

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Space-Age Vindication for the Bible



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some ancient peoples pictured the world as flat or resting upon a giant turtle, God told the Jews, in Job 26:7, that He hangs the Earth on nothing.

In the first chapter of Genesis, we are told that God created a "firmament". The word translated "firmament" in these verses comes from a Hebrew root word that refers to the process of making a statue. When making a statue, the ancient craftsman would first make a wooden form of the statue, then take gold, a very soft and easily worked metal, and begin to pound thin sheets of it onto the wooden form until the wood was completely covered by a thin, form-fitted layer of gold.

Until recent times, when the Earth was first viewed from space, the Hebrew word translated "firmament" puzzled many people. Then it became clear. The Earth, literally hanging on nothing in space, was surrounded by a thin, form-fitted layer – that is, of course, our atmosphere!

The Bible tells the truth in all the subjects it mentions. But no matter how long science studies, it cannot learn about God's love to us in Jesus Christ. This is revealed to us only by the Bible!

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