WITH & UNDER GOD—THEISM

God alone is self-existing and eternal, so He is necessarily the Creator of all else

God is the source of all living organisms; all life comes from life (*law of biogenesis)*

The Son (of God, & God Himself) created the sun

The Son created **light** on the **first** day of Creation, then the **sun**, three days **later**

Genesis 1-11 is historical narrative and is to be taken literally

God's creation took place over a period of six days, just as The Eyewitness has told us in the Bible

God created the original **kinds**, and endowed them with the ability to reproduce **"after their kind**," as well as **speciation** (variability) **within kinds**

WITHOUT GOD—UNDER EVOLUTION

Matter, space, and time self-generated, eternal; everything came into existence by the big bang

Life sprang from non-life (spontaneous generation)

There is no son of "god," but there is a sun

The sun came first, as the ultimate energy source to make life on earth possible

Genesis is irrelevant at best, if not a complete fairy tale

The universe was billions of years in the making, just as earthbound, finite minds have speculated

Plants and animals (including humans) have the ability to transform, over deep time, from one type of organism to one that's entirely different

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WITH & UNDER GOD—THEISM

Plants will always reproduce plants(with variations), animals will always reproduce the same kind of animals (with variation), and humans will always reproduce humans (with genetic variation, too)

God created both dinosaurs (land animals) and mankind on the 6th day of the Creation Week (the first week of earth's history)

Lucifer/Satan fell sometime *after the 6th Day*, since at that point, God pronounced **all of creation "very good"—Gen 1:31** (including Lucifer)

Disease, suffering, bloodshed, death, etc.—all parts of The Curse—entered into the world through the sin of Adam, as the representative of all mankind

God specially-created Adam & Eve, the first humans

WITHOUT GOD—UNDER EVOLUTION

ALL life has "evolved" from the first living, "simple" cell; the single evolutionary "tree of life" is the anchoring point of all living things, so they all share a COMMON ANCESTOR

Dinosaurs went extinct millions of years before humans arrived; they never lived together; "prehistoric times" stretch back billions of years

Lucifer/Satan is either entirely mythical, or the rebellion he led resulted in the wiping out of the "first creation" of Gen 1:1, *long before* Gen 1:2

There's no such thing as "sin" and there were no such persons as the "Adam" or "Eve" of the bible; there's no right or wrong, only matter

The first full-humans evolved from near-humans

WITH & UNDER GOD—THEISM

Just as God created Eve to be a valuable companion for Adam, He also created many **symbiotic relationships** between plants and insects, birds and animals, fishes and other sealife, etc., all of which require that relationship to be **in place from the start for either party to survive**

God designed reproductive systems and encoded the various methods into all living creatures

God programmed all of the complexities of the cell

God does everything for and with a purpose, and His creation expresses **teleology** (means directed towards an end)

God is incapable of making mistakes (infallibility)

The Bible describes a worldwide, ultra-destructive flood that drastically reshaped the earth, during which billions of living creatures perished

WITHOUT GOD—UNDER EVOLUTION

Just as creatures added new body parts and mechanisms to enhance their own reproductive and survival abilities, they "figured out" that certain mutual-support systems could be beneficial to two or more creature-types; they then came to an agreement and thus proceeded (just so!)

All of the various life-forms evolved their own organs, systems, and methods

The simple cell complexified itself without a plan

"Purpose" is a meaningless, invented concept; it doesn't exist in our chance universe, so random mutations drive all "upward" change

Evolution depends on billions of genetic errors

The bible is wrong. All historical floods have been local affairs, with many being tranquil, thus having very little effect of any sort

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WITH & UNDER GOD-THEISM

The account of The Flood in Noah's day—Gen 6-9 and confirmed in other passages—is totally trustworthy and accurate

Humans alone are made in the image of God: having a similar derived intelligence, moral sense-conscience, powers of intelligible speech, and an invisible soul that lives on forevermore after being separated from the body at death

The triune God—as described in the Bible—is the Creator of all things, as well as the Sustainer-King of all forever. He's never had help from co-creators; His plan is unalterable; He is perfect in all His ways, and He's never been less than perfect. He alone knows all things past, present, and future (*to us*), since He lives outside, over, and above time, in the eternal "present"

WITHOUT GOD—UNDER EVOLUTION

The human writers of "Genesis" stole from various flood legends that dotted the ancient globe; none of 'em are true, all are fables

All of that is fantasy: no "god"; no "image of god"; humans evolved, they weren't speciallymade; intelligence, speech, etc. are all the result of natural, chemical processes; there's no "soul"; death is the natural end of all things

The cosmos is all that ever was, is, or will be. If anything can be rightly said to govern this totally material universe, it must be "chance" (we're a bit confused on how *non*-material chance can do that, but that's our story). The bedrock "doctrine" of evolution is that "god" has no part in *our* universe. All things "supernatural" or non-material are excluded by default (oh,...except chance!)