

# RECOMMENDED RESOURCES



## By Topic

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#### Want to learn more about a biblical/Christian worldview?

- Pandit, Subodh K. ***Cross Examination, the Evidence for Belief***. Campus Press 2011. This Adventist author shares his journey (which compared multiple religions/worldviews) in search of solid evidence for belief. This book has been revised and expanded to two volumes (2015): Book 1—Does God Really Exist and Book 2—The Weight of Evidence
- Pearcey, Nancy. ***Total Truth, Liberating Christianity from Its Cultural Captivity***. Crossway. 2004. This book explains why Christianity is the only worldview that effectively explains reality. Learn how to recognize and evaluate worldviews and to develop a biblical worldview.
- ***Dry bones and Fossil Trackways: Geology Research from a Biblical Perspective***. This 22-minute video describes how a biblical worldview has influenced research done by Leonard Brand and Arthur Chadwick, and includes a segment about the “Dino Dig.” Available online at [adventistlearningcommunity.com/media\\_resources/12302](http://adventistlearningcommunity.com/media_resources/12302).

#### Want a good introduction to origins issues?

- Brand, Leonard. ***Beginnings***. Pacific Press 2006. Includes: The power and limitations of science; the theory of evolution in its historical context; beginning of life; microevolution, biology’s modern challenge to Darwinism; short-age geology; why it matters.
- Brand, Leonard and Davidson, Richard M. ***Choose You This Day, Why It Matters What You Believe About Creation***. Pacific Press 2013. This pocket-sized book tackles issues relating to science and scripture; the rise of theistic evolution; science and naturalism; Bible-based scientific predictions; creation and the final conflict; evolution; and geological history. Available at the ABC for under \$3.
- Brand, Leonard. ***Faith, Reason, and Earth History, a Paradigm of Earth and Biological Origins by Intelligent Design***. 2nd edition. Andrews University Press 2009. This is a textbook for a college-level origins course but easy-to-understand for the lay reader as well. Includes chapters about understanding science, the relationship of faith and science, microevolution, megaevolution, informed intervention, geologic time, and more. (3rd edition coming soon)
- Gibson, James and Rasi, Humberto (editors). ***Understanding Creation, Answers to Questions on Faith and Science***. Pacific Press 2011. Includes: Evidence for a Creator; How to interpret the first chapters of Genesis; the Big Bang; When did creation occur; Where did life come from; radiometric dating, the fossil record, plate tectonics, dinosaurs, and the moral implications of Darwinism.

- Gibson, L. James. **Origins**. Pacific Press 2012. This book focuses on the first three chapters of Genesis and how they provide meaning and context for the rest of the Bible.
- **Origins 101**. A series of 14 short video presentations that introduce issues and vocabulary in the creation evolution debate. Created at Southern Adventist University as part of the Origins Curriculum Resources Project. Available online at [southern.edu/originsresources](http://southern.edu/originsresources) AND [adventistlearningcommunity.com/ocr](http://adventistlearningcommunity.com/ocr).
- **Thinking Creation**. Six 30-minute DVDs from Geoscience Research Insititue including:
  - The Great Debate* ([vimeo.com/101654539](https://vimeo.com/101654539))
  - The Christian Roots of Science* ([vimeo.com/101658467](https://vimeo.com/101658467))
  - The Design in Life* ([vimeo.com/101661347](https://vimeo.com/101661347))
  - The Richly Diverse Creation* ([vimeo.com/102788702](https://vimeo.com/102788702))
  - God and Nature* ([vimeo.com/103305520](https://vimeo.com/103305520))
  - God and the Big Bang* ([vimeo.com/103337085](https://vimeo.com/103337085))

**For an overall introduction to the creation account** in Genesis, read Davidson, Richard M., “The Biblical Account of Origins,” *Journal of the Adventist Theological Society* 14/1 (2003) 4-43. Read online at [atsjats.org/publication/view/36](http://atsjats.org/publication/view/36). Or watch a **video summary**; short and longer versions are available at [adventistlearningcommunity.com/media\\_resources/7418](http://adventistlearningcommunity.com/media_resources/7418) (11:27) and [adventistlearningcommunity.com/media\\_resources/7419](http://adventistlearningcommunity.com/media_resources/7419) (22:45).

**Ever heard that the creation account in Genesis was just borrowed from ancient near eastern creation myths?** Gerhard and Michael Hasel deal with this question in “The Unique Cosmology of Genesis 1 Against Ancient Near Eastern and Egyptian Parallels” in *The Genesis Creation Account and Its Reverberations in the Old Testament*. (2015) Andrews University Press.

**Ever heard that the days of creation are really long periods of time instead of 24-hour literal days?** Read Hasel, Gerhard F., “The ‘Days’ of Creation in Genesis 1: Literal ‘Days’ or Figurative ‘Periods/Epochs of Time’?” *Origins* 21/1 (1994) 5-38. Or watch a **video summary** (17:52) online at [adventistlearningcommunity.com/media\\_resources/7417](http://adventistlearningcommunity.com/media_resources/7417).

**Why do we think the earth is thousands (not millions) of years old?** Read these articles or watch the articles summaries:

- Hasel, Gerhard F., “Gen 5 and 11: Chronogenealogies in the Biblical History of Beginnings,” *Origins* 7/1 (1980) 23-37. Available to read online at [grisda.org/origins/07023.htm](http://grisda.org/origins/07023.htm), or you can watch at [adventistlearningcommunity.com/media\\_resources/7416](http://adventistlearningcommunity.com/media_resources/7416).
- Hasel, Gerhard F., “The Meaning of the Chronogenealogies of Genesis 5 and 11,” *Origins* 7/2 (1980) 53-70. Available to read online at [grisda.org/origins/07053.htm](http://grisda.org/origins/07053.htm) or watch at [adventistlearningcommunity.com/media\\_resources/7424](http://adventistlearningcommunity.com/media_resources/7424).

**What does Ellen White say about creation?** Frank Hasel shares perspectives in “Ellen G. White and Creationism: How to Deal with Her Statements on Creation and Evolution, Implications and Prospects,” *Journal of the Adventist Theological Society* 17/1 (2006) 229-244. Available to read online at [atsjats.org/publication\\_file.php?pub\\_id=245](http://atsjats.org/publication_file.php?pub_id=245), or you can watch a **video summary** at [adventistlearningcommunity.com/media\\_resources/7426](http://adventistlearningcommunity.com/media_resources/7426).

## Interested in the flood?

Read:

- Baldwin, John Templeton. ***Creation, Catastrophe, and Calvary: Why a Global Flood is Vital to the Doctrine of Atonement.*** Hagerstown, MD: Review and Herald, 2000. BS625.B24
- Davidson, Richard M., "The Biblical Evidence for the Universality of the Genesis Flood," *Origins* 22/2: 58-73 (1995).
- Davidson, Richard M. "The Genesis Flood Narrative: Crucial Issues in the Current Debate," *Andrews University Seminary Studies* 42/1 (2004) 49-77.
- Hasel, Gerhard F. "The Biblical View of the Extent of the Flood," *Origins* 2/2 (1975) 77-95
- Portions of the books by Brand, Roth, Coffin, Gibson (see list of resources by author)

Watch:

- ***The Tale of a Trilobite*** (DVD from Geoscience Research Institute)
- ***Evidences – The Record and the Flood*** (DVD from Geoscience Research Institute). Four video clips from this DVD are available at [southern.edu/originsresources](http://southern.edu/originsresources). Select "Geologic Column B" and then select "GC B11."
- ***Water Shapes the Land.*** Processes that form dramatic landscapes, and what this says about catastrophic geological history. (Leonard Brand and Arthur Chadwick). View online at [adventistlearningcommunity.com/media\\_resources/6878](http://adventistlearningcommunity.com/media_resources/6878) (7:00).
- ***Geology in Perspective: from a Biblical Worldview.*** A group visits Zion National Park and other areas. (Leonard Brand and others). View online at [adventistlearningcommunity.com/media\\_resources/11017](http://adventistlearningcommunity.com/media_resources/11017) (4:00).

## Are science and scripture incompatible? Can Christians be good scientists?

- Morris, Henry. ***Men of Science, Men of God, Great Scientists Who Believed the Bible.*** Master Books 1982. This book contains short descriptions of the lives and contributions of important scientists who believed in the Bible. This would be a great book for use with school children.
- Ashton, John F. ***In Six Days.*** Master Books 2001. This book was written in response to the statement by a research scientist that he did not believe any scientist with a Ph.D. could believe in a literal six-day creation. This book contains essays by 50 PhD scientists that do!
- Brand, Leonard and Davidson, Richard M. ***Choose You This Day, Why It Matters What You Believe About Creation.*** Pacific Press 2013. Included in this pocket-sized book is the idea that science can shed light on scripture and that belief in scripture can influence valuable scientific research.
- Brand, Leonard. ***Faith, Reason, and Earth History, a Paradigm of Earth and Biological Origins by Intelligent Design.*** 2nd edition. Andrews University Press 2009. This is a textbook for a college-level origins course but it is easy-to-understand for the lay reader as well. Addresses this and many other issues. (3rd edition on the way)
- ***Dry Bones and Fossil Trackways: Geology Research from a Biblical Perspective.*** (Leonard Brand and Arthur Chadwick geology research). Watch online at [adventistlearningcommunity.com/media\\_resources/12302](http://adventistlearningcommunity.com/media_resources/12302) (22:00)
- ***Geology – Peru Whales.*** Video of research on fossil whales and how they were preserved. (Research by Leonard Brand, Arthur Chadwick, and Raul Esperante). Watch online at [adventistlearningcommunity.com/media\\_resources/11016](http://adventistlearningcommunity.com/media_resources/11016) (7:00)

## Interested in Intelligent Design?

- Behe, Michael. ***Darwin's Black Box***. Free Press 2006. This book describes the biochemical challenge to evolution. Behe describes many irreducibly complex molecular machines in the human body. His descriptions are clear and easy to understand—even for the non-scientist. This book helped to start the Intelligent Design movement.
- Meyer, Stephen. ***Darwin's Doubt, the Explosive Origin of Animal Life and the Case for Intelligent Design***. Harper One 2013. This book addresses Darwin's most significant doubt—the Cambrian Explosion. What seemed to him like an isolated anomaly has grown to become illustrative of a fundamental problem for all of evolutionary biology.
- Meyer, Stephen. ***Signature in the Cell, DNA and the Evidence for Intelligent Design***. Harper One 2009. The digital code embedded in DNA points to a designing intelligence and helps unravel a mystery that Charles Darwin did not address: How did life begin?
- Strobel Lee. ***The Case for a Creator, a Journalist Investigates Scientific Evidence That Points Toward God***. Zondervan 2004. Former atheist Lee Strobel interviews scientists about evidence from cosmology, physics, astronomy, biochemistry. Includes the origin of biological information and consciousness. Also available on a DVD by the same name.
- Strobel, Lee. ***The Case for a Creator for Kids***. Zonderkidz 2006. Kids' version of the book just above.
- DVDs from Illustra Media (approximately 60 minutes each):
  - Unlocking the Mystery of Life*** (the scientific case for Intelligent Design)  
Trailer: [unlockingthemysteryoflife.com](http://unlockingthemysteryoflife.com)
  - The Privileged Planet*** (the search for purpose in the universe)  
Trailer: [theprivilegedplanet.com](http://theprivilegedplanet.com)
  - Darwin's Dilemma*** (the mystery of the Cambrian fossil record)  
Trailer: [darwinsdilemma.org](http://darwinsdilemma.org)
  - The Case for a Creator*** (a journalist investigates scientific evidence that points to God)  
Trailer: [youtube.com/watch?v=k8Tjh9A3IZU](http://youtube.com/watch?v=k8Tjh9A3IZU)
  - Metamorphosis*** (the beauty and design of butterflies)  
Trailer: [metamorphosisthefilm.com](http://metamorphosisthefilm.com)
  - Flight*** (evidence for design in birds' ability to fly)  
Trailer: [flightthegeniusofbirds.com](http://flightthegeniusofbirds.com)
  - Living Waters*** (Intelligent Design in the oceans of the Earth)  
Trailer: [illustramedia.com/origin-of-life/official-film-trailer-living-waters-2](http://illustramedia.com/origin-of-life/official-film-trailer-living-waters-2)

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