# The Babylonians are Lying – The Earth is Not Moving

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#### He Set the Earth on Its Foundations, that It NOT Be Moved

We live in an age where an entire generation has grown old without having more than a cursory acquaintance with God's Word. Even among many Bible-believing Christians it would be fair to say that about 90% of their Bible knowledge comes from the four Gospels and the Psalms. Few memorize Scripture any more, and many are satisfied with Bible translations which play fast and loose with the original text.

There has been a huge decline in respect for God's Word. A huge decline. When did you last speak with a person who was worthy to stand among the believers addressed in the following verse from Isaiah? -

## "Hear the word of the LORD, ye that tremble at his word" - Isaiah 66:5

The Word of God has been under concerted attack ever since the Jesuits launched the Counter-Reformation in the mid-16<sup>th</sup> century. Every conceivable academic technique and scholastic device has been aimed at His Word at one time or another in an attempt to break it down, to weaken its meaning and make it seem to some extent a product of human imagination. *Sola Scriptura* has become, for the vast majority of professing Christians, a medieval aspiration which slowly crumbled before the relentless onslaught of science and dialectical analysis.

Unless Christians stand on God's Word and trust it completely, they are leaving themselves open to deception. The Enemy is cunning. He exploits, not the Scripture you believe, but the Scripture you don't believe.

The same Holy Spirit who wrote the Bible is the same Holy Spirit dwelling within each of us. How can we trust one and not the other? It's impossible.

This alone explains the many heresies that pervade the visible church today. Unless the sweet sound of God's Word is fresh in our memory, the world will encroach on our peace of mind and cling to our sin-damaged imagination. Before long we are living on auto-drive and failing to embrace the living truth that our wonderful Creator sets before us every day.

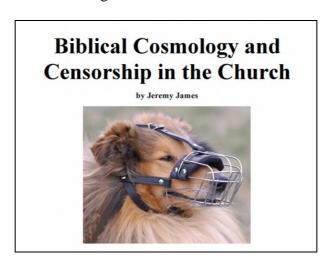
Christ said the world would hate us:

"If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you."

— John 15:19

If the world hates us, then we ought to accept the fact! Alas, most pastors today are teaching their flocks to make peace with the world. Seemingly this is a sign of Christian 'love', even when the world is very obviously attacking and undermining the church. Such 'love' is merely complacency laced with hypocrisy. It is one thing when the world runs after idols and wallows in lust, but it is something else entirely when it tells Christians they can no longer speak forth ALL of God's Word.

We are seeing this today in laws and regulations, rules of social etiquette, and norms of acceptable behavior which deny Christians the right to share and declare the totality of all that our Creator has given us in His Word.

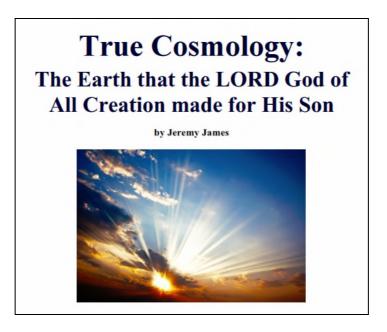


#### Censorship from within the church

This has been creeping up on us over the past sixty years or so, but has recently taken a very dark turn. We are no longer facing censorship and rebuke from people outside the church, but increasingly from many inside the church. It is becoming harder for Christians, even among themselves, to call the Roman Catholic church what it is, namely a cult-like counterfeit of true Christianity, or to mention the reality of hell and its torment, or to speak of the sinfulness of sodomy. The list of topics that are tacitly banned from Christian discourse is getting longer and longer.

This year we arrived at a new phase in this process of decay. Our earlier paper, 'Biblical Cosmology and Censorship in the Church' (#160), described the treatment being meted out by highly placed leaders in the church to any Christian who chooses to explore and discuss Biblical cosmology. They are to be shunned and rebuked. The outpouring of scorn is such that some may feel they must either drop the subject or leave the church.

As we have shown in previous papers there are over a hundred verses in Scripture which, taken together, define the cosmology of the Bible (see **Appendix B**). Until recently most Bible scholars have chosen to interpret these verses in accordance with the cosmological model taught by modern science. However, advances in technology, in particular the measurement tools and online information resources now available to the average person, has prompted many believers to revisit these verses. As they see it, if the literal-historical-grammatical hermeneutic that we use to explore and expound Biblical truth is applied to these verses – as it should be – the cosmology that emerges is very different from the one being taught by modern science.



Many Christians will read these verses and remain unconvinced. However, others have been startled by the consistency of the cosmological model described in the Bible and the extent to which it differs from the one taught by NASA.

In our paper, 'True Cosmology: The Earth that the LORD God of All Creation Made for His Son' (#75), we included a diagram summarizing the main differences between the universe described by the Bible (God's reality) and the universe described by modern science (Satan's alternative reality):

God's reality	Satan's 'alternative reality'	
The earth is flat	The earth is a sphere	
The sun follows a path above the earth	The earth orbits the sun	
The earth is the center of the universe	The earth is at the edge of the universe	
The earth is a special creation	The earth is a trivial speck	
The earth was made for man	Man is a weird cosmic accident	
The earth is completely stationary	The earth is moving in several directions	
The laws of the universe were set by God	The laws of the universe are accidental	
The stars rotate around the earth	The stars only appear to rotate around the earth	
The sun is reasonably close to the earth	The sun is 93 million miles away	
The stars are not 'light years' away	The stars are millions of light years away	
The earth is only a few thousand years old	The universe is 14 billion years old	
The stars are fixed	The stars are receding	
There is no life on any planet or star	Life is certain to have 'evolved' elsewhere	
The volume of space is fixed	The universe is continually expanding	
The universe has been damaged by sin	There is no sin	
God sustains the universe by His mercy	The universe has no need of God	
Christ has redeemed the universe	The universe is evolving	
Christ will come again and claim the earth	A perfectly evolved man will rule the earth	

Modern science tells some obvious lies. Every Bible-believing Christian is aware of this. For example, science argues that genetically modified foods are safe, but our common sense tells us that, if God made edible plants, vegetables and other types of food that are perfectly compatible with our metabolism, then random changes to their genetic structure are bound to have implications for our health. Another grotesque lie taught by science is the so-called theory of evolution, which it promotes with relentless, atheistic satisfaction. But we know that this theory is completely bogus, that it was dreamt up by Gnostics and Freemasons to separate God from His Creation and undermine the early chapters of Genesis.

#### Nullius in Verba means 'We reject God's Word'

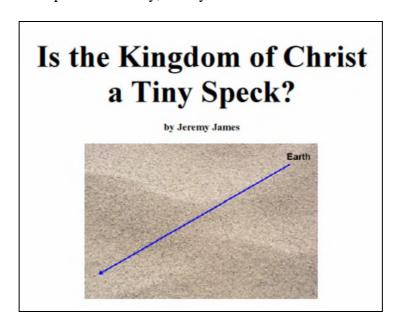
Science in its modern form was devised by English and French Freemasons and Rosicrucians in the 17<sup>th</sup> century to eliminate God from all explanations of natural phenomena. It is trenchantly anti-Biblical, even though many scientists claimed to be Bible believers. The ground rules of science are designed to ridicule and ostracize anyone who dares to suggest that the world has a purpose, or that it was designed by a merciful and loving Creator. The Royal Society, which was founded in London in 1660, laid the foundations of modern science. Right from the start it enforced a purely mechanical, atheistic methodology. It even chose a motto that boastfully rejects the Word of God: 'Nullius in verba', which is generally understood to mean "take nobody's word for it." It is really a coded way of saying, 'We reject God's Word.'

Another enormous lie promoted with great vigour by modern science is the Big Bang theory. (A popular TV show is using this as its title, presumably to fix the idea firmly in the minds of the millions of young people who watch the show. Such is the power of advertising.) This theory is ridiculous, even by the shady standards of modern physics, where hypothetical entities are routinely treated as though they were real, not just a convenient fiction in a mathematical model. The idea that *nothing* exploded 14 billion years ago and produced the astonishing world we see around us today is not just absurd, it is obscene. It must be immensely pleasing to Satan to mock the LORD's creation in this way and actually have it taught in universities across the world.

#### The Child of the Royal Society

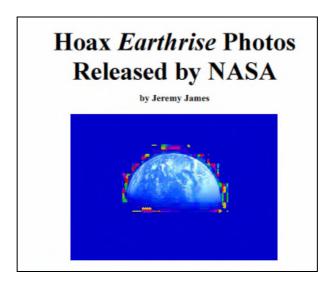
The LORD has told us in His Word that the wonders of the world around us are ample evidence both of His existence and of His love for mankind. We should not be surprised, then, that Satan attacks this basic truth every way he can. Through atheistic science – the child of the Royal Society – he has planted in the minds of men a set of filters which greatly diminish their ability to savor and enjoy the glory of all that God has created. He uses 'evolution' to trivialize all living things; he uses 'atoms' to claim that most of what we call matter is nothing but empty space; he uses cyclotrons to supposedly 'create' new elements; he defines the 'real' truth in mathematical terms so that few can perceive it; he says that unborn babies are expendable; and he claims that many phenomena that are essential to our understanding of the world are too small to see, too far away to detect, and too far back in time to be accurately determined.

In addition, he has multiplied these effects by making the earth itself so small and insignificant, so puny in the vast scheme of things, that it seems more like an accident than a glorious work of creation. And he has done this by convincing the majority of mankind that they are living on a miniscule globe that is spinning aimlessly in the depths of space, while far out in the 'cosmos' are galaxies filled with unimaginable potential and real hope for humanity, if only we knew how to reach them.



Is any of this true? Are we really on a tiny globe spinning through space at 66,666 miles per hour? – note the Babylonian significance of this number! It would never have occurred to most people to ask this question even thirty years ago. But today the encroachment of scientific orthodoxy is so intense, and its control over the lives of ordinary people so pervasive, that its political dimension stands out like never before. And this is prompting many to ask whether science is being used to control and condition mankind, whether pseudo-scientific lies like evolution and the Big Bang are part of a deliberate plan to enslave our minds and prepare the world for the Antichrist.

Those who love and believe God's Word know that the world is not getting 'better', but sinking further into the materialistic malaise and amoral liberalism that will lead eventually to the judgments described in the Book of Revelation.



#### We must be true Bereans

In light of this, true believers are fully justified in their determination to revisit the verses in God's Word which speak about cosmology. Of course, as faithful servants we should be doing this anyway, but the many conflicting statements by so-called scientific authorities provide a further incentive for each one of us to compare the world described by God with the world described by scientific materialists.

The arrival of the Internet has given a huge fillip to this initiative. People who until now would never have been able to find each other and discuss these issues can now do so with great ease. We have a precious opportunity to examine collectively a subject that the moguls of materialism have managed to censor and suppress for centuries. We have cameras and telescopes and similar products of modern technology which our grandparents never had. We have the Internet, at least for the time being (until a worldwide censorship regime is in place and all discussion of this kind is stamped out). And we have freedom within the church – just about – to engage with other Christians in this matter and share what we have found.

#### Biblical Cosmology is a taboo subject

Alas, this latter factor is proving precarious. As we showed in our paper, 'Biblical Cosmology and Censorship in the Church' (#160), the servants of the New World Order are keen to turn Biblical cosmology into a taboo subject. Christians are being urged to turn their backs on anyone who tries to discuss this topic. Many dangerous heresies are being completely ignored, but the moment the words 'flat earth' are heard, the self-appointed guardians of Scripture howl with displeasure and shout "Cult!"



Photo taken from a balloon 21 miles above the earth.
[No distorting fisheye lenses or Go-Pro cameras were used.]



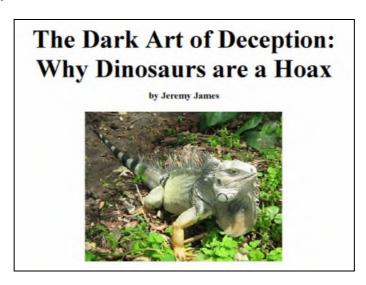
Where's the curve?

Why is this? After all, the discussion centers on what God's Word actually says about cosmology. Why is discussion of the verses in question being suppressed? Presumably all believers are entitled to examine these verses for themselves and make up their own minds about the reality they are describing. Or are they? It would seem not.

Let's look at the latest instance of Bible censorship by a ministry which purports to uphold the fundamental truth of God's Word.

The ministry in question is Creation Ministries International (CMI), which has its international office in Australia and bases in six other countries, including the US. Regular readers will be aware that a similar 'creation' ministry, Answers in Genesis, which is led by Ken Ham (who formerly worked for CMI), was the subject of a recent paper in this series: 'Evidence that the Televised *Creation v Evolution* Debate of 2014 was Nothing but a Sham' (#166).

Both of these ministries purport to teach what is usually known as young earth creationism, and yet they **also** teach that dinosaurs once roamed the earth in great numbers. But this is ridiculous; it is impossible to teach both! As every child knows, dinosaurs supposedly existed for millions of years, so every time these ministries display an image or a model of a dinosaur they are really saying that the description of creation in Genesis is inaccurate. They refuse to admit that dinosaurs are just another pseudo-scientific scam spawned by English Freemasons in order to undermine the veracity of the Bible. For proof of this see our paper, 'The Dark Art of Deception: Why Dinosaurs are a Hoax' (#110).



#### Dr Carter's talk in Myrtle Beach in July, 2018

One of the principal speakers on the CMI panel in the US is Dr Robert Carter. This gentleman gave a talk at the CMI 'Creation SuperConference' at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina in July 2018 which was published on YouTube on 27 August [length c.55 minutes]. It was originally released under the title, 'Flat Earth & Geocentrism (This really is a gospel issue!)' but this was later changed to 'Flat Earth? The Bible and Science Say No!'

His talk appears to be the official establishment response to all who have dared to challenge the globe earth theory. It was delivered by a self-described nerd with academic credentials who, for the benefit of his Christian audience, stated that he did not support the theory of evolution. Instead of taking the opportunity to explore the LORD's cosmology, with particular reference to the verses given in **Appendix B** of this paper, showing how and why, in his opinion, it is consistent with the globe earth model, he embarked on a presentation which was, at least initially, part pantomime and part high school lecture. He studiously ignored the evidence for a flat, stationary earth (FSE) since, he alleged, such evidence was non-existent, and chose instead to attack the 'concept', as he put it, a concept which only simple-minded people with a cult-like mentality could possibly believe. He closed his talk with one of the most blasphemous tirades we have yet seen on YouTube.



#### Dr Carter's talk, step by step

Throughout his talk Dr Carter stood in front of a picture of a giant dinosaur, a serpent with two horns. To his right the savage jaws of another dinosaur are clearly visible. His rejection of the literal truth of Genesis was already in evidence.

He began by stating:

"Flat earthers will say that NASA has no picture of the earth from outer space. That is completely untrue." [0.44]

As proof of this he projected onto the screen an image produced by NASA, which happened to be the same image we had included in an earlier paper (#160) to show how patently phony these 'photos' really are!

#### - Space fantasy 'photo' from NASA -



NASA photo, released in 2015, purporting to show the moon passing between the earth and the NASA DSCOVR 'satellite.'

The Internet has plenty of material showing the many discrepancies between the various 'blue marble' photos released by NASA down the years. They are not photos of the earth from space but artistic renderings of what the earth might look like IF it were a globe.

He then went on to argue that the FSE model was virtually unknown before the arrival of the Internet, implying that shills, trolls and mischief-makers were promoting the idea simply to cause confusion and beguile the gormless. He says:

"...the flat earth idea was essentially non-existent before the rise of YouTube." [4.37]

He conveniently forgets that, long before the arrival of the Internet, there existed many steadfast critics of the globe earth model and that a lively literature had been produced to refute it. He also ignores the fact that publishers and the mainstream media, going back a hundred and fifty years or more, were consistently opposed to all attempts to challenge the model in print. The reason it is now being discussed with such passion is that the Internet – for the time being – provides a forum for the free exchange of views on this topic.

#### He deliberately ignores the evidence

He also refuses – shamelessly, in our view – to consider the large body of evidence that points to a flat, stationary earth:

"Flat earth ideas have no supporting evidence whatsoever. Literally zero." [6.01]

Since the evidence for the FSE has already been set out in earlier papers, as well as in many informative articles available online, we will not fill this paper with examples.

For someone who purports to have every confidence in the scientific accuracy of his position, Dr Carter is surprisingly coy in his choice of 'targets.' If the FSE position is so devoid of merit, as he suggests, then it should be a simple matter to prove the globe earth theory with powerful scientific evidence. However, he concentrated throughout on what he believed were weaknesses in the FSE model and offered no convincing proof of his own position. Corny images from NASA seemed to be the best he could offer. When a real scientist proves a theory, he delights in showing why it is true and producing irrefutable evidence to support his claims. But Dr Carter did nothing of the kind. He didn't seem to have anything positive to say about his own position. It's as if solid objective evidence for a spinning globe was, in his own words, "literally zero."

He then went on to argue that most of western civilization has <u>always</u> believed the earth was a globe. He even says:

"The people in Columbus's day – nobody believed the earth was flat. It's an urban myth invented to try to discredit Christianity." [11.32]

But this is simply not true. The sailors were not keen to venture far out to sea, into entirely uncharted waters, without some assurance that the ocean would not disappear beneath them. However, Dr Carter asks us to believe that they knew the earth was a globe, that the ocean <u>curved dramatically</u>, and that they were perfectly safe! This is precisely the kind of 'assurance' that would have kept them at home.



He also says, a little later in his talk, that –

"Over two thousand years...no Christian scholar of any repute – maybe with two little minor examples – has taught that the earth is flat. It is unanimous in Christian tradition (that) the earth is a globe." [22.35]

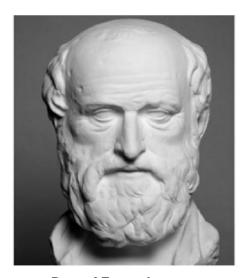
This is a highly disingenuous statement. He is essentially arguing from silence, that because most medieval writers did not state explicitly that the earth was flat they must have believed it was a globe. As we noted in a previous paper, writers in ancient times were not inclined to state the obvious. For example, the writers of ancient Greece hardly ever referred to the fact that the sky is blue. Are we to make an argument from silence and claim that they actually believed it was green?

This is exactly what Dr Carter is doing when he claims that no serious scholars in early medieval times believed the earth was flat. The very opposite is true – they all believed it! This is why Copernicus was so slow to make known his revolutionary new theory.

#### **Eratosthenes**

Dr Carter also referred to the famous calculation made by Eratosthenes which he claims is a proof that the earth is a globe. Dr Faulkner, of Answers in Genesis, cited the same experiment. However, neither of these academics bothered to mention that the very same experiment can be used to support the flat earth model and even to calculate the altitude of the sun. We reproduce below an extract from our paper, **Answers in Genesis and Our Flat Stationary Earth** (#135), to show why this is so.

[Start of Extract] Dr Faulkner cites a famous experiment by Eratosthenes (c 200 BC) who was head of the library at Alexandria. While in Aswan in southern Egypt he was able to confirm that the sun was directly overhead by observing the way it illuminated the bottom of a deep well. Going back to Alexandria in northern Egypt, he computed the angle of the sun at its highest point by reference to the shadow cast by a vertical rod. Knowing (a) the distance from Aswan to Alexandria and (b) the angular difference (about 7 degrees) between the sun at its highest points in both locations, he was able to compute the circumference of the earth. This is taken by scientists to constitute a valid proof from ancient times that the earth is a sphere, as well as a surprisingly accurate measurement of the earth's circumference. But is this really true?



**Bust of Eratosthenes** 

Actually, it is not. Eratosthenes had already assumed that the earth was a sphere. If it was, then his measurements provided a valid estimation of its circumference. However, it was not a proof that the earth is a sphere. The sun travels over the Tropics (including Aswan) and is directly overhead at noon at certain times of the year. This is consistent with the flat earth model. At its highest elevation, the sun was seen at a slight angle to the vertical in Alexandria, which is also what one would expect from the flat earth model. Using trigonometry Eratosthenes should have been able to compute the actual elevation (altitude) of the sun – about 3550 miles above the earth. He chose instead to interpret his data in accordance with the spherical earth model.

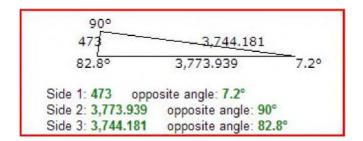
It should be remembered that Eratosthenes, as a senior member of staff at the Library of Alexandria, was almost certainly a disciple (if not a high initiate) of the Egyptian sun-worshipping cult. As such he would have revered the sun as a visible manifestation of deity. It would have been unthinkable in his worldview to portray the sun in purely material terms, and certainly not in a way that conflicted with the longheld Egyptian belief that the sun travelled through the Underworld (Duat) during the night. [See our paper, 'The Secret of the Solar Barque' (#133) which explains the importance of the Solar Barque in Egyptian mythology, as well as its occult significance in Freemasonry.]

As a modern Masonic stronghold, NASA teaches exactly the same heliocentric, ball-earth philosophy. Freemasonry is a disguised solar cult, based on ancient Egyptian magic. Its goal is to push aside Biblical Christianity and ultimately replace it with its own pantheistic worldview. Cosmology lies squarely in the field of battle. They are determined, by every means possible, to convince the masses that the Biblical model of the world is false and that the earth which God made is nothing but a puny speck in the vast, black vacuum of space.

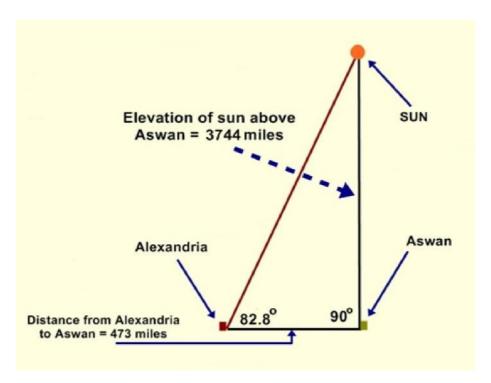
Why would God spend six days making and enriching a puny speck? And why would He refer many times in His Word to this remarkable achievement? To those who hate the LORD, however, and His Son Christ Jesus – who will inherit the earth in due course – this insidious mockery of His handiwork is central to their philosophy.



Let's look again at Eratosthenes' figures. As stated in Dr Faulkner's paper, Eratosthenes computed the angle of elevation of the sun at Alexandria as 1/50th of a circle or 7.2 degrees. Alexandria is about 473 miles from Aswan, in a northerly direction. We give here the calculation of the elevation (or height) of the sun over Aswan using trigonometry:



This may be easier to visualize if we reconstruct the diagram from an upright perspective:



This computation of the elevation of the sun above Aswan using Eratosthenes' figures – 3744 miles – is fairly close to the estimation (3550 miles) given in one of our earlier papers about the flat earth. [*End of Extract*]

While speaking of Eratosthenes, Dr Carter stated that the sun at Aswan was directly overhead, or "straight up" as he put in. He later stated that, around the time he was giving his talk, the sun was directly above south-east Cuba and projected a map on the screen to illustrate this (see below):

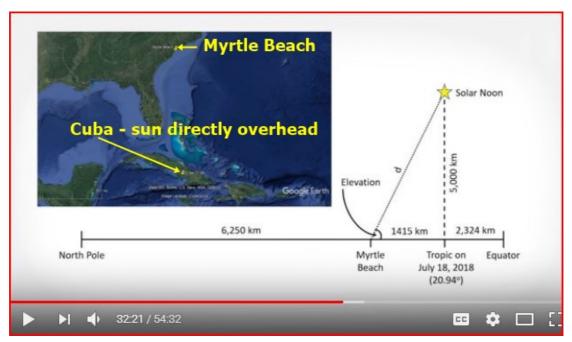


Chart shown by Dr Carter during his talk [Yellow text added]

This ought to have puzzled the people in his audience. How can the sun – a massive object that is meant to be 93 million miles away – be 'overhead' with respect to ANY location on earth? This is absurd. It is like arguing that a basketball two blocks away is "directly over" a speck of dust on a golf ball on your mantelpiece. They would need to be much closer to each other, perhaps only a few feet apart, before we could speak in such terms.

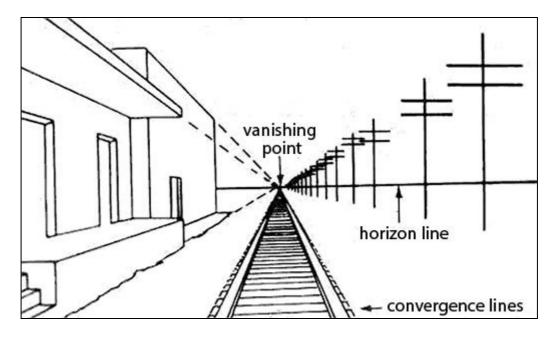
However, we know for a fact that the sun IS directly overhead with respect to specific locations on earth (within the tropics) and that, therefore, it MUST be considerably closer to the earth than Dr Carter and his colleagues would have us believe. Its distance or elevation should be measured in <u>thousands</u>, not millions of miles.

#### The Horizon

Dr Carter then proceeds to misrepresent yet another aspect of the FSE model when he states:

"There's no horizon in the flat earth concept." [36.41]

This would make little sense to the average person, and Dr Carter knows this. What he should really have said is that believers in the FSE have a different explanation for what we commonly refer to as the horizon. On a globe earth the sun would disappear beneath the horizon as the earth turned away from it. On a flat earth, however, the sun disappears because it has reached the vanishing point in our field of vision. The vanishing point lies on the horizon, as the following chart illustrates:



Our mind processes visual data by means of perspective. It maintains perspective by always causing our field of vision to converge at a central point. If it didn't do this we would only be able to perceive a small portion of a scene in front of us. This is why parallel lines, like railroad tracks, always converge at a point. Note that they don't cease to exist at that point or merge into a single track.

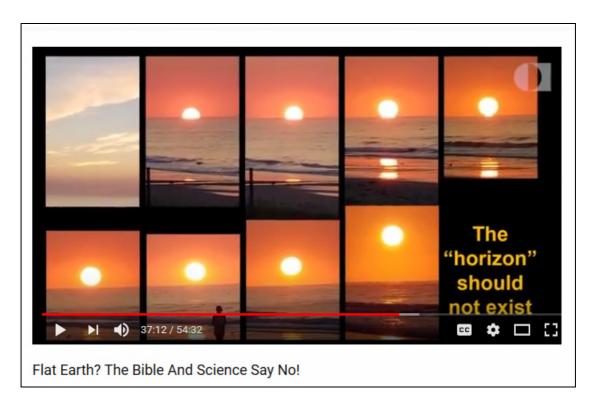
The same happens with the sun at sunset. It doesn't disappear beneath the horizon but passes through the vanishing point. It is still on the same plane, but so far away that – without magnification – we are unable to see it. However, if we looked through a pair of binoculars, it would come back into view – which is something it could NOT do had it disappeared beneath the horizon. (Rather than risk damage to your eyes, try this with a ship 'disappearing' beneath the horizon. The same principle applies.)

#### The Perceived Size of the Sun during the Day

Dr Carter then went on to argue that the perceived size of the sun does not change during the day. If the earth were flat, he says, the sun should get slightly larger as it gets closer to us, but according to the globe earth model – where the sun is 93 million miles away – the perceived size of the sun would never change. He calls this "a direct refutation of the flat earth idea."

#### But is it?

Let's examine the photos that Dr Carter took of the sunrise the previous morning which, he claims, are proof that the perceived size of the sun does not change as it progresses across the sky.



At first glance, the size of the sun in each photo seems to remain the same. In the flat earth model one would expect to find some measurable change, even if we allow for the fact that the sun did not travel very far between the first and the last photo (possibly 25 minutes later). However, if we look more closely at the middle photo in the top row and the last photo in the row below, we DO find a discernible change:



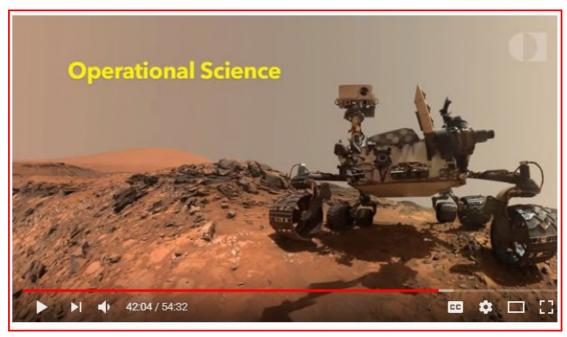
As you can see, the perceived size of the sun has increased in the right-hand photo.

It is easier to discern the increase in the size of the sun as it travels across the sky if a little more time is allowed to elapse. The following photos, which were taken from a clip on YouTube, illustrate this very clearly.

## As the sun moves closer to the position of the camera in the course of the day, its perceived size increases.

This is proof that the sun <u>cannot</u> be 93 million miles away.





We are meant to believe that this little kiddie toy is on a planet called Mars.

Dr Carter calls this 'operational science.'

#### **Tangential slice**

In the next phase of his talk, Dr Carter concedes that the horizon *is* flat, as the FSE models asserts, but in doing so he makes a very bizarre claim:

"Of course the horizon in flat. D'uh. D'you know why the horizon is flat? Because the horizon is the tangential slice of a sphere. Stand anywhere on earth where you can see the horizon, point to the horizon, turn in a circle and...Oh, it's flat!" [37.29]

Since he did not use an overhead to illustrate what he meant here, we are obliged to surmise. Seemingly, in his model, if you stand at a given point on the spherical earth, everything around you is flat (on a plane). The reason for this, he says (or seems to be saying), is that you are really standing on a "slice" of the sphere, and since a slice of a sphere is flat, then what you see around you must also appear flat.

But this doesn't make any sense. He has tied himself in knots here. In his model we are not <u>inside</u> a sphere called the earth, but <u>on the surface</u>. The surface is not a "tangential slice" of a sphere, but an arc segment. The surface of a sphere is not a plane, and calling it a "tangential slice" does not make it so!

On the other hand he may be arguing that the earth is so large that its spherical nature makes it impossible for us to "see" the curve, even if we stare at the horizon in all directions. This completely contradicts the oft-stated scientific "fact" that the earth is 24,900 miles in circumference. As such, it must curve at a rate of 8" per mile squared. This would make it impossible, at sea level, to see further than three miles. However, as everyone knows, we can see much, much further than that!



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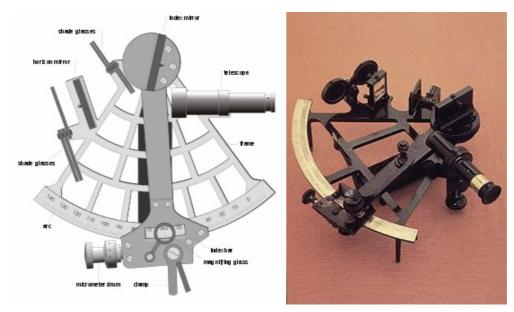
Nowhere in all of this does he address one of the most preposterous aspects of the globe earth model, namely, the alleged curvature of the oceans. How can the so-called force of gravity counter the universal tendency of water to always seek its own level? This is just one of the many idiotic aspects of his own theory which he never dares to discuss!

#### Dr Carter's 'invention'

The next part of his talk is also rather muddled. He seems to claim that he has invented a device which measures the altitude of the sun in degrees and that it provides him with measurements which absolutely refute the FSE model. Here is a photo of Dr Carter introducing the audience to his invention:



The problem with all of this, of course, is that the device in question, known as a sextant, has been around for hundreds of years! What is more, tables showing the angle of the sun at various latitudes and longitudes, at different times of the day, have been available to the public for decades. So what exactly is he saying here?



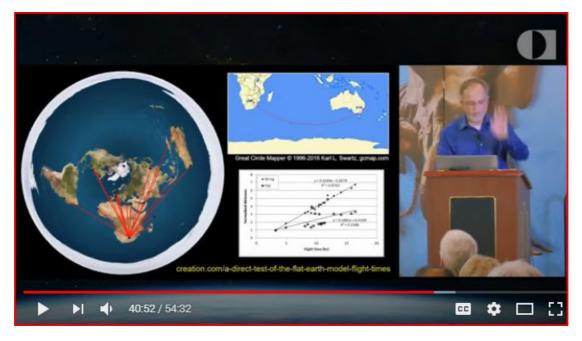
Sextant

– device for measuring the altitude of the sun above the horizon –

#### **Bits of String**

He then went on to refer to something that students of the FSE are very familiar with, namely the great increase in distances between lines of longitude in the southern 'hemisphere' as against the corresponding lines in the northern 'hemisphere'. Since he never explains this to his audience, they probably didn't quite know what to make of his anecdote about a trip he made to the local library with his sons:

"I had my son put his finger on Johannesburg and I took a string and stretched it to all these different cities and then I calculated the great circle route from all these cities and I compared them and when you compare the flat earth distance to the great circle route guess which one actually..." [40.52]



He seems to be claiming to have measured (with a piece of string) the distance between Johannesburg (in South Africa) and several other cities (on a globe? – he doesn't say) and compared them with the distances implied by the FSE model. Seemingly one set was right and the other was wrong.

Once again, we have no idea what he is talking about. In place of hard evidence, we are given more innuendo and bluster. Nonetheless, we are intrigued to learn that the sphericity of the earth can be demonstrated with a piece of string. (Wait till NASA gets hold of it.)

#### **Attacking the Messenger**

Dr Carter hates the message, so he attacks the messenger. Having exhausted his store of 'scientific' arguments – which are every bit as dismal as we portray them (check his video) – he then directs his invective at Christians who have dared to study and speak openly about Biblical cosmology.

A favorite tactic in such *ad hominem* attacks is to link one's target with someone for whom the audience has little sympathy and then proceed to malign his character by association. Dr Carter tries to imply that Christians who believe in the FSE model are simple-minded fools who have been taken in by pagan scoundrels and Internet trolls – "You owe what you're saying to these people." [40.28]

He claims that Christians who believe in the FSE model are not "stable and rational":

"What we are seeing is an existential crisis in philosophy." [41.01]

"We simply cannot reject 2,000 years of Christian scholarship." [41.47]

By "2,000 years of Christian scholarship" he really means centuries of Roman Catholic propaganda.



The god Saturn [Satan] mocks the puny planet earth.
[NASA 'image' displayed by Dr Carter.]

In a sense, there *is* an existential crisis [a typical Jesuit term], but it is an existential crisis in the <u>Babylonian</u> philosophy. The Jesuits are worried – the sheep are getting far too cheeky.

#### **Blasphemy**

He then proceeds to blaspheme the cosmology of the Bible. In his opinion, if the universe consists primarily of the 'planet' we are living on, then it is a totally inadequate expression of God's sovereignty and power:

"The earth is a tiny little place in the flat earth model. It's [made by] a little petty God. Almost like a Mormon god...only the God of a little planet." [50.42]

We regret having to include this statement but it goes a long way toward exposing the real spirit behind the globe earth philosophy.

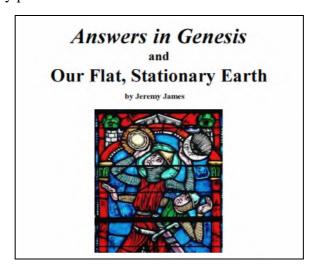
#### "How does one become a flat-earther?"

In the closing minutes of his talk, Dr Carter descends into a nauseating tirade against anyone who does not share his view about the shape of the earth. His attitude harks back to the Stalinist era in the USSR where dissent of any kind was punished by exile in the gulag. The exile he has in mind for 'flat earthers' is old-style ostracism; fellow church members are to shun them as unclean. Don't even engage them in discussion:

"I don't recommend you actually tangle with these people." [52.22]

Why is this? Seemingly, one can only become a "flat earther" through "cult-like brainwashing" [51.44]. And, of course, we all know how dangerous and unpredictable a cult-member can be.

Let's take a brief segue for a moment. The term 'flat earther' is being used by the Jesuits and their kind as an abusive epithet. They like to spit it out. There are many heresies in the modern church but the only one that seems to deserve special mention – and withering contempt – is the theory of the FSE. However, they never use the word "stationary" when speaking about the earth or the FSE model because it accords too well with our daily experience. It is obvious to our God-given senses that the earth is not moving, so they prefer not to draw too much attention to this fact.



#### The earth is both flat and stationary

When Christians speak about the earth, they should mention that it is both flat AND stationary. That's what the Bible teaches. Joshua commanded the sun to stop in the sky and it did just that. Hezekiah asked that the course of the sun be reversed by ten degrees, and it went backwards. Our Heavenly Father put these facts in His Word for a reason! It behoves us to take them seriously. [For a list of the main verses in the Bible relating to cosmology, see **Appendix B**.]

We know Dr Carter and his team do not take the Bible seriously because, in his talk, he never bothered to discuss <u>any</u> of the verses relating to cosmology. Instead he referred to an article that he and a colleague had published online, which purportedly dealt with the hundred or more verses on cosmology. But when one looks this up, it turns out to be nothing more than a contemptuous dismissal of what the Bible actually says.

The arrogance of these people is quite extraordinary. They certainly don't "tremble" at His Word.



Dr Carter and others like him, such as Pastor David Cloud and Pastor Charles Lawson, want to silence all discussion of Biblical cosmology. They seem to be pursuing a common strategy – mock and deride anyone who mentions the FSE model, describe them as nuts and cult members, ridicule and misrepresent their words, and, above all, never suggest for a moment that there is the slightest substance to anything they are saying. Finally, where expedient, twist and dismiss God's Word – which is exactly what they are doing.

Dr Carter shows how far they are prepared to go with their aggressive agenda. In the final minutes of his talk he brazenly states:

"I've not yet seen someone come out of this because it is, in fact, a cult. Now, there's no primary leader and they're not stealing everybody's money, and there's not necessarily any sexual deviancy..." [53.25]

Sexual deviancy? What is this all about? Since when is an interest in Biblical cosmology a possible indicator of sexual deviancy? Clearly, poisonous innuendo will constitute a vital part of their strategy in the coming years.

#### CONCLUSION

We list most of the papers in this series in **Appendix A**. If born-again Christians give thoughtful consideration to the information set out in those papers, and still end up believing the earth is a globe spinning through space, that's okay. We can only present the case as we see it and leave people to make up their own minds.

However, the Jesuits don't want you to go that far. If their theory is right, they have nothing to fear. But it is obvious from the response we have seen from Pastor Cloud, Pastor Lawson, Dr Faulkner of AiG, and Dr Carter, that Christians absolutely must not think about this issue! They must believe what they are told and get back in line.

Why not defy these arrogant people and read what God's Word actually says about cosmology? As true Christians we should be doing this anyway!

The earth is flat and stationary. Don't take our word for it – take His Word!

Jeremy James Ireland September 18, 2018

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#### APPENDIX B

## Passages in the Bible relating to Cosmology

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#### 1. The foundations of the earth

- "...for the pillars of the earth are the LORD'S, and he hath set the world upon them."
- 1 Samuel 2:8.

"Which shaketh the earth out of her place, and the pillars thereof tremble." – Job 9:6

"Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding." – Job 38:4.

"Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof" – Job 38:6.

"The earth and all the inhabitants thereof are dissolved: I bear up the pillars of it." – Psalm 75:3

"Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands." – Psalm 102:25.

"Who laid the foundations of the earth, that it should not be removed for ever."

- Psalm 104:5.

"The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens." – Proverbs 3:19.

"...for the windows from on high are open, and the foundations of the earth do shake." – Isaiah 24:18

"Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?" – Isaiah 40:21.

"Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand hath spanned the heavens: when I call unto them, they stand up together." – Isaiah 48:13.

"And forgettest the LORD thy maker, that hath stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth." – Isaiah 51:13.

"Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is his name: If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever. Thus saith the LORD; If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the LORD." – Jeremiah 31:35-37

"...the LORD, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth." – Zechariah 12:1.

"And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands." – Hebrews 1:10.

#### 2. The waters above

"And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." – Genesis 1:6

"And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so."

- Genesis 1:7

"He made darkness his secret place; his pavilion round about him were dark waters and thick clouds of the skies." – Psalm 18:11

"Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters" – Psalm 104:3

"Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that be above the heavens."

- Psalm 148:4

"Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? who hath gathered the wind in his fists? who hath bound the waters in a garment? who hath established all the ends of the earth? what is his name, and what is his son's name, if thou canst tell?"

- Proverbs 30:4

[This is a reference to Christ in the Old Testament and his participation in the work of Creation. The "binding of the waters" would seem to refer to the firmament and its role in restraining the waters above.]

"When he uttereth his voice, there is a multitude of waters in the heavens; and he causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth: he maketh lightnings with rain, and bringeth forth the wind out of his treasures." – Jeremiah 51:16

#### 3. The waters below

"He hath compassed the waters with bounds, until the day and night come to an end." – Job 26:10

"Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea? or hast thou walked in the search of the depth?" – Job 38:16

"He gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap: he layeth up the depth in storehouses." – Psalm 33:7

"When there were no depths, I was brought forth, when there were no fountains abounding with water." – Proverbs 8:24

"When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth: When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep: When he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth: Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him; Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men." – Proverbs 8:27-31

"Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters." – Revelation 14:7

#### 4. The firmament

"And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." – Genesis 1:6

"And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament; and it was so."

- Genesis 1:7

"And God called the firmament Heaven." – Genesis 1:8

"And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the 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 the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so... And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth" – Genesis 1:14-15, 17

"Is not God in the height of heaven? and behold the height of the stars, how high they are! And thou sayest, How doth God know? can he judge through the dark cloud? Thick clouds are a covering to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of heaven." – Job 22:12-14

[If we take "circuit" (*chuwg*) to mean compass or circle, then this passage may be referring to the circularity of the firmament.]

"Hast thou with him spread out the sky, which is strong, and as a molten looking glass?" – Job 37:18

"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork." – Psalm 19:1

"Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters" – Psalm 104:3

"Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power." – Psalm 150:1

"It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in." – Isaiah 40:22.

[The circle here is likely a reference to the vault above the earth. The inhabitants of the earth dwell beneath a great vault that stretches over them like a tent.]

"And the likeness of the firmament upon the heads of the living creature was as the colour of the terrible crystal, stretched forth over their heads above. And under the firmament were their wings straight, the one toward the other: every one had two, which covered on this side, and every one had two, which covered on that side, their bodies. And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters, as the voice of the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, they let down their wings. And there was a voice from the firmament that was over their heads, when they stood, and had let down their wings. And above the firmament that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne was the likeness as the appearance of a man above upon it." – Ezekiel 1:22-26

"Then I looked, and, behold, in the firmament that was above the head of the cherubims there appeared over them as it were a sapphire stone, as the appearance of the likeness of a throne." – Ezekiel 10:1

"And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever." – Daniel 12:3

#### 5. The non-movement of the earth [except in judgment]

"Fear before him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable, that it be not moved." – 1 Chronicles 16:30.

"Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him. For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast." – Psalm 33:8-9

[Barnes would translate verse 9 as follows: "For he spake, and it was; he commanded and it stood forth."]

"And he built his sanctuary like high palaces, like the earth which he hath established for ever." – Psalm 78:69.

[The word "palaces" does not appear in the Hebrew. The first part should probably read "And he built his sanctuary on high..." He also built it like the earth which he had established forever. The Hebrew word here for "established" is *yacad*, meaning 'to lay a foundation.']

"The LORD reigneth, he is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself: the world also is stablished [yacad], that it cannot be moved." – Psalm 93:1

"Who laid the foundations of the earth, that it should not be removed for ever." – Psalm 104:5.

[The original Hebrew word for 'removed' in this verse is *mowt*, meaning (per Strong's H4131) "to slip, shake, fall" or, per Gesenius, "to totter, to shake".]

"Thy faithfulness is unto all generations: thou hast established the earth, and it abideth." – Psalm 119:90

[The original Hebrew word for "abideth" in this verse is *amad*, meaning (per Gesenius) "to stand firm, to remain, to endure".]

"Thus saith the LORD, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool:" – Isaiah 66:1

"Heaven is my throne, and earth is my footstool." – Acts 7:49

[Since a throne remains in the same location, these last two verses show that the earth does not move. Also, as regards comparative size, the earth lies stationary beneath the third heaven as a footstool lies fixed beneath a throne. Therefore it cannot be a tiny speck in the vast depths of space as modern astronomy alleges.]

#### The earth moves only in times of judgment

"Which shaketh the earth out of her place, and the pillars thereof tremble." – Job 9:6

"The LORD reigneth; let the people tremble: he sitteth between the cherubims; let the earth be moved." – Psalm 99:1

"And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth." – Isaiah 2:19 (and 2:21)

"Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of the LORD of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger." – Isaiah 13:13

"The earth is utterly broken down, the earth is clean dissolved, the earth is moved exceedingly. The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall be removed like a cottage; and the transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it; and it shall fall, and not rise again." – Isaiah 24:19-20

[The original Hebrew word for cottage in this verse is *meluwnah*, which can mean (per Gesenius) "a suspended bed" or hammock.]

## 6. The stretching-out of the heavens

"Which alone spreadeth out the heavens..." – Job 9:8

"He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, and hangeth the earth upon nothing." – Job 26:7.

"Hast thou with him spread out the sky, which is strong, and as a molten looking glass?" – Job 37:18

"Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with honour and majesty. Who coverest thyself with light as with a garment: who stretchest out the heavens like a curtain." – Psalm 104:1-2.

"And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling fig from the fig tree." – Isaiah 34:4

"It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in." – Isaiah 40:22.

[The original Hebrew word for circle in this verse is *chuwg*, which Strong [H2329] defines as a "circle, circuit, compass". Elsewhere (22:18) Isaiah used the Hebrew word *duwr* to mean "ball" (sphere), so he is unlikely to be referring in this passage to a ball or sphere.]

"Thus saith God the LORD, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein:" – Isaiah 42:5

[Both the heavens and the earth are "stretched out." According to Gesenius the original Hebrew word for "spread forth" in this verse - raqa - means "to spread out by beating." Elsewhere (34:4) the heavens are referred to as a scroll. In one case the action is akin to the unrolling of a parchment (and its subsequent rolling together), while in the other it is akin to the flattening out of a sheet of metal by hammering.]

"I am the LORD that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself" – Isaiah 44:24

"I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded." – Isaiah 45:12

"Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand hath spanned the heavens: when I call unto them, they stand up together." – Isaiah 48:13

"And forgettest the LORD thy maker, that hath stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth..." – Isaiah 51:13

"He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heavens by his discretion." – Jeremiah 10:12 (See also Jeremiah 51:15)

#### 7. The flat, stretched-out earth

"Hast thou perceived the breadth (*rachab*) of the earth? declare if thou knowest it all." – Job 38:18

"He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, and hangeth the earth upon nothing."  $-\operatorname{Job} 26:7$ 

"For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us." – Psalm 103:11-12

[This must surely refer to a flat earth, where east and west never meet.]

"To him that stretched out the earth above the waters: for his mercy endureth forever." – Psalm 136:6

"And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth."

– Isaiah 11:12

"Thus saith God the LORD, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein:" – Isaiah 42:5

"I am the LORD that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself" – Isaiah 44:24

"The tree grew, and was strong, and the height thereof reached unto heaven, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth" – Daniel 4:11

"Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them" – Matthew 4:8

"And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time." – Luke 4:5

"And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them." – Revelation 20:9

[Both the Hebrew word for "breadth" in Job 38:18 (*rachab* – Strong's 7338) and the Greek word for "breadth" in this verse (*platos* – Strong's 4114) mean breadth in exactly the same sense that we use the term today, similar to "width" and "broad place" (Strong). This indicates a flat surface, not a curved one.]

#### 8. The movement of the sun

"Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon. And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day." – Joshua 10:12-13

[Note that Joshua orders the sun and the moon to stand still, not the earth and the moon.]

"So let all thine enemies perish, O LORD: but let them that love him be as the sun when he goeth forth in his might." – Judges 5:31

"Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth not; and sealeth up the stars." – Job 9:7

[In this verse Job illustrates the awesome power of God by showing that He can cause the sun to stop moving and prevent the stars from giving their light.]

"The heavens declare the glory of God... In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun, which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race. His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof." – Psalm 19:1, 4-6

"He appointed the moon for seasons: the sun knoweth his going down." – Psalm 104:19

[The sun cannot reasonably be said to know its "going down" if it is not in real motion.]

"The sun also ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and hastens to his place where he arose." – Ecclesiastes 1:5

"For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine." – Isaiah 13:10

"Behold, I will bring again the shadow of the degrees, which is gone down in the sun dial of Ahaz, ten degrees backward. So the sun returned ten degrees, by which degrees it was gone down." – Isaiah 38:8

"And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord GOD, that I will cause the sun to go down at noon, and I will darken the earth in the clear day" – Amos 8:9

"The sun and moon stood still in their habitation." – Habakkuk 3:11

[The prophet records that the sun and the moon stood still, not the earth and the moon.]

#### 9. The self-luminous moon

"And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also." – Genesis 1:16

"And for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the moon..." – Deuteronomy 33:14

"If I beheld the sun when it shined, or the moon walking in brightness" – Job 31:26

"He appointed the moon for seasons..." – Psalm 104:19

"The moon and stars to rule by night: for his mercy endureth forever." – Psalm 136:9

"For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine." – Isaiah 13:10

"Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the LORD of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients gloriously."

— Isaiah 24:23

"Moreover the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven days, in the day that the LORD bindeth up the breach of his people, and healeth the stroke of their wound." – Isaiah 30:26

"The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory." – Isaiah 60:19

"Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night" – Jeremiah 31:35

"And when I shall put thee out, I will cover the heaven, and make the stars thereof dark; I will cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon shall not give her light."

– Ezekiel 32:7

"Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light" - Matthew 24:29

"There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory." -1 Corinthians 15:41

"... and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood" – Revelation 6:12

"And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof." – Revelation 21:23

#### 10. The fixed stars and the "wandering" stars

"And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the 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 the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. And God made 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 the 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." – Genesis 1:14-18

"They fought from heaven; the stars in their courses fought against Sisera." – Judges 5:20

"Is not God in the height of heaven? and behold the height of the stars, how high they are! And thou sayest, How doth God know? can he judge through the dark cloud? Thick clouds are a covering to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of heaven." – Job 22:12-14

"The moon and stars to rule by night: for his mercy endureth for ever." – Psalm 136:9

"He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their names." – Psalm 147:4

"For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine." – Isaiah 13:10

"And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling fig from the fig tree." – Isaiah 34:4

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

"I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded." – Isaiah 45:12

"The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:" – Joel 2:10

"Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken" – Matthew 24:29

"And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring" – Luke 21:25

"There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory." -1 Corinthians 15:41

"Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever." – Jude 1:13

"And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places." – Revelation 6:14

"And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise."

- Revelation 8:14

"And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth" – Revelation 12:4

[These two verses refer to a third part of the stars. In the latter verse, they are generally understood to refer to the company of angels that rebelled. Stars and angels are so closely associated throughout God's Word that there may be some otherwise unexplained connection between them.]

### 11. Geocentric spatial relations

It is impossible to do justice to Biblical cosmology without taking into account the hundreds of passages throughout the Bible that are plainly geocentric and whose natural meanings imply a common frame of reference that embraces both heaven and earth. The billions of miles of space, which modern astronomers propose, are in sharp conflict with the spatial framework used in the Bible. The earth of the Bible is inconceivably larger than the sun in absolute terms. It is impossible to reconcile Biblical cosmology – how God describes His own Creation – with the bizarre 'cosmos' of modern astronomy, where the earth could not possibly be more pathetic or insignificant. Indeed, the more pronouncements that NASA and its allies make about the 'cosmos' the more stridently they contradict the Biblical account. It is always the same small pool of self-appointed 'experts' who make these outlandish declarations, with no hard evidence whatever to back them up.

Christians need to ask themselves why they believe the picture of heaven and earth portrayed by NASA, not simply because it conflicts with the Biblical narrative but because this secretive, Masonic organization continues to spew forth nonsensical pronouncements that mock God's Word. Do you seriously think the earth is in danger of being destroyed by a giant asteroid? Do you seriously believe the earth is spinning on its 'axis' at 1,000 miles an hour? Do you seriously believe there is 'intelligent life' in the 'depths' of space? Do you seriously believe that two men wearing only nylon pyjamas landed on the moon in an aluminum can in 1969?

The ONLY evidence you have for any of this is the relentless propaganda engineered by NASA, aided and abetted by Hollywood, the big television corporations, and the mainstream media. Why are Christians willing to set aside God's Word and believe an alternative account of reality for which they possess not one shred of objective, verifiable evidence?

#### Ascending and descending

"And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded... Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech." – Genesis 11:5-7

"And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it."

— Genesis 28:12

"Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended?" – Proverbs 30:4.

"For he hath looked down from the height of his sanctuary; from heaven did the LORD behold the earth" – Psalm 102:19

"Bow thy heavens, O LORD, and come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke." – Psalm 144:5

[See also "He bowed the heavens also, and came down; and darkness was under his feet." – 2 Samuel 22:10]

[The LORD "bowed" [stretched out or bent (like a bow)] the heavens and "came down", an action that began in the third heaven and continued past the firmament to the mountains below.]

"Oh that thou wouldest rend the heavens, that thou wouldest come down, that the mountains might flow down at thy presence." – Isaiah 64:1

"And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him." – Daniel 7:27

"For, behold, the LORD cometh forth out of his place, and will come down, and tread upon the high places of the earth." – Micah 1:3

"And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven." – John 3:13.

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." – Acts 4:12

"But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God."

– Acts 7:55-56

## 12. The impossibility of space travel

"Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is his name: If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever. Thus saith the LORD; If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the LORD." – Jeremiah 31:35-37

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