Diagram 1B: Some Highlights (Including Some Theories) of Eternity Past to Six "Days"* of Creation or Re-Creation to Eternity Future - Old Earth Creationism (Please refer to Diagram 2 for Days 5 and 6) Thousands, millions or billions of years Day 1 Day 2 Day 3 **Eternity Past** Day 4 (Timeline not to scale) God the Father, the Son of God (Jesus) and the Holy Day 1 of Re-Creation: The Holy Spirit Spirit existed before the moved on the waters of the Earth God made universe and the Earth. light and He divided the light from the darkness (Genesis 1:2). God made the heaven and the Earth Genesis 1:2-19 was a description of what (Genesis 1:1). Some believe that this was happening to the Earth from the took thousands, millions or billions viewpoint of someone standing on the earth. of years. Genesis 1:3 describes sunlight was getting Day 4: God made the greater through the atmosphere, but the atmosphere light (the Earth's sun) and the was filled with something like debris or Some people believe between Verses 1 and 2 of less light (the Earth's moon) smoke so that one could not determine the and the stars. (Genesis 1:14-23) Genesis 1 that there were life forms (I don't shape of the sun. (Refer to the article, know what kind) that had cities on the Earth. At "Summary of Reasons to Believe's Testable some point(s) in time, life forms and cities were Creation Model," by Dr. Hugh Ross. destroyed. This occurred before the Six Days of Pasedena, CA: Reasons To Believe, 2000. Day 3: God made dry land, (Re-)Creation. (Possible verses that indicate this vegetation and trees. (Genesis Website: www.reasons.org). are Isaiah 14:4-17.) (For more information on 1:9-13) Creation, refer to chapter 3, "God and Creation." * There are different interpretations of the word day when used in reference to the Six Days o Creation (Genesis 1 and 2). Day 2: God made the "firmament in the The word day may mean 24 hours, 1000 years (2 Peter 3:8) or a period of time. midst of the waters." This may be the The viewpoint that says that the word *day* refers to a **period of time**, which may be **millions** or Earth's atmosphere. (Genesis 1:6-8) billions of years, is sometimes referred to as the Old Earth Creationism. Scientists in such disciplines as astronomy and geology would probably agree with the Old Earth view the most. Currently, I hold to this *Creationism*. (The viewpoint that says that the word day means 24 hours or 1000 years is sometimes referred to as the Young Earth viewpoint.)

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For more information about God, refer to chapter 2, "Who God Is."