

The Creation Week

In six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed. Exodus 31:17

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a road map of holiness!*

(1) **The biological subsistence of anatomy** deals primarily with the structure of organisms and their anatomical similarities. **Evolutionists** err when they argue that man and ape are so much alike in skeletal and muscle structure that man, the more complex organism, must have evolved from some remote ancestor of the ape. This is much the same as saying that the Volkswagen and the Cadillac are so much alike that the Cadillac, the more complex car, must have evolved from some remote ancestor of the Volkswagen.

Creationists argue that the similarities of man and ape are marvelous evidence of outside skill and power possessed by an intelligent Creator. Creationists believe it is evident that God devised a plan that would work, with certain modifications, for many different types of living creatures. This is much the same as saying that the structural similarities of the Volkswagen and the Cadillac are due not to evolution, but are evidence of outside skill and power possessed by man and were made according to a plan that would work, with certain modifications, for many different types of cars.

Digestive systems in most creatures have basic similarities because God designed them to share the food chain. For example, large creatures which eat bananas must have similar digestive systems to digest food for energy. If such similarities did not exist, each kind of creature would have to eat only its own type of food and the earth would be cluttered with specialized foods for each creature only. God is a better designer than this, so He created organisms with similarities so they could share the earth and the earth's produce.

Eyes are similar in various organisms because God created them to function within the earth's visible light range. Similarity in eye balls shows the wisdom of the Creator who designed His creatures to share the earth.

Muscles and bones are similar in large creatures because God created them to move freely under the influence of the same forces of gravity. Similarity in muscles and bones shows the great engineering skills of the Creator who designed creatures to operate under the same influence of gravity.

(2) God, in the person of Jesus Christ, created in six days all we can see and all we can't see. *Colossians 1:16 For by him [Jesus Christ] were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: 17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.*

(3) *God created living organisms as different*

kinds of creatures. Although many similarities exist in different kinds of creatures, each created kind is distinguished by its ability to reproduce, not by structural similarities. Similar design in living creatures demonstrates the order and wisdom of God, the great designer who used good design in many different kinds of organisms. Structural similarities exist in living creatures because God made all creatures from the same basic chemicals of the earth. Structural similarities exist in living creatures because all creatures share the earth and its resources.

(4) **Morphology is the study of the structure and form of organisms.** *Evolutionists have errantly proposed man does not need all of his bodily organs because he has evolved to a higher stage. In the past, evolutionists have foolishly proposed that man has evolved to a stage where he no longer needs the following organs:*

Tonsils—*To day we know that the tonsils are part of body's defense against disease.*

Appendix—*Today we know that the appendix functions in defense against disease during childhood and some what less in adult life.*

Coccyx (tail bone)—*To day we know that the coccyx is an important place of attachment for leg and lower back muscles to the back bone. If the coccyx is damaged, paralysis may result.*

Pituitary gland—*To day we know that this gland produces body hormones necessary for body metabolism.*

(5)

The Bible clearly states two life principles that are recognized now to be two basic laws of biology: (1) life comes from

life, and (2) living creatures reproduce after their own kind. Genesis 1:11 And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in it self, upon the earth: and it was so. 12 And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in it-self, after his kind: and God saw that it was good... 21 And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good... 24 And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cat tle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. 25 And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cat tle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

Life comes from life. Biological experiments through the ages have verified that only living organisms can reproduce. Plants reproduce plants, animals reproduce animals, human beings reproduce human beings, etc. This development of life from pre-existing life is so well established by modern biology that it is called the *law of biogenesis*. The question of which came first, the chicken or the egg, is settled! There can be no egg unless a chicken laid it; and there can be no chicken with an egg unless God first created the chicken!

Living creatures reproduce after their own kind. God created living organisms with the capability to vary tremendously; however, no variation will cause one kind of creature to evolve or turn into another completely different kind of creature. True biology should expend more effort to study reproductive characteristics of living organisms in order to accurately define the limits of the created kinds, and more accurately classify all organisms by reproductive characteristics rather than anatomical similarities.

The Hebrew word *min* is translated kind (1:11—25). The Genesis kinds have never evolved or merged into each other by crossing over the divinely established bounds of distinguishing reproductive characteristics. Today we see that these basic kinds have diversified into many varieties. Such variation

permits the kinds to survive in various environments and also permits God to show variety in beauty. Wouldn't it be a monotonous world if all people looked alike, or if all roses were red?

Man—kind resulted from the creation of Adam.

The union of Adam with Eve resulted in today's staggering variety of colors, shapes, and families of humanity, yet we are all part of the Genesis man—kind.

Pedigree records for the *dog kind, catle kind, horse kind*, etc., cover hundreds of years and show that living creatures reproduce after their own kind, exactly as God reveals in the Bible. God created living organisms with great genetic potential for variation; however, dogs always reproduce dogs, cattle always reproduce cattle, horses always reproduce horses, flies always reproduce flies, etc.

Members of a kind may mate and the product (hybrid) is also of the same kind to which the parents belonged. For example, the horse and the donkey are two species (races) of the horse kind and produce the mule which is truly a horse—like offspring.

Examples of created kinds in the fossil record show that many more created kinds and many more variations existed in the past than to day, including varieties of dinosaurs, saber—tooth tigers, sharks, alligators, insects, fish, ape, man, etc.

The world—wide flood of Noah (Chapters 7—9).

A. The great flood of Noah (7:1—24).

Noah's flood was the most significant surface modifying event that has ever occurred on the earth since its creation. That the flood was a universal catastrophe is shown by the following:

- 1. **Depth of the flood:** *7:19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered.*
- 2. **Duration of the flood: 371 days, or a little over a year:** *7:11 In the six hundredth year of*

Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened... 8:13 And it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry.

a. **The water canopy shielding and warming the earth rained down** in a torrential down-pour (7:11).

b. **The downpour continued at full intensity for 40 days and 40 nights**, but the flood and rains lasted over a year.

3. Terrible geologic disturbances continued for five months.

4. **Huge size of the ark** (1.4 million cubic feet) would only be necessary for a universal flood.

5. **Peter indicates that the flood was world—wide:** *II Peter 3:6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished.*

6. **Widely distributed human race** (at least 1 billion people) could not have been destroyed by anything except a world—wide flood.

B. The flood subsided (8:1—14).

1. **Noah's ark came to rest on Mount Ararat**, which is the Hebrew word equivalent to the Greek *Armenia* (8:4)

2. **Noah offered a sacrifice unto the Lord** after he came out of the ark (8:21). In Noah's flood, the antediluvian biosphere was destroyed. The atmospheric environment was completely altered and the protective thermal vapor blanket was removed. Some of the implied changes that the flood caused are:

a. **The thermal water vapor canopy was removed** when the windows of heaven opened (7:11), and life was no longer protected from temperature extremes and from radiations producing harmful mutations and other degenerative biological processes.

b. **The earth was barren and plant life had to again be established** through sprouting of seeds, growth, etc.

c. **The total water on the earth's surface was greatly increased.**

d. **Great geological changes had taken place**, including volcanism, mountain building, beginnings of glaciation, ocean beds opening to receive excess water, etc.

3. **The earth now contains a record of the world—wide flood** in geological and fossil records. To day, any denial of the world—wide flood is willful ignorance. *II Peter 3:5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: 6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflown with water, perished.*

a. **Sedimentary deposits containing fossils cover the earth** from the world—wide flood.

(1) **The average thickness of the sedimentary rocks** on the earth is about one mile thick.

(2) **Floods deposits are known to form at the rate of about one inch per minute. At one inch per minute, the world's sedimentary deposits** would form in about 220 days.

Sediments would have formed faster in the world—wide catastrophic flood of Noah than in any other flood known to man.

b. Sedimentary deposits are flood deposits.

They are called sedimentary (Latin, *sedimentum* meaning *settling*) because they look like they settled out of water. They look like they settled out of water because **THEY DID SETTLE OUT OF WATER!!**

(1) **Fossil order in the geologic column is the same as if there were a world—wide flood last night!**

Shelled creatures live on the earth in the lowest layers of the seas, and are fossilized in the lowest layers of the geologic column because they were the first creatures covered by the flood sediments! Mobile mammals live in the highest land areas, and are fossilized in the highest layers of the geologic column because they were the last creatures covered by the flood sediments.

(2) **The geologic column** (layers of rock containing fossils) was caused by evolutionary (living area) zoning of living creatures and by varying water slurries, NOT by evolution!

c. Fossils in the back yard were caused by

Noah's Flood and its after—effects including massive tectonic (earth moving) activities, volcanism (volcanoes erupting), mountain building, glaciation (glacier for-

mation),etc. The following world—famous fossils were formed by Noah's flood and its after—effects.

(1) **Fossil shark's teeth** of North Carolina,

South Carolina and Venice, Florida, were buried by the flood of Noah and its after—effects.

(2) **Coal beds** of West Virginia, Kentucky, Ohio, etc., were formed from adiabatically compressed (high pressure in an insulated environment) sediments of trees and vegetation caused by mountain uplifts during the flood of Noah and its after—effects.

(3) **Fossil corals and ferns** of Indiana were caused by the sedimentation/fossilization processes from the flood of Noah and its after—effects.

(4) **World famous fossils found in Cincinnati, Ohio, were formed during the flood of Noah** and its after—effects. These fossils include some of the world's best fossil trilobites, brachiopods, bryozoans, gastropods, cephalopods, pelecypods, horn corals.

(5) **Texas fossils of palmwood** near

Angleton and the footprints of dinosaurs beside man in the Paluxy River fossils were formed in the flood of Noah and its after—effects.

(6) **Arizona petrified wood and the earthquake which split open the Grand Canyon** were the results of Noah's flood and its after—effects.

(7) **California diatomaceous earth deposits and tar pits** were formed by Noah's

flood and its after—effects.

(8) **Volcanos** of Crater Lake, Oregon and even the recent eruption of Mount St. Helen, Washington, were caused by Noah's flood and the continuing after—effects of settling and earth movement (Gen 7:11, *fountains of deep*).

(9) **Glaciers** of many states including

Montana, Michigan, Ohio, etc., and the flood—ordered strata were formed in Noah's flood and its after—effects.

(10) **Colorado fossil dinosaur and insect deposits** were formed in Noah's flood and its after—effects.

(11) **Green River fossil fish deposits** of Wyoming and Yellowstone volcanism are remnants of Noah's flood and its after—effects

(12) **Bad Lands and moun tains of fossil sea mollusks** in South Dakota are the result of Noah's flood and its after—effects.

The Michigan state stone, the coral fossil Petoskey stone, and the glacial sand dunes were all formed by Noah's flood and its after—effects.

4. **Human fossils have been discovered in only a few places** because man was intelligent and mobile, and was last to be covered by flood waters. Usually the solid sediments did not cover man, but man was consumed by the scavengers of the sea and few fossils of man exist. Fossils claimed to be man by evolutionists are listed below, along with examples of truly human fossils:

a. **Australopithecus** (means *southern ape*) are all apes with a brain size similar to modern apes and monkeys (435—635 cc).

(1) **Zinjanthropus** was found in the 1950's in Africa, has a skull like a modern great ape, and is certainly not an ape—man.

(2) **Homo habilis**, called *handy man* because

a tool was found nearby, was found in the same area as Zinjanthropus and is probably a female or young gorilla, but is certainly not an ape—man.

(3) **Lucy** bone parts was found in Africa by Donald Johanson. The Lucy bones are ape—like and none have been shown to be human. Lucy may have walked somewhat upright like rain forest chimpanzees, but did not walk like man, and is certainly not an ape—man.

b. **Homo erectus** (means *erect man*) had a

brain capacity (700—1100 cc) between that of modern ape and modern man.

(1) **Java man** was constructed from bone pieces of a skull cap, a few teeth, and thigh bone that were found scattered 50—70 ft apart. Java man could be anything, but is certainly not a missing link in evolution.

(2) **Peking man** was found in Peking. All fragments were lost in World War II. Since the fossils no longer exist, it could be anything, but are certainly not a missing link in evolution.

(3) **Nebraska man** was constructed from one tooth found in Nebraska. This tooth was

presented at the Scopes Trial as conclusive proof that evolution was true. More of the skeleton type has now been found, and clearly the tooth is from an extinct wild pig, and not an ancestor of man.

(4) **Giganthropithecus** was constructed from teeth that were purchased in drug stores in Orient, and these were said to be big teeth from a giant fossil man. However, no clear fossils have ever been found.

(5) **Pitldown man** was a fraud that became

the only major *proof* of ape—man from 1912—1953. In 1953, Pitldown man's jaw bone was discovered to be from a chimpanzee but had been filed to appear man—like, then treated with chemicals and buried in an area where evolutionists were digging in 1912. Pitldown man was presented as the world's best proof of evolution until the fraud was uncovered when the bones were carefully analyzed in 1953. Pitldown man is presented in all the old textbooks and encyclopedias as proof of evolution; but was in fact just another lie of man.

c. **Homo sapiens** (means *wise man*). These

fossils appear to be fully human and offer no proof of evolution.

(1) **Rhodesia man** was found in a cave in Rhodesia. He was about 5 ft. 10 in. tall and may have had a common hormonal disorder which produced deformity of the skull.

(2) **Neanderthal man** had a skeleton very

similar to modern Eskimo and American Indian skeletons. Neanderthal man looked like the twin brother of the Russian delegate to the 1958 Cairo Conference. The first Neanderthal man discovered had a stooped back which some cited as proof that he was an

ape—man. However, more careful study has shown that this Neanderthal man simply had rickets, a vitamin D deficiency which leads to faulty or inadequate bone growth and a stooped back. To day, people with rickets have softening and irregular growth of bones, swollen joints, distorted limbs, deformities of the chest, etc. Rickets can cause gross handicaps, and is found in poor inner city areas today. Eating fish, milk products, and exposure to sunlight prevents rickets. Some Neanderthals were men who had poor diets and suffered with rickets.

(3) **Cro—magnon man** is basically like

modern man. Cro—magnon man painted in caves, made clay objects, and may have worked with metals. Cro—magnon man has an appearance very much similar to some modern men.

5. **Fossils buried in the sedimentary deposits show us that God judges sin.**

a. **The message of the fossils is that GOD JUDGES SIN!!** *Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

b. **The message of the Bible is that GOD**

LOVES SINNERS!! *I John 3:16 Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

6. **Three types of fossils are of particular interest:**

a. **Fossils formed by preservation of the**

original living substance: many insects have been preserved in tact in amber (fossilized tree sap) much similar to modern plastic biological mounts. A great hairy mammoth was preserved so well in the Arctic ice that when its flesh thawed it was eaten by wild dogs. Other plants and animals have been preserved in tact in tar pits. The stomach of the frozen mammoth preserved in the Arctic contained undigested plant food from a warm climate indicating that the now cold regions of the earth were once very warm.

b. **Most fossils are of the replacement type.**

The process of petrification involves replacement, molecule by molecule, of the organic matter of the organism with mineral matter. Typically, only the hard parts of the organism are replaced and the fossil may contain much or little detail.

c. **Other fossils** include tracks, insect holes in

wood, dung, and regurgitated food. Human footprints, such as those in the Paluxy River in Texas, have been discovered in strata with dinosaurs and other fossilized organisms.

7. **Peter foretold that there would be scoffers**

in the last days claiming that God does not miraculously intervene in the affairs of this world. Such men would deny that the flood of Genesis 6—9 was a world—wide catastrophe, and these men would conclude that present uniform processes have continued throughout the past. In other words, Peter foretold that scoffers would come teaching the theory of uniformitarianism (uniform conditions prevail, God never intervenes) which is the basis for the modern evolution theory. *II Peter 3:3 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, 4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. 5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the*

heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: 6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: 7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

C. **Disembarking from the ark (8:15—19).**

1. **The climate was now very harsh** compared to the world before the flood.

a. **Ice Age glaciers of frozen waters covered**

much of the earth until the time of Abraham. This Ice Age probably lasted several hundred years.

b. **Many animals could not live efficiently in**

the changed environment and would become extinct.

2. **Animal dispersion directed by God.** The totality of air—breathing land animals in the world were destroyed in the flood with the exception of those Divinely protected in Noah's Ark.

a. **Land bridges between continents** permitted dispersion of creatures.

b. **Floating islands** allowed dispersion of creatures

c. **A dry—land path leads to day from Armenia**

to all lands of the world except Australia and a narrow break at the Bering Strait.

(1) **Bering Strait**—land connection once existed between Asia and North America.

(2) **Australia**—the East Indies forms a fairly continuous bridge of stepping—stones to Australia.

3. **The courage of Noah**—*Hebrews 11:7 By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.*

4. **God protected** Noah, his family, and represent-

atives of God's creatures in the ark.

D. **Noah worshiped God with sacrificial offerings (8:20—22).**

1. **On the basis of sacrifice and shed blood of an innocent substitute,** God was pleased to meet with man.

2. **The blood of animals only figuratively covered sin.** Old Testament saints looked forward to the coming Messiah, just as Christians today look back to the Messiah who came. *Hebrews 9:26 For then must he [Jesus] often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself... 10:4 For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.*

3. **God promises that the ground will never again be cursed with a world—wide flood (8:21).**

E. **God's promise to Noah (9:1—7).**

1. After the flood of Noah, man lost some of his

power over creatures which were to henceforth fear and dread him: *9:2 And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered.*

a. **Before Noah's flood, man probably would have been able to easily domesticate animals**, including dinosaurs as well as other animals. To day we are able to train for labor such large animals as the elephant. The Chinese claim their ancestors trained dinosaur/dragon creatures to pull royal chariots.

b. **Adam and others living before the flood had power over creatures** and could probably have very easily trained dinosaurs and other creatures to be beasts of burden.

2. **Uniform natural processes** have functioned from the time of Noah's exit from the ark to the present, with isolated exceptions.

3. **Man was now permitted to eat meat (9:3—4)**. Possibly man's life after the flood required extra protein.

F. **God's rainbow covenant with Noah (9:8—19)**.

1. **God established the rainbow in the sky as a testimony** of his covenant with Noah that he would never again destroy the world by a flood of water (9:13—17).

2. **The rainbow is a testimony** of the grace of God. Prior to the flood, no rain occurred and no

rainbow was seen. *Today, the fossils in the ground testify that God judges sin, but the rainbow testifies of God's grace.*

G. **Noah and his sons (9:20—29)**. The only survivors of the flood were eight people: Noah, his three sons, and their wives. Noah was 600 years old at the time of the flood, and he lived 350 years after the flood. Noah died at the age of 950 years.

1. **Descendants of Ham (9:25) served the world** as great explorers, inventors, and developers. Ham's descendants include most people with pigmented skins in the areas of Africa, Southeast Asia, Far East, Pacific Islands, Americas (Indians), etc. Descendants of Ham are called *Hamites*.

a. **Hamites include** the Egyptians, Phoenicians, Sumerians, Orientals, Africans, Native Americans, etc.

b. **Anthropologists have identified Hamite origins** for the following:

(1) **Hamites were the original explorers and settlers** of almost all parts of the world.

(2) **Hamites led the world in cultivation** of food products such as potatoes, corn, beans, etc.

(3) **Hamites invented most of the basic principles of mathematics** used in scientific fields today.

(4) **Hamites invented most of the structural materials and tools** used in building and construction.

(5) **Hamites developed writing and communication implements** such as paper, ink, movable type, etc.

c. **Hamites have emphasized world settlement, cultivation, and technology** in their development.

2. **Descendants of Shem (9:26)** became the

great world religious leaders as initially represented among the Arabs and Jews. Descendants of Shem are called *Semites*.

a. **Semites include** the Jews, Moslems, Zoroastrians, etc.

b. **Jesus Christ, the Messiah, is a descendant of Shem** through Abraham and Jacob.

c. **Semites have emphasized religious motivations** in their development. All monotheistic (Greek, *one God*) religions have similarities that trace to Shemitic origins.

3. **Descendants of Japheth (9:27)** became the great world conquerors of Asia, Europe, and all nations. Descendants of Japheth are called *Japhethites*.

a. **Japhethites include** the Greeks, Romans, Europeans, Americans, Russians, North Asians, etc.

b. **Japhethites have emphasized science and philosophy** in their development.

4. **Noah's three sons did not found three different races.**

a. **The concept of race is based on the evolution notion** that different humanoid creatures evolved into different races of humanity; i.e., a dark ape-like creature evolved into the black-skinned peoples, an albino ape—like creature evolved into the white-skinned peoples, etc.

b. **There is no such thing as inter—racial marriages** since there is only one human race. The Bible does not support the modern concept of *race* and accompanying *racial* prejudices. However, there can be inter—national and inter—cultural marriages and relationships. Note the following examples of such inter—marriages which are NOT *inter—racial*:

(1) **Joseph (Shemite) married an Egyptian**

(Hamite) and was greatly blessed by God—*Genesis 41:45 And Pharaoh called Joseph's name Zaphnathpaaneah; and he gave him to wife Asenath the daughter of Potipherah priest of On. And Joseph went out over all the land of Egypt.*

(2) **Moses (Shemite) married an Ethiopian**

woman (Hamite). God punished the people who condemned Moses' marriage as improper.—*Numbers 12:1—9 And Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses because of the Ethiopian woman whom he had married: for he had married an Ethiopian woman... 5 And the LORD... 6 ...said, Hear now my words: If there be a prophet among you, I the LORD will make my self known unto him in a vision, and will speak unto him in a dream. 7 My servant Moses is not so, who is faithful in all mine house. 8 With him will I speak mouth to mouth... wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak against my servant Moses? 9 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against them...*

<p>(3) Boaz (Shemite) married Rahab (Hamite Canaanite) and became human ancestors of Jesus Christ. <i>Joshua 2:1...Go view the land, even Jericho. And they went, and came into an harlot's house, named Rahab, and lodged there. Matthew 1:5 And Salmon begat Booz of Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse...</i></p>	<p>(25:7); Moses lived 120 years (Deuteronomy 34:7).</p>	<p>Population growth amongst the Jews from Jacob to the present: today's Jewish population is about 15 million (.4% growth rate).</p>	<p><i>figurines of camels, bones of camels, and rock carvings and drawings bearing pictures of camels now have been discovered which confirm that the camel was domesticated in Egypt even before the time of Abram.</i></p>
<p>(4) Timothy's mother (Shemite) married a Greek man (Japhethite) and Timothy was a great servant of the Lord. <i>Acts 16:1 Then came he to Derbe and Lystra: and, behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timotheus, the son of a certain woman, which was a Jewess, and believed; but his father was a Greek.</i></p>	<p>c. Moses lived 120 years (Deuteronomy 34:7)</p> <p>and considered his lifespan as unusually long for his era: <i>Psalms 90:9 For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale that is told. 10 The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away. 11 Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath. 12 So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.</i></p>	<p>(3) The volume of the universe would not hold all the people who should be alive to day if evolution were true, even using a conservative growth rate of 0.5% over 1 million years.</p> <p>(4) Cosmic radiation since the</p> <p>Life—span to day is about 70 years (Ps. 90:10). Genetic problems in man caused by radiation.</p>	<p>c. Abram and Lot separated (13:1—18).</p> <p><i>The herdmen of Abram and Lot fought with each other and separation was necessary to keep peace. Abram gave Lot his choice of territory.</i></p>
<p>c. Racial, cultural, national prejudices that abuse others are condemned in the Bible—<i>Colossians 3:10 And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him: 11 Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all.</i></p>	<p>2. Dispersion of nations (11:1—32). <i>Acts 17:26 And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation.</i></p> <p>a. The Tower of Babel (11:1—9)—origin of world languages. This seems to have occurred during the days of Peleg, <i>for in his days was the earth divided</i> (10:25), about 101 years after Noah's flood when the population of the world was about 1000 people.</p>	<p>b. Descendants of Shem (11:10—26).</p> <p>c. Descendants of Terah (11:27—32).</p> <p>B. Abraham, first called Abram (12:1—23:20). At about this time, the glaciers formed in the after—effects of Noah's flood were melting back from Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, etc., and retreating into Canada.</p> <p>1. Abram [Hebrew, <i>high father</i>]: early years (12:1—16:16).</p>	<p>(1) Lot was attracted to the sinful cities of Sodom and Gomorah that were in a beautiful setting (13:10—11)</p> <p>(2) Abram remained faithful to God in the hill country of Canaan. Hebrews 11:10 For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.</p>
<p>The Patriarchs (Chapters 10—50).</p> <p>A. Nations descended from Noah (10:1—11:32).</p> <p>1. Generations of the sons of Noah (10:1—32).</p> <p>a. The life span of the patriarchs steadily declined after the flood of Noah.</p> <p>b. Noah lived 950 years (9:29); Noah's great—great—grandson, Eber, lived 464 years (11:16—17); Abraham lived 175 years</p>	<p>(1) Cave men: lived at the same time as civilized men, and of ten were decadent, sinful men who had fled from civilization (Job 30:1—8).</p> <p>(2) Population statistics—today's world population has a 2% growth rate with 3.6 children per family.</p> <p>Population growth from Noah's Flood to Christ's birth: 200 million people lived at the time of Christ (.7% growth rate). Population growth from Noah's Flood to the present: about 40 billion lived during this period; 5 billion alive to day (.5% growth rate).</p>	<p>a. The call of Abram (12:1—8). Abram followed the call of God and journeyed about 500 miles from Haran to Canaan. <i>Hebrews 11:8 By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.</i></p> <p>b. Abram and Sarai in Egypt (12:9—20).</p> <p><i>Abram owned camels in Egypt (12:16). Bible critics long maintained that this was an error, asserting that camels were unknown at this time in Egypt. However, statues and</i></p>	<p>d. Lot's captivity and rescue (14:1—16).</p> <p>e. Abram blessed by Melchizedek (14:17—24).</p> <p>(1) Hebrew tradition identifies Melchizedek as Shem, who lived until 35 years after Abraham's death (using strict Biblical chronology). Abram paid tithes and recognized Melchizedek as his spiritual superior. Melchizedek received this tribute and blessed Abram. <i>Hebrews 7:7 And without all contradiction the less is blessed of the better.</i></p> <p>(2) The Hebrew name <i>El</i> is a shortened form of <i>Elohim</i> for the name of God, and first appears when God is blessed by Melchizedek: <i>14:18 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most</i></p>

high God [He brew *El*]. 19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God [He brew *El*], possessor of heaven and earth: 20 And blessed be the most high God [He brew *El*], which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all. The He brew name *El* is used 250 times in the Old Testament. *El* emphasizes might, strength, prominence, and indicates the great power of God.

f. **God's cov e nant with Abram (15:1—21).**

(1) **The name *Lord*** was first used when

Abraham prayed for a son: 15:2 *And Abram said, Lord* [He brew *Adonai*] *GOD* [Hebrew *Yahweh*], *what wilt thou give me, see ing I go child less, and the stew ard of my house is this Eliezer of Damascus?* The Hebrew name *Adonai* is used about 300 times in the Old Tes ta ment. *Adonai* is a plu ral noun but is al ways used in the Bi ble with verbs and ad jec tives in the sin gular, empha siz ing the plu ral ity of God head in the sin gular God (trinity). *Adonai* means *Lord*, or *Master*, indicating own er ship as in the mas ter/ser vant—slave re la tion ship.

***Adonai* iden ti fied God as the owner** of each mem ber of the hu man fam ily, and rec og nized God's claim for unrestricted obedience of all. In Ezekiel, *Adonai—Yahweh* occurs 200 times and is translated as *Lord GOD*. In Dan iel 9, *Adonai* oc curs 10 times in 16 verses.

To be the ser vant of the Lord is the great est lib erty and joy of all. Man needs lordship. With faculties and judg ments im paired and dis torted by sin, orig i nal and per sonal, man needs di rec tion, guid ance, and au thor ity in this world. Man was cre ated to wor ship and serve. If man does not serve God, then di rectly or in di rectly he serves the Devil, the usurper of au thor ity. But no man can serve two mas ters—that is, God and the Devil. *Romans 6:16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield your selves ser vants to obey, his ser vants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obe di ence unto righ teous ness?.. 22 But now be ing made free from sin, and be come ser vants to God, ye have your fruit unto ho li ness, and the end ever last ing life. I*

Co rin thi ans 7:22 For he that is called in the Lord, be ing a ser vant, is the Lord's free man: like wise also he that is called, be ing free, is Christ's ser vant.

g. **Birth of Ishmael (16:1—16).**

(1) **Sarai's faith was weak**, and she con -

vinced Abram to take her ser vant, Hagar, to be his secondary wife (concubine) in or der to have a child for the fam ily.

(2) **God's creative purpose for the family**

requires monogamous marriage, one hus band and one wife. Vi o la tion of God's per fect plan al ways brings trou bles. Jeal ousies resulted in Abram's family which caused great heart ache to all in volved.

2. **Abram became Abraham [Hebrew, *father of many nations*] (17:1—23:20).**
a. **Sign of the Covenant (17:1—27).**

(1) **The name *Almighty God*** first appears

when God made His covenant with Abraham. 17:1 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD [Hebrew *Yahweh*] appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God [He brew *El—Shaddai* mean ing *Al mighty God*]; walk before me, and be thou perfect. The He brew ti tle *Shaddai* refers to one who nourishes, sup plies, and sat isfies. The sig nif i can ce of the name is shown in the book of Job, where it ap pears 31 out of the 48 times it ap pears in the Old Tes ta ment, for the end of Job was even more blessed and abun dantly fruit ful than his be ginning.

(2) **Circumcision was a visible seal and**

sign of God's covenant relation with Abraham's physical seed. Circumcision demon strated that repro ductive char ac -

ter is tics were sub mit ted to God and under His con trol.

b. **A son promised to Abraham and Sarah (18:1—19).**

(1) **God never forgets His promises.** Abra ham was 99 years old and God would still ful fill His prom ise to make Abra ham the fa ther of many na tions (18:1—11).

(2) **Abraham trusted God's promise**, but

Sarah laughed in disbelief (18:12—16). *Romans 4:20 He staggered not at the promise of God through un belief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God.*

(3) **Abraham honored God in his home: 18:19 For I [the LORD] know him [Abra ham], that he will command his chil dren and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do jus tice and judg ment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spo ken of him.**

c. **Lot and his descendants (18:20—19:38).**

Lot and his family kept moving closer to Sodom, and fi nally moved into this evil city. Lot was a believer, but faithful believers must be se pa rate from sin ful com pany. *II Pe ter 2:7 And de liv ered just Lot, vexed with the filthy con ver sa tion of the wicked: 8 (For that righ teous man dwell ing among them, in see ing and hearing, vexed his right eous soul from day to day with their un law ful deeds;). II Cor in thi ans 6:17 Where fore come out from among them, and be ye se pa rate, saith the Lord, and touch not the un clean thing; and I will re ceive you.*

(1) **Judgment of Sodom and Gomorrah (18:20—19:29).**
Doom of Sodom (18:20—33).

God warned Abraham of impending destruction (18:20—22).

The pres ence of only 10 be liev ers would have pre served the city from destruc tion (18:23—33). Salt pre serves meat and foods from bac terial decay. Chris tians are to be like salt and pre serve from sin ful de cay. *Mat thew 5:13 Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, where with shall it be salted? it is thence forth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden un der foot of men.*

De prav ity of Sodom (19:1—14).

City of unnatural desires (19:1—13). God con demns ho mo sex u al ity and other forms of sex ual per ver sion found in Sodom and Go mor rah. *Romans 1:27 And like wise also the men, leav ing the nat u ral use of the woman, burned in their lust one to ward an other; men with men working that which is un seemly, and re ceiv ing in them selves that recompence of their er ror which was meet. 28 And even as they did not like to re tain God in their knowl edge, God gave them over to a rep ro bate mind, to do those things which are not con ven ient.*

City of non—Christian influence (19:14). The sons—in—law of Lot would not heed God's warn ings through Lot.

Destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah (19:15—29).

God's deliv erance (19:15). Two an gels came to de liver Lot's fam ily from im pend ing de struc tion.

Lot and his family lingered and did not want to leave this city of sin (19:16). The an gels took them by the hand and led them out of the city.

Angels warned Lot and his fam ily not to look back (19:17).

God destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah (19:18—25). Only Lot's family was saved from de struction.

Lot's wife looked back and be came a pil lar of salt (19:26).

Abraham's faithfulness preserved Lot (19:27—29).

(2) **Lot's sin of incest with his daughters produced** Moab and Ammon (19:30—38).

d. **Abraham and Sarah at Gerar (20:1—18).**

(1) **Human population statistics** show that

man has been on the earth for only a few thousand years. Today's population growth rate is 2% per year (3.6 children/family). If we allow for war, famine, and disease to kill many, and we use a very conservative population growth rate of only 1/2% per year (2.5 children/family), population growth would produce 5 billion people in the 4500 years since Noah's flood, exactly as expected using Biblical chronology, however, if evolutionists are correct in believing that man has been on this earth for one million years, today's population should be 2×10^{2166} (2 with 2166 zeros after it)! But the known volume of the universe will hold only 7×10^{78} (7 with 78 zeros) people packed like sardines in a can! The evidence clearly supports Biblical dating records and shows evolution to be mathematically impossible!

(2) **High gas and oil pressure** in the ground

produces the famous oil well gushers. Since gas and oil are found in relatively permeable rock which is like a hard sponge. These natural deposits must be younger than 10,000 years, or else leakage into the permeable rock would have dropped the pressure much below what it is today!

(3) **Carbon—14 (C—14) dating methods**

are used to date materials that were once alive. About 6 miles high in the upper atmosphere, cosmic radiation bombards nitrogen (N) atoms and produces radioactive C—14 with a half-life of 5730 years. Carbon—14 enters the carbon cycle and becomes a part of all living things. When an organism dies, C—14 in its body begins to decay into nitrogen. Evolutionists assume that the rates of formation and decay are constant, and that

C—14 formation is in an equilibrium condition where the amount of C—14 forming from nitrogen is exactly equal to the amount of C—14 decaying into nitrogen. However, all of these rates are known to vary and are not constant! Large coal deposits world-wide show that the percent C—14 was much less in the past than today. It takes only about 30,000 years for C—14 to reach equilibrium, but equilibrium has not yet been reached. This lack of equilibrium for C—14 indicates that: (1) the dates determined from C—14 are not accurate for more than 3000 years, and that (2) the atmosphere of the earth must be less than 30,000 years old!

(4) **Cave stalactites and stalagmites** form

rapidly if the ground is very wet, such as when a great flood has occurred. In the wet conditions following Noah's flood, the great cave and cavern formations would not take hundreds of thousands of years to form, but they would form in just a few thousand years! Caves and caverns are exactly as expected if they were formed just a few thousand years ago following a world-wide flood!

(5) **Foundations of the earth** are probably

the mantle and core of the earth. *Jeremiah 31:37 Thus saith the LORD; If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the LORD. Isaiah 48:13 Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand hath spanned the heavens: when I call unto them, they stand up together.*

God used a concept modern scientists call isostasy to arrange the materials forming the earth. The concept of *isostasy*, meaning *equal weights*, is very important for the study of modern geology. The concept of *isostasy* states that heavier materials sink and lighter materials float. In other words, the granite (crystalline—textured, igneous rock) continents stand higher than the basalt (fine-grained lava, igneous

rock) ocean basins because basalt is about 10% heavier than granite. Over 2500 years ago, God proclaimed through Isaiah the balanced earth concept