

## Theistic Evolution

Theistic evolution is a contradictory system of belief where one attempts to believe in God and at the same time attempts to believe in atheistic evolution. This is a vain attempt to try to straddle the fence. Theistic evolution is an attempt to have the long age's necessary to accommodate atheistic evolution to take place while at the same time allowing God to "mysteriously" extend His creation over billions of years. God told Moses in Exodus 20:11, "For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them." The creation took place in six literal days because God said so. Theistic evolution is a compromise of God's word and basically infers that God lied about what He claimed to have done.

In 1 Corinthians 15:45 we read that "The first man Adam became a living being." Adam was the first man on the earth, not Pit-down man and not Neanderthal man. After God created Eve we read in Genesis 3:20, "And Adam called his wife's name Eve, because **she was the mother of all living.**" Every person now living or who has ever lived on this earth descended from Adam and Eve.

Theistic evolutionists say that the Genesis account of the creation is a myth, which is what Satan wants us to believe. They feel they must somehow reinterpret Genesis chapters 1-11 to allow for the billions of prehistoric years, which evolutionists must have for evolution to even be feasible. Most theistic evolutionists also believe that the worldwide flood in Noah's day was also a fairy tale. But we read in 2 Peter 3:5-6, "For this they willingly are ignorant of...whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished." Can one be any worse off than to be willing ignorant?

Saying that the creation and the flood accounts were mythology is an attempt to cast doubt and discredit the Bible. If Satan can create doubt in one part of God's word he can create doubts elsewhere. We must not compromise God's word in order to accommodate the false views of evolution. We must hold fast to the perfect, infallible, and authoritative word of God.

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## Genesis 1-11 Is Historical & Literal

Many people have tried to explain away Genesis 1-11 as mythology. In other words they say that it didn't really happen and is nothing more than a fairy tale. But let's see what the Bible says. In Matthew 19:4-6 Jesus quoted from Genesis 1 & 2 as being true. In John 8:44 Jesus called Satan the "father of lies" in referring back to Genesis 3:4. In Matthew 23:35 Jesus spoke of Abel in Genesis 4:2-10 as a real historical character. In Matthew 24:37-38 Jesus spoke of the Flood of Noah in Genesis 6-9 as a real historical event. If Genesis 1-11 is a myth then Jesus was mistaken in all of these cases.

In 1 Corinthians 11:8, 12 Paul states that man was first created, then woman just as Genesis 2:18-23 says. In 1 Timothy 2:13 Paul called Adam & Eve by name and in Romans 5:14 he says "death reigned from Adam to Moses." In 1 Corinthians 15:45 Paul says, "The first man Adam became a living being." But if Adam was only a mythological character then all of what Paul says is false. In 2 Corinthians 11:3 Paul says "But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted." If Eve is a real character, and she is, I also fear today minds have been corrupted in believing that Genesis 1-11 is nothing but a fairy tale.

In Exodus 20:11 God told Moses, "For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them." Did God really only take 6 days for the creation as He refers to Genesis 1, or was He telling a lie? As Romans 3:4 says, "Let God be true, and every man a liar." Anything that differs from what God says is a lie. There are more than 100 references in the New Testament that refer back to the first eleven chapters of Genesis. If Satan can get people to believe that the first eleven chapters are a lie then how could we trust the rest of the Bible as it refers back to Genesis 1-11?

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The appeal of evolution to people is they are hoping to find some other "god" other than the true God of creation. As Psalms 14:1 says, "The fool says in his heart, there is no God." God said to Moses in Exodus 20:11, "For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them." Notice the words "in" and "all". In six days God created all that was created. Atheistic man says that life has been evolving on this earth for the past 4.6 billion years (or more), but God says that He completed everything in six days. Who are you going to believe, God or man?

Webster defines the word theory as "a speculative idea or plan as to how something might be done, a mere conjecture or guess". By using a handful of bone fragments, a piece of a skull and a couple of teeth evolutionary artists create a complete hairy ape like creature to try to prove their theory. Some imagination! Our children are constantly being bombarded with this theory in school, on TV, in magazines, etc. It is presented as though it was true.

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### Leadership

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### Schedule of Services

**Sunday**  
 Bible Class 10:00 AM  
 Morning Worship 11:00 AM  
 Evening Worship 6:00 PM

### Wednesday

Bible Class 7:00 PM

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Closing Prayer	Joe Sweeney				

Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Romans 12:11

*If unable to serve please call: Art Patrick 502-819-9481 or Harold Tincher 502-409-3511*

## Orphan Sunday Offering

The Hamburg Pike elders have decided to dedicate the entire offering on November 17 to orphanages in impoverished countries. On this special day, the congregation is challenged to give the biggest weekly offering in our 15-month history. To date, our largest Sunday contribution was \$3,581.30, the amount donated on June 11, 2013.

Church members are also invited to wait until the end of the morning service on November 17 to determine the amount of their offerings. Generally, faithful Christians give each week as they “prosper” (1 Cor. 16:2) and as they have budgeted. The Bible says that “each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver” (2 Cor. 9:7). However, a pressing need may move the heart of loving people to make special offerings.

In the Jerusalem congregation, for instance, some of the new converts were penniless. Their brothers and sisters saw the need, felt compassion, and took action to relieve the distress. Owners of “lands or houses sold them, and brought the proceeds of what was sold and laid it at the apostles’ feet; and distribution was made to each as any had need” (Acts 4:34-35). Selling valuable property and donating the proceeds cannot be repeated on the first day of every week. These generous gifts were unbudgeted, special offerings.

No one, of course, is required to give more on Orphan Sunday than his budgeted amount. Every donation to the church is to be strictly voluntary. Paul commended the churches of Macedonia for giving “beyond their means, of their own free will” (2 Cor. 8:3).

But if you want to participate in this special challenge, then consider the following suggestion: Bring an offering check with everything filled out except the amount. Toward the end of the morning service—and just before the collection—you will be given a moment to finish writing your check. This will give everyone the exciting opportunity to respond from the heart to the Orphan Sunday presentation.

### Sermon

Acts 2:42-47

Visit Orphans in Their Affliction (a.m.)

Does the Holy Spirit Speak to Me? (p.m.)

<sup>1</sup>We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, <sup>2</sup>for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. <sup>3</sup>For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, <sup>4</sup>begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— <sup>5</sup>and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. <sup>6</sup>Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. <sup>7</sup>But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

<sup>8</sup>I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. <sup>9</sup>For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

2 Cor. 8:1-9

## Atheistic Evolution *(continued from page 1)*

If one hears something often enough and long enough one will tend to believe it. Evolutionists have partly succeeded in passing off their unproven theory as a "proven fact".

Evolution is not scientific because it is not observable, repeatable or predictable. The fossil record does not prove evolution, but it actually disproves it by showing the remains of a worldwide water laid cataclysm. In the fossil record there are no transitional forms between the different kinds even though the evolutionists have been looking very intently for them. Genesis 1:12, 21, 24 says, everything was to reproduce "according to its kind".

With all of the amazing wonders of God’s creation, man is still looking for another way it could have happened. But as Romans 1:20 says, "For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so they are without excuse." Because of the wonders of God’s creation, people have no excuse for not believing in God. Ron Boatwright

### Hamburg Pike Happenings

Sunday November 17th is “Orphan Sunday”. The contribution that day will be devoted to orphans in 10-12 different countries. Please read James 1:27 and pray regarding the “Orphan Sunday” collection.

Monday Night for the Master will meet Monday November 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. You are encouraged to participate in this good work. Please sign the sheet if you are planning to attend.

A group is planning to attend the Holiday show at Derby Dinner Playhouse on Friday December 6<sup>th</sup>. For details see Sonja Montgomery by Wednesday night November 13<sup>th</sup>.

We are putting together packages to send to missionaries in China. The packages need to be completed within the next week in order to get them by the holidays. The contents needed for each are listed on the bulletin board. Please see Liz Blanton for further details.

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