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"Blessed be the LORD God of *Israel*; For He hath visited and redeemed *His* people, And hath raised up an horn of salvation for *us* in the house of his servant David; as he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began; That *we* should be saved from *our* enemies and from the hand of all that hate *us*; to perform the mercy promised to *our* fathers and to remember his holy covenant; The oath which he swore to *our* father Abraham, That he would grant unto *us*, that *we* being delivered out of the hand of *our* enemies might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of *our* lives." Luke 1:68-75; the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic-Germanic-Scandinavian people are *ISRAEL!*

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"CHURCHES"

by Rev Brian Abshire

(while this article is not totally applicable for our Identity believers in Australia, it does offer some insight into some of the problems we also face in regard to fellowships. Hopefully, you will find this helpful and seek to combine with other believers in a fellowship. CIM)

In the thirty-five years of Chalcedon's ministry, Rush(doony) has affected literally millions of lives. Through his writing and speaking, he has helped create a hunger for a truly Biblical faith by throwing down the gauntlet before a compromised evangelicalism. As a consequence, thousands of people have become dissatisfied with "business as usual" Christianity and expect the church to be more than a spiritual social club or an ecclesiastical bureaucracy.

But there are thousands of families across the country who cannot find a good local (Reformed) church to join. Many have given up on the idea of belonging to a "real" church and have had to be satisfied with conducting weekly worship in their homes. In a way, this is Rush's fault, he gave us a vision for what the church is supposed to be, and helped make us dissatisfied with the *status quo*. What else were people to do but leave apostate and culturally irrelevant churches, even if that meant that a home church was the only option?

Of course, this is not a satisfactory long-term solution. As important as is the father's role as the family's spiritual head, the family and the church are distinct spheres of government. God has entrusted certain duties and responsibilities to the church that he has not given the family. He has given the church gifts and graces that the family--no matter how godly--does not have. There are ministries to the family that the church and only the church can provide, and the family is poorer without the care and government of godly elders.

However, what alternatives are there when the only local churches available are pietistic, antinomia, Arminian and hopelessly compromised in worship and practice? How can a godly man submit himself and his family to the government of such institutions? On the other hand, how can his family grow in grace and wisdom when deprived of the godly oversight of God's church? Therefore, though many people have been "going it alone" for years, they still long to be a part of a broader group of believers who share the same values, priorities, and theology. A many-stranded cord is hard to break, two walking together are stronger than one walking alone. We all need to be part of a broader church.

One solution is for families lacking a good local church

to move to where there is such a fellowship. However, it is not always possible for people to uproot their families and find employment in another section of the country. Furthermore, in today's mobile society, one might move to an area to join a church, only to find that the pastor soon leaves for another work!

I (BA) receive calls weekly from people around the country who want to belong to the kind of church we are building in Modesto. Each day, my email box is full of questions, queries, and concerns from godly families who struggle in intolerable situations. My heart goes out to them, and I have come to treasure some of these people greatly. Yes, I can help them resolve some of their present problems (and I am honoured to help do so), but they need a church, a local church, with elders to watch over them.

A number of these families have asked to join us as associate members. They are tired of going it alone, they want a council of godly elders to care for their souls, they want to be identified with a specific church. While we are pleased to offer them oversight, it does not solve the problem. They need a local church. Modern technology, as wonderful as it is, is not a substitute for personal, day-to-day contact. We decided that we had a responsibility to these precious saints to help them organize local churches to which the can belong.

It began with a number of families in the San Francisco/San Jose area (about 70 miles from Modesto) who were long-time *Chalcedon Report* readers. They were scattered in various tiny house churches or enduring antino-

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mian-type traditional evangelical churches. We invited them to Modesto for our monthly, all-day seminar that Andrew Sandlin and I teach.

The response was explosive. Within three months, Reformed Heritage of Modesto had grown to more than five times its original size. By the end of the summer, we had more people attending from the Bay area than from Modesto! But commuting two hours to church once a month does not meet the criteria for local church involvement. Therefore, with the help of a number of godly leaders from the bay area, we organized Reformed Heritage Church of San Jose--one church, two locations.

The Bay area members now meet weekly as a separate congregation. I share preaching duties three times a month with my predecessor, Reformed heritage's pastor emeritus "Smoky" Stover. We will help provide the congregation with a full-time pastor next year. meanwhile, on the fourth Sunday, both congregations meet in Modesto for an all-day service that includes (when appropriate) the sacraments, worship and teaching from new books on which Andrew and I are collaborating.

However, the story does not end there. The folks from San Jose were just the beginning. In October, we took the first steps to help organize Reformed heritage Church of Bend, Oregon. Again, long-time *Chalcedon* readers were struggling without a consistently Reformed church nearby. Several families were meeting weekly to worship and listen to tapes. Now they have decided to join us as members, and we are helping them organize this small fellowship into a new Reformed church. News seems to travel fast, now, across the country, a number of other *Chalcedon Report* readers have also asked us for help in starting a good, consistently Reformed church in their area.

Reformed Heritage provides government and pastoral care for these fledgling works until they get off the ground. we supply teaching tapes, Bible study aids. training materials, and technical expertise to help them start a good church. We show them how to reach out to their neighbours (kinsmen), start home Bible studies that work, and minister to their community. In January we will begin video-taping each week's service so that our "daughter" churches can follow the order of service, watch the sermon, and make local applications. In this way, we can provide teaching for these groups until they are ready for all the responsibilities of being an organized congregation.

If there are problems, cares or concerns, Reformed Heritage offers oversight, counseling and guidance. Once the church is up and running and can support a full-time pastor, there are mechanisms to ordain elders, adjudicate disputes, etc.

Do you see the vision? Rather than isolated households holding the enemy off alone, we are joining forces and extending the Kingdom (rather than having each one doing that which is right in their own eyes).

Does this sound too ambitious for one small church to help organize so many others? Well, the Baptists, and Methodist circuit-riding preachers won a continent using a low-tech version of this same strategy. One man would minister to thousands of people separated by hundreds of square miles.

If you have been deeply influenced by Rush's work over the years and found yourself at odds with contemporary evangelicalism, if you want to be a part of a church

that emphasizes the historic Faith without compromise; if your dedication to providing your children with a Christian education has made you an outsider, if you are tired of the bland, tasteless pabulum that passes for preaching, if you hunger to be part of a group of like-minded believers who are committed to advancing the kingdom, call us. If possible, we'll put you into contact with other like-minded believers in your area and help you organize a church. If you are a pastor, tired of having to watch every word lest an enemy "out" you and destroy your career, talk to us. Maybe we can hook you up with a small house church that be the beginning of something wonderful.

It is time to stop going it alone! One ember by itself, soon cools and dies. But many embers placed together can start an unquenchable fire. We need each other!

Courtesy Chalcedon Report, Dec '98

(CIM has at various times put out a form for people seeking contact with other like-minded individuals or families. Unfortunately, the response has always been poor. However, as Brian said above, embers by themselves die out, and we are seeing that with many older readers passing

away, and yet the baton is not picked up by the next generation. Remember, friends and neighbours and acquaintances are nowhere near as important as your own children. The last few years have seen the numbers decline considerably. We must have a certain number to remain economically viable. If you appreciate our publication, you need to educate your children to also run with the message and carry this on. It seems several other publications have already ceased publishing. Something needs to be kept going. Give a gift subscription to your children for birthdays, or anniversaries, and keep it going - as a small annual gift. Per-

haps they will eventually get the message and subscribe themselves. Get together with others, have a group and work together - for your own benefit, but mainly for the benefit of smaller children who are growing up with this message. They will find it hard to find spouses - if you have a group, they may find a like-minded spouse there when they grow up. If you do not do this, and they marry someone who doesn't understand the message, or has a worldly background, the chances are that your child will at that point also slide back into Babylon. be dedicated and committed to furthering God's Kingdom and start with your children. Commit to membership of a Fellowship, partake with each other in the sacraments, and encourage the next generation to build on that and carry it forward. CIM)

BLOOD ON THE PULPITS

Pastor Matt Trehwella

In March of this year, Joel Osteen had former president Bill Clinton at his Lakewood Church. Osteen said he was "honoured" to have Clinton there while his congregation applauded wildly. That's right, he said he was "honoured to have someone who upholds murder, perversion, immorality, and infidelity, and the thanked Clinton for his "service to our country."

If you would like to see the whole sorry episode regarding Bill Clinton with your own eyes, click on the following link or paste it into your URL:

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We at *Missionaries to the Preborn* had a different experience when we visited Osteen's Lakewood Church in November 2003. We went there with photos of the murdered preborn and literature encouraging Christians to take action on behalf of the helpless preborn. We stood on public property outside the church, but one of our people was arrested by off-duty Houston police (which run Osteen's security detail each Sunday). We were told the arrest was ordered by church officials. They must have thought better of it soon afterward, as some congregants questioned why we were being arrested, because soon a fresh word came from inside and the person arrested was un-arrested and no further arrests were made.

Needless to say, we were not invited in; we were not "honoured" for "our service to Christ;" there was no wild applause. Nor was there any call to repentance; no mention of the plight of the preborn from the pulpit; no corporate sorrow or action from the congregation.

This is a perfect example of why baby-killing continues in our nation. The American Church not only does not fight on behalf of the preborn, it panders to those who propagate it in our nation. Many Bible-believing churches regularly "honour" elected officials who are pro-abortion and pro-homosexual every year at services where elected officials are invited to the church service. These same churches say very little or nothing at all on behalf of the pre-born, not to mention—do nothing on behalf of the pre-born. These churches obviously also do not practice church discipline.

The greatest guilt for this indifference towards this bloodshed is on pastors. I remember, 20 years ago now, meeting with pastors to simply inform them about the killing of the pre-born, and ask them to take simple action on their behalf. Often I would weep out in the parking lot afterwards because of the cold, hard-hearted indifference that was communicated to me by the pastors. Not one tear shed, not one word of compassion, after seeing the bloodied bodies of the helpless, needy, pre-born. Just bogus theological ramblings to dismiss the suffering of the pre-born from their minds and their congregations'.

This indifference is the fruit of an American Christianity *which has rejected God's Word* and in 1900 years of non-debated church teaching that children are a gift from God, and has instead embraced the anti-child mentality of Margaret Sanger and Planned Parenthood. Royce Dunn, the National founder and director of LifeChain, recently wrote regarding this matter and referred to this anti-child, pro-contraception mentality as —"child aversion." In his article, he addresses the fruit of this mentality by saying:

"Having devalued child and family, the church indulged increasingly in materialistic aims, sanctuary comforts, professionalism, and social interests, while embedding user-friendly programs that slighted the Gospel, but not church coffers. Similarly, the church traded compromise for church growth, doctrinal lenience, and sensationalism that absorbed many in an unbiblical quest for spirit power and financial gain."

The American pulpits betrayal of the pre-born is the fruit of their betrayal of American Christians as to the biblical purpose and function of family. And most of all, the pastors have betrayed the Lord Himself.

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five sons and six daughters.

This was copied from "The Wake-Up Herald" put out by Pastor Robert McCurry.

Editorial Comments - by editor NCM

When one stops and considers what has happened to Christianity over the years; one has to imagine that Christianity does not teach what it used to teach. An atheist of the last century has to rejoice to what the church teaches now—for what the average Christian believes in this dark day is what the atheists believed in centuries past.

Birth control and abortion are two of these issues. Prior to 1930, all Christian denominations in the United States were firmly against both birth-control and abortion. In 1930, the Anglican denomination gave in to birth-control. The argument was simple.

Women had to control their bodies. In their movement to "freedom," they had to control the one thing that men did not have the engineering to control—the birth or death of a child in the women's womb. The atheist — notice that she was a socialist and an atheist — Margaret Sanger led the fight to take over this major and important function of the woman.

This was the missing piece that the women's movement needed in their fight against God's way of living. God's Word is explicit in the realm of how a marriage is to be; and it is nowhere stated that marriage is a 50%-50% relationship.

To man, God gave the responsibility to be the head of his family. To no one gave he the responsibility to decide how and when to plan a family. That notion was to be left up to Him. If the woman was to have a lot or no children, it was simply left up to God.

In the last eighty years we have had many "Christian" as well as non-Christians planning their families. And the result: Besides the death of millions of babies, venereal diseases and HIV diseases are rampant and sexual immorality is prevalent—all sins. May our God have mercy.

LACK OF VITAMIN D MAY CAUSE SEVERAL AILMENTS, STUDY HINTS

— by John Farber

Low levels of vitamin D, a chronic problem for many people in northern latitude areas such as Wisconsin, were associated with substantially higher rates of heart disease and stroke, according to the latest study in a growing amount of research suggesting that vitamin D deficiencies might be at the root of a variety of serious health problems.

Indeed, a second study published online Monday in another journal concluded that people who got increased levels of sun exposure had a better chance of surviving various cancers than those who got limited sun exposure.

In one of the strongest studies to date linking the vitamin to cardiovascular disease, researchers followed 1,739 members of the Framingham Offspring Study for more than five years.

They found that the rate of cardiovascular disease events such as heart attacks, strokes and heart failure were 53 percent to 80 percent higher in people with low levels of vitamin D in their blood.

"This is a stunning study," said John Whitcomb, medical director of the Aurora Sinai Wellness Institute in Milwaukee. He was not involved in the study.

Whitcomb said the study bolsters the idea that people living in Wisconsin and other northern latitude areas should supplement their diet with vitamin D pills from October

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Whitcomb noted that other than eating lots of fatty fish, it is nearly impossible to maintain optimal vitamin D levels through diet alone. Sun exposure and taking vitamin D supplements are the only proven methods, he said. "We were designed to live in sunshine," he said, "every year we go through this five-month stress test."

Because the study followed patients after their vitamin D levels were measured, it is more rigorous in design than other research that merely found a retrospective link between vitamin D levels and cardiovascular disease, said Denise Teves, an assistant professor of medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Wauwatosa who also was not involved in the study. "It makes perfect sense," she said.

In patients she evaluates for possible osteoporosis at Froedtert Hospital and Zablocki Veterans Affairs medical Center, both of which are in Milwaukee, as many as 90 percent have sufficient levels of vitamin D, Teves said. She noted that there are several reasons why vitamin D might help prevent cardiovascular disease.

She said cells that line the arteries of the heart have vitamin D receptors. Low levels of vitamin D can lead to a proliferation of smooth muscle cells in those blood vessels, which, in turn, can lead to blockages and stiffness in arteries. In addition, more vitamin D can lead to less inflammation in arteries. It also has been linked to reduced blood pressure.

Teves said that while the current recommendation for adults is to get about 400 international units of vitamin D a day, an optimal level might be from 800 to 2,000 international units. However, other vitamins have shown initial promise in preventing cardiovascular disease only to fizzle out when randomized clinical trials were done, said Matthew Wolff, clerk of cardiovascular medicine at the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics in Madison.

Wolff, who was not involved with the study, said that people who take vitamins tend to live healthier lives than those who do not, and it is hard determining whether it is the vitamin of life-style that is the root of health benefit.

Still, he said, there is a great deal of biochemical evidence that explains why vitamin D might be beneficial. "We can't assume there is a therapeutic benefit from taking the vitamin," Wolff said, "It's intriguing."

Copied from the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Editorial Comments - by editor NCM

I find it amazing that articles like this keep showing up in the newspapers. Still, the importance of these kind of articles doesn't make the right impression on the minds of those who are descendants of Adam.

The lack of vitamin D is a serious problem. It can only be consumed by eating fish, particularly Salmon, flax oil, and cod liver oil. The only other way that it is made is for us to be in the sunshine. This means that sun-blockers are bad. For they prevent the body from using the sunshine to make vitamin D. When one wears sunblockers, our bodies cannot take the sunshine and make vitamin D.

The lack of vitamin D has been found to cause multitudes of diseases. This is a serious problem for those who live in the northern parts of the USA/Canada. For we have, like those in the study, a winter of little sunshine.

Also, those who have to work in buildings that have a lack of windows. Many workers have to work without seeing the sunshine on warm, summer days. For those who experience these difficulties, they must take cod liver oil, flax oil, or eat a lot of fish. Alaskan salmon is a high priority. For those who don't, they will have a low level of vitamin D.

WHY GOD'S LAW

by Dorothy Batusic

The LAW OF GOD is our standard for righteousness - not the measures of man. The only righteousness that exists, is GOD'S righteousness. John 12:50, "And I know that HIS commandment is eternal life, so whatever I speak, I am saying (exactly) what my FATHER has told me to say in accordance with HIS instruction." JESUS said in John 14:6, "I am the Way and the Truth and the Life; no one comes to the Father except through Me." Truth makes right and right is conformity to the will of GOD or to HIS LAW, the perfect standard of justice and truth.

Can one truly profess to be a Christian who doesn't confess that the BIBLE is to be our "LAW WORD," our full and final authority. Everything must be viewed, measured and understood in the light of GOD's finished revelation, the Holy BIBLE. Our lives, our philosophy of economics, family, education, government, and every other subject must be in conformity to the WORD of GOD.

When the Lord Jesus Christ walked on this earth, made it clear that the purpose of HIS coming was not to destroy the Law, or the prophets, rather to fulfill both Matthew 5:17. In other words, one

of the reasons for HIS coming was to show His people the proper understanding and application of the LAW as He originally gave it to Moses. In James 4:12 we read: Jesus Christ is the only Lawgiver and Judge the One who has absolute power of life and death. Isaiah 33:22, "For the Lord is our Judge, the Lord is our Lawgiver, the Lord is our King; He will save us."

Without the Law of God there can not be any "self-government." Only God's Law Word can teach us to be responsible Christians. The two basic presuppositions are that the Lord Jesus Christ is the King of the Word. He is not only King of the Church, He is King of Everything. He is King of economics, education, government, family and every other sphere. Our Lord Himself assures us that this is true. In Matthew 28:18 He declares, "All authority is given unto me in heaven and in earth." Truly the Apostle Paul was correct when he wrote in 1 Timothy 6:15 that Jesus Christ is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords.

When Paul spoke in 2 Timothy 3:16 "All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness," he was referring to the Old Testament, as a lot of the New Testament hadn't been written. We do not have two Bibles, we have one Bible. In Psalms 119:89, "Forever, O Lord, thy Word is settled in Heaven"

The Law Word of God is to be our guide and final authority in every area of life. We will either submit to the mind of God, His Law, or to the minds of men. When men deny the Word of God, it is then replaced with the word of man. Only God's Word is true, authoritative and final. With

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We can be smug and self-confident and holy as we ought to be, as long as we define holiness ourselves, we can't be true to God or ourselves. If we get set in our own standards, then we can be as righteous as we want to be; but a pretended righteousness may satisfy us and it may convince others, but it will never fly with God. In Matthew 5:20 Jesus Christ said: "For I tell you unless your righteousness is more than that of the Scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the Kingdom of Heaven."

In Matthew 23:15 Jesus said, "Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, pretenders, hypocrites." In Webster's 1828 dictionary: 'Hypocrisy - simulation, deceitful appearance, false pretence.' The word right means: Conformity to the will of God, His Law, the perfect standard of justice and truth.

A pretended righteousness is no righteousness at all, because man's standard is not God's standard and when you substitute any standard other than the complete and total Word of God, you only have a pretended righteousness. No matter who you are and no matter how sincere you are, because the only righteousness that exists, forever lasting, is that of God. Romans 8:4 says, "That the righteousness of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the spirit."

If we don't learn anything else today, I pray we learn this. Only the Creator Almighty God, is the definer and determiner of righteousness, not man. God, is the one who sets the true standard. We are not to measure ourselves by other men or other individuals or anything else, only with the Word of Yahweh God.

In John 1:1 we read: "In the beginning, before all time, was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God Himself." In *Strong's Concordance* the word in John 1:1 is #3056 and is *logos*. 'Something said; the Divine expression; reasoning or motive; computation.'

In conclusion: "Why God's Law?" John 14:15, "If you really love Me you will keep my Commandments." 1 John 5:1-3, "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Anointed is born of God: and every one that loveth Him that begat loveth Him also that is begotten of Him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep His commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments and His commandments are not grievous."

GOD'S LAW

by pastor Don Elmore

The question was raised in the article on abortion: "Blood on the Pulpits," when the author made the following statement: "This indifference is the fruit of an American Christianity *which has rejected God's Word and 1900 years of a non-debate church teaching that children are a gift from God*, and instead embraced the anti-child mentality of Margaret Sanger and Planned Parenthood.

The author relayed that American Christianity rejected God's Word and 1900 years of a non-debate church teaching that children are a gift from God and instead embraced the teachings taught by Planned Parenthood and its founder—Margaret Sanger.

What is not very well known today, is that the anti-child mentality of Margaret Sanger and Planned Parenthood includes aborticide; but it also includes birth-control.

America, for many years of its history, believed neither.

In fact, it was the Comstock Act of 1873, which was used to forbid distribution of birth control devices and information, that Sanger began to attack. She was a detester of Christianity. She did not have faith in God, and hated all those who did. She wrote:

"I never like to look at Jesus on the Cross. I could not see any good it did to keep looking at him. We could not help him, as he had been crucified long ago." — Goldstein, David, *Suicide Bent: Sangerizing Mankind*.p.25.

To know and appreciate what Jesus did for us, was very foreign to Mrs Sanger. To her, many of the people who were created in the image and likeness of God were simply no more than a human; in fact, less than a human.

WHO WAS MARGARET SANGER?

Margaret Sanger was an adulteress, racist and bigot, a supporter of Hitler's Nazi Party, and a believer in eugenics—the purification of a particular race of people by selective breeding.

Margaret Sanger was educated as and worked as a nurse. In her work with poor women on the Lower East Side of New York, she was aware of the effects of unplanned and unwelcome pregnancies. Her mother's health had suffered as she bore eleven children. She came to believe in the importance to women's lives and women's health of the availability of birth control, a term which she's credited with inventing.

After a failed trial marriage at 18, she married William Sanger in 1902 and soon engaged in extra-marital affairs while encouraging her husband to do the same. She pronounced the marriage bed to be "the most degenerating influence in the social order" and advocated a "vol-

untary association" between sexual partners. Her marriage with William ended with their divorce in 1920. In 1915, while in Europe fleeing arrest in America, she had an affair with famous science-fiction author H.G. Wells. She remarried in 1922 to oil tycoon J. Noah H. Slee, though she kept her by-then-famous (or infamous) name.

"My first marriage failed, not because of love, romance, lack of wealth, respect or any such qualities which are supposed to be lacking in broken ties, because the interest of each widened beyond that of the other" (*My Fight for Birth Control*, Margaret Sanger, 1931, p.92).

"From the deep waters into which I had been swept by the current of events it was impossible to return to the shallow pool of domesticity" (*Ibid.*, p.92)

The wife who is able to stay at home and cares for her family because she wants to is characterized by Sanger as someone who is simply drowning in a "shallow pool of domesticity," an attitude consistently promulgated in today's society by the feminist movement and those who have relegated motherhood to the lowest level of achievement.

She called for the elimination of "human weeds," for the cessation of charity, for the segregation of "morons, misfits, and maladjusted," and for the sterilization of "genetically inferior races." She also argued that organized attempts to help the poor were the "surest sign that our civilization has bred, is breeding, and is perpetuating ... defectives, delinquents, and dependents."

How do you sell the practice of contraception to a public that is totally opposed to it? In 1930, *no religious*



THOUGHTS OF MARGARET SANGER

Margaret Sanger was born in Corning, New York. Her mother was a devout Roman Catholic who went through 18 pregnancies (with 11 live births) before dying of tuberculosis. After graduating from Claverack College in Hudson, Sanger trained as a nurse and worked for ten years in the affluent New York suburb of White Plains. In 1902, she married William Sanger. Although stricken by tuberculosis, she gave birth to a son the following year, followed in subsequent years by a second son and a daughter who died in childhood.



“Towards orthodox religion, father’s own attitude remained one of tolerance. He looked upon the New Testament as the noble story of a human being which, because of ignorance and the lack of printing presses, had become exaggerated. He maintained that religions served their purpose; some people depended on them all their lives to make them hones. Others did not need to be so held in line. But subjection to any church was a reflection on strength and character. You should be able to *get from yourself* what you had to go to church for.”

“Eugenicists [Eugenics is the science of improving hereditary qualities by socially controlling human reproduction.] imply or insist that a woman’s first duty is to the state; we contend that her duty to herself is her first duty to the state. We maintain that a woman possessing an adequate knowledge of her reproductive functions *is the best judge* of the time and conditions under which her child should be brought into the world. We further maintain that *it is her right*, regardless of all other considerations, to determine whether she shall bear children or not, and how many children she shall bear if she chooses to become a mother.”

Although Sanger was greatly influenced by her father, a freethinker, her mother’s death left her with a deep sense of dissatisfaction concerning her own and society’s understanding of women’s health and childbirth. She also criticized the censorship of her message about sexuality and contraceptives by the civil and religious authorities, justified on moral grounds, as an effort by men to keep women in submission.

An *atheist*, Sanger attacked the Christian faith for its opposition to her message, blaming it for obscurantism and insensitivity to women’s concerns. Sanger was particularly critical of the lack of awareness of the dangers of and the scarcity of treatment opportunities for venereal disease among women. She claimed that these social ills were the result of the male establishment’s intentionally keeping women in ignorance. Sanger also deplored the contemporary absence of regulations requiring registration of people diagnosed with venereal diseases (which she contrasted with mandatory registration of those with infectious diseases such as measles.)

Sanger was also an avowed *socialist*, blaming the evils of contemporary capitalism for the unsatisfactory conditions of the young working-class women.

In the early 1960s, Sanger promoted the use of the newly available birth control pill. She toured Europe, Africa, and Asia, lecturing and helping to establish clinics.

In 1966, the year Sanger died, the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. said:

“There is a striking kinship between our movement and Margaret Sanger’s early efforts.... Our sure beginning in the struggle for equality by nonviolent action may not have been so resolute without the tradition established by Margaret Sanger and people like her.”

Received the award for the *Humanist of the Year* given by the American Humanist Association.

Sanger died in 1966 in Tucson, Arizona at age 87 only a few months after the landmark *Griswold v. Connecticut* decision, which legalized birth control for married couples in the U.S. It was the apex of her fifty-year struggle.

denomination accepted the practice of contraception. So, less than one hundred years ago, Catholics, Lutherans, Presbyterians, Baptists, Methodists, Episcopalians, Christian Church, and the other religious denominations did not teach birth control—let alone abortion (in 1972, that’s only 42 years later, a pastor’s wife in Australia said to us, “...surely four is enough ... you’re not having any more?” HR]

How did Margaret Sanger sell it to the millions of Christians who opposed birth control? She sold them birth control with the promise that with better contraception there would be less abortion. What she didn’t say is that many contraceptions are abortions.

So how did Margaret Sanger, an atheist, intend to liberate women from domesticity by giving them control over



their own sexual reproduction. Remember that all Christian Churches everywhere, from the early church until 1930, had understood Artificial Birth Control as a **biblical SIN!** Yet strangely, the modern change in this Christian attitude was almost single-handedly the work of one woman.

In 1916, Margaret embodied a two-pronged strategy. First, she labored to overturn the Comstock laws. Second, she labored to make Artificial Birth Control practical by inventing the birth control pill. Margaret eventually achieved her goals, and became the founder of Planned Parenthood. (Now it has been discovered that Abortion causes breast cancer:<www.AbortionBreastCancer.com>. "In 1986, government scientists wrote a letter to the British Journal Lancet and acknowledged that abortion is a cause of breast cancer." - It has also been stated that taking contraceptive pills contributes to breast cancer

"An additional medical organization, the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons, issued a statement in 2003 calling on doctors to inform patients about a "highly plausible" relationship between abortion and breast cancer. General counsel for that medical group wrote an article for its journal warning doctors that three women (two Americans, one Australian) successfully sued their abortion providers for neglecting to disclose the risks of breast cancer and emotional harm, although none of the women had [yet] developed the disease. (website above) - from email from Steve Lefemine; Columbia Christians for Life, PO Box 50358, Columbia SC <www.ChristianLifeandLiberty.net>

Yet prior to achieving these successes, Margaret's struggle was enormous. Initially, no matter how hard she tried, she couldn't sway the powerful Protestant lobby to budge from opposition to birth-control. Consequently her movement was not taking root as planned. nevertheless, eventually Margaret had a master-stroke idea. She would use Protestant's own detestation of Catholicism as the key to reprogram Protestants. That is, Margaret went on a Goebbels campaign of telling Protestants that anti-Artificial Birth Control sentiment was nothing but a papal tool of enslavement. Margaret's rhetoric, combined with the promise of a new women's liberation, then achieved Protestant submission. It was then in 1930 that the Anglican church made the first "breach in the dam" for Protestants by rationalizing the legitimacy of Artificial Birth Control. The rest is history, as the others quickly followed. (I just heard that another major split is looming in the Anglican/Episcopal church, this time over two issues, women's ordination to firstly priests, and then bishops; and over ordaining sodomites to the clergy. Apparently over 400,000 have already defected to the Roman Catholic Church; CIM)

As the Artificial Birth Control lobby gained momentum in the 1960s, with the campaign help of both Protestants and eventually lay Catholics as well, this circumstance compelled pope Paul VI to prophesy that legitimizing Artificial Birth Control would also cause abortion to become legal. True enough, Paul's prophecy was fulfilled in two succinct steps. First, on the novel grounds of "right to privacy," Bill Baird won a 1972 court ruling that finally made birth-control legal in his home state. Second, Roe vs. Wade in 1973 made abortion legal by appeal to the "right to privacy" precedent set in Baird's birth-control case. Indeed, Bill Baird brags that his case for birth-control was *responsible for making abortion legal*. Yet in

addition to the abortion consequence there is a growing realization, among Protestants and Catholics alike, that the practice of Artificial Birth Control has also *legitimized gay marriage*.

It is hard to believe that Christians have taken over the arguments for birth-control and many have also embraced abortions. For early Christians (for nineteen centuries) considered both contraception and abortion as equally evil or murderous!

The Greek term PHARMAKEIA (where we get our modern word 'pharmacy') was often used by early Christians and non-Christians alike refer to contraception as a form of medicinal "sorcery." Indeed, Scripture combines this word with PORNEIA or PORNOI, where we get our modern word "pornography," which back then meant variously fornication, sexual immorality, or whoredoms. And thus we see Scripture's condemnation: "[the wicked] repented not of their murders, nor of their *socerries* (PHARMAKEIA), nor of their PORNEIAS" (Revelation 9:21). Said simply, when Scripture records PHARMAKEIA in conjunction with PORNEIA, as it does in Revelation 21:8 and 22:15, it points to contraception as a sinful medicinal sorcery!

From 1930 to 2008, Christianity went from believing contraception and abortion were equally murderous sins—and now, mainly because of a woman who hated Christians—we are now practising at least one of those sins. May our LORD forgive us and cause us to repent of any sin that we may have done in our past.

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CHILDREN AND THE DOMINION MANDATE(PT 1) by Rev. William Einwechter

In spite of all the rhetoric concerning the rights of children and their importance, the modern perspective on children is quite negative. Clear evidence of this is the prevalent opinion that the ideal family is a *small* family consisting of only one or two children. Those who are most vocal in asserting the importance of children and the need for the state to safeguard the education and welfare of "our most important natural resource" are the same ones who advocate the "right" to kill unborn children through aborticide and the need to limit the number of children born through "family planning"¹ and programs of population control. If "our children" are our most important resource, why do we then go to such great lengths to hinder conception and limit the number of children born? Communist China is known for its official one-child-per-family policy, a policy promoted through propaganda, birth control, and aborticide, and enforced by law. But little considered is the unofficial two-children-per-family policy of the West that is promoted by propaganda, birth control, and aborticide, though this policy is not yet enforced by law.

In contrast to the prevailing anti-child attitude of our day is the positive message of the Bible concerning the blessing and the importance of children. Whereas the sentiment of current thought decrees that the family consisting of one or two children is best, the teaching of Scripture is that a large family consisting of MANY children is blessed of the Lord. The sad fact, however, is that the modern evangelical church (including the Reformed segment) has been more willing to side with the perspectives of man rather

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than God on this issue. But we do seek a Christian reconstruction of society through the establishment of Christ's dominion in all spheres of life must reject the thinking of those around us (and seek more contact with like-minded fellowships, and associate with them) and seek to be thoroughly Biblical in our view of children. Christian reconstructionists need to think clearly concerning the importance of children and large families in regard to the dominion mandate and the task of reconstructing our culture to live in submission to Christ and His Law-Word.

BE FRUITFUL AND MULTIPLY

In Genesis 1:26-28 we have the account of the creation of man on the sixth day of the creation week. In vs 26, God's purpose is stated to create man in his own image and to give him dominion (or control) over all the earth and every living thing. In vs 27, the actual creation of man, male and female, in the image of God is recorded. In vs 28, God commands man to take dominion over the earth and all things therein.

The dominion mandate is established for man quite forcibly in that it is given twice in the space of three verses. First, the Lord indicates that it is His will for man to share his image and rule the earth as His representative. God says, "[L]et them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth" The Hebrew verb "have dominion" (radah) means to rule, subdue, have mastery over, or to take possession of, and is here translated "[L]et them have dominion" to express the imperatival nature of the Hebrew construction. Thus, the statement of vs 26 emphasizes the will of God for man. Second, the Lord specifically commands man to take dominion over the earth. He says, "Be fruitful and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth" (Gen. 1:28) The dominion mandate is here expressed by two imperatives, "subdue" and "have dominion." The charge to "subdue" the earth is a command to bring the earth and all therein under the control of man and for the service of godly man. This command to take dominion calls man to fulfill the will of God for him as expressed in vs 26. The dominion mandate instructs man to develop the resources of the earth so that the full potential of the creation can be realized to the glory of God and for man's own righteousness and true holiness.

But the fulfillment of the dominion mandate can not take place unless the prior commandments of God recorded in vs 28 are observed: "be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth." These two imperatives precede in time and in logical sequence the command to take dominion in the earth. Note that the progression: 1) man must be *fruitful* and multiply so that, 2) he can *fill* the earth so that, 3) he can have *dominion* over all the earth. Thus, we see that fruitfulness in regard to bearing children is essential to the fulfillment of the dominion mandate! It is significant to recognize that the first commandment given to man in the Bible is the command to "be fruitful and multiply." This command is based on the institution of marriage (Gen.

2:18-24), and it places marriage and the procreation of MANY children (i.e. a large family) at the centre of God's purpose for man in the dominion mandate. It is also important to note that the command is not given in the abstract, but concretely to fit the first man and woman, the first husband and wife. It is a command that can be fulfilled only in the specific relationship of marriage. The command to be fruitful and multiply is not given to "mankind," but to MEN and WOMEN individually in the context of marriage [so you can also see that this word can never be used to describe what sodomites would like to do, as they also cannot produce children! CIM]. Obviously, Adam and Eve could not fulfill the command in themselves, so the command not only binds them but passes on to their descendants, binding husbands and wives in each generation to obey God's precept to be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth.² [just as an aside, the words 'husband' and 'wife' have been dropped from Californian marriage licenses to be substituted with 'partner A' and 'partner B'. Can you imagine the celebrant saying "partner A may now kiss partner B"? CIM]

It is also vital that we consider the blessing of God that precedes the command to be fruitful in bearing children: "And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful and multiply...." The blessing of God refers, in context, at least in part if not wholly, to the power of procreation, i.e., the ability to be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth so that the dominion mandate can be carried out. God is the source of all human life, either directly as in the case of Adam and Eve, or indirectly in that he gives the power of procreation to husbands and wives. Man could not fulfill the command of God to be fruitful, fill the earth, and subdue it unless God blessed him with the ability of producing offspring.³

The dominion mandate, therefore, includes three commands, and all are necessary for its fulfillment: be fruitful and multiply, fill the earth, and subdue it. Those who focus only on the command to subdue the earth and have dominion over it sever this duty from the two that precede it and present a truncated perspective of the dominion mandate. Therefore, as we hold forth the dominion mandate we must not only call men to take dominion in all spheres of life for the glory of God, we must also call on them to strive to follow *all* the precepts of the dominion mandate, we must call on each husband and wife to seek the blessing of God for the procreation of MANY children.

notes: 1. This is the standard terminology used by liberals, politicians, and government school bureaucrats when referring to the children of a particular nation or smaller geographical or political unit. This phraseology is based on false and debased notion that children are the mere creatures of the state. But children do not belong to the state, they belong to the family. The only ones who can legitimately use the phrase "our children" are parents when they are referring to their own children.

2. The tired and erroneous argument is usually raised that the earth is already full, and therefore the command of Genesis 1:28 is no longer binding today. But the earth is certainly NOT full, though it may be crowded in a few spots. The claim that the earth is full is a claim to overpopulation. In response to the contention that the world is overpopulated Osterfield states: "'Overpopulation' cannot stand on its own. It is a relative term. Overpopulation must be overpopulation *relative* to something, usually food,

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resources, and living space. The data show that all three variables are, and have been, increasing more rapidly than population In short, although there are now more people in the world than ever before, by any meaningful measure the world is actually becoming *relatively less populated* (David Osterfield, "Overpopulation Myths Ignore Realities of Progress," *Human Events*, [September 4, 1993], 9). To indicate how large the earth is in relation to the current population of the world Osterfield says: "For example, if the entire population of the world were placed in the state of Alaska, *every individual* would receive nearly 3,000 square feet of space, or about one-half the size of the average American *family* homestead with front and backyards." (*ibid*).

3. In the post-fall world God grants the blessing of fruitfulness or holds it back according to his sovereign will. One man who wrestled with the pain of unfruitfulness in marriage was John Calvin. Only three children were born to John and Idelette, two died shortly after birth and one died at birth. In light of this we read the poignant comments of Calvin on the "blessing" of God in Gen. 1:28: "This blessing of God may be regarded as the source from which the human race has flowed. And we must consider it not only with reference to the whole, but also, as they say, in every particular instance. For we are fruitful or barren in respect to offspring, as God imparts his powers to some and withholds it from others" (John Calvin, *Commentaries on the First Book of Moses Called Genesis*, trans. John King [Grand Rapids, 1989], 97).

THE PROMISE OF FRUITFULNESS TO COVENANT-KEEPING MAN (PT 2)

Rev, William Einwechter

One of the promises that God holds out to those who love him and keep his covenant is fruitfulness in regard to offspring. In the list of blessings and cursings in Deuteronomy 28, the blessing of fruitfulness is declared for covenant-keepers (v.11), while the curse of barrenness is avowed to covenant-breakers (v.19). Psalm 127 says that children are an inheritance from the Lord and are His reward (v.3), and then declares the man blessed who has his quiver full of them (v.5). Psalm 128 begins by stating that the man who fears the Lord is blessed, and then goes on to list one of those blessings as being, "thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thy house: thy children like olive-plants round about thy table" (v.3). It is significant to note that both Deuteronomy 28:11 and Psalm 128:3 use the terminology of *fruitfulness* in reference to bearing MANY children. When you compare the original creation blessing of fruitfulness to the promised blessings of fruitfulness to covenant-keeping men and women, it is logical to conclude that the covenantal blessing of fruitfulness is a granting of the original creation blessing of fruitfulness to those who keep God's covenant. And since the original promise of fruitfulness was for the purpose of fulfilling the dominion mandate, it is also reasonable to conclude that the covenantal promise of fruitfulness is also for the purpose of fulfilling the dominion mandate. *In granting his people fruitfulness God is enabling them to fulfill the original dominion mandate.*

To better understand this connection, let us consider the wider Biblical teaching concerning the dominion mandate. First, the dominion mandate is not given to covenant-breakers, but only to covenant-keepers.¹ The original mandate was given to Adam and Eve before the Fall when they stood in fellowship with God. The dominion mandate was also given to believing Noah and his sons after the flood (Gen. 9:1-3), and as such it was given to covenant-keeping

men. The dominion mandate is referred to by David (Ps. 8) as he reflects on the progress of covenant-keeping men to take dominion in the earth that is filled with men who are in rebellion against God and who, instead of taking dominion for God and developing righteous cultures, are taking dominion for Satan and are developing ungodly cultures. David looks into this world and sees that wickedness abounds and all things are not under the feet of covenant-keeping men. Second, from the New Testament (Heb. 2:6-8) we learn that David's words are prophetic and point to the only One who can bring all things under the dominion and rule of righteous men, Jesus Christ. The dominion mandate is fulfilled in Jesus Christ and all who are in covenant with him by faith. Jesus conquers sin, restores righteousness to men, and gives them the Word of God and holy spirit so that they can fulfill the original dominion mandate of ruling the earth in righteousness as God's representatives and develop the full potential of the earth for the glory of God the Father. As the Righteous Man, Jesus is given dominion over all the earth by the Father, and He in turn gives the authority for dominion to His people (Rev. 2:26-27).

Therefore, since the original dominion mandate still exists; since the dominion mandate can only be fulfilled by covenant-keepers; since the blessing of fruitfulness in regard to fulfilling the dominion mandate is promised to covenant-keepers; then it follows that fruitfulness in procreation is still a vital aspect of the dominion mandate, and the command to God's people still stands: "be fruitful and multiply."

DOMINION THROUGH FRUITFULNESS

The importance of fruitfulness to the dominion of the covenant people is illustrated in the nation of Israel while in Egypt. Israel went into Egypt as an extended family of 70 souls. Israel came out of Egypt 210 years later as a mighty nation numbering in the millions. The Bible records that God granted great fruitfulness to the Hebrew wives and that the nation grew dramatically (Ex. 2:7). The growth was so spectacular that Pharaoh grew fearful of their

numbers and sought to limit their numbers by affliction and by killing the male babies at birth (Ex. 2:9-11). But all of his wicked schemes failed (Ex. 2:12-20). The growth of the Hebrew nation was essential for God's plan, and that growth could not be frustrated by Pharaoh. According to his covenant promise, the land of Canaan had been given to Israel, but the land was inhabited by many wicked nations. If Israel was to conquer the land and take possession of it, then Israel must also be a great nation, a numerous people. Israel could take dominion of the land only if the families of Israel were very fruitful and multiplied so that men were available to conquer the land and families were available to fill the land. The dominion mandate for Israel in Canaan necessitated fruitfulness in the families of Israel.

The dominion mandate for the church also calls for the fruitfulness in the families of the church. Children are set forth in Scripture as being essential to the continuity of the covenant and the propagation of God's Kingdom, and fruitfulness among the covenant people is still a vital aspect of the dominion mandate. As Christians have large families and train their children in the fear of the Lord, the kingdom of God advances irresistibly. As Christian couples are blessed with fruitfulness, teach their children the Law of

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God, and charge them to subdue all spheres of life to the authority of Christ and His Word, the dominion mandate is in the process of being fulfilled. Children are as arrows in the hands of a warrior (Psalm 127:4) shot into the midst of the cultural war between those who want to exercise godly dominion and those who promote wickedness, the more arrows discharged into this war, the greater the advance of righteousness.

The significance for dominion through fruitfulness is amplified when one considers that the ungodly despise fruitfulness, and, in following their love of death (Prov. 8:36), are preventing conception through contraception and sterilization, and are killing their unborn children through abortion. To get a feel for the impact of fruitfulness among covenant-keepers on the one hand, and the planned barrenness of covenant-breakers on the other, consider the following. If a godly husband and wife have 7 children, and their 7 children each have 7 children, and so on for 5 generations, they will have 19,607 offspring (enough to take dominion of a local council area). If an unbelieving couple follows the typical family size of 2, and their children also have 2 children, and so on for 5 generations, they will have only 60 offspring! (i.e., not enough to offer resistance to the 19,607). Score: Covenant-keepers 19,607; covenant-breakers 60 in only 5 generations and only between two families!

This is not to deny the importance of evangelism to the growth of the church and the fulfillment of the dominion mandate;² it is only to emphasize the great power of fruitfulness for the advance of the kingdom of God.³

One sign (among others) that God is laying the foundation for a resurgence of the Faith in the world is the growing trend of Christians to have large families, this is particularly true of Christian home schoolers. John Perry observes:

“Also of note, is the fact that Christian home schoolers tend to have large families. They have the conviction that, ‘Children are an heritage of the Lord’ (Ps 127:3), and this leads them to seek the blessing of God in many children rather than following the cultural norm of one or two offspring. The rediscovery of this biblical truth of the blessing of large families (Ps 127:3-5; 128:1-6) has tremendous implications in an age when aborticide and birth control are the norm for the unregenerate. Large Christian families could in time change the face of the political and social landscape in the country.”⁴

CONCLUSION

The dominion mandate consists of three specific commands: be fruitful and multiply, fill the earth, and subdue the earth. If the dominion mandate is still in force today, and we reconstructionists certainly believe that it is, then all three commands are still in force today. God is still calling his people to be fruitful in regards to offspring because this is vital to the fulfillment of the dominion mandate. If we preach “have dominion” to the church, then we must also preach “be fruitful and multiply” to Christian husbands and wives.⁵ The two cannot legitimately be separated, for dominion cannot take place without fruitfulness.

Fruitfulness is the result of divine blessing.⁶ It is a gift from God to us for His glory and our good. Christian are God’s reward, and they are intended as a gift of His love. Furthermore, the children of covenant men and women are

central to His purpose of granting us dominion over all the earth through the authority and power of Jesus our Lord. If we have imbibed the philosophy of the world concerning family size and have DELIBERATELY sought to limit our fruitfulness, may we now repent in humility before God and seek His forgiveness and His gift of fruitfulness. If we went astray and limited our family according to the wisdom of the world and our time is past for bearing children, may we also seek God’s forgiveness and then do all we can to help our children and grandchildren succeed where we failed and encourage them to seek the blessing of God in having MANY children.

Notes: 1. The dominion mandate is not primarily agricultural or technological, but ethical, i.e. it calls men to exercise dominion in the earth according to God’s Law-Word for the honour and glory of God. Man is to rule the earth as God’s representative and develop the resources of the earth in accord with the Creator’s will, i.e., he is to develop the resources of the earth solely in reference to God’s law as summarized in the two great commandments of the Law: Love of God and love of one’s neighbour.

Unregenerate man does not carry out any of his activities out of a love for God, and most often not out of a true love for his neighbour either. It is true that unregenerate man still retains to a degree the image of God, and, by nature, an impulse for dominion. But his reference is purely technological out of a motive for his own power and glory. Therefore, in the limited technological sense, unsaved man has contributed to the dominion mandate. God uses even the wrath of man to praise Him. However, the dominion mandate as originally given can be addressed only to righteous man, and that is why it is never given to unregenerate man in the Bible and is ultimately transferred to Jesus Christ.

2. Evangelism is absolutely necessary to the dominion mandate in the post-fall world. In fact, the Great Commission and the dominion man-

date are closely related. See Kenneth L. Gentry, *The Greatness of the Great Commission* (Tyler TX 1990, 7-14).

3. Perhaps the role of the church as institution) and the Christian family in the dominion mandate could be stated this way: the church is called to fruitfulness in regard to regeneration and spiritual children, while the family is called to fruitfulness in reference to generation and physical offspring (of course, children born to Christian parents also need regeneration).

4. John F. Perry, “Home Schooling: A Paradigm for Effective Educational Reforming America,” in *Explicitly Christian Politics*, ed. William O. Einwechter (Pittsburgh, 1997) 209-210.

5. For the Record, so that it cannot be said that Einwechter does not practice what he preaches, my wife Linda and I have nine children.*

6. The lack of fruitfulness is not necessarily a curse for a Christian couple, however it might be if they have followed ungodly practices in the past that may affect the ability to have children (e.g. contraception, sterilization, aborticide, drug abuse, etc). God’s promise of fruitfulness to his people is a general promise that applies in most instances. Nevertheless, for his own purposes that often remain hidden from us, God sometimes withholds fruitfulness from faithful covenant-keeping men and women.

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*For the record, Hendrik and Wilhelmina Roelofs have fourteen children.

STAY CHRISTIAN by Pastor Dave Barley

Let’s face it, there are lots of distractions out there that are not Christian. Let’s stay Christian. Lots of secular polit-



ical hype. Let's stay on point Biblically, let's stay Christian. Lots of side show distractions and there's always an emergency news, war-mongering fright report, or latest and greatest disaster distractions. well, as long as man remains on his high horse, and continues to reject God's blessed Word, things will be frightful, but I will glory in His Word. Let's stay Christian. Our Israelite calling is Christian!

I watch people, especially those who try to give the appearance of being one of us, but who are outside the Body of Christ. Strangers who are even of our kindred, but who are strange to the Word of God. People, who, when Jesus Christ's name is mentioned, are out the door. Friends, as a Christian, Jesus Christ is our reason for living and He is worthy to be praised! Jesus' Kingdom and Purposes are far more important than our earthly concerns. As Christians, we should take spiritual inventory of ourselves. Certainly we should not be ignorant about what is happening in the world today, and we should be aware of what the anti-christs are up to, But as Christians, WE CERTAINLY SHOULD BE VISIBLE SERVANTS OF THE MOST HIGH GOD, and of our Lord, Saviour, and Redeemer JESUS THE CHRIST.

I have seen many come among us over the years who jump at the chance of hearing a speaker dazzle those gathered with his knowledge about "the conspiracy," but when the teachings of Jesus and His Kingdom are presented the conspiracy feeders are gone, out the door, huddled together somewhere outside, not the least bit interested in God's Word, or His Law. The National Covenant Message of Israel, or the real Biblical Truth of Jesus and the fact that repentance and faith are powerful essential restorative spiritual processes.

May I be blunt with you? Good, I knew you wouldn't mind. Some of you are spiritually dead and/or, spiritually starved and you need proper spiritual food. We all need to be careful and selective with what we feed our mind. In order to have the "MIND OF CHRIST," we need to feed our minds the BREAD OF LIFE DIET, which is the WORD OF GOD. This is how we become the sons of God, and our minds become renewed as we walk in faith. One day we will have the MIND OF CHRIST. We are to be of this family, THE SONS OF GOD. Not seduced by the things of this world, the very gates of hell. Gates to entrap us and rob us of our Biblical Heritage.

So, what should we do Pastor? Well, what did Jesus and His Disciples do? Did they concentrate their efforts fighting against Globalist Rome? Oh yes, Rome was all about Globalism, they were a globalist antichrist beast system. Rome, at the time of Christ held the Southern Kingdom of Judah in captivity, just like their Babylonian counterparts had done. Jesus and His disciples were in a Roman global one-world-government captivity. Jesus did not concentrate on what Rome was doing, but on THE KINGDOM OF GOD. This is what He told His followers to do in Matthew 6:33, "*But seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.*"

Now I am a Patriotic Christian, and I believe in many patriot causes, but, most "patriots" could care less about the KINGDOM OF GOD AND HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS. They are glued to every word they hear about WORLD GLOBALIST DOME. Their priorities are not Christ centered and Christ focused, they are PROBLEM ORIENTED, NOT KINGDOM OF GOD SOLUTION ORIENTED.

You say, yes, but the globalists are poisoning our water, vaccinating our children with disease forming viruses and cancers, they're destroying our economy, and there's evil

over here and over there. True, but please listen to me, IF WE ARE FOLLOWING AND SEEKING THE KINGDOM OF GOD, WE WILL NOT BE, AND SHOULD NOT BE PARTAKING OF BABYLON'S FORBIDDEN FRUIT. Do you understand what I am saying? Most Christians neglect the KINGDOM OF GOD. They are not spiritually taking good care of themselves, but instead, are grieving the spirit with and by their daily intake of the cares of this world. If the media or government comes out warning us about something that might be harmful for us, and out of fear we partake of whatever solution they are offering, this is not of the Kingdom of God. We are to be Kingdom Seekers and in so doing, we will not be led astray by the false ideas and concepts of this world. In other words, following God's Word will protect us and keep us safe, if we abide in HIS WORD. Think about it. The Kingdom of God does not endorse vaccinations, usury, abortion, greed, majority opinion, insurance, tyranny, multiculturalism, state schools, genetic engineering, and so forth. If we are SEEKING THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS, we will not be involved with such things but

will be involved with the **Good News of Christ and His Kingdom, AND FELLOWSHIPING MORE WITH FELLOW BELIEVERS AND ENCOURAGING ONE ANOTHER IN THE MOST HOLY FAITH!** Our spiritual health and well-being is far more important than anxiety over world affairs. We need to concentrate on being spiritually healthy in mind and body, and being of one-mind and one accord in Jesus Christ.

This is our safety net. This is our blessed assurance. This is our peace of mind. This is our joy. Romans 14:17-19 says:

"For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in holy ghost. For he that in these things serveth Christ is acceptable to God, and approved of men. Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another."

Now, in conclusion of this article I want you to read the following words of Jesus, and I want you to re-read these verses until the truth that will strengthen you, give you faith, and set you free, sinks into your hearth:

"And He said unto His disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life what you shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on. The life is more than meat, and the body is more than raiment. Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have storehouse nor barn; and God feedeth them: how much more are ye better than the fowls? And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit (18 inches)? If ye them be not able to do that thing which is least why take ye thought for the rest? Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. If then God so clothe the grass, which is to day in the field, and tomorrow is cast into the oven; how much more will He clothe you, O ye of little faith? And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind. For all these things to the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things. But rather seek ye the Kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you. Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom. Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither

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HUMAN CELLS FOUND TO HAVE ELECTRIC FIELDS AS POWERFUL AS LIGHTNING BOLTS

The Daily Galaxy, posted by Rebecca Sato

Using newly-developed voltage-sensitive nanoparticles, researchers have found that the previously unknown electric fields inside of cells are as strong, or stronger, as those produced in lightning bolts. Previously, it has only been possible to measure electric fields across cell membranes, not within the main bulk of cells, so scientists didn't even know cells had an internal electric field.

This discovery is a surprising twist for cell researchers. Scientists don't know what causes these incredibly strong fields or why they are there. But now using new nanotools, such as voltage-sensitive dyes, they can start to measure them at least. Researchers believe they may be able to learn more about disease states, such as cancer, by studying these minute, but powerful electric fields.

University of Michigan researchers led by chemistry professor Raoul Kopelman encapsulated voltage-sensitive

dyes in polymer spheres just 30 nanometers in diameter. testing these nanoparticles in the internal fluid of brain-cancer cells, Kopelman found electric fields as strong as 15 million volts per meter, up to five times stronger than the field found in a lightning bolt. However, this discovery goes beyond being incredibly interesting; the finding will likely change the way researchers look at disease.

"They have developed a tool that allows you to look at cellular changes on a very local level," said Piotr Grodzinski, director of the national Cancer Institute Alliance for Nanotechnology in Cancer, in Technology Review. Grodzinski believes many developments in cancer research, for example, over the past few years have been "reactive" rather than proactive. Despite how far cancer treatments have come, the way that cancer, and other diseases, progresses at the cellular level in the first place is still not well understood. With a better understanding, researchers could improve diagnostics and care. "This development represents an attempt to start using nanoscale tools to understand how disease develops," said Grodzinski.

Kopelman has developed encapsulated voltage-sensitive dyes that aren't hydrophobic and can operate anywhere in the cell, rather than just in membranes. Because it's possible to place his encapsulated dyes in a cell with a greater degree of control, Kopelman likens them to voltmeters. "Nano voltmeters do not perturb [the cellular] environment, and you can control where you put them," he says.

The existence of strong electric fields across cellular membranes is accepted as a basic fact of cell biology. The fact that cells have internal electric fields as well, however, is a whole new revelation. Scientists previously did not know of the existence of internal cellular energy fields, and are just in the earliest stages of understanding the phenome-

non. Kopelman presented his results at the annual meeting of the American Society for Cell Biology this month. "There has been no skepticism as to the measurements," says Kopelman. "But we don't have an interpretation."

Daniel Chu of the University of Washington in Seattle agrees that Kopelman's work provides proof of the concept that cells have internal electric fields. "It's bound to be important, but nobody has looked at it yet," Chu says. - (end of article).

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THE RELIGION OF EVOLUTION

by Gary DeMar

"For the scientist who has lived by his faith in the power of reason, the story ends like a bad dream. He has scaled the mountains of ignorance; he is about to conquer the highest peak; as he pulls himself over the final rock, he is greeted by a band of theologians who have been sitting there for centuries." (Robert Jastrow, God and the Astronomers (new York: W.W.Norton & Co, 1978), 116.)

In an article that appeared in the August 19, 2002 issue of *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, Beverly Carol Lucey attacks Christians, "Christian Fundamentalists" to be more precise, who

don't like the idea that evolution can be taught in public (government) schools as if it had been dropped from heaven itself. "They have power," she insists. "They are getting elected to school boards." Horror! Citizens are actually getting involved in the political process and showing an interest in what their children are being taught in school. Sounds like America to me.

Her horror does not stop with the political involvement of Christians. These "Christian fundamentalists . . . are making teachers nervous, not to mention that many teachers are, in and of themselves, fundamentalist Christians. "Shocking, isn't it, that American citizens who hold to certain fundamental religious beliefs should even dare to teach in public (government) schools? The Christian heritage of this nation is a historical reality documented by an enormous array of original source documents. With these facts in tow, how could anyone intimate that Christians should be excluded from public disclosure on any subject? Are Christians to be relegated to second-class citizenship? Ms. Lucey shows her ignorance of

history with the claim that Christianity is somehow an inhibitor of scientific discovery and understanding. Langdon Gilkey demonstrates quite well that "the religious idea of a transcendent Creator actually made possible rather than hindered the progress of the scientific understanding of the natural order." (Langdon Gilkey, *Maker of Heaven and Earth* [Garden City, NY: Doubleday, 1959], 110).

Ms. Lucey's uninformed prose is directed at Cobb County, Georgia, where the school board has stated that science textbooks that teach evolution should carry the following disclaimer: "This textbook contains material on evolution. Evolution is a theory not a fact, regarding the origin of living things. This material should be approached with an open mind, studied carefully and critically considered." Seems reasonable enough, since even the theory of evolution has "evolved" over the years. But this is too much for those who are blinded by evolutionary religious dogma. That's right. **Evolution is more metaphysics than physics; more faith than reason.** Is this just the opinion of this anti-Dar-

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winist? Not at all. Is science ever neutral, ever devoid of religious first principles? Can it ever be? Theologian and philosopher Langdon Gilkey draws an interesting religious parallel between the priest and the scientist:

"Greater knowledge always means greater power. Thus, whether this be their intention or not, the 'knowers' in any society bequeath to their culture ever-new powers to transform its life. It is for this reason that knowers, religious or scientific, are valued as well as revered by their society, the priest's robes and the scientist's white coat signifying much the same social role as the knower of significant secrets and so the doer of all important deeds . . . As religion had dominated the civilization of the medieval period, so science has dominated ours. It has determined or shaped education, molded our sense of human excellence, grounded our hopes for the future, and established itself as the queen of all other disciples of learning." (Langdon Gilkey, *Society and the Sacred: Towards ad Theology of Culture in Decline* [New York: Crossroad, 1981], 76, 78).

In an earlier work, Gilkey writes that "science in itself has theological implications and thus replaces religion." (Gilkey, *Religion and the Scientific Future* [New York: Harper & Row, 1970] 38). And so it is today.

THE DARWINISTS SPEAK

The best way to answer evolutionists is to let them speak for themselves. Michael Ruse, professor of history and philosophy and author of *The Darwinian Revolution* (1979), *Darwinism Defended* (1982), and *Taking Darwin Seriously* (1986), acknowledges that evolution is religious:

"Evolution is promoted by its practitioners as more than mere science. Evolution is promulgated as an ideology, a secular religion—a full-fledged alternative to Christianity, with meaning and morality. I am an ardent Evolutionist and an ex-Christian, but I must admit in this one complaint. . . the literalists [i.e. creationists] are absolutely right. Evolution is a religion. This was true of evolution in the beginning, and it is true of evolution still today." (Michael Ruse, "Saving Darwinism from the Darwinians," *National Post* [May 13, 2000], B3).

Ruse didn't always espouse the religious foundations of evolution. But since evolution asks the same questions as religion—telling us where we came from, where we're going, and what we should do on the way—he had to admit the religious nature of his chosen materialistic worldview. For Ruse, and he is correct, "evolution is a kind of secular ideology, an explicit substitute for Christianity." If evolution is a "substitute for Christianity," and Christianity is religious, then evolution, as Christianity's substitute, is religious. The distinction in this debate, therefore, is not between religion and science, as so many claim, but between one religion (scientific materialistic evolution) and the religious basis of creation which makes science possible.

Is it any wonder that Darwin's most vocal defender, Thomas Henry Huxley (1825-1895), in addition to being called "Darwin's Bulldog," was also known as "Pope Huxley"? "Huxley personalized 'nature,' referring to it as 'fair, just and patient,' 'a strong angel who is playing for love.'" (Philip J. Sampson, *6 Modern Myths About Christianity and Western Civilization* [Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2001], 62). How can these things be when evolution is said to be "blind" (Richard Dawkins, *The Blind Watchmaker: Why the Evidence of Evolution Reveals a Universe Without Design* [New York: W.W. Norton & Co, 1986]) and Nature is described as "red in tooth and claw"? (Alfred Lord Tennyson, "In Memoriam, Arthur H. Hallam" (1850). Tennyson wrote this poem, mourning the death of his friend, nine years prior to the publication of Charles Darwin's *On the Origin of Species* (1859). Huxley's

grandson, Julian Huxley (1887-1975), "conceded that his beliefs are 'something in the nature of a religion,'" (Julian Huxley, *Evolution in Action* [New York: Mentor, 1953], 132. quoted in Sampson, *Six Modern Myths*, 62), and described his humanist beliefs as "The New Divinity." Ruse and the Huxleys are not alone in their contention that evolution is a materialistic religion that is founded on metaphysical assumptions:

"The distinguished biologist Lynn Margulis has rather scathingly referred to new-Darwinism as "a minor twentieth century religious sect within the sprawling religious persuasion of Anglo-Saxon biology." Start Kauffman observes that "natural selection" has become so central an explanatory force in neo-Darwinism that "we might as well capitalise [it] as though it were the new deity. (Sampson, *6 Modern Myths*, 62).

Professor Richard Lewontin, a geneticist and author of a number of books on Darwinian theory, illustrates the implicit metaphysical starting point of the evolutionary dogma. Even when the facts point away from a certain scientific explanation for a given theory, evolution must be followed because the materialistic religion of Darwin must be protected against any Divine intrusion:

"We take the side of science *in spite* of the patent absurdity of

some of its constructs, *in spite* of its failure to fulfill many of its extravagant promises of health and life, *in spite* of the tolerance of the scientific community for unsubstantiated just-so stories, because we have a *prior* commitment, a commitment to materialism. It is not that the methods and institutions of science somehow compel us to accept a material explanation of the phenomenal world, but, on the contrary, that we are forced by our a priori adherence to material causes to create an apparatus of investigation and a set of concepts that produce material explanations, no matter how counter-intuitive, no matter how mystifying to the uninitiated. Moreover, that materialism is an absolute, for we cannot allow

a Divine Foot in the door." (Richard Lewontin, "Billions and billions of demons," *The New York Review*, [January 9, 1997]31)

Ms. Lucey is under the false impression that science is an objective enterprise, neutral in face of the facts. "Science," she says, "is an intellectual pursuit; it's being able to let go of ideas that don't pan out." Now go back and read Lewontin again. As a self-professed materialist, Lewontin, by his own admission, is "forced by [his] a priori adherence to material causes to create an apparatus of investigation and a set of concepts that produce material explanations, no matter how counter-intuitive," Lewontin's new-found religion, bordering on irrationalism, has nothing in common with Christianity which calls for rational investigation based on known physical properties.

Robert Jastrow, an internationally known astronomer, founder and director of NASA's Goddard Institute for Space Studies, Professor of Astronomy and Geology at Columbia University, and Professor of Earth Sciences at Dartmouth College, describes science as "religion" in the chapter where the following quotation is taken:

"Consider the enormity of the problem. Science has proven that the Universe exploded into being at a certain moment. It asks, What produced this effect? Who or what put that matter and energy into the Universe? Was the Universe created out of nothing, or was it gathered together out of pre-existing materials? And science cannot answer these questions, because, according to the astronomers, in the first moments of its existence the Universe was compressed to an extraordinary degree, and consumed by the heat of a fire beyond human imagination. The shock of that instant must have destroyed every particle of evidence that could have yielded a clue to the cause of the great explosion. An entire



world, rich in structure and history, may have existed before our Universe appeared; but if it did, science cannot tell what kind of world it was. *A sound explanation may exist for the explosive birth of our Universe; but if it does, science cannot find out what the explanation is.* (Jastrow, *God and the Astronomers*, 114-115. Emphasis added).

Jastrow is correct about science having a metaphysical starting point. Science asks ultimate questions to which it has no scientifically substantiated answers. according to Jastrow, no evidence exists for the scientist to study on the subject of origins, since it was destroyed at the moment of creation. In his book *Until The Sun Dies*, Jastrow outlines two origin options, both of which he describes as a "miracle;" "The first theory places the question of the origin of life beyond the reach of scientific inquiry. It is a statement of faith in the power of a Supreme Being not subject to the laws of science. The second theory is also an act of faith. The act of faith consists in assuming that the scientific view of the origin of life is correct, *without having concrete evidence to support that belief.*" (Jastrow, *Until the Sun Dies*, New York: Norton & Co. 1977, 62-63. Emphasis added). These aren't the words of a "Christian fundamentalist" who is "anti-intellectual" and where "logic takes a holiday," to use Ms Lucey's description of biblical creationists. Jastrow is a well-respected scientist, described as "the greatest writer of science living today."

WHOSE EVOLUTION?

When members of the First Church of Charles Darwin maintain that only their creedal formulation of evolutionary origins should be taught in public schools, one wonders which denominational variety it should be. Should it be Darwin's *textus receptus* version before it underwent its numerous revisions and reformulations? How about the "hopeful monster" version developed in the 1930s by Otto Schindewolf and promoted in 1940 by Richard Goldschmidt. (Bertrand Russell claimed that "large-scale, sudden changes" could develop through the "power of x-rays to alter genes." [Sampson, 6 Modern Myths, 59]). She doesn't say.

This once-heterodox and ridiculed Darwinian revisionist doctrine has lately been resurrected and renamed "punctuated equilibrium" by Niles Eldridge and the late Stephen Jay Gould. "Punk eek," as it is affectionately called by some some and derisively labeled by others, is a radical departure from the confessional statement of beliefs of the First Church of Charles Darwin. Where the Church of Darwin first suggested that changes occur gradually over long periods of time (equilibrium or stasis), Punk Eek adherents conjecture that evolution is best explained as sudden leaps and jerks (punctuation). The change in doctrine came when transitional fossils could not be found to support the orthodox Darwinian dogma. Gould, a high priest of the movement before his death in 2002, had to confess:

"The extreme rarity of transitional forms in the fossil record persist as the trade secret of paleontology... [T]o preserve our favoured account of evolution by natural selection we view our data as so bad that we never see the very process we profess to study." (Stephen J. Gould, "Evolution's erratic pace," *Natural History* [1977], 86:14).

Did you get that? "We never see the very process we profess to study." Not only that, but no one, creationist or evolutionist, has ever seen the beginning of creation. Christians, however, believe that they have been told about it. Science works to reconstruct existing and past data to learn more about the creation process. "Christian fundamentalists" don't abandon the scientific method when they declare that God designed and created the universe anymore than a mechanic denies the engineers who designed the car he's working on. It doesn't make him any less of a mechanic to admit that the car was designed and manufactured by someone he has never seen. In fact, he would be considered crazy if he denied that the car had a designer. Furthermore, knowing that the car was designed leads the mechanic to conclude that the car has a prescribed way of working and predetermined settings that are vital to its functioning optimally. Would you take your car to a mechanic who believed that your car came into existence randomly?

Eldridge, in similar fashion, takes a peek behind the Darwinian altar and admits: "No wonder paleontologists shied away from evolution for so long. It never seems to happen." (Niles Eldridge, *Reinventing Darwin* [London: Weidenfeld and Nicolson, 1995], 95, quoted in Sampson, 6 Modern Myths, 59). Evolutionists are so blinded by their presuppositions that origins must be explained by their materialist religion. There is no other option even when the facts scream otherwise. Any argument raised against their Darwinian assumptions is dismissed as being non-scientific, a "spiritual pursuit," or "magical thinking," in the words of Ms. Lucey. In a subsequent article related to uniforms in public schools, Ms. Lucey writes, "We should not be working toward creating a uniform society, but supporting the idea that public schools nurture the individual, the critical thinker and respect diversity in opinion and appearance." (Beverly carol Lucey, 'Requiring uniforms won't help schools,' *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* [Sept. 12, 2002] A23). We wouldn't be a uniform society unless that uniformity is over origins. Students should be critical thinkers unless they're thinking critically in the creation/evolution debate. Schools should respect diversity in opinion unless a student wants to adopt a different opinion about evolution based on the study of available evidence.

ALIENS DID IT

If the evolutionary creedal formulations do not suit you, one

can always adopt the view of Francis Crick, co-discoverer of the structure of the DNA molecule, for which he received a Nobel Prize—"directed pnaspermia." (Francis Crick, *Life Itself: Its Origin and Nature* [New York: Simon and Schuster, 1981]). Crick, a serious and well-respected scientist, thinks "that life on earth may have begun when aliens from another planet sent a rocket ship containing spores to seed the earth." (Michael J. Behe, *Darwin's Black Box: The Biochemical Challenge to Evolution* [New York: The Free Press, 1996], 248). Of course, Crick doesn't explain how the aliens got there, but, hey, this is science. A theory is deemed scientific as long as it has the *imprimatur* of at least one member of the Darwinian priesthood.

Sometimes the priesthood objects to one of its own members when he strays too far from the accepted dogma. Crick is one of them. When this happens, a very rare occurrence to be sure, the full force of inquisitional opposition from the scientific priesthood is brought to bear on the heretic. Consider Danish environmental scientist—John Lomborg, a left-wing evolutionary scientist whose specialty is statistics, who dared to stray and state that "We are not running out of energy or natural resources." A former member of Greenpeace and the author of *The Skeptical Environmentalist* (1998), Lomborg has been giving the leftist environmental lobby fits. Since his scientific paradigm does not correspond to the prevailing environmental religion, drastic measures had to be taken in an attempt to silence him:

"Some scientists say they initially hoped to ignore Lomborg but in the wake of the book's popularity have reacted with a fury rarely seen in academia. . . . A dozen esteemed environmental scientists, including [Peter] Raven and Harvard's Edward O. Wilson, are demanding that Lomborg's publisher cut him loose. "We are deeply disturbed that Cambridge University Press would publish and promote an error-filled, poorly referenced and non-peer-reviewed work.; they write in a letter calling on Cambridge to transfer publishing rights to a popular, non-scholarly press." (Andrew Goldstein, "Danish Darts," *Time* [Aug. 26, 2002], A60).

This "poorly referenced and non-peer-reviewed work" contains 2,930 footnotes. Of course, just because a book includes nearly 3,000 footnotes does not mean the author is right in all his assertions and conclusions, but it does afford critics an opportunity to check out the author's methodology and debate him on the facts. But because the book does not support the dogma of the scientific *status quo*, it is dismissed without considering the author's counter arguments. The facts don't matter because they do not fit the accepted environmental worldview. Any environmental position that does not begin with a global warming starting point is wrong by definition. Creation scientists find themselves in a similar position. Until creation scientists have their work go through "peer review," it's not true science. But no creationist could ever pass a peer-review test because there is a presuppositional bias against creation science. Consider the following:

"D.M.S. Watson, known to the public for his B.B.C. talks popularizing the Darwinian notion that human beings descended from primates, declared in an address to his fellow biologists at a Cape Town conference: "Evolution itself is accepted by zoologists not because it has been observed to occur or . . . can be proved by logically coherent evidence to be true, but because the only alternative, special creation, is clearly incredible." (Quoted in Herbert Schlossberg, *Idols for Destruction: Christian Faith and Its Confrontation with American Society* [Wheaton, IL: Crossway, [1983] 1993, 144-145).

C.S. Lewis was astounded at Watson's frank admission and responded: "Has it come to that? Does the whole vast structure of modern naturalism depend not on positive evidence but simply on an a priori metaphysical prejudice? Was it devised not to get in facts but to keep out God?" (C.S. Lewis, *They Asked for a Paper* [London: Geoffrey Bles, 1962], 163). - - - Sorry, couldn't fit the last paragraphs in here. But get the Gary DeMar LOAN-DVD listen on the previous page, and listen to the whole story!

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