

What does the Bible say?

What does the Bible say about the layout and architecture of the universe?

There are some hints in the Creation record in Genesis:

Gen 1:6

And God saith, 'Let **an expanse** be in the **midst of the waters**, and let it be separating between waters and waters.'

Gen 1:7

And God maketh **the expanse**, and it separateth between the waters which *are* **under** the **expanse**, and the waters which *are* **above** the **expanse**: and it is so.

Gen 1:8

And God calleth to the **expanse 'Heavens;'** and there is an evening, and there is a morning -- day second.

Gen 1:9

And God saith, 'Let the **waters under the heavens** be collected unto one place, and let the **dry land** be seen:' and it is so.

Gen 1:14

And God saith, 'Let **luminaries** be in the **expanse** of the heavens, to make a separation between the day and the night, then they have been for signs, and for seasons, and for days and years,

Gen 1:15

and they have been for **luminaries** in the **expanse** of the heavens to give light upon the earth:' and it is so.

Gen 1:16

And God maketh the **two great luminaries**, the great **luminary** for the rule of the **day**, and the small **luminary** -- and the **stars** -- for the rule of the **night**;

Gen 1:17

and God giveth them in the **expanse** of the heavens to give **light upon the earth**,

Gen 1:18

and to rule over day and over night, and to make a **separation** between the **light** and the **darkness**; and God seeth that *it is good*;

Additional hints in Psalms:

Psa 148:3

Praise ye Him, **sun** and **moon**, Praise ye Him, all **stars** of light.

Psa 148:4

Praise ye Him, heavens of heavens, And ye **waters** that are **above the heavens**.

From hints, it sounds like the universe has an outer boundary: a water layer beyond the "heavens" or the "expanse". This would imply both a **finite** universe and also impose a **universal coordinate system**. The articles below, by Dr. Russell Humphreys, explain this in more detail.

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