

# The Scientifically-“Proved”<sup>1</sup> and Biblically-Approved... ...Creation of the Universe From Nothing

## **Biblically-Dismantling Young-Earth-Creationists’ 24-Hour-Day-Tenet etc.<sup>2</sup>**

Regarding my line, “*biblically-approved*” (above), I judge the stance of *Young-Earth-Creationism* (YEC) that the *Days* of Genesis 1 (G1) are **24-hours each**, bears **false-witness** (Ex. 20:16). It is not malice that drives my paper but rather the urgent need to cancel its pseudo-claims that “*poison the well*” by thwarting *scientific* testimony which is *biblically-championed* (Rom. 1:18f.). YEC’s depiction of G1’s days is **demonstrably false**. Consider the facts: While Leviticus 23:32 delineates calendar days as: “*from evening to evening*,” G1 closes its every creation “*day*” with the **non-durational** refrain, “*There was evening and there was morning*.” **Indeed NO 24-hour-day-metric appears in Genesis 1**, and for that reason, YEC’s seizing of a claim to a more-godly view **fails to overthrow my thesis**. At the very least, the **fact** of the **lack** (above) is sufficient to **annul** YECs’ 24-hour-creation-days **mandate** since **G1 is void of incontestable indicators that could enforce their imperative**.

In addition, **YEC’s aversion to science<sup>3</sup> defies the Bible’s view of the same.<sup>4</sup>** They insist the world is less than 10,000 years old “*just because the Bible says so*,” **despite Holy Scripture** to the contrary pointing to the **cosmos<sup>5</sup> as revelation** of God’s reality (Rom 1:18f). Indeed, despite YEC’s protest, Gen, 1:1-2 **fully reconciles with BB cosmology.<sup>6</sup>** **The Bible assumes the validity of classical logic** and obeys it while, regarding history, it highlights **even hostile crowds becoming convinced of Jesus’ resurrection** by having **witnessed undeniable signs** (Acts 2:22,32,41). Jesus urged seekers to **follow evidence where it leads** (John 10:37, 14:11) and **rebuked his disciples when they failed to** (Mark 4:40).

## **The Scientific Case for the Universe Beginning From Out of Nothing**

The growing body of *scientific* data today “**proves beyond a reasonable doubt**” that the universe came into existence out of nothing in a manner consistent with Genesis 1:1 which states, “*In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth*.” The technical synonym of the term, “*proves*,” defines “*knowledge*” as “**justified belief**”<sup>7</sup> because **no** claim about *physical* circumstances can be *fully* proved. Neither the sciences nor biblical claims can be proved in the analytical sense. Yet because Courts of Law deal with consequential events as opposed to abstractions; *criminal* verdicts demand reaching full-resolution by a body of evidence validated as true “**beyond a reasonable doubt**.”<sup>8</sup> Revisiting then my opening statement; does the claim of my paper’s title rest on *adequate* grounds deserving our trust as a foundation that is sufficiently solid to stand on?

<sup>1</sup> Courts of Law seek to reach *criminal* verdicts by means of the *probability*-concept of “*proof beyond a rational doubt*.”

<sup>2</sup> The LCMS for example naively said, “*Science is not authorized to [arbitrate] over [God’s Word]*.” In *Christ All Things hold Together*. (2019, p.19). This very paper clarifies that unassailable scientific facts render the YEC 24-hour-day interpretation completely untenable.

<sup>3</sup> For the reason that science gains knowledge of nature by studying it directly, YECs instead interpret matter through the lens of the Bible.

<sup>4</sup> The term “*scientist*” was not known in Bible times since it was not coined until 1833.

<sup>5</sup> The Greek expression for the “*world*” and everything in it is *kosmos*. Today it applies to the entire universe.

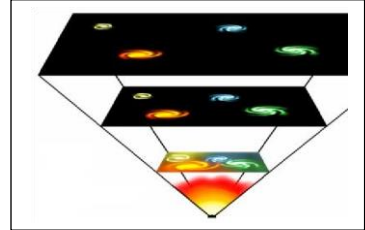
<sup>6</sup> See my article, “*Genesis 1:1 Easily Harmonizes with Big Bang Cosmology*” at my website: [www.christianityontheoffense.com/articles](http://www.christianityontheoffense.com/articles)

<sup>7</sup> “*Justified*” knowledge means that our *limited* evidence *nevertheless* warrants our confidence that the claim under consideration is true.

<sup>8</sup> “*The advantage of a jurisprudential approach lies in the difficulty of jettisoning it. [It is most effective] in resolving the most intractable of disputes.*” John Warwick Montgomery. *History, Law, and Christianity*. (Canadian Inst. for Law, Theology, and Public Policy, 2002), p. 69. Eyewitness disputes. \*\* See also attorney, Pamela Binnings Ewen. *Faith on Trial*. (Broadman and Holman, 1999), pp. 15f.

## My roster of “justified” reasons for a *Big Bang* creation of the universe

- 1) The laws of rationality state that everything that had a beginning must have been caused by a source outside of the entire universe (itself).<sup>9</sup>
- 2) Our universe is currently expanding just as it has been ever since its beginning.
- 3) From out of its **zero-volume-beginning**, the entire **contents** of the **expanding cosmos** has its source.
- 4) Because “**zero-volume**” indicates an utter absence of matter, energy, space, and time, before the beginning point there was **no** possible way “*scientific*” means could conceivably have caused it.<sup>10</sup>
- 5) From its start, its expansion slowed down until near the mid-point of our cosmic history when it *mysteriously* began accelerating.<sup>11</sup>
- 6) Ever since its initial hot blast, the cosmos has been cooling off.
- 7) Likewise the galaxies are continually spreading farther apart from each other.
- 8) The **afterglow** of the BB has now been discovered. Prior to 1972 scientists reasoned that if the BB was true, there would be a detectable “*black-body*” hum. That discovery cancelled the “*oscillating-universe*” and “*steady-state*” theories as competitors since they failed to reconcile with scientific facts. The BB therefor **stands alone** as the only known viable explanation of our cosmic history.



The standard method for *scientifically* accounting for physical events is called “*inference to the best explanation between competing hypotheses.*” In **summary**, the **winning** proposal is determined by that single hypothesis which is judged to *most* successfully account for the validated phenomena under consideration. In regard to the premise of this paper, the proposition must account for all eight of the aspects listed above pertaining to the Big Bang hypothesis. I wish readers to notice that the nature of the above **non**-philosophical categories easily qualify as empirical data because the claims are all publicly-knowable and accessible, visible in principle, and measurable. In order for detractors of the Big Bang hypothesis to prevail, they must offer naturalistic alternatives that are demonstrated to **even more successfully** account for the evidence identified than does the Big Bang hypothesis. Furthermore that alternative proposal must be grounded on evidence that can be scrutinized with scientific rigor in the full sense of the term. Notice then that the notion of the beginning of the universe out of nothing physical, fully harmonizes with both with the very beginning verse of the Bible,<sup>12</sup> even as it reconciles with the entire array of scientific data while conflicting with none of it.

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<sup>9</sup> See presentation on Leibniz regarding contingency. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FPCzEP0oD7I> \*\* Also <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rCL2aM2Wh6Y> \*\* Hugh Ross. *The Creator and the Cosmos*. (RTB, 2018), and Steven Meyer. *Return of the God Hypothesis*. (Harper One, 2021).

<sup>10</sup> See my paper, “The Scientific Impossibility of Our Universe Creating Itself,” from my website, Op.cit. (6).

<sup>11</sup> <https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/james-webb-telescope-confirms-the-universe-is-expanding-faster-than-we-thought-and-scientists-still-dont-know-why-180985622/>

<sup>12</sup> Op.cit. (6).