

Views on the Origin of the Universe & Life

	Young Earth Creation "Creationist" Position Creation Science	Progressive Creation Old Earth Creation Day-Age Theory	Evolutionary Creation Theistic Evolution	Deistic Evolution God-of-the-Philosophers "Theistic" Evolution	Dysteleological Evolution "Evolutionist" Position Atheistic Evolution
Teleology	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No Plan & purpose a delusion
Intelligent Design	Yes Points to a Designer	Yes Points to a Designer	Yes Points to a Designer	Yes Points to a Designer	No Design a delusion
Age of the Universe	Young 6000 yrs	Old 10-15 billion yrs	Old 10-15 billion yrs	Old 10-15 billion yrs	Old 10-15 billion yrs
Evolution of Life	Rejects macro-evolution Accepts micro-evolution	Rejects macro-evolution Accepts micro-evolution	Accepts macro-evolution Accepts micro-evolution	Accepts macro-evolution Accepts micro-evolution	Accepts macro-evolution Accepts micro-evolution
God's Activity in the Origin of the Universe & Life	Yes Direct Interventions over 6 days	Yes 1. Direct for basic "kinds" of life Interventions over billions of yrs 2. Indirect for inanimate universe <i>Ordained & sustained natural processes</i>	Yes Indirect <i>Ordained & sustained natural processes</i>	Yes Indirect ordained natural processes God never enters the world	No Blind chance natural processes God a delusion
God's Activity in the Lives of Men & Women	Yes Personal God Dramatic & subtle	Yes Personal God Dramatic & subtle	Yes Personal God Dramatic & subtle	No Impersonal God God never enters the world	No No God God a delusion
Nature of the Bible	Word of God Inspired by Holy Spirit	Word of God Inspired by Holy Spirit	Word of God Inspired by Holy Spirit	Human beliefs about God Rejects Divine revelation God never enters the world	Human superstitions Rejects Divine revelation God a delusion
Interpretation of Genesis 1-11	Strict literalism Creation days = 24 hrs Global flood	General literalism Creation days = Geologic ages Local flood	1. Divine theology 2. Ancient science 3. Ancient poetry	Irrelevant origins myth	Irrelevant origins myth
Origin of Humanity	Adam & Eve Accepts Im age of God Accepts sin	Adam & Eve Accepts Im age of God Accepts sin	Humanity evolved Accepts Im age of God Accepts sin	Humanity evolved Rejects Image of God Rejects sin	Humanity evolved Rejects Im age of God Rejects sin
Theology/Philosophy	Conservative Christianity Accepts Trinity	Conservative Christianity Accepts Trinity	Conservative Christianity Accepts Trinity	Deism & Liberal Christianity Rejects Trinity	Atheism Rejects Trinity
Ethics	Biblical	Biblical	Biblical	Humanism	Humanism
Examples	<i>Institute for Creation Research:</i> Henry Morris & Duane Gish <i>Answers in Genesis:</i> Ken Ham	<i>Reasons to Believe:</i> Hugh Ross [<i>Intelligent Design Theory:</i> Phil Johnson, Mike Behe, <i>et al</i>]	Roman Catholicism Some Evangelical Protestants Francis Collins	Charles Darwin Michael Denton Anthony Flew	Richard Dawkins Daniel Dennett Christopher Hitchens Sam Harris

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