Statement on the Date of Creation
By Dan Bruce

As a Sacred Chronologist and Bible researcher by profession, I am frequently asked about my viewpoint on the date of Creation. On this topic, your author feels fortunate to have a background in both science and fundamentalist Christianity (I was educated in physics and engineering in college after being raised Baptist in the American South).

In a recent interview given by Sir Colin Humphreys, a respected scientist¹ and a Bible-believing Christian, he somewhat mirrored my own experience over the years when he said: “I was brought up with a young earth creation viewpoint. This made biology lessons at school more exciting, with all the questions that I, and a friend who came from the same background, were asking! When I went to university I saw the evidence for an old earth, and although I stayed in science, this was a shock to my faith, because so much of it was based on this interpretation of Genesis rather than the gospels.”²

Your author feels that, with all of the Young Earth vs. Old Earth controversy in recent years—a period during which many Christians have had their hearts hardened by unreasonable rhetoric into a view that belief in an old Earth and evolution somehow calls into question one’s faith, or, among scientists, that any outward expression of faith is prohibitive of serious academic credibility—more harm than good has been the result.

As a Christian, I understand from Scripture that God does not ask us to abandon reason in order to have faith. The two are quite compatible, as are science and religion if not improperly mixed. It is unfortunate that some Christian leaders with questionable scientific training and some atheists cosmologists with less-than-stellar theological credentials have chosen to create a faux controversy between the two areas of belief. It is a loss for both science and religion.

The following statement on the topic of Creation, and indirectly on the "conflict" between science and religion, is published in both of my books and on my website, and it is the guideline I use for doing my research into sacred chronology:

The chronology in my books has been limited back in time to 2,162 BCE, back only to the birth of Abram. For your author, attempting to establish dates much further back in time using the Bible seems futile, since Ecclesiastes, chapter 3, verse 11b, very clearly states,

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“He [God] has also set eternity in their heart, yet so that man will not find out the work which God has done from the beginning even to the end” (NASB).

As for creation, your author accepts the biblical account as inspired and accurate, and he also accepts as credible the empirical evidence that supports the scientific theory of creation, which posits a universe originating with a Big Bang that is calculated to have occurred 13.75 ± 0.12 billion years ago.

He offers no apology for not attempting to reconcile the two seemingly disparate creation accounts. Over the years, he has heard more than a few scientists repeating distortions of sacred texts in an attempt to discredit the biblical account of creation, and he has heard just as many young-Earth creationists repeating what can best be described as pseudo-science to explain away the findings of their assumed scientific adversaries, and he wishes to do neither.

From personal experience, your author can certify that the Bible has always proven dependable and true for him, and that, using his scientific-technical training and God-given intellect, he has examined and found the chronological conclusions of modern science to be deserving of respect as well.

It is a core belief of your author that one day, when both the words of the Bible and the observations of science are correctly interpreted and fully understood, any truth revealed by one will perfectly agree with the truth revealed by the other since, ultimately, truth is an inherent attribute of God, who is, by definition, One.
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