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“GOD’S WORD TO ALL HUMANITY”

1. *“In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.”*
Genesis 1:1.
2. *“But the LORD is the true God, he is the living God, and an everlasting king: at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation. (10)*

Thus shall ye say unto them, The gods that have not made the heavens and the earth, even they shall perish from the earth, and from under these heavens. (11)

He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heavens by his discretion. (12)

When he uttereth his voice, there is a multitude of waters in the heavens, and he causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth; he maketh lightnings with rain, and bringeth forth the wind out of his treasures.” Jeremiah 10:10-13.

3. God’s Word refutes the following:
 - a. The Atheist – Who says there is no God.
 - b. The Agnostic - Who claims we cannot know God.
 - c. The Materialists – Who claim that matter is eternal and not created.
 - d. The Polytheist – Who claims to worship many Gods.
 - e. The Pantheist – Who claims that “all nature is God.”
 - f. The Fatalist – Who teaches there is no divine plan behind Creation and History.

4. God's Foremost Word to the Believer (the Saved).

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

"These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God." 1 John 5:13.

5. God's Final Word to the Unbeliever (the Lost).

"Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:" Matthew 25:41.

"And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal." Matthew 25:46.

THE ANVIL – GOD’S WORD

LAST EVE I passed beside a blacksmith’s door,
And heard the anvil ring the vesper chime;
Then, looking in, I saw upon the floor
Old hammers, worn with beating years of time.

“How many anvils have you had,” said I,
“To wear and batter all these hammer so?”
“Just one,” said he, and then, with twinkling eye,
“The anvil wears the hammers out, you know.”

And so, thought I, the anvil of God’s Word,
For ages skeptic blows have beat upon;
Yet, though the noise of falling blows was heard,
The anvil is unharmed – the hammers gone.

-- UNKNOWN

INTRODUCTION

THE ORIGINAL QUESTION

Has man and earth existed millions of years allowing man time to evolve to his present state? The answer is, "Yes" concerning the earth; and "No" concerning man.

The Earth. Scientists do not agree as to the age of the earth. Many say it is thousands of years old, some millions, others billions or even trillions of years old. Who knows which is right? One conclusion is certain, they all agree it is very, very old. God does not state when He created the earth or the angels. He does not state how long the angels and Satan lived on this earth. He does not state the time when His judgment left the earth in the chaotic condition found in Genesis 1:2. God does not state how long it remained in that condition before He remodeled it for man in six days.

The true record of God's Word that Satan and the angels were the inhabitants of the Original Creation, and not man, is in perfect harmony with pure Science's premise that the earth is likely to be millions of years old.

Man. There is no proof man has been on this earth longer than approximately 6,000 years. If one would trace the genealogies from Adam, he would find it is about 1056 years from Adam to the birth of Noah. In Genesis 7:6, Noah was 600 years old when the flood came, that being about the year 1656. Thanks to archaeology, hieroglyphics and true scientific findings, man's history from the flood to the birth of Christ at the time of Herod and the Roman Empire is about 2500 years. This totals about 4,000 years from God's creation of man to Christ. From Christ to the present is 2,000 plus years, making a total in the area of 6,000 years. When Science estimates the

earth to be millions of years old, they could be right. But do not try to place man on the earth during the Original Creation. Always demand proof, not a guess.

I pray this book will cause you to consider and "avoid profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of Science falsely so-called." 1 Timothy 6:20.

Christian Friend, Satan is ever busy in these last days sowing his seeds of doubt and disbelief. We must study to show ourselves approved and a workman who will not need to be ashamed when we face the questions of the world. The Bible will stand on its own, if Christians will study it and learn to use it. There isn't one shred of evidence for evolution and Christians need to be bold about using God's Word to refute the claims of the evolutionists.

Why is Satan so glad to advance the claims of evolution? If we are only animals and are gradually getting better and better, then we will not see our need of a Savior. There is an eternal Hell for those who do not trust Christ.

What is the answer?

"...Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." Acts 16:31.

CHAPTER ONE

SOME QUESTIONS WE WILL ANSWER

Here are a few of the questions we will be covering. Did God create the earth? How old is the earth? How many links are missing from the chain of evolution? How much of Science is really true? How long is a day in Genesis, Chapter One? Can you believe both evolution and the Bible? Can evolution be proved? Can the Bible be proved? Does the Eohippus horse prove evolution? Is the teaching that ontogeny recapitulates phylogeny proof of evolution? Is the Eoanthropus or the Pithecanthropus Erectus the missing link?

CAN YOU BELIEVE IN EVOLUTION & THE BIBLE?

We believe one of the first questions to be answered is, "Can a person believe in evolution and also the Bible?" Many believe you can, while others contend that you cannot. The easiest way to answer this question is to examine both claims by laying them side by side to see if they agree. Then you can decide if one can believe in both or ... you will have to believe in one or the other.

Materialistic Evolution

Here is a surprising fact. There are many types of evolution and we will examine only the two most common claims. The first is called Materialistic Evolution; that is, that the first existence of any life and its progression emerged without help from God. As related to the universe, many say that our earth is a piece which broke off from the sun, whirled

into space, cooled off and settled into orbit. This is one of many speculations of how our earth came into being.

Theistic Evolution

The second most common claim is Theistic Evolution; that is, that God created the first protozoan and evolution brought it on up the ladder to where we are today. The latter is held to by the liberal and modernist preacher. He doesn't know enough about the Bible to stand with the Lord one-hundred percent, neither does he know enough about Science to support it one-hundred percent. So ... the easiest way out is to teach a little of both! When I was a boy we called that "fence-straddling"...wanting to please everyone and not stating the truth about anything.

The Bible's claim is Creationism, THAT GOD ALONE CREATED MAN IN HIS FULLY DEVELOPED STATE. It also states that he made all living creatures and that each reproduced "after their own kind." God says that He also created everything, including the earth. In Colossians 2:16 we read,

"For by him were all things created, that are in heaven and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones or dominions, or principalities, or powers, all things were created by him and for him."

In Genesis 1:1 the Bible says,

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."

One can easily see the contrast. God says He created everything, while man calls Him a liar and proposes his own theory of evolution. If evolution is true, then the Bible is false. There is no middle road. If the Bible is true, then evolution is a hoax and multitudes are believing a lie.

SO-CALLED "EVIDENCES" PROVEN TO BE A HOAX

Personally, if evolution can be proved, then I will believe it; but, I want PROOF, not a theory or a guess. Years ago this question was not settled in my mind and I decided to search out the truth for myself. When I finished, I was astounded at the microscopic amount of evidence for evolution and the existence of many so-called "facts" which turned out to be hoaxes. Let us concern ourselves, for the moment, with the hoaxes that have been trotted out to the public as "proof of evolution."

God says in Genesis 1:27,

"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."

Evolutionists deny this and one of the "missing links" they offer in the place of God's declaration is the "Nebraska Man."

The Nebraska Man or Hespero-pithecus.

This is probably one of the most famous as scientists tell us he is one of the oldest. Our text books have glamorized him with the name of Hespero-pithecus Man. This name is derived from the Greek word "hesperos" meaning "evening" and "pithecus", or the Western Ape as he is often called.

This was the so-called "missing link" presented by Professor H. H. Newman of the University of Chicago at the famous Scopes trial in Dayton, Tennessee, years ago. William Jennings Bryan, in defense of the Bible, said "he thought the evidence presented was too scanty to base upon it such far reaching conclusions." Many of the so-called experts only laughed and scoffed at his conclusions. Most of our colleges and institutions of higher learning, high schools and grade schools are teaching evolution as a fact, not a theory. This man is still carried in our text books all over the country as the "missing link." Upon this man was built a whole prehistoric race in America.

Figure 1. "Mr. and Mrs. Hesperopithicus."



"Mr. and Mrs. Hesperopithicus. Figures are redrawn from the "Illustrated London News" in 1922. The explanatory text, "The poise of the head should be noted, large muscles...back and shoulders...to counteract the prognathous head and heavy jaw...a simian character." It is amazing what can be guessed from the tooth of a wild pig. Reprinted by permission. *Genesis and Early Man*, by Arthur C. Custance, Ph.D.

Let us examine the evidence presented. The evidence consisted in its entirety of one, single, solitary TOOTH! When we see this man who is made to look like but a step from ape to man, remember, it is based upon only one tooth. This is almost unbelievable! The design of the face, amount of hair, bone structure, height, size of head, arms, feet and facial expression are all constructed in plaster of paris according to the imagination of the artist.

Since the infamous Scopes trial, when many of the “experts” laughed at Mr. Bryan, the entire skeleton belonging to the tooth has been found. It belonged to a peccary, a species of pig that is now extinct on our continent.

Who is the laugh really on? Do you know your children are being taught this nonsense in our public schools throughout the nation. The text books still show the pictures of part-ape and part-man, which is an absolute lie. Remember, when your child is taught this, he is taught to call God a liar. He cannot believe in evolution and the Bible too. The one tooth turned out to be that of a wild pig. Just one of the many hoaxes of those trying to establish a false claim. A long, long way from being the ape-man a million years old.

It is always safe to believe God. Just as He stated “He created,” He also promised,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise and bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.” (I Corinthians 1:19).

“Prudent” is the Greek word ‘sunetos’ and means “a mental putting together”, i.e. acquired human philosophy.

“Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.” Acts 16:31.

Which is true? “In the beginning God created” or man’s Theory of Evolution? God’s answer is simple.

“God forbid: yea, let God be true but every man a liar.” (Romans 3:4)

Another hoax the evolutionists would like you and me to believe is the “Java Ape-Man.” Let us examine the so-called “evidence.”

The Java Ape-Man.

Dr. Eugene Dubois went searching for the love of his life, the Myth of Evolution. While stationed in Java as a physician with the Dutch Army in 1891, he found a small piece of a top of a skull, a fragment of a left thigh bone and three molar teeth. These very fragmentary findings were hailed as the most distinctive portions of the human frame. Remember, a small piece of a top of a skull, fragment of a left thigh bone and three molar teeth. "...and from these specimens we are able to reconstruct the entire being," rejoice the scientists.

These remains were not found together, but in a range of some fifty or seventy feet. They were not found at the same time, but within the space of a year. They were found in an

Figure 2. So-Called “Evidence” For Java Man



http://www.soulwinners.com.au/images/Java_man.jpg

old river bed mingled with much debris and many bones of other extinct animals. Dr. Dubois also found at this site some rather modern skulls, a fact he did not mention for thirty years for fear it would detract from his "ape-man." Dr. Dubois gave.

his discovery the name of Pithecanthropus Erectus. "Pithecus is the Greek word for ape..."anthropus" is the Greek word for man..."erectus" means standing up. The ape-man standing up. His birthday is said to have occurred some seven-hundred and fifty thousand years ago.

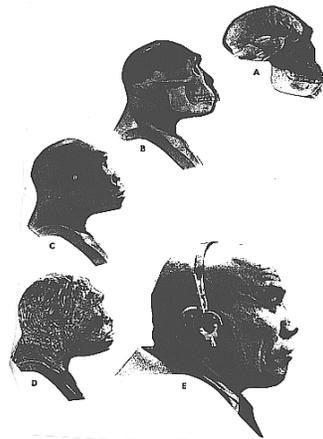


Figure 3. Pithecanthropus Reconstruction.

Left: This series of four photographs (A, B, C, D) shows the stages of reconstruction of Pithecanthropus erectus. (E) The Russian delegate to the 1958 Cairo Conference. Reprinted by permission from *Genesis and Early Man*, Arthur C. Custance, Ph.D.

Dr. Dubois gleefully brought his findings to the Third International Congress of Zoology at Leiden in 1855, only to find the men of Science thought them to be some sort of ape. Dubois locked up the fossils for 28 years, during which time the men of Science changed their views and said Pithecanthropus Erectus was a man. Dubois had changed his mind also. He said Pithecanthropus Erectus was a gibbon.

This is the basis for the world famous "Pithecanthropus Erectus" found in every museum and nearly every text book concerning the lineage of man. (He was later reclassified "Homo Erectus.")

Reconsider. The "remains" of Pithecanthropus Erectus were found in the sands of a river bed. They could not

possibly have been preserved for seven-hundred and fifty thousand years in this manner. A petrified skeleton that turns to rock, encased in rock, could exist there for millions of years. But an un-petrified skeleton, buried in sand, would not even last five thousand years. If this were the case, they would be everywhere. A situation which, obviously, does not exist.

God describes Dr. Dubois and these scientists in James 1:8, "A double minded man is unstable in all his ways." "Perish the thought" of evolution or else perish in your unbelief.

John 3:15 is so true,

"...That whosoever believeth in him (Jesus Christ) should not perish, but have eternal life.'

God also states in Isaiah 42:5,

"Thus saith God the LORD, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein:"

One may say, "Why is it so important to decide for or against creation? If one follows the logic of the evolutionist, that man will evolve from a lower order and then progressively onward and upward, higher and higher, he will see no need of a Savior. The evolutionist feels that he has no need of God, that man is an answer unto himself. They worship the creature more than the Creator. (Romans 1:25)

A person who believes that they are simply on the upper rung of the ladder of evolution with a poor protozoan or amoeba at the bottom and who-knows-what at the top ... does not believe in God, for God said He created man and woman, every living creature, each nook and cranny of the universe, and the worlds beyond ... WITH A WORD! Mankind does not get better and better. God also sums up man's condition with a word, and that word is, "sinner!"

"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23)

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Romans 6:23)

Actually, Friend, if evolution was a crime ... there isn't even enough evidence on the books to convict it!

We continue with another episode of "Dear Pithecanthropus." Some seventy years later a startling statement was made by *Science Newsletter*. A bewildered creature, a man, but deeply marked with the brand of the ape has emerged at last from the silence of 250,000 years and "Pithecanthropus" at last has a brother." Where was Pithecanthropus' brother found? In the center of Java.

A newspaper article about the discovery stated, "Perfect skull of Prehistoric Man, missing link is found. Professor Heberlein, of the Netherlands Government Medical Service, has discovered at Trinal in Central Java, a complete skull of the ape-like creature termed by some "the missing link" and by Science, "Pithecanthropus Erectus." Professor Heberlein's find, which is complete and sound, will be kept in Dutch East

India, as the transportation of such relics is prohibited. A very handy situation! This marvelous find turned out to be the knee bone of an extinct elephant. So much for Java Man!

We find that L.S.B. Leakey, while gloating about his "Missing Link" find in September of 1960, betrays the fact that he still believes in this bit of trickery. (National Geographic, September 1960, page 424.)

God's answer to atheism is,

"Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made me thus?" Romans 9:20.

Heidelberg Man

And now we have the case of the Heidelberg Jaw or "Man." We find him reconstructed and in exhibition in museums and pictured in all the books. He was found by Dr. Schoetensack in the sands (There it is again!) of the Mauer River, near Heidelberg, Germany. That is why it is called the Mauer Jaw or the Heidelberg Jaw or by the high-sounding Latin name of "Homo (man) Heidelbergensis." It was first said to be 750,000 years old. Later, it was said to be only 375,000 years old. Just any wild guess will do, one is as good as the other!

One distinguished scientist showed that a skull of a modern Eskimo had the same appearance and peculiarities of the Heidelberg Jaw. Another scientist said he had discovered in the South Pacific a whole race of South Sea Islanders, all of whom have massive jawbones like the "Homo Heidelbergensis." Another scientist said one can walk down the

streets of any city and see men everywhere who have Heidelberg jaws, great ... heavy ... lower jaws.

All it took, then, was plaster of paris. The features of the ape-like form were made out of sheer imagination and placed in the museum and it was said, "This is a demonstration of the evolution of man".

Which is right? That God created all mankind; or, the atheist with all his theories?

Answer: God states in Isaiah 44:24,25,

"Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, I am the LORD that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself; That frustrateth the tokens of the liars, and maketh diviners mad; that turneth wise men backward, and maketh their knowledge foolish."

Piltdown Man

Piltdown Man is the next man in our parade of hoaxes. Now, let us examine their so-called "evidence." In 1912, Charles Dawson, an amateur fossilologist, brought to Dr. Arthur Smith Woodward, eminent paleontologist at the British Museum, some bones and primitive implements he said he found in a gravel pit at Piltdown, Sussex, the southern part of England.



Figure 4. Piltown Man Fragments. On the left is the so-called "evidence" for Piltown Man, which was ultimately exposed by a splendid article from the *Popular Science Monthly*, entitled "The Great Piltown Hoax". <http://www.bing.com/images/www.cdb.ucl.ac.uk.PiltDawnMan.jpg>

He brought a piece of jaw, two molar teeth, and a piece of a skull. These were acclaimed by the anthropologists as possibly one-half million years old. Dr. Woodward, in honor of the discoverer, named the creature, "Eoanthropus Dawsoni". "Eos" is the Greek word for dawn, "anthropus" is the Greek word for man ... so "Eoanthropus" is "Dawn Man" of Sussex, England ... the Piltown Man.

Oh, what a literature they created on him! How they manufactured him and put him in the museum and made pictures of him for the books. The Encyclopedia Britannica calls the "Piltown Man" second in importance only to "Pithecanthropus Erectus" and we know about him!

Henry Fairfield Osborn, the great American paleontologist of the American Museum of Natural History said, "Eoanthropus... its darkly colored and thoroughly fossilized skull fragments are intermingled with fragments of grinding teeth of Proboscidiens, (other fossil animals) of unquestionable Upper Pliocene age. Eoanthropus, the Dawn Man of Sussex, now appears to be of greater geologic age than Pithecanthropus Erectus, Trinal ape-man".

On and on they went about the Piltdown Man. Eoanthropus, from Sussex, England. And lo...and behold...in the October, 1956, issue of the *Reader's Digest* was summarized a splendid article from the *Popular Science Monthly*, entitled "The Great Piltdown Hoax".

The whole hoax was exposed! The jaw-bone was that of an ape that had died only fifty years before. The teeth were filed down to disguise their original design and shape, and both teeth and bones were artificially colored with bichromate of potash. Out of that they created the great Piltdown Man and placed him in the museum and put his pictures in the books from which we teach our children and to which we have reference on our shelves.

Oh, how the "giants" did fall for this trick in their efforts to support the theory of evolution. How they did explain and assume and theorize and defend this "great archaeological discovery".

God describes these atheistic, evolutionary, intellectuals in II Timothy 3:7,

"Ever learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth."

The truth of God's word is revealed by Jesus Christ, Himself, in John 14:6.

"...I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

Even the great L.S.B. Leakey fell into the trap! Dr. Leakey is so anxious to assume Genesis is wrong when it says God created the first man and woman (whose names were Adam and Eve) that he wrote a book about evolution called Adam's Ancestors. The book was originally published before the Piltdown material was exposed as a fraud, but then Dr. Leakey's fourth edition of the same book was published seven years after the hoax was admitted. Dr. Leakey added more material to bring the book up to date, but the original text was unchanged. Thus we find two versions of the Piltdown affair in the same book. God's Word *never* contradicts itself.

At one place, Leakey states, "the jaw was that of a modern ape, while the skull was that of a modern type man..." At another place he says, "The famous Piltdown skull agrees with Homo Sapiens (modern man) in this one respect (that the brow ridges are similar to ours) but differs markedly in others, and so is ruled out from the species". At one place in his book, Dr. Leakey says that the skull is the type of modern man, and at another place in the same book he says that it cannot be considered to be the same species.

As an excuse for this he complains, "On several occasions in the past I tried to get permission to make a detailed study of the original Piltdown fossils, but on each occasion was only shown them for a few brief moments and not allowed to examine them properly, and was given a cast to work with."

The Piltdown Hoax shows the true nature of evolutionary scientists, they can see a great deal of what they wish to see and overlook a great deal of what they do not wish to see.

The Lord's warning to every person is as Paul instructed Timothy in 1 Timothy 6:20.

“O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust (i.e., God's Word), avoiding profane and vain (empty) babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called.”

Which is true? God's statement that He created all mankind; or, the atheist's statements with all his theories, and hoaxes? The Lord answers in the Bible,

*“For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in the earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him.”
Colossians 1:16.*

Neanderthal Man

And now we travel to Düsseldorf, where the Dussel River runs through a beautiful little gorge called the Neanderthal Gorge. On one side is a limestone cliff. In that cliff a few bones were found and controversy raged again. Scientists hotly disputed the significance of the discovery of the bones as to their age, and whether they were human or animal or mere abnormalities.

Actually, the first Neanderthal Skull was found in a quarry in Gibraltar but was completely neglected for sixteen years. Why? Because the evolutionists hoped to find a living example of the missing link somewhere in the unexplored areas of the world.

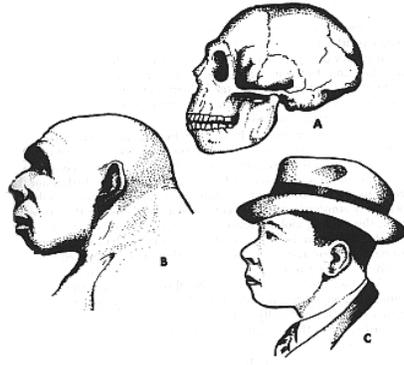
If evolution were true, we should find mankind in all stages of change everywhere about us, but we do not.

The controversy concerning Neanderthal found in 1856 was resolved by most anthropologists deciding that Neanderthal was "bestial and gorilloid." Further, that he walked with a slouch, unable to straighten his knees, with his head thrust forward.

In 1956, a symposium was held in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the discovery of the Neanderthals. William S. Straus, Jr. (Anthropologist of Johns-Hopkins University) and A.J.E. Cave (Department of Anatomy at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London) were permitted to examine the remains. Straus and Cave found the skeleton very fragmentary.

They also pronounced the skeleton to be in abnormal health condition and stated it could not be used to provide a picture of a healthy, normal Neanderthalian.

A counter opinion was given. "...If he could be reincarnated and placed in a New York subway, provided he were bathed, shaved and dressed in modern clothing, it is doubtful whether he would attract any more attention than some of its other denizens," they said.



Left: Figure 5. This Neanderthal skull (A) from La Chapelle-Aux was in due course reconstructed (B) for the Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, to show how our "primitive ancestor" looked. It was reconstructed (C) by J.H. McGregor to show how "modern" he really might have been in appearance. *Genesis and Early Man*, by Arthur C. Custance, Ph.D

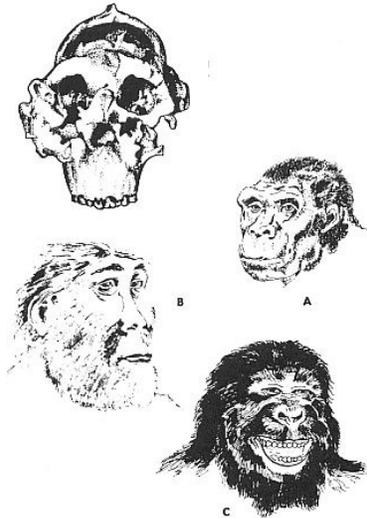
Figure 5. Neanderthal Reconstruction.

One thing that is not a hoax; but, the truth, is found in John 5:24.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."

Zinjanthropus. (Nutcracker Man).

Zinjanthropus was found in 1959 in the Olduvai Gorge in Eastern Africa by L.S.B. Leakey. "Zinj" being the ancient Arabic word for Eastern Africa and "anthropus" is the Greek word for man, and then "Boisei" in honor of Charles Boise, a benefactor of Leakey's. "Zinj", as he was affectionately called by Dr. Leakey and his wife, was dated by the Potassium-argon process and assumed to be 1,750,000 years old.



Left: Figure 6. Zinjanthropus
 The original fossil skull which formed the basis of the three reconstructions of Zinjanthropus which have been redrawn below: Zinjanthropus, as drawn (A) for the *Sunday Times* of London, 5 April 1964; (B) by Neave Parker for Dr. L. S. B. Leakey and published in the *Illustrated London News and Sketch*, 1 January 1960; (C) by Maurice Wilson for Dr. Kenneth P. Oakley. Redrawn by Arthur C. Custance, *Genesis and Early Man*. Reprinted by permission.

Figure 6. Zinjanthropus Reconstructions..

Dr. Leakey wrote in much detail about this relative of *near man*, and evolutionary "dead-end." But in 1960, he wrote at great length about "Zinj" describing his diet, how he met his death, his approximate age of 18, what kind of tools he made, and even a portrait was painted of him. If you had given him a cap to hide the fact that he had no forehead, he could go anywhere in the country today and not be noticed. Or so the artist thought. Now, it is thought that the tools found with him were not made by him, but were used on him!

Dr. Leakey and his wife, both now dead, had been laboring in the Olduvai Gorge since 1931 in search of the first man. The work is now being carried on by their son, Richard, and his wife. They believe the wall of this gorge, being part of Africa's Great Rift Valley, was suddenly thrust up by an earthquake allowing us to look into a cross-section of the earth's crust. They saw it as a gigantic "layer-cake" of

archaeology with the oldest layers at the bottom and the youngest layers at the top. A nice theory, but it just didn't work out that way.

As we mentioned, "Zinj" was tested by the Potassium Argon method. Not "Zinj's" skull, but the strata in which he was found! That does make a difference. Tests were made on other material in the same strata by Carbon-14, showing 10,000 years old. WHICH IS RIGHT? Carbon-14 which gives 10,000 or Potassium Argon which gives 1,750,000 years old? Dr. Whitelaw, a professor in nuclear engineering, claims it to be less than 7,000 years. Tests were also made on the strata found above and below "Zinj." The strata below him tested younger than that above him, although it should have been the other way around. However, the *National Geographic* neglected to mention this fact in their September, 1960, article "A Clock For The Ages."

There is an area in the state of Colorado. If you were buried in the volcanic tuff which is everywhere on the topsoil of that area, and someone exhumed you one-hundred years from now and tested the topsoil in which you lay, they would assume you were as many thousands of years old as the volcanic tuff in which you were buried. You can see the fallacy of testing the strata in which "Zinj" was found in an attempt to determine the age of his skull.

We might mention the different methods of age determination, Florine, Helium, Carbon-14, Potassium Argon and others, all depend on many assumptions. They assume that the radioactive elements or the testing elements decay at the same constant rate everywhere, all the time, with none ever being added. This is simply not the case. Potassium Argon has a further disadvantage in that argon is a gas and can escape

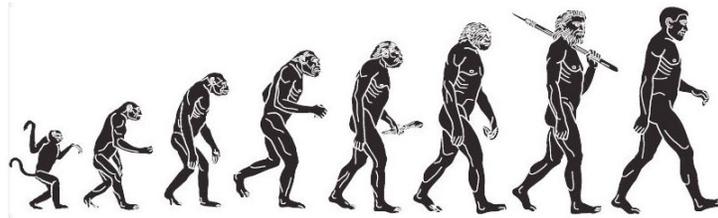
from the material. Carbon-14 is the most known of all methods and is not accurate over 40,000 years. Creation Research Society Journal (June, 1970) reports that a living mollusk was tested by Carbon-14 and found to be dead for 3,000 years.

The evolutionary scientists reply to this is, "All factors were not taken into consideration. You did not calibrate your mathematical conclusions." What factors? Such as being found alive and tested with their criteria, which gave an erroneous result of being dead for 3,000 years? It is an amazing thing, that after all their "factors" are considered, and they make their mathematical "calibrations" to adjust their findings, they usually come up with the age they assumed at the beginning of their test!

You may ask, "What is the point of all this?" With a few fragments in each case, an ape-man is reconstructed according to the fancy of the artist who determines posture, stature, size, appearance, skin color, hair. Whole families are built depicting the lifestyle and the appearance of these weird creatures. They are all constructed imaginatively!

It would be impossible to show exactly how a man looked after he had been dead just a few years if you only had his skeleton? Even forensic artists, who help in crime solving, can't make an accurate representation of an unknown victim. They can guess as to height, sex, general health if they have the right material. They can guess ethnic background and supply standard skin depths in computer remodeling. But, what kind of nose did they have, did their ears stick out, what color hair? Exact facial appearance is only a guess! There are many variables. But wild-eyed, imaginative anthropologists create these weird creatures by the thousand, many times on the basis of a handful of bone fragments.

It is estimated that there are three-hundred replicas of the Piltdown Man in museums, around the world. It is estimated that nearly one million persons annually pass through the American Museum of Natural History in New York and view, according to the artist's fancy, the reconstruction of Pithecanthropus, Heidelberg Man, Piltdown Man, and Neanderthal Man. They are supposed to be "The Ancestors of The Human Race." They are usually depicted as below:



And the multitude of high school teachers and students, as well as the general public are never told how dubious and unscientific the representation of these figures are. They are pawned off in the name of science as being actual and factual, and nothing could be further from the truth! (See below.)



Figure 7. Thomas Huxley's False Diagram. Huxley falsified a diagram showing four skeletons, three of the primates of increasing size standing in line behind a skeleton of a man...to indicate that man was not the only creature who could stand upright...he posed the animal skeletons in an unnaturally upright position. *Evolution or Creation*, Arthur C. Custance, Ph. D.

Figure 7. Thomas Huxley's False Diagram

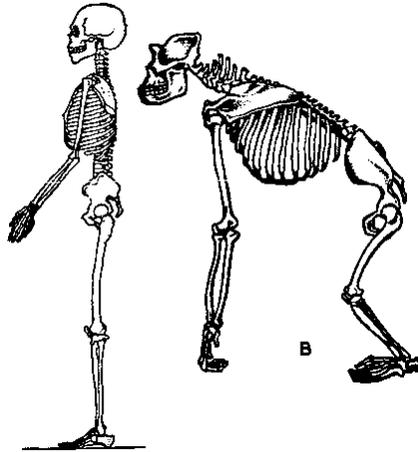


Figure 8. The True Stance of Man and Ape.

Every person who has fallen into the trap of the evolutionist will point a finger at them in the day of judgment. They are responsible for condemning the souls of men to eternal Hell by causing them to doubt God's Word. The evolutionists dig in the dirt of this planet and they are,

"Ever learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth." 2 Timothy 3:7.

CHAPTER TWO

PRESENT DAY HOAXES

In the first chapter we examined the so-called evidence in support of some sort of prehistoric man. The hoax of the Piltdown Man was exposed as the jaw bone of an ape, just 50 years deceased. The teeth were deliberately filed down to disguise their original shape and artificially colored with bichromate of potash. This is typical of the extremes to which men will go to in order to discredit God's Word. In Genesis 1:26, God gave a simple account of how man came into being as a direct act of creation, "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him, male and female created he them."

God does not take the credit for an ape bearing His image. Remember, the Heidelberg Man, the Nebraska Man (*Hespero Pithecus*), the Java Ape-Man, the Neanderthal Man and all the rest have been PROVEN A HOAX!

One thing that is not a hoax; but, the truth, is found in John 5:24.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."

A CLEVER DECEPTION – "BIG FOOT."

Some years ago we were teaching in Sunday School on the fallacies of evolution and the truthfulness of God's Word in the book of Genesis. At that time there was a movie in this

area called "Big Foot." The movie showed scenes of a half-man, half-beast running through the woods. Only one man was supposed to have seen this creature and have taken pictures of him. Towards the end, the picture showed scenes of graves of many of these so-called beasts.

After the service a young girl asked me if there could be anything to this movie. Two nights previously I had observed the advertisement for the movie on television. It was very cleverly presented. After a few scenes of the above-mentioned beasts running through the woods, the announcer stated, "And we have a confirmation from the Smithsonian Institute."

I suggested to the young lady that she write to the Smithsonian Institute and have them confirm their statement. We received the letter from the Smithsonian Institute stating the whole claim was a hoax. Their confirmation was only to the fact that there was *nothing* to this "prehistoric" half-man, half-beast.

The Smithsonian gave a confirmation, certainly, but only to the fact that it was a hoax.

By using some tricky wording, the public was cleverly deceived into believing the Smithsonian Institute had confirmed the authenticity of the monster, "Big Foot" when just the opposite was true. Here, again, is another example of the lengths to which men will go who hate God, and lie, cheat and steal your confidence in the name of Science.

Man's heart has not changed, for Timothy was warned over 2,000 years ago about the same type of men.

"O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely, so called." (I Timothy 6:20)

Sad to say, at this writing, there are still people looking for "Big Foot", "Yeti," "Sasquatch", or the "Abominable Snowmen"!

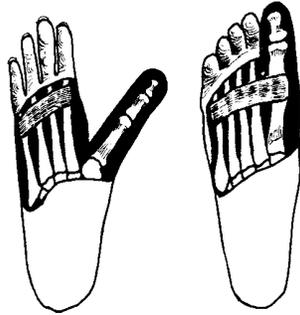
Remember, there is not one proof of evolution to be found! We hope you will be concerned enough to demand proof and not accept, blindly, the cleverly designed fables meant to deceive.

COMPARISON OF MAN WITH APES

Here we list a few comparisons of man and ape to show how felonious it is to assume a line of descent that never occurred. Apes and monkeys were a direct result of creation, just as man.

1. Apes have long arms, men have short arms.
2. Men have chins, apes have none.
3. Apes have massive canine teeth and men do not.
4. Apes cannot oppose the thumb to the fingers, men can. Lacking this, no ape could be a competent tool-user.
5. Female humans have a membrane, hymen, which female apes do not.
6. Human males lack a bone, baculum, which male apes have.

7. A human child after birth is greatly changed in leg length and its skull will not calcify for some time. This is not so with the ape.
8. The ape's brain is different from man's, as it lacks the vital "broca" (speech) area.
9. The chimpanzee, adapted to arboreal life, can grasp a branch and suspend its weight for more than a minute, even before it is a month old. This is utterly impossible for a human baby.
10. Apes and monkeys spend a great part of their time in trees and rarely descend to the ground.
11. Humans are earthly beings (Genesis 2:7) and live their lives on the earth.
12. Men live in houses, apes live in crudely constructed nests.
13. Apes have fur, men wear clothes.
14. Apes neither cry nor laugh, humans do both.
15. Apes live mostly on leaves, buds, and fruits. Man has, and needs, a meat diet. (Genesis 9:2,3)
16. The hind foot of an ape has a long thumb that is opposable, enabling him to grasp a tree limb. Man's foot has toes so he can walk upright, not grasp tree limbs. The foot of a man and ape differ radically, it is actually awkward for an ape to walk upright, but with man it is natural.



Left: Diagram 9. Oversimplified diagram of the ape and human foot, showing the difference in transverse metatarsal ligament. After Wood Jones, *Man's Place Among the Mammals* (Fig. 147). Reprinted by permission from *Evolution or Creation*, by Arthur Custance.

Diagram 9. Oversimplified Diagram of
The Ape and Human Foot.

17. Man has the ability to reason, apes cannot.
18. Man has a moral concept, apes do not.
19. Man alone worships God and lives eternally. Animals do not worship God, life ceases at death.

A great deal of attention lately has been focused on the supposed similarities of chimpanzees (which is classified as a member of the great ape family) and humans, even to the point that evolutionists claim a 98-99% similarity. We find that the whole genomes have never been compared, only the hand selected regions that appear to be similar, once again providing the evolutionist with the biased result they wish to claim. And one evolutionary study says it may be as low as 86%, or less.

In Acts 17:26 we find an interesting verse,

"And (God) hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath

determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation."

God tells us, in the above verse, that all men have the same blood. This means that blood from all races and ethnic backgrounds can be exchanged, as long as it is the correct blood type.. No matter what a man's race is, when in need of a transfusion, he can receive it from any other human, regardless of race. I challenge the evolutionist, when he is in need of a transfusion, **TO GET HIS BLOOD FROM THE APE!** Needless to say, the results of such folly would be fatal.

CROSS-SPECIES BLOOD TRANSFUSION

Jane Goodall and Chimpanzee Blood

Jane Goodall is an avid proponent of evolution, having begun her study of chimpanzees in Gombe Stream Chimpanzee Reserve at the urging of Louis Leakey. She worked with him at the Olduvai Gorge as his assistant and secretary. Along with Dian Fossey, famous for living with gorillas, and Birute Galdikas, who studied orangutans, Goodall was one of three women dubbed "Leakey's Angels". (Gorillas, chimpanzees, and orangutans are all classified as great apes.)

The reason for mentioning Jane Goodall in this book is that she stated on at least three different occasions, that she believes a human could receive a blood transfusion from a chimpanzee, since "there was only 1% difference in the DNA. An irresponsible remark, to say the least. (Documentation follows the paragraph).

(1. www.saveamericasforests.org/CorzineGoodall/TranscriptP1.htm)

(2.<http://www.cnn.com/2006/WORLD/asiapcf/12/14/talkasia.goodall.\script/index.html>)

“You could get a blood transfusion from a chimp if you match the blood group.” is a statement by Jane Goodall found in *Reverence for Life Revisited*, Albert Schweitzer's Relevance Today, Edited by David Ives and David A. Valone.

Jane Goodall was also responsible for the inclusion of both chimpanzee species, and the gorilla, as Hominids. What is a Hominid? A primate (monkey type) of the family Hominidae, of which *Homo sapiens* (man) is the only extant (living) species. In the past the rest were supposed to be fossils. With the inclusion of living chimpanzees and monkeys, evolutionists feel this is greater proof of their false, godless beliefs. As Jane is fond of saying, “*They* are so like *us*.” An evolutionist to the core!

The Dangers of Following Evolutionist Jane’s Advice.

The following is a statement made by Jonathan S. Allan, D.V.M. He is a scientist in the Department of Virology and Immunology, Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research, San Antonio, Texas.

“We have had ample historical warnings of the dangers associated with animal-to-human zoonoses (A disease of animals which can be transmitted to humans, many yet unknown.) yet we continually ignore these signals. Isn't it ironic that the most notorious infectious disease known to humankind appears to have arisen through inadvertent transmission from an African nonhuman primate. Yet there are those who now want to use tissues from African monkeys in an attempt to cure AIDS, in my opinion, without sufficient

forethought as to the consequences and risk to the human population of such procedures.”

“However, xenotransplantation is often an extremely dangerous type of transplant because of the increased risk of non-compatibility, rejection, and *disease* carried in the tissue.” (Same source).

Inter-species blood transfusions are a form of xenograft, or xenotransplantation, a process whereby you exchange tissue or blood products from one species to another; i.e., chimpanzees to humans. Animal blood contains a number of antigens and antibodies which would be instantly attacked by a human's immune system. Even primates with a supposed “only 1 percent genetic difference,” from humans still have too many factors to make interspecies blood transfusions possible.”

I hope no one who believes in evolution will accept my challenge and receive a transfusion from an ape! I say again, the results of such folly would be fatal.

Note: For further information on this subject, which is too lengthy to present here, see note at the end of the chapter.

SPECIFIC FACTS FROM NATURE, WHICH DISPROVE EVOLUTION

1. The Dove. Do you know that this bird family does not have a gall bladder? What happened to evolution?
2. The Mule. This is the end of the line. The mule is a hybrid or cross between a donkey and a mare horse. The mule is sterile and cannot reproduce. Where does evolution go from here?

3. Fins to Feathers. Evolution teaches the fish evolved from lower animals. How did they get fins? No evolutionist claims that fins came in one generation, rather that they came in many generations. The development of fins was a GRADUAL development, they say. And where did birds get their wings? No evolutionist claims that wings came in one generation, but in many generations. They claim that the development of wings was through a very slow, gradual process.

Now, when the process was halfway complete, the fin or wing, as the case may be, would be useless. Good for nothing! A part-fin or a part-wing would be a monstrosity, not a perfect adaptation, such as we see everywhere in nature. NOWHERE IN THE WORLD TODAY CAN ONE FIND PARTLY DEVELOPED APPENDAGES OR ORGANS, but everywhere there is perfect adaptation, perfect development each for its intended purpose. That fact proves that EACH CREATURE, IN ALL ESSENTIAL FEATURES, HAS BEEN EXACTLY AS IT IS NOW, and was so created in the beginning.

4. The Spider. In the posterior region of the spider are highly specialized organs for the spinning of a web. He spins the web in order to get food to eat--in his peculiar way. Now, in the millions and millions of years it took for the right modifications in the posterior region of the spider to develop into those highly specialized organs, so he could spin a web, so he could catch his food, he surely would have starved to death!

5. The Dolphin and the Whale. God designed the birth of man and animal. Humans are born head first as demonstrated in the account of the birth of Esau and Jacob in Genesis 25:26,

"And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's heel: and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was three score years old when she bare them."

Humans are born head first to prevent strangulation at birth, whereas the whale and the dolphin give birth to their young tail first. When did the change between man and whale occur? It never did, for God created each separate and distinct.

"And God created great whales and every living creature that moveth..." Genesis 1:21.

Whales must surface for air, periodically, in order to live. Scientists, themselves, tell us that if baby whales were born head first, they would surely drown before reaching the surface for air. God's omniscience is surely seen in the creation of these great mammals. Evolution is taught in schools, colleges; and has had its day in court. Yet this problem has never been explained and never will be.

6. The Horse. Evolution is demonstrated through the horse, the "EOHIPPIUS". Here, they say, is the evolution of the horse. They say the early horse was very small. Now we have fossils of Equus Neovandensis and Equus Occidentalis (fully developed horses as we know them today). Bones of both have been found in the same geological age.

If a Shetland pony and a giant Clydesdale draft horse would lie buried in the same area and are found in skeleton form hundreds of years later, would this prove evolution? Of course not! Today, due to certain breeding practices we have miniature horses, no larger than dogs. You have two types of horses, a large one and a small one.

It is the same with a Saint Bernard and a Pekinese, all you have is two dogs of different sizes.

We Offer a Conclusion. It is important to remember that whatever you believe, you will reap the harvest. If you deny God and His account of creation, then you might as well look straight into Heaven, shake your fist in God's face and scream at the top of your lungs that He does not exist; but, if He should, He is a liar because you have decided not to believe His Word in the first chapter of Genesis.

You may wait for a voice to answer from Heaven, but it never will. He spoke over 2,000 years ago and His words were recorded. One portion is...Galatians 6:7,8,

"Be not deceived, God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting..."

If you sow disbelief in God's Word, you will reap the harvest for *"...he that believeth not is condemned already..."* (John 3:18) You must either believe all of God's Word or deny it all. God does not speak truth in one portion of His Word and speak lies in another.

Note: Guidance For Industry, Public Health issues posed by the use of Nonhuman Primate Xenografts in Humans. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER) April 1999

CHAPTER THREE

In our last chapter we considered the main differences between ape and man, as compared to the pitifully few similarities that are harped upon by the evolutionist. We examined, in addition, the theory of evolution that animals developed various parts of their anatomies through a slow process of adaptation, as the need arose. We found that **NOWHERE IN THE WORLD TODAY CAN ONE FIND PARTLY DEVELOPED APPENDAGES OR ORGANS**, but everywhere there is perfect adaptation, perfect development, each for its intended purpose.

The theory of evolution, itself, presents a very grave fallacy which may be plainly demonstrated on any given occasion. The evolutionist states that the evolutionary process is a slow, gradual, constant changing of every creature, everywhere at all times.

When asked why it is impossible to see these changes in process, the evolutionist replies glibly, "Because it is such a slow process involving millions of years that we cannot see it." But their theory presupposes that every change in every specie occurs at the same moment, which is an impossible supposition. Not to mention ...that we should find evolutionary changes which have occurred among the species as evidence of a lower form of life advancing to a higher form of life. In other words, not just one link is missing--all the links are missing in the supposed evolutionary chain.

We now state one of the best physiological proofs for creation that exists:

THE FACT OF THE FIXITY OF THE SPECIES

Humans have 46 chromosomes and this never changes. A dog has 78, an old world monkey has 42, some crayfish have as many as 200, making the crossing of the species impossible. Your dog will never have a litter of kittens or your horse a litter of puppies. The same goes for plant life.

There has never been one single case of one species changing into another. There are mutations which are governed by the genes, which give us different sizes, shapes, color of hair and eyes, etc. But there has never been one case of transmutation (changing of one specie into another). Charles Darwin recognized this. Here are quotes from his book, My Life And Letters, Volume 1, page 210, "Not one change of species into another is on record." "We cannot prove that a single specie has been changed (into another)". Why? God has said, "let each produce AFTER HIS OWN KIND." (Genesis 1:11, 12, 21, 24, 25).

ONTOGENY RECAPITULATES PHYLOGENY

A clever deception. This is one of the evolutionist's favorites, especially in attack of the high school student. Here is its meaning and the disproof for each claim. *Ontogeny* means the "development history of the individual", *...recapitulates* means "retraces"..., and *phylogeny* means "ancestral history of the species." Evolutionists have developed a theory to explain the structural changes that take place in the embryo. (The early stages of development.)

The above states that "every creature passes through stages in its embryonic development similar to those which its remote ancestors passed through evolving upwards."

Remember, this is only a theory presented as a fact.

Here is the Recapitulation Theory disproved:

“Human Life Begins as a Protozoan.”

This is untrue. We all know that human life begins with the union of TWO cells that are NOT "protozoa" but are specialized reproductive cells of man.

“The Human Embryo Develops Gills like a Fish.”

A claim of the evolutionists is that the human embryo at one stage of development has gills like a fish. The so-called "gill slits" in the human embryo are NOT gill slits at all, but pharyngeal arches. They have grooves, but NO perforations, as in gills. Douglas Dewar, English naturalist, says, "In the embryo of a reptile, bird, or mammal, including man, no clefts form between the arches, which never assume the characteristics of gills. It is clearly incorrect to call them gill arches. The embryo of a higher animal never passes through the "fish" state... embryology lends no countenance to the view that the higher vertebrates evolved from a fish-like ancestor. It is only by putting far-fetched and artificial interpretations on embryological phenomena that they can be made to fit in with the evolutionary hypothesis." (page 49, *Difficulties Of The Evolutionary Theory*)

“Human Embryos Resemble Those of Animals.”

Evolutionists claim the human embryo bears a confusing and close resemblance to the embryos of other animals. The "resemblance" is purely superficial. Close examination at any stage of development always shows "striking differences." NO

TWO EMBRYOS OF ANY TYPES OF LIFE ARE EVER EXACTLY ALIKE: all bear characteristics of their own family or genus.

“The Human Embryo in One Stage of Its Development Has a Tail Like a Puppy.”

This so-called "tail" is simply the coccyx, or the end of man's spine. As the embryo grows, the coccyx is covered with tissues and muscles, and the "tail" no longer shows, though it is still there as the end of the spine. The coccyx serves as an anchor for useful muscles. So this argument fades into nothingness.

Acquired Characteristics

The French scientist, Lamarck, the predecessor of Charles Darwin, concluded that something a parent acquired during their life would be inherited by their offspring. This was known as an acquired characteristic; therefore, in Lamarck's opinion, this would gradually develop a new species. For example, if you cut off a dog's tail, the pups would be born without tails. Should a species lose its eyes or a foot or tail, its offspring would be born without an eye or foot or tail. Many biologists as late as 1900 believed this preposterous hypothesis.

Then Darwin proposed his theory in an attempt to explain the impossible, and called it the "operation of natural selection" or "the survival of the fittest." He observed that not all seeds of trees that fall on the ground grow into trees. Not all baby birds survive, nor do all fish eggs become fish and, not all fox or cheetah pups survive, etc. Therefore, he theorized that the fittest survive through ages after ages by

accumulation of minute modifications, then new organs gradually developed and a new species came into being.

The above theory is actually proof of the impossibility of evolution. For example, look at the spider. In the posterior region are highly specialized organs for the spinning of a web. The web enables the spider to catch its food, eat and survive. Now, why didn't that spider die of starvation during the millions of years it took for these modifications to develop into those highly specialized organs with which to spin a web and catch its food?

How could birds survive without wings, if it took millions of years for them to develop? They couldn't build their nests in trees, as they would not be able to get off the ground to escape their predators. Therefore, there would be no birds today.

Consider the mammary glands (breasts of mammals), the means by which they feed their young. In the millions and millions of years while those mammary glands were developing...tell me, Mr. Evolutionist...how were the young of mammals fed so as not to starve to death?

No evolutionists or atheists were ever created or born. They were taught this lie and are now teaching the same. God describes them in Romans 1:21,22,

"Because that when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools."

Many students are deceived by the "schematized" drawings of overly zealous evolutionists. Some advocates of the Recapitulation Theory have not hesitated to forge "embryonic connecting links". Professor Haeckel, one of the earliest advocates of this theory, actually FORGED SOME FEATURES OF HIS DRAWINGS, AS "PROOF" OF EVOLUTION. When tried by the Jena University Court and convicted, he confessed, "A small percent of my embryonic drawings are forgeries; those, namely, for which the observed material is so incomplete or insufficient as to compel us to fill in and reconstruct the missing links by hypothesis and comparative synthesis". Then follows this startling indictment of other embryologists: "I should feel utterly condemned ... were it not that hundreds of the best observers, and biologists lie under the same charge..."

And is this Science? We are under the impression that Science should be honest. It should deal with facts--not falsifications intended to support a theory that can NOT be supported by facts.

Many drawings of evolutionists are "schematized" or "doctored" and changed, and many plaster of paris casts of so-called "missing links" are "reconstructed" to make them APPEAR AS THE EVOLUTIONIST THINKS THEY OUGHT TO APPEAR, with no thought as to what they actually are, or were, in nature!. They twist the facts to support their hypothesis.

At the British Association Meeting at Edinburgh, August 10, 1951, Professor T.S. Westoll called the Recapitulation Theory "SHEER NONSENSE."

Any scientist should realize that appearance in resemblance does not prove RELATIONSHIP! My pen might

resemble that of a CIA agent, but his may have a radio transmitter and receiver! Our pens might *resemble* each other, but are entirely different.

God says that He,

*“Created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.”
(Genesis 1:27.)*

God’s answer to the unbeliever is,

“The fool hath said in his heart, there is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good.” Psalm 14:1.

As for myself, don’t ask me to become a fool to believe in the impossible, because my faith is in the Lord Jesus Christ who made it possible.

CHAPTER FOUR

COSMOLOGICAL DESIGN CONSIDERED

Proof of Divine Design, not “Random Accident”

Cosmos: ...a cosmos is an orderly or harmonious system. It originates from a Greek term meaning “order, orderly arrangements, ornaments,” and is the opposite of chaos. Today the word is generally used as a synonym of the word “universe.” (Wikipedia).

The Laws of Thermodynamics

We know by reading the Bible, that God is the Creator of man and we did not arrive on earth by the process of evolution. Science confirms that things get into chaos, rather than improve when left to themselves.

This is an important point! Things do not get better and better through natural selection; but, rather deteriorate when left to themselves. This is proven through Science, itself, by the Second Law of Thermodynamics. The First Law of Thermo-dynamics deals with heat transfer, the Third Law relates to the behavior of chemical substances at low temperatures. The Second Law deals with Entropy (heat loss) and establishes this truth, that things left to themselves will certainly not develop into a higher state of complexity; but will tend to decay and degenerate into more randomness.

Fred Kohler, an ardent evolutionist, is honest enough to admit that evolution has hit a dead end street. Mr. Kohler says: “One of the most fundamental maxims of the physical

sciences is the trend toward greater randomness the fact that, on the average, things will get into disorder rather than into order if left to themselves.

This is essentially the statement that is embodied in the Second Law of Thermodynamics.” (Evolution and Human Destiny, pp. 14-15). Therefore, the evolutionist does not even believe his own established scientific laws and he wants me to believe his philosophy instead of God! God knows them well and describes them as such, “A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.” James 1:5.

What would happen to a crop of corn, oats, rye, wheat, or soy beans if left to itself, with God not sending the rain and the farmer not cultivating, fertilizing or controlling the weeds? The crop wouldn't amount to anything. Why do grape growers have to prune their vineyards? If they didn't, it wouldn't be long before the vines would be producing tiny grapes the size of peas and worth nothing!

Some time back, I was witnessing to a college professor who was an evolutionist. I asked him if he was familiar with the Second Law of Thermodynamics. He acknowledged that he was. I asked him to tell me how his daughter would turn out if he shut her in her room, never allowed her to play with other children, never sent her to school, and never talked with her. What would be the result in ten years? His answer was “A jabbering idiot.”

My reply to him was, “If evolution were true, since she would inherit the genes of her father, a college professor, and her mother, a high school teacher, she should evolve into a super-genius as a young lady without any help from anyone.” I shall never forget what he told me. His words were, “How

can a man of my education (meaning me) be so intelligent, and yet void of any common sense and so foolish?"

Further, I must ask, if we evolved from animals to man, why did we not inherit a sense of smell equal to that of a bear, fox, or wolf? Why didn't we inherit the eyesight of an eagle? Such characteristics make great science-fiction films when attributed to humans; but, such is not a reality.

When certain reptiles lose their tails through predatory attack, they can grow new ones. Why did not man inherit such a characteristic that he might grow a new finger, arm, or leg should one be severed? No, evolution is based, "upon belief in the reality of the unseen; belief in the fossils that cannot be produced; belief in the embryological evidence that does not exist; and belief in breeding experiments that refuse to come off."

God speaks in Psalm 53:1,

"The FOOL hath said in his heart, there is no God." He also says "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction." (Proverbs 1:7.)

Of all the hypotheses as to how our earth and the universe came into being, there is no proof to be found contrary to the Bible. You may take offense at this, but the next time you hear a proposal contrary to the Bible, demand proof! The person may give you a lot of "double-talk"...try to insult your intelligence and laugh you to shame, BUT there still is no proof to be presented. So, really, who is the fool?

"Thus saith the Lord, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out: he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it, he that giveth breath to the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein." (Isaiah 42:5)

The Psalmist said,

"When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars which thou has ordained; what is man, that thou art mindful of him..." Psalm 8:3,4)

Let us consider some of God's works:

The Sun. If the sun were any closer, we would burn up. If any further away, we would freeze up. It is 93,000,000 miles away, exactly the right distance. The exact design behind it is for the definite purpose of sustaining life on earth.

OUR WONDROUS EARTH

Earth The Right Size

The earth is 8,000 miles in diameter, the exact size it has to be for habitation. If it were 9,500 miles in diameter instead, it would double the weight of the air, the amount of the water would be greatly increased, so much so that the entire surface of the planet would be covered with an ocean.

False Claim, The Earth Broke Off From The Sun

Many scientists have claimed our earth broke off from the sun, whirled in space, and cooled. Then, it became the earth. However, there is a big problem with this theory! This is

impossible as all the precious metals we have on earth would have vaporized before leaving the sun.

What Supports The Earth?

The Hindus held that the earth was supported by four elephants standing on a tortoise's back swimming in a cosmic sea of tranquility. We have only to look into Job 26:7,

"He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, and hangeth the earth upon nothing."

"Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;" Hebrews 1:3

Our Atmosphere – Right Formula.

It is a miracle! and made of largely 78% nitrogen and 21% oxygen. This is what is required to sustain animal and human life, yet this is the only place in the universe where this ratio exists. Evidence that oxygen is in the air in exactly the right amount is seen in the tragic experiences of many hospitals a few years ago. In giving premature babies extra oxygen, they gave too much; and hundreds of babies were blinded. For several months the doctors did not know the cause. Eventually, it was discovered that the blindness was caused by the babies receiving too much oxygen.

In addition, our atmosphere contains an essential amount of argon, carbon dioxide and water vapor, besides traces of these gases; neon, helium, methane, krypton, xenon, hydrogen,

ozone and a few others. Now, here is a miracle! "The signal fact is," says Helmut E. Landsberg, writing in the August, 1953, Scientific American, "that the rare gases are present in our atmosphere in only small amounts, MUCH SMALLER THAN THOSE KNOWN ELSEWHERE IN THE UNIVERSE.

At the same time, oxygen, nitrogen, carbon dioxide and water vapor are present on earth IN MUCH GREATER ABUNDANCE than elsewhere." Mr. Landsberg reminds us of the sources of his information. "The relative distribution of the elements in the universe has been determined by spectroscopic analysis of solar and stellar matter and by chemical analysis of solar and stellar matter and by chemical analysis of meteorites."

If the ingredients of our atmosphere followed the proportions prevalent in the universe, LIFE ON EARTH WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE. It is clear that Divine Intelligence designed our atmosphere and Divine Power executed the plan.

Earth's Tilt – Exactly Right Degree.

The earth is tilted 23 and one-half degrees. This is exactly right to give us our four seasons. Therefore, twice as much of the land area of the earth can be cultivated and inhabited. Think what would happen if the earth were tilted any other way than it is. If the earth had been tilted as much as 45 degrees instead of what it is, temperate zones would have torrid zone heat in the summer and frigid zone cold in the winter. On the other hand, if the axis of the earth were vertical to the plane of its orbit, January and July would have the same climate and ice would accumulate until much of the continents

would be ice-covered six months and flooded the other six months. If the axis of the earth were horizontal to the plane of its orbit, there would result "a crazy jumble of fierce heat and deadly cold." This, with the prolonged nights on half the earth and prolonged days on the other.

Earth's Rotation – Correct Speed.

The earth ROTATES at just the right speed, making a complete revolution every twenty-four hours in its trip around the sun. The result is, the earth's crust is evenly heated like a chicken on a turning spit. Were our day a year long, as it is on Mercury, there would be scorching heat on one side and bitter cold on the other.

If our day of 24 hours were longer or shorter, all present balance adjustments would be upset, and life on earth would become intolerable, if not utterly impossible. Was this perfect design by accident? Not a chance in a billion!

Earth's Weight

If the earth were much lighter than it is, its gravitational pull would be less and it would not be able to hold as much air as we have now. The lighter gases would escape first and the heavier gases, like carbon dioxide, would remain. The combination of gases in the air would be affected and life would no longer be possible on the earth. Why is its weight exactly right? The answer is given in the Word of God, for it is the Lord...

"Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of His hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and

weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance." (Isaiah 40:12).

Moon to Control Tides

If the moon were larger or closer, our tides would be so great they would wipe mankind off the face of the globe.

Ozone Filter

Forty miles above the earth there is a layer of ozone which varies in thickness according to season and location; but, which surrounds the earth and filters out the death-dealing rays of the sun. Without it, no life could exist. Why is it just the right distance into the atmosphere? How did it get there? Did it just happen...you can believe that if you want to, but I choose not to.

Tides

If there were no tides, the oceans would not receive enough oxygen and nothing could live in the oceans.

INTUITIONAL REASONING CONSIDERED

The Intuitional Argument

The intuitional argument is that which is in man, sometimes called the "first truths"; that belief that knows that there is a God without anyone revealing that fact."

*"Come now, let us REASON together saith the Lord."
(Isaiah 1:18) Can we deny that God "of old (times*

past) hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands." (Psalm 102:25)

Just look around and you will notice that behind every design, there is a designer.

Look at a car, boat, television set, chair, table, ring, stove, children's toys, buildings, anything...and behind them all you will find a designer. Even our space shuttles, with all of their sophisticated mechanisms, only appear as a simple child's toy compared to the intelligence required to create and set in perfect order, not only our earth and its galaxy alone, but the multiplicity of galaxies that exist.

Thou, even thou, art LORD alone; thou hast made (Hebrew "asa") heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee." (Nehemiah 9:6)

Did the earth just happen to be tilted exactly 23 and 1/2 degrees? Was it only an accident that the moon is exactly the right size to control the tides of our oceans? Was it by chance the sun is exactly the right distance from the earth so we do not burn up or freeze to death? Did our atmosphere, made up of largely 78% nitrogen and 21% oxygen, just accidentally work itself into this ratio to sustain human life? Remember, this is the only atmosphere that we know of that contains these elements in this ratio.

It would be easier for all the monkeys in the world to scamper across all the typewriters in the world and type perfectly all the books that exist, than to imagine our earth and

universe to be a product of chance, rather than designed and created by the intelligence of Almighty God.

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." (Genesis 1:1)

The Lord reminds us that

"...the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse." Romans 1:20

"That they know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me and I am the Lord and there is none else." Isaiah 45:6.

CHAPTER FIVE

CAN EVOLUTION BE PROVED BY THE FOSSILS?

Answer: The study of Paleontology or Fossilology is the study of life in the geological ages of long ago. It differs from Botany, Zoology, and Biology, as the life it observes and studies are in fossil form. A fossil is a plant or animal that lived long ago and there are many kinds of fossils. Here are a few:

Fossils In Sedimentary Rock

In a past geological age an animal may have walked over soft mud. Sediments were washed into the footprints so gently they were not disturbed. In the passing ages the layer of mud turned into solid rock, leaving forever the footprint of an ancient animal.

Petrified Bones.

Petrified bone is a fossil. Sometimes, at the bottom of lakes, or rivers, bones of dead animals were deposited. They became covered over with slime and mud. As ages passed, the water gradually dissolved the bone material and deposited in its place precipitate of chalk or some other matter. After much time, the entire bone was dissolved and in its place is an exact replica of the bone in solid stone.

Amber

Another type of fossil occurs when a substance has captured an animal and preserved it without decaying. In the Carboniferous Age, for example (dated about one-hundred

million years ago), the coniferous trees exuded gum and resin, which ran down the sides of the trunk. Insects, such as ants, would get caught in that resin which would engulf the whole insect. As ages passed, that resin would turn into what we call amber.

Frozen Bodies In Glaciers

Another type of fossil results from animals being trapped in glacial ice; therefore, we have the entire body of these animals perfectly preserved.

Fossils In Tar Pits

One of many more examples can be found in the La Brea Tar Pits in Southern California. After a heavy rain, these pits were covered with water. As many of these giant animals went down to drink they, being unaware, were trapped in the pits. These are in fossil form and have been for thousands and thousands of years. Isn't it amazing that the evolutionists cannot produce just one fossil of their so-called "missing link" out of the millions and millions of fossils we have discovered thus far.

Many years ago in Reader's Digest, there was a quote from Professor Edwin Conklin, the great Princeton University biologist. Here are his words. "The probability of life beginning from accident is comparable to the probability of the Unabridged Dictionary resulting from an explosion in a printing factory." God says He created everything to reproduce "*after his kind*", not into another kind. (Genesis 1:11,12,21, 24-26).

Instead of believing the impossible, why not trust the one who made it possible.

"...Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved..."

CHAPTER SIX

GOD'S MIRACULOUS CREATION – THE HUMAN BODY

"God created man in his own image, male and female created he them." (Genesis 1:27)

THE RED CORPUSCLE

We shall look at only two of the thousands of miracles of the human body which only God, the Infinite Chemist, could design and create, THE RED CORPUSCLE. Inside this tiny corpuscle is a red substance called hemoglobin. It is a protein which has a large capacity for oxygen. When it comes to the lungs, it grabs all the oxygen it can and carries it down to all those living cells that require it to breathe and live.

Let's examine the chemical know-how of these "factories" that create hemoglobin. As a foundation, we know that one molecule is made of two atoms of Hydrogen and one atom of Oxygen, thus $H^2 O$, or water. One molecule of glucose (body sugar) is composed of six atoms of Carbon, twelve atoms of Hydrogen, and six atoms of oxygen, or $C_6H_{12}O_6$. One molecule of some fats would be eighteen atoms of Carbon, Thirty-six atoms of Hydrogen, and three atoms of Oxygen, $C_{18}H_{36}O_2$.

Now, one molecule of hemoglobin, that scarlet-red protein on the inside of that little cell (There are about 300 million molecules of this chemical on the inside of this cell.), is $C_{758}H_{1203}N_{195}S_3Fe_1O_{218}$. This means that one molecule of red hemoglobin has in it 758 atoms of Carbon, 1,203 atoms

of Hydrogen, 195 atoms of Nitrogen, 3 atoms of Sulphur, 1 atom of Iron, and 218 atoms of Oxygen, making a total in each molecule of hemoglobin of 2,378 atoms.

These red cells are made at the rate of about 72 million a minute. Where is the chemist who can do this? These little “factories” do it day and night, unobtrusively, skillfully, and we never even realize it. Further, God placed these little “factories” in the most protected part of the human frame, deep down, on the inside of the marrow of the bone, for protection.

The atheistic evolutionist would have you believe his guesswork, that this just happened by chance; but, Psalm 139:14 states:

“I will praise thee (God); for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: and marvelous are thy works.”

God calls these evolutionists fools who are corrupt.

“The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works...”

God declares the end of these evolutionists and all who are deceived by their damnable philosophy in Psalm 9:17,

“The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.”

In Acts 16:30,31, the question was asked,

“...What must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.”

THE EYE

Here is a question for the evolutionist. How does a pinhead-size ball of cells (the tiny human embryo) in the course of so many weeks become a child?

Let us consider just one part of the embryo--the eye. The many cells which make the human eye, have engaged millions of performers in hundreds of sequences of individual and colonies of cells to perform exactly as God created them. The eyeball is a little spheroid “camera” which focuses itself automatically. The image focused by the lens of the eye falls on the “screen”, the retina, at the back of the eyeball. Each retina has about 130,000,000 cells. There are two types of cells in the retina—rods and cones, so named because they look something like these under a microscope. The rods are used for general perception of light; the cones are used to see color and fine details.

The bi-convex lens is made of cells like those of the skin; but, modified to be glass-clear, and FREE FROM BLOOD VESSELS which would throw shadows within the eye. In front of it a circular screen controls the width of the beam and is automatically adjusted so that, in poor light, more is taken in for the image. Furthermore, the lens of the eye, compassing what no other lens can, changes its curvature to focus near objects as well as distant, when wanted. Not only the lens, but the pupil, the camera stop, is also self-adjusting.

After all this, the eye then sends into the cell and fiber of the brain, continual rhythmic streams of tiny, individual, evanescent, electrical potentials. This results from the tiny, two-dimensional, upside down pictures of the outside world which the eyeball “paints” on the beginnings of its nerve fibers to the brain. This then sets up an electrical storm affecting the whole population of brain cells. In some mysterious way, these allow me to see the “picture” in color, the brightness, the shadow, the distance near or far, the horizontal, the vertical, etc.

We have only touched on one small speck of the complexity of the human eye. Mr. God-Denying Evolutionist, tell me why all of the finest minds in the world in Biology, Chemistry, and science cannot mass-produce an exact replica of the human eye? After all, we do have any number of the originals to copy from. Do you want me to believe that the human eye, in all its complexity, just evolved by some chance? Thus denying the Almighty God who created mankind?

God’s answer to the evolutionist is found in 1 Corinthians 1:18,19,

“For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise...For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness: but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.”

CHAPTER SEVEN

SOME SPIRITUAL LESSONS

Adam & Eve's Original Sin

"And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression. Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety." 1 Timothy 2:14

When Eve sinned, death set in. She would die physically and spiritually. Genesis 2:17. Now, Eve had a physical body that was going to die. Adam did not, for he had not yet sinned. At this point in time, the human race could not have continued, for what nature would their children inherit?

Would they have inherited Eve's fallen nature and ultimately died; or Adam's nature, and live on forever? Since the Bible says Adam was not deceived, he purposely sinned by partaking of the fruit "*of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.*" Genesis 2:17a. Now they both possessed a sinful nature, which would be passed on to all humanity.

Notice in I Timothy 2:15 the phrase "in childbearing". "IN" is the Greek "dia" meaning "through". In other words, God will allow the human race to continue based on a condition, "through" Eve's bearing children.

Looking back to Genesis 3:21 we find,

"Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them."

They discarded their fig leaves of self-righteousness and accepted God's righteousness of the blood sacrifice, pictured in the animal skins. Had Adam and Eve refused God's gracious offer, the human race would not have continued as their offspring would have filled the earth with nothing but God-denying heathen.

Returning to our text in 1 Timothy 2:15, Eve will be saved (alive) to continue the human race through bearing of children, since she and Adam had both accepted God's blood sacrifice. They were no longer innocent, they had fallen; but, through their acceptance of the sacrifice, they had the new nature of the Christian. They understood that their God-given righteousness was bought by the death of an innocent victim and would pass this information on to their offspring. This helps to explain the statement *"if they continue in faith and charity (love) and holiness with sobriety"*, which they did.

That is why Abel brought a blood sacrifice, which God accepted. He was instructed by the first parents. Not only was Mother Eve to be saved through childbearing, all mankind would be redeemed by the birth of the child, Jesus Christ, who grew up to be the only sacrifice God accepts today for our sin.

He was the only perfect person who could sacrifice Himself for the sin of the world, because He had none himself. That Eve also understood the blood sacrifice of animals was a temporary thing; and that a permanent sacrifice would one day be offered by Christ on Calvary is proven by her comment at the birth of her first son. *"...I have gotten a man from the*

Lord" (Genesis 4:1), better translated, *"I have gotten a man, even the Lord"*.

No, her firstborn was not the promised Messiah, but in the proper time he would appear.

"In whom we have redemption through his (Christ's) blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace" (Ephesians 1:7.)

When Were Adam and Eve Created?

Many people have a problem reconciling Matthew 19:4 and Mark 10:6 with the premise that earth could be billions of years old. According to the genealogies and historical facts given in the Bible, Adam and Eve were created approximately 6,000 years ago.

They were created on Day Six of the remodeling of the earth to make it fit for man's habitation. This begins in the last half of Genesis 1:2, *"...And the Spirit of God moved on the face of the waters."* We do not know how long the earth lay in the judgment of the first half of Genesis 1:2, *"And the earth was without form and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep."* (Looking at the sentence structure of the Hebrew, a better translation is *"Now the earth had become without form and void..."*)

These verses are part of a context in which our Lord is being tested by the Pharisees on the subject of divorce. It is found both in Matthew and Mark. We will quote the verses:

"But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female." (Mark 10:6).

"...Have ye not read, that he that made them at the beginning made them male and female." (Matthew 19:4).

What does the Scripture mean by the *"beginning of the creation"*? Does it mean from Genesis 1:1 or does it mean from the creation of Adam and Eve, i.e the human race? The word "creation" is "ktisis" in the Greek, and means "the act of founding, establishing, building, etc." What God is talking about here is the foundation, or establishing of the human race, "male and female".

The word "beginning" in both verses comes from the Greek word "arche" or "the beginning, origin, the first person that commences, the first person or thing in a series, the leader..." In other words, the first people in the human race, Adam and Eve.

Christ is simply saying that from the beginning of the human race, God did not intend for men and women, once married, to divorce. Then he quotes Genesis 2:24 in Matthew 19:5,

"Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh."

This is not a proof that the earth is only 6,000 years old. The Bible is an inspired record of God's dealings with *man*. It begins with man and ends with man, concerning Matthew 19:4 and Mark 10:6.

Does Exodus 20:11a Prove A Young Earth?

"For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea and all that in them is..."(Exodus 20:11a.)

Many feel this verse proves a "Young Earth." You will notice that the word used in this verse is "made" from the Hebrew "asah" meaning a use of pre-existing materials; and not "created", or "bara" in the Hebrew meaning "creating from nothing".

In Genesis 1:16 the word "made" or "asah" is used of the sun, moon, and stars. Here it has the meaning of "ordering or appointing" the sun, moon, and stars, already in existence, to a specific function. God appointed them as signs, or markers of time, of day and night, and the seasons. (Genesis 1:14,17,18).

The sun, moon, and stars were already in existence as in Genesis 1:1, *"In the beginning God created* ("bara" - from nothing) *the heaven(s)* (plural in the original) *and the earth."* In Genesis 1:1 the "heavens" (or shamayim), included Planet Earth and all the solar systems of the universe. Because of the judgment rendered when the earth "became" without form and void," they were hidden in the "darkness" of Genesis 1:2 and had to be brought into use again. Looking at the sentence structure in the original Hebrew, Genesis 1:2a should be rendered, *"Now the earth had become without form and void."*

Only two creative acts are recorded in the six days of recreation (Genesis 1:2b-31): aquatic creatures and fowl (Verse 21), and man (Verse 27). Aquatic creatures and fowl

are said to be “created,” never having existed before (Verse 21). Animals were “made,” or “appointed” to reproduce after their kind, not evolve (Verse 25); and were present on the Original Creation (Genesis 1:1).

Man was “made” or “appointed” to be in the image of God (body, soul, and spirit, a triune being) and exhibit God’s righteousness. Man was “made” or “appointed” to have dominion over animal life and the earth. (Verse 26). God “created” man and woman as no human life had existed before.

Man was not an animal, he did not evolve. Adam was fully human, walking, talking, speaking with intelligence and having the ability to make decisions. He was able to understand the consequences of obedience or disobedience to God. God gave him everything he needed. Adam and Eve were totally capable of being responsible for their decisions.

Genesis 2:7 gives the specifics. God *“formed”* man of the dust of the ground (just as a sculptor makes a statue) and *“breathed into him the breath of life and he became a living soul.”* The specifics of the creation of woman are given in Genesis 2:21,22.

“And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; (21) And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.” (22).

In Genesis 1:31 the Bible says,

“And God saw every thing that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.”

God saw everything He had “asah”, “appointed or re-ordered” in the six days of remodeling, including things created and things reused from Original Creation. Then He rested on the seventh day. This is the basis for Exodus 20:11.

Exodus 20:11 does not mean the earth is only 6,000 years old as the “young earth” theory is proclaimed!

CHAPTER EIGHT

WHERE ARE THE MISSING LINKS?

Professors who believe in evolution say you can see evolution everywhere by the changes within the species.

Those obsessed with evolution seem void of understanding the basic differences between mutations, variants, minor changes within the same species, or genera, and the transmutation of one species into another. As we know, species are divided into subspecies, varieties, strains, races, and breeds.

In the dog species, well over 100 distinct breeds of dogs are recognized as all dogs. There are over 80,000 varieties of snails, but they are all snails. Take the tiger, for instance, in some areas it is long-haired and large. In India, it is smaller and short-haired, and very small in Sumatra; but, it is still a tiger.

In humans there are 46 chromosomes in each adult cell and these, (not counting the variations possible through the interchange of the many genes in each chromosomes), make possible approximately 17,000,000 combinations of human characteristics. In humans, no two people are exactly alike, not even their fingerprints and not even twins.

No two trees or leaves, animals, or plants are exactly alike. In fact, "all animals and plants mutate." Scientific breeders can produce cattle without horns, white turkeys, seedless grapes and grapefruit, and many other varieties; but, all within the limits of the original "kind." In mankind we see

the same mutations, one species, Homo Sapiens, with many races and variations, but ALL Homo Sapiens.

Look at all the variation in kinds of birds, the osprey, buzzard, crow, hawk, sparrow, finch, red winged blackbird, etc.; but, they are all birds. Note the many breeds of pigeons.

A famous trick of the evolutionist is to point you to the laboratory. Bacteria is the subject, as they have developed strains resistant to penicillin and streptomycin. Every doctor in the land knows that when penicillin is used repeatedly that bacteria becomes resistant; but, it still remains the same genus of bacteria it has always been. It is an insult to any person's intelligence to pawn this off as evolution in progress.

Actually, all this demonstrates is the well-known fact that bacteria, as well as other forms of life, will mutate, or adapt, under differing environments; BUT, these scientists still have BACTERIA, not something else. Such mutations produced in bacteria, whether produced by man or by nature, are no more proof of evolution than to assume that because one can breed yellow dogs and black dogs, he can eventually produce tigers.

The evolutionists want you to believe that...

“Once I was a tadpole when I began to begin.
Then I became a frog with my tail tucked in.
Then I was a monkey in a coconut tree.
Now I am a professor with a Ph.D.”

One would expect the evolutionists to be as honest as Charles Darwin who confessed: “Not one change of species into another is on record.”

Why would I want to become a fool, when I can become a child of God by faith in Jesus Christ?

"...As many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God..." (John 1:12).

"The fool hath said in his heart, there is no God..." (Psalm 14:1).

CHAPTER NINE

THE FRAUDULENT YOUNG EARTH THEORY OR PHILOSOPHY

Where Did The Young Earth Philosophy Originate?

The following excerpt is taken from Microsoft Encarta Encyclopedia 2002.

“In fact, with one prominent exception, virtually all of the leading creationists of the 1920s endorsed either the Day-Age or Gap Interpretation of Genesis. THE EXCEPTION was Seventh-Day Adventist teacher and amateur geologist, George McCready Price, WHO FOLLOWED Adventist Prophet, Ellen G. White, in limiting the history of life on earth to about 6,000 years. Price attributed most fossil-bearing rock formations to the geological disruptions of the Biblical flood.”

Note: It appears that both Price and Ellen G. White held that BOTH the earth and human life have existed for only about 6,000 years.

The same encyclopedia further states under the heading “RECENT TRENDS” the following:

“Flood geology gained wider acceptance after the publication of “The Genesis Flood” (1961) jointly authored by conservative Biblical scholar, John C. Whitcomb, Jr., and hydraulic engineer, Henry M. Morris. This immensely influential book promoted Price’s views as fundamentalist orthodoxy, and prompted the formation in 1963 of the Creation Research Society. The society is dedicated to the

promotion of what has come to be known as young-earth Creationism (by contrast with old-earth Creationism associated with the Day-Age and Gap theories). The most distinctive feature of young-earth creationism is its reliance on catastrophism, the doctrine that large-scale changes the earth's crust are to be explained by violent, unrepeatable geologic events, such as the Genesis flood.”

Now, let us analyze the preceding information.

Two Views of Creation

1. In the 1920s, most Creationists held one of two views:

One was the Gap Principle which endorsed the Biblical teaching that the Original Creation in Genesis 1:1 was beautiful. There, Lucifer, the anointed cherub (Ezekiel 28:14) and the angels resided. Lucifer and one-third of the angels rebelled and brought God's judgment upon the Original Creation, which was later found in a desolate and waste condition, as recorded in Genesis 1:2.

The unspecified length of time between God's judgment on the earth rendering it uninhabitable, until His remodeling it for man's habitation beginning in Genesis 1:2b, is known as the Gap Principle, NOT A THEORY. This time period, along with the Original Creation, is what the “young-earth” advocates attempt to do away with. The length of time the angels resided on the Original Creation until Satan's rebellion is not given. In reality, this unspecified time period has no relativity to the young earth advocates, because they deny God's Word concerning the foregoing.

2. The second view held in the 20s and to this present time is called the “Day-Age” theory.

In other words, a day in Genesis, Chapter One, is not a 24-hour period of time; but, rather, a geological age. The question then asked is, "How long is a geological age?" The answer is, any number of years they dream up! A 1,000 years, 300,000, or 500,000, or a million, maybe 500 million, or any number of years will do, just as long as we put the word "scientific" beside it. We are then led to believe it is true. What a joke! In 1 Timothy 6:20, young Timothy was warned,

"O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science (knowledge) falsely so called."

Included in this category are some who say that God created the first "blob." From this, things evolved to their present state. This is what is called "Theistic Evolution." Later, we will show the fallacies and impossibility of the Day-Age theory and give proof of a literal, 24-hour day.

3. From the Encyclopedia's article, it appears the Adventist Prophet, Ellen G. White, may have been one of the first, if not *the* first in advocating the young earth theory. Then an Adventist teacher, George McCready Price, followed her theory. Then Biblical scholar, John C. Whitcomb, Jr., and hydraulic engineer, Henry M. Morris co-authored "The Genesis Flood" (1961). Their book promoted Price's views of a "young earth." Now, everyone seems to have jumped on the young earth bandwagon. After 1900+ years, we have finally found the truth, or so they propose!

It amazes me that when someone wants to pawn off their theory about something, it is either scientific or advocated by a Biblical SCHOLAR. As long as one addresses an issue and

concludes with their opinion, then it must be true because it is either scientific, or it is from a so-called Biblical scholar.

I remember reading H.G. Wells' "The Outline of History." This man didn't believe the Bible at all, but was a believer in evolution. In his book he was trying to align my thinking with his. As I went back through the book, I circled such phrases as "We are led to believe," "We can now assume," "It is most possible," and others, by which he was trying to magnetize my thinking to his. This man had no proof to substantiate his beliefs.

This, in some respects, reminds me of the young earth philosophy. When their geology disagrees with the clear teaching of the word of God, it is meaningless as to how many times they use the word "scientific" and/or "Biblical scholar."

Rev. Whitcomb, Mr. Morris, I do not know for sure; but, I do wonder, did your young earth idea come from the cult religionist and Adventist Ellen G. White and or George Price?

Some might ask, "Why should we take the time to search out the meaning of Genesis 1:1-3 with regard to the Original Creation, the Judgment, and the Remodeling of earth? It can't be that important." Here is one scholar's answer:

"Here are some reasons we should study and seek to understand this doctrine.

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness" (2 Timothy 3:16). That, in a sense, says it all. If God talked about it, it is important. If He wrote it, it has profit for us." (See Chapter Sixteen.)

CHAPTER TEN

DIAGRAM ONE

1. Original Creation, 2. God’s Judgment, 3. Restored for Man

1. Beautiful	2. Ruined	3. Remodeled
		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Earth created beautiful. 2. Lucifer & the Angels’ habitation. 3. Genesis 1:1 4. Isaiah 45:18 5. No time of Creation given. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lucifer’s sin brought God’s judgment upon the earth. Isaiah 14 & Ezekiel 28 2. Angels now disembodied spirits. 3. Earth now desolate and uninhabited. 4. Genesis 1:2, Isaiah 45:18 <i>“The earth became without form and void...”</i> 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Genesis 1:3-19. The 4 days of remodeling. 2. Genesis 1:21, 22. Aquatic creatures and fowl created on the 5th day. 3. Genesis 1:24,25. Cattle, beasts and every creeping thing was made on the 6th day. 4. Genesis 1:28,29. Adam & Eve created on the 6th day.

The previous diagram will be helpful to identify the progression from God's Original Creation of the earth, His judgment upon it, and His remodeling it for man's habitation.

Genesis One, "Created" and "Made."

These two words, translated from two different Hebrew words, are very important in understanding God's Original Creation and His Remodeling of the Earth after its judgment. Let's examine each word and its significance in respect to the earth.

- A. **"Created."** The Hebrew word for "created" is 'bara.'" This word first appears in Genesis, Chapter One. It always means the instant, miraculous creation of something which had no previous existence in any form whatsoever. The three places "bara" (created) appears in Genesis One are as follows:
- (1). Genesis 1:1 – *"In the beginning God CREATED (bara) the heaven and the earth."* They have never existed before this.
 - (2). Genesis 1:21 – *"And God CREATED (bara) great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good."* (They never existed before this.)
 - (3). Genesis 1:27 – *"And God CREATED (bara) man in his own image, in the image of God created*

he him: male and female created he them."
(Man never existed before this.)

- B. "Made." The Hebrew word for made is "asah." This word means "to release from restraint, to make, to allow, or to assemble. The late Dr. Harry Rimmer, D.D., SC.D., had this to say concerning the Hebrew for "made."

"This is the word that would be used to describe the production of a piece of furniture by a carpenter, or the assembling of a motor by a skilled mechanic. In the case of the carpenter it would not be proper to say he had "created" a table: he merely manufactured the article out of materials which were already in existence. It would be equally wrong to say that the mechanic had created a motor which he had (only) assembled."

Note: When we see in English the words "made" and "created," they have basically the same meaning to the average person, which has caused much confusion; but, not so in the Hebrew. In the Hebrew, they have distinctively different meanings, the knowledge of which is imperative to understanding Genesis, Chapter One. This, the young earth advocates refuse to accept!

Therefore, the first four days of Genesis are not an Original Creation, but a remodeling process of already existing materials that had been held in restraint or bondage. That is why the Holy Spirit used the precise Hebrew words brought into our English language as "made" and "let," i.e. or "allow."

C. God's Original Creation, (Genesis 1:1) was created beautiful and to be inhabited. Isaiah 45:18 makes this perfectly clear:

"For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens: God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created (Hebrew, "bara") it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else."

Now, let us compare Isaiah 45:18 with Genesis 1:1,2 which states:

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." (v.1) "And darkness was upon the face of the deep, and the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the deep." (v.2)

Notice, in Isaiah, the word "vain." It is the Hebrew word "tohuw" and means "without form, wilderness, to lie waste, desolation and etc." Concerning this word in reference to the Original Creation, it is stated that "...*he* (God) *created* (Hebrew "bara") *it* (the earth) *not in vain*, (ie., a waste of desolation). It was formed and established perfect and beautiful to be inhabited. Isaiah continued by saying, "...*he* (God) *formed it to be inhabited.*" This describes the condition of the earth in Genesis 1:1 as God originally created it and his purpose for creating it, "to be inhabited."

Notice in Genesis 1:2 where, at some later time, it was declared that "...*the earth was* (had become) *without form and void.*" The word "void" in Verse 2 is the same word as

“vain” in Isaiah 45:18, ie., “a complete ruin, a desolation and uninhabitable.”

Let us now find out who the Original Creation was created for, who inhabited it, and what brought about it’s judgment. This leads us to the angels.

LUCIFER, THE ANOINTED CHERUB & THE ANGELS OF GOD

The question has been asked many times, “Where did the Angels come from? The Holy Spirit had directed His pen in Colossians 1:16 to give us the answer.

“For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him.”

Therefore, Satan, all the Heavenly Host, and everything that exists are a direct result of God’s creation.

In Isaiah 14 and Ezekiel 28, both speak of Satan; thus, giving us a good deal of information concerning Satan’s rebellion, which necessitated God’s judgment. In Ezekiel 28:13, it states that Satan was created. In Verse 15 concerning Satan, we are told that:

“Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.”

In Verse 14 it states that, “Thou (Satan) art the anointed cherub.”

The Original Creation of the earth in Genesis 1:1 was to be occupied by Lucifer and the angels. This creation is what God is speaking about in Job 38:2-7:

“Who is this that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge? (v.2) Gird up now thy loins like a man; for I will demand of thee, and answer thou me. (v.3) Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? Declare if thou hast understanding. (v.4) Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? Or who hath stretched the line upon it? (v.5) Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? Or who laid the corner stone thereof; (v.6) When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy? (v.7)”

Verses 4-6 describe the Original Creation; and, we find in Verse 7, the *“stars”* and the *“Sons of God”* are already in existence. Now, let us examine what these are:

“The Morning Stars”

At the creation of the earth, Job 38:7 says that, *“the morning stars sang together.”* Some of the commentaries assume that these *“stars”* are referring to angels. Should one study the Doctrine of Angelology, you will not find anywhere where angels are said to sing. It is recorded that they shout and talk; but, contrary to the opinion of many, they do not sing. Then, what are these “stars?” If they are literal stars; then, how do they sing? In his book, “Has God Spoken,” by Arnold O. Schnabel, on Page 12, has this documentation that stars emit sound.

“The Hebrew word for “sing” is “ranan” and pertains to the emittance of a loud creak, shrill, or stredulous sound. Job declared that stars emit loud, shrill, credulous sounds that are audible. In an attempt to determine whether stars emit sound, Grote Raber tried to detect radio waves from the sun. His results were negative. Raber tried again with “inconclusive” results.

The same year, United States Army scientists were testing secret radar equipment developed for detecting German aircraft. This equipment used a wave length of 400 to 500 centimeters. Suddenly in February of 1942, the radar sets received extremely high noise so loud they could not be operated. At first it was thought to be a form of German “jamming.” The direction of the sound was soon traced; however, and found to be caused by the activities of a sun spot. ---- This discovery gave birth to the radio telescope as a research tool after the war. It is now known that radio waves that enter our atmosphere vary in length from 0.8 centimeters to 17 meters. The natural ear is not designed to hear the shrill of the stars.”

God simply records their sounds as “singing.” In Psalm 98:9, we are told that the “floods clap their hands.” Isaiah 55:12 speaks of the “mountains and hills singing;” also, the “trees of the field shall clap their hands.” The flood waters crashing against objects is like “the clapping of hands.” Anyone who has ever hunted in the mountains has heard the wind howling as it blows against the side of the crevices, emitting a whistling sound described by God as the “mountains and hills singing.” If you have ever been in the woods when a strong wind is blowing, you have surely heard

the tree limbs smacking together. God describes this action as the “trees clapping their hands,” just as God describes the stars that emit sound as “singing.”

It is important to keep in mind that the stars were already created before God created the earth. This is why you will not find in Genesis One any record of stars being created when He remodeled the earth out of a chaotic condition to make it fit for human life. They had already been created prior to God’s creation of the earth in Genesis 1:1.

“The Sons of God.”

“The sons of God shouted for joy.” It must be recognized that the *“sons of God”* here in Job 38 and Job, Chapters 1 and 2 are the angels that God had created. These are sons of God by creation, not regeneration.

The *“sons of God”* in the New Testament are specified as such because of their relationship to the Lord. Notice John 1:12 which substantiates this:

“But as many as received him (Christ), to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.”

Not only did God create the stars; but, also, the angels were in existence prior to His creating the earth in Genesis 1:1. When God created the earth, the angels *“shouted for joy.”* Why would they shout for joy? Because God had created the earth for them. This beautiful creation of earth was to be their primary place of habitation. They were appointed an overseer, a leader who was to guide them in love, faithfulness and service to their Creator, God Almighty.

SATAN AND THE FIRST GARDEN OF EDEN

May I call your attention back to Isaiah 45:18 where God stated He *"...created it (earth) not in vain (a waste or desolation), he formed it to be inhabited."* To see how beautifully God had created the earth for the habitation of His angels, we find Exekiel describes the earth as *"...Eden the garden of God."* In Ezekiel 28:13,14, its description is beautiful.

"Thou (Satan) hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created." (V. 13). "Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou has walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire." (V.14).

How marvelous and magnificent was God's earth that he created for the habitation of His angels as we know them today. As we have already seen from Job 38:4-7, the stars and the angels had already been created and in existence and, then, God created the earth for their habitation.

The Five "I Wills" of Satan.

In Isaiah 14:13,14 we have the five "I Wills" of Satan. Here is the record:

"For thou (Satan) hast said in thine heart I WILL ascend into the heavens, I WILL exalt my throne above the stars of God: I WILL sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I WILL ascend above the heights of the clouds; I WILL be like the most high."

Notice carefully that stars and clouds have already been created, and in existence, when the angels occupied the earth. This earth was Lucifer's throne as God's Anointed Cherub.

" I will exalt my throne above the stars of God" (V.13). was Satan's ambition. The first "I will" was *"to ascend into heaven."* The fifth "I will" was *"to be like the most High."* At the very least, he would only settle for being co-equal with Jehovah.

The Judgment. God always judges sin wherever it is found. Speaking concerning Satan,

"Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee." (Ezekiel 28:15)

Briefly, we list only two of the many judgments God rendered against Satan and the third of the angels that followed him. We are concerned with the following two as they shed much light concerning the misunderstood time element between the original creation of the earth and the angels and God's remodeling of the earth for man's habitation.

Disembodiment. The angels and Satan became disembodied spirit beings. What kind of materialistic bodies they possessed while on earth, we are not told. In Ezekiel 28:14, we are told,

*"Thou (Satan) wast upon the holy mountain of God;
and thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the
stones of fire."*

Notice Verse 17,

*"Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou
hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy
brightness..."*

Walk, beauty and brightness are attributes of the body they had. They are now disembodied and known to us as demons or spirit beings. Remember, the angels with God can be seen in bodies when permitted by the Lord. (Read Matthew 28:1-8.)

The Earth Was Cleansed. The earth, which had been contaminated by Satan's and the angels' rebellion, was cleansed by God's judgment to such a degree that it was found without form, lying in waste like a wilderness. Genesis 1:2, *"And the earth became (because of God's judgment) without form and void (a waste) and darkness was upon the face of the deep."* With this background, let us proceed.

In Ezekiel 28:15 we are told that,

*"Thou (Satan as Lucifer) wast perfect in thy ways from
the day that thou was created, till iniquity was found
in thee."*

This verse is very interesting as it reveals some things we had not known and conceals some things we will never know this side of eternity.

What We Know:

- A. We do know he was created. Satan had a beginning.
- B. We do know he was created with a free will.
- C. We do know that from his creation until he inhabited the earth, his ways were perfect.
- D. Iniquity was not found in him until sometime after he was appointed the "*anointed cherub.*" (Ezekiel 28:15) and given the earth as his throne (Isaiah 14:13).

What We Do Not Know:

- A. We do not know how long it was from the time Satan and the angels were created until they were given the earth (Genesis 1:1), which was designated as Satan's throne.
- B. We do not know how long Satan occupied the earth before iniquity (sin) was found in him.
- C. We do not know the length of time from God's creating the beautiful earth until He judged Satan's sin; therefore, rendering the earth a waste, desolation and uninhabitable, being in total darkness and covered with water, as found in Genesis 1:2.

D. We do not know how long the earth remained in this desolation until God decided to remodel it for human habitation in Genesis 1:2b-23.

The young earth advocates do not want you to believe God's Word concerning this, as they claim this only supports the time needed for evolution and supports their opponents. This false philosophy of these young earth people fades into oblivion should they realize the following.

When God pronounced judgment and rendered this earth a total waste, **THERE WAS NOTHING ALIVE ON THE EARTH TO EVOLVE FROM!**

One of the young earth proponents is Mr. Ken Ham, Executive Director of "Answers in Genesis (AIG). Mr. Ham, in his statement of faith states that "The 'gap' theory has no basis in Scripture." Also stated is, "The final guide to the interpretation of Scripture is Scripture itself." AIG states the gap (i.e., a period of time) is a theory and not a fact based upon Scripture.

In other words, he does not believe Isaiah 45:18, which states God did not create (bara) the earth in the desolate and waste condition, and covered with water as found in Genesis 1:2. *"And the earth was (became) without form and void..."* It was not created that way. In Genesis 1:1, when God originally created the earth, Isaiah says it was *"created to be inhabited."*

Ezekiel 28:12-19 and Isaiah 14:12-15 clearly teach that Lucifer's (Satan's) throne and residence were here on the earth. His rebellion (sin) brought about God's judgment on

his residence, which was found *“without form and void and darkness was upon the face of the deep.”*, as Genesis 1:2 records. AIG does not believe these Scriptures; therefore, the Gap Period of Time is modified in their minds to a theory, instead of factual truth, supported by Genesis 1:1,2; Ezekiel 28:12-19; Isaiah 14:12-15.

Mr. Ham’s advice to all who will study the Bible is that we must allow Scripture to interpret Scripture; or, in other words, we must assess all Scripture pertaining to a certain subject or doctrine to arrive at the correct teaching of the Word of God. Mr. Ham’s advice is excellent! The sad commentary to this is, that what he advises others to do; he, himself, will not adhere to his own advice.

Many of you are well familiar with the name, Dr. Warren W. Wiersbe. He has been a noted Bible expositor for many years. He has pastored three churches; including the great Calvary Baptist Church in Covington, KY, and the famous Moody Bible Church in Chicago, IL. He has served as General Director and Bible Teacher of “Back to the Bible,” headquartered in Lincoln, Nebraska. He is Writer-in-Residence” at Cornerstone College in Grand Rapids, MI, and Distinguished Professor of Preaching in Grand Rapids Baptist Seminary. He is the respected author of many, many books, too numerous to mention. Here are his comments concerning the gap of time principle between Genesis 1:1 and Verse 2:

“It is held by many students that the original creation of the universe (Gen. 1:1) was followed by the fall of Satan (Isa.14:12ff) and the ruin of God’s handiwork. It is possible that there is a “gap” between 1:1 and 1:2; so that we may read Vs. 2, “And the earth became without form and void...” Isa.

45:18 states that God did not create the earth “in vain” (Hebrew “without form”) so that the chaotic condition of the earth must have been caused by judgment. Ezek. 28:11-19 suggests that Lucifer, the highest of God’s created beings in this original creation, wanted to take the place of God; and this brought about the judgment. We find Satan already at work in Genesis 3, so that his fall had to take place earlier. This means that the creative activities of Genesis 1 are really a restoration of the ruined universe.” (Whole Bible Study Course, Originated by D.B. Eastep, Outline and Comments by Warren W. Wiersbe, Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Covington, KY.)

Holding To A Young Earth of 6,000 Years Causes Your Witnessing To Be Ineffective.

Personally, I have witnessed to scores of people who have endorsed evolution. Their reasoning is that man has been on the earth millions of years; or, i.e., since the earth was originally created; therefore, they associate man’s existence as equal to the age of the earth. This is the problem. When they understand that the Original Creation of the earth could very well be millions of years old, BUT, that man has only been on the *reconstructed earth* for approximately 6,000 years, the “gap” or, better terminology, the lapse of time between the Original Creation and God remodeling the earth for human life, disassembles the theory of evolution. It was the angels that occupied the Original Creation, not man.

After The Rehabilitation of The Earth

After earth was rehabilitated, man was created and placed in the Garden of Eden. If one would trace the genealogies

from Adam to Noah, you will find it is 1056 years. The flood came when Noah was 600 years old. (Genesis 7:6,11). Therefore the time from the creation of man to the flood is 1656 years.

Should one desire a continued, concentrated study of the years from the flood to the birth of Christ, they would arrive at approximately 2,345 years. Thus, from Adam to Christ is close to the figure of 4,000 years. Add another 2,000 plus from Christ to the present, and you have man on the earth for only 6,000 years. Therefore, the Gap Principle, as documented in Scripture makes evolution an absolute impossibility. The Gap Principle made it possible for me to lead many people to Jesus Christ as their Savior, who had been influenced by the evolutionary philosophy.

CHAPTER ELEVEN

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

The Young Earth advocates want you to disregard the Hebrew and other Scriptures that expose their philosophy. They surely do not want you to be aware of the marking in the Masoretic Text at the end of Genesis 1:1, indicating the proper translation of the disjunctive “BUT” instead of the conjunctive (or connecting) “AND.” In the manuscript the reading would be:

*“In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.
BUT (Hebrew “waw”) the earth was (became) without
form, and void;”*

“Was.” The Hebrew for “was” is “hayah.” It is important to distinguish whether the verb “was” is in the manuscript, or if it has been inserted by the translators. It is wonderful that the King James translators made this distinction. When “was” appears not italicized, that indicates it is in the Masoretic Text. When you see “was” italicized, it indicates it does not appear in the manuscripts, but is understood. This is very important to notice when reading your King James Translation which makes this distinction. In Genesis 1:2 where the verb “was” appears twice: first, as part of the Masoretic Text; and, second, as italicized, and not in the original text.

*“And (BUT) the earth was without form, and void; and
darkness was (italicized) upon the face of the deep...”*

On the following pages you will find Diagram Two and comments showing the word order of Genesis 1:1,2. You read the chart from right to left and the English Translation is found below the Hebrew.

DIAGRAM TWO

1 בראשית ברא אלהים את השמים ואת הארץ:
 Earth the and conj. Heavens the and* God created beginning In

2 והארץ והאֵרֶץ היתה תהו ובהו וחשך על-פני תהום
 deep face upon darkness and void and (without) form the became earth the But

ורוח אלהים מרחפת על-פני המים:
 Waters the face upon moved God Spirit and

1. Uses of The Hebrew Verb “hayah” meaning “to be, i.e. existence.”

- A. When the verb is *not* in the original, it is a simple connecting verb. No change has occurred.
- B. When the verb is *in* the original, and placed at first part of a sentence, it means a present situation of existence is changing.
- C. When the verb is *in* the original, and *follows the subject of a sentence*, it indicates a change *in existence has already occurred*.

Let us recapitulate to Genesis 1:2 and examine two important words. They are the words “AND” and “WAS.”

“In the beginning God created (bara) the heaven and the earth. (2). AND the earth WAS without form, and void; and darkness was (italicized, not in the original text) upon the face of the deep...”

1. “And”.” The Hebrew is “waw,” (pronounced “vav”). The question is, “Should “waw” be translated “and,” which would be a conjunction connecting Verses 1 and 2? Or, should “was” be translated as “but,” therefore being a disjunctive instead of the conjunctive “and?”

There are two principle reasons why “waw” should be translated “but” showing a disjunctive relationship between Genesis 1:1 and 2.

- a. First, “but” would be the correct translation because in the Masoretic Text there is a small mark that is technically known as a “Rebhia.” This mark indicates that there is a break in the thought. In this case, the break is between Verse 1 and Verse 2. In other words, stop and think or consider before reading Verse 2; because there is a change that has taken place.

At the end of Verse 1, this mark appears in the Masoretic Text, showing a change of thought in Verse 2 from Verse 1. Therefore, the Hebrew “waw” should be translated “BUT” as a disjunctive, showing a change of thought will appear in Verse 2.

- b. Second, Scripture in Isaiah 45:18 agrees perfectly with the Hebrew “waw” translated as “but,” being a disjunctive. “But” indicates that something happened that the earth became without form and void; because, in Genesis 1:1 it was not originally created that way. It was created in Verse 1 to be inhabited (Isaiah 45:18). When you take the Word of God, everything fits perfectly.

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When you see “was” italicized, it indicates it does not appear in the manuscripts, but is understood. That is the beauty of the King James Translation.

Now, let us observe Genesis 1:2 where the verb “was” appears twice: first, as part of the Masoretic Text; and, second, as italicized, and not in the original text.

“And (BUT) the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was (italicized) upon the face of the deep...”

In the Hebrew, the order of the words in a sentence is also important. When the verb is in the original text and follows the subject in the sentence, it indicates a change of tense and should be translated as “became” or “had become.” It is a change of something existing from what it had been. Since the earth had already been created in Genesis 1:1, the verb “hayah” being in the original text and following the subject, this indicates a change had occurred with the earth after its original creation. Since a change in the earth had already taken place in the past, the verb “hayah” translated “was” should have been translated “became” or “had become,” because it is in reference to a past event.

Remember, when the verb “hayah” is in the original text and follows the subject, it indicates a change of thought, event, or of something that had previously existed; but, now has changed.

Notice the second “was” in Verse 2 is italicized, showing it is not in the original. Let us read the last part of Genesis 1:2 as it would read in the original:

“...and darkness (was is omitted) upon the face of the deep.”

It appears the reason that the Hebrew “hayah” or English “became” is not in the original text between darkness and upon in Verse 2 is because darkness is included as part of the

earth's becoming without form and void. In other words, when God judged the earth and rendered it "without form and void," darkness was part of that judgment. Therefore, the Holy Spirit saw no reason to use a verb concerning darkness as a separate judgment, as it was part of the original judgment of the earth becoming "without form and void." It was not a separate judgment from "without form and void."

May it also be noted that the Hebrew verb "hayah" is also translated "BECAME" in Genesis 2:7, as well as many other places in the Old Testament.

"And the LORD God formed man out of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man BECAME a living soul."

Note: The young earth advocates refuse to acknowledge the mistranslation of the Hebrew verb "hayah" as "was" instead of "became" or "had become." The reason is, should they acknowledge and concede to the correct translation from the Hebrew text, it would blow to pieces (like an atomic bomb!) their false hypothesis of a young earth. This is the reason they keep advocating to their readers and listeners to "Just read it as it is in the English; or, as they call it, "a plain reading."

Their theory they want you to believe is that in Genesis 1:1 when God created the heavens and the earth, that He created it in a ruined, uninhabitable condition, "without form and void." To promote this false hypotheses, they must convince you to accept the mistranslation of the Hebrew verb "hayah" as "was" instead of "became" or "had become." Their theory also contradicts Isaiah 45:18, as God's Word is very specific that He *did not create* the earth in a ruined condition, "without form and void."

*“For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens”
God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath
established it, NOT IN VAIN, HE FORMED IT TO BE
INHABITED: I am the LORD, and there is none else.”*

The word “vain” is the Hebrew “tohuw,” pronounced “to-hoo” and means, “to lie waste, desolation, wilderness, and without form” The young earth philosophy has no credibility when compared to the light of God’s Word. After reading a volume of their material from several different men, in my opinion, I deplore the trickery, shrewdness and deceit used to advocate their hypothesis. More will be said later concerning what some of these advocates really believe concerning their theology and some that will not reveal what they do believe.

May I introduce to you one of the many Bible expositors of the past who believed the Scriptures that refute the young earth advocates. His name is Arthur W. Pink. He was born in Nottingham, England, and died in Sternway, Scotland, in 1951. His wide-spread ministry included pastorates in Australia and the United States. He originated “Studies in the Scriptures,” a monthly magazine concerned solely with the exposition of Scripture. He was the author of many excellent books. One of these being “Gleaning in Genesis.” This work was copyrighted in 1922 by the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. I will quote from his book on Pages 10,11, concerning his analysis of Genesis 1:1,2.

“Certainly, the earth on the morning of its creation, must have been vastly different from its chaotic state as described in Genesis 1:2. “And the earth was without form and void” must refer to a condition of the earth much later than what is before us in the preceding verse. It is now over a hundred years ago

since Dr. Chalmers called attention to the fact that the word “was” in Genesis 1:2 should be translated “became,” and that between the first two verses of Genesis 1 some terrible catastrophe must have intervened. That this catastrophe may have been connected with the apostasy of Satan, seems more than likely; that some catastrophe did occur is certain from Isaiah 45:18, which expressly declares that the earth was not created in the condition in which Genesis 1:2 views it.

What is found in the remainder of Genesis 1 refers not to the primitive creation, but to the restoration of that which had fallen into ruins. Genesis 1:1 speaks of the Original Creation; Genesis 1:2 describes the then condition of the earth six days before Adam was called into existence. To what remote point in time Genesis 1:1 conducts us, or as to how long an interval passed before the earth “became “ a ruin, we have no means of knowing; but if the surmises of geologists could be conclusively established, there would be no conflict at all between the findings of science and the teaching of Scripture. The unknown interval between the first two verses of Genesis 1, is wide enough to embrace all the prehistoric ages which may have elapsed; but all that took place from Genesis 1:3 onwards transpired less than six thousand years ago.

“In six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is.” (Exodus 20:11). There is a wide difference between “creating” and “making”: to “create” is to call into existence something out of nothing; to “make” is to form or fashion something out of materials already existing. “In the beginning (whenever that was) God created the heaven and the

earth”; subsequently (after the primitive creation had become a ruin) “the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is.” This Exodus Scripture settles the controversy which has been raised as to what kind of “days” are meant in Genesis 1, whether days of 24 hours, or protracted periods of time. In “six days,” that is, literal days of twenty-four hours duration, the Lord completed, work of restoring and re-fashioning that which some terrible catastrophe had blasted and plunged into chaos.”

He further states on Pages 11 and 12.

“Rather must it be the part of scientists to bring their declarations into accord with the teaching of Genesis One, if they are to receive the respect of the children of God.” (Page 11).

“In like manner, if the teachings of Science square with Scripture, that goes to show the former are correct; if they conflict, that proves the postulates of Science are false.” (Page 12).

CHAPTER TWELVE

THE REMODELING

We have previously discussed the difference between "created" (Hebrew "bara") and "made" (Hebrew "asah"). To briefly refresh your memory; "created" means that God created something that at no time in the past had ever existed. "Made," on the other hand means "to form, assemble, and arrange from its previous state of usefulness to that form of beautification, so as to be used by God for His purpose."

It is interesting to notice that from Genesis 1:1 where God created the heavens and the earth; the word "created" (Hebrew "bara") does not appear again until the Fifth Day in Verse 20. Everything from Verse 2 to Verse 19 has to do with remodeling the earth in four days. These elements had previously been associated with the Original Creation, where Lucifer and the angels resided. Lucifer's sin brought about God's judgment on the earth, rendering it "*without form and void.*" The angels are now disembodied spirit beings, leaving the earth uninhabitable and in a chaotic ruin. Now let us see what elements, which were previously created and were with the Original Creation, that God is now going to reactivate and position in His remodeling process.

1. Water. - Nowhere does it say from Verses 2 to 19 that water was created to be used as part of the renovation of the earth. Why would that be? Very simply, because water had already been created and in existence at the Original Creation. Notice in Genesis 1:2, it was water that God used to cover the earth as part of His judgment on the Original Creation (Genesis 1:2). God had all the water He had previously

created, He didn't need any more. If you will notice, on the Second Day of His renovation, that there was so much water that He had to divide it, as recorded in Verses 6,7.

"And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the WATERS, and let it divide the WATERS from the WATERS." (V.6) "And God made (not created) the firmament, and divided the WATERS which were under the firmament: and it was so." (V.7)

The fact is, water had already been created, possibly millions of years ago, when God originally created the earth. The proof is, that the earth in its ruined condition was covered with water as found in Verse 2, before He ever started to renovate the earth in the first four days. Therefore, in Genesis 1:6,7, God very simply and precisely stated, He is separating the waters, repositioning them, leaving some on the earth, putting some in the clouds, etc. This is God's renovation in action on the Second Day. The same water He used in judgment of the Original Creation, He is now repositioning to support the human life, aquatic creatures and animal life that will appear in the Fifth and Sixth Days.

2. Light. The existence of light has caused a big problem to the skeptic and infidel. Their basic reasoning is, on the First Day God said, *"Let there be light: and there was light;"* but, light was not created until the fourth day when God created the sun, moon, and stars. These atheists pride themselves in their so-called wisdom, thus advancing their claim that the Bible is just a "story book" made up by man who contradicted himself concerning light that existed in the First Day before it was created on the Fourth Day. In other words, How can there be light before God created light?

The first thing I would like to point out is that God never said he CREATED light on the First Day or the Fourth Day. Nowhere can you find the word "created" concerning this in the English Text, nor can you find it in the Hebrew Masoretic Text. The Hebrew for "created" is "bara" and is not found used in reference to the First or Fourth Day of remodeling the earth. Maybe these intellectuals should brush up on their reading of English and Hebrew before they share all their wisdom with us! Enough of that!

The First Day of Remodeling.

Genesis 1:3-5. Here is the Record:

*"And God said, Let there be light: and there was light."
(V.3)*

"And God saw the light that ("it was" not in the original) good: and God divided the light from the darkness." (V.4)

"And God called the light Day and the darkness he called night. And the evening and the morning were the first day." (V.5).

In Verse 3, "*Let there be light*" would be better put into English as "Allow there to be light," as "Let" in the Hebrew means "to release or to allow." Since God did not create light, then where did it come? It had to exist in order for God to release and allow it to be observed as the substance that it is; that is--light. Since God did not create light, it must have always been. Therefore God, Who has always been, as we are going to see, is that light.

In Psalms 5:30; 89:15 and 90:8 it is recorded, in part in each verse, these words, "...in the **LIGHT** of thy (God's) countenance." Everything God is, is light Himself. His light, concerning Himself, is not limited to Himself, internally; but, flows externally, lighting up everything that exists. Only when He restrains His own light from illuminating does darkness occur.

We have an example of God's light, lighting the Second Jerusalem, a city prepared for the redeemed; it is 2/3 the size of the United States, coming down from God out of Heaven. Here is the record of God's Word in Revelation 21:22,23,25:

*"And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and Lamb are the temple of it. And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon to shine in it: for the glory of God did **LIGHTEN** it, and the Lamb is the **LIGHT** thereof. And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be **NO NIGHT** there."*

Concerning God's light, Revelation 22:5 further states,

*"And there shall be **NO NIGHT** there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them **LIGHT**: and they (the saved) shall reign for ever and ever."*

May we also take notice of I John 1:5 which speaks of God's light.

*"This is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is **LIGHT**, and in him is no darkness at all."*

With this in mind, let us go back to Genesis 1:2 and notice

that when God's judgment rendered the earth without form and void, it also included withdrawing the light and leaving the earth in total darkness. There were two light "switches," so to speak, that had to be shut off. Therefore, the sun, moon, and stars, which had previously been created, were to light the Original Creation. God had rendered them inactive, thus shutting off the first "switch" of light.

Yet, God's light from Himself would have radiated an ever enveloping and continuous light upon the Original Creation. God, therefore, threw the second "switch, placing a barrier by His Word, refraining His light from illuminating the earth, thus leaving it in a chaotic condition and completely surround by darkness, as found in Verse 2 of Genesis One.

Second Day of Remodeling. – The Firmament

Genesis 1:6-8.

"And God said, Let there be a firmament (i.e. expanse) in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." (v.6) "And God made (Hebrew "asah") the firmament and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament; and it was so." (v.7) "And God called the firmament heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day." (v.8).

In these verses there are two distinct acts that are recorded. The first act being that the firmament (i.e. expanse) is made, NOT created. The second act was that the waters were divided from each other. May we pause to refresh your memory concerning the meaning of the Hebrew words of "create" and "made." Create is the Hebrew "bara" and means creating or bringing into existence something that had not

previously existed. "Made," on the other hand, is the Hebrew "asah" and means: "to manufacture, to form, to release from restraint, or reassemble. The Holy Spirit wanted it known that this expanse, i.e., "firmament," had previously been created and was in use with the Original Creation. Remember, your young earth advocates do not want you to believe this.

God was now going to use the firmament to divide the waters, making two bodies of water, the atmospheric and the terrestrial.

The Hebrew word for firmament is "raqia." It appears in the Old Testament in the Hebrew manuscripts seventeen times, nine of which are in the first chapter of Genesis. The Hebrew "raqia" comes from a root that has the meaning of "to spread out;" therefore, its literal meaning would be a "limitless expanse." What a description of the heavens. One Christian scientist put it this way, "A limitless expanse is as accurate a description of the majestic vault of sidereal space as human tongue can frame."

This firmament includes the atmospheric and the galaxies, the starry heavens, so to speak. As to the heavens beyond the earth's atmosphere, we are told in Verse 14,

"And God said, Let there be lights (i.e., sun, moon, stars) in the firmament of the heaven."

The firmament also includes the earth's atmosphere as we find in Verse 20.

"And fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven."

Third Day of Remodeling; Ocean Is Formed; Dry Land Appears; Botany Is Re-Born.

Genesis 1:9-13.

"And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so." (v.9). "And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he seas: and God saw that it was good." (v.10). "And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself upon the earth: and it was so." (v.11). "And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind" and God saw that it was good." (v.12). "And the evening and the morning were the third day." (v.13).

Notice carefully that on the third day God did not use the Hebrew word "bara" translated "created" in our English. "Bara," as you recall means something that previously had not existed. In the third day of remodeling the earth, it had already been created in Genesis 1:1 and water had later covered it in judgment, as found in the Third Day. This is the condition that resulted from Satan's rebellion and God's judgment upon the Original Creation; thus, the earth "had become without form and void," as recorded in Genesis 1:2.

Your young earth advocates, some of them writing as though they were Bible scholars, do not have any degrees in Biblical theology at all. Mr. Ken Ham, founder of "Answers in Genesis (AIG) denies the Original Creation occupied by Satan and the angels. He refuses to acknowledge the Hebrew

Masoretic Text and what qualifies as a disjunction, instead of a conjunction, and the rules of Hebrew.

For example, In Genesis 1:2, "*And the earth was without form and void,*" here the Hebrew verb "Hayah" or "was" is in the original, as it is not italicized. "Was," is the Hebrew verb "hayah." When "hayah" is in the original text, and the normal word order of the sentence in the Hebrew is changed, with the subject going to the head of the sentence. Thus a disconnection, or change of thought, is emphasized. This is called a pluperfect tense of the verb. Therefore, the verb "hayah" translated "was" should have been translated "had been" or "had become" or "became" without form and void. Therefore the Hebrew requires a disjunctive, instead of a conjunctive, since the verb "hayah" is in the original text.

Mr. Ham either denies the word of God outright in the original text, or doesn't know enough about the Hebrew Text to know what it teaches. In trying to deceive people into believing his young earth philosophy, he states that, "God says that when he made the earth, it was first of all covered with water." The Bible says nothing about the earth being created completely covered with water. God says just the opposite, Mr. Ham, in Isaiah 45:18. Here is the word of God:

He (God) created it (earth) not in vain " (i.e., "a wilderness or ruined condition"), he formed it to be inhabited."

This is how he created it, Mr. Ham, not completely covered with water. as you say; but, beautiful and fit for the habitation of God's anointed cherub and his angelic host. This is in perfect harmony with Genesis 1:2, which tells how the earth became after Satan's fall and God's judgment.

"And the earth became (Hebrew verb "hayah") without form and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters."

I have a booklet entitled Dinosaurs and the Bible, by Ken Ham, B. App. Sc., Dip. Ed. I do not see any degrees concerning Biblical Theology. No Bachelor or Theology, no Master of Theology, nor a Doctorate of Theology. No biblical studies in Hebrew or Greek, yet Mr. Ham presents himself as a Biblical authority of the Scriptures. Unbelievable!

Botany Not Created; But, "Brought Forth"

"And God said, let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth, and it was so." (Genesis 1:11.)

Genesis 1:11 took place on the Third Day when God was remodeling the Original Creation. There is to be noted that nothing was created on the Third Day. Remember, "created" is the Hebrew word "bara" which means "something which has never existed previously." Therefore, "created" is not used concerning the grass, herb and fruit trees, as they had previously been created with the Original Creation of the earth in Genesis 1:1.

When Lucifer and the angels (as we know them today) inhabited the Original Creation, it flourished with grass, herbs and fruit trees, etc. The seed was in itself upon the earth, just as it is today. When God judged the earth, which was brought about by Lucifer's rebellion, the earth was completely covered with water and *"without form and void,"* as stated in

Genesis 1:2. The seed of the grass, herb and fruit trees was still in the ground; but, could not grow or reproduce due to complete darkness and the earth being completely covered with water, etc.

Now, notice what the word of God says in respect to the plant life.

"And God said, let the earth bring forth grass, herb and fruit trees."

Let me ask you, how can the earth bring forth something it doesn't already have? The Original Creation had the seed of plant life within itself. These seeds lay dormant for, possibly millenniums, or even millions of years. When God began to remodel the earth for human habitation, He brought forth light on the First Day, as we have discussed previously. On the Third Day, dry land appeared. The seeds of plant life contained in the earth could now, as God said, "*bring forth*" your fruit. God had removed the two obstacles which prohibited the growth of all plant life. Water was replaced with dry land and light replaced darkness. No one had to replant the olive tree from which Noah's dove plucked a leaf to bring back to him in Genesis 8:11.

May I recapitulate back to the Original Creation in Genesis 1:1, where plant life originated. Whatever bodies Lucifer and the angels possessed, would they not have the privilege to enjoy the fruit trees, etc. Animals were also existent on the Original Creation. (We will cover this when we reach the Fifth Day of remodeling the earth.) I don't know of any living creature or human that doesn't eat something to maintain existence. Christ not only ate in His earthly body, but also after His resurrection in His resurrected, glorified body. Dr. Luke records in Luke 24:42,43 concerning Christ.

"And they gave him (Christ) a piece of broiled fish, and of an honeycomb. And he took it and did eat before them."

Even the manna given to Israel in the wilderness was said to be "angel's food." Could it be that the angels of God enjoy eating the sweet tasting manna in heaven, which God shared with Israel in the wilderness? (Psalm 78:24,25).

Did not the two angels who were sent to Sodom to meet with Lot, eat at his house? Notice in Genesis 19:3.

"And they (the two angels)...entered into his (Lot's) house, and he made them a feast...and they did eat."

Then, there is a river flowing out of the throne of God, and on either side, a tree of life. This tree produces fruit every month. (Revelation 22:1,2). The redeemed in their glorified bodies will have the privilege to eat and enjoy this literal fruit. Personally, I sure hope that at least one of the months, this tree produces those big avocados, like they grow in Florida.

Now, back to Lucifer, the angels, and the Original Creation. There would be no reason for the plant life, herbs, grass, fruit trees, etc. to be created with the Original Creation, unless God had a purpose for them. The word "herbs" is the Hebrew "eseb" and means, "endive, lettuce, any green thing or any tender sprout. Lucifer and the angels could, and did, enjoy eating the herbs and fruit of the fruit trees. Grass would be food for many of the animals.

The seeds of botany that had lain dormant in the earth,

while under God's judgment, in the remodeling of the earth would be free to bring forth (produce again), after their kind. They were now liberated from God's curse on the Third Day of His remodeling of the earth.

Psalm 104:14 tells us that;

"He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth."

Notice carefully, that God is going to "cause the grass to grow" and "bring forth food out of the earth." You cannot cause grass to grow, unless the seed is already in the ground. The same with all kinds of plants and fruit trees. This is why the Holy Spirit never used the word "bara," i.e., "created" with the Third Day, because the seeds of Botany were already in the Original Creation.

The Fourth Day of Remodeling – Lights In The Firmament

Genesis 1:14-19.

(Verse 14) "And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days; and years."

(Verse 15) "And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so."

(Verse 16) "And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: He made the stars also."

(Verse 17) "And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth."

(Verse 18) "And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good."

(Verse 19) "And the evening and the morning were the fourth day."

May I note, at the outset, the philosophy of the young earth advocates concerning this Fourth Day. Their hypothesis is, that the greater light (sun), the lesser light (moon) and the stars never existed prior to the Fourth Day; but, rather, were created on the Fourth Day. Their philosophy and/or hypothesis is fraudulent and diametrically opposed to God's Word, as we shall see.

They seem reluctant to accept, acknowledge, or differentiate between the two different Hebrew words translated into our English as "made" and "create;," although the Holy Spirit used the Hebrew word "bara" for "created" and a different Hebrew word, "asah," for "made," since both have a different meaning.

(1). "Created" (Hebrew "bara") basically means that God created something out of nothing which had no previous existence.

(2). "Made" (Hebrew "asah") basically means that the

substance or object, already existing, is "released from restraint; to make; to allow; or to assemble."

Maybe the young earth advocates should have inspired the Old Testament writers, instead of the Holy Spirit, since they adhere not to the Holy Spirit's choice of words. Failure to recognize the difference between "created" and "made" is the result of their philosophy and false hypothesis founded upon the outright denial and rejection of God's Word.

There are several observations we need to consider concerning the fourth day:

(1). The Hebrew "bara," i.e., "created," nowhere appears in Verses 14 to 19 describing the Fourth Day of remodeling the earth. If this word had been used, then the stars, moon, and sun would never have existed prior to the fourth day.

(2). Notice in Verse 16, that God used the Hebrew word "asah," or "made," concerning the moon, stars, and sun. Remember, "asah" in Hebrew means "to release from restraint, to assemble or allow, and etc. In other words, the sun, moon, and stars had previously been created and useful for the Original Creation. The earth contained plant life, grass, trees, vegetation, animals, Lucifer, and God's angels. There were all kinds of life on the Original Creation, which necessitated heat and light from the sun, light from the moon and the stars.

When Lucifer first resided on the earth, there was heaven above the earth, there were clouds, stars, and etc. (Ezekiel 14:13,14). Lucifer's sin brought God's judgment and these elements were rendered inoperative and stayed that way until God decided to activate them again, to be

placed in their proper position for the sustaining of human life.

Isaiah speaks of God's omniscience and omnipotence concerning his renovation of an earth that was "*without form and void.*" It truly is God, "*who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance.*" (Isaiah 40:12)

(3). In Verse 14, "*God said, let there be lights in the firmament.*" May I call your attention to the word "lights" in this verse. The Hebrew for our English "lights" in this verse is "ma-or," which means "luminary, light container, or light holder." In other words, for the sake of clarity, should a paraphrase be rendered, it would read, "On this fourth day God spoke and said, "Let the light containers be released from restraint and be secured in the firmament of the heaven."

Remember, the Holy Spirit was very selective in his choice of Hebrew words, as He never used "created" (Hebrew, "bara") with any of the first four days in His remodeling of a ruined earth. But, rather, God used the word "MADE" (Hebrew "asah"), which means "to release from restraint." When God judged the Original Creation and rendered it "without form and void," the light holders, the sun, moon, and stars were of no more use and were restrained and rendered inoperative. Their original purpose for which they were created was now useless, as there was no life of any kind left on the earth to support. This previous life included grass, herbs, trees, all kinds of vegetation, animals of many kinds, which could have, and

without doubt, included dinosaurs.

From God's judgment of the Original Creation until He decided to remodel it for the habitation of Homo Sapiens, there could have been hundreds of thousands of years; or, even millions of years. Whatever length of time elapsed, it was much more than enough time for many of these animals to have fossilized, including the various dinosaurs.

It is a sad plight when some of these young earth advocates spend more time excavating in the ground than they do digging into the Word of God! Their hypothesis is disastrous, as they continually try to adjust the Bible to fit their findings.

The Fifth Day of Remodeling.

Genesis 1:20-23. Replenishing The Earth With Aquatic Creatures and Fowl

(V.20). "And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven."

(V..21). "And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good."

(V.22). "And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth."

(V.23). "And the evening and the morning were the fifth day."

Notice in Verse 21 where the word "created" is used. This fifth day marks only the second appearance of this word in the first chapter of Genesis. Remember, "created" is the Hebrew "bara," which means to create something which had no previous existence. This word is never used in the first four days of remodeling the earth for human habitation. Not until this fifth day is God going to create something that had no previous existence.

It is in connection with this appearance of biological life, quite naturally, that the Hebrew "bara" again makes its appearance. It is on this day that the Creator originates all of the many varieties that dwell in the waters AND the entire realm of bird life. By the Holy Spirit's use of the Hebrew "bara," it is evident that no aquatic or bird life ever existed on the Original Creation. Should there have been, then God would have used the Hebrew "asah" (i.e., English "made") instead of the Hebrew "bara" (i.e., English "created").

Timothy tells us why just exactly the correct Hebrew words are used without a mistake or contradiction.

"For all scripture is given by the inspiration (i.e. God-breathed) of God..." (2 Timothy 3:16).

"For the prophecy (i.e., the word of God) came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." (1 Peter 1:21).

Prior to the fifth day, vegetation was the only kind of life existing. It becomes apparent to even the casual observer that

plants must precede the birds and animals, or there will be no source of food for them. Therefore the seed and edible parts of vegetation have a start on those who are to eat them. Thus, we see the omniscience of God in His renovation of the earth.

The Sixth Day of Remodeling.

Genesis 1:24-31. Insects, Animals Made, And Man Created.

We have, here on the sixth day, a precise distinction of the two Hebrew words, "asah" ("made") and "bara" ("created"). We will examine the verses that deal with these two words.

First, we will look at what God made on this sixth day, that had previously existed on the Original Creation. Here is the record as found in Genesis 1:24,25.

(V.24). "And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so."

(V.25). "And God MADE (Hebrew "asah") the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind; and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was very good."

In introducing God's work on this sixth day, let us make a textual examination concerning the phrase in Verse 24 which states: *"Let the earth bring forth."* Some evolutionists claim that the approximately 92 elements in the earth are the seed plot from which insects and animal life began to evolve. These evolutionists continually "strain a gnat and swallow a camel!" A typical example of years ago is from the pen of Dr. Edwin O. Jordan in the famous symposium published by sixteen university professors of Chicago, bearing the imposing

title, "The Nature of the World and of Man." Here are a couple of their statements.

"While there is little or no cause to believe that spontaneous generation is occurring at the present day, it is reasonable to suppose that some form of microscopic life developed out of the inorganic matter at some previous period in the world's history."

"We naturally have no direct evidence about the origin of bacteria on the earth, but it is quite in line with all of our other knowledge of life development to suppose that at some time, in some way, some form of microscopic life developed out of highly organized, but up to that time, inorganic matter."

That is the pseudo-evolutionary philosophy of sixteen university professors that deny the word of God and all they can project is "we suppose," "no cause to believe," and "no direct evidence." What a joke!

In answer to this asinine philosophy, may I state that, in fact, no growth, no reproduction, no generation, and no quickening of inorganic matter has ever been demonstrated in any field of Science whatsoever.

May God say a word to these evolutionists as found in Psalm 14:1.

*"The FOOL hath said in his heart, There is no God.
They are corrupt, they have done abominable works,
there is none that doeth good."*

Now, back to the statement in Verse 24, "*Let the earth*

bring forth." This does not imply creative forces in the soil or in any of the physical elements. The 92 elements have been in existence from very first verse in Genesis One, when...

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."

May we recapitulate by quoting Verse 25 once again.

"And God MADE (Hebrew "asah") the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind; and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was very good."

Notice carefully that God made the cattle, the beast of the earth and every creeping thing. The Holy Spirit did not use the word "create" (Hebrew "bara"). Since "bara" means creating something which had no previous existence, whereas "made" (Hebrew "asah") is used as bringing forth something that had PREVIOUSLY EXISTED, by the usage of the Hebrew word "asah," the Holy Spirit let us know that these beasts, cattle and all manner of creeping things had previously existed on the Original Creation. Now God lets us know that these creatures are again going to inhabit the renovated earth where man is going to reside.

All these young earth advocates do is *talk* about going back to the authority of God's word. This is only a smoke screen, evidenced by their refusal to point their followers to the difference between the Hebrew words for "created" and "made." Should they believe the original Hebrew text, their young earth theory would evaporate.

I find that some of your young earth speakers have no studies in the Greek or Hebrew. Some won't even tell you what church they attend, let alone what their Theology is.

When I read of their education, it is primarily a secular degree, not a Bible degree of any kind. Yet these same men project themselves as authorities on the Bible. Unbelievable! Their smoke screen is that if you do not agree with their young earth philosophy, then you are not standing on the authority of God's Word. This is another one of their lies they want you to accept.

An example of a young earth speaker who has joined the staff of "AIG" or, Answers in Genesis, founded by Ken Ham, is one Mike Riddle. In their newsletter of February 2005, we are informed that Mr. Riddle will be holding special meetings in churches, schools, and workshops in the new AIG facility near Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Ham states that Mike will be giving talks on topics such as, "The importance of upholding Biblical authority." What this biblical authority means is (as we have stated before), that if you do not believe in their "young earth philosophy," then you are not standing on the Word of God.

Now, here are the qualifications of Mike Riddle, who presents himself as a Biblical scholar:

1. He is a former world-class athlete in the Decathlon.
2. He is a dynamic and passionate speaker, with a wealth of experience in Creation ministry. (See note below).

Note: Creation ministry simply means to teach that the earth is only, give or take a few years, 6,000 years old. He totally denies that the Original Creation was beautiful (Isaiah 45:18), then became "without form and void" (Genesis 1:2) as a result of God's judgment because of Lucifer's sin. The earth could have remained in this chaotic condition for thousands, millions, or even billions of years, as we register time, before God remodeled it for human habitation.

3. He is a mathematician with a graduate degree in education.
4. He was a U.S. Marine, rising to the rank of Captain.
5. He became a U.S. national champion in the track and field version of the Pentathlon.
6. Mike worked for many years in the computer field with Microsoft.

This is amazing! This man presents himself as an authority on the Bible and the Creation in Genesis One, yet I find no degrees of any kind concerning the Bible. There are no degrees from any Bible Colleges, no home-study courses, no studies in Hebrew, nothing!

This reminds me of the lady who advertised for one of the fast-food chains, and used to scream "Where's the beef?" May we ask the same. Where are the degrees in Biblical studies and Theology or Etymology, etc.? I hardly think that working for Microsoft concerning computers, running track, being a captain in the Marines, having a degree in Education, being an athlete in the decathlon, and having a good reputation as a speaker would be qualifications for anyone to claim themselves as an authority on the Bible. This man has followed the crowd, which cannot even discern the difference between "created" and "made" in Genesis, Chapter One.

“AFTER THEIR KIND”

I have been contemplating whether or not I should expand our study a little further concerning the words "*after their kind.*" Well, I guess one can only be double minded so long,

until he has to make a decision one way or the other. So, I have decided to proceed by getting right to the point, without a lot of biblical "jargon."

When "after their kind" is associated with the word "created" (Hebrew "bara") in Genesis One, it has a different meaning in reference to the context, than it does when used with the word "made" (Hebrew "asah"). Let's look at Verse 21 which appears in reference to the fifth day of recreation.

"And God created (Hebrew "bara") great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, AFTER THEIR KIND, and every winged fowl AFTER HIS KIND: and God saw that it was good."

The word "created" let us know that whales, all creatures in the waters and fowl never existed on, about, or with, the Original Creation, but only came into existence on the fifth day. Since they never existed before; *"after their kind"* is referring to their reproduction and NOT to God making something that had previously existed, as he did on the sixth day concerning the beasts, cattle, and creeping things. This is the difference when *"after their kind"* is used with "created" (Hebrew "bara") as used in reference to the word "made" (Hebrew "asah").

Of the commentaries I possess, I have not found one that makes this distinction. I am not saying this in a critical manner; but, only as a fact. Maybe this little point will encourage the Bible student to study the Bible instead of just casually reading it. Joshua 1:8 says to "meditate" concerning the Word, i.e., digest what you have read. Psalm 1:2 says the

same. Now let us recapitulate and summarize the two verses in context, concerning "after their kind."

(1) When used with "created" in Genesis 1:21, this shows us that what was created on the fifth day never existed previously in the Original Creation; therefore, "after their kind" is in reference to these species reproducing offspring of the same species.

(2) When used with "made" in Genesis 1:25, this is referring to replenishing the renovated earth with the same animals and creatures God had created and placed on the Original Creation.

"Created" and "Made" Concerning Adam and Eve.

Both "created" and "made" are used in reference to Adam and Eve being brought into existence. the question naturally arises as to how we can reconcile these two words as pertaining to God's creation of Adam and Eve. Before we examine the verse that uses "created" and "made," let us again look at their respective meanings:

(1). "Created" - (Hebrew "bara") - Showing us that God created something that had never previously existed in any form whatsoever.

(2). "Made" - (Hebrew "asah") - This Hebrew word means to release from restraint, to make, to allow, or to assemble. In the making of Adam and Eve, this would apply in the material (physical) sense, as well as their spiritual makeup.

Now, let us examine the verses that contain both words in reference to Adam and Eve. They are found in Genesis

1:26,27 and Genesis 2:7,22.

"And God said, Let us MAKE man in our image, after our likeness... (Genesis 1:26)."

"So God CREATED man in his own image, in the image of God CREATED he him; male and female CREATED he them. (Genesis 1:27)."

"And the LORD God FORMED man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul (Genesis 2:7)."

"And the rib, which the LORD god had taken from man, MADE he a woman, and brought her unto the man (Genesis 2:22)."

"Created" - Mankind has never existed before at any time prior to Adam and Eve. Notice Genesis 1:27 which reveals to us, by the use of the Hebrew "bara" (created), that God has never previously created anything in His likeness or in His image, such as a human being. The image of God that man possesses is not the physical appearance of God for *"God is spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."* Rather, therefore, they are the spiritual qualities that a thinking, intelligent, human being possesses, such as: mind, personality, will, emotions, conscience and etc. Other terminologies for these are labeled, "heart," "soul," and "spirit."

(1). "Heart." - The seat of your conscience and reasoning. Romans 12:15, *"Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience, also*

bearing witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another." Mark 2:6, "But there were certain of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts."

(2). "Soul." - The seat of one's emotions and appetites. Our soul can hate (2 Samuel 5:8); mourn (Job 14:22); rejoice (Isaiah 61:10); suffers (Genesis 42:21); sorrows (Mark 14:34); and desires (Deuteronomy 12:20).

(3). "Spirit."- is the seat of one's intelligence. 1 Corinthians 2:11 tells us,

"For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? Even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God." Also Verse 4).

Therefore it is made perfectly clear, by the use of the Hebrew word "bara", that God has never previously created any species of Homo Sapiens. In Psalm 115:16, the Lord lets us know that,

"The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD'S; but the earth hath he given to the children of men."

God has also made it clear to the evolutionists that mankind possesses something that animals do not possess, and never will! It is called, Mr. Evolutionist, SPIRIT, which is intelligence. Job 32:8 states:

"But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding."

We find in Psalm 32:9 that animals do not possess a spirit of intelligence and reasoning, or understanding, such as humans possess.

"Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which hath no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee."

I am sorry, Mr. Evolutionist, but I just cannot buy into your pseudo-philosophy that "We slipped from slime or come from scum."

“Even in the simplest science,
You cannot really entertain,
And believe man's interpretation
That out of muck and slime we came.
Our God is truly saddened,
We were created in His image.
We're not monkeys, apes, or exploding cells;
We're from His Holy Lineage.
For it is not your high IQ;
Or, how brilliant that you look.
Your PhD is useless,
If your name's not in His Book!”

From the poem, *After His Kind*, by Katherine Higham, Stanzas 7,8,11.

I am sorry, but, again, God says of the evolutionists in Psalm 14:1,

"The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God."

Now, back to the difference between man and animals. Animals have a soul, with emotions and appetites, which is connected with their bodies. They do not possess a spirit of intelligence such as mankind. When an animal dies, their soul and body cease to exist. There is no life after death with animals.

Man has a body, soul, and spirit. In 1 Thessalonians 5:23 we are told,

"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole Spirit, and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

When humans die, their soul and spirit separates from the body and goes to Heaven or Hell, as there is no Purgatory, as projected by Roman Catholicism.

"Made.": (Hebrew "asah"). As we have previously set forth, "created" means the instant, miraculous creation of something which had no previous existence in any form whatsoever. "Made," however, is an entirely different Hebrew word which means "to release from restraint, to assemble, or to allow something materialistically, spiritually, and etc. to be used again, as it had previously been used."

In Genesis 1:26, *"God said, let us MAKE man in our image."* This, of course, is referring to the spiritual qualities that God wanted man to possess, such as, personality, ability to think intelligently, free will, conscience, emotions and etc.

Since "made" has reference to something that has previously existed, we can readily see that these spiritual qualities have existed before. Did not the angels and their

overseer, Lucifer, possess these same qualities? They sure did! Lucifer, the anointed cherub, wasn't satisfied with the Original Creation where he was to reign. Isaiah 14:13,14 describes and shows forth his free will, conscience, thinking ability, emotions and etc.

"For thou hast said in thine heart, I WILL ascend into heaven, I WILL exalt my throne above the stars of God: I WILL sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:" (V.13). "I WILL ascend above the heights of the clouds; I WILL be like the most high." (V.14).

Here we have the five (5) "I wills" of Lucifer (Satan) who was given his residence on the Original Creation, as recorded in Genesis 1:1, along with the angels. In other words, the same spiritual attributes that God had formed or made Adam and Eve with, had previously existed with Lucifer and the Angels that God had created, possibly millions or even billions of years ago.

Therefore God, the Holy Spirit, directed Moses to use the exact Hebrew word "asah" (made), concerning the spiritual attributes of Adam. The same Hebrew word is used in reference to Eve, concerning something that previously existed. Notice in Genesis 2:22,

"And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, MADE (Hebrew "asah") he a woman and brought her forth unto the man."

Here, the rib had existed before, therefore qualifying the Hebrew "asah" to be used instead of Hebrew "bara" (created)

which would refer to something that had never previously existed; i.e., the rib.

Notice that we have the same thing concerning Adam, who was formed out of the dust of the ground, which would prohibit the use of the word "created" (Hebrew "bara") in reference to this. Here is the record in Genesis 2:7.

"And the LORD God formed (not created) man of the dust of the ground..."

Since "created" has reference to something that had no previous existence, its usage here would be disqualified. The reason is, that man was formed out of something already in existence, that is, *"the dust of the ground."*

ADAM and EVE, BOTH CREATED and MADE.

It may seem at first glance that the words "created" and "made" as used in reference to Adam and Eve may appear contradictory to each other. Since basically "created" has reference to something that had no previous existence and "made" has reference to something that did previously exist; then, how could they be complementary instead of contradictory?

I believe we can summarize very simply how these two words are used in their proper context, as Proverbs 30:5 says, *"Every word of God is pure..."* You see, the words from God to mankind in Genesis were penned by Moses exactly and precisely as the Holy Spirit directed. Therefore, no mistake in the original Hebrew. (2 Timothy 3:16 and 2 Peter 1:20,21).

With Genesis 2:3, God makes it perfectly clear that in His six days of remodeling a ruined and uninhabitable earth and

bringing into existence humanity, He used precisely two words to distinguish any false teaching that may arise. One of those being, the pseudo-philosophy of a "young earth of only about 6,000 years old. Here is the record, concerning these two important words in Genesis 2:3.

"And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God CREATED (bara) and MADE (asah)."

God makes it perfectly clear concerning the six days of renovation that He created some things and others He did not create; but, were made. A distinction that God wants us to recognize; or, He would not have used two different Hebrew words, as He stated in Genesis 2:3.

Here we will simplify these two words, as used in reference to Adam and Eve only. A very simple principle to keep in mind is the following: First, where "made" is used in reference to Adam and Eve, it is in reference to something that has existed before. This will be used as PART of the complete embodiment of Adam and Eve. Second, when "created" is used in reference to Adam and Eve, it is always in reference to their COMPLETED FORM as Homo Sapiens, such has never existed before. You will see this as we examine the verses containing "made" and "created."

(1). "And God said, Let us MAKE man in our image, after our likeness." Genesis 1:26.

As you recall, "image" is in reference to the spiritual qualities of mankind such as emotions, free will, personality, thinking, etc. As noted before, these all

existed with the angels, ages before. Therefore, "created" meaning "never existed before" would be disqualified.

Notice carefully that God said, "*Let us make man.*" Adam had not existed as yet. Here God is telling us a particular part of what the complete man will possess; i.e., the spiritual qualities which God had previously endowed the angels with when He created them.

(2). "*So God CREATED man in his own image, in the image of God CREATED he him; male and female CREATED he them.*" Genesis 1:27.

This verse differs from Verse 26 as this is speaking of Adam as a COMPLETED creation. Notice here that, "*God created man*" and "*male (Adam) and female (Eve) created he them.*" Here God tells us that he has already created Adam and Eve, body, soul, and spirit. (1 Thessalonians 5:23). Therefore the word "create" is properly justified as to its meaning of "never previously existing," as there has never existed Homo Sapiens prior to Adam and Eve.

(3). Angels were not Homo Sapiens. We do know that Lucifer and the angels, as we know them, did possess some kind of bodies when they resided on the Original Creation. Ezekiel 28:14 speaks of Lucifer as

"Thou hast WALKED up and down in the midst of the stones of fire."

We do know that all angels are described in the masculine gender and are called "men." There are no women angels.

What kind of material the angel's bodies were composed of, we are not told. Whatever kind of body God created them with was not of the same exact material as we possess today. God lets us know that He can create a body for whatever species He sees fit. In 1 Corinthians 15:38-40 we are told,

But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body." (V.38). "All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds." (V. 39). "There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another." (V.40).

Whatever species God creates, He gives it a body to function with, exactly as He sees fit. Therefore, the angels had bodies that could talk, walk, and function; but, their bodies were different. It is true that they had the same spiritual attributes as we do; i.e., they had feelings, they had intelligence, and were created with a free will to choose right or wrong. But, their bodies were different.

Keep this in mind, all angels were men! God never created angels to reproduce; therefore, their bodies had no use for organs of sexual reproduction as there were no women angels ever created to reproduce with. Wherefore, our English "created" from the Hebrew "bara" is absolutely correct, as there has never existed a created being exactly like Homo Sapiens, such as Adam and Eve. Peter states in his second epistle, II Peter 2:11 that, "*Whereas angels which are greater in power and might,*" (i.e., than Homo Sapiens).

The foregoing makes it clear that the angels and Lucifer were created prior to mankind and inhabited the Original Creation, which could have been millions or billions of years ago.

After Lucifer's rebellion, the earth was rendered uninhabitable as God states in Genesis 1:1,2,

"And the earth became without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep."

Since it became that way, it is evident it wasn't created that way.

In Isaiah 45:18 we find,

"He (God) created it (earth) not in vain (i.e., a wilderness, a waste, and without form), he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else."

It taxes our imagination as to how beautiful God had made the Original Creation for Lucifer and the angels. Ezekiel 28:13 gives a little insight as to its beauty.

"Thou (Satan) hast been in Eden the garden of God. Every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold; the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou was created."

Lucifer lost it all because of his rebellion against God. Because of this, his eternal residence, along with the angels that followed him, would be eternal Hell. Matthew 25:41 lets

us know that Hell, or the everlasting fire, was originally prepared for the devil and his angels that occupied the Original Creation, long before it was ever remodeled for Adam and Eve. Matthew also lets us know that those who rebel and refuse to accept Jesus Christ as their Savior will spend eternity in the Lake of Fire with their father, the Devil.

"Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels." (Read also Revelation 20:10).

Your young earth advocates want you to believe that there was no sin before Adam; therefore, denying the Original Creation where Lucifer and the angels resided. If Adam and Eve were the first to ever sin, then why wasn't Hell created for Adam and Eve instead of the Devil and his angels?

We will expound more on this later concerning this false teaching of the young earth advocates, who claim there was no sin before Adam. One must remember that the advocates of this "new" philosophy, that the earth is only about 6,000 years old, appear to have come from a false prophetess, one Ellen G. White.

The young earth advocates claim their interpretation of geology lends support to a 6,000-year-old earth. They absolutely refuse to acknowledge the Biblical teaching of the Original Creation and the gap of time before God remodeled it, fit for human habitation. This gap of time could involve millions or even billions of years. This, they say, gives the evolutionist the time needed for evolution to take place. This philosophy is the wisdom of men, but not of God, because it denies the Biblical authority of Genesis One. When God --

destroyed the Original Creation along with the beast of the earth, the cattle and every creeping thing, He rendered it a desolation, a wilderness and uninhabited!

You will notice, in Genesis 1:25, that the word "MADE" is used of the animals, cattle, and creeping things; not, the word "CREATED." "Made" in the Hebrew means, bringing into existence something that has previously existed (i.e., on the Original Creation). I have stated this to make a very simple point. HOW IN THE WORLD COULD SOMETHING EVOLVE, WHEN THERE WAS ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO EVOLVE FROM?

So, again, the young earth advocates project another lie; that is, that the Gap Principle allows time for evolution to take place. Wherein the opposite is true. It would make absolutely no difference if there was 100,000, 20,000,000, or 50 billion years between God's judgment on the Original Creation and remodeling it for human habitation. Excluding the angels becoming disembodied spirits, all other forms of life and vegetation were completely destroyed, as Genesis 1:2 states.

"And the earth became without form and void."

Therefore, as I have said before, HOW CAN SOMETHING EVOLVE FROM NOTHING WHEN THERE WAS NOTHING TO EVOLVE FROM? This in itself disproves any possibility of evolution having taken place.

All of this young earth philosophy stems from not accepting the Biblical authority of God's Word concerning the Original Creation and the gap of time before God remodeled it for human habitation. Maybe if some of these men would spend the majority of their time studying the Word of God,

instead of digging in the dirt, they wouldn't have to distort the Bible into fitting their so-called geological findings.

CHAPTER THIRTEEN

THE BIG LIE, NO SIN BEFORE ADAM, ROMANS 5:12

"There was no sin before Adam" is the claim and false teaching of the young earth advocates. They base their claim on Romans 5:12 which reads:

Wherefore as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned."

Therefore, they claim there was no death or sin prior to Adam. This presents several problems to their philosophy, which actually contradicts the Word of God.

Before we look at Genesis, Chapter Three, where we find the Serpent in conversation with Eve, we need to understand that this is not a snake or reptile of any kind. This is none other than Satan himself in action. In Revelation 12:9, he is described with four names, the "Serpent," the "Devil," "Satan," and the "Dragon." In Revelation 9:11 he is described by his Hebrew name of "Abaddon," meaning "destroying angel," as well as his Greek name "Apollyon," meaning "destroyer," and that is exactly what he is.

(1.) Now let us go to Genesis 3:1-6 where we find Satan trying to get Eve to sin by doubting, and ultimately deceiving Eve into disobeying God. My Bible says that it was Satan, the sinner, trying to get the sinless (Eve) to sin. The record is perfectly clear that **Satan had sinned prior to Adam and Eve**; or, he wouldn't have tempted Eve to sin.

For the young earth philosophy to be true, the Bible would have to proclaim that Eve tempted Lucifer (Satan) to sin, not that he tempted her. Lucifer's personal sin was when he wanted to be equal with God. His residence, along with the angels, was on the Original Creation that God had prepared for them. Isaiah 14:13,14, describes Satan's sinful desires.

"For thou hast said in thine heart, I WILL ascend into heaven, I WILL exalt my throne above the stars of God: I WILL sit also upon the mount of the congregation in the sides of the north: I WILL ascend above the heights of the clouds: I WILL be like the most High."

Because of this, *"the earth became without form and void,"* as stated in Genesis 1:2. It was totally uninhabitable, as it was completely covered with water and darkness as described in Genesis 1:2. It remained this way for possibly thousands, millions, or even billions of years, until God remodeled it for human life. THEREFORE, EVOLUTION, WAS IMPOSSIBLE, because there was nothing to evolve from!

All of this the young earth advocates deny, in order to perpetuate THE LIE that there was no sin before Adam.

Mr. Ken Ham, president of Answers in Genesis and one of the leaders in the young earth philosophy, is going all out to ensnare and train as many as possible in the philosophy of a young earth. In his monthly publication, Volume12, Issue 8, Mr. Ham advertises his college of "5 days." This is a quote directly from his advertisement.

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intensive sessions."

This is unbelievable, a "5 day" college course and you are ready and prepared, as a sheep goes to the slaughter, to perpetuate this man's theory of a young earth. Have any of his followers ever questioned Mr. Ham as to what Bible college or University of Biblical studies he has attended and graduated from, or what Biblical studies in Hebrew and Greek he has taken. When we wrote him, questioning him about his Theology such as:

- (1). Do you believe you can lose your salvation?
- (2). Do you believe the Biblical teaching concerning the Rapture?
- (3). What about the 7-Year Tribulation Period?
- (4). And the Kingdom Reign of Christ?, and other theological questions.

A representative of Ken Ham's organization advised us that Mr. Ham doesn't get involved in these things, as fighting evolution is his main concern. When a man will not reveal his theological stand on the great doctrines of the Bible, he has something to hide and is a false teacher!

Read the Book of Acts and the 14 Epistles of Paul and see if he hid or refused to declare what he believed. Of course, if

Mr. Ham did as Paul and decided to be honest with his followers about his beliefs, other than not believing in evolution, and his beliefs were contrary to many, I doubt if they would contribute money to finance his museum. Mr. Ham is wise enough to know that. I can see no other reason for him not to reveal what he really believes concerning the major Bible doctrines, including Eschatology, as set forth so clearly in the Word of God. I have learned many years ago never to follow a man that hides what he really believes.

Further, what are the names of his "distinguished faculty" and what education do they possess in Biblical Theology and the Hebrew language. Did you ever think to ask, or do you just blindly follow this man?

NO DEATH BEFORE ADAM – ANOTHER LIE

Romans 5:12. The Facts

1. Eve sinned first.

Let us refer back to the young earth advocate's claim there was no death or sin before Adam, using Romans 5:12 as their so-called proof. Let us look at Romans 5:12 again and see if what they say is true.)

"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned."

The question is, "How did sin enter into the world?" when there was NO world; i.e., offspring as yet? No children yet born as Adam had not yet sinned. Here is the record in Genesis 3:4,6.

"And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: (V. 4)

"And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat." (V. 6)

Eve was deceived; but, nothing is said about Adam being deceived. How true it is that, "The New is in the Old concealed and by the New, the Old is revealed." So, let us see what the New Testament has revealed concerning Genesis, Chapter Three. We find the record in 1 Timothy 2:13,14.

"For Adam was first formed, then Eve." (V. 13)

"And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression." (V.14).

The Bible clearly teaches that there **was** sin and death before Adam, as described in Genesis, Chapter Three. My Bible teaches that Eve sinned BEFORE Adam. Eve ate **first** and was the **first** to be spiritually dead, also resulting in physical death, as her physical body would later die. So, there **was** sin and spiritual death before Adam.

(a.) What Nature Did Adam and Eve Have? Were Adam and Eve created with a sin nature as every human being now possesses? No. They were not created with a sin nature, as God would be guilty of creating two sinful individuals who had never sinned. God created Adam and Eve with a sinless nature, unlike any other human being ever born. They were created in innocence, which is sinlessness that has never faced temptation or trial.

(b.) What Is Innocence? Innocence is sinlessness that has never faced trial. Righteousness is innocence that has been tested and found victorious. Therefore, when Eve sinned first, and then Adam; that innocent and sinless nature became a sinful nature which brought forth spiritual and physical death. Their sinful nature was then passed on to their offspring and to the rest of all humanity.

At this point, Adam had not yet sinned; therefore, he had no sin nature. On the other hand, Eve had been deceived and sinned; therefore possessing a sinful nature which brought death. In this situation, there could be no conception as there would be two conflicting natures in one child. You would have Adam's nature, yet sinless, and unable to die because he had not yet sinned. Eve had already sinned, therewith possessing a sinful nature which required death.

Should conception have taken place at this point in time, their offspring would possess TWO conflicting natures. That is, Adam's sinless nature requiring no spiritual or physical death; while the same child possessed his mother's sinful nature requiring spiritual and physical death. This would produce a monstrosity of a child with two opposite and conflicting natures.

Now, let us go back again to 1 Timothy 2:14 where we are told,

"And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression."

Since Adam was not deceived, the only other answer is that he purposely partook of the forbidden tree, so that

conception and life would continue the human race. In Genesis 3:6b we are told that,

"...she (Eve) took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband (Adam) with her; and he did eat."

Now we have Adam and Eve with a sin nature that will be passed on to all humanity and the Lord can deal with the extent of all humanity on one common denominator. This is spoken of in Romans 3:23,

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;"

This is a far cry from THE LIE perpetrated by the young earth advocates that "there was no sin or death before Adam." As I have said before, this is what happens when so-called scientists spend most of their time digging up and studying rocks, instead of studying and believing the Word of God.

2. Analysis of Romans 5:12

"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:" Romans 5:12

(a). *"As by one man sin entered into the world."*

This is not speaking about Adam being the first to sin, as we have already seen that it was Eve who sinned first. Adam was the first created human and, as such, he was the Federal Head of the human race, meaning he was the representative for the entire human race.

"For Adam was first formed, then Eve. (13) And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression." 1 Timothy 2:13-14

(b). *"...by one man (Adam) sin entered into the world."*

Eve had sinned first, then Adam second. Now the question arises as to how did sin enter into the world by Adam?

3. Satan Was Already At Work In The Garden

Who met Eve at the tree? Who made the tantalizing suggestions to Eve which are found in Genesis 3:4,5?

"And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil."

4. Creation of Angels Not Mentioned In Genesis

If God had created the angels at any time during the creation week, it would be recorded in the first two chapters of Genesis. It is not. It does not make sense that God could create Lucifer and he would have time to fall and deceive a third of the angels to follow him, during the week of remodeling. This is not a logical conclusion, since Job 38:4, 7 shows the ANGELS were in existence before the "foundations of the earth" were laid.

"Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding. (4) Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or

who hath stretched the line upon it? (5) Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof; (6) When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy ?" (Job 38:4-7).

Evidently the young earth advocates have never read Genesis Three; or, if they have, they disregard it altogether. (Eve sinned before Adam, and Satan was there to entice her.). It is sad the young earth advocates cannot understand a simple verse such as Romans 5:12 and try to make it fit their philosophy; which contradicts Genesis, Chapter 3, concerning Eve sinning first, not Adam.

This is easily answered as Adam and Eve had no ancestors; only descendants. Adam was the first man; but, those who inhabited the original creation were angels.

If Adam had not had conception with Eve, there would have been no future human race. So, by one man (Adam) having conception with Eve, the human race proceeded. Their sin nature was passed on to Cain and Abel and everyone's children, up to the present. Therefore, as by one man (Adam) having conception with Eve, their sin nature entered into their offspring, or "*into the world.*"

Thus, all humanity has inherited the old sin nature, along with "*[the] death [which] has passed upon all men*" in the world; because "*all have sinned*" as a result of the old sin nature, which was inherited from our first parents.

"Wherefore, as by one man (Adam) sin entered into the world (Adam having conception with Eve), and death by sin; (sin nature inherited from Adam and Eve) and

so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:"
(Romans 5:12)

A far cry from the claims of the young earth philosophy, which consistently contradicts the Word of God.

"O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called:" 1 Timothy 6:20

5. Hell Was Prepared For the Devil & His Angels

One might ask, what in the world does this have to do with the young earth advocates claiming, "There was no sin or death before Adam, and projecting a 6,000-year old earth? Let us go to God's Word and see who Hell was prepared for, as described in Matthew 25:41.

"Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels."

The "*everlasting fire*" is the same as the "*lake of fire*" in Revelation 20:10, "*hell fire*" in Matthew 5:22 and "*hell*" in Matthew 23:15, along with several other places.

Hell was first prepared for "*the devil and his angels,*" NOT Adam and Eve. This, again, disintegrates the false theory that there was no sin or death before Adam as young earth people advocate. If there was no sin before Adam, then WHY wasn't Hell prepared for Adam and Eve, instead of the Devil and his angels?

The Original Creation of the earth in Genesis 1:1 was for the habitation of Lucifer (Satan) and the angels. When Lucifer rebelled against God, this was the first sin that we know about as recorded in God's Word. Ezekiel 28:15 tells us that,

"Thou (Satan) wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee."

Isaiah 12:12-14 describes in detail the sins of Satan and then describes his ultimate end as recorded in Verse 15.

"Yet thou (Satan) shalt be brought down to Hell, to the sides of the pit."

The Original Creation was then rendered "*without form and void*," being completely covered with water and darkness as recorded in Genesis 1:2. This was God's judgment upon Satan and the one-third of the angels that followed him (Revelation 12:4). The angels are spirit beings now, known as demons.

The earth remained this way for possibly thousands, millions, or even billions of years before God remodeled it for human habitation in 6 days. The first day of remodeling began in Genesis 1:3. This is what hell was created for, "*the devil and his angels*;" because they were the first created beings and the first to sin. Your young earth advocates totally deny the Biblical authority of Genesis, Chapter One, in the original text.

In brief summary, the refutation of the false teaching of Mr. Ham, executive director of "Answers in Genesis" and young earth advocates stating "There was no sin or death before Adam."

1. Satan was already at work in the garden.
2. Eve sinned before Adam (Genesis 3:1-6).
3. Romans 5:12 is totally taken out of context and misapplied.
4. Hell was created for the first to sin, by the name of the "Devil and his angels."

The philosophy of the young earth being about 6,000 years old, was dreamed up by a woman false prophet, Ellen G. White. This has now become a flood of false teaching that Satan would love to see cover the world. It is the latest money-making fad!

We are truly in the last days,

"For the time will come when they will not endure SOUND DOCTRINE; but after their own lust (power & money) shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears." -- "For they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables." (2 Timothy 4:3,4).

Our warning is found in the middle verse of the Bible, Psalm 118:8:

"It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man."

I contacted the office of one of the young earth advocates concerning his Bible training, and what his beliefs were on certain Biblical doctrines. I asked if he had ever attended any Bible college, or ever took a course in Hebrew or Greek, or ever took any home Bible study courses. I was advised that he had not. I also asked what he believed concerning the Rapture

of the church and if he were pre-tribulation, post-tribulation, or mid-tribulation. I was advised that he "leans" toward the Rapture and that he is interested in Eschatology; but, does not have time to pursue it as his time is fully taken up in keeping current with the most recent geological and scientific findings.

It amazes me how this man can deny the Gap Principle, which would allow for the earth (not man) to be millions, or even billions of years old; when he has no Biblical training or even taken a home study Bible course. Not even an introductory course in First Year Hebrew, since Genesis is written in Hebrew.

He refuses to accept the Hebrew text that clearly states that a change of the earth, as created in Verse 1, had taken place as described in Verse 2. Genesis 1:1 states that, "*In the beginning God created the heavens* (Hebrew "shamayim," plural, not singular) *and the earth.*" Isaiah 45:18 tells us in what condition God created the earth.

"For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it NOT IN VAIN (Hebrew 'tohow,' meaning "a waste, desolation, wilderness, or without form), he formed it to be inhabited."

The earth was created beautiful for the habitation of Lucifer and the angels. Because of Satan's rebellion and God's judgment upon the earth, it is found in a state of ruination, desolation, and uninhabitable.

The Hebrew text in Genesis 1:2 makes this perfectly clear. "*And the earth WAS* (Hebrew "hayah") *without form and void...*" The English translation of the Hebrew "hayah"

should be translated “became.” The reason is, in the Hebrew, when the verb which is “hayah” follows the subject, which is the earth, this indicates a change has been made. Therefore the correct translation of the Hebrew verb “hayah,” showing a change has been made, would be our English “BECAME.” The Original Creation was beautiful; but, at some later time, was found without form and void. Therefore the correct translation of Genesis 1:1,2a would read as follows:

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth (i.e. beautiful), But the earth BECAME without form and void (i.e., a wasteland, desolation, and uninhabitable).

The man we are referring to above is one Dr. Walt Brown. Mr. Brown is the author of a book entitled *“In the Beginning.”* In his book, on Page 188, Mr. Brown does make this statement: “While it is true that the Hebrew word “hayah” can be translated “became,” it is usually translated “was.” He absolutely refuses to accept Biblical authority as given by the Holy Spirit and penned in the original Hebrew manuscripts.

It amazes me how Mr. Brown can deny the Gap Principle, as clearly revealed by the Hebrew text, when he seemingly has no Biblical qualifications to do so. He has attended no Bible college, taken no home Bible study courses, does not teach a Sunday School class, has not even taken first-year, basic Hebrew or Greek. He is not sure about the Rapture, he only “leans that way;” yet, he rejects the first two verses of Genesis, Chapter One, and the disclosure of the time gap between these two verses. Unbelievable! This is what happens when men try to mold the Bible to fit their philosophy of their geological findings.

Since the man has not studied the major doctrines of the Bible, he would probably fail to recognize the other Gap principles that exist in the Word of God in both the Old and New Testaments. Without some knowledge of the Covenants and Dispensations, it is virtually impossible to rightly divide the Word of Truth (2 Timothy 2:15). Yet this man presents himself as an authority on the first chapter of Genesis. Unbelievable!

I do not for a moment question this man's sincerity. But, being sincere without knowledge of the word of God only leads to disastrous conclusions, no matter *how sincere you are*. Here this man is spending all of his time studying Geology, instead of studying the Word of God. I wonder if he is aware of 2 Timothy 2:15?

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

CHAPTER FOURTEEN

THE HERMENEUTICAL GAP PRINCIPAL

Now let us look at a few of the other gap principles that occur in the Word of God. May I point out once again, that studying the Bible systematically and acknowledging the dispensational teachings are of the utmost importance; or one will read right over the Gap periods of time and never recognize them. Now, allow me to draw your attention to a few:

(1). Romans 11:25,26 - Between verses 25 and 26 there is a gap of seven years. This is the 7 years of Tribulation following the Rapture of the Church.

"For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles be come in (the Rapture)." (V.25).

GAP - 7 years of Tribulation, known as the 70th Week of Daniel.

"And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away the ungodliness from Jacob." (V.26).

This occurs when Christ returns to establish the Kingdom at the end of the 7 years of tribulation.

(2). Revelation 12:5,6 - Between Verses 5 and 6 there is a gap consisting of the Church Age, which now has extended over 2,000 years and will consummate at the Rapture. Added to this is the first 3-1/2 years of the 7-Year Tribulation period of time. After 3-1/2 years of peace, the Antichrist breaks his covenant with Israel and seeks to destroy her. Israel's persecution, in part, is spoken of in Matthew 24:15-22. The woman in Revelation, Chapter 12, is none other than the Nation of Israel. (In Jeremiah 3:6-10, Israel is referred to as "she" and "her" as in many other places.)

"And she (Israel) brought forth a man child (Jesus Christ), who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron and her child (Christ) was caught up (His ascension in Acts 1:11) unto God, and to his throne." (V.5).

GAP - The Church Age, over 2,000 years plus. Also 3-1/2 of the 7-Year Tribulation period of time.

"And the woman (Israel) fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days." (V.6).

This takes place in the last 3 1/2 years of the Tribulation.

(3). John 5:29 - This verse gives a general statement concerning the Resurrection of Life and the Resurrection of Damnation. Between these two resurrections there is a gap period of time. This gap is 1,000 years long, in which Christ will reign on this earth as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. I will quote Verse 28 and the first half of Verse 29, as the resurrection of life is composed of four separate events, which include all the saved.

"Marvel not at this: for the hour (i.e., time) is coming; in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice." (Verse 28). "And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life...(Verse 29a).

The Resurrection of Life is composed of four parts as follows:

(a). Christ's Resurrection and being the First Fruits (1 Corinthians 15:20-23) of them that sleep, along with those resurrected in Matthew 27:52,53.

(b). Those at the Rapture. *"The dead in Christ shall rise first."* (1 Thessalonians 4:13-17 and 1 Corinthians 15:50-54).

(c). The Two Witnesses in the Tribulation Period. (Revelation 11:3,7-12).

(d). All the Old Testament saints, along with those in Revelation 20:4 who were beheaded in the Tribulation for refusing to worship the Antichrist; but here resurrected to live and reign with Christ for 1,000 years.

The First Resurrection is composed of all the saved.

Now notice in Revelation 20:5,6.

"But the rest of the dead (i.e., the lost) lived not again until the thousand years (Christ's Kingdom Reign) were finished. This is the first resurrection." (V.5). Blessed

and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years." (V.6).

GAP - of the 1,000 year reign of Christ before the "*resurrection of damnation*" spoken of in the last half of the verse in John 5:29b.

"And they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation." (V.29b).

This resurrection consists of only those who are lost. This is the Great White Throne Judgment where the lost are brought up out of Hell (Greek "Hades") and cast into the lake of fire for all eternity. (Rev. 20:11-15).

(4). Isaiah 9:6,7 - Between these two verses there is the GAP of the Church Age and the 7-Year Tribulation.

"For unto us a child is born (Christ), unto us a son is given..." (V.6).

This is speaking of the BIRTH of Christ.

GAP - Church Age, 2,000-plus years, also included, the 7-Year Tribulation Period, and then Christ comes back to establish His kingdom reign spoken of in Verse 7.

"Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon HIS KINGDOM to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth ever for ever." (V.7).

(5). Malachi 3:1,2 - Between Verses 1 and 2 we have a gap period of time. The gap is composed of the Church Age plus the 7-Year Tribulation Period.

"Behold, I will send my messenger (i.e. John the Baptist) and he shall prepare the way before me. (V.1).

GAP - The Church Age 2,000-plus years, also the 7-Year Tribulation Period of time.

"But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like the refiner's fire, and fuller's soap." (V.2).

This is when Christ returns to judge the nations at the end of the Tribulation Period, just prior to establishing the Kingdom. Matthew 25:31-41 speaks of the same event, as well as many other Scriptures. So, between Verse 1, which is speaking of John the Baptist, and Verse 2, speaking of Christ's return to earth to judge the nations and set up the Kingdom; there is a GAP of 2,000-plus years, besides the 7-Year Tribulation Period.

I have only projected five examples of the gap principle in order to show that in studying God's Word, it must be rightly divided (2 Timothy 2:15). Young earth advocates absolutely refuse to believe the first mention of a Gap Principle as given in Genesis, Chapter One, between Verses One and Two. I get a little sick of hearing from some of these young earth advocates, such as Ken Ham, saying, "We must get back to Biblical authority." Statements similar to this are only a smoke-screen to make you believe that you are denying God's Word and its authority if you don't believe their philosophy, i.e., that the earth is only about 6,000 years old. This is "brain

washing" philosophy at its best. (or worst?) I wonder if these young earth advocates even recognize the gap of the Church Age in the Old Testament.

The Old Testament prophets knew nothing of the Dispensation of the Church Age. You can search the Old Testament through from Genesis to Malachi and you will not find one reference to the Church Age. This dispensation of time we are now in was a mystery. A mystery in the New Testament is a truth which has never previously been revealed; but, now is made known for the first time. The Apostle Paul, who had penned fourteen of the twenty-seven books of the New Testament by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, would be the one to expound on these truths; which had previously not been known to the prophets. Read Ephesians 3:1-10.

We shall see, later on, that the theology of many of these young earth advocates is corrupt. Since they refuse to accept the Gap Principle in Genesis 1:1-3 as set forth in the original Hebrew, then how could these same men recognize this same Gap Principle which is prolific throughout the Old Testament? Maybe I should remind our readers again that it was a Seventh-Day Adventist, a so-called prophet named Ellen G. White, which introduced the young earth philosophy. A man by the name of George McCready Price, who was an amateur geologist, followed her philosophy; thus attributing most fossil-bearing rock formations to the geological disruptions of the Biblical flood. Only a hand-full followed his philosophy before his death in 1963.

Two years prior to Price's death, a book entitled "The Genesis Flood" came out in 1961. One John C. Whitcomb, Jr. and Henry J. Morris, a hydraulic engineer, co-authored the book. They borrowed and incorporated the same pseudo-philosophy from one Ellen G. White. "The Genesis Flood"

which was very influential in promoting the young earth philosophy and, in turn, led to the formation of the Creation Research Society in 1963. This society is dedicated to promoting their philosophy and theory of a young earth of only about 6,000 years old.

CHAPTER FIFTEEN

WHAT ABOUT THE LENGTH OF DAYS IN GENESIS, CHAPTER ONE

Is a Day a Geological Age; Or, Is a Day a 24-Hour Period, the Same as We Have Today?

Some of the young earth advocates, who do not believe the Biblical record of a period of time between the Original Creation in Genesis 1:1, and the renovation from Vs. 2-20, falsely assert that those who hold to the Biblical authority of the Gap Principle also endorse a day as a geological period of time. They set up the “straw man” of this FALSE accusation and then proceed to “knock it down.” This is a FALSE accusation and an outright lie perpetrated by some who hold to the young earth philosophy.

The following will substantiate this.

Allow me to make it perfectly clear that the great fundamental Bible teachers and scholars that I have known personally, or others by their writings, endorse two fundamental facts concerning Genesis, Chapter One. They are the Gap Principle and the "days" of creation as 24 hours long, NOT a geological age. This is, therefore, based on Biblical authority and not the philosophy of the young earth advocates and their lies!

The following is proof of a twenty-four (24) hour day, in lieu of a geological age time frame.

The main reason the 24-hour day in Genesis has been questioned is to fit in the evolutionist's theory of evolution; therefore allowing millions of years for man and animals to evolve. I will list just a few of the many reasons why a day is 24 hours, and not a geological age of 500,000 years as many so-called scientists speculate.

1. Proof by Biblical Context:

In Genesis 1:5,8,13,19,23,31 the Lord says "*and the evening and the morning*" were the first day, second day, third day, and etc. He did not say the evening and the morning were a geological age. I think God knows the difference between a geological age of 500,000 years and 24 hours, don't you? What better context of definition could one ask of God than, a day consists of light and darkness divided by evening and morning, just as we have today.

Some say a day and night were longer then, than now. This is easily disproved by the Psalmist. In Psalm 136:5, 8, 9, we read,

"To him that by wisdom made the heavens." (V.5) The sun to rule by day (V.8)...the moon and stars to rule by night..." (V.9)

The sun was shining in the daytime while the Psalmist was living, just as it was when man was created, and just as it is now. It is the same with the moon and stars at night. Nothing has changed in the length of day since the creation of man.

2. Proof as Spoken by Christ.

In John 11:9, about 2,000 years ago, Christ made it clear that a day is composed of 24 hours, just as it has been from God's creation of man.

"Jesus answered, are there not twelve hours in the day..."

Do not 12 hours in the daytime and 12 hours in the night time make a 24 hour day? I believe it does.

3. Proof by the Flood.

Approximately 1600 years after the creation of man, the earth was destroyed by a universal flood. At this time God used years, months, days and numbers, just as we have today, to tell us when the rains of the flood began.

"In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, seventeenth day of the month, the same day all the fountains of the great deep were broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened." (Genesis 7:11).

"And the rain was upon the earth forty days (12 hours) and forty nights (12 hours)." Therefore forty, 24 hour days just as we have today.

4. Proof by Botany.

(a). In Genesis 1, God said He created man on the sixth day. If a day is as the evolutionists claim, you would have 250,000 years of total darkness and 250,000 years of light. Can you explain how all the animals, plants, and human life could survive for 250,000 years in total darkness? There would be no

fruits, vegetables, trees, etc., as nothing would be able to grow without sunlight.

(b). Plants and animals have a balance in nature, and both are essential to each other for the survival of both. You see, animals take in Oxygen and give off Carbon Dioxide; while plants take in Carbon Dioxide and give off Oxygen. One cannot survive without the other producing what it needs to survive.

Notice carefully Genesis 1:11,12. God “brought forth” all vegetation on the third day. In Genesis 1:21-23, God created on the fifth day all of the sea creatures and winged fowl. In Vss. 24,25, God “made” the animals that require Oxygen produced by the vegetation. Plants need Carbon Dioxide to live, which is given off by the animals. Since many of the evolutionists claim a day is 500,000 years, they disprove their own claim, as plants and animals could not survive.

Agricultural Science proves that vegetables, trees, etc., could not survive even for a short period of time, let alone 500,000 years without animals. The evolutionist refuses to even believe true scientific findings; yet, they want you and I to believe their false theories. How preposterous!

5. Proof by Contradiction.

Any evolutionist, who believes in the geological age theory of Creation, presents himself as God and denies the true God of Creation. Here is the proof. In Genesis 1:26-31, Adam and Eve were created on the sixth day. God then rested on the seventh day. After the seventh day, we have the record of Adam and Eve being in the Garden of Eden. If a day is a geological age of 500,000 years, then

Adam would have had to be over 500,000 years old when he died. BUT God says in Genesis 5:5 that the day-age theory is a LIE because...

"...all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years (930 yrs.)."

6. Proof by Interpretation.

Whenever a number appears before the word "day" in the Bible, it is always, without exception, a 24 hour day. For a start, look up Numbers 7:12,18, 24, 30, 36, 42, 48, 54, 60, 66, 72, and 78. Those who claim the day-age theory deny the God of Creation and true Agricultural Science. They are, in a very subtle way, trying to magnetize anyone they can toward their evolutionary beliefs. Much more could be said--I hope this will suffice.

7. Proof By Reasoning.

The evening and morning is in exact conformity with the words of Moses and Christ. In Exodus 29:39 Moses stated the Lord's instructions concerning the lamb's sacrifice,

"The one lamb shalt thou offer in the morning; and the other lamb thou shalt offer in the even." (Leviticus 24:3).

Could it be any clearer than spoken by Christ, himself, in John 11:9, *"Jesus answered, are there not twelve hours in the day..."* If I am not mistaken, twelve hours in the daylight and twelve hours in the night equal a twenty-four hour day. Just as Genesis One says that the evening and the morning were the first day in Verses 5,8,13,19,23, and 31

If God is what He claims to be, omniscient and omnipotent, then He is wise enough to state clearly the facts of His creation and powerful enough to accomplish it. Those who claim the Day-Age Theory are, in a very subtle way, trying to magnetize people toward their evolutionary beliefs.

We pray that Christians will take these facts, which leave no question that a day in Genesis One is a twenty-four hour day, and be ready to give an answer to those who try to twist the Bible to their own liking. Especially those who try to wedge a space in God's Word in which to fit their theory of evolution.

Just as God gave the simple record of creation...He also left a record concerning His Son, Jesus Christ.

"And this is the record that God hath given to us eternal life and this life is in his Son." 1 John 5:11.

Yes, God sent His Son to pay for the sins of every individual and now He promises to each one that will accept Christ as their personal Savior...eternal life.

The record in Genesis One tells us how we got here. The record in 1 John Five tells us where we are going. Where are you going? It is either Heaven or Hell. Will you accept Christ today as the One who loved you and paid for your sins on Calvary; so you could live with Him in Heaven for all eternity?

*"For God so loved the world (you and I) that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever BELIEVETH IN HIM should not perish, but have everlasting life."
(John 3:16)*

CHAPTER SIXTEEN

THEOLOGIANS WHO BELIEVED THE GAP PRINCIPLE

Donald Grey Barnhouse, Th.D., (1895 – 1960) was an American Christian preacher, pastor, theologian, radio pioneer, and writer. Here is his exposition on Genesis, Chapter One.

Dr. Barnhouse was one of the pioneers of radio preaching in the 1920s, launching his own network program, The Bible Study Hour. In 1949 he began his famous study of Romans which continued for nearly 12 years until his death. This radio program continues to air as Dr. Barnhouse & the Bible.

He wrote many articles and authored more than a dozen books. He was founder and editor-in-chief of Eternity Magazine. He displayed remarkable insight in his evaluation of the meaning of events for church and nation.

The Invisible War, Pgs. 9,10, Excerpts: “A GREAT GULF FIXED: We are reminded of this as we read the first two verses in the Bible. Probably one of the commonest errors in Biblical interpretation is the thought that the first verse of Genesis and the second verse are closely connected in time. This error leads many readers to believe that God had originally created the earth in chaotic form. Their minds are driven to the rim of the first verse, “*In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth,*” and they too readily suppose it possible to go right on into the next verse, “*And the earth was without form and void, and darkness covered the face of the deep.*”

Yet there is no doubt that between the two there is a great gulf fixed. I say “no doubt,” for the matter is amply demonstrated by the Scriptures themselves. Following the close of the passage, the punctuation after the first verse of the Bible is a mighty period, or, even better, what the English grammarians call a “full stop.” In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Period. There is the divine prelude to the symphony of the Scriptures. That verse takes us back, back, back into the edges of a past eternity in which God, the Father, Son and Spirit, lived in that entirely sufficient majesty of being which encompasses Deity.

If this had been recorded in the book of Psalms, there might well have been written here the word Selah — pause. Stop and consider. You are on the edge of an abyss. Something happened to the heavens and the earth which God had created. Millions of years may have run their course during that first creation, and other millions may have elapsed in the interval between the two verses. We do not know. But there was an interval, and we can be absolutely certain that it was a great one.:

Pgs. 15-19, Excerpts: “On the one side of the abyss stands the phrase, *“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.”* We come to the other side and read the second verse as it is found in the King James Version: *“And earth was without form and void, and darkness covered the face of the deep.”* The revisers in both the English and American revisions, not satisfied with the terms “without form and void,” have given us the better translation, “waste and void,” though the RSV has gone back to the King James rendering. Still

another translator interprets the Hebrew as “a wreck and a ruin.” ...There is a common expression which translates our idea of topsy-turvy: it is tohu-bohu — an expression transliterated from the Hebrew of this second verse of Genesis. These are the words which various translators have rendered “without form,” “void,” “waste,” “desolate,” “empty,” “wreck,” “ruin.”

“Just here the importance of the comparative method of Bible study is seen. In Isaiah 45:18, we read that God did not create the world as it is found in the second verse of Genesis: *“For thus saith the Lord that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not tohu...”* Here is the same Hebrew word as in the second verse of the Bible. It is a formal statement: God did not create the earth as it is portrayed in the description that has commonly been called chaos. ...It is noteworthy that the Revised Standard Version has adopted this reading. “He did not create it a chaos.”

This categorical statement is sufficient to prove beyond any shadow of doubt that the first and second verses are separated by an interval. We might read the two verses from Genesis and the one from Isaiah as follows: “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. And the earth — though God most certainly did not create it that way — became a wreck and a ruin, and darkness covered the face of the deep.”

That we have every right to translate the verb by the continuing form “became” is amply demonstrated by the fact that this precise form is thus translated in other parts of the Old Testament, as for example,

“Lot’s wife looked back and she became a pillar of salt” (Genesis 19:26). ...”

“One objection has been imagined which we will do well to meet and set aside at once. It is argued that the passage in the Ten Commandments concerning the seventh day contradicts what we have been saying. We read the following: *“For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day”* (Exodus 20: 11). The answer is that there is a vast difference between the original creation of the heavens and the earth, and the subsequent formation, fashioning and restoration of that same earth which had been turned into chaos.

The careful reader of the first chapter of Genesis will note that the word create is found in the first verse and appears no more in the account until the introduction of life, in the fifth and sixth days of the restoration. God was not seeking mere literary effect when He used the several verbs in Isaiah, *“Thus saith the Lord that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he bath established it, he created it not a chaos, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the Lord; and there is none else”* (Isaiah 45:18).

To create, as the great linguist Rabbi Naskman put it, is “to produce out of nothing.” It is to call into being some material thing without the aid of any existing material. It is the materialization of a thought of God. The discoveries of the atomic age, centering in the recently acquired knowledge that mass and energy are the same thing in different form, give powerful significance to the Bible teaching that the material

universe is the tangible expression of the Word of God going forth in the command of His desire. *“By the word of the Lord were the heavens made: and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth...he spake and it was ...”* (Psalm 33:6, 9). ...

The other verbs which are used to describe the work of the six days, such as *made*, *divide*, and *set*, are used elsewhere of work done with existing materials, as when a woman prepares a meal or a man builds a boat. The original creation was before the forming and fashioning.”

“That something tremendous and terrible happened to the first, perfect creation is certain. We know that later the earth, which had become waste and empty was re-formed and refashioned in the six days and peopled by the newly created beings, Adam and his wife; and that this renewed and restored earth, of which it is stated six times that God saw that it was good (1:4, 10, 12, 18, 21, 25) and once that it was very good (1:31), was later cursed on account of man’s sin.

We have every right to argue from analogy that the original creation, long before Adam’s remade world was cursed because of earlier sin, fell into chaos because of the righteous judgment of God upon some outbreak of rebellion. We believe that there is sufficient light in the Word of God to give us more than a few details. Somewhere back before the chaos of the second verse of Genesis there was a great tragedy and a terrible catastrophe. ...”

“Verse two refers to the indefinite interval of time which separates the primordial creation from the organization of the terrestrial globe as the author is about to describe it.”

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“We know that our God spoke the original word of creation, and materialized the original thought of the divine idea which became the heavens and the earth. We know that it was the hand of a holy God which struck the earth into ruin because of a great outbreak of rebellion, and we know that it was the hand of our Lord which moved; all in His own time, to bring the earth out of that chaos... We know, also, that the other verbs in the account of earth’s history — God made, God formed, God fashioned, God said — are all within the power of the omnipotent God who said,

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways . For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts” (Isaiah 55 :9).”

Pg. 21, Excerpts: “Lucifer: In the normal course of reading the book of Genesis, we would come, in the third chapter, to the introduction of a new character, a malignant being who is immediately revealed as the bitter enemy of both God and the newly formed and created man. Who is this being and from whence did he come? Are we to believe in the eternal duality of good and evil? We shall see the revelation of the origin of evil in such a way that this duality is proved to be false.

But if, as some would have it, the Lord created the

heavens and the earth in the six days and saw that all was good, whence did this enemy creep in? There is no place in such a theory for the origin of evil and the beginning of rebellion against the Creator. When we see, however, that *"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth,"* and that "He created them not a chaos," but that they became that way as a result of judgment we have the truth, and are both instructed and satisfied."

Pg. 22, Excerpts: In our first chapter, we have seen that there is a great interval between the first and second verses of Genesis. In the beginning there was a perfect creation. How long this creation lasted, we do not know. But we do know that in charge of much of it, if not all, God placed a mighty and magnificent being to rule and govern in His name. We shall show that God created this being with more power and beauty than He ever gave to any other. This spirit being was named Lucifer the "Son of the morning..."

There came a time when this being, filled with pride because of his own power and attainments, entertained the thought in his heart that he could govern independently of God. He therefore proclaimed that he would set up an independent rule, whereupon a multitude of the angelic beings of heaven decided to follow his rule and join him in his rebellion against God. These form the company of the fallen angels and probably the demons.

As a result of this proud revolt against the will of God, the Lord God Almighty blasted the material universe in a curse of temporary judgment and the earth became without form and void, a wreck and a

ruin, a chaos, and darkness was upon the face of the deep. Much later, on the occasion of the creation of Adam, God moved to re-form, to refashion, this earth.

The drama we have just outlined took place in that interval between the first two verses of Genesis, but it is necessary to go to other portions of the revelation of God in order to find the details of the origin of this great rebellion.

In the twenty-eighth chapter of Ezekiel, there is a revelation of truth which can, and indeed must, be fitted into the great interval between the opening verses of Genesis. The first part of the chapter is a lamentation against one who is called the prince of Tyre. We have reason for doubting that this portion of the chapter is addressed by the Holy Spirit to the reigning prince of Tyre, a contemporary of the prophet. He is one of many men throughout ancient and modern history who have been lifted up with such pride that they imagined themselves to partake of deity.

In the eleventh verse, however, there is a transition of thought. We read:

"Moreover the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus ..."

So far as we know from secular history there was no king of Tyre, only the prince spoken of in the first part of the chapter. Who is this king of Tyre? Everything that is spoken to the prince could be said without difficulty of an earthly ruler. But in the judgment that is addressed to the one who is styled

king of Tyre, it is immediately apparent that a being above and beyond the sphere of human life is in view. Nor should this astonish us. The Lord, on several occasions, addressed Satan indirectly, and we hope to establish that the power behind the earthly ruler of Tyre is Lucifer who became Satan.

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The first statement in this judgment is a recognition of the high position which Satan had occupied in the government of God before his fall.

"Thus saith the Lord God; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty..." (Ezekiel 28:12).

There is evidence to the effect that God created the beings of the spirit world in ranks and orders. Like an army which has privates, non-commissioned officers, field officers, staff officers and a commander-in-chief, the spirit beings seem to be in similar ranks; the angels, the archangels, principalities, powers, the seraphs, the cherubs. Of all these orders of creation, Lucifer was the climax in gifts, power and beauty. So great was his rank and power that even after his fall, Michael, the archangel, one of God's greatest messengers, *"dared not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee"* (Jude 9)"

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Pgs. 22-24, Excerpts: The next phrase of Scripture concerning the nature of this being : *"Thou hast been in Eden, the garden of God..."* We know, of course, from the third of Genesis, that Lucifer, in his fallen state, was In the Eden of Adam and Eve, but he was not there in his un-fallen state. The Eden pictured by Ezekiel is not the Eden in which Adam walked, for that Eden was described as a garden of trees and

vegetable growth. This Eden in Ezekiel is a place of rare mineral beauty. The statement is this: “Every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold...”

Pgs. 68-69, Excerpts: That these pages (of Genesis) are divinely inspired is a fact which is woven into every part of the writing. One commentator, who has devoted much thought and care to the narrative of the six days, writes of this first chapter: “The orderly manner in which God proceeded, the ease with which He accomplished His work, the excellency of that which was produced, and the simplicity of the narrative, at once impress the reader. Out of the chaos was brought the ‘cosmos,’ which signifies order, arrangement, beauty; out of the waters emerged the earth; a scene of desolation, darkness and death was transformed into one of light, life and fertility, so that at the end all was pronounced ‘very good’...”

Genesis One is to be regarded not as a poem, still less as an allegory, but as a literal, historical statement of divine revelation ... Marvelously concise is what is to be found here. A single verse suffices to speak of the original creation of the heaven and the earth. Another verse is all that is needed to describe the awful chaos into which the ruined earth was plunged. And less than thirty verses more tell of the six days’ work, during which the Lord *‘made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is.’* Not all the combined skill of the greatest literary artists, historians, poets, or philosophers this world has ever produced, could design a composition which would begin to equal the

first of Genesis.” --*The Invisible War*, by Dr. Donald Grey Barnhouse, Zondervan

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From 1962 -1977, Dr. Cambron served as Co-Founder, Vice President, President and President/Emeritus of Florida Bible College. Since 1961, Dr. Cambron has been Founder and President of Seaside Mission and is heard weekly and in some areas, daily over the Messiah Broadcast. He serve as it's President for forty years.

Dr. Mark Cambron was a faithful minister of the gospel. For over fifty years he preached, "Come Lord Jesus." On May 24, 2000, The Lord Jesus said, "Mark, Come home, great is your reward."

“Synopsis of The Old Testament, I, GENESIS, Mark G. Cambron,

The writer of Genesis is Moses. In fact, Moses wrote 18% of the Bible. He wrote the first five Books called the Pentateuch. Genesis is the Book of Beginnings. The events of Genesis occurred long before Moses ever lived; therefore, we know he was not an eyewitness of these events, but as he talked with God face to face (Exodus 33:11), Moses wrote as he was moved by the Holy Spirit (II Peter 1:21).

Creation (1:1-2:3)

A. The Original Creation (1:1)

B. The Fallen Creation (1:2)

C. The Renewed Creation (1:3-2:3)”

Dr. Louis Sperry Chafer, While pastor of C. I. Scofield's former church in Dallas, Texas, Chafer co-founded in 1924 what became known in 1936 as the Dallas Theological Seminary. He served as its president and professor of Systematic Theology until his death in 1952. He was one of the first to say, "Again, repentance, which is included in believing, serves as a synonym for the word belief."

Systematic Theology, by Dr. Louis Sperry Chafer,
Volume II, Chapter 5

“SATAN’S CREATION, ORIGINAL ESTATE, AND FALL. These three features of the history of this great angel are so interesting that they can hardly be treated separately. The central passage bearing specifically on these aspects of Satan’s career is—Ezekiel 28:11—19. A considerable portion of this immediate context is taken up verse by verse, but in preparation for that undertaking it may be observed that revelation concerning Satan begins with the period between the creation of the heavens and the

earth in that perfect form in which they first appeared (Gen. 1:1) and the desolating judgments which ended that period, when the earth became waste and empty. (Gen. 1:2; Isa. 24:1; Jer. 4:23—26).”

Dr. Bruce D. Cummons, Pastor, Dr. Bruce D Cummons (1924-2004) was the founder of Massillon Baptist Temple, Massillon Christian School, and Massillon Baptist College. He graduated from the Bible Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas with a Bachelor of Divinity degree and an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree. Dr. Cummons began the Massillon Baptist Temple on November 19, 1950, and served as pastor until November 19, 1995, when he retired after forty-five years of ministry.

From: Whole Bible Study Course – Volume 1, Lesson 1, Genesis, Pg. 2, by Dr. Bruce D. Cummons.

“OUTLINE

I. CREATION

A. “In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.” (Gen.1:1)

1. We accept the position that many Bible students take, that some judgment came upon the earth in connection with the fall of Satan between Genesis 1:1 and Genesis 1:2. ...b. In other words, Genesis 1 :1 gives the creation of heaven and earth. Genesis 1 : 2 tells of the chaotic judgment that fell upon this creation. Genesis 1 :3-27 tells of the six days God used to restore and bring about the present creation as we know it today.”

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Theological Seminary. He served for fifty years as senior pastor of First Baptist Church in Dallas. Dr. Criswell published fifty-four books and was awarded eight honorary doctorates. The Criswell College, First Baptist Academy, and KCBI Radio were started under his leadership.

He is known as the patriarch of the "conservative resurgence," returning the SBC to its Bible-believing roots. He was twice elected president of the SBC.

As founder and chancellor of the Criswell College, Dr. Criswell gave his later years to preparing young preachers to preach the Word of God. He emphasized that a sermon should take God's truth and "make it flame, make it live!"

“PART ONE THE CREATION AND THE FALL

We are going to stand, as it were, on a great and lofty eminence and look over the entire story of human history, from its beginning in the unknown distant ages of the ageless past, unto the vast, incomparable consummation of the ages which are yet to come.

Before time was, God the Spirit—God the Almighty Jehovah God—created his infinite, heavenly hosts. He created them in angelic orders. Some of them he called angels, some of them he called seraphim, some of them called cherubim, and some of them he called arch-angels. These celestial, spiritual, heavenly beings constituted the first great creation of Almighty God in the timeless ages of eternity past. In that host of God's created, angelic beings, living in the heaven of heavens where God lives, there was the glorious covering cherub, the ruling archangel whom God named Lucifer "The Son of the Morning."

The second creation which God Jehovah made was this: he created the physical universe. Whenever ministers try to spiritualize religion so as to take the material and the physical out of it, they are getting more religious than God. God likes materiality. He created it. God likes corporality. He created it. God likes these planets and rocks and seas and stars. He likes people. He likes food. He created them. He likes living. He created it.

The second great creation of God was this material universe in which we live. The Book opens with Genesis 1: 1, "In the beginning" --the beginning of God's material creativity, producing this world that we see—"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." When that beginning was, no one can know. Mind cannot extend itself to enter into it. In the beginning of the beginnings God cast these vast universes out into space and placed them under his unchanging, almighty laws. Everything which God made was beautiful and perfect, filled with light and glory and gladness. His creation of the celestial world was beautiful and perfect. His creation of the material world was beautiful and perfect. Every orb was set in its place according to the celestial ableness of Almighty God. Everything was beautiful.

Then sometime in that beginning, in the ages of the ages past, sometime before time was, there came into the heart of Lucifer, the "Son of the Morning," that marvelous covering cherub in the celestial world, what the Bible calls "sin." We read about him in the prophet Ezekiel. He is described like this:

“Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty. Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, the topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship...prepared in thee was perfect and beautiful. Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I [says the Lord God] have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee...therefore I will cast thee out as profane...Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground...Thou has defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities... therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, mid I will bring thee to ashes” (Ezekiel 28:12–18).

Another passage describing Lucifer, the Son of the Morning, is in Isaiah.

“How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou Out clown to the ground ...For thou hast said in thine hurt, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit upon the mount of Ike congregation...I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most high taking God’s place. Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell” (Isaiah 14:12-15).

Somewhere in the infinite, timeless ages sin born in this covering cherub, this archangel of the Lord God

Almighty, under whose care God had placed the heavenly hosts. When Lucifer fell and when sin was found in him, one-third of the angels of heaven fell also. (Revelation 12:4). And in the fall of Lucifer and his angels, God's created, material world fell apart. Sin always destroys. Sin plows under. Sin wrecks. Sin grinds. Somewhere in the timeless ages of the past, after God had created the heavenly hosts, after God had created the heavens and the earth and after sin was found in Lucifer, God's great universe fell to pieces. The planets, the sun, and the stars became chaotic masses of fire, mist, and water, wracked by searing blasts of wind. God's beautiful world fell into emptiness, into void, into formlessness, into ugliness and darkness.

Then God did a miraculous and marvelous thing. In six days—each day with a morning and an evening—recreated this planet and this universe, the the sun and its planets, and our earth. In six days God recreated it, bringing it out of its formless, empty void, its darkness, and out of its mists and watery grave.

(Many fine Christians, many devout scholars of God's Holy Word, would question a Second Creation, a "gap" between Genesis 1:1 and Genesis 1:2—or other attempt to explain the marvelous thing that Jehovah God did before the stirring events in the first chapter of Genesis. If, out of a scrupulous insistence upon correctness of doctrine, you disagree with me at this point, read "Creation" for my "re-Creation" in these pages—and we will settle it in heaven!)

The first day God said, "Let the light penetrate the darkness." And God's heavenly, celestial light poured

into this earth when it was without form and void, when darkness was upon the face of the deep. As the Spirit of God brooded upon the face of the waters, Suddenly the formless mass was filled with light.

Preacher, how do you know all of those things? From the Bible. It says here in Genesis 1:2: “And the earth became tohu wa bohu,” translated here “without form and void” that is, empty and uninhabitable. I turn to the prophet Isaiah “For thus saith the Lord that bara [create it out of nothing] the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not tohu [formless]” (Isaiah 45: 18).

God never made this universe formless, void, empty dark. God made it beautiful and perfect. His material creation was as perfect as was his celestial universe. But sin destroyed it and plunged God’s creation into chaos and formless darkness. Isaiah the prophet says that God did not create it in ugliness. Rather, Satan made it so. Sin did it. Iniquity did it. Transgression did it. Now, after Satan’s fall, God is recreating his universe. On the first day he pierced it with the glory of God said [by fiat], “Let there be light.”

On the second day he created the firmament. He separated the waters above from the waters beneath. On the third day he created the seas. He put the waters together and dry land appeared. On the fourth day God made the marvel of the sunset. Why a sunset? A sunset is the most extraneous, useless piece of work imaginable. But God loves things that are beautiful and colorful. So on the fourth day God cleared out the dark mist and took away the darkening clouds and made beautiful sunrise and sunset to open and the

day. The moon and the stars then embellish the night. The sun, moon, and stars had been created in the beginning. This is the re-creation of God, when God takes away the chaotic darkness into which this earth was plunged and makes the phenomena which we call sunrise and sunset with visible moon and stars shine and glow. Then on the fifth day he created animal life. All of the species of animals which we see living in the earth, God created in a day. Not in a million, thousand, trillion years, but “by fiat” God created them in a single day by his spoken word. And finally, on the sixth day he created the man and his wife.

“And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth” (Genesis 1:26–28).

The Scarlet Thread Through The Bible, W.A. Criswell, Ph.D., D.D., Broadman Press, Nashville, Tennessee.

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“Furthermore, in the Massoretic Text in which the Jewish scholars tried to incorporate enough "indicators" to guide the reader as to correct punctuation there is one small mark which is technically known as *Rebhia* which is classified as a "disjunctive accent" intended to notify the reader that he should pause before proceeding to the next verse. In short, this mark indicates a "break" in the text. Such a mark appears at the end of Genesis 1.1. This mark has been noted by several scholars... It is one indication among others, that the initial *waw* which introduces verse 2 should be rendered "but" rather than "and", a disjunctive rather than a conjunctive. *Without Form and Void.*

APPENDIX XX, p.98, *The Meaning of Exodus 20.11, Without Form and Void.*

It is very frequently argued that the wording of Exod. 20.11, "For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested on the seventh day....", excludes the possibility of a gap between Gen. 1.1 and 1.2 because the whole process of creation was completed within these six days.

Those who argue thus assume that the days are literal days - and in this, I think they are quite correct. But it is of tremendous importance in studying the Word of God to observe the precision with which words are used, especially where some important doctrine or institution is involved. What we are told here is that God in six days "made" (*asah*) the heavens and the earth. It does not say that He created (*bara*) them in six days.

I have seen it argued that these verbs are interchangeable because they are used sometimes in successive verses with what appears to be identical meaning. For example, in Gen. 1.26 it is written, "And God said, Let us *make* man in our image after our likeness....", and in verse 27, "So God *created* man in His image, in the image of God created He him". Superficially, the two verbs do appear to be equated here. But as Origen and other early commentators noted, by carefully observing what is said and what is *NOT* said in these two verses, there is an important lesson to be learned, and the lesson hinges upon the difference in meaning between these two governing verbs, *asah* and *bara*.

It is often found that light is shed upon the fundamental meaning of a word by noting the way in which it is first used in Scripture. The verb *asah* appears significantly in this respect in Gen. 1.16: "And God made two great lights...." It seems unlikely that the sun and the moon were not created until the fourth day since green things would hardly be brought into being before the sun was created. The reference in Gen. 1.16 seems more likely to refer not to a creation but rather to the *appointment* of the sun and

moon as rulers of the Day and Night: they were appointed as markers of time ("signs" – verse 14), precisely as Psa. 104.19 indicates; "He appointed the moon for seasons" If we allow that the basic meaning of the Hebrew verb *asah* is not creation but rather the giving of a new role to something already in existence, then we have plenty of illustrations throughout Scripture of the use of this verb in this sense.

In the New Testament we are told that Jesus was *made* a High Priest after the order of Melchizedec (Heb. 6.20). This illustrates the sense in which "made" means "appointed". In I Ki. 12.51 we have a quite exact parallel where we are told that Jeroboam appointed (*asah*) priests of the lowest of the people. In Amos 3.6 the question is asked, "Is there evil in any city and God hath not appointed (*asah*) it?"

In the Old Testament where the word *asah* forms part of a personal name, it is most appropriately rendered by the English "appointed". Thus we have in II Sam.2.18 the name Ahasel, meaning "God has appointed". In II Ki. 12.14 we have the name Asahiah which means "Jah has appointed". In I Chron. 4.35 we have Asihel, which means "appointed of God".

Isaiah 45:18 is very carefully worded, like all Scripture. It will bear careful examination accordingly. "Thus saith the Lord, that created the heavens. . . ." Here we appear to have the original creative act of Genesis 1:1. "God Himself that fashioned (*yatsar*) the earth, and appointed it (*'asah*). He "established it" (**16/17.12** *kun*, i.e., "set it in order," since it had become a confusion), but "He

created it not a confusion. He formed it (, *yatzar*, "fashioned") it to be inhabited. I am the Lord, and there is none else."

Now *yatzar* really means to give shape to something shapeless, just as God took the dust of the ground and "fashioned" the Man (Genesis 2:7, Hebrew). It seems to imply the same kind of action here; but perhaps it is even more nearly like the action of the potter of whom Jeremiah wrote elsewhere, for this potter was fashioning a vessel, and it was marred in his hands so that he had to remodel it again (Jeremiah 18). In this incident the word *potter* is a translation of the present active participle of the verb *yatzar*."

"The context of Isaiah 45:18 is worth noticing also. In the previous verses the prophet is arguing that although for the time being Israel is in a state of confusion because of their own failure to serve the Lord with a true witness and because of the impending Assyrian conquest -- yet God would still finally bring the nation back to health and fruitfulness. Perhaps he is pointing out that it is not the first time such a state of judgment and confusion has preceded a time of great enlightenment and deliverance. He remarks therefore on how the condition of the earth had at one time been ruinous, because it was under great judgment for reasons not stated; yet he affirms the Lord's original intention that it should be habitable, a thing of beauty and life and vitality. The same Lord who *is* the Lord would yet restore Israel as He restored a ruined earth.

"In Isaiah 45:19, the phrase *in vain* occurs once

more, the original Hebrew being again the same as in verse 18. Manifestly the appropriate translation here would be, "I said not unto the seed of Jacob, Seek ye Me to no purpose." If this alternative were to be applied to Genesis 1:2, the need for some break in the context is even more imperative, for surely God did not create the heavens and the earth to no purpose! Yet unless the hiatus is introduced between Genesis 1:1 and 2, this is exactly what is implied.

And therefore, with no claim to infallibility and certainly in no spirit of unbending dogmatism, we submit that a more exact translation of these verses would be something like this: IN A FORMER STATE GOD PERFECTED THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH. BUT THE EARTH HAD BECOME A RUIN AND A DESOLATION, AND THE DARKNESS OF JUDGMENT WAS UPON THE FACE OF IT." -- *Time and Eternity* – Arthur C. Custance, Ph.D.

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selected stations around the world. During those years he spoke at many Bible conferences and wrote 25 books and numerous booklets, as well as editing and publishing a monthly devotional guide, "Our Daily Bread." Dr. DeHaan died on December 13, 1965, having sustained serious injuries in an automobile collision in July.

God's New Creatures, M.R. DeHaan, M.D., Grand Rapids, MI, Pgs 1-5.

A PERFECT CREATION. Now this original creation of God described in the first verse of the Bible was a PERFECT creation. Everything that God made was VERY GOOD. The very structure of the verse has the stamp of perfection written in it. Someone has pointed out that in the original Hebrew the first verse of Genesis contains just SEVEN words, composed of TWENTY-EIGHT letters. Now seven is the number of Divine perfection and FOUR is, the number of the Earth just as one is the number of Divine Sovereignty and three is the number of Divine Completeness. Now the first verse of seven words and twenty-eight letters speaks of God's perfect work (seven) with the earth (four) and together make twenty-eight (seven times four). This one verse then describes the perfect creation of God as it came from His hand, probably millions, if not billions of years ago.

A GREAT CATASTROPHE. But something terrible happened between the first and the second verse of Genesis 1. For in Genesis 1:2, we read,

"And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep."

It has been pointed out that the words “was without form” should be translated “BECAME without form and void.” It was not thus in the beginning. God never made anything waste or void. That is ever the result of sin. We read in Isaiah 45:18

“God Himself that formed the earth and made it; He hath established it, He created it not in vain, He formed it to be inhabited.”

This refers to the original creation as recorded in the first verse of Genesis 1. But the second verse records the earth as it was AFTER something had happened to plunge the earth in darkness and make it waste and void. Now there is only one thing that could bring the earth under the curse and that one thing is sin. So somewhere between the first two verses of Genesis, Sin entered with its’ resultant curse and the description of verse two. This sin could have had but one source. God could not sin. Man was not yet created and the only other creatures existent before the present creation were the angels. And it was the rebellion of these angels under the leadership of Lucifer, the Shining one, an archangel of great power and beauty, that a rebellion took place against God and Lucifer fell, his angels became demons and the earth was placed under the curse. We have the record of this fall graphically given in Isaiah 14:12.

“How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne

above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: (14) I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. (15) Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit...That made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners? Isaiah 14:12-17

There is every evidence of a pre-historic creation on this earth. Geologic examinations of the earth's surface reveals that in the dim distant past there flourished on this earth a vegetation of unusual luxuriance, and prehistoric animals of gigantic size and distinctly separate and distinct in character from anything we know now. We find fossils of these pre-historic animals which lived millions of years ago. In our coal deposits we find the evidence of immense tropical growth. Oil is known to be the result of decomposed animal and vegetable oil dating back millions of years so that the slogan of one oil company "mellowed ninety-nine million years" may not be far amiss. All scientific evidence points to this pre-historic period, with its primitive animal life vegetation and spirit civilization. Not many years ago these findings were rejected by orthodox theologians until it was pointed out that the first and second verses of Genesis 1 do not describe the same period. In Genesis 1:1 we have the creation as it came from the hand of God. Perfect and, abounding in a beautiful and gorgeous as well as gigantic creation of animals and vegetation. On this pre-historic earth Satan was placed and his abode was "EDEN" according to Ezekiel 28:13,

“Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering. . . in the day that thou wast created. Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.”

That is the record God gives of Satan. God placed him in Eden, the pre-historic Eden which geology has now uncovered: Then he sinned and fell. He was banished from the earth and cast out of heaven and consigned to the atmosphere between heaven and earth and thus has become the “prince of the power of the air.” He has access to heaven under limitations and also to the earth but his abode is the “Atmosphere above the earth.”

THE EARTH CURSED. As a result of his fall after his dominion on the prehistoric earth (we do not know how long he dwelt here) God cast him out and cursed the earth and we find it as it became in verse 2 of Genesis 1,

“Without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep.”

How long the earth lay thus without form and void and under darkness we do not know. It may well be countless millions of years while the coal and oil deposits slowly formed. A study of the earth’s crust reveals the various strata which tell of a great cataclysmic convulsion of the earth in the dateless past. So you see again, that the Bible record and the

findings of true science always agree. Study that second verse of Genesis 1 carefully and you will detect in this brief statement, a picture of an awful curse. It was without form, that is it had no purpose. It was void which means waste and useless. It was in darkness. That means that God had withdrawn Himself, for God is light and where darkness is, it indicates the absence of God. It was covered by Water even as science tells us the earth was at one time.

THE GREAT ICE AGE. Here in this verse too is the reference to the great ice age of which science tells. Science informs us that once the whole earth was covered with a great glacier or sheet of ice, which moved steadily down, gouging out the oceans and valleys and piling up the great mountains. Well, the Bible throws light on this assertion. In Genesis 1:1 there is no mention of seas. But in Genesis 1:2 it tells us that the earth was covered with water: This water was frozen water and, therefore, ice. Since there was no light and the sun had not yet again been set for a light of the day there was no heat. Hence the waters in Genesis 1:2 **MUST** have been frozen and the Bible again shows that what science now claims was already revealed in the opening statement of Genesis. Under this darkness and this curse the earth lay for an undetermined period of time. And then God began a **NEW CREATION.**

THE RECREATION. After this period of darkness and icy death God begins to work. Notice it was not the earth that began to awaken and by residential forces come to life. It did not begin to evolve, out of its frozen state but it began with God, for we read,

"And the Spirit of God moved (brooded) upon the face of the waters."

The Spirit of God who is LIGHT and WARMTH began to brood upon the icy wastes. The word "moved" means "to brood," like a bird upon its eggs. It means to impart warmth. The ice began to melt. How long this brooding period lasted is again immaterial but after a longer or shorter period God spoke the word and the darkness disappeared and LIGHT CAME. God was again in His creation. The one great requisite for life, LIGHT, was again present. This was the first day of the NEW creation. Then follow the other six days in their logical order as God rehabilitates the earth and makes it ready for the occupation of another order of beings to be created in the very image of God."

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In his book *Bible History: Old Testament*, which is a 7 volume set he states the following in Volume 1:

" Then, in the second verse, we find earth described as it was at the close of the last great revolution,

preceding the present state of things: "And the earth was without form and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep." An almost indefinite space of time, and many changes, may therefore have intervened between the creation of heaven and earth, as mentioned in ver. 1, and the chaotic state of our earth, as described in ver. 2. As for the exact date of the first creation, it may be safely affirmed that we have not yet the knowledge sufficient to arrive at any really trustworthy conclusion. "

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“Genesis, The Book of Beginnings. The seed plot of the Bible. Every doctrine afterward unfolded found in germ in this Book. Tells of Generation, Degeneration, and Regeneration. Note: Creation is distinguished from making. Creation is threefold. God created—matter v. i, life (soul) v. 20, 21, man (spirit) v. 27. No way to pass from one to the other.

1:1 The original creation—which was perfect but fell into chaos. -*Dr. Ironside's Bible*, Plymouthbrethren.org

Isaiah 45:18 The earth not created a waste—*bohu*—void—in vain—See Gen. 1:1, 2.” --*Notes On Isaiah*.

Jamieson-Fausset-Brown Bible Commentary

“Ge 1:1, 2. THE CREATION OF HEAVEN AND

EARTH

Verse 1. In the beginning -- a period of remote and unknown antiquity, hid in the depths of eternal ages; and so the phrase is used in Pr 8:22, 23.

God -- the name of the Supreme Being, signifying in *Hebrew*, "Strong," "Mighty." It is expressive of omnipotent power; and by its use here in the *plural* form, is obscurely taught at the opening of the Bible, a doctrine clearly revealed in other parts of it, namely, that though God is one, there is a plurality of persons in the Godhead -- Father, Son, and Spirit, who were engaged in the creative work (Pr 8:27 John 1:3, 10 Eph 3:9 Heb 1:2 Job 26:13).

created -- not formed from any pre-existing materials, but made out of nothing.

the heaven and the earth -- the universe. This first verse is a general introduction to the inspired volume, declaring the great and important truth that all things had a beginning; that nothing throughout the wide extent of nature existed from eternity, originated by chance, or from the skill of any inferior agent; but that the whole universe was produced by the creative power of God (Ac 17:24 Ro 11:36). After this preface, the narrative is confined to the earth.

Verse 2. the earth was without form and void -- or in "confusion and emptiness," as the words are rendered in Isa 34:11. This globe, at some undescribed period, having been convulsed and broken up, was a dark and watery waste for ages perhaps, till out of this chaotic state, the present fabric of the world was made to arise.

the Spirit of God moved -- literally, continued brooding over it, as a fowl does, when hatching eggs. The immediate agency of the Spirit, by working on the dead and discordant elements, combined, arranged, and ripened them into a state adapted for being the scene of a new creation. The account of this new creation properly begins at the end of this second verse; and the details of the process are described in the natural way an onlooker would have done, who beheld the changes that successively took place.”

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“As to the creation of the earth God does not set a date. God says, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth (Genesis 1:1)." This could have been billions of years ago, sometime in the dateless past. In fact, nothing in the Biblical record

contradicts known fact. On the contrary, the Bible record gives us an amazing account of how the earth came into being and it's future destiny.

First of all, the earth was created in the dateless, countless past, then later judged and became void and without form. The seven days in Genesis chapter one were really a recreation of the earth and God making it inhabitable again. In type this is a beautiful picture of the new birth, a new creation where once was all chaos and ruin.

It is clear from Scripture that the earth was not void when originally created as seen by Isaiah 45:18. Notice, "For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, (translated "void" in Genesis 1:2), he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else."

Contrary to popular thought, Satan lived on the earth and not in heaven. Lucifer (Satan's name before the fall) was ruling over the original earth. All of God's angels were living on the original earth. In Isaiah chapter 14 we have the five "I wills" of Satan. This passage reveals that when Satan fell he was ruler here on the earth. Satan said, "I will ascend into heaven." He was obviously not in heaven. Satan said, "I will exalt my throne above the stars of God." He was a ruler and was below the stars on the earth. Satan said, "I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation in the side of the North." The Bible hints that heaven is in the North and Satan wanted to go there. Satan said, "I will ascend above the heights of the clouds." Satan was below the clouds on the

earth. Also, II Corinthians 4:4 identifies Satan as the "God of this world."

God judged the earth (Genesis 1:2) when Lucifer took one-third of God's angels in a rebellion against God. The earth was flooded and submerged with water and was in darkness. Scientists tell us that if our sun's light were cut off from the earth for as little as 72 hours that our earth would quickly become frozen. Perhaps this would explain the ice ages. Perhaps this might explain the mammoths found quick frozen in Siberian earth with undigested vegetation still in their stomachs. Petroleum is the fossilized remains of animal life. Coal is the fossilized remains of plant life. Was this from the original earth? Perhaps many fossils are from the animal life from the original earth created prior to Adam & Eve." Bibleline.org Archive, *The Earth – How Old?*

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"I. Linguistic Evidence for the Genesis Gap:

A second problem with taking Genesis 1:1 as a summary of what follows rather than an event in its own right is to be found in the grammatical connection between verses one and two. Following the description of God's ex nihilo creation of heaven and earth in verse one, we have, in the Hebrew, a disjunctive construction at the beginning of verse two. The combination of the connective waw and a nominal form (as opposed to a finite verb) indicates

strong contrast in the Hebrew. That is to say, what we have beginning verse two is a “but”, not an “and”. Grammatically speaking then, we are on much firmer ground in translating “but the earth ...”, rather than “and the earth ...” (KJV). This rendering to which the actual language of the verse points so insistently (despite all speculation to the contrary) has produced mere head-scratching for those who hold to the summary interpretation. But for those who are willing to follow where the Word of God actually leads, it is an unmistakable sign post, one which points inescapably to a definite gap between the Bible’s two initial verses, a hiatus in the action which demands attention and invites investigation. Clearly, something dramatic must have transpired to account for this stark contrast between verses one and two. The Genesis Gap, therefore, is unmistakably present in the original Hebrew, representing a clear interruption in the narrative between God’s original, perfect creation of the world, and His subsequent re-creation of a world ruined by Satan’s revolt.” --*The Satanic Rebellion: Background to the Tribulation, Part 2, The Genesis Gap* (Available on-line at www.ichthys.com) by Dr. Robert D. Luginbill

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“My friend, it is very interesting that God has put down these great principles in the first two verses of Genesis. How important it is for us to see that.

And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters [Genesis 1:2].

...I believe that a great catastrophe took place between verses 1 and 2. As far as I can see, there is an abundance of evidence for it. To begin with, look out upon this vast creation—something has happened to it! Man's trip to the moon reveals nothing in the world but a wasteland up there. How did it get that way? May I say that there came a catastrophe in God's universe.

This is specifically mentioned in regard to the earth because this is to be the place where man lives, and so the earth is described as being "without form and void."

"Darkness was upon the face of the deep" indicates the absence of God, of course.

"Without form, and void" is a very interesting expression. "Without form" is the Hebrew word *tohu*, meaning a ruin, vacancy; "void" is the Hebrew word *bohu*, meaning emptiness. Notice this statement in the prophecy of Isaiah:

For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else [Isaiah 45:18].

Here God says that He did not create the earth "in

vain,” and the Hebrew word is tohu, which is the same word we found in Genesis 1:2. God did not create the earth without form and void. God created this universe a cosmos, not a chaos. This is the thing which Isaiah is attempting to make clear. He created it not tohu va bohu, but the earth became tohu va bohu. God formed the earth to be inhabited, and it was God who came to this wreck and made it a habitable place for mankind.” *Genesis, Volume I, J. Vernon McGee, Thru The Bible Books, Pasadena, CA, Pgs. 63,64.*

Dr. G. Campbell Morgan. Morgan worked with Moody and Sankey in their evangelistic tour of Great Britain in 1883. His reputation as preacher and Bible expositor soon encompassed England and spread to the United States. In 1896, D.L. Moody invited him to give a lecture to the students at the Moody Bible Institute. This was the first of his 54 crossings of the Atlantic to minister the Word. After the death of Moody in 1899, Morgan assumed the position of director of the Northfield Bible Conference. The many thousands of converts from the ministry of Moody needed a teacher of the Bible to strengthen and deepen their faith. G. Campbell Morgan became that teacher.

(1904-1917) Pastorate at Westminster Chapel, London, In 1840, the area where Westminster Chapel now stands was relatively undeveloped. It was an unhealthy poverty stricken slum - perhaps the worst in England. Since that time the area has improved considerably and historic attractions such as Buckingham Palace and Westminster Abbey bring millions of tourists to the area each year.

“Genesis 1: The opening sentence of the Book of Genesis is an interpretation of the fact “that what is seen hath not been made out of things which do

appear” (Hebrews 11:3), and accounts for the things which are seen.”... “This sentence is followed immediately by a declaration, without detail, of a cataclysm which overtook the earth. It then proceeds to show how God created, restored the earth to fruitfulness and order. God is here revealed in the threefold fact of His existence. The chaotic earth is seen in the embrace of the Spirit, who is described as brooding over it.” ...“The purpose of this restoring process is seen in the creation of an entirely new being, Man.” -- *An Exposition of The Whole Bible*, Fleming H. Revell.

Arthur W. Pink, was born in Nottingham, England, and died in Sternway, Scotland, in 1951. His wide-spread ministry included pastorates in Australia and the United States. He originated “Studies in the Scriptures,” a monthly magazine concerned solely with the exposition of Scripture. He was the author of many excellent books. One of these being “Gleaning in Genesis.” This work was copyrighted in 1922 by the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.

“In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth,” and we cannot but believe that these creations were worthy of Himself, that they reflected the perfections of their Maker, that they were exceedingly fair in their pristine beauty. Certainly, the earth, on the morning of its creation, must have been vastly different from its chaotic state as described in Genesis 1:2. “And the earth was *without form and void*” must refer to a condition of the earth much later than what is before us in the preceding verse. It is now over a hundred years ago since Dr. Chalmers called attention to the fact that the word “was” in Genesis 1:2 should be translated “became,” and that between the first two

verses of Genesis 1 some terrible catastrophe must have intervened. That this catastrophe may have been connected with the apostasy of Satan, seems more than likely; that some catastrophe *did* occur is certain from Isaiah 45:18, which expressly declares that the earth was not *created* in the condition in which Genesis 1:2 views it.

What is found in the remainder of Genesis 1 refers not to the primitive creation but to the *restoration* of that which had fallen into ruins. Genesis 1:1 speaks of the original creation; Genesis 1:2 describes the then condition of the earth six days before Adam was called into existence. To what remote point in time Genesis 1:1 conducts us, or as to how long an interval passed before the earth "*became*" a ruin, we have no means of knowing; but if the surmises of geologists could be conclusively established there would be no conflict at all between the findings of science and the teaching of Scripture. The unknown interval between the first two verses of Genesis 1, is wide enough to embrace all the prehistoric ages which may have elapsed; but all that took place from Genesis 1:3 onwards transpired less than six thousand years ago. - *Gleanings In Genesis*, Arthur W. Pink, Moody Press, Pgs. 10,11.

Dr. David F. Reagan, (former pastor, now deceased) of Trinity Baptist Temple, Knoxville, TN, now known as Antioch Baptist Church. He received a Bachelor's Degree, a Master's Degree and, a Doctor of Theology Degree from Trinity Baptist College & Seminary. Is the author of many books, this one recommended by the Dean Burgon Society, *The King James Version of 1611 the Myth of Early Revisions*.

“The purpose of this writing is to ask those of you who hold the Bible in high regard to give one more look at the gap between Genesis 1:1 and 1:2. However, let me mention some things that I am not trying to do.”

“I am not using this teaching in order to accommodate modern science. I believe that all true science can be accounted for with the six-day creation approximately 6,000 years ago. I believe the Bible teaches that only God’s heavenly abode and the earth survived the original destruction and re-creation. It also describes an earth that was so destroyed that probably nothing remains of the original surface.”

“This writing will claim that Genesis 1:1 records the original creation of the earth and that Genesis 1:2 describes the results of the destruction of this earth. In this approach, the six-day creation is actually a second creation of the earth—although it is the beginning of the universe as we know it.”

“Here are some reasons we should study and seek to understand this doctrine.

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness” (2 Timothy 3:16). That, in a sense, says it all. If God talked about it, it is important. If He wrote it, it has profit for us.”

In Isaiah 14:12-15, where Satan’s original rebellion against God is recorded, the devil desired to exalt his throne above the stars of God (v.13). In order to exalt his throne, he had to have a throne. A throne indicates

a place of rule and dominion as well as a kingdom to rule over. Yet, this kingdom which was ruled by Satan before the fall was below the stars of God and below the heights of the clouds. What is left? The earth is left. Satan had a throne on the earth before he rebelled against God. This would explain how he got his claim to earth. The earth before Genesis 1:2 was Lucifer's original domain. It was his original commission from God.

Satan's Character From the Beginning "The devil was "a murderer from the beginning" (John 8:44) and he "sinneth from the beginning" (1 John 3:8). To what beginning does this refer? It must refer to the beginning of the six-day creation. Nothing else makes sense."

"However, if there is no gap and the devil was created on the first day of the six days of creation, he must have been created as a sinner and a murderer—since he was these things from the beginning. But this is impossible for two reasons.

First, this interpretation would make God the author of sin.

Second, the Bible clearly states that the devil was perfect from his creation and that iniquity was not found in him until a later date (see Ezekiel 28:15).

He was perfect at the time of his own creation, but was a murderer and sinner at the time of the beginning or creation as we experience it. Therefore, the devil had to fall in sin somewhere between the time of his creation and the beginning of the world as

found in the first chapter of Genesis. Only the gap provides a time for this. There is no other option.”

Comments excerpted from Dr. Reagan’s article, “Gap Theory of Genesis Creation, A Study of Genesis 1:1-2, Learn The Bible.org

Erich Sauer, Director of the Bible School, Wiedenest, Rhineland, Germany

“Before the foundation of the earth-world God had created the angels and the stars. Therefore He says to insignificant man: "Where wast thou when I founded the earth? . . . Who has laid its corner stone, when the morning stars shouted for joy all together and all God's sons exulted?"(Job 38: 4, 7; comp. 1: 6; 2:1).”

“ii. The Fall of Satan. There must therefore have arrived in the prehistoric eternity a moment when this world-prince of God renounced his allegiance to the Most High, and thereby changed from a "Lucifer," a "Lightbearer" of the Divine glory, into an "Adversary" of God and a "slanderer" of His saints.

iii. The First Sin and the Condition of the World. But with the fall of Satan there must have been associated the ruin of the region over which he ruled, as is evidenced by the organic connection between spirit and nature, and by the later and resembling fall of man, though this last to a smaller extent (Gen. 3: 18). World and earth catastrophes occurred as counter workings of the righteousness of God against this cosmic revolt. The creation was subjected to vanity (Rom. 8: 20,21).

All details are hidden from our knowledge. Only this is certain, that death and destruction in the world of plants and animals raged on the earth for unthinkable periods long before the race of man. This is proved very clearly by the geological strata and the stages of the development of the prehistoric animal world. The strata of the earth beneath us are simply "a huge cemetery that is enclosed in its stony held." Indeed many rapacious beasts of the prehistoric time were terrible monsters with the most voracious and deadly power of destruction.

In this manner also the Tubingen paleontologist Freiherr von Heune connects the fact of death in the pre-Adamic creation with the fall of Satan as the God appointed "prince of this world."-- Dawn of Redemption by Erich Sauer, *A survey of the History of Salvation in the Old Testament*.

Dr. C.I. Scofield, author of the notes of the monumental work, the *Scofield Study Bible*, and many other books.

"Comments on Genesis 1:2 by Dr. C.I. Scofield, author of the notes of the monumental work, the Scofield Study Bible say, "Jeremiah 4:23-26, Isaiah 24:1 and 45:18, clearly indicate that the earth had undergone a cataclysmic change as the result of divine judgment. The face of the earth bears everywhere the marks of such a catastrophe. There are not wanting intimations which connect it with a previous testing and fall of angels. See Ezekiel 28:12-15 and Isaiah 14:9-14, which certainly go beyond the kings of the Tyre and Babylon." (Scofield Study Bible, page 3, footnote 3).

Dr. Richard A. Seymour, D.D. “Dick” was saved in June, 1953. Six months later he entered Bible college to begin his lifetime study of God's Word firsthand. Over the years Dick has served on the Board of Trustees of two Bible colleges. He has also been a full-time professor of Bible and Theology, and served at various times as Registrar, Dean of Men, Academic Dean, Dean of the College, and President.

He founded Soul Winning Seminars, publishing the "Soul Winner's Digest." He began hitting the road (and airways) every weekend and in the summers crossing the country conducting seminars and proclaiming God's precious Word in churches and conferences. He served two pastorates, returning to the Bible college ministry in 1988 where he taught and served in various administrative capacities until July, 1996. What is now Clarity Ministries International was previously known simply as Clarity. “We write, publish, and distribute literature and tapes, sharing the Gospel of Christ. We conduct single meetings, camps and conferences, seminars, classes, training sessions, all to one end: to get every person back into the Word of God where all the answers to all of our most basic and deepest questions are found.”

“...In view of the above (Isaiah 14:12-14) it is not difficult to see the necessity of God bringing judgment upon that which he, Lucifer, had been over, and very obviously his responsibilities were over the original earth of Gen. 1:1. Thus we have the chaos of verse 2. -- *SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY* by Dr. Richard Seymour, D.D. Section on ANGELOLOGY...

...SECTION ON THEOLOGY PROPER, Pg. 38.

5. The Execution of the Decrees:
a. Creation:

- (1) Hebrew word “*bara*” or “*baw-raw*” means - “to make something out of nothing”. (Gen. 1:1,21,26,27)
- (2) Hebrew word “*asah*” or “*aw-saw*” means, “ to make something out of materials already in existence.” (Gen. 1:7,16, 25, 26, 31)”

Dr. A. Ray Stanford, the man who taught me all I know about soul-winning.

“Genesis 1:1 says "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." THERE IS A TIME LAPSE, A GAP, between the events in Genesis 1:1 and Genesis 1:2. There could be millions of years between the two verses. No one knows for how many years the earth was laid waste.

Genesis 1:2, in the *King James Version*, reads, "And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep..."

“The word "was" should properly be translated "became,..."

“We do know from Isaiah 45:18 that God did not *create* the earth in a state of waste to begin with. "For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it, he hath established it, he created it NOT IN VAIN, he formed it to be inhabited..."

We know that after the fall of Satan God judged the earth, and at that time the earth became ruined. God made it desolate after previous life.”

In the time of Genesis 1:1, and before the time of
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Genesis 1:2, any of the true historical ages and the true ancient fossils would fit. The Bible does NOT say that the earth is only 6,000 years old. The Bible does not date the original creation spoken of in Genesis 1:1.” -- *The Handbook of Personal Evangelism*, by Dr. A. Ray Stanford. (Now available at no charge for download to your Bible Explorer program from www.wordsearchbible.com).

Louis T. Talbot, D.D., (1889-1976) Pastor, Church of the Open Door, President, Bible Institute of Los Angeles, Chancellor of Biola College and Talbot Theological Seminary.

“The Original Creation. Verses one and two of Genesis gives us the only account of the creation found in the Word of God. “In the beginning. . .“ When was the beginning? How far back into the past does that statement take us? Please note that there is no reference here in this opening verse of Genesis to the six days’ work. That comes later, as we shall see. Many people imagine the Bible teaches that the earth was created in six solar days, but nowhere does the Bible say so.

Some time ago I was called to see a college girl regarding spiritual things. She told me she could not believe the Bible for various reasons, one of which was that she could not believe the world was created in six days. ‘When I told her that the Bible made no such statement, she had difficulty in believing me.

The Bible does say that in six days the Lord “made” heaven and earth, but there is a difference between the words made and created. “To create” is to bring into existence out of nothing. “To make” is to take pre-

existing matter and change its form. The latter is what the Lord did in six days.

“In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.” Let me ask again: How far back does that take us? A British association for scientific research says the earth is one-hundred million years old. There is nothing in the Scripture to gainsay that contention. “In the beginning” will go back as far as any scientist desires to take us.

Chaos. How beautiful this earth must have been “in the beginning”! Before sin entered to mar and destroy, how beautiful it must have been! But proceeding further, we read: “And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep” (Gen. 1:2). The word “was” is translated in other parts of Scripture “became,” and may read: “The earth became without form, and void.” This is the thought implied, as we learn from Isaiah 45:18: “For thus said the Lord that created the heavens: God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain (or void), he formed it to be inhabited: I am the Lord, and there is none else.”

God created the earth not in vain, or void. If He created it not in vain, or waste, or void, then the original creation must have become so by some catastrophe. What was that catastrophe? The Scripture is not silent regarding it. In Ezekiel 28:12-19 we have a description of Lucifer, who, through his fall, became Satan. Among other things said about him is this: “Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius,

topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created. Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God: thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee . . . Thou hast sinned . . . Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.” (See Ezekiel 21,12-19.)

The description here is entirely different from that of the Eden in which Adam and Eve were placed. This is evidently a description of the original creation—and Lucifer was in at Eden before his fall.

Isaiah 14:12-17 tells of Lucifer’s fall. It tells us how he said in his heart: “I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the Mount of the congregation in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most high” (verses 13, 14). Most likely Lucifer was at the head of the original creation when he made this utterance. Because of this sin he fell; and to his fall the Lord Jesus referred when He said in Luke 10:18: “I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.” God cast him out. He became Satan. And just as this earth was affected later when Adam fell, so also the earth became waste and void at the fall of Lucifer. As already inferred, we have reason to

believe from Ezekiel 28 and Isaiah 14, that God had made Lucifer the head of the original creation; and that his fall and degradation brought about the catastrophe that caused the original creation to become waste and void.

Renovation. How long the earth remained in this chaotic state, we do not know—many years perhaps—possibly millions of years. But the chaotic earth was not forsaken by God; for we read that “the Spirit of God moved (or brooded) upon the face of the waters” (Gen. 1:2). From verse 4 to the close of chapter one we have the account of the renovation, in which God made the earth—reformed it, refashioned it, and placed man upon it. The order of this reformation is plainly stated: (1) light; (2) firmament; (3) earth and seas; (4) sun, moon, and stars; (5) aquatic creatures and fowl; (6) cattle, creeping things, beasts, and man. This is the only, scriptural interpretation of these opening chapters of the Word of God; and it is not contrary to the laws of science. God is the God of science and law and order. And His Word will bear the lens of science and research!

Very clearly the Scriptures teach that God renovated a chaotic earth; and having brought order out of chaos, : created a new being—man—and gave him dominion over the renovated earth. It was this authority given unto man that evidently stirred Satan’s jealousy; for it was man who supplanted him in the dominion he had held over the earth before his fall.” -- *God’s Plan of the Ages*, by Louis T. Talbot, D.D., Pgs. 11-15

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including the great Calvary Baptist Church in Covington, KY, and the famous Moody Bible Church in Chicago, IL. He has served as General Director and Bible Teacher of “Back to the Bible,” headquartered in Lincoln, Nebraska. He is Writer-in-Residence” at Cornerstone College in Grand Rapids, MI, and Distinguished Professor of Preaching in Grand Rapids Baptist Seminary. He is the respected author of many, many books, too numerous to mention. Here are his comments concerning the gap of time principle between Genesis 1:1 and Verse 2:

“It is held by many students that the original creation of the universe (Gen. 1:1) was followed by the fall of Satan (Isa.14:12ff) and the ruin of God’s handiwork. It is possible that there is a “gap” between 1:1 and 1:2; so that we may read Vs. 2, “And the earth became without form and void...” Isa. 45:18 states that God did not create the earth “in vain” (Hebrew “without form”) so that the chaotic condition of the earth must have been caused by judgment. Ezek. 28:11-19 suggests that Lucifer, the highest of God’s created beings in this original creation, wanted to take the place of God; and this brought about the judgment. We find Satan already at work in Genesis 3, so that his fall had to take place earlier. This means that the creative activities of Genesis 1 are really a restoration of the ruined universe.” (*Whole Bible Study Course*, Originated by D.B. Eastep, Outline and Comments by Warren W. Wiersbe, Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Covington, KY.)

We ask that those reading this book compare the qualifications of these men to the biblical qualifications of Ken Ham, founder of Answers In Genesis, and other young earth advocates.

CHAPTER SEVENTEEN

THE LIES OF KEN HAM AND HIS YOUNG EARTH PHILOSOPHY

The Following Are Only A Few Of The Lies Perpetrated By Ken Ham, Founder of “Answers In Genesis” (AIG)

After reading through much of Ken Ham’s material, it would take another book to expose all the lies and false statements made. These he uses to magnetize you into endorsing his THEORY of a young earth. I would be interested to know what Bible College Mr. Ham has ever attended? Has he studied the basic Bible doctrines, such as, Theology, Hamartiology, Soteriology, Angelology, and Eschatology.

What about Systematic Theology? Has he taken at least one year of Hebrew and one year of Greek? Has he ever pastored a church. When I inquired at AIG about Ken Ham’s beliefs concerning Eschatology; specifically the Rapture, was he post or pre-tribulation? Did he even believe in the seven-year Tribulation Period following the Rapture, known as a time of Jacob’s trouble. Does he believe in all the Old Testament prophecies concerning Christ’s earthly Kingdom of a thousand years. I received no answers to my questions from Ken Ham.

According to Wikipedia, the Free Encyclopedia,” Mr. Ham’s professional education consists of (1). Bachelor of Science in Applied Science from Queensland Institute of Technology in Australia. (2). Diploma of Education from the University of Queensland in Australia.

Mr. Ham has three honorary degrees:

1. Doctor of Literature, 1993, from Liberty University.
2. Doctor of Divinity, 1997, from Temple Baptist College.
3. Doctor of Letters, 2004, Liberty University.

Later, we will expound more on Ken Ham's beliefs concerning Eschatology.

Quotes From "Dinosaurs And the Bible" by Ken Ham

Let us examine some of the lies Ken Ham puts forth in his booklet entitled, "*Dinosaurs And The Bible.*"

1. On page 6, last paragraph, I quote Ken Ham.

"As you add up all the dates, and accepting that Jesus, the Son of God, came to earth almost 2,000 years ago, we come to the conclusion that the CREATION of the EARTH and ANIMALS (including dinosaurs) occurred only thousands of years ago (perhaps only six thousand years!), not millions of years."

Now let us think for ourselves and analyze Ken Ham's young earth theory and each statement he has made.

a. "We come to the conclusion." Should he not have said, "I," instead of "we?" Who is the "we" he is referring to? Is it his readers that he has already told, by using the pronoun "we," that they have already agreed with him? In a court of law, this would be called "Leading the Witness," and an objection would be sustained from the judge.

b. "...that the CREATION of the EARTH and ANIMALS." Mr. Ham wants you to believe the Bible says in Genesis, Chapter One, that God created the animals. Without

looking into your Bible and checking Mr. Ham out, you would fall prey to the lie he just told you.

In Genesis 1:24,25, God gives us the record of the animals.

“And God said, Let the earth BRING FORTH the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.” (24)

“And God MADE the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good.” (25).

Mr. Ham stresses that his followers just take a literal reading, as it is translated in the Bible. As you can see, he does not follow his own advice. Mr. Ham misquotes the Bible by substituting “created” for the Holy Spirit’s words “brought forth” and “made.” Perhaps the Holy Spirit should have consulted with Ken Ham to see if He (the Holy Spirit) was inspiring the writers to use the correct words. I think Ken Ham needs to get back to biblical authority, instead of misquoting God’s words and substituting his own.

One should always remember that the word “created” is the Hebrew word “bara” and means “created,” something that never existed before. Whereas, “made” is the Hebrew “asah” and means something that previously existed and is brought forth again.

In other words, the animals such as the beasts of the earth, cattle, creeping things, and etc. were not excluded from the original creation in Genesis 1:1. Nor were the clouds, stars,

sun and moon, which were reactivated for human life on the remodeled earth when God remodeled it for the habitation of humanity. This is why “created” is not used here.

Sad to say, Mr. Ham misquotes Genesis 1:24,25 by refusing to accept the literal translation that he tells everybody else to accept. Then he refuses to accept the Hebrew definitions of “created” (bara) and “made” (asah), which do not have the same meaning. This is how crafty men will be and how far they will go to promote their THEORY based on false science, which they pawn off on the unsuspecting public for “filthy lucre.”

c. “Including the dinosaurs.” I think Mr. Ham has dinosaurs on the brain! Mr. Ham is smart enough to know that children are fascinated with dinosaurs. His museum attracts children and parents. It costs money to see the museum. The end result is money, money, and more money. Then the customers are injected with the young earth theory and philosophy, based on false science which contradicts the great biblical doctrine of creation, judgment, and remodeling of the earth for human habitation.

d. (Creation) “...occurred only thousands of years ago (perhaps only six thousand years!) not millions of years.”

- (1). (Creation) “...occurred only thousands of years ago...” Mr. Ham, where did you come up with this? Were you there?
- (2). “...perhaps only six thousand years ago!” PERHAPS? No evidence, Mr. Ham, just a guess and you are peddling a theory. “Perhaps” doesn’t mean anything, except you absolutely do not know!

(3). "...not millions of years." Now you are stating an absolute fact, based on nothing.

Without any further comment on my part, I should be pleased to allow the Lord to rebuke Ken Ham's false statements and theory of a young earth. Hear are God's words from Job 38:2-5 in answer to Mr. Ham and those like him.

"Who is this that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge?" (2)

"Gird up now thy loins like a man; for I will demand of thee, and answer thou me." (3)

"Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding." (4)

"Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line upon it?" (5).

2. On page 8 of *"Dinosaurs And The Bible,"* Ken Ham again perpetrates his lie as he states:

"The Bible tells us that God created all of the land animals on the sixth day of Creation." (Gen. 1:24-31)

Mr. Ham just lied again to his followers in his statement above. The following are the verses he tries to use to support his false teaching concerning animals. We are only going to quote Verses 24,25,30,31 of Genesis, Chapter One, as these are the verses that deal with land animals. Verses 26-29 deal with human life, and I have no idea why he would reference

these verses, as they have nothing to do with animal life at all, except man's dominion over the animals.

*"And God said, Let the earth BRING FORTH the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so."
Genesis 1:24*

"And God MADE the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good." Genesis 1:25

"And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so." Genesis 1:30.

"And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day." Genesis 1:31.

Look again at Mr. Ham's quote, very clearly, as he states falsely that God CREATED all of the land animals. Look at the above verses and see if you can find the word "created." "Created" is from the Hebrew word "bara," and it does not appear in Verses 24,25,30,31 anywhere! "Bara," translated "created," means never existing before.

That is why the Holy Spirit never used the word "create" concerning animals, because they did exist previously in the original creation, which was occupied by Lucifer, one of God's angels.

In Verse 25, the Holy Spirit chose the Hebrew word

“asah,” translated “MADE,” not “created.” Mr. Ham attempts to correct God’s “mistake” by inserting “created,” instead of “made.” How ludicrous! Mr. Ham wants you to believe his fallacy of a young earth, when he can’t even quote the Word of God accurately.

Notice Verse 25:

“And God MADE (Hebrew, “asah”) the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good.”

“Asah,” translated “MADE,” means “to allow” or “to assemble,” also “to release from restraint certain materials which were under bondage;” therefore, referring to the animals that previously existed on the original creation and then died as a result of God’s judgment. They will again be allowed to exist with mankind on God’s remodeled earth.

The sun and the moon, the greater and lesser lights which were used in the original creation, were a part of the creation in Genesis 1:1,

“In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.”

In Genesis 1:2a, God describes His judgment upon Satan and his followers, as they are now disembodied spirit beings, and their habitation is now rendered uninhabitable.

“And the earth was (became) without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep...”

The sun and moon were rendered inoperative until God was ready to remodel the earth for mankind. Then in Genesis 1:16 God again uses the word “MADE” (Hebrew “asah”), that is “to release from bondage” to be used again on the remodeling of the earth, now being prepared for mankind.

“And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also. (16) And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,... (17).”

This is how you deceive people. Just substitute your words for God’s words to the unsuspecting. I wonder if Mr. Ham has even had one semester of Greek or Hebrew, let alone one year! He is a master of deception as he promotes his false teaching of a so-called young earth.

3. Ken Ham. What Does This Man Really Believe?

He is the founder of Answers In Genesis.” (AIG). In his newsletter publication, Volume 12, Issue 2 of February, 2005, he claims that Martin Luther is one of his “heroes of the faith.” This he states in the first paragraph on the front cover. He continues on Page 2 to liken his organization, and himself, to that of Luther. And of course, at the end of page 2, we have his plea for money. Here are Ham’s words.

“Like Luther, we at AIG exclaim, “Here we stand [on Scripture], we can do no other, God help us.”

“Can I humbly ask you to commit to continue (or begin) supporting AIG, financially and prayerfully, as we strive to help “rebuild the foundation” of God’s word in the culture.”

Here are a few things Ken Ham neglected to tell his readers about his hero, Martin Luther.

a. Luther and Salvation. Luther believed that Jesus Christ bought and paid for our salvation by his death on the cross and resurrection; BUT, God would not give that salvation of eternal life UNTIL you are baptized.

On Page 16, #11, *Small Catechism*, he writes the following:

"THE BLESSINGS OF BAPTISM, What does baptism give or profit? It works forgiveness of sins, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this..."

Luther quotes the same on Page 174, #11, *Small Catechism*. On Page 177, #257, Luther explains the meaning of the above statements.

"The word of God places these great blessings into baptism; and through faith, which trusts this word of promise, we accept the forgiveness, life and SALVATION OFFERED IN BAPTISM and make these blessings our own."

b. Luther's hatred of the Jewish people. Luther wanted their synagogues destroyed, police protection withheld, all their teaching material confiscated. Hitler reprinted Luther's hatred against "God's chosen people" and distributed it throughout Germany. Hitler knew the people would believe this lie because it came from a preacher. They did. Luther played a great role in the death and execution of approximately 6,000,000 Jews.

c. Luther believed he and his preachers can forgive your sins, just as the Catholic priest.

d. Luther never believed all of God's Ten Commandments as given in Exodus 20:1-17. In both of Luther's Small and Large Catechisms, he eliminated the Second Commandment, which he did not believe, and numbered the Third Commandment as Number Two. When he got to the last commandment, he only had nine, so he divided it to make ten.

e. Luther denied all the hundreds upon hundreds of prophecies concerning Israel's Restoration, the Rapture, the 7-Year Tribulation, and the 1,000-Year Kingdom Reign of Christ on the earth.

The foregoing is all documented in our book, *Martin Luther, Master of Deceit*.

4. Ham's Outline of "The Seven C's of History"

"Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, Consummation." These are Ken Ham's "Seven C's of History." This appears in his museum and is projected in his writings. Between the Cross 2,000 years ago and the Consummation, i.e., when Christ returns, destroys this earth and creates a new heavens and new earth, there are five major events that take place:

1. The Rapture. (I Thessalonians 4:13-18).
2. The seven years of God's judgments on this earth, i.e. the Tribulation Period. (Revelation, Chapters 5 to 19).

3. Christ returns to earth and judges the nations at the end of the 7-year tribulation judgment. (Matthew 24:29-51, and Matthew 25:31-41).
4. Satan is chained for a 1,000 years. (Revelation 20:1-3).
5. Christ will reign for a 1,000 years as the earth enjoys perfect peace, along with the animal kingdom. (Isaiah 2:1-4 and Isaiah 11:4-10).

All of the above, Luther totally rejected. By Ham's outline of History going from the Cross to the Consummation (destruction of this earth and the creation of the new heavens and new earth), we can only assume that he refuses to endorse the biblical authority of the Scriptures just as Luther did in believing that baptism gives you salvation. After all, Mr. Ham states, "He (Luther) is one of my heroes."

One needs to realize that the five major doctrines are not recognized between Ham's "Cross and Consummation" in his "Seven C's of History." These are the same ones that Luther did not believe. I would encourage every person whose allegiance is to Ken Ham and his young earth theory to contact him. Then question him concerning baptism for salvation, and the five major doctrines I have listed. I hope you have better luck than I have had!

Whenever a person will not tell you what they believe concerning biblical doctrines, you better run from them! Take God's advice as found in Proverbs 30:5,6, and the middle verse of the Bible, Psalm 118:8:

“Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him. (V. 5) Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.” (V. 6).

“It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.”

God’s final warning,

“Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. (17) For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple. -- Romans 16:17-18

THE CIRCUS BANDWAGON

Here comes the circus right through our town.
A grand parade from the train to Main Street down.
Here come the elephants lumbering by
With beautiful ladies riding on high.
Their harness a-sparkle in the sunlit noon
They'll perform tonight under the moon.

The stars of the big top are walking in line,
Swirling their capes and waving a sign,
"Come out tonight and be thrilled to see
All of the wonders in rings One, Two and Three."
There are wagons with lions and tigers, too.
Of strange things to see, there are not a few.

Here come the clowns! This is such fun!
Painted smiles on their faces, different each one.
Last of all, the bandwagon comes,
Tooting their horns and beating their drums.
Lads and Lassies run along side
Trying to jump on and catch a free ride.

Soon a crowd follows right to the tent.
Getting a ticket is their intent.
Many a dollar will soon be plunked down.
Helping the circus get to the next town.
What's the attraction to come to the show?
It's something different, all new you know.

If it's new and different, it surely can't be wrong
To jump on the bandwagon and ride along.
It brings in the crowds and they bring in the dough,
So on with the circus, on with the show!
Let's look at the Scripture with a different view,
The Young Earth can't be wrong, it's something brand new!

We'll see Museums and Lectures, Props and Seminars.
We'll talk about dinosaurs, short time, and dead stars,
A creation of earth with the appearance of age,
That is the way we will set the stage.
We will load our wagon with false doctrine and pride,
Hoping that you will jump on for the ride.

*It will bring in the crowds and they bring in the dough.
So on with the circus, on with the show!*

Dear Friend, will you listen to the sound of their band,
And follow the crowd into sinking sand?
Our Lord is calling from Heaven to you,
"Follow the Scriptures, so tried and so true!
I need no circus; I need no show.
I spoke it all into being with My Word you know.

Creation, Judge and Restore were my plan.
Measurement of time relates only to mere man.
My judgment will sit on your false presentation
Of the countless ages of my wondrous creation.
There will be no glib answers at my judgment bar,
You will stand there and I'll see you, just as you are.

All of your lies and all your deceit,
Will be completely exposed on the day that we meet.
I know you will tremble and your body grow tense,
And surely this statement will not be your defense."
'If it's new and different, it surely can't be wrong
To jump on the bandwagon and ride along.

*It will bring in the crowds and they will bring in the dough.
So, on with the circus, on with the show!"*

--- Marjorie A. Younce

CHAPTER EIGHTEEN

AN OPEN LETTER FROM THE AUTHOR

Dear Friend:

After reading this book, may I address you with a very simple and personal question? If you were to die tonight, do you know absolutely, without a single doubt that you will go to Heaven when you leave this earth? The only way any person can have this assurance and peace is by trusting the Word of God to be true. I hope that you do.

1. **There is only one way to Heaven. Christ said in John 14:6,**

“Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me (Christ).” (John 14:6).

2. **There is only one payment for sin, as recorded in John 3:16,**

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son (Jesus Christ), that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” (John 3:16).

Jesus Christ suffered and gave His life on the cross as payment for the sin of every human being ever born. He wants you and I to live in Heaven with Him for all eternity. Since we all have sinned (Romans 3:23) and the payment for

sin is death (Romans 6:23), we have a big problem! There will be no sin in Heaven.

3. There are two choices.

You can pay for your own sin in Hell, i.e., the Lake of Fire; or, accept the payment Christ made for you on the cross. His suffering and death on the cross paid the price for all sin. His resurrection showed the payment was accepted by God. We accept His payment for our sin and He gives us the righteousness we need for Heaven. Salvation, eternal life, however you want to say it, is a gift our Lord paid for by His death on the cross.

“For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.” (II Corinthians 5:21).

4. There is only one kind of faith.

God will never accept your faith in your own good works. Things like baptism, confirmation, social standing, giving financially to the church, church membership; or, any works of the flesh will never merit you eternal life. It would be an insult to God, since He allowed His Son to make the ultimate sacrifice for all mankind, for you to think you have something better to offer. Salvation is only received as a gift from God.

“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.” (Ephesians 2:8-9).

5. Your absolute assurance from God's Word.

"He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him." (John 3:36).

"These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God." (I John 5:13).

If reading this book has helped you in any way to trust Jesus Christ, and Him alone, for your salvation, please write or email and allow me to rejoice with you.

I pray that you will reach out by faith and receive the gift of eternal life right now, before it is too late.

Sincerely,

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APPENDIX

“SHOW AND TELL”

Many “young earth” speakers travel around the country with slide demonstrations and painted-up plaster casts of supposed archaeological artifacts:

1. **Plaster Casts.** If someone shows you a plaster cast of an item supposedly showing “proof” of a young earth, immediately discount the item. Put your thinking cap on! If you cannot view the original object; or, take it to a laboratory and test it to validate the claims made for it, it has no scientific value whatsoever! This would cover:

a. Plaster casts of items embedded in coal or stone that seem to show “scientific anomalies.”

b. Plaster casts of dinosaur tracks with what appear to be human tracks inside. Even those who advocate the “young earth” position are retreating from these as proof of their position. Below is a quote from a scientist who is also a young earth advocate. As you can see, they disagree among themselves.

“Over the past several years, some so-called “evidence” for creation has been shown not to be reliable. Some of these are...

- supposed human and dinosaur footprints found together at the Paluxy River in Texas...
- a supposed human handprint found in “dinosaur- age rock.”
- a dead “plesiosaur” caught near New Zealand.”

Actually, the dead “plesiosaur” caught by the *Zuiyo-maru*, was found to be carcass of a dead basking shark.

“Kimura, Fuji, and others (1978) concluded that the composite tissue sample studies indicated that the horny

fiber was essentially identical to known basking shark elastoidin in both its morphology and amino acid composition. They remarked, "If the horny fiber was pulled out from an animal belonging to other classes except Chondrichthyes [sharks and relatives], it should be significantly different...These results strongly suggest that this unidentified creature is a basking shark or closely related species." (Kimura, Fuji, and others 1978, p 73)."

2. **Dragon Legends.** Now we come to slides depicting dragon legends to prove that dinosaurs walked with man. Actually, the only time dinosaurs walked with man was in the movie, Jurassic Park! Yes, the word "dragon" is in the Bible; but, in all cases, the context reveals it is talking about an existing water or land animal of some type. This use of legends as fact only proves the lengths to which young earth advocates will go to prove their point. The Bible warns about legends and traditions in Colossians 2:8,

"Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ."

3. **Coal.** "Up to 400 feet thickness of strata have formed since 1980 at Mount St. Helens." When you hear a statement like this, you immediately think of some type of sedimentary rock, Wrong! What you have is sedimentation made up of ash, dead tree trunks, etc. Let us get our brain in gear! What does this have to do with the amount of time it takes coal to form. It proves nothing! Do you have a couple of thousand years, or so, to wait around to see if an inch of coal is going to form? Peat is not coal. This is from "Mt. St. Helens and Catastrophism," Steven A. Austin, Ph.D., AIG Web Site. Again, these so-called scientists disagree among themselves.

4. **Erosion of Niagara Falls.** Many young earth speakers use an impressive slide show and a transfixing narration on the subject: "The rim of Niagara Falls erodes at four to five feet per year, indicating that it could not be more than 10,000 years old.

Therefore, the earth is not more than 10,000 years old.”

Let us think rationally! The rate at which Niagara Falls erodes has nothing to do with the age of the earth. It only has to do with the rate of erosion of Niagara Falls.

5. Ice Age After the Flood. The young earth advocates claim the flood caused an ice age. We will quote Henry M. Morris:

“The great release of energy during the Flood caused much water from the new oceans to enter the atmosphere. This moisture fell at the poles as snow and caused the Ice Age.” Morris, Henry M., 1974, *Scientific Creationism*, Green Forest, AR: Master books, pp. 126-127.

Once again, we have to recommend that we be as those in Acts 17:11 who, *“...Searched the scriptures daily, whether these things were so.”* When we search the Scriptures from Genesis, Chapter 6, to the call of Abraham in Genesis, Chapter 12, we can find no mention of an event corresponding to an “ice age.” When a man’s words do not measure up to *“Thus saith the Lord,”* we have to conclude the man’s words are false.

“To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.” Isaiah 8:20.

In Genesis 1:2, God describes the great Ice Age when the frozen waters completely covered the earth. This was the judgment of the Original Creation and its inhabitants.

“And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.”