How long did it take to carve the Grand Canyon? That question has had different answers over the years. Before the 1930’s, evolutionists proposed that it took 40 million years. The Colorado River supposedly eroded the canyon at exactly the same pace as the Colorado Plateau rose in height. (Science News, 9/30/2000). We wish we had written it down in 1977 when we first visited the Canyon, but I recall the signs saying it took 30 million years. By 1987, the time had dropped to 4 million years. (Hoffman, 1987, p.12). That is quite a drop in age.

In the March 2003 issue of National Geographic Kids, on page 7, pictured above, a new estimate is given. Their estimate is based on the idea that the Earth is much younger than the traditional 4.5 billion years. They estimate the age of the Earth to be around 2 billion years. This estimate is based on radiometric dating of rocks and minerals. Radiometric dating uses the decay of radioactive isotopes to determine the age of rocks and minerals. The estimated age of the Earth is based on the decay of uranium-238 to lead-206, which has been used to estimate the age of the Earth.

In part one in our last issue, we discussed the difference between Christ and christ consciousness. Jesus is the Christ (literally: anointed -> the Messiah or savior). Christ consciousness is, very simplified: We are spirit in nature. We are part of the cosmic consciousness of the universe. We need to tap into the cosmic consciousness to become better people and have contentment on earth. We mentioned that those looking for christ consciousness believe that the Bible has been modified over the years. Legitimate research discounts those claims. Though a very few typos have crept in, the message of the Bible has been maintained amazingly well.

Those who seek christ consciousness have accepted that Jesus lived (that is a documented fact) and that he did not want us to live in fear but in love. Christ consciousness teaches us to love others as we love ourselves. It is not a belief system that is about following rules but about living a life of love and compassion.

Age of the Earth - Population Growth

How long would it take to populate the earth with 6 billion people? First, let’s look at what evolutionists and creationists predict from their theories:

Evolutionists say: The population growth rate over time has been almost zero. Reason: Man/humanoids have been around for nearly 1,000,000 years. To grow from 2 people to 6 billion people over that amount of time would necessitate a very tiny birth rate.

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new estimate is 750 thousand years! Evolutionists have gone from 40 million to 3/4 million years!

Then we read further in the article: 
"...the Canyon grew in quick, violent spurts from massive flooding..." As creation scientists have been saying for four decades, only massive flooding could carve the Grand Canyon and leave it as we see it today. In order to stretch the time period as much as possible, the evolutionists declare it happened in several "spurts." How did these massive spurts occur? What do we see happening today that could produce the scale of flooding needed to carve the Grand Canyon in spurts?

Current thinking by creation scientists is that after Noah's flood, a huge upland sea was covering much of the area north of the Canyon. Within a few hundred years after the flood (about 4300 years ago), the rock containing this sea was breached. As has been proven at Mt. St. Helens, a huge canyon can be carved in solid rock in a few days (we will feature this 1984 geological catastrophe in our next issue). Once the water started flowing over the top of the rock, carving started and within a few weeks, the canyon was carved.

Many evolutionists who study the Grand Canyon agree with this idea. Of course, they think it happened a million years ago, but many agree with the method and amount of time it took to carve the canyon. Nothing smaller than one massive catastrophe can account for the canyon. Several "spurts" doesn't fit scientifically.

It is appropriate to write about this movement on the part of evolutionists because creation science was started in 1961 by a book written by Dr. Henry Morris called The Genesis Flood. Dr. Morris was head of the engineering department of Virginia Polytech at the time. His Ph.D. is in civil engineering with a specialty in hydraulics (moved or operated or effected by liquid). Evolutionists called The Genesis Flood non-science and pseudoscience 40 years ago and still do today. Yet, the evolutionists now agree with the basic mechanics proposed in the book.

Which scientists best explained the facts 40 years ago? Do you think the same scientists might also explain the facts best today? Why?

How To make a Fossil

There are many ways to make a fossil: Burial in mud, petrifaction (minerals turning buried vegetation into fossils such as the petrified forests), capture in amber and several others. They all have one thing in common. The organism must be cut off from scavengers, bacteria and air almost immediately.

Do we find dead fish becoming fossils at the bottom of the ocean? No. How about coyotes in the wild around us? No.

These situations do not result in preservation. Even skeletons erode away in under 100 years in the dryness of Arizona. ALL fossils are the result of burial in mud or other material. Every time you find a fossil, there was a catastrophe. The idea that fine layers can build up at a rate of inches per thousands of years is not supported by what we know today.

In 1977 we visited Dinosaur National Monument. The naturalist explained that the dinosaurs went to dinosaur graveyards to die. There was no other way to explain how dinosaurs could be so entangled and built up to a height of over 32 feet (that is just the part in the quarry building).

By 1995 it was river floods that swept the dinosaurs away and buried them. But river floods would have to be huge and repeated and follow each other in rapid succession to accomplish this. And the same thing happened in many parts of the world.

Can you see the trend? In believing in long ages of time, the religion of Naturalism made assumptions that required long times. When confronted with real science, the time sequences are shortened at Dinosaur National Monument, the Grand Canyon and many other places.

The reasonable explanation is a worldwide flood, brought by our Creator and Judge: Jesus, as described in the Bible... The flood of Noah.
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Creationists say: The population rate has been about the same as it is now. Reason: We have wars, natural disaster and disease today just as there has always been. Today, in undeveloped nations, the birth rate is quite high. Based on birth rates being MUCH lower than in undeveloped nations today, two people 4500 years ago would expand to 6 billion today.

Let's look at some predictions and facts:

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We don't have enough space to show you the many more population growth facts. None of them fit the predictions of evolutionists. We have four web site links on our web site home page that will give you all the information and math. We must ask the question:

Which predictions fit the facts?

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spectacular miracles. When we were of the same persuasion I had a friend who said Jesus had an aura 6 miles in diameter. That is quite a large aura. No doubt, he was meek while strong, caring and compassionate, just what everyone would really like for a king or friend.

Ignored or grossly distorted are his words. Nobody wants this compassionate person to say things like: Matt. 10:32-37 Everyone therefore who shall confess Me before men, I will also confess him before My Father who is in heaven But whoever shall deny Me before men, I will also deny him before My Father who is in heaven. Do not think that I came to bring peace on the earth; I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I came to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and a man's enemies will be the members of his household. He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.

Ouch. Tough words. Note that you don't seek christ consciousness, you confess Jesus, the person, as God. And where is the peace? O, Jesus was correct. We get some very nice emails and calls from people that disagree with us, but we get some that are unpleasant. Jesus divides. The Red Rock news won't use Jesus' name in our publicity releases, editing them out.

Why such a explosive reaction? Because we all desire to be our own Gods. We resist any other options. It is our sin nature. But Jesus claimed to be God many times, especially in the Book of John... Son of God and, at the same time, the earthly manifestation of God the Father. They are one, as Jesus said. We want to work our way to our own "redemption." But Jesus offers a gift of redemption which we can do nothing to earn. We simply need to accept the gift. The only redemption available. How incredibly loving is Jesus to offer it as a free gift!

Until next issue...
From the Editor

Welcome.

As we wrote last time, Guy took a class on the geology of the Verde Valley. It was fun and excellent. Kudos to the professor as he used phrases like "we think" and "possibly." Though he definitely taught the earth is old, his approach and response to a couple of my comments regarding his belief were thoughtful and considerate. But, when asked for an explanation for how the earth could show no signs of erosion after 10s of millions of years of erosion, he speculated that it was a coastal plain for all that time. That doesn't make sense. Coastal plains erode today in a short time.

Now Guy is off to a conference at Mt. St. Helens. We hope to feature some stories on the science learned there over the past 25 years.

We'll keep digging for good science.

Thanks for joining us!

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Reincarnation - Just once please

As a former believer in reincarnation, I find science brings on a dilemma. There appears to be two possibilities:

1. Trillions upon trillions of people have lived. That would mean that each of us has lived countless lives attempting to get better. But here we are after all those lives doing evil. We all do things we wish we hadn't done (and hurt people in the process). It doesn't appear that reincarnation is a very good learning process. One life is enough for me.

2. Jesus created the earth 6000 years ago. Based on population statistics, that means that nearly half of the people that have ever lived are alive today. Many people I knew claimed they had lived many lives... one every couple hundred years. But there is only time for one or two, at the most, lives.

We know the population of the earth was less than a billion just a few centuries ago. That would indicate that most (most likely all) people alive today are experiencing their first life. So how have so many lived so many lives?

The Bible says there will be one reincarnation. Why? God promises that those who accept Jesus are adopted into His family, fellow heirs with Jesus. Jesus rose from the dead to assure us we will rise too... into a world that is fully redeemed. No pain. No death. No suffering.

Joni Mitchell's song (Woodstock) is wrong. We cannot get ourselves back to the garden (of Eden). Jesus gets us back to the garden in our next life right here on a redeemed earth where thistles and briars will no longer be.

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