

The wonder of it all – Our Intriguing Solar System

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Upon viewing a DVD by Spike Psarris at our February 2021 ARK meeting, I was inspired to write a review of it because it spoke of so many fascinating facts about our solar system that defies evolution. (*“What You Aren’t Told About Astronomy, Vol1: Our Created Solar System”*, <https://www.creationastronomy.com/>)

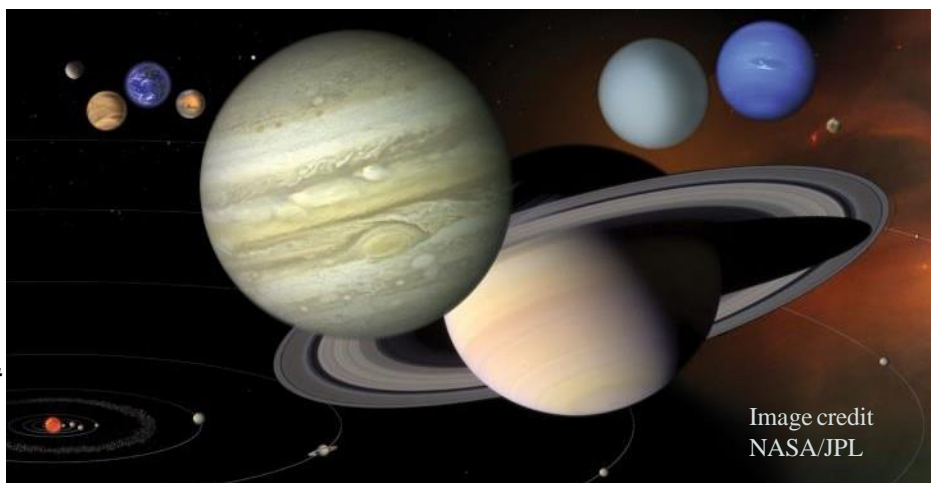


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As man in his ingenuity has now been able to send probes to every planet in our solar system, and even to comets and asteroids, we have been continuously amazed by what we have discovered. The problem for evolutionists, however, is that many of these discoveries fly in the face of an evolutionary explanation for their origin. In fact, every single planet and other bodies studied have features that defy evolution but testify to the heavens declaring the glory of the Lord.

Current evolutionary models cannot even figure out how any planets can form from a theoretical primordial nebula of dust and gas. Dust will clump together only to a certain point. After a certain point, collisions between pebbles/rocks will prevent them from growing larger. Its not until they reach asteroid size that gravity becomes large enough for a body to grow larger to eventual planet size. Conclusion; every single planet, asteroid, comet had to be formed by special creation.

Mercury – probes to Mercury have discovered it has ‘too dense’ an iron core for their models to explain. It also still has a magnetic field, that is by the way, rapidly decaying. It also contains ‘volatile’ elements, such as sulfur that should not exist so close to the sun.

Venus – Our ‘sister’ planet (roughly the same size) is nothing like earth. Continuous, thick, toxic cloud layer makes it extremely inhospitable. Now that probes have been able to penetrate this cloud layer, we have found a surface that looks ‘too young’, that is for evolutionary time scales.

Earth – Truly earth was uniquely made to be inhabited. Its magnetic field is not explained well by the evolution based dynamo theory. And the rate of our magnetic field’s decay says it would have been too strong to support life more than about 20,000 years ago. Our length of day, amount of tilt of our axis, the amount of water, the size of our moon, and much more, all point to a perfectly balanced, special creation of our Lord for uniquely supporting life.

The moon – truly unique in our solar system. Only Pluto’s moon Charon compares in size relative to its planet. No other moon can create a solar eclipse, perfectly blocking out the sun. This is surely a gift from the Lord that has enabled us to study our sun in ways that would not have been possible until we were able to send probes around the sun. But most important of all, the moon is just the right size and distance to provide the right size tides to help keep our oceans healthy.

Mars – Scientists believed Mars once had a thick enough atmosphere to support water, but that it was wiped out by a global catastrophe. Yet they refuse to admit the stronger evidence for a global catastrophe here on earth. Decades of sending probes to Mars to find signs of life have only produced more questions.

Jupiter – If you read the standard literature, you would think that this gas giant fits right in with evolutionary origin theory. But the truth is, it does not. Their models are incapable of supplying enough material to explain its size. And its composition is even wrong; they cannot explain the amount of argon or xenon found there, for example.

As fascinating as its beautifully colored cloud layers and storms are, Jupiter's moons are equally fascinating. You would think all moons around other planets would be rocky bodies like our moon. The truth is, God took pleasure to design them with great variety. Even Calisto, which is rocky, and the most heavily cratered in the solar system, shows signs of a young age. Whereas Europa has the smoothest surface in the solar system, a shell of ice. Io is covered with active volcanos and puts out two times more heat than it receives from the sun; big signs of its youth.



Jupiter's 4 largest moons: Io-Europa-Ganymede-Callisto

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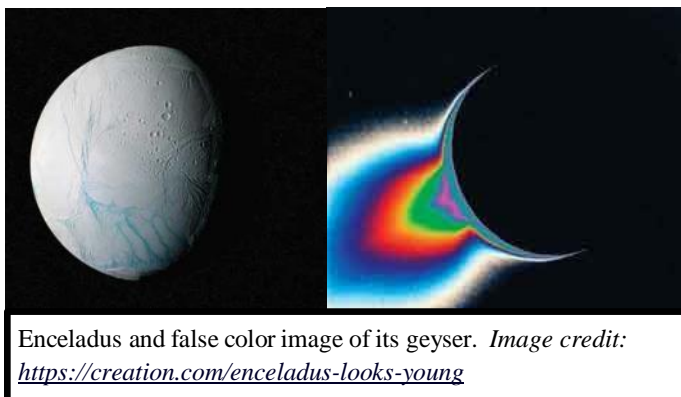
Saturn – recent discoveries show that Saturn's rings cannot last millions of years. It has a 'highly symmetrical' magnetic field that evolutionists cannot explain. Its moon Enceladus has an active geyser that is so strong, it is 'spray painting' its neighbors with ice and snow. And on the largest moon, Titan's nitrogen/methane atmosphere is defying predictions as well. All these features again point to a Biblical time scale of ages.

Uranus – has a nearly perfect circular orbit around the sun but has one very striking feature; its axis of rotation is on its side! The strength of its magnetic field was accurately predicted by creation astronomer Russ Humphreys before it was measured by the Voyager probes. Evolutionists' predictions were way off the mark.

Neptune – Like some other planets and moons, it gives off about two times the energy as it receives from the sun. It has the strongest winds measured anywhere in the solar system; up to 1300 miles per hour! Its magnetic field was also accurately predicted by Dr. Humphreys. And Neptune 'shouldn't exist' based on evolutionary predictions (too far out to be so big).

Pluto and other 'Trans-Neptunian Objects' (TNOs) – Until the New Horizons spacecraft flew by Pluto in 2015, it was assumed to be a cold, dead rock in space. But it is now known to be geologically active, again a testament to the Biblical age of the universe.

Comets - Because comets lose mass every time they pass by the sun (why we see the beautiful tails), they cannot last even one million years of evolutionary time scale. So, comet nurseries have been theorized called the Oort cloud, Kuiper belt, and now a "scattered disk" to periodically 'birth' new comets. Problem is, there is no evidence supporting them, and theories of how they formed, or give birth to comets also exist. In addition, we have now gathered data from several comets, and they all contain materials that should not be present if their theories were correct. All comet evidence points to a young solar system.



Enceladus and false color image of its geyser. Image credit: <https://creation.com/enceladus-looks-young>

One humorous item Mr. Psarris brought up over and over again is the repeated rescuing device used by evolutionists to explain features seen throughout the solar system. For many of the planets and moons, a collision with another large object in the past has been proposed to explain everything from the lack of a moon around Venus, to the tilt of the axis of Uranus. One proposal even includes multiple collisions to explain the bizarre surface features on one moon.

The enormous variety and composition of the heavenly bodies orbiting our sun are testaments to the limitless creativity of our God. Just some of the wonderful marvels of his creation just waiting for us to discover. Truly the heavens declare the glory of our Lord.