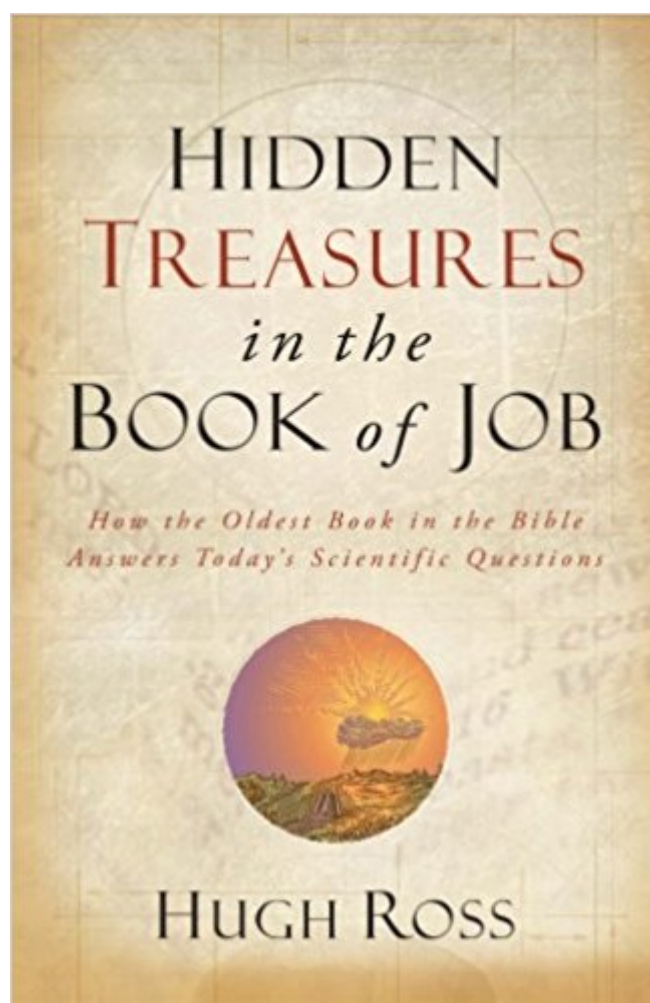


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Hidden Treasures In The Book Of Job: How The Oldest Book In The Bible Answers Today's Scientific Questions (Reasons To Believe)



Synopsis

Internationally-known astrophysicist and Christian apologist explores the book of Job through the lens of science, offering time-transcending, apologetic answers to present-day issues of science and faith.

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Arguably the oldest book in the Bible, the book of Job has a surprising amount to say about some of the newest scientific discoveries and controversies. Far from a book that is just about suffering, Job is filled with rich insight into both ancient and modern questions about the formation of the world, the difference between animals and humans, cosmology, dinosaurs and the fossil record, global warming and how to care for creation, and more. With careful consideration and exegesis, internationally known astrophysicist and Christian apologist Hugh Ross adds yet another compelling argument to the case for the veracity of the biblical commentary on the history of the universe, Earth, life, and humanity. Hidden Treasures in the Book of Job shows that the Bible is an accurate predictor of scientific discoveries and a trustworthy source of scientific information, and that the book of Scripture and the book of nature are consistent both internally and externally. | Hugh Ross (PhD, University of Toronto) is founder and president of Reasons To Believe (www.reasons.org). He is the author of many books, including *The Creator and the Cosmos*, *More Than a Theory*, and *Why the Universe Is the Way It Is*. An astronomer, Ross has addressed students and faculty on over 300 campuses in the

United States and abroad on a wide variety of science-faith topics. From science conferences to churches to government labs, Ross presents powerful evidence for a purpose-filled universe.

Ancient answers to modern scientific questions"Yet another sparkling gem from the treasure house that is the mind of Hugh Ross! A fabulous and typically thoughtful treatment of many vitally important subjects."--Eric Metaxas, New York Times bestselling author of *Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy* and *Amazing Grace: William Wilberforce and the Heroic Campaign to End Slavery*"This is a brilliant, insightful, and provocative book, filled with nuggets from digging deeply into the hidden treasures of the book of Job."--Norman L. Geisler, Distinguished Professor of Apologetics and Theology, Veritas Evangelical Seminary"Surprising and accurate scientific insights few consider. Hugh Ross brilliantly analyzes these details with great scrutiny to highlight the fact that Scripture presents compelling information regarding our greatest scientific complexities. I highly recommend this work for those considering the evidence of the Bible's scientific claims."--John Ankerberg, founder and president of The John Ankerberg Show"This book is an elegant explanation of how Scripture, the scientific facts of nature, and the tragedy of human suffering all point people to God. It's sophisticated and simple and arguably groundbreaking. I can't wait to use it in the classroom."--Sarah Sumner, dean, A. W. Tozer Theological Seminary "A treasure in and of itself. It is enormously engaging in both its content and its style. It is one of the most up-to-date scientific, as well as biblical, responses in the evolution, creation, young earth debate, yet all offered with clear facts, gentleness of tone, and convincing logic."--Walter C. Kaiser Jr., president emeritus, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

Being an ardent student of both the Bible and science I sincerely enjoyed this book, although I wish for one that goes even deeper into the subject of Job. There are a lot of things mentioned in that book that most people just skim over, never looking deeper into what He said or more specifically, why He said it. There is no reason for the Christian to be ashamed of his faith or the Bible under the scrutiny of science. It stands for itself very well. Hugh Ross is one of just a few scientists who will buck the opposition within his own discipline to voice the Bible's side of the story. Thanks Mr. Ross!

Some people may take umbrage to my views on this book, and that is their right, but I certainly don't want to argue with other Believers about it. As a Christian, I always sort of saw the first chapter of Genesis as likely not to be interpreted literally. Rather, I viewed it as basically telling us that God is the creator of everything. Nor did it ever threaten the authority of the Bible in my mind to view the

creation days as not being literal 24 days. I know many Belivers strongly take issue with that. Ross gets into how the book of Job essentially helps interpret Genesis. His theories and insights make a lot of sense and lend great credibility to the actual Biblical narrative. However, I would have liked to have seen even more facts and a bit less philosophical oratory. So, while I think the book is good, and in parts really good, it is also a boring read at points. Some parts of it are real long ball home runs however.

Dr. Hugh Ross is the founder of Reasons To Believe (reasons.org), one of my favorite Christian apologetical ministries. His books deliver rich insight into both scientific and theological subjects, and this one is no different. Ross is an old earth creationist who believes in an integrative approach using science and theology to resolve conflicts and pursue knowledge. His speciality is astrophysics, but here he also brings his love for animals and his experience as a theologian to answer questions using the book of Job. Dr Ross brings an almost unique hermeneutic in his approach, leading to discussion of subjects one hears little from other authors. For instance, he writes about how mankind's evolving agricultural practices and changing livestock may have prevented the coming of the next climatic cold period. Further, if society really judges global warming to be a major issue, there are real remedies, not the controversial ones heard on the news. The chapter on the nephesh animals is especially enlightening. God seems to have designed them for the earth's and our benefit and more, we can discern aspects of our relationship with the Creator by looking at aspects of how we relate to these nephesh creatures. It should also be said, Dr Ross brings a good biblical commentary at the beginning, discussing the setting and historicity of Job and how it relates to the rest of the Bible. The book has tremendous apologetical use.

"Hidden Treasures in the Book of Job" by Dr. Hugh Ross is an amazing book that should be read by skeptics, atheists, young Earth creationists, and everyone else. It contains numerous insights into scientific issues, including creation and evolution, from an eminent scientist. Dr. Ross mines all kinds of nuggets from what is perhaps the oldest book in the Bible. As he writes: "Certain passages in Job provide interpretive keys to understanding the Genesis creation accounts." This amazing book has amazing insights including fairly recent scientific discoveries such as the expansion of the universe. Dr. Ross states: "The gaps in the Genesis account that skeptics love to ridicule are not really gaps at all if the content of Job was familiar to the original recipients of Genesis." Young Earth creationists would do well to consider Dr. Ross' observations and arguments when making their case, as well. I highly recommend this book to anyone.

Although my husband is very interested in science, I'm not! So when he suggested that I read Hidden Treasures... I really wasn't very excited. But I decided to at least give it a try so as not to disappoint him. Well, I finished it! It's a very interesting book, even for someone with very limited scientific knowledge. The author is able to draw your attention to verses you never noticed before. You end up with a greater appreciation of God's power and wisdom. Even more awe-inspiring, you see the depth of love and care God has taken to provide for the human beings He created!

Ross shows us that the Bible can be trusted for its scientific accuracy using Job. He points out that Job was older than Genesis thus the gaps found in the first book are filled in by the book of Job. He translates the Hebrew text using the best sources and refers to other scriptures that confirm his use of the language. This is a must read for all apologists who want to have an answer for what they believe. God created the universe exactly as the Word says. Science supports the old age model with evidence that parallels the Biblical account.

The hidden treasures in the book of job by Dr. Hugh Ross reveals God`s hidden wisdom and creativity in creation, nature and science that solves and answers mysteries and controversies in the book of genesis. The book of job sheds light on creation and the age old question problem of evil and suffering as well as backs up the bible as a supernaturally inspired and trustworthy book. The book of job also talks about the subject of death and that God is a supernatural being that we all have to answer to and anyone who has exerted his or her will against God`s rightful authority as creator will deserve death and eternal separation from God. The hidden treasures in the book of job has a lot of science, wisdom, philosophy and eternal answers to eternal questions.

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