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We must speak for silence would shame us, and the rocks themselves would cru 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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Is Jesus Our Creator and God?

Many people are confused about Jesus. There are many who think that Jesus was just a man. And though He may have been quite a spectacular man, He was a man and nothing more. Even some who love Jehovah God, the God of the Bible, think

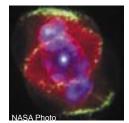
that Jesus is less than God, merely the son of God. There are quite a few verses that seem to say that Jesus was not God. Jesus

referred to himself as "son of man" most of the time. We will not delineate all

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Who Designed the Designer?

This question seems to pop up in debates, books and magazine articles by atheists. The implication is that the creator must also have been created by something more powerful and complex than the creator. There is no end to the creators needed to create the next level down creator. There must be something more powerful



than God which made God. This is an illogical non-argument. See Who on page 2

Thoughts... Musings...

The New Atheists



ocal writing and publishing consultant Tom Bird (www.To ✓mBird.com)recently gave two free seminars in Sedona. I attended both excellent presentations. Tom said that when we write we should write from the heart, and as fast as possible. We can write rapidly about those things that give us passion. Thus, this article is composed of our musings regarding the cultural war we are in. See Musings on page 2

The photo on the left shows several layers of strata. ▲ The total thickness of the strata is about 1.5 meters. Geologists, being great readers of rock, would draw a diagram like the one below

Rock language

than this one. CRM

to explain the layers of strata we see and explain how it was deposited in calm water over thousands of years. It is the way the strata would be read every time. But there is a problem. This strata was exposed during removal of mud in New Orleans after Katrina. Note that all this already hardening mud was deposited by rapidly moving water. In addition, the particles were well-sorted by the moving water. Mount St. Helens gave us much rapid-deposits thicker

Science News to Learn By...

ID / Creation Science Dangerous?

Have you noticed that evolutionists refer to Intelligent Design and Creation Science as dangerous? When the big bang was first proposed, some cosmologists were concerned that the theory might help the

position of Christians in the idea that the universe had a beginning. But, nobody declared it "dangerous." It seems every article I read in New Scientist and in the paper refer to the idea of an alternative to

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We need to look at this question,

Who designed the designer, from several directions.

Cause and Effect

This idea comes straight out of a very **L** basic, well-established principle of natural science: Every effect must have a cause. Something moves (the effect) because something else (the cause) moves it. Something (the effect) happens because something else (the cause) causes it to happen. In common practice we call it cause and effect. In operation, the cause brings about an effect. And the cause must be greater than the effect. A concrete block that has a resistance to movement of 50 pounds of force cannot be moved by 40 pounds of force. It can be moved only by a force of more than 50 pounds.

Beginning of the Universe

What is the cause of the universe? We know it had a beginning. Naturalism states the universe is composed of only matter and energy. All of the matter and energy that exists came into being when the universe came

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Richard Dawkins is the best known "new atheist." A new atheist is one who is not content to just be an atheist, but wants the entire world to reject all supernatural-based religions and accept the religion of atheism. We have three thoughts regarding this new approach to atheism.

Richard Dawkins claims to seek truth, but excludes God at the get go stating that he could accept Intelligent Design as science if it could be shown that the agent is little green men that evolved from slime elsewhere in the universe. Does Dawkins really seek truth when he rejects the possibility of God before looking at the evidence? Before Dawkins, the most renowned atheist was Andrew Flew. Flew also was seeking truth. As this century dawned, he saw just how complex life is, and particularly how complex the information in DNA is. He is now a deist. He realized that truth in science leads to a Creator. Dawkins is strong in into being. That which is natural is all of that energy and matter. The universe is the effect. What is the cause? It cannot cause itself. The cause must be greater than the effect.

Supernatural

Since all of that which is natural is the universe, the universe must have a cause greater than all that is natural. By definition, the start must be supernatural. That is to say that the cause of the universe cannot be explained by laws of nature. The naturalist has acknowledged this fact by asking the question of who designed the designer?

The Paradox

The naturalist now has a paradox. The law of cause and effect requires that the universe be caused by the supernatural, but the naturalist does not believe in the supernatural.

The Solution

Since all of that which is natural is the universe, the universe must have a supernatural creation. Only that which is greater than the universe could cause the universe.

his writings, but when confronted with a scientific and intelligent rationale for God by a fellow intellectual, he crumbles into desperation. Watch the video we reference in our Science News article to see for yourself.

As Christians we are compelled to _spread Christianity because God demands it and we care about people. If one rejects Christianity, so be it. But, in love, we must make the effort. Dawkins labels those who disagree with him as stupid and much worse. Why? Why does he even care? Famous pioneer scientist Blase Pascal offered what is now called Pascal's Wager. If the atheist is correct and there is no heaven or hell, then it ends the same for everybody. The atheist has won by dying a total death and becoming worm fodder, but nobody else does any worse. If Christians are correct and there is a judging God, then the atheist loses and the Christian wins eternity. The question is why does the atheist care if Christians have their belief? Since Christians are happier than atheists, why

The Creator

Note that the creator is supernatural. He is *not* bound by naturalism. Cause and effect is a principle of matter and energy per the laws of physics in this universe. Jesus, the supernatural, by definition is greater than His creation. He is not subject to laws of naturalism including cause and effect. Indeed, He created the laws of naturalism so the universe could operate as it does.

The Naturalist's Hope

The naturalist recognizes this ■ dilemma. His hope is that of a universe that contracts and expands again for eternity. This does not answer the question. All solutions offered are beyond naturalism and therefore contradict the naturalists own philosophy. For example, cosmologists, based on the big bang theory, now think the universe will not contract. It will always expand. After unmeasurable, infinitely vast numbers of collapses in the past, why would it not contract this time? The hope is irrational and unscientific. Jesus needs no creator. He is the Creator of the universe, you and me. CRM

prevent the spread of Christianity? No harm is done to anyone and those who accept Christ will be happier and may have won eternity. But if the atheist has convinced people to turn their back on God, much harm is done if Christians are correct. The caring, moral action would be to encourage Christianity knowing that people will be happier and, if Jesus is real, they gain an eternity of bliss!

The answer seems to be that the "new" atheists are not atheists at all. They hate all thoughts of the supernatural, especially Jesus and those who believe Him. Read Dawkins and America's new atheist, Sam Harris. Their words are full of vile and hate for those who disagree with them. It appears they wish to stifle all discussion so they will not have to deal with the idea they could be wrong. It looks like that they consider themselves so brilliant that they should not have to answer to a mere God. Indeed, that is the root of Humanism... we are our own god and answer to no other god. Go for it, but please leave the rest of us alone. CRM

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evolution as being dangerous. In Texas, the state school board is considering putting in the standards that problems of evolutionary theory can be mentioned in the classroom. You would think that Texas was about to encourage genocide. The rabid evolutionists protest that this is dangerous and antiscientific. Since when was challenging current theory dangerous? That is how science progresses. Such desperation is a technique used throughout history by those who realize they cannot defend True scientists and their position. intellectuals invite challenges.

Dawkins in Retreat

Melanie Phillips of the UK Spectator (link on our web site home page) has a story about Richard Dawkins. As in the Expelled movie, Dawkins tells Phillips that "Dawkins told me that, rather than believing in God, he was more receptive to the theory that life on earth had indeed been created by a governing intelligence - but one which had resided on another planet." The fact that Dawkins is now mentioning the idea that ID might actually be considered science is a major change in his talking points. You really need to read the entire article to see how Dawkins is backing down on his statements and the falsehoods he is promoting in books such as the God Delusion. But, the best thing on the page is a link to a debate between Dawkins and Dr. John Lennox. Dawkins is taken to the woodshed by Lennox as Lennox destroys Dawkins arguments. Dawkins is shown for what he really is, not a scientist or even a philosopher of science, but purely a propagandist against Christianity.

Catastrophe (again...)

Box Canyon, Idaho has long been another example presented by evolutionists of slow action over long ages of time. They had even "confirmed" the fact that the canyon was carved over long ages. No longer. Scientist have finally realized that the evidence points to a single massive catastrophe carving the canyon in about 35 days (*Science* 5/23/2008, p. 1067-1070).

Dancing Bees

According to *PLos ONE*, 6-4-08, when Asiatic honeybees and European honeybees were put in the same hive, they communicated together perfectly. After a supposed six to eight million years since they diverged from a common ancestor, they still speak the exact same language.

Combine this with the fact that every fossil of a honeybee, no matter how old, looks exactly like a modern honeybee. Evolutionists always find stasis (no change) when looking at the fossil record, yet modern research shows that mutations and natural selection are rapidly occurring. No change = very little time, thousands of years at most.

All from One

Physorg.com reports that it is well established that all humans evolved from one small group about 50,000 years ago. How did they get 50,000 years ago? By assuming a slow mutation rate, one we now know is false. And that small group? How about 4 married couples on an ark about 4200 years ago? It fits the evidence best.

The Hobbit – 3rd Time

Homo floresiensis, also known as Flores Man or popularly, the Hobbit has been thoroughly studied and evolutionists have assigned it to its own species. But, like so many other fossils of men, the story keeps changing. Paleopanthologist Macciej Henneberg of the University of Adelaide has examined photos he took of the teeth of the skeleton. He thinks that one of the fossil molars was filled by a dentist in the 1930s. He has published the claim in a book. Why didn't he make the claim in a professional journal. He hoped to, we are sure. He wants to confirm his findings. But because evolutionists don't like modern Hobbits, he was denied further access to the skeleton. After all, it would be terrible if he could confirm he was correct with more detailed analysis. An evolutionist would never let a search for truth interfere with his battle against the Bible.

Expelled, the movie

Be watching for our next issue and

Men's Breakfast Saturday, Novmeber 22nd at 8:00 AM

And the LAST Saturday Morning most months - December meeting on the 20th

Come to Wayside
Chapel at the
north end of
uptown for good



food and good fellowship. All men are invited. No charge. See you there!

the newspapers. This winter, Crying Rocks Ministry will be co-producing a free showing of the movie *Expelled*, starring Ben Stein. It will be followed by a Q&A/discussion time. If you have questions about the intellectual honesty of evolutionists and/or questions about the mechanism of evolution, be sure to attend!

Christian = Happy! ←

At the Royal Economic Society's annual conference in the UK, Professor Andrew Clark and Dr. Orsolya Lelkes presented their research that shows Christians are happier and better able to cope with disappointments, even the death of a spouse, than agnostics and atheists. And the more we Christians pray, the happier we are! The research doesn't tell why, so we'll tell you. Earthly circumstances do not determine our happiness because the only circumstance that matters is our eternal relationship with Jesus and we have that every moment of every day.

Ring around the (Saturn) Moon

Once again, those big bangers who believe the nebular theory of solar system formation are stymied. The Cassini spacecraft has shown us that the Saturn moon named Rhea has rings of their own. "Whatever is going on is a real puzzle." When you start with a false assumption, you should expect to be puzzled, as we pointed out in our last issue on the many evidences that our solar system is 6000 years old.

Of course, these moon rings are the least of the Big Bang problems. According to the all computer models of the nebular hypothesis, Saturn cannot even exist! Big Bangers never let science get in the way of their anti-God theory. CRM

Creator continued from p. 1 the many places that seem to indicate that Jesus was not God. But we will look at verses that indicate that Jesus is eternal God, the same warp and woof (the essential foundation or base of any structure or organization) as the Father.

D ut first, it would be appropriate to Bexplain how there could be verses that indicate Jesus is God and at the same time something less than God. Philippians 2:5-8 explains how and why God appears as man in the world. *Have* this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, {and} being made in the likeness of men. Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Jesus gave up some part of His Godness during his lifetime on earth. This was necessary as Jesus had to serve as the second Adam. This Adam had to accomplish that which the first Adam could not accomplish. Jesus had to live a sinless life while being a man. Because Jesus is also God, only He, as God, could live the life God requires of us. He lived His life for us, like a stand in.

Tote that only God himself had the capability of dying for our sin. Because He was sinless, He did not have

to pay a penalty. But He could, and did choose, to pay the penalty for our sin.

euteronomy 6:4 "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one!" This and other verses make it clear that there is one God, and that God is one.

t the same time, we have Genesis 1:26 Then God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness... Hmmm. Notice that every reference here is plural. There is more than one. The only conclusion is that God is both singular and plural. The plural aspect is Father, Son and Spirit, yet one... a triune God. Father, Son and Spirit are all 100% God and God is 100% Father, Son and Spirit.

Tenesis 1:26 above is our first Jevidence that Jesus is our creator. He is part of the "Us" in Genesis. The Spirit is also involved in the creation. Genesis 1:2 ...and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters.

The New Testament shows us clearly L that Jesus is that person of the triune God who deals with the universe and man intimately, including being the creation agent. Ephesians 3:9b & 11 state ...hidden in God, who created all things...This was in accordance with the eternal purpose which He carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord. Note that Jesus is given the task of completing the will of the Father in creation. Colossians

1:13-18 makes it clear that Jesus is Creator and holds all existence together by His power. ...For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities - all things have been created by Him and for Him...

I always say, never use one obscure verse to determine doctrine in the Bible. You need three or more that are in obvious agreement. So here is number 3: Hebrews 1:8-10 But of the Son He says Thy throne, O God, is forever and ever...Thou, Lord, in the beginning dist lay the foundation of the earth and the heavens are the works of Thy hands. This is a quote of Psalm 45 and 102:25.

That Jesus is God is made clear in I many verses. The above quote from Hebrews makes it clear that Jesus is God. No less than 17 verses in the book of John are all about Jesus being God. I'll just quote one. In John 8:58 Jesus states, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I am." This is Jesus stating in very plain language that He is timeless, infinite God. See also John 1:1-3, 14, 16, 6:31, 7:29, 8:19, 23, 56, 10:7-14 (the I AM verses), 10:30 (*I and the Father are one*), 10:38, 12: 45, 14:7, 9, and 20:28.

The Bible makes it perfectly clear ▲ that Jesus is 100% God. He is the creator of the universe, you and me. Praise Jesus our creator God! CRM

QUOTES:

Evolution [is] a theory universally accepted not because it can be proven by logically coherent evidence to be true, but because the only alternative, special creation, is clearly incredible." D.M.S. Watson, "Adaptation," Nature, Vol. 124, 1929, p. 233.

I will not accept that philosophically, because I do not want to believe in God. Therefore, I choose to believe in that which I know is scientifically impossible, spontaneous generation arising to evolution. Nobel Prize winner George Wald, Biochemical Science: An Inquiry Into Life

We no longer feel ourselves to be quests in someone else's home and therefore obliged to make our behavior conform with a set of preexisting cosmic rules. It is our creation now. We make the rules. We establish the parameters of reality. We create the world, and because we do, we no longer feel beholden to outside forces. We no longer have to justify our behavior, for we are now the architects of the universe. We are responsible to nothing outside ourselves, so we are the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Jeremy Rifkin, Algeny, 1983, p. 244.

THE POINT:

Intellectual integrity is so refreshing. We so wish that all evolutionists would be so honest. Even *Pravda*, the major newspaper in Godless Russia is intellectually honest. Read the story at http://english.pravda.ru/science/mysteries/ 20-10-2008/106586-Evolution_Theory-0. Pravda gets right to the falsehoods. Truth = We were created by Jesus.