

Week 3: Creation of God

God as Intelligent Designer & Giver of Life

6-Week Outline

Week 1 – Truth of God

God as Giver of Absolute Truth

Week 2 – Existence of God

God as All-Powerful, Transcendent Creator

➔ Week 3 – Creation of God

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Week 4 – Revelation of God

God as Divine Revealer

Week 5 – Divinity of Jesus

Jesus as God Incarnate

Week 6 – Resurrection of Jesus

Jesus as Victorious Savior

Fallacies of Evolution

(Darwin's Doubt)

“Geology **assuredly** does not reveal any such finely graduated organic chain, and thus, perhaps is the **most obvious** and **gravest objection** which can be **used against my theory**”.

Charles Darwin
Origin of Species

Fallacies of Evolution

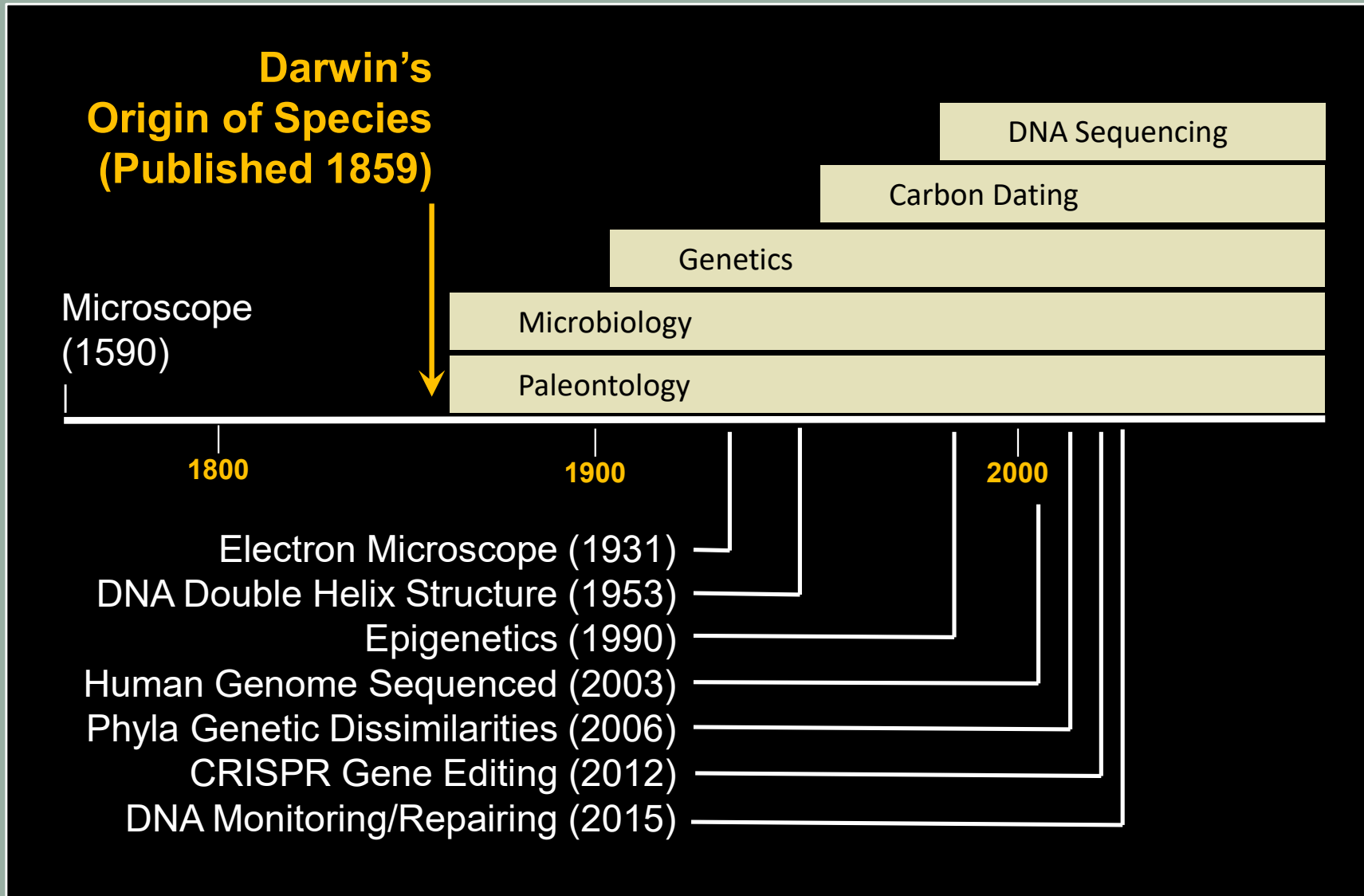
(Darwin's Doubt)

"If it could be demonstrated that any complex organism existed, which could not possibly have been formed by numerous, successive, slight modification, my theory would absolutely break down."

Charles Darwin
Origin of Species

Fallacies of Evolution

(Darwin's Place in History)



Fallacies of Evolution

(Fallacy #1)

The fossil record will
eventually reveal intermediates
to prove Darwin's theory of
stepwise refinement correct
for the origin of species.

Fallacies of Evolution

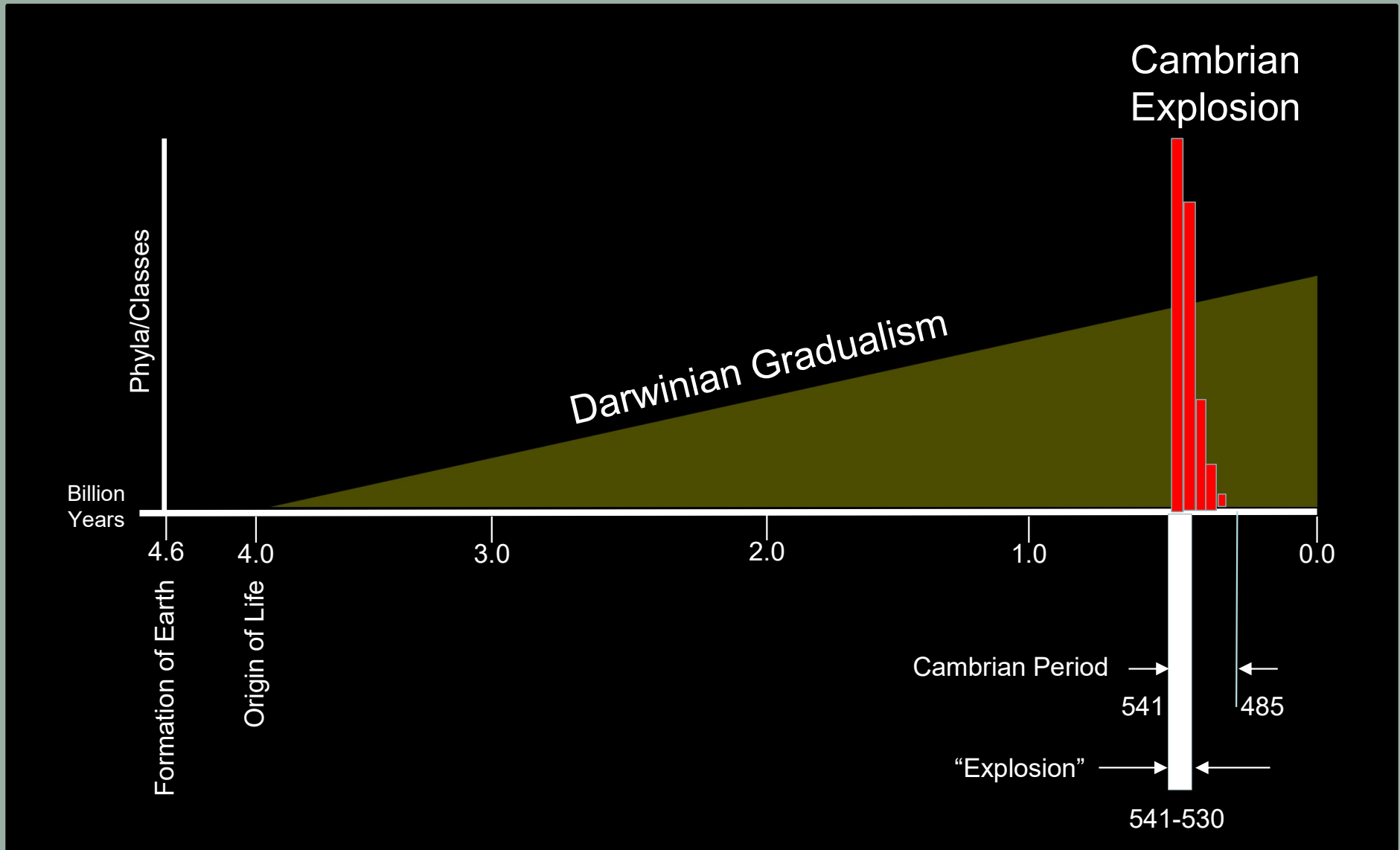
(Fallacy #2)

Micro-Evolution Serves as a Plausible
Foundation for Macro-Evolution.

That Darwin's theory addresses both
the **survival** of the species and
the **arrival** of the species.

Fallacies of Evolution

(Cambrian Explosion)



Fallacies of Evolution

(Fossil Record)

Sudden appearance of phyla/species
over very short period ...

(5-10M years)

... followed by an **absence** of macro-change
over a very long period

(540M years)

Fallacies of Evolution

(Creation Account in Genesis 1)

- Day 5 { ²⁰ Then God said,
“Let the waters swarm with **fish** and other life.
Let the skies be filled with **birds** of every kind.”
- Day 6 { ²⁴ Then God said,
“Let the earth produce every sort of **animal**.
²⁶ Then God said,
“Let us make **human beings** in our image,
to be like us.

Fallacies of Evolution

(Population Genetics)

Viable Genetic Propagation Over Time

Population Size

Reproduction Rate

Environmental Conditions

Haldane's Dilemma: Not Enough Time!

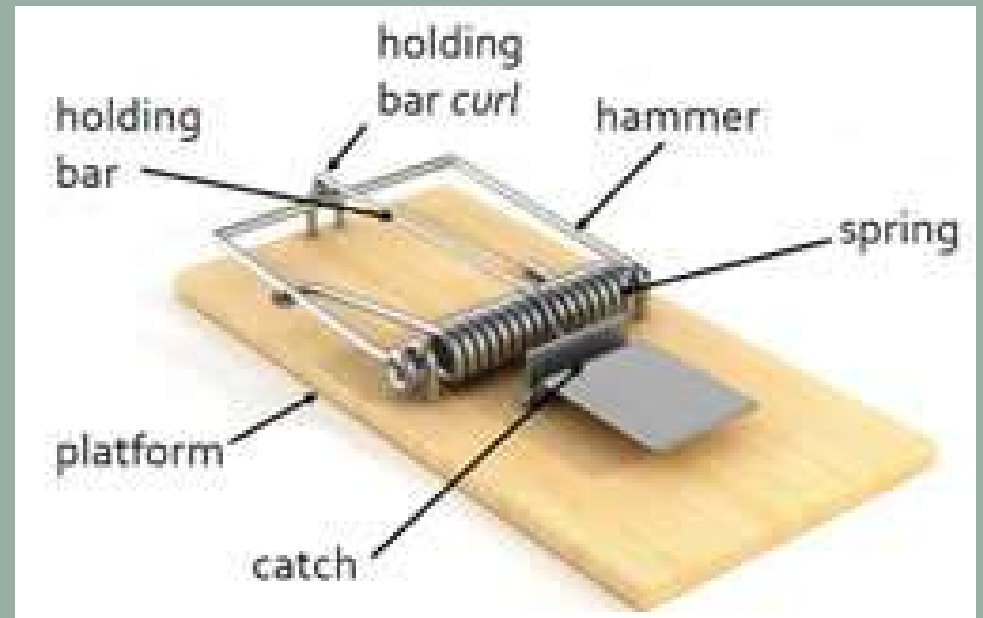
Fallacies of Evolution

(Irreversible Complexity)

All the parts of the mouse trap are **essential** and **mutually interdependent**.

Remove any part and the **entire system fails**.

Therefore, it could not have evolved piece-by-piece.



Evidence for Intelligent Design

(Aquinas' Argument)

Major Premise

Wherever **complex design** exists,
there must have been a **designer**.

Minor Premise

The universe and life
are marked by **complex design**.

Conclusion

The universe and life
are the work of an **intelligent designer**.

Thomas Aquinas, 1200's

Evidence for Intelligent Design

(Foreknowledge & Design)



Mount Rushmore
By Chance or
Intentional Design?

Evidence for Intelligent Design

(God's Design Intent)

“The Lord made the earth by his power,
and he preserves it by his **wisdom**.
With his own **understanding** he stretched
out the heavens.”

Jeremiah 10:12 (NLT)

Evidence for Intelligent Design (Exponential Complexity)

PERIODIC TABLE OF ELEMENTS

PubChem

1 H Hydrogen
Atomic Number
Symbol
Name
Chemical Group Block

2 He Helium

3 Li Lithium
4 Be Beryllium

11 Na Sodium
12 Mg Magnesium

19 K Potassium
20 Ca Calcium
21 Sc Scandium
22 Ti Titanium
23 V Vanadium
24 Cr Chromium
25 Mn Manganese
26 Fe Iron
27 Co Cobalt
28 Ni Nickel
29 Cu Copper
30 Zn Zinc
31 Ga Gallium
32 Ge Germanium
33 As Arsenic
34 Se Selenium
35 Br Bromine
36 Kr Krypton

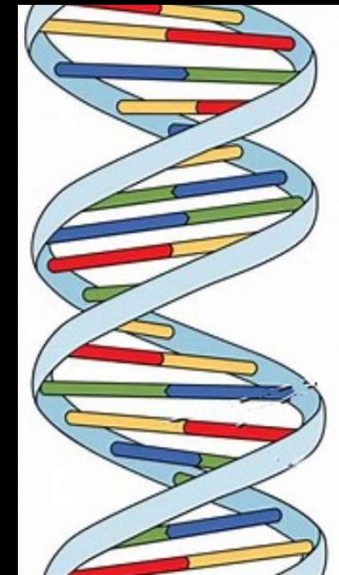
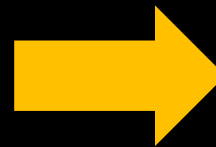
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41 Nb Niobium
42 Mo Molybdenum
43 Tc Technetium
44 Ru Ruthenium
45 Rh Rhodium
46 Pd Palladium
47 Ag Silver
48 Cd Cadmium
49 In Indium
50 Sn Tin
51 Sb Antimony
52 Te Tellurium
53 I Iodine
54 Xe Xenon

55 Cs Cesium
56 Ba Barium
57 La Lanthanum
58 Ce Cerium
59 Pr Praseodymium
60 Nd Neodymium
61 Pm Promethium
62 Sm Samarium
63 Eu Europium
64 Gd Gadolinium
65 Tb Terbium
66 Dy Dysprosium
67 Ho Holmium
68 Er Erbium
69 Tm Thulium
70 Yb Ytterbium
71 Lu Lutetium

87 Fr Francium
88 Ra Radium
89 Ac Actinium
90 Th Thorium
91 Pa Protactinium
92 U Uranium
93 Np Neptunium
94 Pu Plutonium
95 Am Americium
96 Cm Curium
97 Bk Berkelium
98 Cf Californium
99 Es Einsteinium
100 Fm Fermium
101 Md Mendelevium
102 No Nobelium
103 Lr Lawrencium

72 Hf Hafnium
73 Ta Tantalum
74 W Tungsten
75 Re Rhenium
76 Os Osmium
77 Ir Iridium
78 Pt Platinum
79 Au Gold
80 Hg Mercury
81 Tl Thallium
82 Pb Lead
83 Bi Bismuth
84 Po Polonium
85 At Astatine
86 Rn Radon

104 Rf Rutherfordium
105 Db Dubnium
106 Sg Seaborgium
107 Bh Bohrium
108 Hs Hassium
109 Mt Meitnerium
110 Ds Darmstadtium
111 Rg Roentgenium
112 Cn Copernicium
113 Nh Nihonium
114 Fl Flerovium
115 Mc Moscovium
116 Lv Livermorium
117 Ts Tennessine
118 Og Oganesson



**Fundamental
Building Blocks of Life**
118 Atomic Elements

**DNA
Blueprints for Life**
3.2B Nucleotide Pairs

Evidence for Intelligent Design

(Exponential Complexity)



Human Genome
by chance or
by design?

Evidence for Intelligent Design

(Probability of Random Chance)

“The chance that higher life forms might have emerged in this way [Darwinism] is comparable with the chance that a **tornado sweeping through a junk-yard** might assemble a **Boeing 747** from the materials therein.

... I am at a loss to understand biologists' widespread **compulsion to deny what seems to me to be obvious.**”



Random chance is **1 in $10^{40,000}$**

Sir Fred Hoyle, Oxford Astronomer 1981

Evidence for Intelligent Design

(Secular Alternatives)

Chemical Evolution
Spontaneous Generation
Panspermia

Evidence for Intelligent Design

(God's Word)

For you created my **inmost being**;
you **knit me together** in my mother's womb.

I praise you because
I am fearfully and **wonderfully** made;
your works are **wonderful**;
I know that full well.

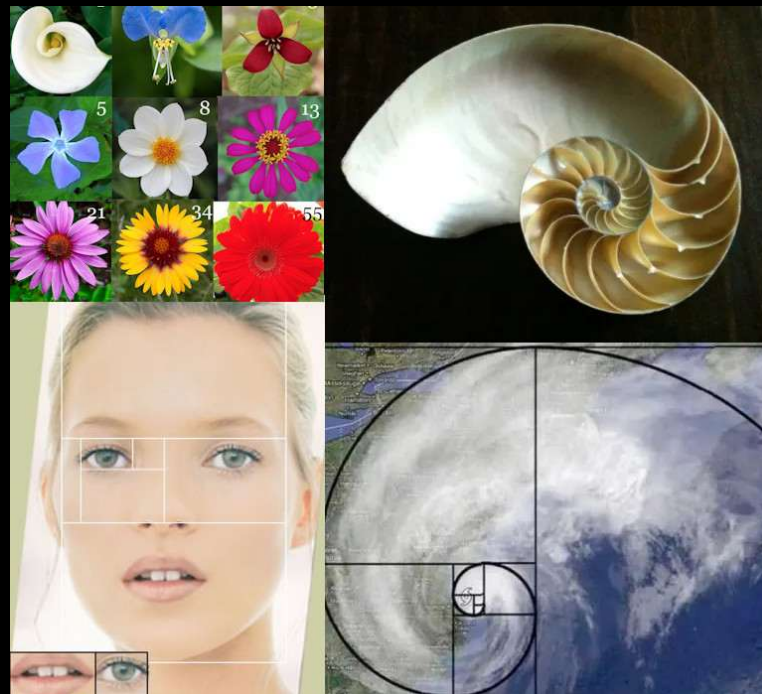
Psalm 139:13-14 (NLT)

Universal Design Patterns

(Fibonacci & The Golden Rule)

Fibonacci Sequence

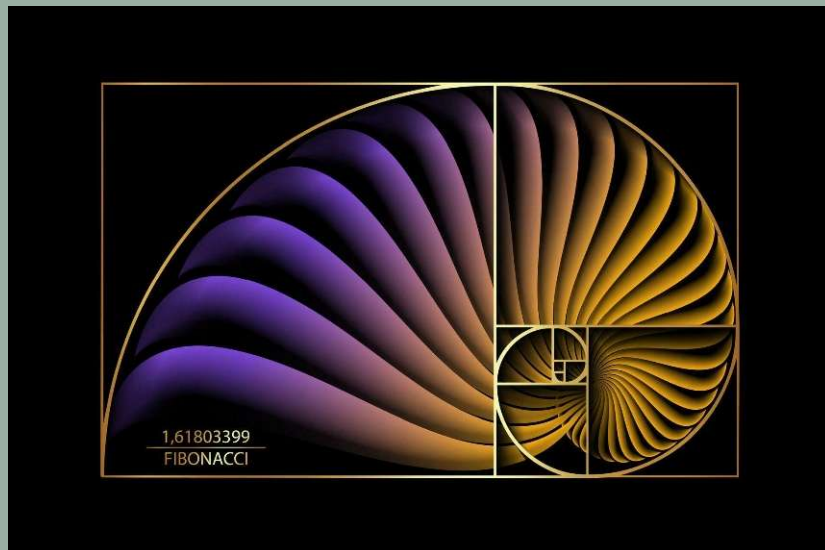
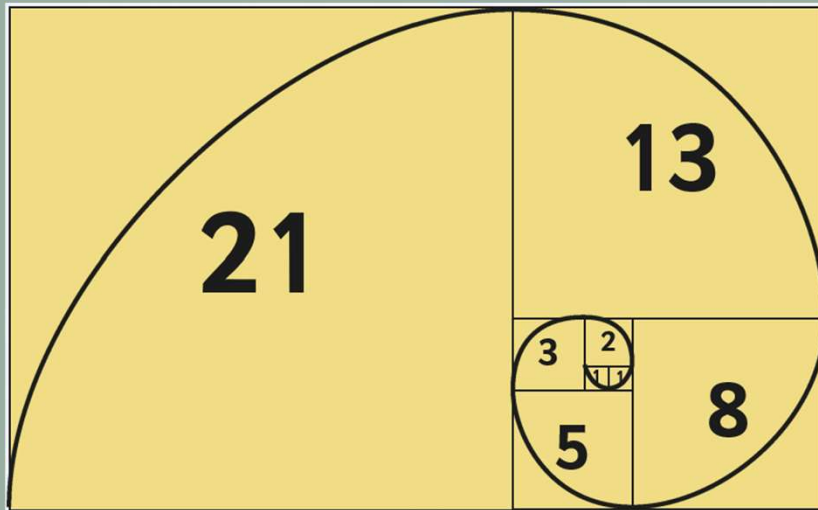
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Fibonacci
Ratio of
Proportions
1.618
(Golden Rule)

Universal Design Patterns

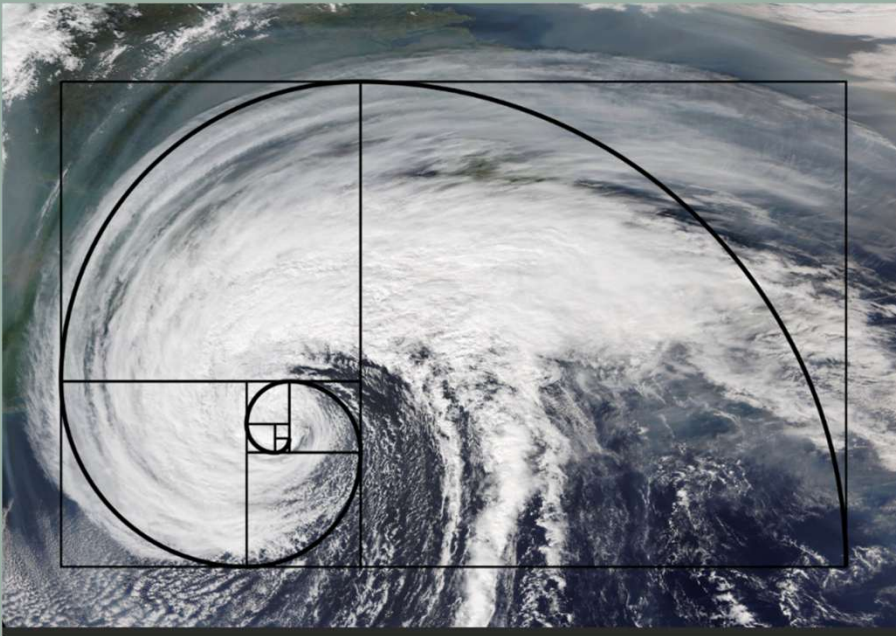
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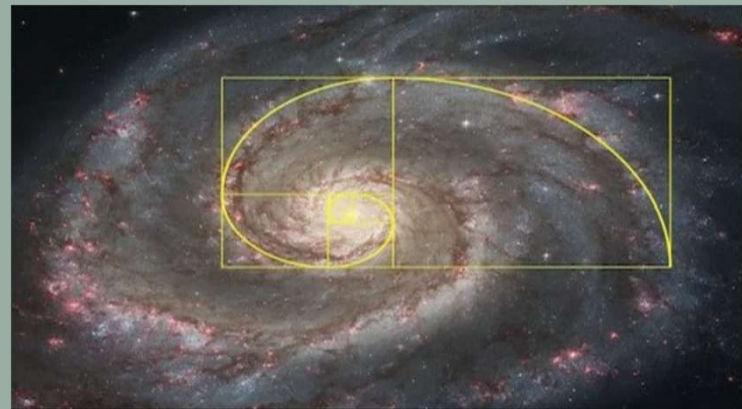
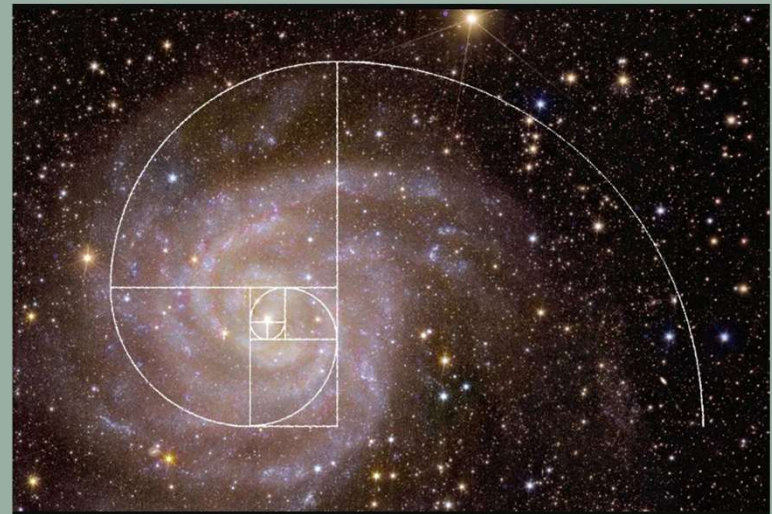
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Hurricanes



Solar Systems



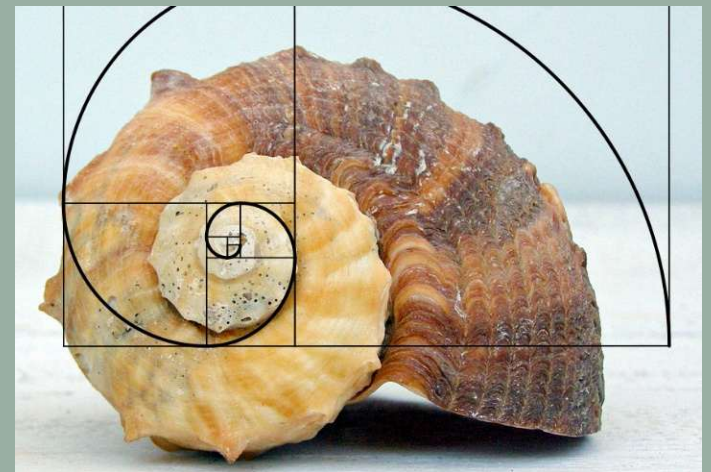
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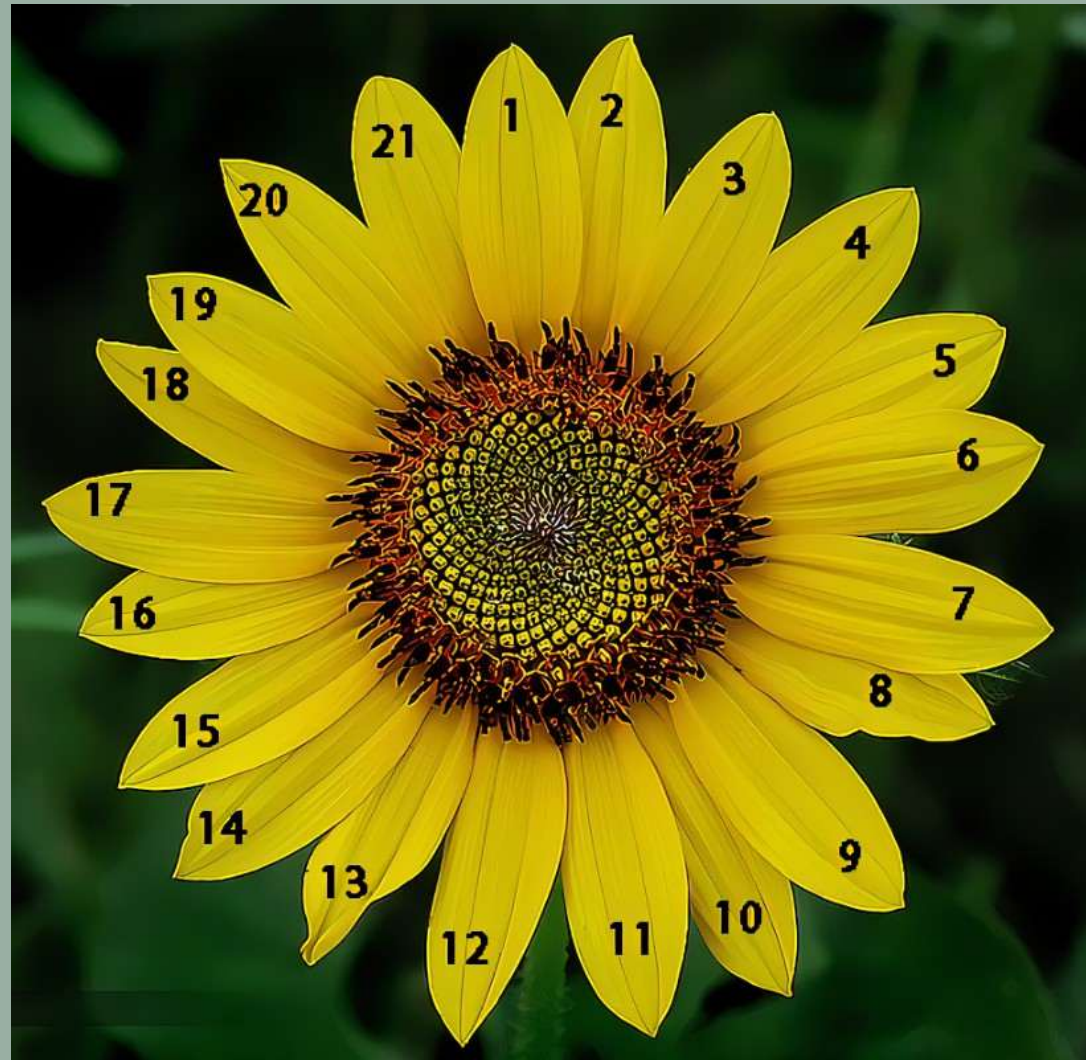


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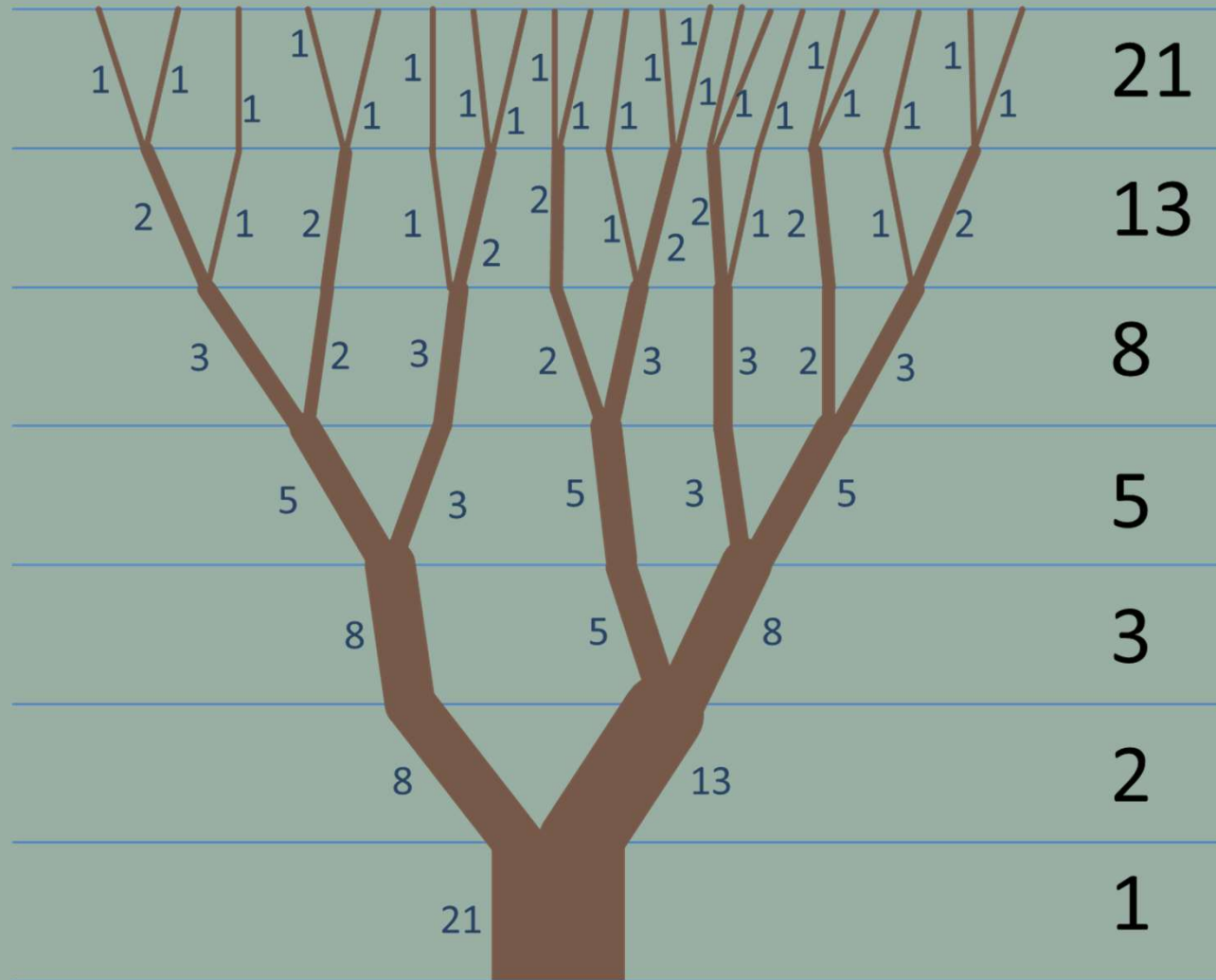
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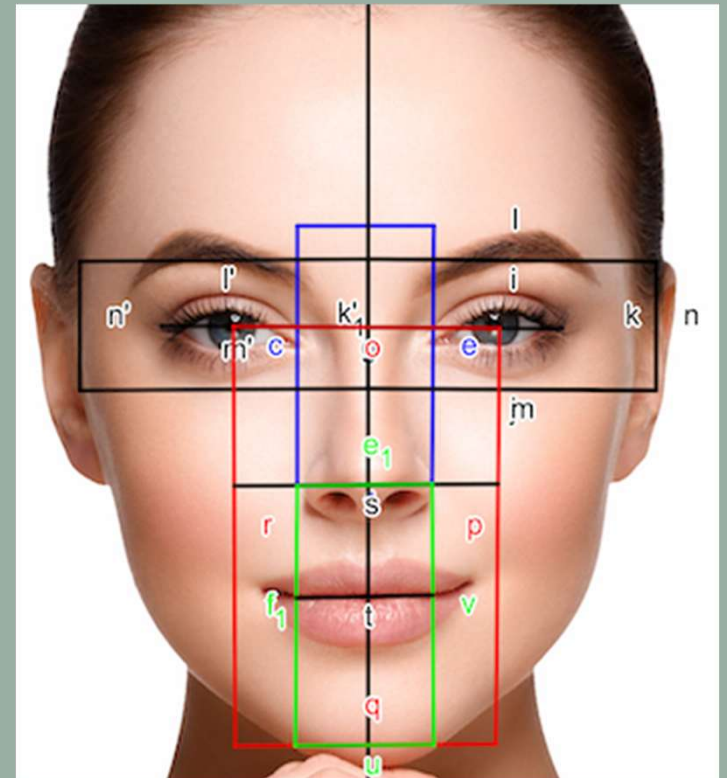
(Fibonacci & The Golden Rule)



Universal Design Patterns

(Fibonacci & The Golden Rule)

Proportions of
facial features,
body parts,
and even teeth
honor the
Fibonacci Golden Rule
of 1.618.



Universal Design Patterns

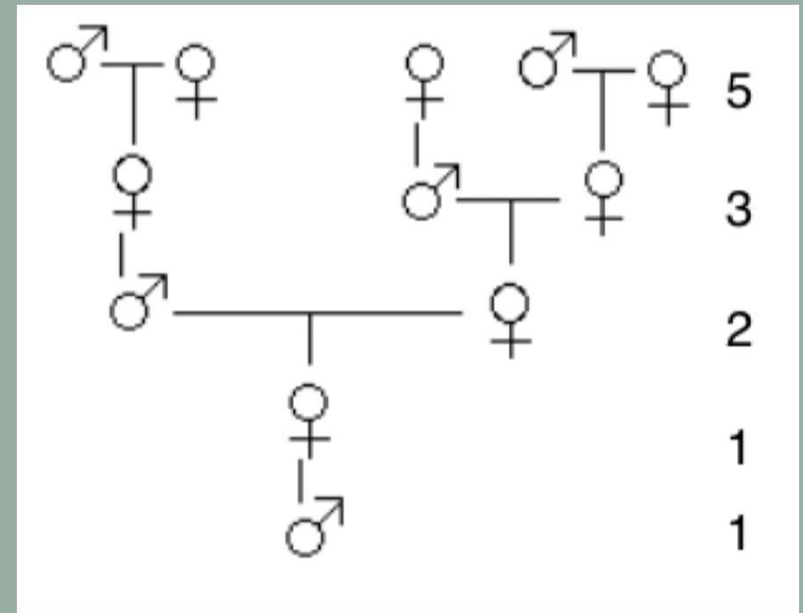
(Fibonacci & The Golden Rule)

Fertilized eggs produce female.
Unfertilized eggs produce males.

Ratio of female-to-male bees
in a hive is 1.618.

Population count is a
Fibonacci number.

Bee Family Tree



Universal Design Patterns

(God's Intelligent Design)

Because the Fibonacci design pattern
broadly span all systems of creation
that have nothing in common,
this design pattern could not have evolved
through a process of replication from a
single natural source.

The only reasonable conclusion is that
this design pattern was established by God.

God's Purpose in Creation

(Vexing Question)

Product of a **Purposive Act**
of Divine Intelligence?

OR

Product of a **Cosmic Accident**?

R. C. Sproul
Now That's a Good Question

God's Purpose in Creation

(Nothingness Without God)

“If we came from **nothing**
and go to **nothing**,
then between these two poles of **nothingness**,
WE ARE NOTHING.”

R. C. Sproul
Now That's a Good Question

God's Purpose in Creation

(God's Glory)

“Let us make human beings
in **our image**,
to be **like us**.”

Genesis 1:26 (NLT)

God's Purpose in Creation

(God's Glory)

For everything comes from him and exists by his power and is intended **for his glory**.

Romans 11:36

The heavens proclaim the **glory of God**.

Psalms 19:1

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do it all for the **glory of God**.

1 Corinthians 10:31

Everything was created through him and **for him**.

Colossians 1:16

Also see: Exodus 9:16, Romans 11:36, Psalm 73:24-26, John 17:22, 24, Colossians 1:16

God's Purpose in Creation

(Our Enjoyment)

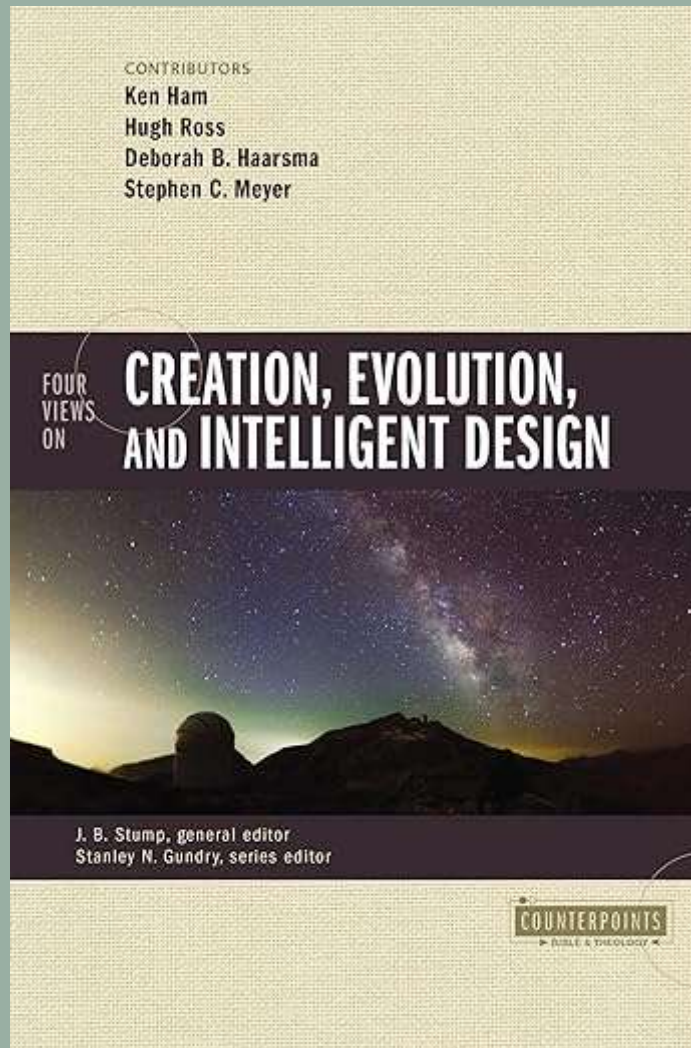
“God is **most glorified** in us
when we are **most satisfied in him.**”

John Piper

“Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to
enjoy him forever.”

Westminster Shorter Catechism

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The Case for an Old Earth

(#1 - Use of the Word DAY)

Most scholars view Genesis 1-2:4 as **metaphorical** (figurative language) and **anthropomorphically** where the author uses **Man-language** to describe the **indescribable thing of God**.

The Hebrew Word **yō·wm** is used in Genesis 1-2:4 **anthropomorphically** so that the readers would understand **God-Days** (epochs) in terms of **Man-Days** (24-Hour Days).

The use of the word day (**yō·wm**) in Genesis 1-2:4 refers to **indeterminate periods** (epochs) of times that mark a **definite series** of **creative acts**.

The Case for an Old Earth

(Argument 1 - Use of Metaphor for Word DAY)

Moses' use of a metaphor for DAY

Psalm 90:4 (NIV) - A Prayer of **Moses**

A **thousand years** in your sight (God's sight)
are **like a day** (kə·yō·wm) that has just gone by,
or like a watch in the night (Man's sight).

Peter's reference to the same metaphor for DAY

2 Peter 3:8 (NIV)

But do not forget this one thing, dear friends:
With the Lord a day is **like a thousand year** (God's sight),
and a thousand years are **like a day** (Man's sight).

The Case for an Old Earth

(Argument 2 - Creation of Day/Night in Genesis 1:14-19)

On Day 4, God created the **sun** and **moon** as a way to **mark the days** and the seasons.

Genesis 1:14-19

¹⁴ Then God said, “Let lights appear in the sky to separate the **day from the night**. Let them be signs to mark the seasons, days, and years. ...

¹⁹ And evening passed and morning came, **marking the fourth day** (**yō·wm**).

If the divinely appointed time markers either did not yet exist or were not yet visible from Earth, then how was the **time of day** being marked on Earth the **first three days of creation** (expressed in Man-Days)?