



On February 13, 2017, BBC published an article entitled “How the Universe can expand if there is no extra space.” The article can be viewed [here](#).

As God asked [Job 3](#), 500 years ago: “Have you grasped the celestial laws?” ([Job 38:33](#) NJB)

We know much more today than Job did then, but our answer would also be: “not really.”

However, the Bible does enlighten us far beyond science, although we appreciate good science.

“Yahweh, my God, how great you are! ... You stretch out the heaven like a tent.” ([Psalm 104:1-2](#) NJB)

“God is enthroned above the circle of the earth;
its inhabitants are like grasshoppers.
He stretches out the heavens like thin cloth
and spreads them out like a tent to live in.” ([Is 40:22-42](#) HCSB)

“This is what God, Yahweh, says—
who created the heavens and stretched them out,

who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people on it
and life to those who walk on it—” ([Isaiah 42:5](#) HCSB)

“This is what the Lord, your Redeemer who formed you from the womb, says:

I am Yahweh, who made everything;
who stretched out the heavens by Myself;
who alone spread out the earth;” ([Isaiah 44:24](#) HCSB)

“I made the earth,
and created man on it.
It was My hands that stretched out the heavens,
and I commanded all their host.” ([Isaiah 45:12](#) HCSB)

Over 2,700 years ago, the Bible said God “stretched out” the universe.

“By faith we understand that the universe was formed by God’s command, so that the visible came forth from the invisible.” ([Heb 11:2](#) REB)

The visible universe came out of the invisible, and expands into the invisible. Therefore, the universe constantly enlarges, and there is no limit to how large it can become. The universe doesn’t need “extra space” to expand. There is no limit as to how much it can expand