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We must speak for silence would shame us, and the rocks themselves would cry out... You, O Lord Christ Jesus, must be praised for who You are in the world You have made.

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



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## Part 4 - Christ or Issa - The "Lost Years" of Jesus

In the past three issues we have been looking at *The Lost Years of Jesus* by Elizabeth Clare Prophet. Those who believe in the concept of christ consciousness (simplified: The universe has a cosmic spirit with which we are one, but we have lost our way and need to re-discover that oneness) look to her book in an attempt to show that Jesus is not God. In our first part we saw that there was some, but slim, possibility that Jesus, called Issa, spent some part of ages 13 to 30 in India, supposedly to learn from Hindu masters. In the second part, we found that most of the evidence consists of Gnostic

writings from the 3rd and 4th century. Last issue, we saw that Issa condemned the Vedas and Puranas as false writings, thus declaring that Hinduism-based (most of the eastern) religions are false. As we conclude this look at the book, we look at several things Issa said that

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## Making Fossils: Long Ages or Catastrophic Flood?

At the right is a fossil of a fern. You can find it in the creek bed just west of route 179 and north of Beaverhead Flat Road, a couple miles south of the Village of Oak Creek. How did that fossil form? A fern got caught in a mud flow of some



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## Saturn's Moon Water Geyser & Other News

There is more fascinating news from the Cassini space mission to Saturn. As reported in the Wall Street journal 3-14-06. Enceladus, a moon of Saturn only 500 kilometers (305 miles) in diameter has many liquid water geysers! There is no apparent source for the heat

required for Enceladus to have remained so warm for millions of years. It should be frigid cold by now. The obvious is overlooked. Enceladus is only a few thousand years old.

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## Polls Show That Good Science Wins Minds

CBS News/New York Times Poll of 885 persons (general population), accurate +/- 3% (2005):

- 55% are creationists. God created us.
- 32% think God used/helped evolution
- 13% believe in Darwinian Evolution

Jewish Theological Seminary and HCD poll of 1,482 American physicians (2005):

Percentage of **doctors** who believe in Creation or intelligent design

- 60% of Muslims
- 49% of Catholic
- 63% of Protestants
- 18% of Jewish

Atheists have prevailed in requiring the teaching of the religion of Naturalism (evolution) in schools from kindergarten to high school and in almost all of our universities. Evolution has dominated movies, the news and other media. After over 60 years of indoctrination, Americans, including some of our most intelligent, realize that evolution is a belief with no scientific basis. Not ONE single experiment has ever given any hope that life can come from non-life or that one kind of creature can come from another. EVERY experiment has confirmed that all life had to be created.

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in an article that appeared in BERLINER ZEITUNG MAGAZIN. The English translation of the article can be found at [http://www.txture.com/intelligentdesign\\_e.htm](http://www.txture.com/intelligentdesign_e.htm).

When the author of the article, Nina Rehfeld, talked with me, she indicated that people in Germany do not get in an uproar like they do in the United States when intelligent design is mentioned. I wondered why. Perhaps it is because of the approach to science that is taken in Eu-

rope. For example, UK law does not ban the critical examination of evolution. The Science National Curriculum in England states: "Pupils should be taught ... how scientific controversies can arise from different ways of interpreting empirical evidence [for example, Darwin's theory of evolution]." *The brackets are not ours.* The curriculum places examples of controversies that can be discussed in brackets. In the United States, when boards of education do anything with the curriculum that allows evolution to be looked at critically in the classroom, the atheists

come out screaming that the schools are imposing religion on the students.

We contend once again, that it is evolution which is religion based. Hundreds of thousands of experiments have proven that life from non-life cannot happen and one kind of creature cannot come from a different kind of creature. We have asked for someone to cite a study that gives any hope of evolution. So far, nobody has come up with a single article. The evolutionist lives by faith, not science. CRM

## Bird Flu, Evolution, and You (and us)

The Bird Flu is a major concern. Right now it does not pass from person to person. But could it in the near future? Nobody knows for sure. Odds are, it won't. But if it does start passing from human to human, we could have a big problem.

Listening to the media, one gets the idea that we are just one mutation from disaster. We have been told that mutations have caused some of our best drugs to stop working... that the bacteria have become some sort of *super-bacteria*. Occasionally, a mutation *could* occur that results in a bacteria being more resistant to our drugs.

But in reality, the *super-bacteria* existed before the drug was ever invented (see quote below-right). Just as dogs come in many shapes and sizes, there are also subtle differences in individual cells. Perhaps we don't get the full story because talking about mutations makes for an exciting headlines and talking about what really happens is rather boring to most minds.

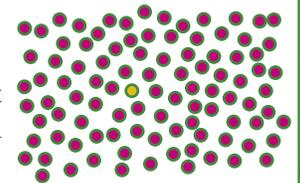
Here is what really happens. Imagine that the graphic above right is a bunch of staph infection bacteria. Most are red with a green cell wall. We'll call those "reds." One has a yellow interior. We'll call it "Fred."

Fred is a somewhat weak staph. The reds are much more hardy, so only a few Freds can co-exist with reds as the reds beat them to all the resources needed to survive. When you got infected with staph in the 1950's, it was reds that got you sick. So, scientists developed a medicine that attacked reds by blocking some genetic function of the cells. You came down with a staph infection. Your body starts to fight the reds. Your doctor gave you medicine and it started killing reds (but not the Freds). Your body killed the

few Freds the medicine could not.

Now it is 2006. Our medicine has virtually wiped out all the reds. You get a staph infection. Since there are no more reds, you have all Freds. Fred no longer has competition from reds, so Fred flourishes. Big problem... the medicine doesn't work against Freds. Our once weak bacteria is now seemingly a *super-bacteria*. Though it is a weaker bacteria, your body cannot fight them off just as it couldn't fight off all the reds 50 years ago.

So, what we actually have is simple genetic variation at work, not mutations. So the next time you hear that a super-bacteria has evolved, remember it is really gen(e)ocide of the reds. CRM



"I ... queried biologists working in areas where one would expect the Darwinian paradigm to have most benefited research, such as the emergence of resistance to antibiotics and pesticides. Here, as elsewhere, I found that Darwin's theory had provided no discernible guidance, but was brought in, after the breakthroughs, as an interesting narrative gloss."

*evolutionist Philip Skell, Emeritus Evan Pugh Professor at Pennsylvania State University*

### Antibiotic resistance before antibiotics

"Scientists at the University of Alberta have revived bacteria from members of the historic Franklin expedition who mysteriously perished in the Arctic nearly 150 years ago. Not only are the six strains of bacteria almost certainly the oldest ever revived, says medical microbiologist Dr. Kinga Kowalewska-Grochowska, three of them also happen to be resistant to antibiotics. In this case, the antibiotics clindamycin and cefoxitin, both of which developed more than a century after the men died, were among those used."

*Ed Struzik, Ancient bacteria revived, Sunday Herald, September 16, 1990, A1.*

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kind.

Let's start with an example of how NOT to make a fossil. Millions of bison were slaughtered in the plains of the American West in the late 1800's. Nobody was sent out to clean up the carcasses (in most cases, no meat or skin was taken, they were just shot for the sake of shooting them and left lying on the ground). Bison are large creatures. The northern plains is rather dry with little rain and low humidity. Where are the skins, the meat and the bones? All gone. Eaten, rotted and dissolved by weather. No fossils formed.

The lesson here is that dead critters soon disappear. Whether they fall

to the ocean bottom or in a desert, in a very short time, all soft tissue is gone... eaten or rotted. The bones may be eaten or dissolved by weathering processes. Even the bones last a *very* short time.

Making a fossil is a simple process. There is only one way to make a fossil. The creature or plant must be buried in mud. Being buried in mud cuts off access to scavengers, oxygen and weathering. Most fossils are buried so quickly and thoroughly that the bones, whether still

bone material or mineralized, show no sign of degradation. All the normal surface shapes and details are there. Sometimes, even scales or feathers would leave their impression in the rock. Soft creatures such as jellyfish and sponges have also left detailed impressions in the rock. In summary, to make a fossil requires that the organism be buried quickly in mud and that mud must then turn to rock.

Let's see how these well-known scientific facts stack up against the stories we are told about sedimentation occurring slowly over long ages of time at the bottom of oceans and lakes:

The beautiful white sand of the Cayman Islands is actually fish "droppings." The fish eat dead shell creatures and their digestive system turns those shells into sand.

Evolutionist Prediction	Creationist Prediction	Observed Fact	Conclusion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fossils occur in sediment which was deposited slowly, up to thousands of years per inch.</li> <li>• Oceans or lakes slowly covered large areas of land, burying creatures and plants, creating fossils.</li> <li>• Oceans or lakes slowly covered large areas of land, burying creatures and plants, creating fossils.</li> <li>• As creatures died and fell to the ocean floor, they were slowly covered with deposits.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fossils occur because the creatures and plants were buried rapidly as part of Noah's flood.</li> <li>• Fossils are almost always the result of catastrophic mud flow such as occurred in Noah's Flood.</li> <li>• Fossils are almost always the result of catastrophic mud flow such as occurred in Noah's Flood.</li> <li>• Fossils are almost always the result of catastrophic mud flow such as occurred in Noah's Flood.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To make a fossil, the creature must be buried rapidly in mud. There are probably a few creatures which sank in quicksand, but these fossils are rare. To bury large creatures such as dinosaurs, the mud flow must be huge.</li> <li>• If sediments are the result of thousands of years to make a few inches, those sediments should contain layers of soil, evidence of massive erosion, animal tunnels, and plant root systems. The geological strata shows almost NONE of these.</li> <li>• Tree fossils that extend vertically through 10 to 50 feet of strata are not uncommon. If the sediment (in the case of coal seams, additional huge quantities of vegetation) deposited slowly, the tree would rot before even one inch of fossil formed. The surrounding vegetation that formed coal also would have rotted instead of forming coal.</li> <li>• Below are two shots of the same fossils. Note that the bottoms of the fossils are at different levels. One creature died, was supposedly partially buried, another creature died, and the cycle continues. In some places this overlap of fossils is scores of feet thick. How could those fossils occur at overlapping depths for scores of vertical feet with no rotting or disintegration occurring? It CAN'T!</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The vast majority (99+%) of fossils were created during catastrophic mud flows</li> <li>• Most fossils were created during catastrophic mud flows such as during Noah's Flood.</li> <li>• Coal strata formation had to occur rapidly or all the vegetation would have rotted and vertical log fossils would not occur.</li> <li>• Vertically overlapping fossils had to be buried together as a unit, not over thousands or millions of years.</li> </ul>

Here is the big surprise. Most professional geology journals regularly publish articles that support the notion that fossils equal catastrophic burial in mud! Most modern (especially the younger) geologists accept that catastrophe is the history of the earth. The dif-

ference is that where we would contend it was one catastrophe, they would contend that it was many separated by millions of years. But they still have a problem. If there are millions of years BETWEEN strata members, where is the erosion? There is almost NONE. CRM



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match the Bible in proclaiming there is one God who is Creator. Issa also talks about sin and judgment. We will start with Chapter IV of Issa's words. The correlation with Biblical teaching is amazing and contrary to eastern thought (*Italics indicates a direct quoting of the text*):

**(Verse) 1** - *...the moment when the all-merciful Judge elected to become incarnate in a human being. Jesus, part of the eternal Triunity of God, left his divine position to suffer in His creation.*

**8** - *The **divine** child, to whom was given the name of Issa, began from his earliest years to speak of the one and indivisible God, exhorting the souls of those gone astray to repentance and the purification of the sins of which they were culpable.* Notice that Jesus is called Issa. Also, that though he was a man, he is God which is "one and indivisible." It is stated that souls have gone astray. And have sinned. The Bible teaches that our body is just a dwelling place for our soul. It is our being, the soul, which sins against God. It is us, our beings, that must repent (means: turn around and walk away from).

Let's jump over what we discussed in past issues to chapter V and continue with this line of teaching by Issa.

**15** - *The Judge Eternal, the Eternal Spirit, comprehends the one and indivisible soul of the universe which alone creates, contains, and vivifies all.* Does this indivisible soul of the universe include us? Most Hindu-based religions may say so. But, do we create, contain and vivify (give life and energy to)? At first glance it might be. But that would be out of context. The next verses answer our question...

**16** - *He alone has willed and created, he alone has existed since all eternity, and his existence will have no end. He has no equal in the heavens or on the earth.*

**17** - *The Great Creator has not shared his power with any living being, still less with inanimate objects, as they have taught you; for he alone possesses omnipotence,* We have our answer. Eastern thought has attempted to deceive us. We are NOT part of the soul of the universe. We are created by that soul. God, the "Great Creator," alone has created all, including us. He does not share His power with us. We cannot create as He has created. We are NOT a part of Him. How could we be? We have sinned, Issa told us in verse 8. Sin is doing that which God disapproves of. We cannot possibly be a part of this wonderful God. And, inanimate objects... rocks, the earth itself, etc. are NOT alive. They are less than us. Issa confirms the teaching of Christianity.

**18** - *He willed it and the world appeared. In divine thought, he gathered together the waters, separating from them the dry portion of the globe. He is the principle for the mysterious existence of man, in whom he has breathed a part of his being.* Wow! This almost exactly parallels Genesis chapter 1. He breathed life into us. He created us in His image (like a shadow in the Hebrew of Genesis). Verses 19 through 27 tell of our sin and future judgement. Here are some excerpts:

*The anger of God will soon be let loose against man; for he has forgotten his Creator... and he worships a crowd of creatures which God has made subordinate to him... Because in the day of judgement the Sudras and the Vaisyas will be forgiven much because of their ignorance, while*

*God, on the contrary, will punish with his wrath those who have arrogated to themselves his rights.... Worship not the idols, for they hear you not... Listen not to the Vedas, for their truth is counterfeit.*

Was Issa Jesus? There is not enough data to be sure of the answer to that question. But it is clear that Hinduism, Buddhism and related religions are false according to Issa. Issa confirms the Bible. God is a person, not just a force. He is Creator and Judge. We have sinned against Him. Issa confirms all these doctrines. "Christ consciousness" and the "cosmic christ" are indirectly repudiated by Issa in these writings. Issa's writings are supposedly a cornerstone of false beliefs, but the texts confirm the Bible. It makes sense. People do evil things. If we are part of a cosmic consciousness, then that consciousness is part evil and there would be no escape from evil, now or in the future.

Issa indirectly points us to Christ. In Him, and only in Him, is there hope of escaping evil. God and all He created is good. Our sin, the rejection of God that Issa spells out so clearly, has removed us from fellowship with our Creator. But God's love is so great that Jesus paid the price that must be paid to restore that fellowship for eternity. Just ask Issa. CRM

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## QUOTE:

"Everybody knows that organisms get better as they evolve. They get more advanced, more modern, and less primitive. And everybody knows, according to Dan McShea (who has written a paper called 'Complexity and Evolution: What Everybody Knows'), that organisms get more complex as they evolve.

"... The only trouble with what everyone knows, says McShea, an evolutionary biologist at the University of Michigan, is that there is **no evidence** it's true." (*emphasis ours*)

– Lori Oliwenstein, *Onward and Upward?*, Discover, p. 22, June 1993.