Ancient Modern Science

Biblical pronouncements regarding God's infinite power and knowledge leads one to speculate on some of the statements found in the bible; statements that seem to resemble some of today's scientific discoveries and news discoveries except that they were made thousands of years ago by men who frankly and without any reservation simply declared what God had showed them.

As a young boy I speculated that God might allow Noah's ark to be found. Would it cause unbelievers to believe or would they trample it under derisive humor or simply ignore it? Today in 2026 a credible discovery has been made. Believers can accept it as confirming the bible and others can deny or ignore it as lacking proof.

Now older, but even today I ask myself would God have inspired a biblical writer to address a subject that could only be understood in this latter, i.e.; modern, era of time which would show both His creatorship (as in opposition to evolution) as well as to confirm His knowing all things from the beginning.

One of these stems from the stones of fire mentioned by Ezekiel where God showed them to Satan prior to Satan's fall and just after His material creation of the universe. Recall that at the time of creation the Sons of God shouted for joy[1] and certainly Satan among them. In this portrayal God seems to be displaying in His dialogue with Satan this creation moment to instruct Satan that He, God, is the sole creator of the universe by allowing Satan to walk among the stones of fire. In that Satan walked among the stones of fire and then (after his rebellion) was cast out of the midst of the stones of fire it seems that these stones were a material part of God's physical creation.

Only in this modern age have nuclear discoveries presented a picture of matter being composed of what are termed as 'particles'. Science now tells us that the nuclei of atoms have a temperature in the billions of degrees Kelvin; that these particles occasionally evaporate smaller particles being the observed release of energy which is the process of nuclear decay; i.e., nuclear radiation. **If** Ezekiel's 'stones of fire' is referring to an atomic structure of creation, it is actually a better description than today's 'particles' in that an intense heat and light are inherent. These stones of fire would have been a tiny world full of beauty, order, precision, power and light. Satan could not be trusted to stay there.

Relevant to Ezekiel's testimony is that of Peter where he briefly reminds his readers that "the heavens and the earth which now exist are kept in store by the same word, reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men." and, "the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat..." Perhaps these stones of fire are the very source of this intense collapse. The atomic scientists at Alamogordo referred to this type of event as 'rapid rupture'.

Another biblical concept to surface only in modern science involves the Big Bang theory. (Scientists, however, insist that 'big bang' is not its preferred title as this was a derisive term used by astronomer Fred Hoyle who preferred the Steady State Theory). Preferred by most scientists is The Expanding Universe Hypothesis. It is described as an expansion of the cosmos similar to a loaf of raisin bread when it is rising and in which the raisins are all moving away from each other just as the galaxies are observed to do. So, what has the bible been saying for thousands of years? When reading from Isaiah and the Psalms we find that God "stretches out the heavens like a curtain". This concept

1 Job 38:7

originates in the bible and is reiterated multiple times.[2] God's stretching of the heavens is an event in the creation timescale and is a dynamic that is continuing. Science here seems to postulate that the expanding universe makes possible a formulation for the age of the universe. If carefully measured, the distances of retreating galaxies along with their known velocities and masses can be reversibly computed to find their **time** of origination from a single location. The conclusion, of course, is billions of years to further advance the idea of biological evolution and its necessary long ages to allow for a naturalistic and coincidentally fortuitous progress amid mistakes, over and over. This is seemingly so convincing to non-scientific theologians that it has led many to interject a gap between Genesis verse 1 and verse 2 to account for the scientific and biblical age discrepancies. In effect, the biblicists erred and capitulated. The scientists erred in thinking that the theoretical time of expansion of the universe must be computationally equal to its theoretical time of collapse; i.e., the outgoing and incoming rates must follow the same equation. Since the scientist does not know or acknowledge the template of God's out-stretching then a calculation for collapse time has no relevance to the age of the universe.

And now, suddenly in this decade of the 2000's, there appears a resurgence of study to take a closer look at the concept of an all pervading ether to explain why the travel of light has an infinite rate of propagation, and other characteristics, and to explain why space has the properties of magnetic permeability and electrical permittivity.[3] There appears to be a certain magnetic tension that is responsible; a feature first repudiated by Albert Einstein and then later reconsidered to be a physical necessity. That was back in 1905 and just now is becoming a valid requisite of physical science. Again, God's stretching of the heavens seems to be not simply poetic language but expressive and purposeful instruction from one of God's spokesmen over 2500 years ago. And prior, Job was questioned by God to explain, if able, where light dwells and where are its paths. It seems as if contemporary science has systematically avoided any guidance from biblical writings, all of which is encapsulated within evolution versus creation.

All of this may seem speculative but can only be speculative to this degree in our modern era of discovery where hints in scripture align with discoveries in science. No other era has had the proof of the atom's pent up energy nor the measuring abilities of today's astronomers. For God to be the creator of the universe then all of the science encapsulated in our discoveries and understanding was active from the beginning and it should only be normal that some mention of advanced, yet not understood, ideas would surface from ancient writings that are God inspired. Many try to deny scriptural truth by claiming that bible believers do not believe in the discoveries of science. Why? To insinuate that only naive, uneducated persons can actually believe in the bible and a creator God. To be honest it is only the anti-god philosophies and biased slants and their

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2 Is. 44:24 - I am the Lord, who makes all things, who stretches out the heavens all alone...
Is 45:12 - I have made the earth, And created man on it, it was I - My hands that stretched out the heavens...
Is. 48:13 - Indeed My hand has laid the foundation of the earth, and My right hand has stretched out the heavens...
Is. 51:13 - And you forget the Lord your Maker, Who stretched out the heavens, And laid the foundations of the earth...
Ps. 104:2 - Who cover Yourself with light as with a garment, who stretch out the heavens like a curtain.

3 https://etherphysics.org/monograph/abstract

unproven interpretations of the physical world that are opposed by believers. Science is another subject altogether.

Did God attempt to prove beyond any arguable doubt His existence? On the contrary. His program requires us to believe and walk in faith. That is our test. The creation speaks for itself so that we are without excuse. The proof comes later; too late for many. Just as Satan thought he could become like God, so his rebellion and support by one third of the created angels who themselves were deceived have attacked Adam and Eve and all men. Thus we have what we have. The decision for truth is not owned by the philosophers but is strictly personal. It is a mystery to me why scientists whose greatest pursuit and interest is that of scientific knowledge and truth would risk missing out on experiencing the greatest revelations yet to come. It is sad if atheism to them is all there is and worse if they need to adhere to the expectations of their colleagues to seem personally relevant. Where is the objective scientist who will speak against coercion in the universities? To answer, many have been denied a voice in relevant publications or even the educational credentials that they have rightfully earned.

Believers today have these foundation rocks to stand on which come from the long ago writers of scripture who would not have foreseen, by themselves, our discoveries of stones of fire, nor the vastness of the cosmos, nor the intense struggle against Israel, nor the oncoming conclusion by God's intervention. Unbelievers cannot grasp the picture because of blindness. Consider these rocks; not as speculations but revelations:

> For by Him all things were created, *both* in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together."[1]
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> Let God be true and every man a liar.[2]
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> The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.[3]
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> Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge,[4]
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> The fool says in his heart, “There is no God.” [5]
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> For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I *am* the LORD; and *there is* none else.[6]
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> The secret *things belong* to the LORD our God, but those *things which are* revealed *belong* to us and to our children forever, that *we* may do all the words of this law.[7]
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> The (just, righteous) shall live by faith.[8]

1 Col. 1:16,17
2 Romans 3:4
3 Psalm 19:1,2
4 I Tim.6:20
5 Psalm 14:1
6 Isaiah 45:18
7 Deuteronomy 29:29
8 Habakkuk 2:4; Rom.1:17; Gal. 3:11; Heb.10:38

** Quote: "Natural causes, as we know, are at work, which tend to modify, if they do not at length destroy, all the arrangements and dimensions of the earth and the whole solar system. But though in the course of ages catastrophes have occurred and may yet occur in the heavens, though ancient systems may be dissolved and new systems evolved out of their ruins, the molecules [*i.e.* atoms] out of which these systems are built—the foundation stones of the material universe—remain unbroken and unworn. They continue to this day as they were created—perfect in number and measure and weight."
— James Clerk Maxwell
** Lecture to the British Association at Bradford, 'Molecules', *Nature* (1873)