

**THIRTY FEATURES OF THE BIBLICAL COSMOS**

**— The Heaven of Heavens (the third heaven) —**

- 1 The Throne of Glory, God’s chambers & temple ..... 1Sam 2:8a
- 2 Clouds covering God’s throne ..... Job 26:9
- 3 Heaven of Heavens with their hosts, third heaven: ..... Neh 9:6, 2Cor 12:2

**— The Deep —**

- 4 Circle on the face of the deep, Circle of the earth (that God sits above) ..... Prov 8:27, Isa 40:22
- 5 Great Deep (above, around and below the cosmos) Psa 78:15, Psa 148:4

**— The Firmament —**

- 6 Firmament called Heaven<sup>1</sup> (hard; divides waters of the Great Deep; with the host of heaven called the second heaven) ... Neh 9:6, Job 37:18, Gen 1:2,6-7
- 7 Windows of heaven (may lack specific shape) ..... Gen 7:11, 8:2
- 8 Doors of heaven ..... Psa 78:23-25, Rev 4:1
- 9 Sun (in a circuit; earth still) ..... Psa 19:4-6, Josh 10:12-13
- 10 Moon (also a luminous body giving its own light) ..... Isa 13:10, Mar 13:24
- 11 Stars (12 signs of Mazzaroth with constellations) ..... Job 26:13, Job 38:32
- 12 Sky and atmoheisphere (the first heaven) ..... Luk 12:56, Eph 2:2
- 13 Pillars supporting the firmament ..... Job 26:11
- 14 Foundations of the firmament (is the earth) ..... 2Sam 22:8

**— The Inhabitable World —**

- 15 World [*tebel*, fertile, inhabited part of earth] (stable, shall not be moved) ... (KJV: *Earth* is sometimes used for part of the world.) ..... 1Chr 16:30
- 16 Pillars [*matsuwq*, something narrow] of the earth that the world is set on ..... 1Sam 2:8, Job 9:6
- 17 Foundations of the world (the seabed) ..... 2Sam 22:16, Psa 18:15

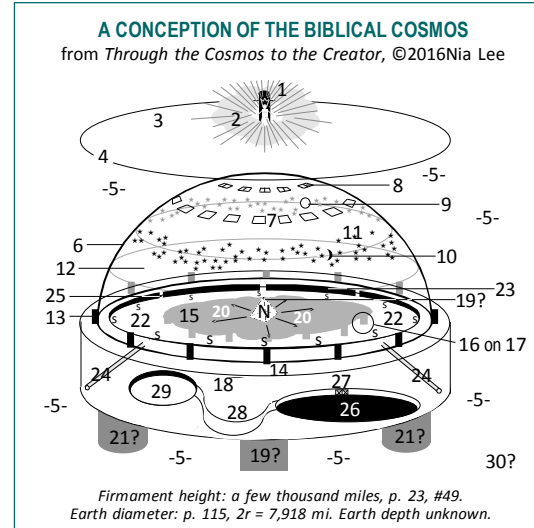
**— The Whole Earth and the Sea in its Valleys —**

- 18 Earth [*erets*, earth; can mean part] ..... Neh 9:6
- 19 Cornerstone of the earth<sup>2</sup> [*pinnah*: angle, pinnacle, chieftain] ..... Job 38:6
- 20 Earth stretched out from the North above the waters, or empty place<sup>3</sup> ..... Psa 136:6, Job 26:7
- 21 Foundations of the earth [*erets*, all or part of the earth] . Prov 8:29, Isa 24:18

<sup>1</sup> also called the expanse, vault or dome

<sup>2</sup> Location (Isa 28:16, 1Pet 2:6)?

<sup>3</sup> The empty place is the Great Deep.



- 22 Sea (oceans in the valley of the earth) ..... Neh 9:6
- 23 Circular boundary of the sea (made of *chowl*, whirling particles–snow vs. ... sand [KJV]) ..... Jer 5:22; Job 26:10
- 24 Fountains of the deep ..... Psa 78:15-16, Gen 7:11, Prov 8:28
- 25 Doors [*deleth*, swinging valves] with bars enclosing the sea (allowing tides?) ..... Job 38:8, 10

**— The Underworld —**

- 26 “Hell”–Sheol (Old Testament)/the abyss (New Testament); also called the bottomless pit ..... Deu 22:32, Luk 8:31, Rev 20:1
- 27 Gates of Death and “Hell” ..... Job 38:17, Mar 16:18
- 28 Great Gulf between “Hell” and Paradise ..... Luk 16:26
- 29 Abraham’s Bosom (Old Test.) / Paradise (New Test.)<sup>4</sup> .. Luk 16:22, Rev 2:7

**— Outer Darkness —**

- 30 Lake of Fire & Brimstone ..... Rev 19:20

<sup>4</sup> The righteous dead and Paradise are now with Jesus (2Cor 12:4, Eph 4:8).

– See also Gleason’s 1892 *New Standard Map of the World*, page 180. –