Part 1 - CHRIST OR ISSA - The "Lost Years" of Jesus

This issue, we start a series looking at gnosticism. A recurring theme in gnosticism is that Jesus was not the son of God, but an extremely enlightened human. The key to this belief is the so-called "lost years" of Jesus. Those

Radiometric Dating Revisited

More information is coming forth on radiometric dating.

Evolutionists say: C-14 radiometric dating is accurate up to 60,000 years. Uranium-lead dating is accurate up to billions of years.

Creationists say: C-14 is somewhat accurate back about 1000 years. Uranium-lead and other old earth measurements are completely unreliable.

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Size of the Universe - Inflation

Last month we mentioned that big bang and creationists theories on the formation of the universe require miracles. Star formation, rotation, spin, planet formation... there are no explanations except miracles.

One of the biggest miracles is called inflation. The universe is supposedly about 13.7 billion years old. Based on the speed of light, the maximum diameter would be 27.4 billion light years. But for many years, astronomers have known the universe is actually larger. To compensate, scientist refer to a concept called inflation which is a time when the universe expanded at a rate faster than the speed of light which Einstein said is impossible. New Scientist, 22 may 2004, p.20 reports that measurements based on the Cosmic Background Radiation show a universe at least 156 billion light years in diameter!

Referring to Isaiah 42:5, creationists agree the heavens were stretched out (inflated). Young earth creationists believe the galaxies were formed near the center of the universe (where we are) and then stretched out. When a creationists uses inflation, it is called ridiculous by evolutionists. But without it, their own theory is impossible. Naturalism requires there be no miracles. Yet without them, there is no universe.

Is there any evidence for the young-earth theory? Yes. Last month, we pointed out several pieces of data regarding our solar system that support a young age. Here is some from the far reaches of the universe.

Many galaxies are spiral shaped. Those across the universe have the same amount of "spiral-ness" as those near us. Based on the speed of light, those galaxies far from us were spiral shaped over 10 billion years ago. Those near us were spiral shape (and to the same degree) just a few million years ago.

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Evolutionists have long claimed that chimpanzees are our closest "relative." They have also claimed that our DNA is only 2% different from chimps. Turns out the difference is actually a minimum of 7% as the scientists only compared common DNA, not any places where humans have more or less DNA in a region of the code than chimps. The difference may actually be 10%.- Nature, 27 May 2004, pp. 382-388

Considering we share 50% of our code with a banana, it appears that the difference in code between us and chimps is quite significant.

If you would like to learn more or have questions about creation science, we invite you to join us for open discussions.

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### Evolutionist Prediction
- Coal was formed by slow accumulation of plant material and later buried
- Old-age radiometric dating of Potassium-Argon is accurate for billions of years
- C-14 radiometric dating is accurate up to 60,000 years.
- Old-age radiometric dating of Uranium-Lead is accurate for billions of years

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<td>• Uranium-Lead dating results in ages 100s of times too long</td>
<td>- The most dependable dating using Uranium-Lead dating was based on zircon crystals. This was the one area of dating that looked reasonable for indicating long ages. New discoveries have changed that. During the process of turning from Uranium to Lead, the atoms &quot;eject&quot; four Helium atoms. Those Helium atoms then pass out of the crystals at a rate that has been precisely measured. Scientists have investigated how much helium is actually in zircon crystals. The answer is: way too much. Based on helium diffusion from zircon crystals, the crystals are 6000 (± 2000) years old.</td>
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### Observations on young rocks dating old, they have nothing of substance to say. On old rocks being 1000s of feet above young rocks, they claim the research procedures were incorrect. The scientist who did the work has answered every complaint even though the critics had no basis for the complaints except they don't like the results of the study. They will not replicate the studies because they know they won't like those results either.

### Observations on helium escaping from Zircon crystals. Rates of helium diffusion are being confirmed by additional researchers including in the Journal of Geophysical Research. This is a very recent discovery so not much has been said in rebuttal yet.

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**Are you surprised to learn about this new information regarding radiometric dating?** So were 10,000 geophysicists who attended the 2003 annual fall meeting of the American Geophysical Union. At that meeting, creation scientists presented three papers regarding the findings reported on this page. The papers point to a young earth. Those 10,000 scientists had heard the same propaganda you have heard... that creation science is not real science. **Now they know differently... and so do you.**
The point by stating that the writings are from an Egyptian Gnostic library. But these date from the 4th century and are therefore irrelevant to Issa and Jesus.

Starting on page 13, Prophet takes over 400 pages to present evidence. To her credit, she does give a full accounting of the evidence for and against the claims made.

First, Russia journalist Nicolas Notovitch, a Russian journalist wrote a book in 1887 in which he claims to have found a Buddhist manuscript that specifically says Jesus was in India for the "lost years." Almost nothing is known about Notovitch's life. The scrolls, which had supposedly been translated from Pali to Tibetan contain descriptions of the life and acts of Issa. These scrolls actually contained bits of information about Issa scattered through them. A translator, listening to the reading by a monk, translated the words which Notovitch wrote down and then published in a book.

Several accounts are then presented about people who claimed to have seen the documents or heard of Issa from the monks, though none of any of the people read the texts.

Interestingly, Prophet admits (and we admire her evenhandedness in doing so) that monks are very leery of Westerners and resist requests to see any of their documents. Yet, the few people who have made the request supposedly managed to see the documents. So far, her argument is very weak, but possible.

Next month we will continue this look at "The lost years of Jesus" by looking at Issa's supposed writings.

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**Gnosticism:** Hinduism, which is the foundation of eastern religion, is built upon Gnosticism. The Greek, Roman and other cultures also had elements of Gnosticism in their belief systems. There are several tenants of Gnosticism, two are important to this discussion.

1) **Matter is evil, Spirit is good.** Our goal is to escape the physical and join the "christ consciousness" spirit. What happens in the physical world is of little importance as long as you are growing closer to the spirit. This totally contradicts the teachings of Jesus who taught that our spiritual condition is reflected in our physical actions (the Bible sets forth some regulations on our actions). Bible also says we will be resurrected into physical bodies after death is conquered. In Genesis, Jesus pronounces every step of the creation as "good." When finished, Jesus declares the entire creation, "...very good." (Gen. 1:31)

2) **Enlightenment.** Only those who are already enlightened can lead others to the higher level of understanding. The Bible makes it clear that every person can have immediate access to God through belief in Jesus.

No wonder Peter and John and leaders up to the present use so much of their writings to combat Gnosticism that was/is creeping into the church.

From the Editor: What will you do with it?

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The arguments for an old earth that came about by chance are dying rapidly. As scientists increase their ability to observe and measure what is really going on, from microscopic machines in cells to the edges of the universe, the assumptions of old age and chance happenings are being contradicted by the evidence.

Those who start their science with the assumption of Naturalism (no god) do research looking for and analyzing data to try to show how it can all work with no creation or god, just matter and chance.

Those who start with the assumption the Bible is true do research looking for and analyzing data to show the earth is young and created.

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My, what 25 years can do. Especially the past three years. More and more evidence is building that structures in our solar system are young, that the universe is young, the universe has a center... and we are there.

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