

What Do You Think Existed “In the Beginning”?

Was it a dense piece of **matter** which organized itself into the cosmos we now observe?

Or was it a **living intelligence** which “imagined” the elements and laws of the universe?

Whichever one you choose, you are faced with something that is “**Eternal**”.

Whichever one you choose, you must believe it by **faith** (II Corinthians 5:7).

SCIENCE: In every living cell is a **code** which contains a blueprint for the life it represents. This code defines every single detail for the design of the plant or animal. It produces specialized cells for specialized organs & specialized systems (skeletal, circulatory, respiratory, digestive, nervous, hormonal, reproductive) How do you think the DNA encryption originated? “Life” depends upon a synchronized harmony of factors in the cycle of nature. (Plants burn CO², expend oxygen; animals burn oxygen, expend CO².) Life could not exist if every physical law of nature did not work in harmony. What intelligence designed the elements and laws of the cosmos?

BIBLE: From beginning to end, the Bible maintains that an Eternal Life Force was the designer of all things as we know them (Genesis 1:1; I John 1:1-2) The Bible declares that the cosmos was imagined by God & is held together by His conscious will. (Hebrews 11:3; Colossians 1:16-17; II Peter 3:8-13) The Biblical description of the ancient world is actually rather consistent with modern scientific models:

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| 1) Genesis 1:6-10 | (1) water canopy |
| | (1) single land mass |
| | (1) shallow oceans |
| 2) Genesis 5:5ff | (1) uniform horizons |
| | (1) vertical axis |
| | (1) tropical climate |
| 3) Genesis 7:11-12 | (1) lush foliage |
| | (1) UV screening |
| | (1) pure gene pool |
| 4) II Peter 3:1-7 | (2) longevity of life |
| | (3) collapse of canopy |
| | (3) upheaval of strata |
| 5) Romans 1:18-32 | (3) continental drift |
| | (3) shifting of axis |

Heb 11:6 “And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.” NAS