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“Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth” (John 17:17)

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## MODERN SCIENCE: The Failed Hypothesis

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In another recent book, by another popular science fiction writer named Victor Stenger, we are informed that science has “proven” that God does not exist. Stenger writes in the same vein of “oppositions of science falsely so called” (1 Timothy 6:20) as the other science fiction writers such as Asimov, Hitchens, Dawkins, Sagan, Hawking and Bryson. Their writings have only “proven” that they are amateur philosophers and psychologists who refuse to deal with demonstrable facts. All of the above mentioned writers have consciously rejected the physical evidence, both in the lab (Miller-Urey, Michelson-Morley, etc.), and in the universe that surrounds them (Romans 1:20), in order to continue to promote their fanatical religion of evolution, as they pass off as brilliant scientists.

Mr. Stenger’s book, “God: The Failed Hypothesis”, pretends to scientifically prove that there is no God, with a foreword by Hitchens telling the

reader that Stenger has contributed to the emancipation from the evil myth of a belief in God. These men are so worried about facing their Creator in the judgment, that they must talk tough as they invent a god of their own liking. Among other things, his “proof” that our universe is lacking any design, Hitchens claimed that in five billion years, the Andromeda Galaxy will collide with ours, showing a lack of fine tuning. Our galaxy has a collision coming, but it will be with the Creator (Isaiah 2:12, II Peter 10:3-12, Revelation 20:11-15), not the Andromeda Galaxy. He also reported that due to climate change and suggested by the recent finds in genetic data, the population of Homo Sapiens dipped below the two thousand mark thousands of years ago (it was actually down to eight, and they were human beings, not homos), again “proving” that there cannot be a good God and Designer over His creation. After all, what kind of benevolent Creator would allow mankind to almost completely die out? Hitchens even claimed that he “knows” how and when the world will come to an end, all proving everything is simply being done by the chance, natural laws of physics. After dying from esophageal cancer due to excessive smoking, Hitchens

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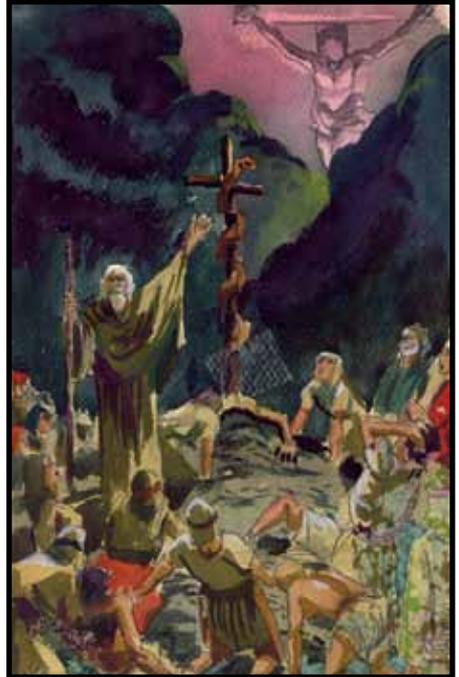
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**“And the LORD said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live. And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived”** (Num. 21:8–9).

In this chapter, Moses is having trouble with the children of Israel (again!). They get to grumbling and griping like they often did since coming out of Egypt. Here, they're complaining they don't have any regular bread. They're sick of the manna—called **“light bread”** in verse 5. So down South, where a lot of those Bible expressions got retained, the old-time Southerners will call white bread **“light bread.”**

God gets tired of their griping, so He sends **“fiery serpents”** to bite them and kill them. But do you know what you read over in Numbers 23:21? **“He hath not beheld iniquity in Jacob, neither hath he seen perverseness in Israel.”**

He didn't?! Why, He killed a bunch of them in Numbers 11:1, and He turned right around and killed a bunch more in Numbers 11:33. He struck Miriam with leprosy in Numbers 12:10 for her and Aaron speaking against Moses. He made those Jews wander in the wilderness for forty years because they didn't have enough faith to enter the land when He told them (Num. 14:34–35), and He killed the ten spies who brought back the evil report (Num. 14:37). In Numbers 15:32–36, He had one fellow put to death for violating the sabbath, and in Numbers 16, He had Dathan and Abiram swallowed up alive into hell for rebelling against Moses, and burned Korah and the Levites who followed him alive. He wouldn't even let Moses and Aaron enter the Promised Land because they broke a type of the once-for-all sacrifice of Christ by hitting the rock to bring out water when they should have spoken to it (Num. 20:8–12). And of course, here in Numbers 21, He sends **“fiery serpents”** to kill some more. What does He mean He didn't see any **“iniquity in Jacob”** nor **“perverseness in Israel”**?! What do you call all that?!



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But you see, that is *imputed righteousness* as applied to the nation of Israel as a whole (Mic. 6:5). That's a picture of the righteousness of God in Jesus Christ as applied to *you* as a New Testament believer (Rom. 4:11). Christian, you have no righteousness of your own; your righteousness is *Jesus Christ* (Rom. 10:3–4). Nevertheless, when it came to those Israelites as *individuals*, the Lord had to deal with their sin, and that's what is going on here in Numbers 21.

Well, those poisonous snakes are biting the people, and they are dying right and left. So those Jews come to Moses and confess they've sinned, and ask him to pray to God to take away those snakes. Moses goes to the Lord, and the Lord tells him to make an image of one of those poisonous snakes in brass and raise it up on a pole so everyone in the camp can see it. And the command to any Jew who was bitten was: "If you want to live, look at that brazen serpent, and you'll be healed. *Look and live.*"

That's where you get your hymn "Look and Live."

"I've a message from the Lord, hallelujah!  
This message unto you I'll give,  
'Tis recorded in His word, hallelujah!  
It is only that you look and live."

"Look and live, my brother, live,  
Look to Jesus now, and live;  
'Tis recorded in His word, hallelujah!  
It is only that you look and live."

When I first got saved, just a few days after that, I came out to a Youth for Christ meeting at Brent Baptist Church. The thing that impressed me most about that meeting was the *singing*. I was coming out of the Catholic Church, and I had never thought of a group of young people *enjoying* singing hymns. It never occurred to me. In the Catholic Church, they sang junk like "Ave Maria" and an occasional Christmas carol, but I never saw a bunch of teenagers singing about Jesus Christ like they enjoyed it. That was completely foreign to the Episcopal and Catholic Churches in which I was raised.

That singing impressed me more than anything else about that meeting. I said to myself, "How can young people in their teens enjoy religion?" Of course I found out! They were singing that song: "Look and Live."

Isaiah 45:22 says, "**Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.**"

I always did like those kind of passages in Isaiah. I like to read of God talking about *Himself* and bragging about *Himself*. That's because He's the only one who can do that and be *right* when He does it.

Now I want to say some things about this account in Numbers 21. The first

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is, *the bite was painful*. The ones bitten didn't die a comfortable death; they died in agony.

That's a picture of **"the wages of sin"—"death"** (Rom. 6:23). Sin is like that wine in Proverbs 23:31–32, **"At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder."**

You know who that serpent is in the Bible: it's the *Devil* (Rev. 12:9). If you want to see what Satan would do if He could, just read Job 1–2. If the Devil could get permission from God, he would take everything you've got, including your life. That Bible says he's been given **"the power of death"** (Heb. 2:14), and death has **"pains"** associated with it (Acts 2:24).

You know pain when you feel it. I've never been bitten by a poisonous snake, but I have been stung by a sting ray. That ray has a barb midway on its tail that can strike the length of its body and not an inch over. The way to avoid that barb is to shuffle along the bottom so that ray feels you coming and moves. If you raise your foot up and come down on it, you will get that barb in the leg. I always shuffle along in the water, but I was fishing somewhere with a soft bottom and had to lift up my feet. I came down on a ray, and that barb went into my leg like an ice pick about three inches. I rubbed some sand in the wound like you're supposed to, but that leg trembled for hours after that. The skin didn't heal completely where I had been hit for about four years.

Now the Lord knows you feel pain. In the New Jerusalem, there won't **"be any more pain"** (Rev. 21:4). The Christian Science teaching is that pain is all in your mind. No, the pain isn't in your mind; it's in your foot, back, head, etc. It may be transmitted to the brain by the nerves, but you have to deal with the source of the pain to get relief. The pain is *real*.

Sooner or later, you will feel the effects of sin, and they'll *hurt*.

**"Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap"** (Gal. 6:7).

That serpent bite in Numbers 21 was *mortal*: it brought *death*. The UN, the politicians, and the "bleeding hearts" all say the problem is war. The problem is not war; the problem is *death*. War just brings *one form* of death. Since Prohibition was repealed, there have been more people killed in car wrecks where liquor was involved than were killed on both sides in the Civil War. Why isn't anybody trying to get rid of the liquor? More babies have died in the womb since 1973 (abortion) than died in World War I. Why aren't the Liberals and the UN trying to end abortion?

Death is the problem. Do you know what the death rate is in the world? It's 100%—*everybody dies*. Death is the problem, and **"the wages of sin is death,"** so the problem is *sin*. If you can get rid of sin, you can get rid of death. If you could get rid of death, you wouldn't have to worry about war, because you wouldn't die no matter what happened. If you don't believe me, read Joel 2:1–11. Bob Jones Sr. said, "War is God's judgment on sin here, and hell is God's judgment on sin hereafter."

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The philosophers say, "Man is the measure of all things." Listen, one second after you're dead, you won't be "the measure" of anything. Give it a couple of hundred years, and you'll have to be sucked up in a vacuum cleaner because *dust* is all that will be left of you (Gen. 3:19). That being the case, it would be more apt to say that a *worm* is the measure of all things (I guess that is why there are "tape" worms).

The real measure of all things is *that Book*. That Book was around before your great, great grandmother was born (Psa. 119:89), and it will be around long after you're dead (1 Pet. 1:24–25).

Man tries to find all kinds of ways of getting around death, but death comes anyway. It may come quickly, or it may come slowly, *but it comes*. Men think because death hasn't caught up with them *yet* that they're OK.

**"Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil"** (Eccl. 8:11).

It is ironic that, quite often, it is the mercy and longsuffering of God that destroys a sinner. Now thank God He doesn't pitch us into hell the first time we mess up, but didn't some of you presume on God's goodness in that regard before you got saved? Well, a lot of people presume on it till they kick the bucket.

The problem is sin and death, and until you deal with those two things, you won't fix anything. I have a cartoon in one of my books (*The Christian's Handbook on Science and Philosophy*, I believe) where a bunch of fellows are in a kitchen standing in two feet of water. They are mopping and bailing water like mad, trying to clean up the mess, but in the background are both faucets in the sink running full blast and overflowing onto the floor. *Nobody has turned off the faucets*. The UN, the EU, the CIA, the FBI, "Homeland Security, the HHR, the EPA, the DOJ, the DEA, etc., etc., etc., are all trying to deal with the *symptoms* while ignoring the *cause*. The cause is *sin* which brings *death*.

Next, *there was no intermediary between the brazen serpent and the people*. If one of those Israelites got bitten, he had to look *himself*; no one could look for him.

I trust you get the application to New Testament salvation. If you ever get saved, you will come to God *personally*. You won't come through any priest or any church or any sacrament. Salvation is you and Christ with no one else in between. Mary can't do anything for you. St. Peter and "blessed John the Baptist" are a bust. When you come across a church that insists you have to come to God *through it*, mark it down, someone is out to get your billfold or purse (\$\$\$).

Jesus said, **"no man cometh unto the Father, BUT BY ME"** (John 14:6). *He's* the only **"mediator between God and men"** (1 Tim. 2:5). It is **"the gospel of Christ"** that **"is the power of God unto salvation"** (Rom. 1:16). Every other intermediary is *powerless* to help you.

When you die and face judgment, it will be just you and God Almighty. You won't have your priest or pastor or parents or spouse. Mary won't be there; she has her own sins about which to worry. You will deal with the Judge one on one.

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Make sure when you do that you have the only Lawyer who will be able to get you off the hook (1 John 2:1).

The next thing is that *it only took one look to be healed*. That Bible says Jesus Christ **“offered ONE sacrifice for sins for ever”** (Heb. 10:12). It was **“ONCE for all”** (Heb. 10:10). **“For by ONE offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified”** (Heb. 10:14). He doesn't have to be sacrificed again every Sunday morning at 11:00.

Like I told you earlier, Moses violated that type and wasn't allowed in the Promised Land. Over in Exodus 17:6, Moses was commanded to smite that rock to bring forth water for the children of Israel. The second time, over in Numbers 20:8, all he had to do was speak to the rock, but he got so mad at those Jews for their bellyaching that he ended up striking the rock twice instead of speaking to it (Num. 20:10–11). Because of that, Moses couldn't get into the Promised Land (Num. 20:12). The reason for that was, the rock typified *Christ*.

**“And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ”** (1 Cor. 10:4).

Christ only had to be smitten *once*, not to be repeated. After that, all you have to do is *speak* to Him for salvation.

**“That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation . . . For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved”** (Rom. 10:9–10, 13).

In Numbers 21, *one look* got them healed. They didn't have to stare at the brazen serpent or keep going back for another look. One look took care of the problem. In salvation, one look of faith to the Lamb of God will do it. “Look to the Lamb of God”; that's the business.

That's how Charles Haddon Spurgeon got saved. Spurgeon ducked into a city mission on a cold, rainy night in London. A young fellow who didn't have much experience was preaching that night. That kid didn't know much about expositing a text, so he read his text (**“Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth”**) and said, **“Look unto me,** dying on the cross. **Look unto me,** being buried in the tomb. **Look unto me,** coming up from the dead.” About that time, he saw Spurgeon in the back. So he stretched out his hand toward Spurgeon as if it were Jesus Christ reaching out to him and said, “Young man, look up!” That's when Spurgeon said he got saved. He looked up at that preacher, and with the eyes of faith, he saw Jesus Christ and trusted Him for salvation.

Now you know what that brazen serpent pictures: it is a type of Jesus Christ dying on the cross. Jesus said, **“And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up”** (John 3:14). The way you “look” to Him is in *faith*. He said, **“That whosoever BELIEVETH in him should not perish, but have eternal life”** (John 3:15).

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Friend, if you think sin can keep you out of heaven, you've never met Jesus Christ. If you think sin can make you go to hell, you've never met Jesus Christ. If you think keeping the Ten Commandments can get you into heaven, you've never met Jesus Christ. If you think baptism or the sacraments can keep you from going to hell, you've never met Jesus Christ.

Once those Jews had been bitten, they had to look to that brass snake on that pole. No "turning over a new leaf" or resolving never to gripe again or promising God if He would just get them out of this they would be down at the Tabernacle every time the door was opened would do. They had to *look*.

I trust you understand what I mean, jelly bean. Do you want to escape the lake of fire? Look to the "snake" on the "pole" (John 3:14–15). Do you want to go to heaven? "Look to the Lamb of God." **"BEHOLD the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world"** (John 1:29).

You may "see" Him with good eyesight or bad eyesight. Maybe your heart's eyesight is feeble and can't see Him too clearly. But you have to *look* no matter what your eyesight is like. Jesus said, **"him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out"** (John 6:37). The important thing is not the *circumstances* under which you look, but *to whom* you look.

There are four detailed accounts in the gospels of blind men whom Jesus healed. He *spoke* to blind Bartimaeus (Mark 10:51–52), He *spit* in another fellow's eyes (Mark 8:23), He *touched* a couple of others (Matt. 9:29–30), and He put clay in the eyes of a fourth and made him go wash in a pool (John 9:6–7). Can you imagine those guys getting together afterwards and arguing over how to get healed? Why, they would have split into four different "denominations": the Spitites, the Touchites, the Speakites, and the Clayites. It was not *how* they got healed, but *who* healed them.

When we preachers say there is only *one way* to be saved, we mean *Jesus Christ is the only way* (John 14:6). *How* you come to Him differs with each person's circumstance. You don't have to have the same *experience* as I had when I got saved, but you do have to experience the same *Person*.

There was only *one* brazen serpent to which those Jews were supposed to look. They couldn't make their own. All these man-made plans of salvation end up in hell. Someone says, "Well, we're all working to get to the same place." Yeah, and you're going to make it too, if you're not careful.

The world has all kinds of "Christ's." The Catholics have a "Christ" that is a starchy cookie and a jug of hooch. The Mormons have a "Jesus" who used to be a man (a *sinner*) just like you and me, and ascended to being a god with a brother god (Lucifer). The Liberals have a "Christ" that swishes around in long robes, who is half-faggot, with syrup and honey dripping from his mouth, saying, *"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall see Gawd."* I am here to tell you that you will come to God through the Jesus Christ of that Book, or *you won't come*.

Looking to Christ in faith for salvation is a *personal* thing; i.e., salvation is in

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a *person*, not a *thing*. Back then in the Old Testament, the Philistines attacked Israel, and the people said, **“Let us fetch the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of Shiloh unto us, that, when it cometh among us, IT may save us out of the hand of our enemies”** (1 Sam. 4:3).

No IT won't. Those Jews were trusting a *thing*. *Things can't save you*. A church is a good *thing*, but a *thing can't save you*. Baptism is a good *thing*, but a *thing can't save you*. Honesty and loyalty are good *things*, but *things can't save you*. Character is a good *thing*, but a *thing cannot save you*. You aren't saved by *things*.

You are saved by *Somebody*. Salvation is in a *Person*, and that *Person* is *Jesus Christ*. So when a soulwinner asks, “Have you received Christ as your *personal* Saviour,” what he is asking is have you come to Christ *personally*—not through some intermediary—and dealt with Him as a *person*—not a sacrament or a commandment or an image or anyTHING else.

When God called the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt, He had them hold the first Passover. In the instructions for the Passover, the Lord has some very interesting things to say about that Passover lamb—at least in the *King James Bible*.

1. They were to take **“A lamb”** (Exod. 12:3). None of Cain's “fruit stand” religion here (Gen. 4:3). Jesus Christ is called **“A LAMB without blemish and without spot”** (1 Pet. 1:19).

2. Then it was called **“THE LAMB”** (Exod. 12:4). It was the one God would accept. **“Behold THE LAMB of God, which taketh away the sin of the world”** (John 1:29).

3. But it wasn't just enough for it to be **“a lamb”** or even **“the lamb,”** it had to be **“YOUR LAMB”** (Exod. 12:5). Each household had to have *its own* lamb. So over in 1 Corinthians 5:7, we read: **“For even Christ OUR PASSOVER is sacrificed for US.”** You have to appropriate the sacrifice of Jesus Christ for your sins *personally*.

It's not enough just to believe Jesus is **“the Saviour of the world”** (1 John 4:14). Do you believe on Him as *your* Saviour?

**“He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life”** (1 John 5:12).

Do *you* have Him?

A rich man died one time and to all appearances didn't leave a will. An auction was held to liquidate his estate so the government would get the money. All kinds of items sold for exorbitant amounts, but there was a picture there of that rich man that no one wanted. But in the last years of his life, he had a housekeeper who took care of the old man. She wanted that portrait because it reminded her of her employer who treated her with respect and decency. She got it dirt cheap, since no one else bid on it. But when she took possession of it, she noticed a paper stuck in the back of the frame. It was the man's will. It left his fortune to the person who bought that painting. That fellow gave his wealth

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to the one interested in *him*, not his stuff.

Have you ever noticed the lists of names in the Bible? Just long lists of So-and-so begat So-and-so, and So-and-so the son of So-and-so. Who knows who a lot of the people are? Who cares? God must, because He put them in a Book that will be here when the whole mess is gone (Matt. 24:35). Why is that?

Well, after reading through the Bible over 150 times, I have come to the conclusion that God is interested in His *Son* (Mark 1:11; Phil. 2:9-11). So the Bible gives accounts of people and places which, though they seem unimportant and insignificant compared with the famous people of this world and places of more beauty and bounty than those in the Bible, are *connected with His Son*.

That's why God gives you more information about a Bedouin sheep herder (Abraham) than He does about Caesar: Abraham is in the line of His Son. That's why He talks constantly about a land that's not as big as the state of Texas or Alaska or Florida, much less nations like Russia and China: that's where His Son is coming back to reign over the whole shebang (Zech. 14).

Do you want God to be interested in you? Then be interested in *His Son*. Do you know *Him*? I didn't ask if you knew the plan of salvation. You can know how to be saved and be as lost as a golf ball in high weeds. Over in 2 Peter 2:21, there are some people who knew **"the way of righteousness"** and turned away from it like a dog going back **"to his own vomit"** and like a hog back to the mire (2 Pet. 2:22). Just because you know how to be saved doesn't mean you've done anything about it.

Back there in Numbers 21, those people who were bitten only had so long to live. Some may have had ten minutes; some twenty minutes; some maybe even an hour. Over in Vietnam during the war, our boys classified the poisonous snakes over there as "one-steppers," "two-steppers," and "three-steppers." In other words, if you were bitten, depending on the type of snake, you could either take one step, two steps, or three steps before you dropped dead. If a person gets bitten by a rattler or a water moccasin, he only has so long to get the anti-venom, or he dies. The time is much shorter with a cobra or a mamba. Whatever the time, if those Jews there in Numbers 21 didn't look to that brass serpent, they died.

Now I don't know how long you've got. Maybe you've got ten more years to live, maybe twenty or thirty. Maybe you haven't got 24 hours or even five seconds. But don't be caught unprepared for death, having never looked in faith toward the Lamb of God to take away your sins. I made the "look" on March 14, 1949.

I want to end this article with an invitation I heard Bob Jones Sr. give once. If you are worn out with sin and want something new, "Turn your eyes upon Jesus; look full in His wonderful face. And the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace." If you are so tired in sin you can't look up, then bow your head. Just close your eyes and let the grace of God come in. You can have salvation for just a "look" to the Saviour.

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found out immediately how wrong all of his “proofs” actually were. What these men have completely missed in their faulty, biased assessment of a finely tuned universe, created by the Designer Who introduces Himself in the first five words of the greatest and purest science Book ever written, is the presence of what resides in their own hearts, causing them to speak so foolishly (Psalm 14:1), and that is called SIN. Sin is the reason that our present universe has microbes and animals and human beings who kill, maim and destroy. Sin is the reason the Holy Creator looked down on the wickedness of man and brought on a flood that reduced the human population down to eight individuals (not two thousand) in 2348 B.C. And sin is the reason that all of their philosophical arguments against any design in the universe cannot stand up to the Bible account.

Stenger begins with the feeble, kindergarten, philosophical “proofs” against the existence of God, that should be an embarrassment to any thinking man, but they seem as wisdom to the minds that have become “vain in their imaginations” as they profess to be wise (Romans 1:21-22). The philosophical “proof” presented by Stenger is: 1) If God exists, then the attributes of God are consistent with the existence of evil. 2) The attributes of God are not consistent with the existence of evil. 3) Therefore, God does not and cannot exist. Unbelievable! The fool set up a god of his own mind who is NOT holy, therefore he cannot understand the existence of

evil as a result of sin. If I were to join Stenger in his philosophical sandbox, the argument would read: 1) If Stenger had a brain, he would think that a holy God punishes man’s sin with evil. 2) Stenger does not think the existence of evil is consistent with the attributes of a holy God. 3) Therefore, Stenger does not have a brain.

Stenger is simply an amateur philosophic atheist who calls himself a scientist. His whole problem is found in a statement he makes on page 34 of his book. When speaking of picking up a Bible and reading it, he says, “It will not take you long to find an act or statement of God that you find inconsistent with your own concepts of what is good.” Exactly. It is “your own concepts” of what is good that matter. Hitler’s concepts of good were inconsistent with the Bible. So were Charles Manson’s. Would these high priests (Hawking, Dawkins, Hitchens, etc.) of the cult of evolution allow anyone’s concepts to matter, or only their own? Here is another sinful, selfish, puny man, trying to dictate and define what is good and what is evil. In other words, these falsely so called scientists are merely lost sinners who think THEY are gods. That includes Hawking, Einstein, Dawkins, Hitchens, Stenger and their friends. They most certainly have the freedom to think whatever they want, but don’t expect Bible believers to cower to their delusions of grandeur in the name of science.

Moving on to the “science” of Stenger’s proofs that there is no god, he makes claims for transitional forms

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in the fossil record from fish to amphibian, as well as from land based mammals to whales. The reader is told to make a simple "Internet search" to find the many examples of transitional species. The presumed whale transition from land to sea mammal is the greatest example evolutionists have for this part of their theory. The fossil finds are put in order, showing the loss of legs over time, till we arrive at the modern whale with vestigial hind leg bones. Yet each of the so called "transitions" are either land animals or sea animals, not a mixture. What neither Stenger nor his science buddies address or display, is the transition of the pelvis and fluked tail in modern whales, the loss of hair and sweat glands to be replaced by blubber and leathery skin, an eyeball that can handle salt water, and the trip north that the nostrils made to become a blow hole on the top of the whale's head. The evolutionary "proof" of the whale once being a land mammal is it's vestigial hind "leg" bones. An evolutionist sees these small bones as leftovers from what were once much larger

hind legs when he was a land mammal. This is similar to the ridiculous theory that man was once a monkey as "proven" by the vestigial tail bone (coccyx), the useless leftover of what was once a longer monkey tail. No reputable biologist or medical expert today would tell you that the coccyx is useless. It is known to have great use in both childbirth and elimination. In the famous Scopes monkey trial in Tennessee in 1925, an "expert" zoologist was put on the stand and told the court that there are no less than 180 vestigial structures in the human body, including the tonsils, coccyx, appendix, pituitary, thymus, etc. No reputable biologist or medical doctor would make these claims today. As a matter of fact, the medical field has learned that the idea of vestigial structures actually hindered medical progress and was the cause for unnecessary removal of many of these glands in the past. The so called vestigial hind legs on a whale are known to have function in anchoring organs and strengthening the pelvic wall.

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transitional form found in the fossil record is none other than Archaeopteryx (Greek for “ancient” “wing”). We are told that this specimen is 150 million years old (the limestone it was found in “proves” this date), and with it’s claws at the end of it’s wings, evolutionists are sure that this is a lizard turning into a bird, or a bird turning into a lizard, they never are quite sure. Yet when you go into the tropical forests of South America, lo and behold, there you find the hoatzin, a living bird with claws on it’s wings. It is a bird, and the difference between the hoatzin and the Archaeopteryx is one is extinct and the other is alive. The archaeopteryx was simply an extinct perching bird that flew, and there is no proof that it was an earthbound transitional dinosaur.

Stenger proceeds to say that the fossil record contains no inconsistencies of any organisms being found out of place in the strata. Lying as any good evolutionist before him, Stenger pretends that the fossil record exhibits an orderly progression of oldest to youngest in the earth’s strata, in hopes that the readers will not check his statements. Either that, or he must not do much reading since he missed the complete fossilized skeleton of a woman found in 28 million year old limestone, trilobites (200 million year old earliest life forms) found on mountain tops at 7000 foot elevations, human footprints fossilized in 200 million year old Carboniferous rock, to say nothing of the 300 million year old extinct deep sea segmented mollusk dredged up alive from the Acapulco Trench, the 140 million year old ex-

inct reptile (Tautara) found living in New Zealand, and the extinct 70 year old fish (Coelacanth) caught alive in the Indian Ocean in 1939. No sir, the student must never be taught these facts when dealing with the fanatical religion of evolution.

Stenger smugly passes off the human eye as “simply not designed” and quotes Dawkins to point out the poor design of the “backward” wiring of the eyeball, proving there is no design or designer. Yet he says nothing of the 120 million rods to detect light and the millions of cones to detect color, all sending messages to the brain, resulting in our vision. But this all just happened by chance and is summarily dismissed by evolutionists with no idea how or why the human eye and brain coordinated together in their accidental evolution. This is called science? Following this kind of smugness, I can look at New York City’s Freedom Tower, Michelangelo’s Pieta, the Taj Mahal, and with a sweep of the hand say, “simply not designed”. Stenger also refers to an article in Scientific American where we are told that the “flaws” of the human body could have been designed better by engineers to allow humans to live over one hundred years in good health. In other words: MAN IS HIS OWN GOD AND DESIGNER.

By pages 115-117, Stenger comically attempts to explain the foundational problem of evolutionary theory, namely, how to get something from nothing. His religion does not falter as he rejects demonstrable science and takes these hypothetical steps.

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1) Einstein's equation showed that a body at rest contains energy. 2) When a body is moving it carries kinetic energy. 3) Chemical interactions show kinetic energy can be converted into rest energy, which is equivalent to generating mass. 4) Hence, mass can come from energy. 5) In a closed system (the universe) energy can convert from one form to another, as long as the total remains fixed. 6) The total energy computed in the universe appears to be zero with the negative energy canceling the positive energy. 7) So there is no violation of known laws to say the universe came from zero! He says this as seriously as a heart attack as if he just explained where both the mass and the energy in the universe originated.

That, my friends, is what the scripture calls the "profane and vain babblings and science falsely so called" (I Timothy 6:20). In 1970, Stephen Hawking and Roger Penrose "proved" that time and space had a beginning. Since that time, Hawking has now repudiated his "proof" and has "confirmed" that known laws must break down at the invented Planck time, so following his lead, the scientific community basically agrees (you better or you'll be excommunicated) that the universe had no beginning, has no end, and therefore has no need for a Creator. They have now indeed "proven" that you can get something from nothing and wipe their hands and mouths clean of God. Dawkins' review of Stenger's book says that "Darwin chased God out of his old haunts in biology, and he scurried down the rab-

bit hole of physics", and now thanks to Stenger, "God is running out of refuges in which to hide."

Once again, the evolutionists remind us that long before they "chased God" out of biology with Darwin, He was chased out of cosmology with Copernicus. On page 130, Stenger says that the "Copernican revolution... was the first step in the gradual realization of scientists that their laws must not depend on frame of reference". In other words, the first step taken by false science to "prove" the Bible wrong (how many times must you be told?), was taken by Copernicus in 1514, long before Darwin in 1859. According to false science, Copernicus "relegated the earth from the center of the universe, to just another planet." Listen to the Polack in his own words. "There may be babblers, wholly ignorant of mathematics, who dare to condemn my hypothesis upon the authority of some part of their Bible, twisted to suit their own purpose. I value them not, and scorn their judgment." (Nicolaus Copernicus). Well, you old keilbasa sausage brain, as Bible believers, we may be very few, and even fewer as the time draws to a close, but we reject your hypothesis and stick to the old King James 1611 cosmology (Joshua 10:13 "and the Sun stood still"), the King James 1611 biology (Genesis 2:7 "and man became a living soul", Genesis 1:25 "And God made the beast of the earth after his kind"), as well as the King James 1611 taxonomy (Genesis 1:21 "and God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth...and every winged fowl after his kind").

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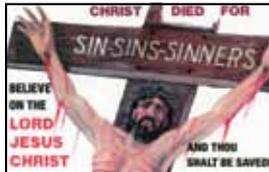
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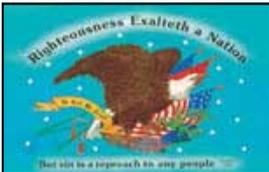
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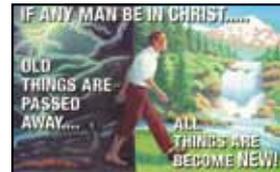
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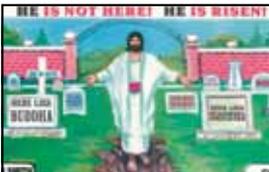
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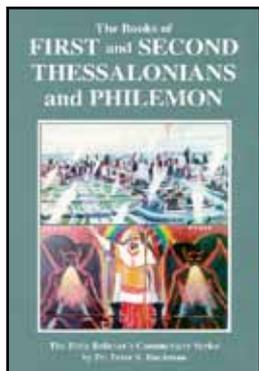
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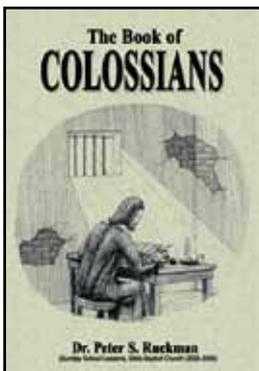


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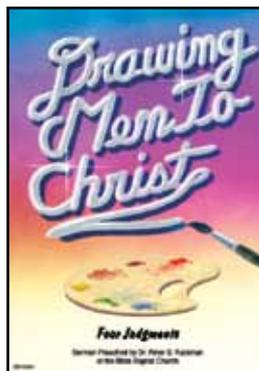
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# What God Thinks of “Man”

**Dr. Peter S. Ruckman**

*(Part Two of Two)*

We began last month to list the things God says about mankind. We gave you the first two in our first installment of this article:

1. All men are *spiritually dead* in their natural state and require a new birth.

2. Men *love their sin instead of God* and need to accept the love God offered them through the atonement of His Son on Calvary before they can love God or God can love them.

We continue here with number three: Men *reject historical facts*. They don't just reject the truth of the Gospel (2 Thess. 2:10); they reject the truth of *anything they don't like* even when it is 100% true.

No major news outlet in America has ever admitted that *integration never worked* anywhere it has been tried, although the news media have worked on it, promised it, pressed it, recommended it, and pushed it for sixty years. Think about that! Where is the documentary on the History Channel on how integration *improved* America's social, economic, religious, educational, or military life? Surely after telling us how wonderful and necessary it was, they can document how it came out. No? Why not? Because it *never worked*, so the whole nation rejects the evidence thumbs down.

No Congressman or Senator in the last twenty years has ever faced the fact that our superiority as a nation depends on our relationship with *God's Book*. Who said that? The “Father of his country” said that – George Washington: “It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible.”

Who said that? The second President of the United States said that—John Adams: “Suppose a nation in some distant region should take the Bible for their only law book, and every member should regulate his conduct by the precepts there exhibited . . . What a *Eutopia*, what a *Paradise* would this region be.”

Who said that? The sixth President of the United States – John Quincy Adams: “So great is my veneration for the Bible, and so strong my belief, that when duly read and meditated on, it is of all books in the world, that which contributes the most to make men good, wise, and happy.”

Who said that? The seventh President of the United States—Andrew Jackson: “That Book, sir, is the Rock upon which our republic rests.”

Who said that? The eighteenth President of the United States – Ulysses S. Grant: “Hold fast to the Bible as the sheet anchor of your liberties . . . To the influence of this Book are we indebted for all the progress made in true civilization.”

Let me ask you this: what has the news media promoted in the last sixty years that ever made America great? I mean, if America was ever a great nation, what made it great? Was it “affirmative action” that made this nation great? Racial integration? “Globalism”? Socialism? The Popes? Hollywood? Sex perversion? Moslem appeasement? Anti-Semitism? Abortion? Easy divorce? Are those the things that made America a great nation? Yes or no?

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Face it, there's nothing that TV or radio has promoted that has anything to do with any nation becoming great. Did we become great by helping Moslem Arabs (erroneously called "Palestinians") take over the land of Israel? Did we become a great nation by becoming entangled with foreign governments, especially the ones that hate us? Did approving or forcing a populous to accept men "marrying" men or women "marrying" women make this nation great? No? Then why is it pushed so vehemently? The historical facts are rejected.

The scientific facts are rejected. The National Education Association, the Public Broadcasting System, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science rejected all the scientific evidence against evolution. They all believe in *spontaneous generation*. There isn't one shred of evidence that can be found in heaven or earth that would even suggest life came from dead matter by random, natural processes. That's not even a valid scientific theory, much less a scientific fact. It's a *fairytale*.

Men are so crooked that they will reject the facts when placed right in front of their face. Haven't you noticed that the cartoon charts which the Colleges and Universities use to teach evolution are all constructed on the basis that past time and ages can be measured by *decay*, *entropy*, and *randomness*? But yet, the Colleges will still teach you that, despite the decay, entropy, and randomness, things will *improve* and *get better* as time passes; that's the foundational truth of evolution.

The reason those evolutionary charts made the "ages" so long was so nobody would notice that things *weren't* evolving slowly. The evolutionists measure their vast amounts of time by the *disintegration* of radioactive elements and then claim things are *coming together* to make things bigger and better. Why, based on the Law of Entropy, the longer you put time back, the *worse* things should be now. But the scientists and the government go right on pushing evolution even though evidence to the contrary is on display all around them. The cars break down; the clocks run down; the fruit rots; *you get old, wear out, and die*. Things don't get better; they get worse.

God's Book documents man's consistent love of lies instead of the truth (Psa. 52:3, 62:4; Jer. 5:31; Hos. 7:3; Rom. 1:25, 32; 1 Tim. 4:1; 2 Tim. 4:3-4; Rev. 22:15). Nowhere is this more evident than by what "man" thinks of *Hell*. Men will reject everything Jesus Christ said about Hell (Matt. 5:22, 29-30, 10:28, 18:9, 23:33, 25:41; Mark 9:43-49; Luke 16:23).

Note the total inability of every educated "intellectual" on six continents to understand any revelation of the Bible on Hell that is contrary to *humanism*. They will quote "**God is love**" incessantly as if that means God would never judge men for their sin. Why, God has destroyed people and nations regularly for 5,000 years by burning, torture, kidnapping, drowning, famine, strangulation, disease, and war. Is that how He shows His "love"?

When God sent His Son down to this earth, His Son said sinners will be "**cast . . . into a furnace of fire**" (Matt. 13:42). He said that "**fire**" would be

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**"everlasting"** (Matt. 25:41) and would never be **"quenched"** (Mark 9:44, 46, 48). Do you know what God thinks of men who ignore the warnings given by His Son and make a liar out of Him? Do you honestly think God loves a bunch of dirty, lying rascals who turn up their noses at the sacrifice His Son made to get them out of the fire? If you do, you have **"another think"** coming (John 3:36).

Finally, God's estimation of the human race is that they are *eternal misfits*. Man, in his natural sinful state, will never fit into Heaven. That is why the *vast majority* of the human race aren't going to make it there.

**"Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat"** (Matt. 7:13).

Jesus said **"many"** false Christs would arise and **"many"** would be deceived (Matt. 24:5). He said **"the love of MANY"** would **"wax cold"** (Matt. 24:12). Not a few – MANY: the *majority*.

An unsaved man who bragged all his life about **"God is love"** and **"Jesus loves me"** but *rejects* the sacrifice of God's Son for his sins would fit into Heaven like Hitler would fit in at a Bar Mitzvah. Tell me something, if you are an atheist, would you really enjoy going by a Man whom all Heaven worships day and night, seeing as how you never believed in Him? If you were Mohammed, do you think you would **"get a kick"** out of bowing before God's Son, the One who died for your sins, after you told nearly a billion of your followers that God had no Son and Jesus didn't die on the cross for anyone's sins? Do you think that would be **"Paradise"** for that old sex-obsessed maniac after he thought he was going to get to go to bed with 72 **"perpetual virgins"**? I don't think so.

God's estimation of man is 180 degrees off anything you get in the news media on six continents. It isn't even close. **"Mankind"** is a *reject*.

Jesus said, **"strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it"** (Matt. 7:14).

Well, where is it? Jesus told you were it was:

**"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me"** (John 14:6).

God loves you, does He? Well, He's not going to take you if you don't come to Him *by His Son*. God said, **"This is my beloved Son: hear him"** (Mark 9:7). Are you listening to Him? The majority of mankind has never listened to Him and never will. Jesus said, **"He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God"** (John 8:47). Jesus said the things He spoke came from God (John 8:28; Matt. 11:27). So the proof that most men have nothing to do with God or His love is that they won't listen to the *words of His Son* as recorded in the Bible (John 5:39).

What is mankind's salvation for this incurable, unsolvable enigma? *Get rid of the Book*. That is what the **"civilized"** nations of this world have been engaged in since 1881 (RV) and 1901 (ASV). What you are seeing now in America under Obama is that agenda in **"overdrive"** and **"turbo."**

# Burying the Truth

By Robert Militello

**“So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch”** (Matt. 27:66).

Here in verse 66 (the number of books in our Bible), the truth is seen as such a grave threat that it must be kept from getting out. The religious leadership and the secular authority, Rome, could not afford to have the lifeless body of Jesus of Nazareth stolen. To secure the tomb was the only way to prevent any resurrection story from becoming credible.

So it has been from that Jerusalem evening in A.D. 34 that the archenemy of truth has waged war to keep men in darkness. Truth today, whether spiritual or secular, is under ferocious attack around the world. One-world government will be the result of the devil's success in promoting lie upon lie and getting men of high degree to believe those lies.

**“And we know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness”** (1 John 5:19).

Men lie; all men do, even Christians. Lies are often a defense mechanism to avoid unpleasantness. We know that every lie is of the devil, but that doesn't cause us to come clean when put on the spot.

**“Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour . . .”** (Eph. 4:25a). Again, **“Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds”** (Col. 3:9).

You wouldn't think Paul would have to write that to Christians. We supposedly know better, amen? Truth everywhere, not just in spiritual matters, but in politics, business, leisure, secular history, banking, medicine, and all the professions, is in full-blown retreat. Lawyers and politicians have made lying an art form. Is there anyone reading this who believes there's an honest politician in Washington, D.C.?

Today, for a whole host of reasons, getting men to lie is an effortless exercise for the father of lies. Lying is very much a part of social discourse. It is manifest evidence that the fear of God has been set aside and that the risk of being caught in a lie is no longer much of a deterrent.

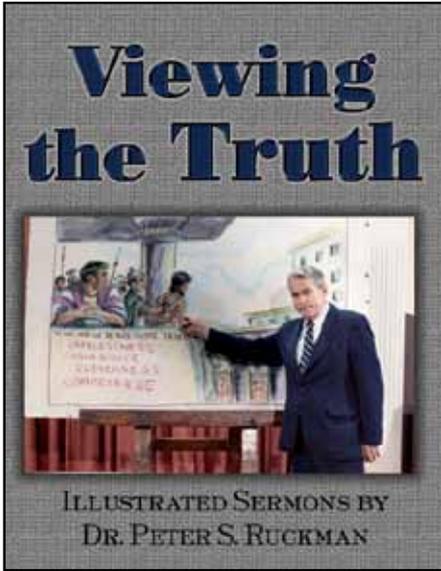
**“I hate and abhor lying: but thy law do I love”** (Psa. 119:163).

Civil society destroys itself when it helps foster an environment that suggests honesty is not always the best policy. Our Supreme Court decided that the Ten Commandments displayed in public schools, courtrooms, and public property was an intrusion of religion into the nation's secular body politic. Satan cleverly led the highest judges in the land to conclude that the teaching of morality and integrity was a function of religion only.

Using the separation of church-and-state argument, ungodly behavior received a boost. Awareness and conviction of sin were dramatically lessened by the removal of every plaque showing God's law. Our public schools have reaped the fruit of this folly over and over again. Plaques and monuments that displayed God's law were put in closets and storage sheds. The fact that God is holy and we are not seems to disturb many today more than ever, especially

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those holding office.

All human activity, almost all of which is energized by the devil, is for one purpose only: to put the Prince of Darkness on a throne in a rebuilt temple in Jerusalem. Why? Because men love darkness (John 3:19).

Putting truth in a closet, or burying it in a tomb, is something more and more governments are willing to do. To do this, they must enlist the aid of media outlets. Propaganda must be seen to be real news. The year 2017 will see significant progress in the advancement of the devil's kingdom of lies. Politically correct speech and politically correct news can only flourish in an environment of biblical ignorance, and that is what we have today. Also, our love and attachment to devices of instant communication will grow the spiritual darkness in our society and around the world.

**“And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, EVEN DARKNESS WHICH MAY BE FELT”** (Exod. 10:21).

Just before the Lord sent the death angel throughout Egypt, He put a darkness on the land that could be felt. What a way to describe the blackness of night and the terror that come with sudden blindness. Because of electricity, our world cannot relate to the physical darkness Egypt experienced, but the spiritual darkness blinding men everywhere is readily apparent to those who preach the gospel and labor to win souls. This spreading darkness is a precursor to disaster.

God's light has been taken from so many pulpits in America that those who attend these churches are eligible for seeing-eye dogs and don't know it (see Rev. 3:18b). His **“word is a lamp”** (Psa. 119:105), but that word (AV 1611) has been so viciously attacked now for 136 years since the publication of the RV New Testament in 1881 that the lamp barely flickers.

Believing the *KJV* is God's pure word puts the Bible believer outside the camp of respectable Christianity. Modern bibles have given the Lord's body a bad case of cataracts. This makes it so much easier for the devil to peddle lies, half truths, and evil surmisings to God's own people.

**“Lying lips are abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly are his delight”** (Prov. 12:22).

It has become progressively more difficult to find the truth today in secular pursuits. Let me explain. For the last six years I have used the Google search engine on my computer as a virtual library at home. I do all my research via the Internet. It is a great convenience because, before acquiring a computer, I had to spend hours in the library. My interest in history leads me to “surf the web” to get as much knowledge as I can on a particular item or historical figure. What I have noticed more and more recently are inaccuracies in various historical accounts of important events. Here's an example.

Wikipedia does a clever whitewash job on the role of the pope in launching the Spanish Armada against England in 1588. Repeatedly, I have discovered

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a pro-Catholic bias in the accounts of numerous historical events. Someone is very interested in protecting the reputation of the Vatican in history, both European and American. It is apparent to me that the sources of information upon which students rely for research are being tampered with, and this is by design, not carelessness.

Is anyone interested in finding out what or who was behind the worst riots in our nation's history? Look up the Civil War draft riots in July 13–16 of 1863 in New York City. The role of the Catholic clergy in that four-day civil insurrection has been carefully shrouded. Also, the plot to kill Abraham Lincoln, hatched at Mary Surratt's boarding house with Catholic clergy present, is a topic historians seem inclined to leave undisturbed.

Truth kept in a tomb is a prerequisite for maintaining a kingdom of lies. When I hear a politician talk about transparency and the need for effective "sunshine laws," I assume the things that really need to be uncovered will somehow remain covered, regardless of what laws are passed. Can a leopard change his spots (see Jer. 13:23)?

Truth is not only being mutilated in published materials, but also in broadcast media (television and radio), and now especially on the Internet. Journalism in America is, for the most part, openly biased. Objectivity in reporting, once demanded and expected, is now given lip service at best. Almost every news outlet has signed onto the progressive agenda: the globalist worldview. Editors with proper progressive views decide what "news" is put on the air and what items are to be ignored. News that gets top billing are those stories that are in line with the political leanings of the station's ownership and top management.

Knowing the average American prefers to be entertained rather than take time to look something up, television news networks like to stretch the truth in order to make "gods" of those with "correct" political views. The networks also find ways to make "devils" out of those who are politically and spiritually incorrect. Let me give you an example of how this is done.

When President Obama left Chicago, Illinois on January 19, 2009 by train to travel to Washington, D.C. for his inauguration, CNN said that the train route was the same route that Abraham Lincoln took in 1861. Well, on an impulse, I decided to check that out. No surprise: it was a lie. The routes were not the same, but who cared?

I've also observed how very stupid people in the news business seem to get hired. Example, on election night 2000, when Al Gore and George W. Bush were locked in a very tight race and the outcome was not clear, networks reported that the polls had closed in Florida. Everyone seemed to have forgotten that the Florida Panhandle is in the Central Time Zone and that the polls there were still opened for another hour. It seemed to me that the networks were so eager to elect Gore that they wanted to depress the vote in the Panhandle, which is heavily Republican.

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**“These are the things that ye shall do; Speak ye every man the truth to his neighbour . . .”** (Zech. 8:16a). Truth shows up 237 times (in 224 verses) in my *King James Bible*. We worship and serve the God of truth, and He takes notice of those who share His passion for truth. John’s third epistle is the last time the word *truth* appears: **“Demetrius hath good report of all men, and of the truth itself . . .”** (3 John 12). Would to God that every saved man would be another Demetrius.

As truth continues to move up on the list of endangered species, my *KJV* shines brighter and brighter. What can a Christian expect from this world, honestly? We are fed buckets full of lies daily from media, government, sales people, educators, lawyers, and those using the gospel to enrich themselves. **“Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man . . .”** (Jer. 17:5a).

Because our God cares for us, He has not left us comfortless (John 14:18). Christian men who love the truth have risen up in these last days to **“Fight the good fight”** (1 Tim. 6:12), and we ought to support them. Thank God for finalfightbible.com, an Internet radio station broadcasting God’s word every day, around the clock. Final Fight Bible Radio is a KJV-only Christian outlet, and the music it plays is as doctrinally sound as the preaching and teaching it presents daily. It’s an oasis in a dry land, and compared to the many Christian FM and AM stations, finalfightbible.com appears as a rose in a field of weeds. For those without a computer, Final Fight Bible Radio can be heard on your telephone—cell or landline. Except for regular long distance charges, the call is free. Just dial 1-563-999-3146 and get some real oxygen in your spiritual lungs.

For those who love the truth and seek for more light on last days prophecy, I thank God for Pastor Brian Donovan’s recently published work, *The Revelation of the Seventy Weeks*. This booklet goes a long way in helping to clear up some of the confusion regarding dates and the onset of the last half of Daniel’s Seventieth Week. There may be Bible students who will want to question the arguments presented in this work. If that be the case, I urge you to emulate the Bereeans (Acts 17:11). Be **“more noble”** and search the scriptures with a mind willing to set aside what you have heard or read concerning the onset of **“the time of Jacob’s trouble”** (Jer. 30:7). A loving God is giving us more light from His word as we approach the end of the church age.

Love for truth is what provokes us to dig for it. The life of a Christian is like that of a miner who hears of a gold strike and then leaves familiar surroundings to stake a claim and become rich. Every born-again saint is called to work the shafts of God’s treasure, the AV 1611. God forbid you should keep truth buried or walk away from its sealed tomb. You’ll answer for it at the Judgment Seat of Christ.

**“The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue is but for a moment”** (Prov. 12:19).

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Failure to tell “the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth” is a huge problem in what passes for evangelism today. What happened to hell, a place where souls burn and then go to a lake of fire afterward? What gives any Christian the right to keep the truth of hell locked up in a tomb? Like a rotting corpse, the idea of a burning hell stinks in the nostrils of unrepentant sinners. Are we to perfume God’s word so as to hide the stench of self-righteousness? So-called good people and religious folk are not able to see that their own goodness is a burial shroud, a garment fitting them for hell.

When men in the ministry say hell is separation from God, they lie. It is much more than that. Today, most churches in America are congregations of liars, some big and some small, with the chief liar in the pulpit.

**“A faithful witness will not lie: but a false witness will utter lies”** (Prov. 14:5).

Liars are not found in good company.

**“For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and WHOSOEVER LOVETH AND MAKETH A LIE”** (Rev. 22:15).

Has anyone noticed that since the world’s greatest liar, the pope, first came to our nation in 1965, our political parties and those who govern in Washington, D.C. have become increasingly corrupt? Satan has taught each pope in the modern era of television to lie with a pious expression on his face. Like acting, lying is a craft honed by practice and more practice. Any course in sales expertise should include a video of the pope’s speeches, especially when visiting other countries. When you sell your product, you must be convincing in appearance, presentation, and voice control. Skillful lying is what seduced Eve. Its object is to have you doubt what God says and then rebel against His authority.

In 2015, fifty years after Pope Paul VI visited New York City, Catholic Speaker of the House, John Boehner, invited Pope Francis to address a joint session of Congress. The “Chief Liar” was warmly greeted and vigorously applauded by all the liars looking up to him. Sad to say, but Bibles found in the offices of our representatives and senators are there for window dressing, nothing more.

**“Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I HATE EVERY FALSE WAY”** (Psa. 119:104).

No institution on this earth has worked harder at keeping **“the gospel of the grace of God”** (Acts 20:24) buried and sealed than the Church of Rome. Americans have had more access to truth from God’s own mouth than any country on this earth. Although our nation’s sins pile higher and higher each year, a longsuffering God continues to send men out armed with the truth. Even the Jews, God’s chosen people, were left for approximately 400 years without hearing from God’s Spirit until Jesus showed up. Malachi was the last prophet to speak to his nation, and silence followed until God the Father spoke from heaven concerning His Son (Matt. 3:17).

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Rome despises these men sent from God to preach His infallible word. Jesuits were formed and sent out in the sixteenth century to suppress the gospel of God's grace, and to slander and vilify all who preached it. Rome's desire to keep its subject in bondage meant she would have to become more political in order to manipulate kings, heads of state, and prime ministers to do her bidding. Jesuits in America today are very much at work in our media outlets making sure the pope receives positive press and that the sordid, shameful history of the Vatican is kept from inquiring minds. Any child of God trusting our media to keep him informed about what really matters needs a lobotomy—a brain operation.

**“If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants are wicked”** (Prov. 29:12).

When we elect representatives with degrees from universities that scoff at God's word and fill their faculties with liars, can we expect to be governed with righteousness? Was it really a surprise that the U.S. Supreme Court ruled against the accepted idea of marriage in 2015? Where will the Court take us this year? Perhaps the act of carrying a Bible into a public or government building will be prohibited.

Soon, God's word will have no place in Caesar's kingdom, so hide the word in your heart. That Caesar in Rome, dressed in a Halloween costume, instructs his Jesuits to circumvent the U.S. Constitution and convince the U.S. Congress to surrender more and more of its legislative power to the executive branch. The goal is to make the president into a virtual dictator. If you know anything about how the Church of Rome works politically, you'll see in history how often it has promoted and used dictators to further its agenda.

Christians who seem to have an affinity for conspiracy theories are encouraged by Jesuits and don't know it. Devilment works effectively only when it throws up a smoke screen to camouflage its real activity. Getting God's people to run down rabbit trails that lead to a dead end is a successful Jesuit strategy employed for years since the election of America's first Catholic president—John F. Kennedy. Spiritual discernment melts away without you knowing it when you spend less and less time with God's word (see 1 John 4:1). Internet conspiracy theories are not gospel truth.

**“Yea, truth faileth; and he that departeth from evil maketh himself a prey: AND THE LORD SAW IT . . .”** (Isa. 59:15a). When the God of truth looks down upon our nation, what does He see? He sees millions of phony, lying, self-righteous hypocrites passing their days in vain pursuits, coveting everything that is **“pleasant to the eyes”** (Gen. 3:6).

Liars breed liars, and when parents choose the convenience of a lie, they make it easy for their children to follow suit. Our gospel should be good news to liars whose conscience yet speaks when they speak what they know in their hearts is false.

**“Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts . . .”** (Psa. 51:6a). Are you honest with yourself? Don't assume that, because you are saved, you are

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walking in an honest relationship with the Lord. There are many pretenders in the ranks of the redeemed. They fear exposure, and keeping the truth buried in a tomb doesn't seem to affect their sleep at night.

There is a day coming when all lies shall be uncovered, all secrets revealed, and truth personified, the Lord Jesus Christ, will pass judgment on service for Him. God help us!

**“But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner’s fire, and like fullers’ soap: And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness” (Mal. 3:2–3).**

## 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, Zinzendorf, 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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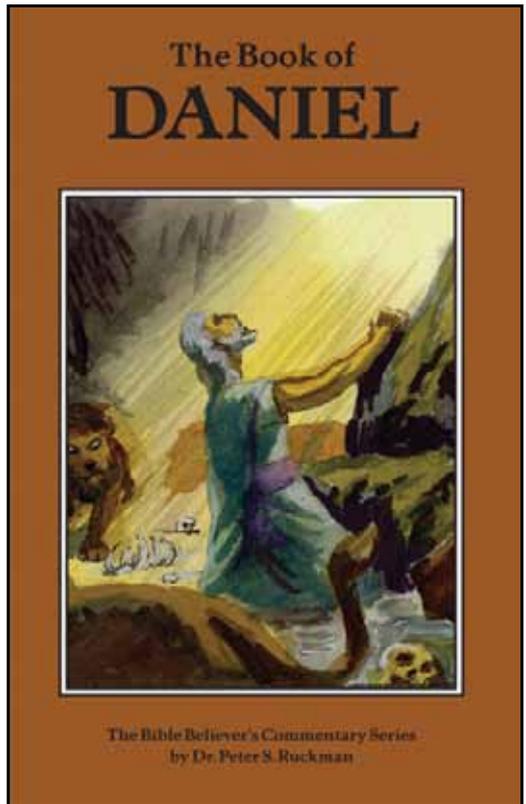
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