of the book of Genesis. It clearly shows that God had named the constellations by that time. The Zodiac of astrology was originally the Mazzeroth of Job 38. It got corrupted like all things beginning with the fall. Then the worldwide communication disruption at the tower of Babel caused all human communication to become corrupt. Satan will use any circumstance to corrupt what God is doing. He had willful servants in Nimrod and his followers attempting to reach for heaven. The signs of the Mazzeroth are not figures in the sky. They are actually a set of stars with names that mean the figure that they describe. We are not to follow the Zodiac and its perverse soothsaying however, we are instructed to be neither afraid of the message of the stars.



The individual stars were not originally meant to be connected together to form an image. Their individual names were meant to be connected together to form a message, or sign in the heaven as Genesis states.

SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC WITH THEIR DECANS IN THE ORDER OF THEIR BRIGHTNESS

We do have Arabic names but not all the Hebrew names. They all speak to God's greatest achievement, the redemption of mankind.

Virgo, the Virgin:

- Coma**, the infant, the Desired one
- Centaurus**, the dart piercing a victim
- Bootes**, The Great Shepherd and Harvester

The Message: The Seed of the Woman; The Desire of Nations; The man of Double Nature in humiliation; The Exulted Shepherd and Harvester

Libra:

- Crux** the Cross
- Lupus** or Victim; pierced to death
- Cronona**, The Crown

The Message: The Price to be paid; The Cross to be endured; The Victim slain; The Crown Purchased

Scorpio:

- Serpens**, the Serpent
- Ophiuchus**, wrestling with the Serpent
- Hercules**, the Might Man

The Message: The Conflict; The Serpent's Coils; The Struggle with the Enemy; The toiling Vanquisher of evil

Sagittarius:

Lyra, an Eagle holding a lyre
Ara, the Altar
Draco the Dragon, the old Serpent

The Message: The Double-nature One triumphing; He gladdens the Heavens; He builds fires of punishment; He casts down the Dragon

Capricornus:

Sagitta, the Arrow
Aquila, the Eagle
Delphinus, the Dolphin

The Message: Life out of Death; The Arrow of God; Pierced and failing; Springing up again in abundant life

Aquarius:

Picus Australis, the Southern Fish
Pegasus, the Winged horse
Cygnus, the Swan

The Message: Life-waters form on high; Drinking in the heavenly food; carrying the Good News; Bearing aloft the Cross over the Earth

Pisces:

The Band
Andromeda, a woman in chains
Cepheus a Crowned King

The Message: Multiplication of Redeemer's People; Upheld and governed by the Lamb; The intended Bride bound and exposed; The Bridegroom exalted.

Aries:

Cassiopeia, a woman enthroned
Cestus, the Sea-Monster, bound by the Lamb
Perseus armed and mighty man

The Message: The Lamb found worthy; The Bride released and making ready; Satan bound; The Breaker triumphing

Taurus:

Orion, a glorious Prince
Eridanus, Orion's River
Auriga, the Shepherd

The Message: The invincible Ruler come; The sublime Vanquisher; The River of Judgment; The all-ruling Shepherd

Gemini:

Lepus, the Hare (or Serpent)

Canis Major – Sirius the great Dog

Canis Minor – Procyon, the 2nd Dog

The Message: The Marriage of the Lamb; The Enemy trodden down; The Prince coming in Glory; His princely following

Cancer:

Ursa Minor, The Lessor Sheepfold

Ursa Major, The Greater Sheepfold

Argo, the Ship

The Message: The Possession secured; Lesser fold; the Church of the first born; Greater fold; Israel; Safe folding into a Everlasting Kingdom

Leo:

Hydra, the fleeing Serpent

Crater, the Cup (of Wrath)

Corvus, the Raven, Bird of Doom

The Message: The King rending; The Serpent fleeing; The Bowl of Wrath upon him; His carcass devoured

The fact that these messages have been mostly lost is not longer important because since Christ came the message of redemption has been finally spoken by Him personally

Hebrews 1-3 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high:

Next session: Day five; Fish and Fowl; Living Creatures are Created.

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