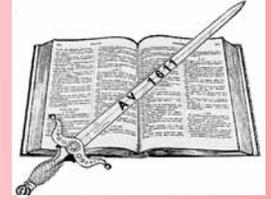




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The Religion of the Public Schools

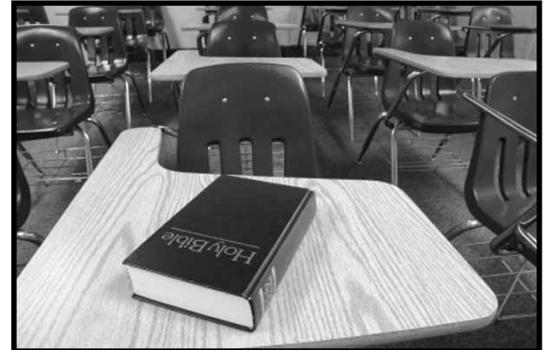
For all the talk by the ACLU of “separation of Church and State,” every public school in the United States teaches one particular religion—and it is NOT Christianity. It is called a “religion” by those familiar with what it teaches, although it masquerades as “science” (see 1 Tim. 6:20). That religion, of course, is *evolution*. Here are some quotations, some of which are by die-hard evolutionists, that show you evolution is not “science” at all; it is a *religion* which “scientists” accept “by faith.”

Irving W. Knobloch, Professor of Natural Sciences at Michigan State University, says evolution is “an act of *faith*” (J. C. Monsma, *Evidence of God in an Expanding Universe*, Putnam and Sons, 1958, pp. 87–88).

Dr. Hubert Yockey of the University of California, Berkeley, said that the “basis “ of evolution is *faith*,” not “fact” (*Journal of Theoretical Biology*, Vol. 67, 1977, pg. 398).

Evolutionary biologist Stephen Jay Gould admitted: “These *tales* . . . of evolutionary natural history, *do not prove anything*” (“The Return of the Hopeful Monsters,” *Natural History*, June/July 1977).

I. L. Cohen, member of the New York Academy of Sciences, wrote that evolutionists “accept these concepts on *‘faith’*” (*Darwin Was Wrong: A Study in Probabilities*, New Research Publications, 1984, pg. 129). Citing Gould, Cohen also wrote: “Truth as preached by scientists often turns out to be no more than



prejudice inspired by prevailing social and political belief” (Ibid., pg. 215).

H. S. Lipson, Professor of Physics at the University of Manchester, wrote: “In fact, evolution became in a sense a scientific *religion*; almost all scientists have accepted
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NATIONAL ATHEIST DAY

Some Christian wit once dubbed April 1st (April Fool’s Day) as “National Atheist Day.” That’s because the Scripture says, “**The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God**” (Psa. 14:1).

Notice that the problem is not a *head* problem; it’s a *heart* problem. The reason an atheist denies the existence of God is not because of any intellectual or academic argument (the “head”); it’s because he doesn’t want to be accountable to a Creator (the “heart”). Someone asked Julian Huxley, the grandson of Thomas Huxley who was Darwin’s foremost advocate, why scientists jumped at *The Origin of the Species* when it came out. Julian Huxley’s answer was quite revealing: “The idea of God interfered with our SEXUAL MORES.” In other words, the scientists of Darwin’s day (and *now*)

rejected the Bible account of a Creator because they wanted to *fornicate with impunity*.

If a man really wants to know if there is a God, he doesn’t need intellectual arguments to convince him. All he needs to do is obey the light God has given him in nature (Psa. 19:1–3) and his conscience (Rom. 2:14–15), and the Lord will give him further revelation.

Jesus said, “**If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself**” (John 7:17).

Paul said the existence of God is self-evident to any man. “**For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse**” (Rom. 1:20).

A man has to be *educated* out of his belief in God. Paul said, “**Professing themselves to be wise, they became FOOLS**” (Rom. 1:22); and “**the world BY WISDOM knew not God**” (1 Cor. 1:21). The purpose of “higher education,” whether it be secular or “Christian,” is to create as much doubt as possible toward God and what He said. The reason you have more atheists today than you did before World War II is because since 1961, the goal of the NEA, the ACLU, and the Supreme Court has been to remove all mention of God and the Bible from the public schools and State Colleges and Universities, and to substitute secular humanism and international Socialism in their place.

Now even though atheism is a matter of the heart, we

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Soviet Atheism in The USA

In America, there are several organizations, including the ACLU and the NEA, whose goal it is to remove every mention of God, the Bible, and Jesus Christ from all public buildings and all public life. With the push for international Socialism on the American public by the Obama administration and the Democratic Party, the First Amendment right to “freedom of religion” has been changed to “freedom of worship.” Freedom of religion is the right to worship God as you see fit wherever you want. Freedom of worship is the right to worship God *where and how the government tells you you can*.

This is what was enforced

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America's Lopsided God

(Part 2 of 3)

In the first part of this article, we began discussing the saying adopted by modern American Christians: "God loves the sinner but hates his sin." This is combined with 1 John 4:8 ("**God is love**") to deny the reality of *Hell*.

Of course, this flies in the face of what God the Holy Spirit says in His Book. So here we take up what the *Scriptures* say about *God's hatred*. The God of the *Bible* (not modern American Christianity) doesn't love everybody indiscriminately; a "God" who loves the good people in the same way He loves the evil people is a *spiritual pervert*.

"The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: THOU HATEST ALL WORKERS OF INIQUITY. Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing: THE LORD WILL ABHOR THE BLOODY AND DECEITFUL MAN" (Psa. 5:5-6).

In that passage, David says that God not only *hates* some people, He *abhors* them. Abhorrence isn't just hatred; it's *extreme* hatred. David didn't say God hates iniquity; he said God hates the "**WORKERS of iniquity.**" God doesn't just "**abhor**" murder and lying; He *abhors* "**the bloody and deceitful MAN.**" That's not just God hating the sin; it's God hating the *sinner himself*, and some of those sinners He *hates to the extreme*.

That thing is so strong that God doesn't even want His people loving sinners. David said, "**I have HATED the congregation of evil doers; and will not sit with the wicked**" (Psa. 26:5); he said, "**I have HATED THEM that regard lying vanities: but I trust**

in the LORD" (Psa. 31:6). That's a man after God's own heart (1 Sam. 13:14) saying that he hated certain *people* because of their sin.

You say, "That's Old Testament, Ruckman. We aren't under the Old Testament anymore." All right, you want it stronger? Then go over to the *New Testament* and see what the Apostle to the Gentiles had to say about it.

"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? . . . Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord" (2 Cor. 6:14-17).

That's the New Testament under grace. The Apostle Paul tells you not to *fellowship* with the idolaters, not to *commune* with them, to have *no part* with them, and to *separate* yourself from them if you want the Lord to treat you as one of His children (2 Cor. 6:17-18). You may have to work around them and converse with them to a certain degree (1 Cor. 5:9-10), but you are not to treat them as close friends and comrades because they are *unrighteous, in darkness, children of the Devil, and infidels* concerning the faith.

Now if that is the view you are to take to an unsaved world, do you think God is just gushing with love over them? Not on your life, brother! That Bible says, "**God is angry with the wicked every day**" (Psa. 7:11). That's "**the wick-**

ed," as in *people*—God's enemies (Psa. 7:6). Actually, in the passage they are *David's* enemies, so the prayer is for David's enemies to be treated as God's enemies and for God to pour out His wrath, anger, and indignation on them (Psa. 69:24).

In the Psalms, those are known as *imprecatory* prayers; that is, prayers for someone's *damnation*. The reason David is able to pray such prayers is because he is a type of *Christ* (see Psa. 69:8-9, 21). So when David prays, "**Pour out thine indignation upon them, and let thy wrathful anger take hold of them**" (Psa. 69:24), that's Jesus Christ, in type, praying for His Father to *damn* someone.

Do you doubt what I'm saying? Then look at verses 27-28 there in the same chapter.

"Add iniquity unto their iniquity [no remission of sin]: and let them not come into thy righteousness [no imputed righteousness or justification]. Let them be blotted out of the book of the living, and not be written with the righteous [their names not put in the Lamb's Book of Life]."

Who prayed that? *The One who came to save them* (Luke 19:10) prayed that. He prays that prayer at His Second Advent.

"And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, AND THAT OBEY NOT THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the



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presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power; When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe . . . in that day" (2 Thess. 1:7-10).

You think you can get rid of that judgmental, wrathful God by consigning Him to the Old Testament? Well, what are you going to do with 2 Thessalonians 1, written by the Apostle to the Gentiles? What are you going to do with 2 Thessalonians 2:11-12 where God sends "**strong delusion**" on a people to get them to "**believe a lie**" in order to *damn* them?

Folks, you might as well face it: the God of the Old Testament *is* the God of the New Testament. Your problem is that when you got to the New Testament, you stripped the Lord of all the negative attributes revealed in the Old Testament. Now you have a lopsided "God" that does not exist in either Testament.

The God of the Bible is a balanced being. He has both love and hatred, mercy and vengeance. But His hatred and vengeance are just as intense as His love and mercy. That's the God of the Bible: He's complete. The "God" Americans have been

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it, and many are prepared to bend their observations to fit in with it" (*Physics Bulletin*, Vol. 31, No. 4, May 1980, pg. 138).

Geologist David Raup wrote: "Some pure fantasy has crept into our textbooks" ("Evolution and the Fossil Record," *Science* magazine, cited by Henry Morris, *Scientific Creationism*, pp. xi-xii).

Evolutionist Loren Eisley admitted: "After having chided the theologian for his reliance on myth and miracles, science found itself in the unenviable position of having to create a mythology of its own" (*The Immense Journey*, Random House, New York, 1957, pg. 199).

That's the religion of the public schools. The Supreme Court declared it to be a religion in 1961 (*Torcaso vs. Watkins*) under the title of *secular humanism*, and in 1987, it ruled that that religion was the *only* theory of origins which can be taught in the public schools (*Edwards vs. Aguillard*). Humanism is just a polite word for "atheism." It is the same religion that was taught for over seventy years in Communist Russia. It is designed to convert all American children into immoral "monkey men" with *no God, no Bible, no Christ, and no future* beyond the grave.

It no more represents the America of 1620-1920 than Joel Osteen and Rick Warren represent the ministries of D. L. Moody or Billy Sunday.

To show what religious fakirs evolutionists are, notice the outright lies put forward to push their theory:

In 1865, John William Dawson of McGill University, Canada's leading paleontologist, claimed that a pre-Cambrian rock with ripples in it, which he called *Eozoon*, was a fossil of "dawn animals." It turned out to be nothing but heat, pressure, and chemical processes on limestone.

In 1866, Ernst Haeckel faked the evidence for his famous "ontogeny recapitulates phylogeny" (the human embryo goes through the stages of evolution in the womb; Haeckel's drawings are still used in many textbooks today to prove evolution).

Haeckel was caught in another lie after it was discovered that in 1868, Thomas

Huxley took an old sample of mud, which had been brought up from the floor of the Atlantic Ocean when the trans-Atlantic cable was laid, and pickled it. He called it "*Bathylbius Haeckelii*" and claimed it was the primordial slime from which all life evolved. In Haeckel's vanity (the substance was named after him), he continued to write about it as if it were proven fact.

In 1877, the fossil "*Archaeopteryx*" was discovered and claimed to be the missing link between reptiles and birds. The fossil did not consist of any bones, merely an impression in mud. In 1983, the evolutionist Sir Fred Hoyle declared *Archaeopteryx* to be a *hoax*: chicken feathers pressed into wet cement made with powdered limestone. Other "lizard birds," like "*Archaeoraptor*," also proved to be forgeries, invented by Chinese farmers to sell to some evolutionist sucker.

In the 1925 "Scopes Monkey Trial," the ACLU lawyer Clarence Darrow brought up two examples of "evolutionary man"; both were as fake as a three dollar bill. "*Pittdown Man*" turned out to be a *fraud* created by attaching an orangutan jaw to a human skull and doctoring both to look old; "*Nebraska Man*" was constructed from the tooth of an *extinct pig*.

Now thank God that not all scientists have completely lost their minds. Here are the "heretics" who refuse to bow at the altar of Darwin. Here are the scientists who insist that there is an "Intelligent Design" behind creation:

Professor *Philip Johnson*—UCLA Berkeley. He served as law clerk for Chief Justice Earl Warren. Johnson authored the book *Darwin on Trial*.

Professor *Conley*—New York Academy of Sciences; Archeological Institute of
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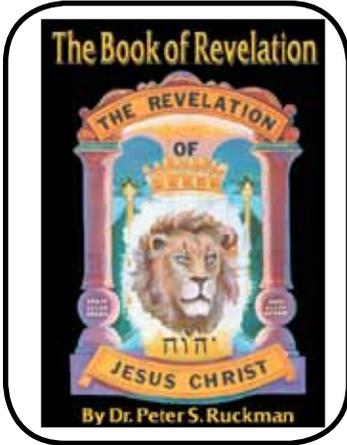
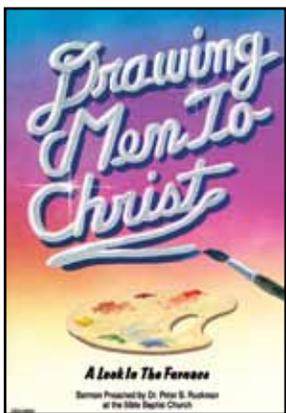
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 preaching since about 1965 is a skewed, lopsided, make-believe dummy.

He is kind of like the "Jesus" Moslems are taught to believe. Mohammed's "Jesus" bears no resemblance to the Jesus of the Bible. The "Jesus" of Islam wasn't born in a manger at Bethlehem; he was born under a palm tree. He never died on the cross; someone else (presumably Judas) died in his place. He didn't die for anybody's sins or rise again; according to what sect you follow, he either was caught up to Paradise with his mother (plagiarized from the Roman Catholics), or he died in Kashmir, India at 120 years old. He wasn't the Son of God; he can't save anyone or give them the New Birth; he can't take anybody's soul to Heaven; he's not coming again to reign on earth a thousand years. The fact is, the "Jesus" of the *Koran* is not even named *Jesus*; he's called "Isa," the Arabic word for *Esau* (as in "**Esau have I HATED**"). The Moslem "Jesus" is like the American "God": both are figments of a depraved imagination.

Do you want to know what the Jesus of that Bible says? You people that believe on Jesus Christ, I guess you'd believe what He says, wouldn't you? After all your talk about "**God is love**" and "**God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son**" and "Jesus loves me, this I know; for the Bible tells me so," I guess you would like to know exactly what the Bible says Jesus will say when He comes back? Well, here it is. It is found in Isaiah 63, and it is *prophecy* given in the *past tense*, exactly as you find it Isaiah 53 with the blood atonement for sin. This is a

personal quotation by Jesus Christ, the One who loved you enough to die for your sins.

"I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine ANGER, and trample them in my FURY; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment, For the day of VENGEANCE is in mine heart . . . And I will tread down the PEOPLE in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury; and I will bring down their strength to the earth" (Isa. 63:3-4, 6).

God has nothing against the sinner, does He? Let's see you reconcile what you just read with "God loves the sinner but hates the sin." In Isaiah 63, He's taking 200 million sinners (Rev. 9:16) and stomping them under his feet until the blood flows up to the horses' bridles for 75 miles (Rev. 14:20).

You see, the "God" you are being given by Joel Osteen, Rick Warren, Robert Schuller, et al., these days is not the God of the Bible—either the Father or the Son. He is a paper maché God created to meet your own demands.

Next month, we will finally get into the Scriptural implications of the love of God, but it still won't be this modern mush you are getting over the TV and FM radio.

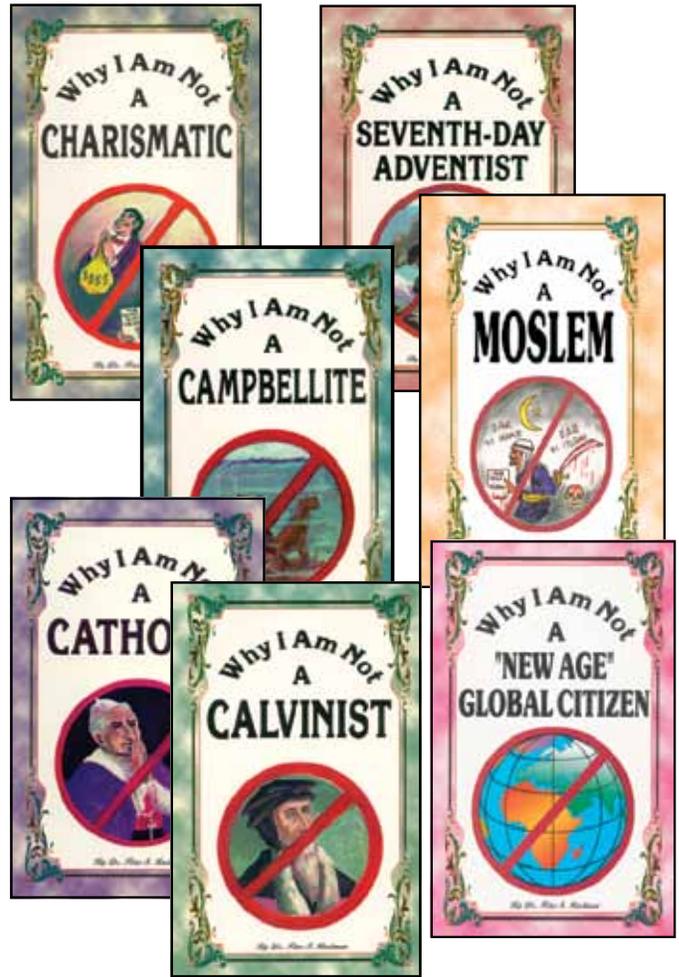
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reproduce here the proofs for the existence of God for those few *honest* skeptics who are seeking answers, and for Bible-believing Christians who occasionally need to “**Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own conceit**” (Prov. 26:5). The arguments we shall cover are: the *Scriptural* argument, the *cosmological* argument, the *teleological* argument, the *moral or anthropological* argument, and the argument from *congruity*.

First is the *Scriptural* argument. Now the Bible itself never tries to “prove” the existence of God. From the very first verse, the Bible assumes God’s existence. Jesus Christ and every writer of Scripture refer to God in a very matter-of-fact way. That is because the Bible is the *eyewitness accounts* of God’s dealings with man and man’s dealings with God (Luke 1:2; 1 John 1:1). If you had seen God at work as the writers of Scripture did, you would see no need to “prove” God is real because your *testimony* is the proof. So while the Bible does not seek to prove the existence of God, *it is in itself* the proof of God’s existence.

Now think a minute. If there is any possibility that God is real, wouldn’t it behoove Him to give His creation a revelation of what He expected from them? Of course; God wouldn’t leave His creation in darkness and ignorance. The question, then, is not whether there is a need for special revelation, but where is this special revelation? What makes the Bible that special revelation from the Creator, as opposed to the *Koran*, the *Vedas*, the *Book of Mormon*, the *Zend Avesta*, or the *Tripitaka*?

It is God Himself who gives the test of revelation. It is *prophecy*: telling history *before* it happens (read Isa. 41:21–24, 42:9, 43:10–13,

44:6–8, 45:11, 46:5, 9–10). If you want to find out whether a Book is from God, just see if it prophesies and if those prophecies are fulfilled in history. The “sacred scriptures” of other religions come up a *blank* when it comes to prophecy. All Mohammed and Allah were able to give you in the *Koran* was one lucky (or calculated) *guess* that Mohammed would win a battle. Some prophecy: a 50-50 chance of coming to pass.

Now what type of supernatural characteristics does the Bible display when it comes to prophecy? Well, the Bible records *48 prophecies* about *one man*. Those 48 prophecies were written anywhere from 400–1,500 years before the fellow was born. *All 48 prophecies came to pass to the last detail*.

A mathematician named Peter Stoner, in his work *Science Speaks*, calculated the statistical probability of 48 prophecies about the First Coming of Jesus Christ all

coming to pass. The chances of Jesus Christ fulfilling all 48 prophecies recorded in the Old Testament turned out to be *one out of ten to the 157th power*. That number is ten with 157 zeros after it. That number is *greater* than the number of electrons in *three universes* the size of our own. According to the laws of statistical probability, if the chances of a thing taking place are one out of ten with *fifty* zeros after it, that event will *never* take place. The Bible displays the existence of a *supernatural Author* who is exactly who He claims to be: the Almighty Creator of the universe.

The second argument for the existence of God is the *cosmological* argument. The cosmological argument is that for every effect there must be an *adequate cause*. Now what are the four possible “causes” for the “effect”: the existence of the universe?

1. The universe came from *nothing naturally* (*accidentally* according to evolution).

2. The universe has *always been here*.

3. The universe is *not really here at all*: it is just an hallucination.

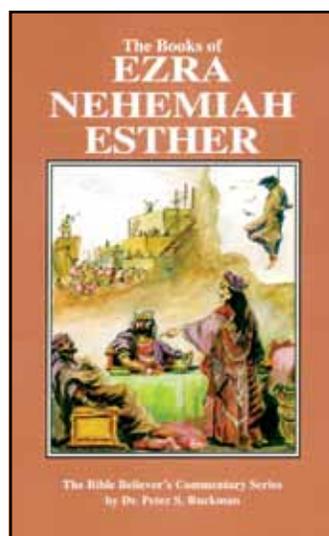
4. The universe came from *nothing supernaturally*.

Of those four possibilities, only one cause is “adequate.” The universe could not have come from nothing naturally because that would violate the First Law of Thermodynamics, which states that neither matter nor energy can be created nor destroyed.

Neither could the universe have always been here (“the eternity of matter”) because that would violate the Second Law of Thermodynamics. That law deals with the *conservation of energy*; that is, in a closed system like the universe, with the passage of time, there is *always* less energy with which to work. That is known as “entropy”: the *loss* and *dissipation* of energy. Entropy characterizes *everything* on earth: the watch runs down,

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The Right Balance

By Tom Waddle

For some time now, "Christian" TV celebrities have been saturating the Body of Christ with naive Christians who "positively" reject anything that is negative. This will include rejecting any *negative* Scriptures. Of course, they have a *positive* reason for doing so. They have been programmed with such terms as "a clearer rendering," "closer to the originals," "an updated reading," or "easier to understand"; believing such fallacies as truth. All New-Age, *positive* "Christians" discard the *King James Bible* for some modern piece of trash like the *NIV*, *NKJV*, or any other "new" translation. How one professes to be a Christian and reject the Scriptures (much less correct them) is beyond comprehension. They are chipping away at the foundation on which Christianity is built: the Holy Scriptures.

One of these phony exhibitionists (a multimillionaire pastor with a stadium as a church) said, "When you eliminate negativity, your possibilities and positive experiences become endless . . . I can release all negativity from my mind and renew my spirit no matter what I may experience in life." Many Christians (by the thousands) are being deceived by this "positive" preaching because it makes them *feel* good about *themselves*. Their *feelings* have become their god. They have been brainwashed to believe "if it makes me feel good then it must be of God."

These popular, fashionable preachers are producing unbalanced, *positive Bible-rejecters*. If you don't think so, just try discussing the Bible with them. Quote (or should I say *share* for you effeminate, politically sensitive preachers) Philippians 3:21 ("Who shall change our vile body [that'll do it right there], that it may

be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself") along with 1 John 2:15 ("Love not [negative] the world, neither [negative] the things that are in the world. If any man love [positive] the world, the love of the Father is not [negative] in him") and watch them be transformed into the most

negative people in the world. It's *impossible*—I said IMPOSSIBLE—to hold an intelligent, scriptural conversation with them because they are so "positively" unbalanced that they are *kooky*. What they know about the Scriptures you could easily fit into a salt shaker.

Instead of being so concerned about how you feel, have you ever thought about

what it means to "eliminate negativity"? It means you must "eliminate" the Bible from your library.

"For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols [negative] to serve [positive] the living and true God (1 Thess. 1:9).

It's not enough to just "turn

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America. He authored the work *Darwin Was Wrong* (1984).

Research chemist *Edmund C. Kornfield*, Ph.D.—Harvard. Specialist in synthetic medicines and organic chemical development.

Biophysicist *Frank Allen*, Cornell University Ph.D.—Professor of Biology at the University of Manitoba.

Mathematician *John Cleveland Bochrans*, Ph.D.—Cornell University; Professor of Chemistry and Chairman of Science and Mathematics at the University of Minnesota.

Henry Porter Donald, Ph.D.—University of Indiana, Professor of Mathematics; Professor of Mathematics and Physics at Marion College.

Here is a small sampling of scientists who accept the Bible's account of creation:

Psychologist *Martin B. Kreider*, Ph.D.—University of Maryland; American Society of Professional Biologists; National Speleological Society.

Research chemist *Thomas D. Parks*, Ph.D.—University of Illinois; Department of Chemistry, Stanford Research Institute.

Geneticist *John W. Klotz*, Ph.D.—University of Pittsburgh; Professor of Biology and Physiology, Concordia Teachers College.

Zoologist *Russell L. Mixer*, Ph.D.—University of Illinois; Professor of Zoology and Chairman of the Science Division, Wheaton College.

Geochemist *Donald R. Carr*, Ph.D.—Columbia University; Consultant to Stanford University Research Institute Association; Professor of Geology at Shelton College.

Physicist and Atomic Researcher *Edwin Fast*—on staff at the Physics Department, University of Oklahoma.

Now according to 992 pages of documented scientific

facts (*The Evolution Handbook* by Vance Ferrell), the following men were all mentally sick *religious fanatics* who bought into the modern *mythology* of evolution: Rene Dubois, Charles Darwin, C. H. Waddington, Thomas and Julian Huxley, C. Gregg Singer, William Paley, Carl Dunbar, H. D. Hedburg, Stephen Hawking, Albert Einstein, James H. Zumberge, T. G. Miller, J. E. Ransom, and all the editors of *National Geographic Magazine*. Those are the "chief priests" for the religion now propagated by the public schools.

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the car breaks down, you grow old and die, etc.

The third possibility is simply *madness*. If everything is an hallucination, there could be no scientific laws that govern anything at all, because the hallucination would be different from individual to individual.

The universe coming from nothing supernaturally is the only possible “cause” for the “effect” of the universe because it meets all the requirements of the laws of physics and *real science* (1 Tim. 6:20).

The third proof for God’s existence is the *teleological* argument; that is, since the universe demonstrates definite traits of *design*, then logically, there must be a *Designer*. In scientific circles, this is known as “Intelligent Design.” The idea is the precision watch did not come into being *accidentally*; someone designed it for a specific purpose. An atom bomb going off does not result in the rearrangement of brick and steel into skyscrapers, well-planned city blocks, paved streets, etc., superior to the buildings it blew up. A modern city is obviously the result of purposeful planning. No “Big Bang” rearranged hydrogen atoms into stars, planets, solar systems, galaxies, trees, birds, flowers, animals, planets, and men. Those are the result of a *superior mind* who originated and organized everything: we call the One who did that “God.”

The next argument that proves there is a God is the *moral* argument, also known as the *anthropological* argument. Men have an intellectual and moral nature that animals do not have. This shows that a Being with an intellectual and moral nature Himself created man; the Creator is not merely an inanimate force.

Of all God’s creation, only man was created in God’s image (Gen. 1:26–27); that

is, God patterned man after Himself. Although that image has been marred by sin, God has still placed a moral guide known as the *conscience* within man which testifies to the Law of God written in men’s hearts (Rom. 2:15). Though this conscience may be “**defiled**” (Tit. 1:15) and “**seared**” (1 Tim. 4:2), there is no man anywhere on earth who does not naturally know adultery, stealing, murder, etc., are *wrong*. When a heathen Philistine King was confronted by God about adultery, he didn’t say, “Lord, I didn’t know adultery was wrong; after all, I never even heard of the Ten Commandments.” No, he said, “The fellow lied to me and said the woman was his sister. I had no idea she was his wife, or I wouldn’t have touched her” (Gen. 20:3–5). Abimelech knew “**Thou shalt not commit adultery**” instinctively, even though the Ten Commandments had not been given yet.

One of the excuses men use to get out of receiving Jesus Christ is: “What about the heathen who’ve never heard?” The heathen know a great deal more than you give them credit for. There is many an aborigine in the Australian Outback, many a tribesman in the jungles of the Amazon, many an African in the Chad, many an islander in the South Pacific, who knows a great deal more about God and what He expects of man than the professors and Ph.D.’s at Duke, Cornell, Chicago, Harvard, Yale, UCLA, etc. Those native peoples still have that moral conscience God placed in them that has not been turned into a dishonest intellect by “higher education.”

Another argument for God’s existence is the *Law of Biogenesis*: only life begets life; there is no “spontaneous generation.” The theory of spontaneous generation has been scientifically proven to

be false; that is, unless you are an evolutionist. Then it is absolutely necessary to your theory of origins. Every evolutionist believes life came from *dead rocks*.

There are no fossils of living organisms in the pre-Cambrian strata; then suddenly there is the “Cambrian explosion” where the Cambrian strata

bears evidence, through the fossils, of a world teeming with life—and *complex* life, at that. From where did it come? Any good Darwinian will tell you that the earth was flung out of the sun at 6,000 degrees Fahrenheit, and as it cooled it produced the chemical elements that would bring forth

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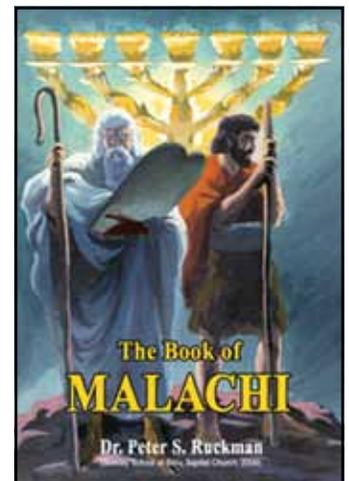
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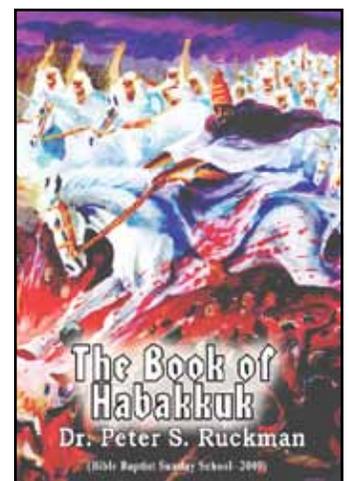
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Soviet Atheism in the USA

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 In Communist Russia all the way back to 1922. The January 3, 1922 decree on "religion in the churches" reads: "The teaching of religion to children, before and during school age, assembled at churches and in other ecclesiastical buildings, or in houses of private individuals, is hereby forbidden." Why? Because the children are the "wards of the State," just like the American courts have declared.

Right now in America, that policy has been enforced, so far, only in the public schools, even though the American public school system was set up to teach children the Bible so they would not be deceived by the Devil (the "Old Deluder Satan Act" of 1647). But the push now is to declare the teaching of creationism, the Bible, and Christianity "child abuse." That is, you are headed in America where the Soviet Union was back in 1922.

Now why weren't children allowed to be taught "religion" publicly or privately in Communist Russia? From "Problems and Methods of Anti-Religious Propaganda," adopted by the Soviet Party Conference on Religious Propaganda, April 27-30, 1926: "All forms of religion must be fought and destroyed first because it was the servant of capital, and secondly because it is UNSCIENTIFIC. Thirdly because it poses a *morality* by the ruling class upon the toilers of the nation."

So in 1987 (Edwards vs. Aguillard), the Supreme Court of the United States ruled that children in the public schools could not be taught creationism because the teaching of creationism "lacks a clear *secular* purpose"; that is, creationism is "religion," not "science."

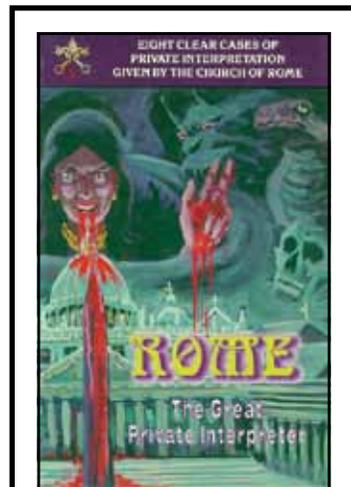
In 1980, the "Nine Old Men" decreed (Stone vs. Graham)

that the Ten Commandments could not be posted in the public school classroom, because the students might "read, meditate upon, and perhaps venerate and obey the Ten Commandments, which is not a permissible . . . objective." You don't want to impose "a morality" on the kiddies; obeying the Ten Commandments might not make them good "toilers of the nation" (double-speak for *slaves* of a totalitarian Socialist State).

Folks, the "Iron Curtain" may have come down in Eastern Europe, but atheistic Communism did not die out. It simply moved to State Col-

leges and Universities here in America, and to the United States Senate, Congress, Supreme Court, and the White House. You are no longer liv-

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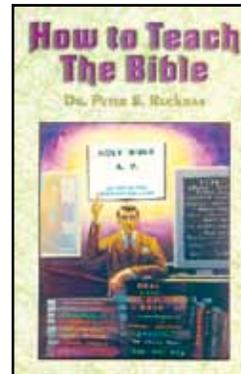
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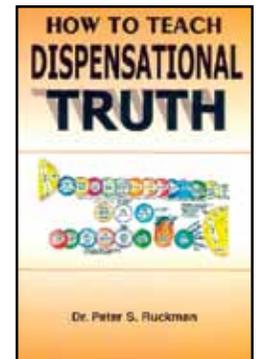
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 life from *inorganic matter*. That is spontaneous generation. That is, evolution is a *fairly tale for grown ups*.

Real science has proven conclusively that *life comes from life*. If scientists ever did produce life in a laboratory (and they *haven't*; all they have come up with are some amino acids which were *not* organized into any "DNA" or "life" at all), all they would prove would be that life (the living scientists) produces life (whatever they made). The "life" would not be produced by any "random chance"; it would be the work of *intelligent designers* (the scientists).

That Bible tells you from where life came. It came from a *living God*: "**For with thee is the fountain of life**" (Psa. 36:9). It came from a Creator (John 1:1-3) who said, "**I am the resurrection, and the LIFE**" (John 11:25), and "**I am the way, the truth, and the LIFE**" (John 14:6).

Finally, there is the argument from *congruity*. This argument states that the theory which best fits all the facts is the correct answer to the question. Only the belief in a self-existent, intelligent, moral Creator is able to meet all the demands of a complex universe, man's moral nature, and the existence of life itself.

Atheism and evolution solve none of these problems, but simply multiply unsolved mysteries. In atheism and evolution, the universe is just the product of random chance, and logically, there is no purpose or higher meaning to man or life itself. There can be no superior moral code, for everything is merely the accidental arrangement of molecules and energy.

Belief in God is the universal key that fits all the facts of science, history, and revelation. Only a *fool* would reject such an irrefutable doctrine. The logical end of atheism

is moral and social anarchy, totalitarianism ("might makes right"), and the torture and murder of literally millions of people by the State. One should never forget that the greatest mass murders and genocides that ever took place on the face of this earth took place in States professing *atheism* (China, Russia, Cambodia, etc.).

Although belief in God (Deism and Theism) is *not* the desired end of faith (*devils* believe in God and tremble—James 2:19), it is still the first necessary step in pleasing God.

"But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him" (Heb. 11:6).

The ultimate goal of faith is to know and believe the One God sent to save you from your sins and give you eternal life.

"Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated

us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins" (Col. 1:13-14).

"And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life" (1 John 5:20).

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 11 who were hollering for meat to eat instead of manna? God gave them quail, and while they were stuffing their faces, God killed a whole bunch of them. Isn't that strange? He didn't kill them while they were griping; He killed them while they were *eating*.

Did you notice that when the children of Israel got messed up with the golden calf, it was at a *feast*. The Book says, **"the people sat down to EAT and to DRINK, and rose up to play"** (Exod. 32:5-6). *Three thousand people died* because of that meal.

Where do you think Haman was when he got "the black spot" (see Blind Pew and Long John Silver in *Treasure Island*)? He was at that banquet with the King and the Queen when Esther revealed her people. Ahasuerus stepped out to get his temper under control, and Haman threw himself on Esther's bed (people ate *reclining* back then). When the King came back in, he found Haman pawing all over his wife and drew the natural conclusion from such a sight. He had Haman's head covered, and Haman was led away to be hung on his own gallows. That took place at a *meal*, at a banquet.

Birthday parties could be dangerous things in Bible times. On Pharaoh's birthday, he gave a party for his servants and had his chief baker executed (Gen. 40:20-22). John the Baptist wasn't at the party personally, but when Herod celebrated his birthday with the high muckety-mucks of Galilee, a dancing girl came out in the middle of the feast and roused Herod's lust. He swore to give her anything she wanted up to half of his kingdom; that meant *the head of John the Baptist* (read the account in Mark 6). Evidently, "eat, drink, and be merry" is not always a cheerful philoso-

phy to follow.

There was a famine in Gilgal one time. A bunch of Elisha's buddies got together to make a stew ("**pottage**"). One of the fellows went out in the field and found some wild gourds that he shredded into the soup and found out too late that they were poisonous. If Elisha hadn't been there to prescribe the cure (*corn meal*), all of those men would have eaten their *last meal*. You can find that story in 2 Kings 4.

There seems to be something terribly important about *eating* in the Bible. When sin entered the world, it entered over what Adam and Eve ate (Gen. 3). When the Book closes, somebody is getting eternal life from something they *eat* (Rev. 22:14). Jesus compared getting eternal life to eating His flesh and drinking His blood (John 6:53-57), and several hundred million people have been damned on that passage just like the Campbellites have on Acts 2:38.

Right now, "**the kingdom of God is NOT MEAT AND DRINK**" (Rom. 14:17). *Right now*, "**It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh prof-**

iteth nothing: the WORDS that I speak unto you, THEY are spirit, and THEY are life" (John 6:63). But when Jesus Christ returns in His kingdom—the literal, visible, physical Kingdom of Heaven—those Christians who have served Him faithfully now in the spiritual Kingdom of God will "**sit down to meat,**" and the Lord Himself will serve them (Luke 12:37).

Until then, we are to be *content*. Paul says, "**having FOOD and raiment let us be therewith content**" (1 Tim. 6:8), and "**be content with such things as ye have**" (Heb. 13:5). We are to esteem "**the words of his mouth more than [our] necessary food**" (Job 23:12). Our hearts are not to be "**overcharged with surfeiting** [that's over-eating], **and drunkenness**" (Luke 21:34). We are not to be preoccupied with what we eat, but "**seek . . . the kingdom of**

God" (Luke 12:29-31). Our main concern is to be *God's glory*, not what we stuff in our faces and bellies.

"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God" (1 Cor. 10:31).

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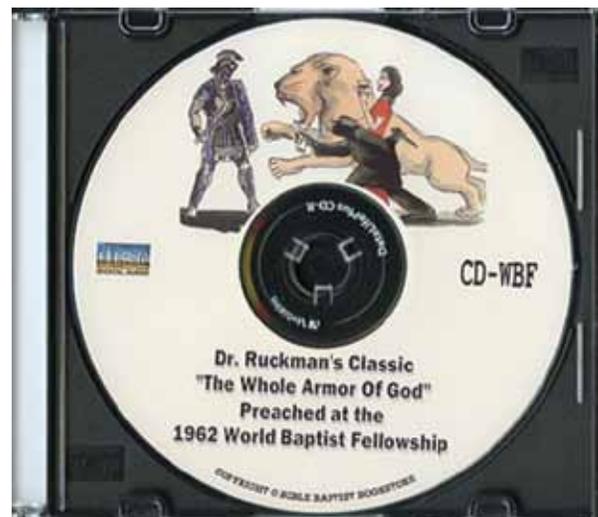
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to"; you have got to "turn from." You should not only quit doing the wrong things, but start doing the right things. If you start without stopping, you are a hypocrite, and if you quit the old ways but don't start working for Christ, you are a Pharisee. You can be off balance either way.

I am well aware that you can be too *negative*, as well as too *positive*. Sometimes we Baptists can get off balance and become too negative; I know that. I also know that you *cannot* be a Bible believer without being negative when God says you ought to be negative.

How about Romans 13:12? **"The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off [negative] the works of darkness, and let us put on [positive] the armour of light."**

Here's James 1:21 for another: **"Wherefore lay apart [negative] all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive [positive] with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls."**

The order usually shows up from negative to positive. For example: "One ounce of prevention [negative] is worth a pound of cure [positive]." Negative to positive. For example: for years science taught that electricity flowed from positive to negative, but now they have discovered that electrons flowed from negative to a positive charge. This is known as electron flow or electrical current. Without both a negative AND a positive charge, you do not have electricity. Unlike charges attract one another. Electrons of the negative ion within a metal conductor feel the attraction of the positive ions, and eventually one of its electrons jumps into the adjacent atom. This continuous movement of

negative electrons produces electric current. But this was not discovered by scientists until the Twentieth Century. Science will never catch up with the Book. *Negative to positive*. Thank you, King James Bible.

"Blessed is the man that walketh not [negative] in the counsel of the ungodly, nor [negative] standeth in the way of sinners, nor [negative] sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight [positive] is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night" (Psa. 1:1-2).

A person cannot get saved without believing the *negative* truth about himself (he is a sinner without hope and without God) and believing the *negative* facts about the Gospel: **"how that Christ died [negative] for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried [negative], and that he rose again [positive] the third day according to the scriptures"** (1 Cor. 15:3-4).

Being balanced, thinking negative *first*, will get you looking for the Lord Jesus Christ to come back (*positive*). **"Who shall change our vile body [negative, how's that for being positive about yourself?], that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body [positive], according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself"** (Phil. 3:21).

Being balanced, negative *first* and *then positive*, will keep you in fellowship with the Lord. **"That ye put off [negative] concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt [negative] according to the deceitful lusts; And be renewed [positive] in the spirit of your mind; And that ye put on [positive] the new man, which after God is cre-**

ated in righteousness and true holiness. Wherefore putting away [negative] lying, speak every man truth [positive] with his neighbor: for we are members one of another" (Eph. 4:22-25).

If you "eliminate negativity," you crazy nut, you'll not be able to start your car. Take out the negative, and you'll be walking and sitting in the dark. If you ignore that *negative* light at the intersection, you are guaranteed an opportunity to explain your *positive*

attitude to a police officer or an emergency room doctor. Think *positive* about drugs and liquor, and you'll reap death and destruction. Think *positive* about sex perversion and watch what happens to your youth. Think *positive* about gun control and you'll get more robbery, rape, and murder. Think *positive* about the new Bible translations, and you will get less Bible reading and more Bible illiteracy. Think *positive* about
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"Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith" (Gal. 3:24).

In *Engel vs. Vitale*, the U.S. Supreme Court said in 1962 that requiring students to pray was unconstitutional. In 1963, the U.S. Supreme Court in *Abington School District vs. Schempp* ruled eight to one in favor of Edward Schempp who brought suit against the school district for requiring students to read a portion of the Bible.

Our Supreme Court, fifty years ago, kicked out the **"schoolmaster,"** declaring he was unconstitutional and had no right to influence students in a public school. Later that year, our first Catholic President had his brains blown out. I wonder if there was any connection in all this.

How did public school education fare in America after the court decisions of '62 and '63? I'll give you an example and then you decide.

In 1963, when I took the SAT's (college entrance boards), which are a measuring tool for college and admission officers, a combined score of eleven hundred on the math and verbal units was considered a decent score. The score range for both math and verbal sections was two hundred to eight hundred. A combined score of thirteen hundred or more was certain to get you admitted to most colleges. Today, if you get a combined score of eight hundred, you are judged to have done well. *Sesame Street* has changed nothing.

Throwing the **"schoolmaster"** out of the public school system did more than depress the academic achievement level. It led to the promotion of what is called "situational ethics" and "values clarification." Both terms are fancy ways of

saying that you are your own god and absolutes of good and evil are useless in measuring behavioral standards. See Judges 21:35 for further light on this point.

What has all of this done to the ability of American youth to discern the moral correctness of their actions? I'll give you an example. Recently, in a Catholic school where the existence of Heaven and Hell is taught in religion class, a teacher asked her sixth grade students about the afterlife. "How many believe in a literal Hell?" asked the veteran teacher. Slightly more than half the class raised their hand. Now the teacher talked briefly about why God must punish evil and why we have prisons to lock up criminals.

After a number of questions were raised and answers given, the teacher asked one girl if she thought Adolf Hitler's soul was in Hell. The student responded with a "No" and then an explanation. She said that from what she knew about Hitler, he shouldn't be in Hell because he did what he thought was right for his country. Then she added, "If you sincerely believe that what you are doing is right, then why would God send you to Hell?"

There was a time in America when the moral Schoolmaster was appreciated. Children were taught the Ten Commandments. Hollywood even promoted them with an epic film in 1956 starring Charlton Heston as Moses. I was a ten-year-old boy sitting with my parents in a movie palace in Brooklyn watching the "Ten Commandments." With a thunderous voice, God spoke each commandment which was then written by lightning strikes hitting the stone table. I was scared. Exposing ten year olds to such a negative bombardment as that would be considered

child abuse today.

What is evil? What is good? Where the Ten Commandments were once posted in the classrooms of New York City public schools, there are evolution charts and diagrams. The U.S. Supreme Court sowed the seeds of terror that would blossom openly in our schools, and now we shake our heads when we hear about murder and mayhem in the buildings where children go to learn and grow in understanding, hopefully to become useful, law-abiding members of society.

After the tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut, a caller to a talk radio show asked where God was when those twenty little children were savagely mowed down last December. The talk show host neatly sidestepped the question because political correctness demands paralysis of the tongue when certain topics are mentioned. Thankfully, a caller was then put through who had some wisdom and was not afraid to remind the listening audience that God was kicked out of the schools by the U.S. Supreme Court. Also, that what we are reaping today is just reward for firing the Schoolmaster for damaging the self-esteem of millions of schoolchildren who must never discover that they are sinful.

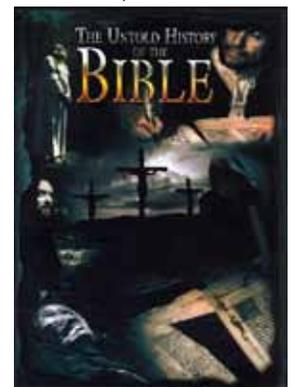
Why be saved if you don't believe you are lost? Fifty years of being allowed to make up your own mind as to what is good and what is evil has prepared the way for America's surrender to the UN and the Man of Sin. When you remove the moral compass pointing to what is sinful, you can then advocate for hate crime laws to keep silent anyone who remembers the time when America had a moral Schoolmaster in its public schools. After all, **"God is LOVE!"**

For those who can't understand what is behind these horrific school killings, you need to look at what Paul wrote in Romans 7:12—**"Wherefore the law is holy."** When you remove what is holy, then you allow something unholy to come in, and all the armed school guards money can buy will not make schools a whole lot safer.

Thank God for the **"blessed hope"** (Tit. 2:13). The sooner we get out of here, the better. America was once a great nation, but how can any nation remain great when it posts a "No Trespassing" sign outside its public school buildings telling our Saviour to get lost? Someone is going to be horribly sorry for

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all this. Why should Newtown, Connecticut be such a surprise? Isn't the law of sowing and reaping still valid?

“And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, in flam-

ing fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power” (2 Thess. 1:7–9).

If there is no Hell, why preach salvation through Jesus Christ? Salvation from what? No Schoolmaster, no sin, no judgment, no Hell; isn't that comforting? Let's all think positively and never ask why the U.S. prison population tripled since the U.S. Supreme Court outlawed God's

word and ruled that public school should be kept safe from the harmful intrusion of the church. We haven't reinforced the wall between Church and State; we have “protected” our children from the uncomfortable realization that we are accountable for our actions to a God who says sin is wrong.

Did you know that a substantial portion of your tax money is used to finance one of America's more robust growth industries—the building of jails and prisons, and the wages of correctional personnel? The failure of the public school system to allow the Schoolmaster to teach morality and private virtue also insures the continued growth of dishonest government and oppressed citizens.

Once upon a time in America, children prayed and read
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The Right Balance

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integration and diversity, and watch your schools, businesses, and country go to pot. Take away negative thinking, and you are ready for the nut house. Havecock Ellis wrote, “The place where optimism most flourishes is the insane asylum.”

The world has it backwards. They think that if you tolerate more sin, then you are getting better; i.e., immorality is progress. They think you are “learning” if you allow sodomites access to your young boys in the Boy Scouts. They are *positive* about what God calls “**an abomination**” (negative) (Lev. 20:13). The world is *positive* about what God thinks is *negative*: “**that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God**” (Luke 16:15).

If you want to ruin the human race, follow the leadership of the Devil and convince people they need to think *positive*. “**Yea [positive] hath God said . . . ?**” (Gen. 3:1). The first word recorded that the Devil said was *positive*. So Eve picked it right up and thought “**that the tree was good [positive] for food, and that it was pleasant [positive] to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise [positive]**” (Gen. 3:6). Her *positive* attitude gave us funeral homes and graveyards.

Teach your children that there is no God and no pun-

ishment for wrong doing; then stand by to see what happens. Be *positive* about the bad habits they pick up, be *positive* about letting them make their own decisions, be *positive* about their rotten company, and see what *positive* thing it produces. *Unbalanced, positive thinking* ends in destruction and damnation.

“Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever [that will include anyone you know] therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God” (James 4:4). Don't worry, you are not about

to hear one of these “Christian” superstars mention the verse. There is too much money involved. It would mean church members leaving by the droves.

They are falsely balanced, and the Books says, “**A false balance is abomination to the LORD: but a just weight is his delight**” (Prov. 11:1). Somebody has got his thumb on the scales and is trying to tell us they are balanced. *Wait a minute, buster*, I see what you are doing, and you are not fooling me. Not only am I a Bible believer, I am a Bible reader and know a scam when I see one.

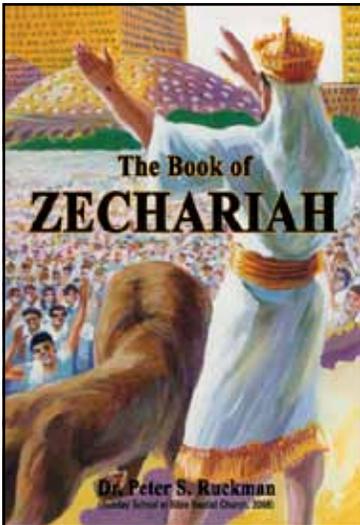
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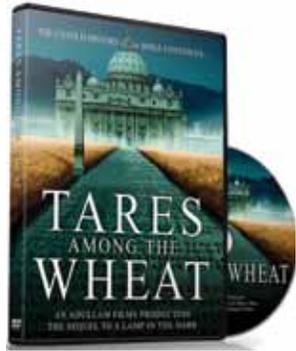
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the Bible in their neighborhood school, but that was back in the "good old days." Look how far we have come since then. Our schools are now "technological learning centers" where every one gets to use a laptop and all the latest visual aid programs are employed to equip the

students for a future of bondage to computers and instant access to private records of all kinds. Bible reading is dry compared to all this, right? And then students discover that survival in the coming new world order requires the implantation of a chip to monitor and control their buying and selling, who will tell them

that the Bible, which was kept from them, could have saved them?

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"And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and MEN LOVED DARKNESS RATHER THAN LIGHT, because their deeds were evil" (John 3:19).

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THE CREED OF THE ALEXANDRIAN CULT

1. There is **no final authority** but God.
2. Since God is a Spirit, there is **no final authority** that can be seen, heard, read, felt, or handled.
3. Since all books are material, there is **no book on this earth that is the final and absolute authority** on what is right and what is wrong, what constitutes truth and what constitutes error.
4. There **WAS** a series of writings one time which, **IF** they had all been put into a **BOOK** as soon as they were written the first time, **WOULD HAVE** constituted an infallible and final authority by which to judge truth and error.
5. However, this series of writings was lost, and the God who inspired them was **unable to preserve their content** through Bible-believing Christians at Antioch (Syria), where the first Bible teachers were (Acts 13:1), and where the first missionary trip originated (Acts 13:1-52), and where the word "*Christian*" originated (Acts 11:26).
6. So God chose to **ALMOST** preserve them through Gnostics and philosophers from Alexandria, Egypt, even though God called His Son **OUT** of Egypt (Matthew 2), Jacob **OUT** of Egypt (Genesis 49), Israel **OUT** of Egypt (Exodus 15), and Joseph's bones **OUT** of Egypt (Exodus 13).
7. So there are two streams of Bibles. The most accurate—though, of course, there is **no final, absolute authority** for determining truth and error; it is a matter of "preference"—are the Egyptian translations from Alexandria, Egypt, which are "almost the originals," although not quite.
8. The most **inaccurate translations** were those that brought about the German Reformation (Luther, Zwingli, Boehler, Zinzen-dorf, Spener, et al.) and the worldwide missionary movement of the English-speaking people: the Bible that Sunday, Torrey, Moody, Finney, Spurgeon, Whitefield, Wesley, and Chapman used.
9. But we can "tolerate" these if those who believe in them will "tolerate" US. After all, since there is **NO ABSOLUTE AND FINAL AUTHORITY** that anyone can read, teach, preach, or handle, the whole thing is a matter of "PREFERENCE." You may prefer what you prefer, and we will prefer what we prefer. Let us live in peace, and if we cannot agree on anything or everything, let us all agree on one thing: **THERE IS NO FINAL, ABSOLUTE, WRITTEN AUTHORITY OF GOD ANYWHERE ON THIS EARTH.**

This is the Creed of the Alexandrian Cult.

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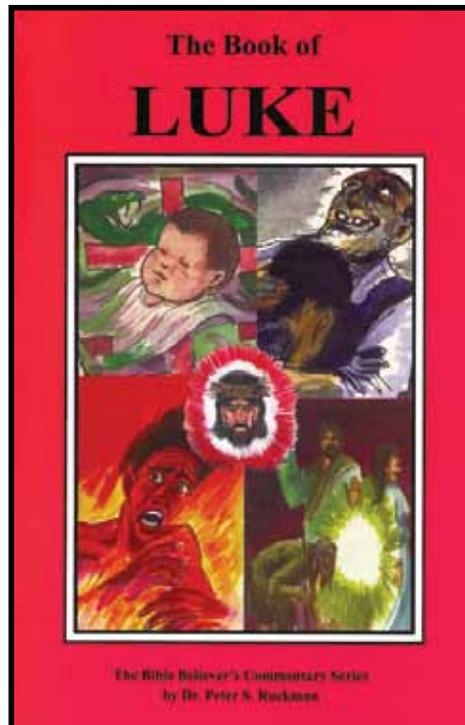
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