

Christianity's Foundation is the first few chapters of Genesis!

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It is my understanding, for example, that the claim of an old earth denies the veracity of the first 11 chapters of Genesis (e.g., the order of creation, the distinctness of created kinds, the absence of pre-Fall carnivory, the lack of higher animal death before the Fall, the creation of Adam and Eve, the “very good” status of the creation at the end of the Creation Week, the great longevities of the patriarchs, the global nature of the Noahic Flood, the dispersion of people away from the Tower of Babel). This in turn challenges the integrity of any concept built upon these chapters. **Yet, it is my understanding that every doctrine of Christianity stands upon the foundation laid in the first few chapters of Genesis** (e.g., God is truth, God is a God of mercy and love, Scriptures is true, all natural and moral evil on the earth can be traced back to man's Fall, Christ's return is global, Heaven is a perfect place with no sin or death or corruption of any sort). Thus, **an earth that is million of years old seems to challenge all the doctrines I hold dear.**

Although there are scientific reasons for accepting a young earth, I am a young-age creationist because that is my understanding of the Scripture. As I shared with my professors years ago when I was in college, if all the evidence in the universe turned against creationism, I would be the first to admit it, but I would still be a creationist because that is what the Word of God seems to indicate. [Ed. Note: **Although Scripture should be our final authority, Christianity is not a blind faith.** Here I must stand! Amen.

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