

Design at the Macroscopic Level: The Rare Earth



#### **Belief in God:**

Is It Reasonable In This Scientific Age?

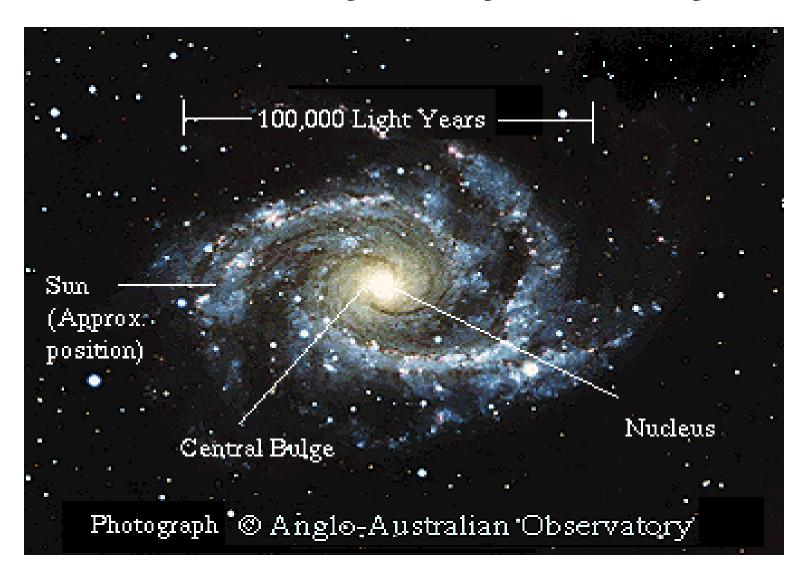
- Rom. 1:20 His invisible attributes ... understood by the things that are made
  - **□ His Eternal Power**
  - □ His Divine Nature (Godhead)
- Argument from Design



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#### The Milky Way Galaxy





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#### **100,000 LIGHT YEARS**

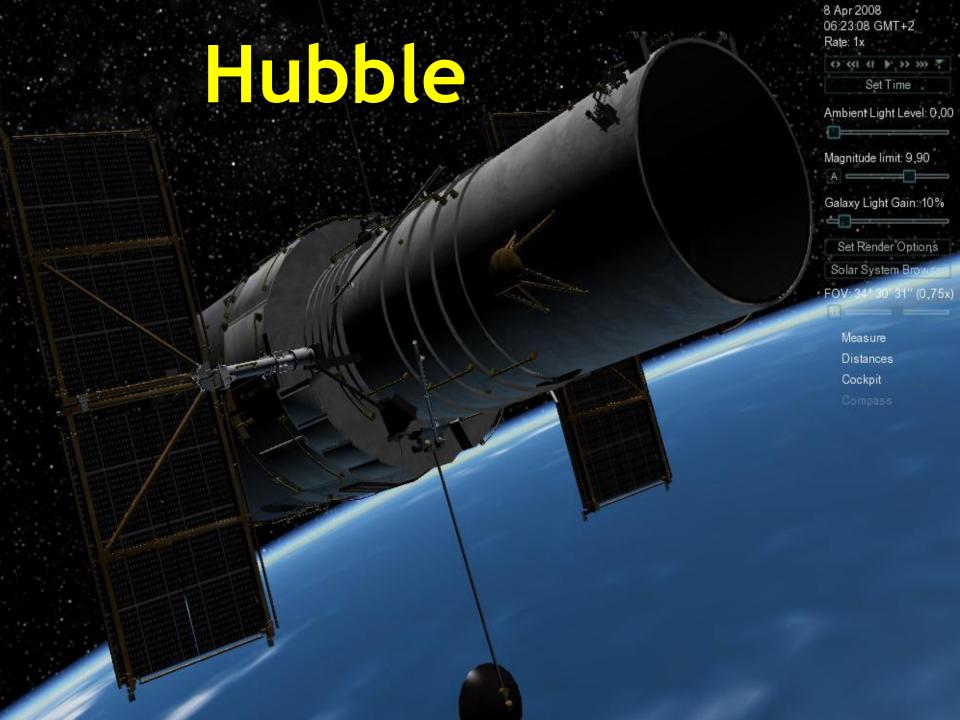
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X 60 sec/min X 60 min/hr

X 24 hrs/day X 365 days/yr =



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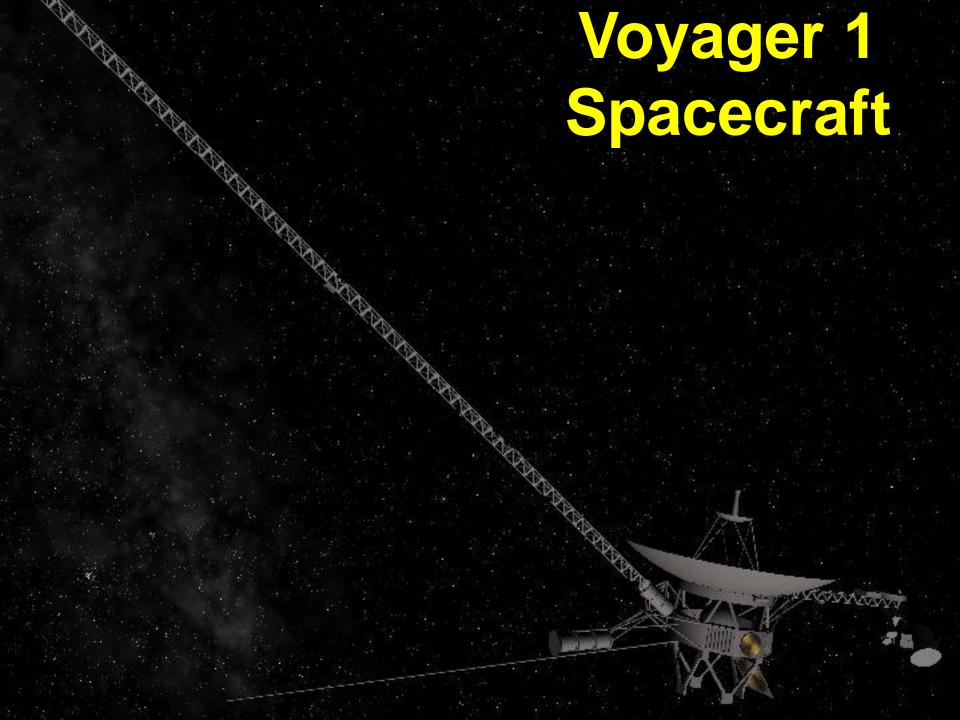
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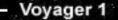
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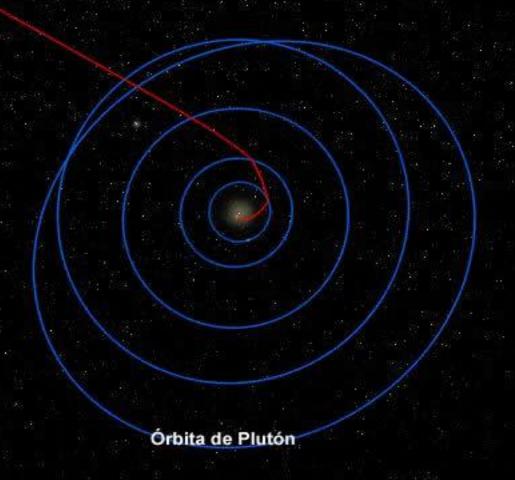
**□Over a trillion galaxies!** 







# Voyager 1 Projected Flight Path



#### The Pale Blue Dot by Carl Sagan



- The incredible amount of matter in the cosmos
  - **□Our Sun, typical of other stars**

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H + H He + Energy

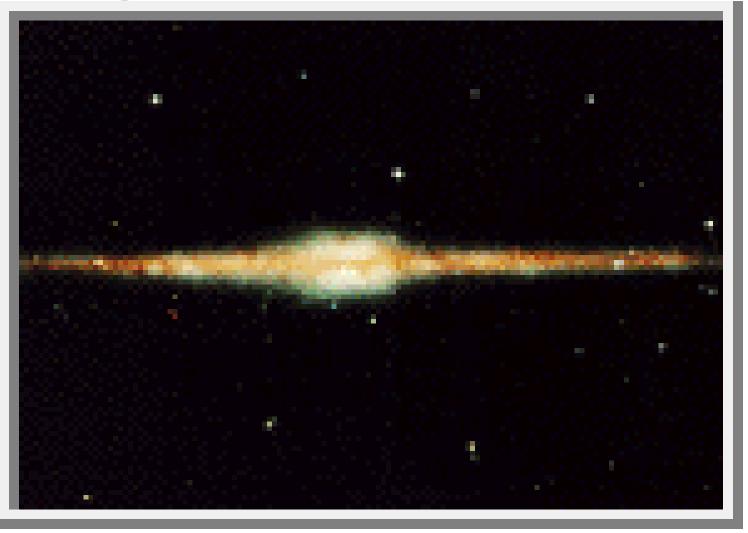
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Still enough H for millions of years!



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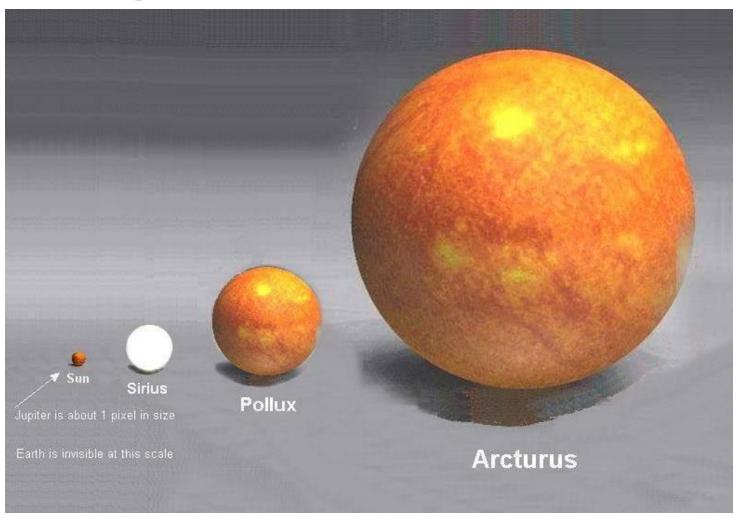






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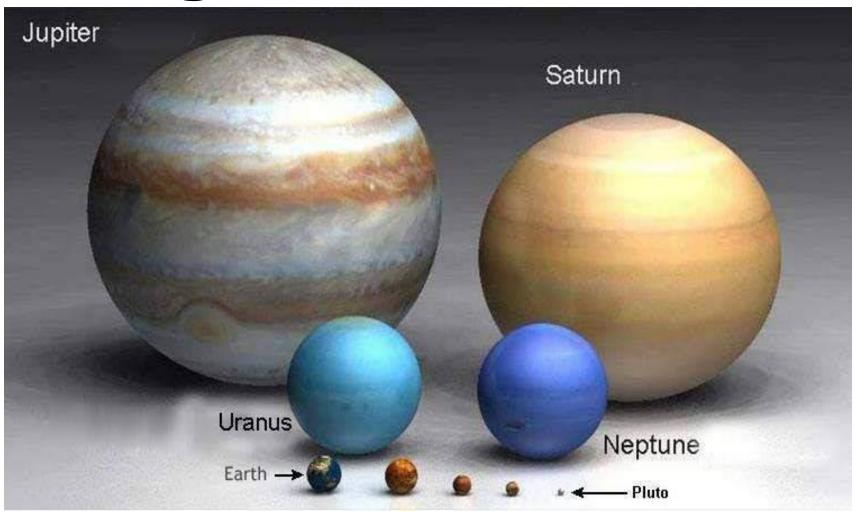
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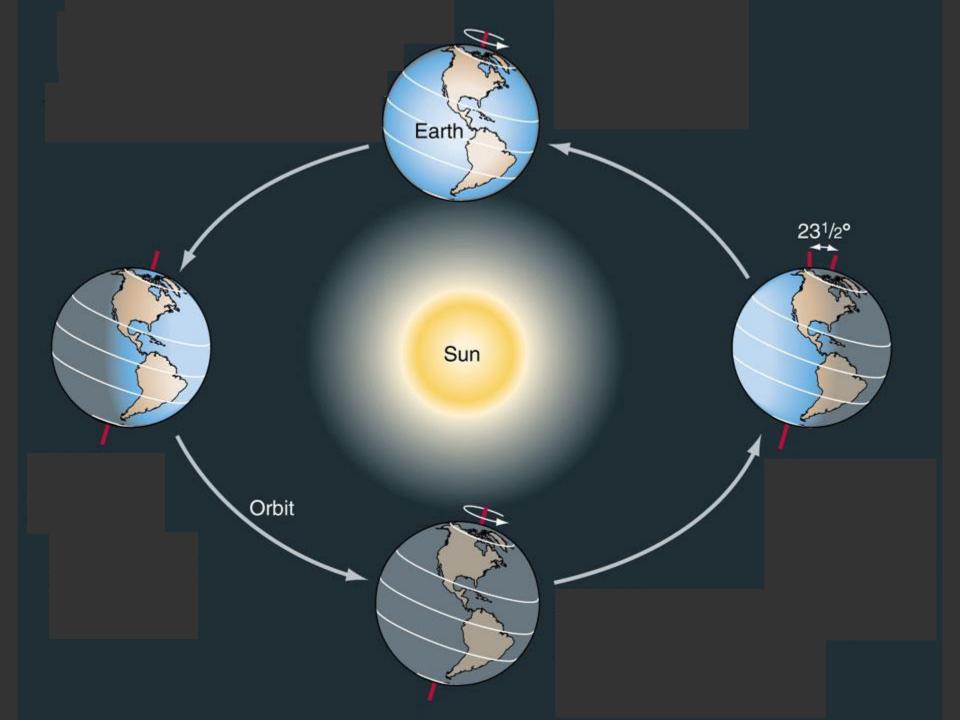
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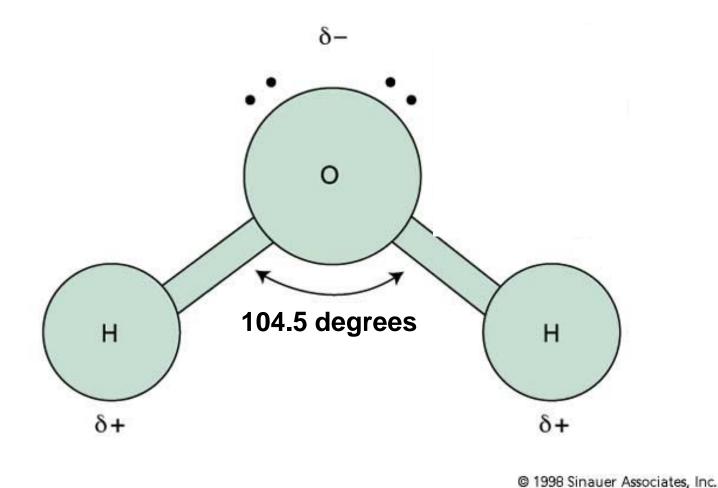
- Covers more than 70% of the Earth's surface
- Most plants and animals contain more than 60% water by volume



- ■WATER!!!
- A unique structure



#### **Unique Structure of a Water Molecule**





#### **■WATER!!!**

- A unique structure
- Only substance on Earth that exists in all three states: solid, liquid and gas
- Uniquely high specific heat



#### ■WATER!!!

- ■Wide temperature range for liquid (0 100 degrees C)
- Less dense as a solid!!
- Universal solvent
- High surface tension, cohesion and adhesion

## Is It Reasonable to Believe in this Age of Enlightenment?

- Everywhere we look, from the macroscopic to the microscopic things look like they are MADE
- A loud, clear, piercing cry of DESIGN!!

(M. Behe, <u>Darwin's Black Box</u>)



It is more reasonable than ever!!!