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This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

2 Peter 3:1

- Peter wants to make us think!
- Remember:
 - What you have been saved from
 - The position you have been given
 - The certainty of our faith
- Peter now exhorts us to Remember:
 - Jesus is coming back!
 - This material world will be destroyed

That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of [from] the Lord and Saviour:

2 Peter 3:2

- It has been estimated there are 8x more prophecies concerning the Second Coming than the first Advent.
- The coming of the Messiah to rule & reign is one of the key themes of the Old Testament

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2 Peter 3:2

- "Peter knew the importance of reminding his readers of the Scriptural message, both received from the Old Testament (spoken before) and contemporary to his own day (and of the commandment of us).
- Peter clearly believed that the words of Scripture were important; the words themselves, and not merely the meaning behind the words".
 David Guzik

The Words of God

 "Peter believed in the inspiration of the very 'words' of Scripture; he was not one of those precious 'advanced thinkers' who would, if they could, tear the very soul out of the Book, and leave us nothing at all; but he wrote, 'That ye may be mindful of the words'— the very words — 'which were spoken before by the holy prophets.' 'Oh!' says one, 'but words do not signify; it is the inward sense that is really important.' Exactly so; that is just what the fool said about egg-shells. He said that they did not signify; it was only the inward life-germ of the chick within that was important; so he broke all the shells, and thereby destroyed the life.... If the words could be taken from us, the sense itself would be gone." - Spurgeon

- 3 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,
- And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

2 Peter 3:3-4

"Every time a blasphemer opens his mouth to deny the truth of revelation, he will help to confirm us in our conviction of the very truth which he denies. The Holy Ghost told us, by the pen of Peter, that it would be so; and now we see how truly he wrote." - Spurgeon

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2 Peter 3:3-4

- #1 They will walk after their lusts (no accountability)
- #2 They will question / deny the Second Coming
- #3 Their argument will be based on their perception that everything stays the same – 'apocalyptic events do not occur'

- For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:
- Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished
 2 Peter 3:5-6

Willingly ignorant:

- 'Dumb on purpose!'
- They <u>chose</u> to reject:
 - #1 God as Creator
 - #2 The Biblical account of our origins
 - #3 The Earth was once destroyed by a global flood

The Words of God

 Peter's point is that things on this earth have not always continued the way they are now. The earth was different when God first created it and then it was different again after the flood. Therefore no one should scoff at God's promise that He will make it different once again, judging it not with water but with fire. The same word of God that created all matter and judged the world in the flood will one day bring a judgment of fire upon the earth. - David Guzik

What is currently claimed?

- Geologic column
 - No evidence exists
- Millions of years
 - Only supported by geologic column
- Uniformitarianism
 - Brutally assaulted by the evidence to the contrary

- The Flood
- Mountains
 - Mid Atlantic ridge / Great rift valley
 - The White Cliffs of Dover
- Asteroids
 - Where did they come from?
- Almost all ancient literature!
- Including the Bible!

Catastrophes Implied?

Behold, the LORD maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof.

Isaiah 24:1

Psalm 114

- When Israel went out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange language;
- ² Judah was his sanctuary, and Israel his dominion.
- 3 The sea saw it, and fled: Jordan was driven back.
- The mountains skipped like rams, and the little hills like lambs.
- 5 What ailed thee, O thou sea, that thou fleddest? thou Jordan, that thou wast driven back?

Psalm 18:1-19

Catastrophism & the O.T. Donald W Patten / Ronald R Hatch

- Oct 2484 B.C. Flood of Noah began
- Oct 1944 B.C. Tower of Babel destroyed
- Mar 1879 Sodom & Gomorrah destroyed
- Mar 1447 Exodus Plagues
- Oct 1404 Long Day of Joshua
- Oct 1296 Sisera's encounter
- Oct 1241 Gideon
- Oct 864 Elijah on Mt. Carmel
- Oct 756 Joel-Amos catastrophe
- Mar 701 Sennacherib (185,000 Assyrians died)

- The earth is under a constant rain of interplanetary debris
- We accumulate about 100 tons of extraterrestrial material per day!
- But this has little or no actual impact



However...





Every now and again we get a BIG one!



- Tunguska Central Siberia 30-June-1908
- Destroyed 2,000 sq. Km of forest
- So remote that it was not explored for 17 years
- 15 Megaton equivalent





Asteroid Impacts



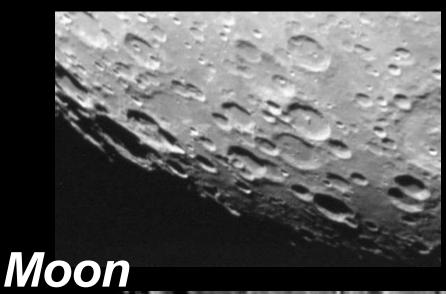
- Chicxulub crater discovered 1991
- On Yucatan peninsula (Central America)
- 6 miles in diameter!
- 100 Megaton equivalent
- Did this kill the dinosaurs?



- Could all of this just occur over millions of years with the odd freak event?
- Compelling evidence that it didn't!

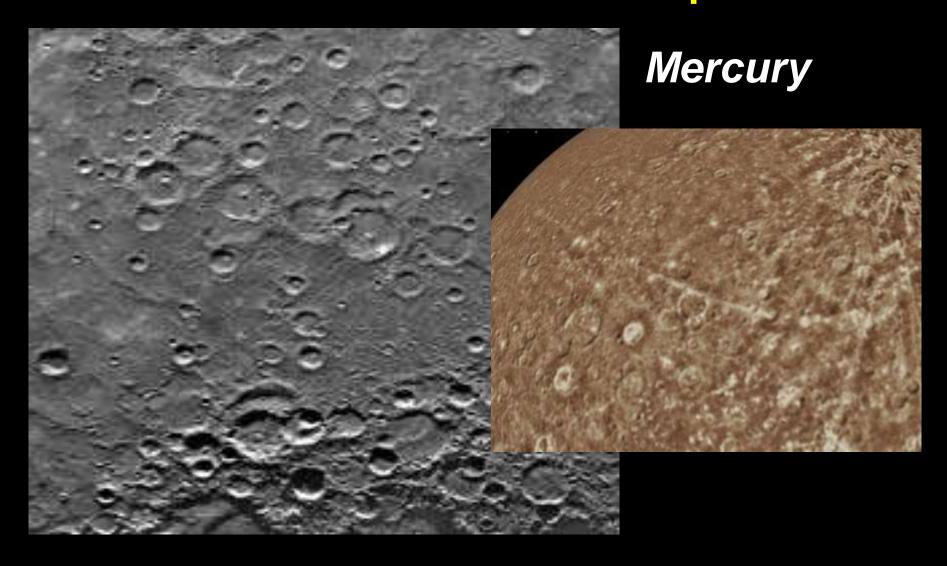












Craters on Mercury

"This photograph of cratercovered Mercury was taken by Mariner 10. The craters were scooped out of the surface billions of years ago. Why have they remained unchanged over all that time?"

> Prentice Hall Earth Science 1991 p. 73





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James Hutton

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was a Scottish geologist, noted for
formulating <u>uniformitarianism</u> and the
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by many to be the father of modern geology"

Plutonic theory "is the geologic theory proposed by James Hutton around the turn of the 19th century that volcanic activity was the source of rocks on the surface of the Earth. It was named for Pluto, the ancient Roman god of the underworld. This replaced Abraham Werner's Neptunism theroy, which claimed that rocks had originated from a great flood and were basically sedimentary in origin".

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Uniformitarianism "is one of the most basic principles of modern geology, the observation that fundamentally the same geological processes that operate today also operated in the distant past. It exists in contrast with catastrophism, which states that Earth surface features originated suddenly in the past, by geological processes radically different to those currently occurring"

Observation?

Charles Lyell

Charles Lyell was born in Kinnordy, Angus, (Scotland, in 1797)

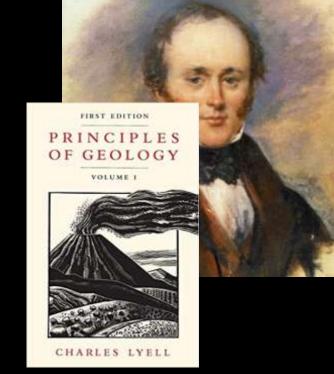


Having attended Exeter College, Oxford ending in 1816, Lyell encountered geology as a serious profession under the wing of the naturalist William Buckland. By 1827 he had abandoned law and embarked on a long geological career that would result in the widespread acceptance of the ideas proposed by James Hutton a few decades before

Charles Lyell

Principles of Geology,

Lyell's first book, was also his most famous, most influential, and most important.



First published in three volumes in 1830-33, it established Lyell's credentials as an important geological theorist and introduced the **doctrine** of <u>uniformitarianism</u>. The central argument in Principles was that "the present is the key to the past:"

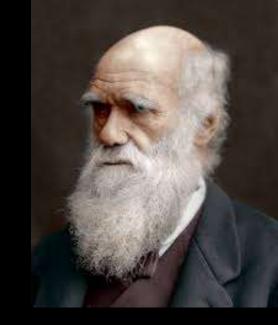
Charles Lyell

Lyell's interpretation of geologic change as the steady accumulation of minute changes over enormously long spans of time was also a central theme in the Principles, and a powerful influence on



Charles Darwin

.....the young Charles Darwin, who was given Volume 1 of the first edition by Robert FitzRoy, captain of HMS Beagle, just before they set out on the voyage of the Beagle.



On their first stop ashore at St Jago Darwin found rock formations which seen "through Lyell's eyes" gave him a revolutionary insight into the geological history of the island, an insight he applied throughout his travels.

The Geologic Column?

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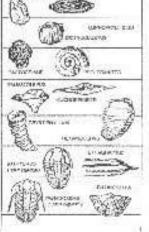


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In about 1830, Charles Lyell, Paul Deshayes and Heinrich George Bronn independently developed a biostratigraphic technique [geologic column] for dating Cenozoic deposits based on relative proportions of living and extinct species of fossil mollusks.... Strangely, little effort has been made to test this assumption. This failure leaves the method vulnerable to circularity".

Stanley, Steven M., Warron O. Addicott, and Kiyotaka Chinzei, "Lyellian Curves in Palaeontology: Possibilities and Limitations" *Geology*, volume 8 (September 1980) p. 422

The intelligent layman has long suspected circular reasoning in the use of rocks to date fossils an fossils to date rocks



J. E. O'Rouke, American Journal of Science 1976 276:51 "The geologist has never bothered to think of a good reply, feeling the explanations are not worth the trouble as long as the work brings results"



"It cannot be denied that from a strictly philosophical standpoint geologists are here arguing in a circle. The succession of organisms has been determined by a study of their remains embedded in the rocks, and the relative ages of the rocks are determined by the remains of organisms that they contain."

Rastall, R. H., "Geology" *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, Volume 10 (1949).

Rastall was a lecturer in Economic Geology, University of London. P.168

Dating Methods?

Carbon 14 dating:

- only works on living (or once living) subjects
- and can only take us back 50,000 years anyway

Radiometric dating?

"Apart from very modern examples, which are really archaeology, I can think of no cases of radioactive decay being used to date fossils."



"Ever since William Smith at the beginning of the 19th century, fossils have been and still are the best and most accurate method of dating and correlating the rocks in which they occur"



"Radiometric dating would not have been feasible if the geologic column had not been erected first. The rocks do date the fossils, but the fossils date the rocks more accurately. Stratigraphy cannot avoid this kind of reasoning if it insists on using only temporal concepts, because circularity is inherent in the derivation of time scales."

O'Rourke, J. E., "Pragmatism versus Materialism in Stratigraphy", American Journal of Science, Vol. 276 (January 1976), p.54 "The charge of circular reasoning in stratigraphy can be handled in various ways. They can be ignored, as not the proper concern of the public. [You have no right to question us!] It can be denied, by calling down the law of evolution. It can be admitted, as a common practice... Or it can be avoided, by pragmatic reasoning."

O'Rourke, J. E., "Pragmatism versus Materialism in Stratigraphy", American Journal of Science, Vol. 276 (January 1976), p.54



"All the authorities maintaining, on the one hand, that evolution is documented by geology and, on the other that geology is documented by evolution?

Isn't this a circular argument? "

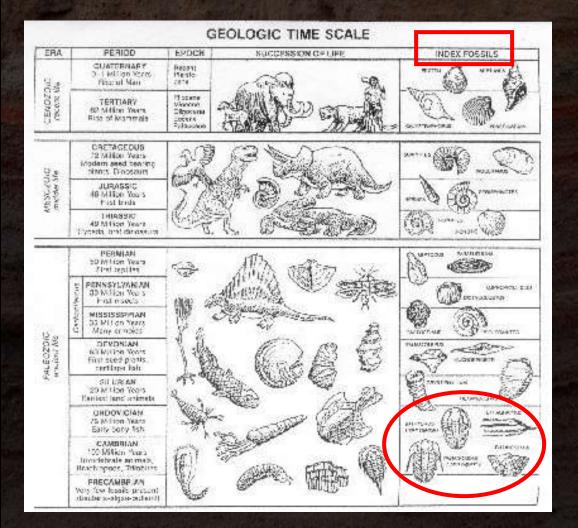
Larry Azar, "Biologist, Help!"

Bioscience vol. 28 (November 1978) pp 714.

Azar was in the Department of Philosophy, Iona College.



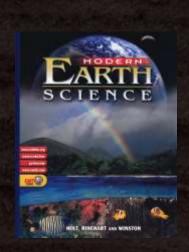
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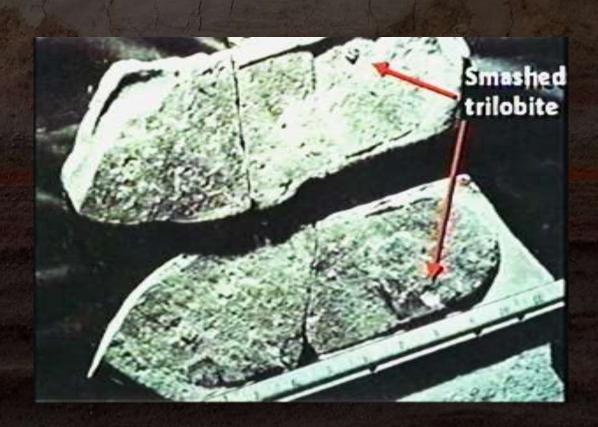
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"Trilobite fossils make good index fossils. If a trilobite such as this one is found in a rock layer, the layer was probably formed 500 to 600 million years ago"





Human shoe print with trilobite inside!



Found by William Meister of Kearns, Utah June 1, 1968. Doctor H.H. Doelling of Utah's Geological Survey verified it was not a fake.

The Hard Facts!

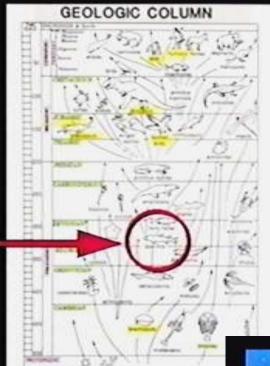
Graptolites

Index fossils for 410 million year old rocks



Graptolites still found alive in South Pacific!

Lobe-fined fish are index fossils for 325 million year old rock.



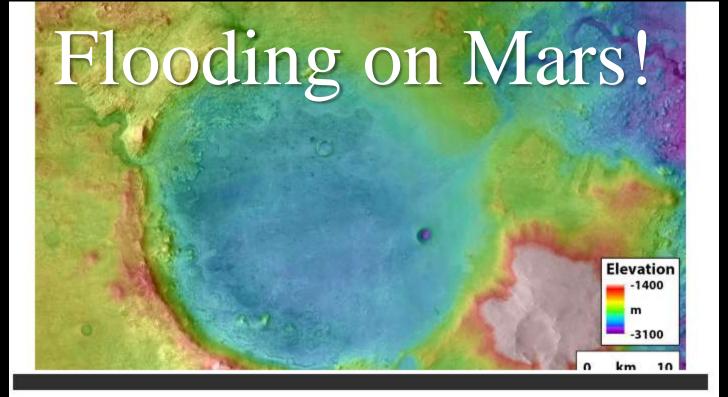


The "325 million year old" lobe-fin coelacanth is still very much alive.

- For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:
- Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished
 2 Peter 3:5-6

What would the evidence be?

- Billions of dead things buried in rock layers laid down by water all over the earth
- Marine fossils on top of the highest mountains
- Big deposits of sifted materiel
- Twisted and bent rock strata, deposited as silt and then hardened
- Evidence of mass erosion as the water ran of the earth



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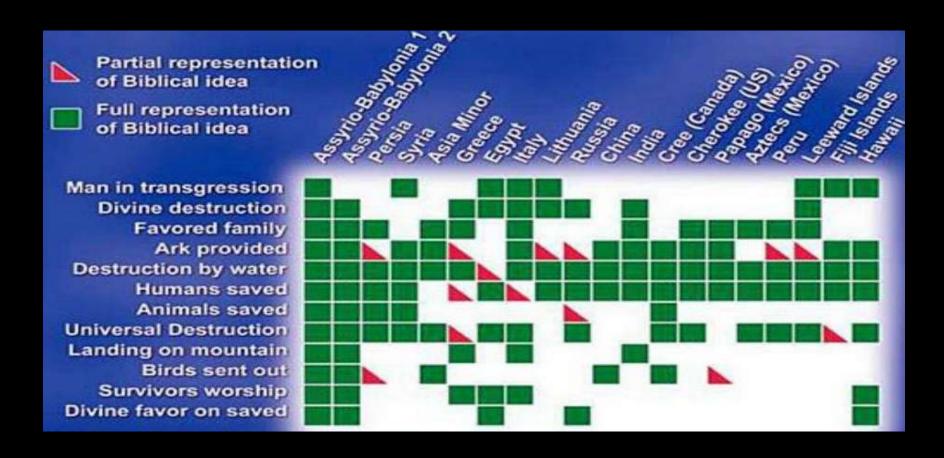
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The Jezero crater is a paleolake on Mars. Its outlet canyon, carved by overflow flooding, can be seen in the upper right side of the crater. (Credit: NASA/Tim Goudge)

Catastrophic Flooding

More than 3.5 billion years ago, water flowed freely across the surface of Mars, forming lakes and seas. New research shows how these lakes may have overflowed and burst at their sides, causing flooding so severe it carved out canyons in the Martian surface over the course of just weeks. This new research suggests that the flooding could have drastically shaped and altered the Martian landscape

Flood Legends



- Over 270 Flood stories around the world
- Incredible similarity with the Biblical record!

Grand Canyon



- A little bit of water and a lot of time...
- Or a lot of water and a little bit of time?

Cheddar Gorge



- A little bit of water and a lot of time...
- Or a lot of water and a little bit of time?

Snowdon



- Martine fossils on top of highest mountains
- The result of glaciers? or a worldwide flood!

A Tre-mendous Problem!



http://www.westgs.edu/geology/s/gs.web/bps.field.trips.html#Trips.7.99

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Some polystrate trees are upside down extending through many layers including layers of coal.

Picture from Bone of Contention by Silvia Baker p. 12 (available from CSE \$3.50)



The evolutionary geologist only has two choices to solve this dilemma:

- 1. The trees stool upright for millions of years while the sediment layers formed around them [Not possible]
- 2. The trees grew through hundreds of feet of solid sedimentary rock looking for sunlight! [Also not possible]

Bending the Truth?

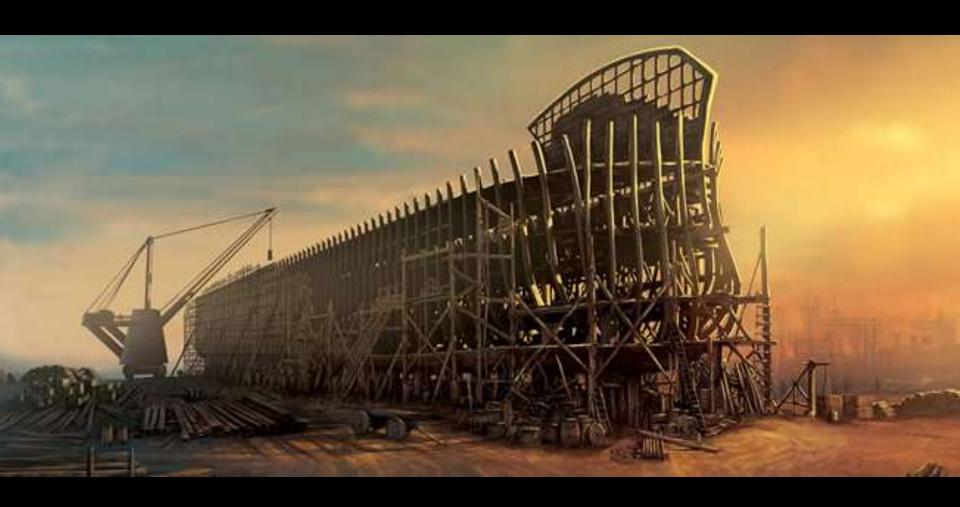


- We are supposed to believe that these rock layers were deposited over millions of years!
- 'Experts' scoff at the notion of a Flood being the cause!

Not Noah's Ark!



Noah's Ark





But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

2 Peter 3:7

But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day

2 Peter 3:8

- Some have tried to use this verse to suggest the days of Creation were 'long periods of time'
- Exodus 20:11 destroys that notion!

4 For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.

Psalm 90:4

16 For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy...

Isaiah 57:15

"All time is as nothing before him, because in the presence as in the nature of God all is eternity; therefore nothing is long, nothing short, before him; no lapse of ages impairs his purposes." - Adam Clarke

- ¹⁵ I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their affliction they will seek me early.
- 6:1 Come, and let us return unto the Lord: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up.
- ² After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight.

Hosea 5:15-6:2

Hosea's Prophecy

- Israel have been smitten and bound for c.2000yrs
- Israel will 'live in His sight' during the Millennium
 - A period of 1000 years
- Hosea likens this 1000 years to a 'day'
- So....
- If the 3^{rd} day = 1000 yrs...
- The first 'two days' must also each = 1000yrs
- If the last 2000 years are analogous to a day...
- And the Millennium is likewise...
- It fits perfectly with the Creation model.
- 6 days work followed by 1 days rest!

The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance

2 Peter 3:9

- God wants all to be saved
 - Rebuts the doctrine of 'Limited Atonement'
- Ezekiel 33:11: "As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live"
- See also 1 John 2:1

But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up

2 Peter 3:10

- I believe in the Big Bang theory!
 - It just hasn't happened yet!
- Peter says that every atom will be loosed
 - Jesus, the One holding it all together will let it fly apart!

The Millennium

Second

Coming (with bride)

Earth

First Resurrection
Complete
(Tribulation Saints
receive new
bodies)



Satan deceives nations for last time!

1000 Years

Grave

But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished

- Rev 20:5

Satan bound

Bottomless Pit

Satan released

Earth

Satan deceives nations for last time!

Grave

Satan released

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Heaven & Earth Pass Away with a great noise!

Earth

Satan deceives nations for last time!

Grave

Satan released

Bottomless Pit

The Great White Throne

Rev 20:11

And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

Heaven & Earth Pass Away with a great noise!

Earth

Satan deceives nations for last time!

Grave

Satan released

Bottomless Pit

The Great White Throne

.....and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: Rev 20:12





And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire. Rev 20:15

Satan cast into Lake of Fire to join Beast & False Prophet

Lake of Fire

New Heaven & New Earth

Behold, I make all things new.
And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

Rev 21:5



Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

Rev 21:3

- Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,
- Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat

2 Peter 3:11-12

- The fact we are looking for His coming will change our hearts & minds and reset our priorities
- We are to be God-like

Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

2 Peter 3:13

Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

2 Peter 3:14

- And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;
- As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures unto their own destruction.

2 Peter 3:15-16

- Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.
- But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

2 Peter 3:17-18

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