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## Introduction

★ The Creation Model of origins is scientifically superior to the Evolution Model because it correlates the known facts of observed science far better than evolutionism, with fewer modifications, extensions, and unresolved problems. [Satisfies “Occam’s Razor”]

★ The Creation Model of origins is more “scientific” and less “religious” than the Evolution Model, because its predictions are supported by scientific observation (without any reference to the Bible whatsoever), rather than assumed despite empirical evidence.

★ Neither the Creation Model nor the Evolution Model can be scientifically proven to be true since both concepts are beyond the reach of the scientific method and both views deal with singularities (ultimate origins) which must be accepted by faith.

★ Scientific data (the observable facts of the real world) support the premise of the orderly universe being called into recent existence by the power and wisdom of a personal Creator God, to whom all creation is subject and all mankind is ultimately responsible.

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## Chapter 1

★ Evolution is said by its proponents to be a purely natural process of innovation and integration, operational in our world today. However, (1) present – day observation, (2) experimental testability, or (3) scientific refutation cannot verify evolutionary progression toward higher levels of order and complexity (without the influence of external intelligent agents). Evolutionism is anti-evidence faith and philosophical propaganda, which does not even qualify to be a scientific hypothesis, much less a proven “fact” of science or history.

★ Continuing natural processes of innovation and integration cannot explain the historical origin or the scientific trends of universal phenomena. The framework of completed supernatural processes of the past coupled with conservation and disintegration in the present, however, does not offer a verifiable explanation and, consequently, shows the creation model to be more realistic than the Evolution Model.

- **Principle of Uniformity**: the scientific assumption that present natural **laws** have been constant (or uniform) in their operation in the historical past.

- **Doctrine of Uniformitarianism**: the assumption that present natural **processes** (erosion, sedimentation, volcanism, glaciation, etc.) have been constant (or uniform) in their rate of operation, and that this present **rate** of operation is sufficient to account for all geological phenomena –[“the present is the key to the past”]; promoted by Sir Charles Lyell’s Principles of Geology (1830- 1833) and prophesied in 2 Peter 3:3-4 as being a false doctrine of “the last days.”
  - **Principle of Catastrophism**: the assumption that almost all geologic work of the historical past and the scientific present is accomplished in brief “catastrophes” – floods, eruptions, earthquakes, landslides, and tsunamis, hurricanes, etc. – where operational rates of geologic processes are accelerated: also referred to as **“episodicity,”** catastrophism is more easily assimilated into the Creation Model than the Evolution Model (which is absolutely dependent on Uniformitarianism for its long ages of “geologic time.”)
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## Chapter 2

★ The basic laws of all known natural science are laws of conservation (of quantity) and disintegration (of quality), exactly in accord with the Creation Model, and diametrically opposed to the predictions of the Evolution Model.

★ In nature we find a discrete array of clear-cut “kinds” of organisms (each with their own unique structure providing for their own particular functions) as predicted by the Creation Model, rather than a progressive continuum of all forms of life with an unbroken series of intergrades or transitional intermediates as proposed by the Evolution Model. In short, we find in taxonomy, tremendous variety within the genetic limits of a kind and very definite gaps between kinds. These boundaries, in fact, make the biological classification of organisms possible.

★ Biological evolution demands a powerful and pervasive process that insistently increases order and complexity. Nature, however, reveals that no vertically upward process of biologic change is, or ever has been, observed to have taken place. Instead, the world of living organisms demonstrates only horizontal variation (adaptation, recombination, ‘micro-evolution’), at all (stasis, conservation); exactly as predicted by the Creation Model, one cannot improve perfection – the divine “very good” decree of Genesis 1:31.

★ **Natural Selection**, Darwin’s mechanism for originating new species, is now recognized as a sophisticated tautology (a logical fallacy involving circular reasoning) as defined by the Evolution Model, with no creative ability to generate higher levels of complexity (i.e., new species). In the Creation Model, natural selection is acknowledged as a conservative mechanism for eliminating unfit, no-adapted, or mutated organisms, thereby preserving the original created kinds (bara/min) by keeping them from deteriorating toward extinction.

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## ESSAYS

1. Compare the similarities of the Creation/Evolution paradigms in terms of their being philosophical foundations of worldviews as well as interpretive frameworks of scientific models. (List at least 5 points of comparison.)
  - not observable, not testable, not falsifiable (refutable)
  - include all reality
  - accepted by faith
  - neither can be proven/disproven scientifically
  - both can only be supported or not supported by observable data
  
2. Contrast the differences of the Creation/Evolution paradigm in terms of their philosophical premises and scientific predictions. (List at least 5 points of comparison.)

CATEGORY	CREATION	EVOLUTION
<b>Existence of God</b>	allows/promotes	denies/ignores
<b>Faith Employed</b>	reasonable (Based on evidence)	credulous/blind (anti-evidence)
<b>Time of Operation</b>	completed in the past	continuous in the present
<b>First Cause of Life</b>	supernaturally created	spontaneous generation
<b>Origin of Basic Systems</b>	completed/supernatural	continuing/naturalistic

<b>Organized Complexity of Basic Systems</b>	net present <u>decrease</u>	net present <u>increase</u>
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<b>Cosmic Characteristics (Universe – Earth- Life)</b>	conservation/disintegration	innovation/integration
<b>Geological Sub-model</b>	Catastrophism	Uniformitarianism
<b>Biological Taxonomy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Predicted and possible</li> <li>• Due to gaps and differences between kinds [Systematics]</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• problematic and precluded</li> <li>• not allowed by a continuum of organisms [Cladistics]</li> </ul>
Biological Similarities of Structures	Common Designer	Common Ancestor
<b>Natural Selection</b>	Conservative Mechanism	Creative Force

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**(MCT/ Vol. 2) Chapter 3 Notes (pp. 49-71)**

**Fossil Record Predictions of the Creation Model:**

1. No preliminary / "primitive" / "ancestral" forms creatures.]
2. No transitional / intermediate/ "missing link" forms groupings.]
3. Distinct gaps between morphologic types

[Sudden/ Abrupt appearance of all major kinds of

[No gradual transitions between classification

[Clear-cut genetic boundaries between kinds.]

4. Same taxonomic categories for both fossil and living organisms [No significant anatomical change between past and present forms.]
- The geologic column (geologic/evolutionary timetable) is: 1) an imaginary construction; 2) built on a not-existent foundation of evidence; 3) to support a false philosophy; 4) believed in by a credulous faith.
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### **(MCT/ Vol. 2) Chapter 4 Notes – (pp. 73-99)**

- In terms of mammalian fossils (which evolutionists have deemed the most recent), there are a number of similar forms within each group but certainly no definitive evidence that any one of them is the evolutionary ancestor of all – or any – of the others. Within regard to the “horse series,” for example, they simply may be separately created horse types or, more likely, different varieties of the original created horse ‘kind’ [baramin].
  - The “phylogenetic ‘trees’” found in evolutionists textbooks (whether they be horses, humpbacks, or hominids) are, like the geologic column, all artificially constructed by selective use and arrangement of fossil evidence from the family ‘bush’ to support the preconceived progression of the evolutionary process.
  - All so-called ‘hominid’ fossils may be categorized as either:
    1. True Apes/ Misidentified Animal fossils [Ramapithecus (Gelada baboon or orangutan) / Australopithecus and Homo habilis (orangutan or pygmy chimp)]
    2. Completely Human Fossils [Homo erectus / Neanderthal Man/ Cro-Magnon Man]
    3. Deliberate Hoaxes [Piltdown Man=Eoanthropus dawsoni (human skull/ orangutan jaw/ Java Man=Pithecanthropus erectus)(human femur with gibbon skull)]
    4. Not enough evidence to classify [Nebraska Man=Hesperopithecus haroldcooki] (tooth now known to have belonged to a peccary, today living only in Paraguay)
  - The truth remains that an unbridged evolutionary gap between animals and man will always exist due to man’s unique ability to:
    1. Communicate with others of his kind in abstract, symbolic speech;
    2. Learn other human languages besides his native tongue;
    3. Express himself verbally to his Creator.
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## (MCT/Vol. 2) Chapter 5 Notes (pp. 101-123)

- Punctuated Equilibrium: the popular new concept of evolution, introduced into the U.S. in 1971 by Niles Eldredge and Stephen Jay Gould, which has no empirical mechanism and is based on no fossil evidence.

The mechanism for this “revolutionary evolutionary” concept is long periods of “evolutionary stagnation”/ stasis/equilibrium punctuated by brief but dynamic episodes of chance upheavals (which supposedly really do have things up by chance!) thereby producing “hopeful monsters: (a 1930's- 1940's proposal by O. H. Schindewolf and Richard Goldschmidt).

\_\_\_\_\_The “evidence” offered is the lack of transitional fossils in the gaps between kinds, the very prediction, which supports the opposing viewpoint – the Creation Model!

- According to the punctuational model, a long-stationary population (exemplifying equilibrium) must become extinct (as a result of a “punctuation”) before a new type can expand and take over the vacated ecological niche. Punctuated Equilibrium, therefore, is death-driven by the “motor” of extinction. It is important to note that neither equilibrium nor extinction produces the ‘new type’; equilibrium maintains the population of the “new type”, while extinction of the “old types” allows the population of the “new type” to expand (not evolve!).

[Punctuated Equilibrium (with its “hopeful monster” mechanism) is also referred to as “Grossmutation” (in Germany), quantum speciation and saltation.]

Punctuationists who advocate “evolution by revolution” are aligned philosophically with communism and the Marxist ideology of dialectical materialism, whereas neo-Darwinists promoting gradual evolution with its survival-of-the-fittest implications tend to be aligned with 19<sup>th</sup> century social Darwinism, including laissez-faire capitalism, fascism, (also Nazism), and racism.

## (MCT/ Vol. 2 Chapter 5 Notes (pp. 101-123))

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- “Living fossils” are actually extant representatives of usually much larger fossil ancestors; the only changes they show from their ancient counterparts are not evolutionary in nature, but are instead diminished size and decreased complexity.
  - There is considerable reason to suggest that even dinosaurs could be included among the living-and/ or recently living-fossils and that they were geographically widespread animals well known to earlier cultures by the name of dragons [Heb. “tannim”]. The name “dinosaur” (Greek for ‘terrible lizard’ or ‘awesome reptile’) was not coined until 1841 by Sir Richard Owen (a Darwin opponent), and thus was not available to be used by the translators of the authorized King James Version of the Bible in 1611.
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## (MCT/ Vol. 2) Chapter 6 Notes (pp. 125-160)

- The Law of Cause and Effect (Law of Causality) -No effect can be greater (in intelligence/ in complexity/ in quantity) than its cause; each effect must have a cause adequate to produce it.
- The 1<sup>st</sup> Law of Thermodynamics (Law of Conservation of mass-energy) -Matter/Energy can be transferred from one place to another, or transformed from one form to another, but it can be neither created nor destroyed; the sum total of all the matter/energy in the universe is constant. [The Law of Quantitative Conservation that implies the cosmos could not create itself; matter/energy is not eternal!]
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Law of Thermodynamics (Law of Increasing Entropy) -Matter/Energy has a universal tendency to move from order to disorder, from organization to deterioration, from complexity to chaos; the sum total of all the available energy (to do useful work) in the universe is decreasing.

[The Law of Quantitative Disintegration that implies the cosmos began in the recent past, in a condition where available energy equaled total energy; initial entropy was zero.]

- 'Entropy' literally means "in-turning" (from the Greek en + trope), spiraling inward upon itself. 'Evolution' is derived from the Latin evolve meaning "out-rolling," an outward – progressing spiral unrolling from simple beginnings to ever-enlarging realms of complexity. The very terms themselves express mutually – contradictory, diametrically – opposed concepts, and so, cannot both be universally true principles of science.
- In classical thermodynamics, entropy is a measure of wasted energy in a natural process.
- In statistical thermodynamics, entropy is a measure of structural disorder in a real-world system.
- In informational thermodynamics, entropy is a measurement of useless noise in data transmission.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Law governs the fact that apparent decreases of entropy can be produced only at the expense of a still greater increase of entropy in the external environment on the world as a whole.
- Growth processes are only temporary at best and require at least four criteria to be considered "negentropic" (or entropy – reversing) for a limited time:
  1. An Open System
  2. Available Energy
  3. A Coded Plan
  4. The All-Important Energy-Conversion Mechanism

- There are no known violations (no permanent exceptions) to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Law of Thermodynamics anywhere in the universe despite Belgian physicist Ilya Prigogines' "dissipative structures," which supposedly creates order out of chaos in the inorganic world. The law of entropy, therefore, makes evolution impossible.

The Evolution Model thus cannot even explain the 2<sup>nd</sup> Law, but the Creation Model predicts it!

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### **(MCT/ Vol. 2) Chapter 7 Notes (pp. 161-201)**

- The laws of probability (that govern chance, random happenings) dictate that complex, ordered structures of any kind simply could never have happened without intelligent design. Evolution by any kind of chance process, even with natural selection operating, is mathematical and scientific nonsense.
  - It is impossible that even the simplest form of life could ever have originated by chance (1: 10 to 10<sup>40,000</sup>). Order and complexity are the result of information imposed upon matter, and information (as found in living systems) is the product of intelligent design, (e.g., special creation). The infinitely complex structures, symbiotic relationships, and informational programs found in all living cells are separated by an unbridgeable thermodynamic and probabilistic chasm from all non-living systems.
  - Zero Probability – any event with a mathematical probability significantly lower than 1:10 to the 10<sup>50</sup> at best and 1:10 to the 10<sup>110</sup> (10<sup>80</sup> particle (x) 10<sup>18</sup> seconds (x) 10<sup>12</sup> events) at worst cannot occur in our known universe. This law is the basis of all other laws of probability, "the sole law of chance".
  - Abiogenesis – the origin of life by natural evolutionary processes without benefit of a primary (intelligent) First Cause (e.g., a Creator God); believed by Stanley Miller of amino-acid-synthesis fame.
  - Directed Panspermia – life on earth came through "seeding" by alien beings representing an advanced extraterrestrial civilization from a distant celestial world of another galaxy; originally proposed by Dr. Leslie E. Orgel (who has since dismissed this idea) and Dr. Francis Crick (co-discoverer of DNA), now amended by Sir Fred Hoyle (originator of the Steady-State Theory cosmogony) and his colleague, Chandra N. Wickramasinghe, who both agree that an intelligent creator was responsible for the origin of life in distant space before its 'star trek' to Planet Earth.
  - Pre-biotic RNA (of "the RNA world" – the concept that RNA (ribonucleic acid) evolved and replicated itself prior to the "spontaneous generation" of the DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) needed to synthesize biochemical proteins; the new proposal of Leslie Orgel, after abandoning his 'directed panspermia' scenario.
  - Contrary to any evolutionary hypothesis, the proteins of living systems (which are made up entirely of "left-handed" amino acids) cannot form without DNA (which is comprised entirely of "right handed" nucleotides), but neither can DNA form without proteins; the probability of a self-replicating system arising by chance, therefore, is zero! The Creation Model is the only model of origins that explains and correlates the scientific data relative to the origin of life!
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## (MCT/ Vol. 2) Chapter 8 Notes (pp. 203-232)

- Everything that we can actually observe in the physical world – whether at the macroscopic level of giant stars or at the microscopic level of invisible atoms – either stays at the same level of complexity [conservation] or deteriorates to a lower level [disintegration]. Evolution to a higher level is never observed to occur anywhere in the universe, with all the real data of scientific observation being absolutely compatible with the belief that the universe and all its complexity of systems were supernaturally created by an adequate, primary First Cause.
- The “Big-Bang Theory” cosmogony postulates that:
  1. With the expansion of space in a cosmic explosion,
  2. time originated some 10 to 20 billion years ago
  3. during which eternal matter had been organizing itself upward along a hierarchy of order and complexity
  4. by means of energy, which converted from outward radial motion to spiral and elliptical orbital motion, transforming potential energy into the myriad of kinetic energies which define the universe.

Such a scenario envisions the origin of the cosmos occurring in non-observable space, during a non-repeatable time, with matter-energy violating known universal laws of science, such as the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Laws of Thermodynamics, the Law of Conservation of Angular Momentum, and the Law of Causality.

- The three evidences commonly offered in defense of the seriously-flawed big-bang model are:
  1. The expansion of space [even though the red shifts of stellar light have been shown to not be indicative of increasing distance and recession velocities];
  2. The uniform background radiation [of a very low 3K (three degrees Kelvin above absolute zero) which cannot be derived from the theory, but instead is assumed to be remnant microwave energy from the original ‘hot’ explosion. It is, thus, a secondary assumption derived from the primary assumption it is dependent upon – a classic case of circular reasoning!]; and
  3. The big-bang’s ability to account for the genesis of the lightest elements\_ [Only if certain particle ratios are assumed beforehand, can it explain hydrogen and helium, and it cannot explain elements with three protons or more in their nucleus at all.]
- The ‘Big-Bang’ is in serious trouble! It contradicts the basic laws of science, the evidences traditionally offered in support of the big bang are dissipating, and, in addition, it cannot account for the observed structure of the cosmos [a very heterogeneous (“lumpy”/ “clumpy”) distribution of matter arranged in stellar shells, quasar bands, and galactic super-clusters].
- Evolutionary cosmologists have rushed to the rescue of the ‘standard model’ by:
  1. Entertaining various big-bang refinements and alternative cosmogonies [The “Steady-State Theory” (Sir Fred Hoyle)/ the “Quasi-Steady-State” (Jayant Narlikar)/ the “Inflationary Universe” (Alan Guth)/ the “Big Bubble Theory”/ the “Plasma Theory” (Hannes Alfvén)/ the “Froth Theory”/ the “String Theory”/ the “Super-String Theory”];

2. Envisioning cosmic fantasies of so-called “new physics”

[“cold dark matter”/ “hot dark matter”/ “mixed dark matter” (MDM)/“shadow matter:/ :anti-matter”/ “many worlds”/ “multiple universes”/ “hidden dimensions”/ “missing mass”/ “black holes”/ “white holes”/ “wormholes”];

3. Enlisting the aid of relativistic constructs from the bizarre world of quantum physics/ quantum mechanics/ quantum dynamics [quantum fluctuations (“tunneling”) of empty-space, vacuum nothingness!]

- In attempting to salvage the ‘Big-Bang,’ evolutionary cosmologists have consequently arrived at the conclusion that the universe has evolved itself out of nothing... ex nihilo without a Creator!
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## **Creation Science – Chapters 7 & 8 Test Essays**

### Essay 1:

Abiogenesis is the belief that life originated by natural evolutionary processes without the benefit of a primary, intelligent First Cause (e.g., a Creator God). Stanley Miller, famous for his amino-acid-synthesis, was a great supporter of this theory. The beliefs of directed panspermia hold that life on earth came through “seeding” by alien beings representing an advanced extraterrestrial civilization from a distant celestial world of another galaxy. The initial proponents of this were Dr. Leslie E. Orgel (who has since dismissed this idea) and Dr. Francis Crick (co-discoverer of DNA). Sir Fred Hoyle (originator of the Steady-State Theory cosmogony) and his colleague Chandra N. Wickramasinghe amended to this theory with their beliefs that an intelligent creator was responsible for the origin of life in distant space before its ‘star trek’ to Planet Earth. Pre-biotic RNA was the concept that ribonucleic acid (RNA) evolved and replicated itself prior to the “spontaneous generation” of the DNA needed to synthesize biochemical proteins. This was the new proposal of Leslie Orgel, after abandoning his “directed panspermia” scenario.

### Essay 2:

The “Big Bang” cosmogony postulates that with the expansion of space in a cosmic explosion, time originated some 10 to 20 billion years ago. During this time, eternal matter had been organizing itself upward along a hierarchy of order and complexity. This organizing was by means of energy, which converted from outward radial motion to kinetic energies which define the universe. One of the “evidences” offered in the big-bang model’s defense is the expansion of space but this is countered by the fact that the red shifts of stellar light have been shown to not be indicative of increasing distance and recession velocities. Another evidence used is the uniform background radiation of a very low 3K (three degrees Kelvin above absolute zero). This is not valid because it cannot be derived from the theory, but instead is assumed to be remnant microwave energy from the original ‘hot’ explosion. It is, thus, a secondary assumption derived from the primary assumption it is dependent upon – a classic case of circular reasoning. The third evidence is the big-bang’s ability to account for the genesis of the lightest elements. This is not true because only if certain particle ratios are assumed beforehand, can it explain hydrogen and helium, and it cannot explain elements with three protons or more in their nucleus at all.

### **Essay 3:**

The Second Law of Thermodynamics states that “disorder” in a closed system must increase with time, but the “big-bang” idea states that the primeval explosion (which would certainly have been the ultimate in disorder) has somehow increased the “order” of the whole universe with time. Also, the Law of Conservation of Angular Momentum states that pure radial motion (in the primeval explosion, all products would move radially outward from its center) cannot give rise to orbital motion; yet planets, stars, and galaxies somehow all managed to start to rotate in vast orbits around different centers throughout the universe. One of the flawed scientific evidences is the misconception that the universe is expanding. This has been proved incorrect by the red shifts of stellar light that have been shown to not be indicative of increasing distance and recession velocities. Another flaw in the theory was found when astronomers recently discovered a super-cluster nearly two and a half billion light years long. For this to grow to such a scale under the force of gravity alone would have taken more than 100 billion years, five times longer than the big bang model allows. Evolutionary cosmologists have employed many different tactics in attempt to salvage the big bang's credibility. They have begun entertaining various big-bang refinements and alternative cosmogonies including the “Steady-State Theory”, the “Quasi-Steady-State”, the “Inflationary Universe”, and the “Big Bubble Theory”. Also, they have begun envisioning cosmic fantasies of so-called “new physics” including fantasies such as: “cold dark matter”, “hot dark matter”, “mixed dark matter”, “shadow matter”, and “antimatter”. They have also tried to salvage by enlisting the aid of relativistic constructs from the bizarre world of quantum physics, quantum mechanics, and quantum dynamics.

## **(MCT / Vol. 2) Chapter 9 Notes (pp. 233-255)**

### **Vestigial Organs** (pp. 233-235)

“Vestigial” structures [(organs, genes, etc.) if they really are the mere atrophied remnants of once useful structures] would actually contradict the innovation/ integration prediction of the Creation Model. Any “vertical change” from the Creator’s “very good” (Gen. 1:31) standard must be downward, rather than upward. “Vestigial” organs (the appendix, the tonsils, the coccyx, the semilunar fold of the eye, etc.) – and supposed morphological “imperfections” (e.g., Stephen Jay Gould’s ‘panda’s thumb’), “junk” DNA, and “pseudogenes” – as knowledge of their functions increases, the list of vestigial structures decreases, thereby providing “no special evidence for the theory of evolution.”

### **Pseudogenes** (pp. 253-255)

Pseudogenes are thought to be the functionless vestige of a formerly functional gene, which has now lost its utility and, therefore, its usefulness through one or more mutations. [Evolutionists believe that the processed immunoglobulin epsilon pseudogene, (which is apparently shared by man and gorilla, but is not found in other primates) is conclusive proof that man and gorilla also shared a common ancestor.]

When future research reveals that pseudogenes do, indeed, have real functional purpose, then the need to imagine common ancestors will also be shown to have been imaginary.

### **Chaotic Genetics** (pp. 241-247)

With the increasing recognition that the fossil record actually argues against evolution, evolutionists have now introduced a new line of evidence-molecular homology-to support their claims. Research biochemist, Dr. Christian Schwabe, stated in July 1986 that:

“Molecular evolution is about to be accepted as a method superior to paleontology for the discovery of evolutionary relationships.” Divergence of different organisms from their common ancestral line is being said to correlate chronologically with devised hierarchical arrays of various proteins (hemoglobin, insulin, relaxins, lysozymes, cytochromes, hormones, DNA).

The evidence from protein similarities and molecular homologies, however, is known to be assumed and inconsistent, with no protein, amino acid, or nucleic acid sequence showing any indication that it is ancestral to or has been derived from any other sequence.

### **“Junk DNA”** (pp. 251-253)

Since 97% (-99%) of the DNA molecule does not code for proteins in the reproduction process, it is assumed by evolutionists to be surplus “junk” DNA-the excess product of accumulated “ neutral mutations” in the long course of evolution from the primordial slime. New evidence indicates, however, that “junk DNA” is itself organized (structured in a non-random fashion) similar to a language waiting to be translated or a code needing to be deciphered. Though its purpose has yet to be discovered, it obviously shows characteristics of intelligent design.

### **The Protein Molecular Clock Hypothesis** (pp. 247-251)

Evolutionists claim that the evidence from molecular chronological homology suggests that...

(1) the rates of homologous proteins are regular and that  
(2) protein dissimilarity is said to reflect the interval of time separating living species from their common ancestors.  
The facts, however, are that...

- (1) supposed uniform protein-divergence rates are assumed and based on the addition assumption of constant nucleotide ← mutation rates.
- (2) the critical factors of generation length and number of individuals in the population have to be ignored.

In addition,

**-Unstandard Time/** (Classification Hierarchy)

Clocks based on different molecules tick at different, and often varying, rates:

- Within the same organism (from source to source);
- Within the same cellular source (from molecule to molecule);
- Within the same molecule (from position to position along a single DNA strand).

The protein molecular clock hypothesis should be rejected on the basis that no reliable molecular clock can be demonstrated to exist at any cellular level.

## **(MCT/ Vol. 2) Chapter 10 Notes (pp. 257- 283)**

- The real testimony of geology (the rock record) and paleontology (the fossil record) is of the *fiat* creation of all things, in a brief creation period not very long ago, followed by the cataclysmic destruction of life in one age; long periods of stasis (“no evolution”) and mass extinction (global catastrophes) as the true explanation of earth history.
- Modern geologists [thanks to the pioneering work of Derek Ager, the prime mover of neo-catastrophism,] are now allowing for great geological catastrophes (local/ regional/ global) within the overall framework of substantive uniformitarianism and have even employed the terms, “episodicity” and “actualistic catastrophes.” The geological record is essentially one of rare catastrophic events separated by long gaps when nothing much was happening. In the words of Dr. Derek Ager, in the closing sentence of his famous book The Nature of the Stratigraphic Record, “The history of any one part of the earth, like the life of a soldier, consists of long periods of boredom and short periods of terror.”
- Everything we can actually see in the geological records indicates formation by very rapid processes (rapid sedimentation, instant stratification, sudden burial and fossilization, etc.); in essence, everything in the geologic column is a record of catastrophe!
- The current ‘Plate Tectonics’ paradigm (including the concepts of sea-floor spreading, magnetic reversals, and continental drift) is now being recognized as overly flexible, unable to be tested experimentally, and devoid of verifiable predictions. The plate tectonics model has no feasible mechanism and is, therefore, largely a matter of faith. [The creationist alternative to ‘plate tectonics,’ which is lacking neither in terms of mechanism nor predictive ability, is Dr. Walter T. Brown's model of continental separation — the “Hydroplate Theory.”]
- The only global unconformity (erosional surface) in the geologic column occurs right at the bottom of the column, where it rests on the crystalline basement. Within the main sedimentary deposits, there is no worldwide time break, thus implying one continuous, intense, depositional episode from bottom to top — a global singularity.

## **(MCT/ Vol. 2) Chapter 11 Notes (285-312)**

- The age that evolutionists assign to rocks does not depend on radiometric dating, the mineralogical or petrologic character of the rock(s), or upon their vertical position in the local geologic strata. Rocks are dated solely by their respective index fossils, and it is the rocks themselves, which give us the age of the fossils assuming evolution to be true. The evolutionary interpretation of the fossils depends on the dating of the rocks. The evolutionary system thus implies- and

requires- circular reasoning. In summary, there is no objective way to determine the geological age of a rock or fossil deposit. Consequently, they could all well be of essentially the same age!

- The implication that all the rocks and fossils might have the same geological age correlates with the compelling evidence that all such rocks have a catastrophic origin, and that all the individual (local/ regional/ continental) catastrophes were corrected and continuous components of a global hydraulic cataclysm. The rocks and fossils would thereby represent the worldwide destruction of life in one age(!) and their sequence would essentially be reflective of the increasing elevation of their respective ecological habitats.
- When index fossils are found out of assumed evolutionary order ("stratigraphic disorder"), the concept of "overthrusting" by means of "gravity gliding" is employed – even when there is no physical, observational evidence to justify such a claim! When all the empirical facts are considered, "Floating rock formations won't float!"
- The "Ice Age(s)" (of the alleged 'Pleistocene Epoch') is considered by many creationists to be a 'monoglacial event', immediately post-Flood (2,350 B.C. – 1,850 B.C.), which affected only the higher latitudes of the globe. This would be accompanied in lower latitudes (closer to the Equator) by a Pluvial Age of rainy precipitation. Evidence of continental glaciation includes polar ice sheets; glacial tills, moraines, drumlins, cirques, alpine horns, fiords, and glacial erratics).
- The so-called "geological ages" really constitute only one primeval age, which came to a dramatic and traumatic end in a global hydraulic/ tectonic/ volcanic cataclysm that produced the earth's great fossil-bearing sedimentary crust.

### **(MCT/ Vol. 2) Chapter 12 Notes (pp. 313-336)**

- Real history, which is dependent on the recording of events preserved in actually written accounts, cannot be dated further back than about 3000 B.C. (using only secular sources); using the Mosaic chronology of Genesis, human history actually begins as far back as 4000 B.C.!
  - Any calculations based on non-historical means (i.e., without the use of written records, ancient calendars, or historical genealogies) are simply speculation on "apparent age" which must rely on the traditional assumptions of uniformitarianism. However, there are many worldwide processes which yield Earth ages far too young – even employing uniformitarian rates – to allow evolution to have occurred at all as a viable model of origins, even if it were possible (which it is not!).
  - \* Human Population Growth – the present world population of around 6 billion people could be generated in only 4,000 years beginning with an initial population of only two people (not eight) and an annual growth rate of only 0.5% (not the current 2%).
  - \* Decaying Magnetic Field – the decay of the dipole geomagnetic field (with a half-life of only 1400 years) argues for an Earth of less than 10,000 years; even if extrapolated back to 7,000 years (5 half-lives or 2 the fifth power), the strength of

the Earth's magnetic field would have been 32 times as strong as it is today! This refutation of the dynamo theory is the result of the compilation of over 130 years of data by Dr. Thomas G. Barnes.

\* Disintegrating Short-Period Comets – comets continually lose mass as they approach perihelion in their elliptical orbit around the Sun. Comets can only lose mass for thousands of years; they are too small to have existed for millions of years.

\* Influx of Sediments, Salts, and Chemicals into the Sea – dividing the amount of a given chemical in the ocean by the average annual inflow of that chemical into the ocean gives the build – up time and also the “residence time” once the build-up reaches an influx-efflux balance. The age range for the 30 most common substances dissolved in seawater is 100 years (Al) to 45 million years (Mg).

Present rates of continental erosion and sea floor deposition yield a maximum age of 15 million years. In fact, volcanism alone can account for all the water in the ocean in 340 million years and for all the rocks of the entire crust of the Earth in 500 million years, less than 11% of the present assumed age of the Earth.

\* Radiometric Dating Uncertainties – (U-Pb; Rb-Sr; K-Ar; C-14/N-14)

- (1) Closed System
- (2) Constant Process/ Decay Rate
- (3) Zero Starting Point/ No Daughter Products
- (4) Steady-State Assumption



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EVIDENCE THAT IMPLIES A YOUNG EARTH AND SOLAR SYSTEM

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Evolution requires an old earth and an old solar system. Without billions of years, virtually all informed evolutionists will admit that their theory is dead. But by hiding the “origins question” behind the veil of vast periods of time, the unsolvable problems become difficult for scientists to see and laymen to imagine. Our media and textbooks have implied for over a century that this almost unimaginable age is correct, but practically never do they or the professors examine the shaky assumptions and growing body of contrary evidence. Therefore, most people instinctively believe that things are old, and it is disturbing (at least initially) to hear evidence that our origins are relatively recent.

Actually most dating techniques show that the earth and solar system are young—usually less than 10,000 years old. Listed below are just a few of these evidences.

1. Atomic clocks, which have for the last 2 years measured the earth's spin rate to the nearest billionth of a second, have consistently found that the earth is slowing down at the rate of almost one second a year. <sup>(a-c)</sup> If the earth were billions of years old, its initial spin rate would have been fantastically rapid—so rapid that major distortions in the shape of the earth would have occurred.
2. Direct measurements of the earth's magnetic field over the past 140 years show a steady and rapid decline in its strength. This decay pattern is consistent with the theoretical view that there is an electrical current inside the earth, which produces the magnetic field. If this view is correct, then 25,000 years ago the electrical current would have been so vast that the earth's structure could not have survived the heat produced. This would imply that the earth could not be older than 25,000 years. <sup>(a)</sup>
3. Over twenty-seven billion tons of sediments, primarily from our rivers, are entering the oceans each year. Obviously, this rate of sediment transport has not been constant and had probably been decreasing as the looser topsoil has

- been removed. But even if it has been constant, the sediments, which are now on the ocean floor, would have accumulated in only 30 million years. Therefore, the continents and oceans cannot be one billion years old.<sup>(a)</sup>
4. The atmosphere has less than 40,000 years worth of helium, based on just the production of helium from the decay of uranium and thorium. There is no known means by which large amounts of helium can escape from the atmosphere. The atmosphere appears to be young.<sup>(a)</sup>
  5. The rate at which elements such as copper, gold, tin, lead, silicon, mercury, uranium, and nickel are entering the oceans is very rapid when compared with the small quantities of these elements already in the oceans. Therefore, the oceans must be very much younger than a million years.
  6. Evolutionists believe that the continents have existed for at least 1 billion years. However, the continents are being eroded at a rate that would level them in a relatively short 14 million years.<sup>(a)</sup>
  7. The occurrence of abnormally high gas and oil pressures within relatively permeable rock implies that these fluids were formed or encased less than 10,000 years ago. If these hydrocarbons had been trapped over 10,000 years ago, there would have been leakage, which would have dropped the pressure to a level far below what it is today.<sup>(a)</sup>
  8. There have been no authenticated reports of the discovery of meteorites in sedimentary material.<sup>(a)</sup> If the sediments, which have an average depth of 1½ miles, were laid down over hundreds of millions of years, many of these steadily falling meteorites should have been discovered. Therefore, the sediments appear to have been deposited *rapidly*; furthermore, since there have been no reports of meteorites *beneath* the sediments, they appear to have been deposited *recently*.
  9. The rate at which meteoritic dust is accumulating on the earth is such that after 5 billion years, the equivalent of 182 feet of this dust should have accumulated. Because this dust is high in nickel, there should be an exceedingly large amount of nickel in the crustal rocks of the earth. No such concentration has been found—on land or in the oceans. Consequently, the earth appears to be young.<sup>(a-c)</sup>
  10. If the moon were billions of years old, it should have accumulated extensive layers of space dust—possibly a mile in thickness. Before instruments were placed on the moon, NASA was very concerned that our astronauts would sink into a sea of dust. This did not happen: there is very little space dust on the moon. Conclusion: the moon is young.
  11. The sun acts as a giant vacuum cleaner, which sweeps up about 100,000 tons of micrometeoroids per day, if the solar system were just 10,000 years old, no micrometeoroids should remain since there is no significant source of replenishment. A large disk shaped cloud of these particles is orbiting the sun.. Conclusion: the solar system is less than 10,000 years old.<sup>(a)</sup>
  12. Since 1836, over one hundred different observers at the Royal Greenwich Observatory and the U.S. Naval Observatory have made direct *visual* measurements, which show that the diameter of the sun is shrinking at a rate of about .1% each century or about 5 feet per hour! Furthermore, records of solar eclipses infer that this rapid shrinkage has been going on for at least the past 400 years.<sup>(a)</sup> Several *indirect* techniques also confirm this gravitational collapse, although these inferred collapse rates are only about 1/7<sup>th</sup> as much.<sup>(b-c)</sup> Using the most conservative data, one must conclude that had the sun existed a million years ago, it would have been so large that it would have heated the earth so much that life could not have survived. Yet, evolutionists say that a million years ago all the present forms of life were essentially as they are now, having completed their evolution that began a *thousand* million years ago.

13. Short period comets “boil off” some of their mass each time they pass the sun. Nothing should remain of these comets after about 10,00 years. There are no known sources of replenishing comets. If comets came into existence at the same time as the solar system, the solar system just be less than 10,000 years old.<sup>(a-c)</sup>
14. Jupiter and Saturn are each radiating more than twice the energy they receive from the sun.<sup>(a-b)</sup> Calculations show that it is very unlikely that this energy comes from radioactive decay or gravitational contraction. The only other conceivable explanation is that these planets have not existed long enough to cool off.<sup>c)</sup>

All dating techniques, to include the few that imply an old earth and an old universe, lean heavily on the assumption that a process observed today has always proceeded at a known rate. In many cases this assumption may be grossly inaccurate. But in the case of the many dating “clocks” that show a young earth, a much better understanding usually exists for the mechanism that drives the clock. Furthermore, the extrapolation process is over a much shorter time and is therefore more likely to be correct.

For the person who has always been told that the earth is billions of years old, this contrary evidence is understandably disturbing. But can you imagine how disturbing this evidence is to the evolutionist?

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## SOME EVIDENCE SUPPORTING A YOUNG EARTH-10, 000 YEARS OR LESS (CREATION MODEL)

Creation—The Evolution Controversy, by R. L. Wysong, Inquiry Press, East Lansing, Michigan, pp. 159-178.

1. "Oil Gushers"—(pressure would have dissipated if we had a large time span).
2. "Carbon-14 Disintegration Versus Production"—clock began about 8,000 years ago.
3. "Decay of the Earth's Magnetic Moment"—(Dr. Thomas Barnes, UTEP, discusses)— Extrapolation backwards allows only 10,000 years.
4. "Large Stars"—could not have existed for billions or even millions of years—otherwise we would find their initial mass would have been implausible.
5. "Atmospheric Helium"—atmosphere does not contain enough for large time spans.
6. "Delta Filling"—the Mississippi River dumps about 300 million cubic yards of sediment into Gulf of Mexico each year (about 250 feet per year = about 4,000 years).
7. "Ocean Concentrations"—not enough dissolved chemicals if long ages past.
8. "Erosion"—(we still have sharp cliffs).
9. "History"—only find records of man dating to be about 3,000 B.C.
10. "Dendrochronology"—all species of trees date less than 6,000 years.
11. "Sea Ooze"—(when plants and animals die in the sea—an ooze is built up—not nearly enough for millions of years).
12. "Earth Spin"—the earth's rotation is gradually slowing— losing time (if the earth were billions of years old, the spin would be zero now).
13. "Ocean Sediment"—only an average of a few thousand feet thick now (if evolution, would be 100 miles thick).
14. "Volcanic Water" and Rocks — if by evolution, would have been shorter time than evolution calculates to produce oceans.
15. "Influx of Cosmic Dust" — only enough on earth and moon to account for a few thousand years of meteoritic dust.
16. "Comet Decay" — suggests a youthful solar system.
17. "Mutation Load" — plants and animals thriving and not in jeopardy from mutation load.
18. "Population Statistics" — show normal growth for several thousand years only.
19. "Stellar Radiation" — cosmic dust still exists in abundance in interstellar space.

20. "Cosmic Dust Velocity" — if galaxy billions of years old, cosmic dust would move at 21,000,000 miles per hour. Observations show particles are almost static.
21. "Poynting-Robertson Effect" — solar system abundant in micrometeoroids — speaks for youth.
22. "Meteorites" — all meteoritic craters are dated at a few thousand years .
23. "Earth Heat" — the earth is slowly cooling at a known rate.
24. "Lunar Inert Gases" — 1,000 to 10,000 years to generate present lunar concentrations .
25. "Stalagmites and Stalactites" — grow faster than believed (several cubic inches per year) .
26. "Topsoil" — world-wide about 8 inches. 1 inch = 300-1,000 years.
27. "Geological Features"—The world overview appears to be the result of catastrophic water deposition.
28. "Niagara Falls" — age calculated on basis of the rate edge wears away (the age between 5,000 and 10,000 years).
29. "Moon Radioactive Dust" — dust found there would only take a few thousand years to produce.
30. "Hydrogen in the Universe" — universe consists almost entirely of hydrogen. If universe old, there should be little hydrogen in it.
31. "Moon Radiation" — the moon is rigid and has cool interior.
  
32. "Short-Lived Lunar Isotopes"—still found in lunar materials as evidence of youth.
33. "Atmospheric Oxygen"—present levels of atmospheric oxygen indicate creation could have been 5,000 years ago.

Scientific Creationism, by Henry M. Morris, PhD, Creation-Life Publishers, San Diego, California, pp. 150-160.

34. "Efflux of Gases into the Atmosphere"—if the present rate of helium production was extended over millions of years, the atmosphere would contain 1,000 times more than is measured now (evidence shows a short time span).
35. "Efflux of Materials from the Mantle into the Crust"—at present conservative rate of 12 volcanoes a year each with 2 cubic kilometers per year would form the present earth's crust into % a million years—(not enough time for evolution to form geologic layers).

1656 years from Adam to the flood

368 years from flood until Abraham migrated into Canaan

Creation—about 4,000 B.C.

Flood Date—about 2,350 B.C.

—Genesis 1:1—

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

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## APPENDIX V

### SYNOPSIS-SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE SUPPORTING GENESIS

Genesis chapter 1 v1: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth". God created *time*, the heaven and an empty earth.

#### Pleochroic Haloes

Some radioactive isotopes of Polonium, Bismuth and Lead have half lives of only a few *nijgmfes*. Yet inclusions of them in solidified mica in Pre-Cambrian strata have generated dark rings of decay products with no evidence of earlier products of decaying elements. As rings would not appear in *molten* mica, this indicates that *both* materials were created in an instant of time and within minutes the radioactivity had darkened the mica crystals. This supports the instant *creation* of the earth, as given in Geal vl. When the evidence was submitted to a number of top experts around the world, they were unable to fault the facts despite repeating the tests and were subsequently very guarded in commenting on the obvious implications.

1 v5: "The evening and the morning were the first day". Emphatic repetition reinforces the fact that these were twenty four hour periods, *not* thousands or millions of years.

1 v6: Dividing of the waters. A gaseous transparent water *vapour* canopy was placed around the earth (Fig. 7). This had the following results:

- a) Lethal cosmic rays were blocked from reaching the earth's surface.
- b) Heat from the sun would be dispersed uniformly. With a uniform temperature, there would be no high winds.
- c) No clouds or rain — watering of ground was by "streams from the earth".[2v6]
- d) Worldwide lush vegetation. This would explain the presence of coal found at South Pole and Spitzbergen.

Scientists cannot account for the amount of He3 in the atmosphere. Prof Korff has said that it may have been "possibly generated by neutrons when it [the atmosphere] contained much more water vapour"!

1 v1 1 : Sudden creation

- a) Numerous invertebrates appear suddenly in rock strata above Pre-Cambrian devoid of complex fossils. All species appear perfect, not

half developed ( Fig. ).

b) "After his kind". Species can vary but only within limits. They do *not* evolve or mutate into other species.

#### 14-19: Creation of Sun, Moon, stars, etc.

No satisfactory explanation has ever been provided of how the planetary system came into existence:

- a) Each planet has the right speed for its distance from the sun to maintain a roughly circular orbit (but Pluto swings inside Neptune's orbit).
- b) Origin of planets' and moons' angular momentum is unknown, as Sun has very little angular momentum.
- c) Planets have widely different compositions.
- d) Venus is slowly spinning in the *opposite* direction to its rotation round the sun, whilst Uranus' axis of spin is almost "horizontal".
- e) Of the thirty three major moons circling the planets, eleven of them rotate in the opposite direction to the planet's rotation around the sun. Jupiter and Saturn have moons going in *both* directions. Uranus, originally said to have five moons, all retrograde, now found to have a hundred moons!
- f) Spiral arms of galactic nebula should have closed up in one-tenth of time of earth's age (which is supposed to be 4,500 million years).

#### **Young age of earth**

- A) Micro-meteoritic dust is descending on to this planet at a rate of 14 million tons each year
  - a) If the earth is 4,500 million years old, then the depth of dust should be about 54 ft thick. There is approximately one-eighth of an inch depth on Moon's surface. This gives an age in the order of only 10,000 years.
  - b) The dust contains a percentage of Nickel, and if it is assumed that most of the dust is swept into the sea then tests show that there is only 8,000 years' worth of Nickel in the oceans.
  - c) Sun's gravitation would have swept the whole planetary system clear of dust within 10,000 years.
- B) Moon — is still warm, has a magnetic field and suffers from moonquakes - all indicating a young age.
- C) Comets — lose matter as they go round the sun, and short term comets should have disappeared in 10,000 years or so.
- D) Helium in atmosphere — even if it *all* came from decay of Uranium, Thorium and cosmic rays there is less than 12,000 years' worth.
- E) Sun's gravitational collapse. It has been found that the sun is shrinking in the order of 0.01% per century (originally thought to be as much as 0.1% (71)).
  - a) The energy generated by this collapse is more than sufficient to provide the enormous heat radiated by the sun
  - b) This being so, the source of the sun's power (and that of other stars!) is *not* due to thermonuclear energy. This is confirmed by the failure of scientists to detect emissions which would prove that radioactivity was its source of power.

c) If it has been shrinking at the rate of 0.01% per century, then only about 1 million years ago its diameter would have been equal to the earth's orbit

#### v16: "He made the stars also"

Consider the amount of energy in just *one* atom.

#### V 26: Creation of Man.

There are no links between Man and the animals. So-called ape-men do not bear close examination. (See Appendix III)

Gen 2 v4: Second account of creation centred on Man.

#### 6v4: "Giants in the earth"

Eighteen inch long human footprints have been found in Cretaceous solidified mud in the bed of the Paluxy River in Texas, along with normal footprints and dinosaur prints. Yet dinosaurs are supposed to have died out 80 million years before Man!

#### 7v1 1: Noah's Flood. "Fountains of deep broken and windows of heaven opened"

Collapse of Water Vapour Canopy, which would produce torrential rain.

### **Existing Strata**

- A) Animals are often found entombed in an attitude of fear – head back, mouth open, fins or wings extended, spines erect, etc.
- B) Fossils sometimes found with scales and skin still visible having had no time to decay. Fossilization requires rapid inundation and fossils are not being formed under today's conditions. Bones just simply disintegrate and disappear.
- C) Fossil sequence in geological strata show:
  - a) Invertebrates (slow moving marine animals) would perish first followed by the more mobile fishes who would in turn be over-whelmed by the silt brought down by the flood waters.
  - b) Amphibia (who would be close to the edge of the sea) would perish next as the waters rose.
  - c) Reptiles (slow moving land animals) would be the next to die.
  - d) Mammals could flee from rising water, the larger, faster ones surviving the longest.
  - e) Man would exercise most ingenuity—clinging to logs, etc. to escape the flood.

The sequence outlined above is a perfectly satisfactory explanation of the order in which the various fossils are found in the strata. It is not the order in which they evolved over millions of years but the order in which they were inundated at the time of Noah's flood. There are many 'anomalies' in the geological sequence (such as dinosaur tracks and human footprints in the same strata) which are far better explained by the creationist model than the theory of evolution.

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9v13: "I set my bow to the clouds".

The atmosphere now has clouds and raindrops and the rainbow is now visible for the first time.

Age of Patriarchs

Up to Noah, all the patriarchs lived just under 1000 years (Fig. 8). After the flood, the ages decline roughly exponentially to a new low level of 70 years. This is due to the collapse of the Water Vapour Canopy which now exposed the earth to lethal cosmic rays. These damage genetic material in the cells of all living organisms, resulting in their earlier death. (Animals subjected to low levels of radiation have shorter lives. Hospital radiologists have shorter life expectancy.)

### **Flood Stories**

Numerous tribes have a legend of a great flood in ancient times, and the more remote from the Middle East, the more corrupt the version. The experts in their effort to discredit the Bible, claim that the Genesis account of the Flood is a copy from the Babylonian Gilgamesh Epic. The real truth is quite the opposite. The Gilgamesh epic is a corrupt mythical pagan version of the event of the worldwide flood, of which the Genesis account is an accurate record.

### **Carbon 14**

See Section 1. Calculated rise of C14 activity began less than 9000 years ago, probably when the Water Vapour Canopy collapsed (See Fig. 2)

### **Addendum - Decay in the speed of light**

Having largely completed the typesetting of the text, two very important articles were read in *Ex Nihilo* (vol.4 No's 1 and 3 1981) - the periodical of the Australian *Creation Science Publishing* (see Appendix VI). In these articles, the author, Barry Setterfield, shows conclusively that the speed of light- always considered to be a fixed value by scientists - has actually decreased since it was first measured in 1675.

There is insufficient space in a work of this nature to treat the whole subject with the attention which it deserves. However, so important are its implications for creationists that a brief summary is given here. A synopsis of these papers and a third as yet unpublished will appear in pamphlet No. 230 of the Creation Science Movement. For full details however the original papers should be consulted

The 1675 measurement is generally acknowledged to be quite accurate. Subsequent measurements, however, show a decline to about 1960 after which no significant change could be detected. After numerous attempts, a curve was found to fit the results exactly - a log sine curve. Having thus established the law governing the decay of light it could now be accurately extrapolated backwards in time to ascertain its velocity in past ages.

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Setterfield shows that whilst some atomic relationships vary with the speed of light (both in his theory and by measured results) others do not, and all chemical and molecular laws remain unaffected. In addition, in his third article, Setterfield promises to show how the change in the speed of light is due to a collapsing universe.

These papers have been criticized, but Setterfield gives very satisfactory replies to the objections raised. If these results are accepted they provide very considerable support to creationists on the following points.

### 1. Radiometric decay

Radioactivity is proportional to the speed of light - in which case the decay of radioactive material in the rocks in past ages would be far higher than it is today. This decay would be so rapid that all ages could be accommodated within a six thousand year period Thus the reason for the apparent great age of rocks is easily explained by the high decay rates in the past

### 2. Light from distant galaxies

An excuse often given for rejecting Biblical chronology is that light we now see from distant galaxies has been travelling through space for vast periods of time. This objection is now easily solved for at the time of Creation light would have been at almost infinite speed Therefore light from even the most distant galaxy would have been visible almost instantaneously everywhere in the Universe. It is interesting that this also solves the problem of objects in galaxies which appear to be separating faster than the speed of light (as measured today).

### 3. Start of decay

It is this aspect, which produces one of the most surprising results. The log sine curve fitted the experimental data exactly. This curve is particularly sensitive to the precise starting date when the speed began to decay. From the shape of the curve, there is a limit on the time on the past from which it could have begun decaying. i.e. the curve is almost vertical to a particular date in the past When this limiting date is calculated it comes to the surprising date of 4040 B.C.  $\pm 20$  years.

It must be remembered that this conclusion is based entirely upon experimental data without any reference to Biblical chronology whatsoever. As is well known, several Bible scholars have calculated the date for the Creation/Fall and have arrived at dates close to 4000 B. C. -Archbishop Usher's date of 4004 is the one most usually referred to. The fact that this date has now received scientific confirmation should greatly assist the Creationist cause. No doubt, evolutionists will proffer various explanations, but they will be hypotheses and not based upon the observed facts.

### Religious implications

This striking confirmation of the accuracy of the Bible cannot but make one ponder on its theological implications. For many years - ever since the Uniformitarian Theory dominated scientific thinking - one of the most frequent excuses for rejecting the accuracy of the Bible has been such 'facts'

as the time taken for light to reach us from distant galaxies, radiometric dates and similar 'scientific evidence'. Yet all these objections are very simply answered by a decrease in the speed of light- a clear demonstration of the foolishness of relying on (pseudo-)science' rather than the truth of God's Word

On that Great Day when each man will be held responsible for his deliberate rejection of God's forgiveness for his rebellion, every possible excuse he makes will be shown to be inadequate. Not only will he be judged accordingly, but he will also suffer the remorse of acknowledging that his judgment is fully deserved for he had deliberately ignored the many evidences of God's hand in His Creation.

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**Time — Years**

Fig.9. Decay of the speed of light

Notes of David V. Bassett  
(Modern Creation Trilogy/ Vol. 3/ "Society and Creation")

### **Introduction (pp. 9 – 10)**

- ★ Evolution is a false religion, designed to turn men, women, and their children away from belief in the true God of creation and from participation in His wonderful gift of salvation and eternal
- Every area of human life has been corrupted by evolutionary deception, and its evil influences demonstrate that its ultimate source is satanic (Lk. 6:43/1 Cor. 15:33).
- Evolutionism, in either atheistic or pantheistic form, has penetrated and dominated almost ever, religious, cultural, and political system throughout history.

### **Chapter 1 (pp. 11-29)**

- The evolutionary-uniformitarian cosmology is a complete worldview, a comprehensive philosophy of life and meaning, which determines what a person believes about his/her origin-identity, purpose, and destiny.
- ★ Evolution dominates current thinking in the biological sciences (microbiology, botany, zoology, anthropology), the physical sciences (mathematics, physics, technology), the earth sciences (geology, paleontology), the social sciences (sociology, the "liberal arts," psychology, philosophy), and even in the areas of ethics and religion (Christian, quasi-Christian, and non-Christian alike).

### **Chapter 2 (pp. 31-56)**

- Charles Darwin is not known for his scientific accomplishments, for they were relatively insignificant. He is not known for inventing the "theory" of evolution, for that philosophy began with the fall of Lucifer. Darwin is not known for originating the concept of natural selection, because at least ten other writers had contemplated this idea before him.
- ★ The most significant fact about Charles Darwin is not his stature as a scientist, but his influence as a symbol and rallying point for those with an anti-God worldview. His main contribution was using natural selection as an evolutionary mechanism — a creative force, not just a conservation principle.
- **Erasmus Darwin** (Charles Darwin's grandfather) - formulated the groundwork for nearly ever, supportive doctrine encompassed by the evolutionary philosophy.
- **Charles Lyell** - proposed the vast eons of time for the geological "ages" governed by the supposed principle of uniformitarianism.

- **Herbert Spencer** - coined the Darwinian phrases "struggle for existence" and "survival of the fittest."
- **Thomas H. Huxley** ("Darwin's Bulldog") - primarily responsible for the effective promotion and widespread acceptance of Darwinian evolution by means of natural selection.

★ Evolutionary worldviews (e.g., philosophical pantheism, popular polytheism, occult supernaturalism; incorporating pagan notions of eternal matter, spontaneous generation of life, and transmutation of species have been prevalent since the ancient days of the original Babel founded by Nimrod (Gen. 10:8 - 10), the first Babylon. The truth, however, is that Satan himself is the originator of the concept of evolution by his refusing to believe and accept the Word of God concerning his own creation and place in God's hierarchal economy.



## Chapter 4 (pp. 81-128)

### Left Wing

Lamarckianism/Leninism/Revolutionism

Communism/Marxism/New-Age-ism

### Right Wing

Fascism (Benito Mussolini)/

Nazism (Adolf Hitler) = [National Socialism]

Imperialism = [Manifest Destiny]/Racism

### 'SOCIAL DARWINISM'

★ "a philosophy exalting competition, power, and violence over convention, ethics, and religion; incorporates the ideals of the laissez-faire capitalistic system, of exploitive imperialism, and competitive individualism. [Adherents include the 19<sup>th</sup> century business tycoons Andrew Carnegie (the steel king), James Hill (the railroad builder), John D. Rockefeller (the oil baron), and J. Pierpont Morgan (the bankers' banker).]

### ★ RACISM

Evolutionary thinking is at the root of modern racism and racial conflicts since the very idea of "race" is an evolutionary concept, not a biblical or Christian concept. As a matter of fact, the Bible says nothing whatever about "race" dividing men instead by tongues/families/kindreds/ people/nations/lands. As far as the Bible is concerned regarding people, the only "race" is the human race and the only -kind' is mankind. Man is united by blood (Acts 17:26), not divided by skin tone.

Evolutionists assume a "race" to be a sub-species, which if isolated long enough, might well evolve into a new, more advanced species. "Race" is therefore a category of evolutionary biology with reference to a sub-species of man, comparable to the use of the term "breed" in relation to animals (especially to kinds which are domesticated).

The weed of modern racism: (1) was planted by Satan, (2) took root in the soil of Darwinian and/or Neo-Darwinian evolution (which was cultivated by Thomas Henry Huxley), (3) watered by 1860-1960 pseudo-scientific presuppositions and prejudices, and finally (4) resulted in the personage of Adolf Hitler, which many regard as the ultimate evolutionist. Hitler succeeded in elevating this savage philosophy to the status of a national policy (i.e., National Socialism = Nazism).

### ★ MARXISM/COMMUNISM

The more important (and more deadly) socio-economic philosophy of Marxist Communism, however, is squarely grounded on a Lamarckian and/or punctuationalist

foundation of atheistic evolutionary thinking. Lamarckianism is very appealing to the Communist mind (e.g. Stalin) because it advocates evolutionary advancement by simply changing the environment, certainly a more rapid process than the mechanism of Darwinian natural selection. Even more rapid though is evolution by punctuational revolutions (forcing violent change by warlike aggression if need be), which the Marxist mind condones.

★ THE NEW AGE MOVEMENT

New-Age-ism (pantheistic evolutionary humanism, an amalgamation of Western Scientism and Eastern mysticism) is a modern offshoot of Marxism. Also called the "Cosmic Consciousness" Movement, it embraces: (1) the pantheistic beliefs that "Gaia" - the Earth Mother (a.k.a. 'Mother Earth') – is not only a living entity itself, but is also the mother of all life (and should therefore be worshiped as a goddess and that the cosmos is the "creator god" of all things; (2) the evolutionary absurdities of 'order through chaos' and 'quantum speciations;' and (3) the paganistic/humanistic concepts of eternal matter, a "creative" cosmos, and the progressive godhood of man.

New Age evolutionism is destined prophetically to be the one-world religion of the coming global government of Antichrist (evil personified "Mr. Evolution"). [see Daniel 7: 25; 8: 24-25; 11: 36-39 and Revelation 13: 5-9]

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**Chapter 5** (pp. 129-179)

★ Creation, Evolution, and Ecology (pp. 129-140a)

The post Darwinian era, with its attitude of evolutionary progress, had witnessed (and is now experiencing) the ravages of nearly 150 years of Social Darwinistic philosophy and the thoughtless exploitation of nature- the wasteful misuse and depletion of our natural resources, the daily extinction of plant and animal species, and the myriad of pollution problems plaguing the environment. The "ecological crisis" is not the product of the "dominion mandate" (Gen. 1:28) of biblical creationism, but instead is the end result of a survival-of-the-fittest mentality that has come to dominate both scientific and industrial thinking during the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.

★ Evolution and the 'Population Problem' (pp. 140b- 148)

All the known facts of population growth, coupled with the present status of technology, indicate that the Earth will not reach its reasonable "carrying capacity" of 50 billion people until sometime within the 22<sup>nd</sup> century A.D.. Since man has not yet come anywhere near to filling the Earth (the total population currently averages less than one person for every 300,000 ft <sup>2</sup> of land area) it seems unlikely that the Earth had yet reached its optimal population, as far as the purposes of the Creator are

concerned. The Creator's work of consummation may solve the "population bomb" long before it explodes.

The interesting thing about all this is that, if evolution were really true, the Earth would have been literally overrun with people long ago! The fact that the current world population can easily be accounted for in the 4,400 years since the Flood (with an average rate of increase less than ½%, beginning with just four couples), justifies a conservative biblical chronology in the light of the actual data of population statistics.

★Life on Other World's (pp. 148-155)

Despite the serious attention and wide acceptance that scientists are giving Sir Francis Crick's and Leslie Orgel's curious notion of "directed panspermia" (life-sperms are everywhere in space, and some have been directed by advanced galactic civilizations to seed life here on Earth), there is no direct, observational evidence to support any of its extraterrestrial claims. In addition, exobiologists have yet to detect any indirect evidence to counter the biblical truth that Planet Earth was uniquely created for life by the God who created all things, and that life was uniquely created for Planet Earth.

★Chauvinism, Feminism, and Evolution (pp. 156-161)

In response to the male chauvinism of Charles Darwin and his supporters with their claims of female inferiority and "sexual selection" toward male dominance, the modern feminist movement has essentially rejected traditional Darwinian evolution and has radically embraced a neo-pagan version of evolutionary pantheism, centered in "the Goddess." A significant minority (of about 100,000 members) is even involved in wicca, or witchcraft ("wise craft"), in an attempt to restore the "Old Religion" of worshiping the goddess (i.e. Gaia, Sophia, Mother Earth/Nature).

★Evolutionary Dominance in Education (pp. 161-175)

Evolutionary indoctrination in our public educational system of schools, colleges, and universities (where the non-theistic religion of secular humanism is deeply entrenched) is defectively accomplished by both the open ridicule of biblical creationism in biology and geology classes, and the subtle omittance of creationist research in the fields of social science, liberal arts, and education. The apathy toward creation—truth, the ignoring of Christian evidence, and the indirect application of evolutionary assumptions in the very methodology of teaching has left generations of students brainwashed into believing atheistic propaganda. Even in debates with creation-scientists, evolutionists would much rather attack the credibility of creationists or the religious aspects of creationism than defend the scientific aspects of evolutionism!

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## Chapter 6 (pp. 181-196)

→"Liberal" justices (who regard the Constitution as "evolving" along with society) have gradually banned prayer, Bible reading, and virtually every vestige of Christianity itself from the classrooms of what our founding fathers intended to be a Christian nation.

History shows that neither scientific nor religious principles can be effectively legislated; in the long run, education and persuasion will accomplish more than legislation and coercion in bringing our nation back to its Judaeo-Christian heritage and creation-based foundation.

★Games People Play (pp. 176-179) –[As established by evolutionary players:]

The name of the game is 'Evolution' and the objective is not to earnestly search for truth based on observation, but to defend "evolutionary scientism" at all cost. Remember: Do not include fair play for creationists or for Christians!

Rule #1 --- Invoke only natural causes when explaining the physical and material universe; no supernatural involvement allowed!

Rule #2 --- The end justifies the means. No evolutionary alternative\* is allowed, but telling deliberate lies to support evolution is permissible.

Rule #3 --- Insist that all true scientists, by definition, are evolutionists. When possible, never let creationists become scientists at all; ridicule, intimidation, and discrimination is allowed... and encouraged!

\*Beware of "abrupt appearance," "scientific creationism," and "intelligent design."

### ★Theological Confusion

An omnipotent (all-powerful) God certainly would not need to employ such a wasteful, inefficient, cruel, and purposeless process as evolution in order to "create" man. An omniscient (all-knowing) Creator could certainly devise a better way, and a loving God would not desire to subject His pristine Creation to "struggle" for existence, "disease and mutation, death and extinction." If evolution is true, we certainly should not blame our sinless and holy God for it!

One of the most significant aspects of the Creation-Evolution controversy is that Bible-honoring scientists were the original and most vigorous opposition to Darwin (in the 1860s) and were also the force

that spearheaded the modern revival of creation-science (in the 1960s). Both then and now, it is the religious leaders who were/are ready to accommodate "evolution" despite the evidence from science or, more importantly, the testimony of Scripture. As a matter of fact, it is usually easier to convert a scientist to belief in creation, than it is to win a "liberal" theologian or philosopher. The latter are even more committed to evolution than the evolutionary scientists!

#### ★Evangelical Compromise

Even though the doctrine of special creation is the foundation of all other Christian doctrines, and the real facts of true science support creation, the Christian community (in general) has retreated altogether from the battle for the schools and for the minds of our young people. True creationists need to put the infamous Scopes Trial of 1925 and the evolutionary propaganda of "Inherit the Wind" stereotypes behind them and defend the biblical answers of the Who? Why? How Much? When? And How? of creation-reality.

#### ★Current Evangelicalism

Evolutionism has impacted society in countless areas, including Christian evangelicalism and fundamentalism. As Henry and John Morris have stated (MCT/ Vol. 3/p. 195), "By all that is right and good in this world, and by God's Word, evolution simply cannot be true, and Christians ought to oppose and repudiate it in all its disguises, not compromise with it."