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WHY ?

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Why are we sending this to you? Because we have a burning in our soul to spread the Good News of salvation through Jesus, the Christ of God. See the article below to see what that last sentence means.

There are many decisions to make in life, but only one decision decides your eternal destiny. God has provided the answer to every question. You do not need a guru, a guide, a priest or anybody else to discover God's guide for your life on earth and your life in eternity. We hope you will join us over the next year(s) as we discuss the reality that there really is only one answer that is Truth.

Truth is not relative. My Truth and your Truth are exactly the same. Our post-modern society has been fooled

SALVATION

Salvation is a term you hear bantered around a lot. It has a different meaning to different people depending on the context. Here is what it means to a Christian:

1. We are born sinners. That means we automatically will do things displeasing to a Holy God. We sin because we are sinners; we are not sinners because we sin. Note the distinction.

2. We have no right to be in the presence of God. He is Holy. He must reject us. He is our final Judge. If we violate His law in any respect, we are guilty

PRESORTED STANDARD U.S. POSTAGE PAID SEDONA, AZ SERMIT NO. 201 CAR-RT-SORT into thinking there are many truths about the same situation. There is only one Truth. It is the person of Christ Jesus. He has stated that we get to choose between two eternities: one with God, one totally separated from God.



Please join us in this exploration of Truth. Start with our feature article on the next page. The time is short and we feel great sorrow over the possibility that you and we might not experience eternity together.

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and worthy of death. (This is the ONLY image most people have of the "Christian God.") But read on...

3. God loves EVERY person ever born and wants EVERY person to spend eternity in His presence. He has provided a payment plan for our sin so He can see us as having NO sin.

4. Here is the part that is THE hardest for us independent thinking Americans: We can**NOT** earn or make this payment. Jesus made the payment for us 2000 years ago. NOBODY else can make the payment. Nobody. He is the only man to ever live who committed NO sin. He is the only person who deserves eternal life. But He was unjustly put to death. By dying, He paid the price for everyone

who asks that His payment be applied to them.

5. If we will simply repent (turn away from and For nothing is hidden that

SPEAKER

We are available to speak to your organization or class. We will give lessons to home-schoolers, public school classes (we speak of weaknesses of evolution or Intelligent Design in the public schools), any church, individual person or group who would like to discuss the ideas we represent. If you are interested, please E-mail us at info@cryingrocks.org.



will offer a photo-



graph you can use as a desktop background on your computer. This month it is a water cascade along North Kaibab Trail in the Grand Canyon. Download it at: http://www.cryingrocks.org.

ask God to forgive us) for our sin, He says to the Father, "I paid that person's price."

We hope that you will repent as we have. Over the next months we will show you the logic of it all so you can make your eternal decision

MEETING

Would you like to discuss the ideas we present in *Creation News Update?* We would like to also. We have reserved a room at the Sedona Public Library at the following time just for a discussion:

Saturday Aug. 21 at 2:30 PM

We will start with a 20 minute review of our feature article and then discuss your questions and ideas. We look forward to meeting you!

For nothing is hidden that shall not become evident, nor anything secret that shall not be known and come to light. Jesus Christ - Luke 8:17

TRUTH, ASSUMPTIONS & RELIGION

Before we can start talking about evolutionism and creationism, we need to back up and do a study of proof and assumptions. How many times have we heard, "That's circular reasoning." Well, here is reality... ALL reasoning is circular! ALL reasoning is based on unprovable statements!

That's right, we don't really know anything for absolute certain. We just decide we do. When we decide we know something, what we have actually done is make an assumption.

Let's look at this in a very neutral way. Think about your Algebra I class in high school. We learned then:

If A = BAnd $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}$ Then A = C

This is called an *axiom*. You spent many hours reducing mathematical formulas using this axiom. You used another dozen or so axioms in Algebra. Dictionary.com gives us this definition:

Axiom: (logic) a proposition that is not susceptible of proof or disproof; its truth is assumed to be self-evident.

Then, in Geometry class, you used postulates. Dictionary.com again:

(logic) a proposition that is accepted as true in order to provide a basis for logical reasoning.

Let's round this out with the definition of *assumption* from Dictionary.com:

A statement that is assumed (take to be the case or to be true; accept without verification or proof) to be true and from which a conclusion can be drawn.

With math I think we can all agree that the axioms/postulates/assumptions that are made are true. An exception has never been found, but they are *falsifiable*. That means that if we EVER come up with just ONE situation where one of these assumptions is false, that axiom/ postulate/assumption must be discarded; we could no longer say it is true. It may still work in a lot of situations, but it cannot be declared as TRUE.

Bear with me for one more definition from dictionary.com: a priori

adjective: involving deductive reasoning from a general principle to a necessary effect; not supported by fact (Example: "An a priori judgment") adjective : based on hypothesis or theory rather than experiment

adverb : derived by logic, without observed facts

Now take a look at the quote by a leading evolutionist in the box below. At least he is intellectually honest. He admits, he doesn't believe in evolution because of science, he assumes evolution and then builds his science around his assumption. *Evolution is a religion*!

Religion: (Merriam-Webster's Online Dictionary, 10th Edition):

Personal set or institutionalized system of religious attitudes, beliefs, and practices. Religious: relating to or manifesting faithful devotion to an acknowledged ultimate reality or deity; scrupulously and conscientiously faithful

Yep, evolution is a religious belief. And so is Creation Science. Evolution interprets all data to fit materialism. Creation interprets all data to fit creation by a god, specifically, the God of the Bible.

"We take the side of science in spite of the patent absurdity of some of its constructs, in spite of its failure to fulfill many of its extravagant promises of health and life, in spite of the tolerance of the scientific community for unsubstantiated just-so stories, because we have a prior commitment, a commitment to materialism. It is not that the methods and institutions of science somehow compelus to accept a material explanation of the phenomenal world, but, on the contrary, that we are forced by our a priori adherence to material causes to create an apparatus of investigation and a set of concepts that produce material explanations, no matter how counterintuitive, no matter how mystifying to the uninitiated. Moreover, that materialism is an absolute, for we cannot allow a Divine Foot in the door."

Richard Lewontin, "Billions and billions of demons" The New York Review, January 9, 1997, p. 31.

Professor Lewontin, like the late Stephen J. Gould and other leading advocates of evolution, is a self-proclaimed Atheist. Marxism and Secular Humanism require that there be no god (Atheism / Materialism). So, here, Professor Lewontin shows that the Atheist world view dictates his explanation of scientific data, not the scientific method. Science that points to creation must be nullified and denied as the scientists' godless world view dictates the outcomes of scientific investigation.

The primary argument made against accepting Creation Science is that it is not falsifiable. You could never find something that proves creation is not true. That statement is true. No human observed or measured the creation process (though I would contend that Genesis 1:1 to 2:4 is God's eyewitness account). But, evolution is also non-falsifiable. Nobody has every observed or measured one type of critter becoming another type of critter. And, in spite of 50+ years of lab experiments, evolutionists have not been able to cause evolution to occur.

Here is one example of how evolution is non-falsifiable: Survival of the fittest is the mantra of evolution. Each individual will compete with others of their kind to make sure their genetic code gets passed on rather than some other critter's. That way, only the best suited to survival will pass on genetic information, insuring the continuation of the kind of critter. Then it was discovered that not all critters behaved this way. Some work in groups to assure that they all pass on their genetic code. What will evolutionists do with this information that falsifies their basic doctrine? Proclaim it as another great achievement of evolution! This can be done in every circumstance, making evolution non-falsifiable, just like every other religion.

The Courts & Media Ignore Reality

I have seen court cases and much media coverage from Kansas to Ohio regarding the teaching of evolution in the public schools. In fact, it is an issue in Arizona right now. The media has decided to suppress the fact that a creationist in Flagstaff has challenged ANY evolutionist from any university to a public scientific debate as the state considers new science standards for the public schools. Evolutionists pretty much gave up debates in the 80s when they realized they always lost them, so I doubt we'll see a debate.

Let me clarify something that has been distorted and lied about in the media and by evolutionists: In 25 years of studying the evolution/creation debate, I have NEVER seen a reputable Creation Science individual or organization call for an end of teaching evolution in our schools. Not once. What HAS been

asked for is: 1) Teach evolution as а theory rather than fact and 2) Since evolution is an unproven tenant of the religion of materialism. we should either neither teach religion or both religions. In our pluralistic society, all religious beliefs

should be acknowledged in our schools and public life.

Interpretation of Data

Let's examine how this works in the real world. Data never speaks for itself. Our justice system is based on this fact. Two lawyers look at the same data, and then each tries to convince the jury of an interpretation of the data. If the "evidence speaks for itself," then a trial would consist of laying all the evidence on a table, letting the jurors look at it and then render a decision. No, it must be interpreted. The interpretation is based on the two possible assumptions: guilty or not guilty. One lawyer assumes the suspect is guilty and the other lawyer assumes the suspect is not guilty. They argue the data based on their assumption.

Scientific data is the same. No human alive today or who has ever been alive has seen creation or evolution (I mean one type of critter becoming a different type of critter. For example, a dog has never given birth to a cat.) We can only look at the heavens and the earth and then speculate on how it all got here. Stephen J. Gould was well-taught by his parents to be a Atheist so he can only interpret what he finds on the earth as evidence of evolution. I taught my children that Jesus created the heavens and the earth so they see the evidence as support of creation. My parents did not teach me either position, but attending the public schools from kindergarten through a post-graduate degree, I

was well indoctrinated in evolution. My background is in technology so the sciences were a big part of my education. Evolution is the only thing I was taught.

I had to study the debate on my own. As a result of reading many books, magazines and newsletters, I became convinced that evolution is simply impossible. The only alternative is creation.

It is very unusual for a person to turn from a belief in creation

to evolution. It happens, but is very rare. It is not uncommon for evolutionists to reject evolution while still rejecting creation. They still are materialists, but realize that evolution has no scientific basis. And on occasion an evolutionist becomes a creationist.

Summary

There is a war under way. It is between two religions, Materialism and Christianity. We will avoid the moral consequences of the two religions. But, in each copy of Creation News Update we will put forth good, solid science. We will attempt to present both sides of the argument. We straightforwardly admit up front: We believe the universe was created by our Lord Christ Jesus approximately 6000 years ago. We will not waiver from this position because evolution is impossible and an interpretation of the data based on a young earth makes by far the best fit. For us, that makes creation by Jesus the only viable possibility.

We also want to say up front that supporters of both sides are rational, intelligent and thoughtful. It is not a matter of lack of intelligence or scientific ability. It is all about religious belief. Materialism is promoted by the entertainment industry, the media, the courts and the public schools. We hope to be a small voice of balance.

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Sometimes we are so focused on one detail of a theory we have to ignore blatant contradiction to the theory. Each month we will present evidence evolutionists choose to ignore.

It is appropriate that our first *Can't* See The Forest For The Tree article deals with polystrata trees in the fossil record. A polystrata fossil, sometimes referred to as polystrate (many layers), presents a major problem to evolutionists. A polystrata fossil is one that extends through many layers of strata. In coal seams it is common to find vertical tree fossils that extend 20 or more feet through several layers of coal and rock. How can that happen?

Let's start with how the strata is laid down according to evolutionists. We will use the example of layers in the Grand Canyon according to the park naturalist who explained it to us at Phantom Ranch along the Colorado River at the bottom of the Canyon.

To paraphrase her: For millions of years calm, shallow seas covered the Grand Canyon area. The sea came and went with many years between coverages by the seas. There have to be periods when the water recedes as the sea has to leave for a while and change sediment content in order to account for the different types of sediment (now rock) at various levels. Those seas deposit suspended particles from the water on the sea bottom very slowly; therefore it takes thousands of years to build up a few feet of sediment.

You can do a simple experiment to see how it works. Drop a couple of spoonfuls of loose dirt into a glass of water and stir well. Stop stirring. Soon the water will clear as the dirt settles out.

Because calm seas have a much lower concentration of suspended particles than our experiment, it takes years to build up sediment as deep as it did on the bottom of your glass. Examined under a microscope, you would actually see micro-layers once the sediment has hardened into rock. It takes many years to build up a fraction of an inch of sediment.

Dead critters also settle to the bottom of our calm sea. Here's the problem: Dead critters that fall to the bottom of our calm sea are quickly eaten by scavengers. Within a few days at most, they are GONE. Meanwhile, the sediment buildup is almost zero. Well, then how do fossils form? You have to bury them in mud QUICKLY. In fact, some fossils actually show scales, feathers, etc. They were buried immediately. Which leads to the question, "Did they die and get buried OR did they die because they were buried?" Considering the trillions of fossils, it makes sense to us that they died because they were buried in mud.

Now we have a new question: "What happened to that calm sea?" Must not be very calm if critters are being buried by mud all the time.

Back to our trees in coal. If there were one or two in the world, we might buy the evolutionist explanation (which is very weak). But tree fossils are throughout coal seams all over the world! Many of these trees pass vertically through several seams of coal and rock. Scavengers don't eat trees, but trees rot pretty quickly. These fossil trees exhibit no sign of rot.

Not only that, but coal seams are limited to certain geographic areas. For example, coal is common in Appalachian Mountain states where you find many seams of coal interspersed between layers of rock... up to scores of layers!

We think the only explanation is many HUGE (in area) mud slides burying trees and sediment in a matter of a few days (perhaps hours). Evolutionists look at one tree and say "anomaly," ignoring the huge (buried) forest. We must speak for silence would shame us, and the rocks themselves would cry out... You, O Lord Christ Jesus, must be praised for who You are in the world You have made.



Our **Vision...** Each person touched by **Crying Rocks Ministry** will move closer to our Lord Christ Jesus.

Our Mission...

Develop relationships with Spiritual seekers to point them toward our Lord Christ Jesus.

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