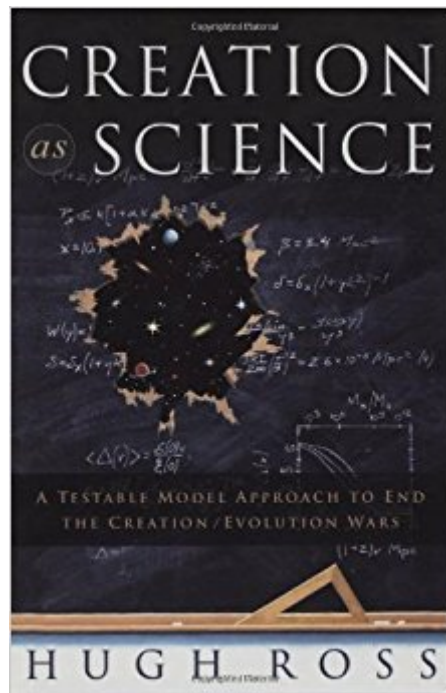


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Creation As Science: A Testable Model Approach To End The Creation/evolution Wars



Synopsis

In this third component to the Reasons To Believe foundational series, Hugh Ross draws from the depths of his studies in both science and Scripture to show how creation and evolution intertwine.

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The author is a very intelligent individual in my opinion and conveys my own personal sentiments that eventually science and math will substantiate creation.

Wonderful book that helps understand and open the eyes and mind

Personally I don't go for Creationism as such, especially with the literal interpretation of the creative days of Genesis even though an 'all powerful creator' could have done it in minutes if desired. However, I felt it was important to see just how 'scientific' creationism could be and was favourably impressed with what I read. For me, the book deserves a second read, with so much research embodied within it; I'll be reading it again in due course. Important material if you're interested in the question of origins. Creationism is not necessarily religiously neutral as the Intelligent Design guys prefer to keep things. However, if evidence leads to the re-introduction of a Creator into the equation, so be it - but we will still be left with the question as to which of the conflicting religions, if any, represents this entity. One thing is certain: the truth is out there!

Hugh Ross is an astronomer, theologian, writer, evangelist, debater, and I think he can leap tall buildings in a single bound! Truly a devout Christian and a committed scientist he shows that science is confirming the Bible with every new discovery. It is amazing to the truly open minded. If you can find the book, I strongly recommend it.

I meet with a group of friends weekly to do Bible study. The group is made up of professionals, mostly engineers, with a strong interest in science and religion. The members are mostly evangelicals and mainstream protestant, with me as the token Mormon. The group has also had atheists, Catholics, and Jews attend from time to time. It's been a very interesting group to meet with and it's great to hear the different perspectives on things. We decided to take a look at this book due to a recommendation from one of the team members. Overall, I enjoyed the book and the author's writing was very clear and easy to understand. I agree that the evolution/creationism debate needs to be tempered on both sides and I thought his idea of presenting a testable model worth a try. Ross does a very good job presenting a strong case that everything that needed to happen to create a habitable earth and life by sheer chance is astronomical. He's clearly done his research and brought up many things that I hadn't thought of that support his thesis. From a Mormon perspective there are two major areas of disagreement with his models. This first is his (and most Christians) assumption of creation ex nihilo (creation from nothing); Mormons believe in creation ex materia (creation by organizing existing materials). The second major area is the assumption that the Earth is the only world that God has created with the purpose of populating with man. Mormons believe that God has created and populated unlimited numbers of worlds. Many of Ross' predictive tests in the simple sciences lean heavily toward the assumption that the universe has a fixed age (an absolute beginning) and that the Earth is unique in being the only habitable planet. I would expect new data to show that the elements have always existed in one form or another and also to show that many other solar systems show the potential to support life. The last thing I want to bring up is my opinion that the Bible is meant to provide a testimony of Jesus Christ and His plan of salvation, and is not meant to be a textbook on astrophysics or biology. The main point the Bible makes is that Christ is the creator, but does not explain sufficiently how he did that. I'm OK with science trying to figure that out. I appreciated Ross' last chapter where he discussed the problem of science and religion trying to be mutually exclusive. They don't need to be. Science can figure out how things happen, but not why they happen; that is the job of religion and philosophy. I recommend this book for anyone interested in science and religion. It was a fun, thought provoking exercise to read.

Hugh Ross is a bridge-builder, bringing Science and Scripture together. Both come from God, the Creator, and cannot contradict if properly interpreted.

Ross comes up with weird interpretation of Scripture and so much of his philosophy, science does as well for a better book check out refuting compromise by Sarfati.

Outstanding book that fills a needed gap for a scientific approach to weigh the sometimes confusing creation and evolution beliefs. Presents a strong case for intelligent design as seen in modern scientific findings but also lays out a fair and scientific testable model to both weigh and predict future scientific results against Naturalistic Evolution, Theistic Evolution, Old-Earth Creation, and Young-Earth Creation.

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