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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.

Hello! The latest science is full of new findings that show that God, in the person of Jesus, is Creator of the universe, you and us. Thank you for joining us in learning the Good News.



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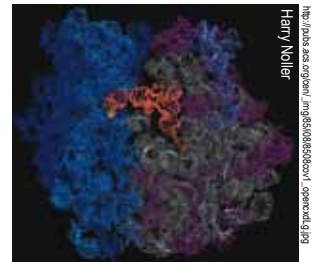
Prayer, Bible Study, Church?

The foundation of Christian living is prayer, Bible study and church. A lot of Christians have “given up” on the “church.” Let’s see why it is important for a Christian to attend church. We have to back up to prayer as our starting point.

Prayer is *meditation*. Meditation is a word that is generally associated with the new age, especially in Sedona. But, like many new age terms, the word has a Christian See **Church** on page 4

Release Factor

The graphic at the right is of a ribosome. Ribosomes are important for the ongoing maintenance of a living cell. It is thought a human liver cell may have about a million of them, while an E. coli has about 15,000. It is at ribosomes that amino acids are strung together in a chain. Once the ribosome has made the chain, the amino acids are folded into a particular 3-dimensional shape. Once shaped, it is a protein. A



Henry Noller

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ORFans

An ORF is an **Open Reading Frame** of DNA. An ORF is a string of DNA nucleotides (think of them as letters of the alphabet) that make up a gene or protein. Like sentences in the English language, protein and gene sequences in DNA start with an upper case letter and end with a period. In the case of DNA, an upper case letter or a period is a special sequence of characters (nucleotides) on the DNA. Think of these sequences as words that mean “start reading” and “stop reading.”



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Geological Society of America Annual Meeting



Yours truly (far left), along with three (one was missing at photo time) other geologists, presented a poster session at the Geological Society of America annual meeting in Minneapolis. The geological features we have at the focus of our study have never been mentioned by geologists before, but they are extremely significant in determining how the strata around Sedona came to be as it is. In the future, this newsletter will explain our research.

Science News to Learn By...

OLLI Again

We are teaching the **Creation vs Naturalism** course at OLLI again in January and February. Watch for your OLLI catalog in the mail in December.

“New” Oldest Human Fossil

It happens every few years. Someone dis-

covers a new fossil of a supposed human. This time there is a major problem, In the Asian country of Georgia, a new fossil has been found. This time, we are told the earliest human lived 1.85 million years ago. The problem? That is much older than any “pre-human” fossil ever found in Africa. So

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Because the start and stop codes are the same for all genes and proteins, and are in all creatures, once we have a sequence of DNA, a computer can search the DNA sequence to find every gene and protein in the sequence.

This is being done at a rapidly increasing pace. Each gene and protein is sequenced and entered into a data base called Gen Bank. In Gen Bank, a new sequence is compared to existing sequences in the data base. If it is similar to an already entered sequence, it is placed in the same category. This allows researchers to track down the purpose of the gene or protein sequences, and even trace how it changes from creature to creature.

ORFans

That brings us to ORFans. About 15% of ORFs in one creature have no connection or similarity to other ORFs in Gen Bank. They are *parentless*, thus the term ORFan. It is like reading a book and every 10th word is a word that exists nowhere else but in that book. You read another book and once again, every 10th word is found in no other book.

What have some leading evolution researchers said about ORFans:

It is precisely this point — the large numbers of putative genes with no known function — that has been the biggest surprise in genome sequencing. Russell Doolittle

There certainly are many genetic similarities between allied species, but we now know of dramatic differences and the

list is growing. This prediction has been falsified as many unexpected genetic differences have since been discovered amongst a wide range of allied species. Even different variants within the same species have large numbers of genes unique to each variant. Different variants of the Escherichia coli bacteria, for instance, each have hundreds of unique genes. And some of these genes have been found to have important functions, such as helping to construct proteins.^[8]

Massive genetic differences were also found between different fruit fly species. The fruit fly is one of the most intensely researched organisms and in recent years a systematic study of the genomes of a dozen different species was undertaken. Evolutionists were surprised to find novel features in the genomes of each of these different fruit fly species. Thousands of genes showed up missing in many of the species, and some genes showed

We have a link on our home page that will take you to many quotes and a link to a video that explains all this in detail.

up in only a single species.^[9] *As one science writer put it, “an astonishing 12 per cent of recently evolved genes in fruit flies appear to have evolved from scratch.”*^[10] *These so-called novel genes would have had to have evolved over a few million years—a time period previously considered to allow only for minor genetic changes.*^[11,12]

Cornelius Hunter

In the above quote, notice the phrase, “*This prediction has been falsified...*” Which prediction has been falsified? The idea of Common Descent of all creatures

from the first cell. This is evidence that creatures are not connected via evolution. Each is unique.

Let us be more specific. There are families of creatures that have common ORFan genes. The Bible says that God created creatures according to “Kinds.” We now have an indicator of the definition of “Kind.” It does not fit with any existing categorizing scheme in evolution. For example, a species is usually defined as being able to breed with only members of its own species. But, lions and tigers are different species that can breed together. Creationists will soon be able to tell us exactly what the “Kinds” are.

We predict the definition of “Kind” will become something along these lines: *Creatures with very similar ORFan genes and proteins are of the same kind.* Creatures of the same kind (such as lions and tigers) are descendants of a common ancestor. Those common ancestors are the creatures that were on Noah’s Ark. After the flood, the creatures spread out over the earth. As they spread, the genetic code allowed them to adapt to different environments they encountered. Those adaptations resulted in different appearances (such as lions and tigers), but they have a genetic code that is still very similar and contains the same ORFans with some small changes due to mutations.

God, in the person of Christ Jesus, is the creator of the universe, the various kinds, you and me. CRM

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much for all those fossils in Africa that so clearly illustrated the evolution of humans. Turns out that there were fully human people before all of those transition fossils were around. Isn’t it interesting that all of those African fossils also look a lot like chimpanzees and other primates? And, isn’t it interesting that nobody has ever found a fossil that is on the path from a common ancestor to chimp? It is always on the way to becoming human. Why is that? Simple, the discoverers look at the fossil they find and see funding, speaking tours, and fame. Chimp fossils get you

nothing. Therefore, they must be human.

Petroglyph Fraud?



Above is a petroglyph at Natural Bridges National Park. All researchers agree it is authentic. It appears to be a dinosaur.

A petroglyph is made by chipping away rock, exposing the unweathered rock below, which is usually lighter in color.

Creation scientists have taken ladders to the site so close examination of the chiseling could be made. A famous dinosaur researcher decided to prove it is not of a dinosaur. He took photos with a telephoto lens. The exposures were very poor in quality. From those photos, he concluded that this is what the artwork really illustrates:



Yes it is really a couple of snakes in a landscape

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typical human liver cell is made of about 8 Billion proteins. Every day millions of proteins are damaged and need to be replaced. Ribosomes are kept very busy!

There is a very important step in this process. The string of amino acids has to be released from the ribosome. Releasing the amino acids is accomplished by a protein known as *release factor*.

There are two basic types of cells. Prokaryotes (mostly bacteria) have no nucleus and are considered the first form of cell by evolutionists. Eukaryotes have a nucleus and are thought to have evolved from prokaryote cells. This is logical because every living thing is supposed to be descendant from the very first cell.

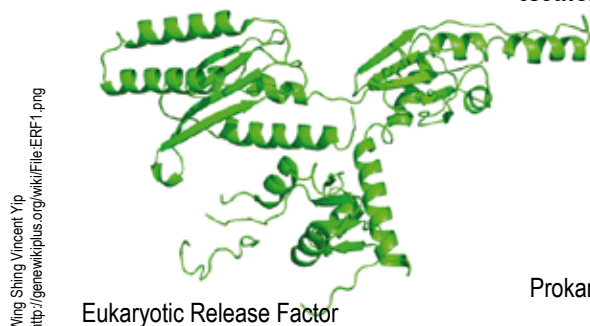
Because the ribosomes in all cells are the same and release factors are

needed for the cell to survive more than a few seconds, evolutionists fully expected the release factor protein to be the same, or at least very similar, in all cells.

The release factor protein in prokaryotes are extremely different from the release factor proteins in eukaryotes (see drawings below). Both function perfectly well. If one is the ancestor of the other, how could they be so different? Because of their very specific job and the very specific location where they must do the job, there are no possible “transitional forms” getting from one to the other. They would be the wrong shape and not work.

As you see from this article and the next, evolution was a reasonable theory until actual scientific research was possible that could test the theory. No wonder that Darwinian evolution is on the way to the trash can.

All of the scientific evidence points to the obvious... God, in the person of Christ Jesus, is the creator of the universe, cells, you and me. CRM



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picture. What is truly hard to image is that their findings were reported in a professional scientific journal. That is right. Based on a few poorly exposed photos taken at a distance, they were published. Why bother actually getting up close and examining the chiseling when you can take a poor photo. This illustrates how desperate evolutionists are. If you don't like the data, do a lousy job of a study and know you will get published because it counters real science the evolutionists don't like. This is pathetically sad.

The Tide is Turning

When evolutionists hear that a journal is going to publish an article that supports Intelligent Design (ID), they besiege the editor with e-mails and letters to have the article canceled. It does not matter if the article passed peer review, it shouldn't be published. After all, that would be the scientific process instead of imposing

worldview and doing a good job of indoctrinating the reader. Lately the courts have been turning. Court cases have been won, money awarded and apologies made publicly. *Applied Mathematics* is the latest journal to issue a public apology (and award \$10,000 to avoid losing in court). In the apology, they state quite clearly that the article had been peer reviewed and was a quality article. The article was also posted on-line. This is another case of a quality editor, wanting to publish good science, fearing for his job because he did it right, the scientific way. The evolutionists cannot compete with data and the scientific method so Science loses. Sad.

Flat Earth Society Endorses Evolution

We end with this humorous irony. The leader of the Flat Earth Society believes in evolution. Those poor evolutionists just can't catch a break anymore.

Remember, real science looking at real data, points clearly to the fact that God, in the person of Christ Jesus, is the creator of the universe, true scientific investigation procedures, you and me. CRM



Bible Books – Order Written

2000 BC	Job
1446-1406 BC	Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy
1406-1050 BC	Joshua, Judges
1050-931 BC	Ruth, Samuel, Psalms, Song of Solomon, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes
875 BC	Obadiah, Joel
790 BC	Jonah, Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, Micah
726 BC	Nahum, Zephaniah
640 BC	Jeremiah, Lamentations, Habakkuk, Kings, Daniel, Ezekiel
586-538 BC	Haggai, Zechariah
458 BC	Chronicles, Ezra, Esther
444 BC	Nehemiah, Malachi
	<i>Acts*</i>
47-48	James
48-53	15 Galatians
51	18:11 I Thessalonians
51	II Thessalonians
56	19:22 I Corinthians
56-57	20:1 II Corinthians
57	20:2,3 Romans
61-62	Ephesians
	Colossians
54 or 62	24:27 Philipians
61-62	28:31 Philemon
65	I Timothy
	Titus
	I Peter
67	II Timothy
	II Peter
68 or 80+	Hebrews
75	Jude
90-95	I, II & III John
95	Revelation
<62	Luke
65-70	Mark
<70	Matthew
80-90	John

* Verse in Acts corresponding to when written

Bookmark Construction:

The above list is two-sided. On the other side are tips for studying your Bible. Cut on the light gray line and then cover each side with a piece of 2" clear packing tape. We suggest you practice placing a strip of packing tape on scraps of paper the same size as the bookmark. It is a bit tricky to avoid any wrinkles or folds in the tape and paper. Trim the tape to the edge of the paper. You now have a water-resistant, long lasting bookmark that also serves as a guide to Bible (or any other) study. CRM

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How to Study the Bible

1st: Pray

Observation

Observe:
Terms, Structure, Literary Form, Atmosphere

Observe the obvious. It is like a puzzle

Ten Strategies to First-Rate Reading:

- Read Thoughtfully
- Read Repeatedly
- Read Patiently
- Read Selectively
- *who - what - where - when - why - how*
- Read Prayerfully
- Read Investigatively
- Read Meditatively
- Read Acquisitively
- Read telescopically

Look For: Things Emphasized, Repeated, Related, Alike, Unlike, True to Life

Study a Section:

- Read several times - different translations
- How is it related to context of entire book?
- Determine main point - Short phrase
- List observations
- Investigate persons, places, culture, events
- Perspective: Read section from perspective of each person, Saved, Unsaved & God

Interpretation

Context rules Seek full counsel of God

Scripture NEVER contradicts scripture

Do not base doctrine on obscure verses

Interpret literally

Look for author's intended meaning

Barriers:	Hazards:
Language	Misreading text
Culture	Distorting text
Communication	Contradicting text
Geography	Subjectivism
	Overconfidence

Application

Nine Questions (Changes to make in behavior and heart):

- Is there a(n)
- Example to follow?
 - Sin to avoid?
 - Promise to claim?
 - Prayer to repeat?
 - Command to obey?
 - Condition to meet?
 - Verse to memorize?
 - Error to note?
 - Challenge to face?

Never-changing truth in an ever-changing world

connection. We are to spend time with God. Many spend a great deal of time telling God what we want, but we should start with praising and worshipping Him. We should be asking for Him to do His will in our lives. The Lord's Prayer is a great outline for praying. After recognizing God's place in the universe, "Hallowed be thy name" follows. This phrase is worship. You can personalize it in your praise of God, the Father.

Notice that even prayer is tied closely with studying God's Word... the Bible. In 1985, I was challenged to get up a little earlier and spend some time in prayer and Bible study to start each day. I am NOT a morning person, but knew this person was right. By the end of the workday, I found it nearly impossible to slow down my brain and concentrate on God. Spending time with God and in His Word had to happen first thing in the morning so I wasn't distracted, and so my day started on a the right foot. I've been spending time with God first thing in the morning for over 25 years now. It works. I recommend it for everyone.

How will I know that I am reading the Bible correctly and speaking as I should with God? The apostle Paul tells us that it is by being around other believers. That is where church comes in. It is in church we can hear from an expert on the Bible and spend time with like-minded people. It is where we get basic training. We can read the Bible all we want, but we need feedback to make sure we are truly understanding what we read. See Nehemiah 8:1-8, particularly 7 & 8. It is in church where little tips are learned, and not just from the pastor. In church is where corrections are made in thinking. The church is where we are fine-tuned,

Men's Breakfast at 8:00 AM
The **LAST** Saturday Morning of every month **except** November

Come to Wayside Chapel at the north end of uptown for good food and good fellowship. **All men are invited.** No charge.

See you there!



learn the tips and become accountable to live the way we proclaim we want to live.

You say you were hurt by the church, or the pastor strayed from the course, so you have decided to stay away from the church? You had and have your eyes on the wrong people. Jesus is the focus of the church. It is He who is the ultimate teacher and Paul tells us His way to shepherd us is through His church body. If you are a follower of Jesus, you need to be in church with your adopted brothers and sisters.

We want to help you out in prayer, Bible study and getting back to church. We talked about prayer above. To the left is a bookmark with tips and techniques for studying your Bible. Below is a list of a few (not all) churches around town that are solid Bible-teaching churches. Pick one for a starting place. Get back in the action!

Now is the time to get back to Christ and His church with your eternal brothers and sisters. Not a Christian? Join us. You are always welcome. CRM

CHURCH SERVICES AND SOME MEETINGS:

Below are a few (not all) Bible-teaching churches in Sedona. Call the churches for information about home group studies or other programs. We have room to list only a few.

Christ Center Church

580 Brewer Road
928-282-9767

Sunday at 9:00 and 10:45

Worship & Praise (spontaneous):
Monday 6:00 to 7:00 PM

Celebrate Recovery: Monday 7:00 PM

Men's Breakfast: Wednesday 6:00 AM

www.sedonachristcenter.org

Crestview Community Church

1090 W. Hwy 89A
928-282-7405

Sunday at 9:45 AM

Bible Study: Sunday 11:00 AM

Prayer Meeting: Wednesday 6:30 PM

www.sedonachurch.com

VOC Church of the Nazarene

55 Rojo Drive

928-284-0015

www.sedonavillagechurch.org

Sunday at 10:30 AM

Bible Study: Sunday 9:15 AM

Wayside Chapel

401 N. 89A in uptown

928-284-4262

www.waysidechapelosedona.com

Sunday at 10:30 AM

Bible Study: Sunday 9:15 AM

We wish we had room for many more, but there is a web site...

Discover all things Christian, including all church services, in Sedona at:

www.christiansedona.com