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Introduction

The book of Genesis has been attacked over the years and discredited by many who believe that science has disproved it, and that it is interesting but not true. **This is not the case!** There is as much evidence, if not more, to show that the book of Genesis is a true record of the history of how things came into existence. However, this is never shown by the media and only atheistic evolutionary evidence is ever shown. Therefore many have come to doubt the authenticity of this book.

The book of Genesis is a true record of creation and it is foundational to the Christian faith. If the book of Genesis isn't true then there is no original sin. If sin does not exist then there is nothing that we need to be saved from. If there is nothing we need to be saved be from, then it makes Christ a martyr and not the redeemer, and He most certainly is our Redeemer.

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I've included the first eleven chapters of the Book of Genesis in this study and have interjected my thoughts on each passage. I've used the Old King James Version of the Bible because it has no copyright and can be used as public domain, but please feel free to use a more modern version for the scripture, and use the notes in this book for your own study. I've typed the Word of God in normal black type, whilst my thoughts are in red italics, with blue italics for scripture that is included with my thoughts, and green italics for other important information.

I have also included additional helpful information in the last four chapters which didn't fit into the main part of this study. However, these chapters are not colour coded as are the previous ones.

It's important to remember that if you can't trust this first part of the Bible then how do you know that you can trust any of it.

The Bible is the divinely inspired Word of God, not the science book.

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Genesis 1:1-31 The Six Days Of Creation

[1] In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

The first four words of the Bible are 'In The Beginning God'! It doesn't argue the point, it just states that in the beginning there was God, the self existent One. He always has been and He always will be! There has never been a moment when He didn't exist. In the beginning there was only God and nothing else existed.

You know, it is very difficult to visualise what absolutely nothing really is. Some people when trying to imagine it, think of absolute darkness, but darkness is something. Others may think of it as a vacuum, but a vacuum is something. Still others may think of it as empty space, but there again, empty space is still something. Before God spoke things into existence there was absolutely nothing. There were no atoms, no air or water, no light or dark, no heat or cold, no empty space, no mathematical equations, no laws of physics, and no law of gravity. In fact there were no scientific laws at all. There was absolutely nothing, there was just God, the self existent One alone through all eternity past. Then God spoke, and nothing became something.

We read in the Gospel of John chapter 1 and verses 1 to 3 [1]In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. [2]The same was in the beginning with God. [3]All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made. You may be wondering who the Word is, that is mentioned in these verses? If we look at verse 14 of the same chapter we read: [14]And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. When we look at this verse it is obvious that it is referring to Jesus.

[2] And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

When God created the Earth He obviously created it as a formless blob of water. Darkness was on the face of the deep because God had not yet created light.

There are some who believe that there is a gap between verses one and two of Genesis chapter one. They say that Satan had caused some cataclysmist event that destroyed the Earth and made it void. But this cannot be the case because for this to be true you have to put death and destruction before the fall of man in Genesis chapter three. The problem is, that many well meaning Christians have accepted what atheistic evolutionist scientists say. Many of these Christians have never heard of creation science and that true science never contradicts the Bible. As a result of believing these atheistic scientists they assume that the Earth is billions of years old and they try to fit these into the Bible. One result of this is the gap theory. There is no gap between verses one and two. In verse one we are told that in the beginning God created the heaven and the Earth, then in verse two onwards the scripture then tells us how God created everything. We need to remember that although helpful, the chapter and verse numbers are not part of the Word of God. If we take the chapter and verse numbers out, it reads as one sentence (I've also taken out the full stops). In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

When it comes to true scientific facts, they always back up what the Bibles says.

3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. 4 And God saw the light, that *it was* good: and God divided the light from the darkness.

God spoke the word and light came into existence.

5 And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.

I understand that the word for day in Genesis chapter one in Hebrew is the word 'Yom' and this word can be translated as an age or a twenty four hour day. But when it is used in other parts of the Bible outside of Genesis chapter one, it always means a twenty four hour day when it is used in conjunction with a number or evening or morning.

There are some who believe that these are not twenty four hour days. There again, this comes about by trying to fit billions of years into the Bible. They use 2 Peter 3:8 . Which reads '...one day is with the Lord as a thousand years,' and they say "there you are, a day can be an age according to scripture"but they neglect to read the second part of the verse which reads 'and a thousand years as one day.' This verse has nothing to do with whether or not the word 'Day' in Genesis chapter one is a twenty four hour day or not. It is just simply stating that God is outside of time and He is not governed by it as we are. The fact that there is morning and evening show that it is without doubt a twenty four hour day.

There may be some who would say "how can you have day and night without the Sun"? The answer is that you don't need the Sun to get day and night, you only need light! Was light there on the first day? 'Yes'! Verses three and four states 'And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good:'

Further evidence that this is a twenty four hour day is found in Exodus 20 verses 8 to 11 [8] *Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.* [9] *Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:* [10] *But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:* [11] *For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.*

Now, I believe that all scripture is divinely inspired and that no part of the scripture is anymore inspired than any other part, but we read in Exodus 31:18 And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God. Notice the latter part the verse which reads ***'written with the finger of God.'*** *Not only are these parts of scripture divinely inspired of God but they were also written by* ***'God Himself'****. God has stated in Exodus 20:11* ***that He created everything in six days****. Anyone who wants to disagree with this statement is calling God a liar.*

[6] And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters. [7] And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which *were* under the firmament from the waters which *were* above the firmament: and it was so. [8] And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.

We see here on day two God creates the firmament. The word firmament is another word for the sky. Notice that it says here in verse 7 'And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament'. God created a cloud canopy in the sky and the water below it.

[9] And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry *land* appear: and it was so. [10] And God called the dry *land* earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that *it was* good. [11] And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, *and* the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed *is* in itself, upon the earth: and it was so. [12] And the earth brought forth grass, *and* herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed *was* in itself, after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good. [13] And the evening and the morning were the third day.

On day three God creates the dry land and the seas. He then creates all kinds of vegetation, plants, and trees.

[14] And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years: [15] And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. [16] And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the stars also. [17] And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, [18] And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that *it was* good. [19] And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

We see here on day four that God creates the Sun, Moon and stars, and He put the light He created on the first day into them to give light on the Earth.

Some may ask "how can there be a God of creation, just look how big the Universe is? It is billions of light years across!" (A light year is the distance that light travels in one year which is approximately a distance of 6.000.000.000.000 miles or 9,656,064,000,000 kilometres.) Yes, that is

right, the Universe is massive and it is billions of light years across, but you know, size is only relative. If you were an ant, a blade of grass would be big. The Universe is indeed big to us, but it is not big to God! As big as the Universe is, 'God is even bigger'.

God not only created the whole Universe and everything in it but He knows the exact number of stars and He knows them all by name as we read in Psalm 147 and verse 4 'He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their names'. He is the infinite Almighty God and He knows everything about everything! He knows more about us than we even know about ourselves, as we see in Matthew chapter 10 and verse30 'But the very hairs of your head are all numbered'.

[20] And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl *that* may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven. [21] And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good. [22] And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth. [23] And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

On day five we see that God creates birds of the air, and fish of the seas.

[24] And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. [25] And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.

On day six God creates all the land animals and insect life.

Notice that it says after his kind. Although animals, birds, and fish, etc may vary in appearance, none of them have ever turned into another specie. For example: although a bird may change what is looks like over thousands of years, a bird will never change into another animal. It will always remain a bird. No transitional fossils have ever be found. There are some atheistic scientist who may say that they have found some, but on close examination it is always found not to be the case, and most so called transitional fossils have even been found to be fakes.

[26] And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. [27] So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. [28] And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. [29] And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which *is* upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which *is* the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat. [30] And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein *there is* life, *I have given* every green herb for meat: and it was so. [31] And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, *it was* very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

In verse twenty six we see that God creates His crowning glory, He creates man. Notice also that God says "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness:". I understand that the word for 'God' that is used in Genesis chapter one is 'Elohim' and this word is plural. This shows us that God is a Triune God. That is: He is three persons in one God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit). We read in Psalm 8 and verses 4 and 5: "[4]What is man, that

*thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? [5] For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour.' I understand that the word angels in verse 5 should be translated as deity, and it should read "For thou hast made him **'a little lower than deity'**". In other words, God has made mankind a little lower than Himself. What a wonderful and high position He gave to mankind.*

A further indication that God is three in one, is that we were made in His image and man is also three in one as we see in 1 Thessalonians 5:23 ...the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Here we see that man is spirit, soul and body. Our spirit is the part of us that makes us God conscious. It is inherent for man to worship a god of some kind. It may not be the true God, but every civilization that has ever been known, worships a god of one kind or another. The soul is the part of you that makes you who you are. It is your inner being, the real you, so to speak, and you live in a body. When God created men and women He didn't intend for them to die, but because of their disobedience, all men and women die physically. The body you now live in will one day have to die, but your soul and spirit will live on forever in either Heaven or Hell. It is that part of us that never ages. That is why the real you always feels young no matter how old you become.

The reason that Jesus came into this world was so that everyone, no matter who they are, can one day go to Heaven to live with Him forever. If you would like eternal life, all you need to do is be willing to turn away from everything you know is wrong in your life and cry out to Jesus to forgive and save you.

There is a prayer on the next page to help you: but you must pray it to God from your heart, and mean it. It is not the words that matter but the attitude of your heart when you pray this prayer that will save you. If you pray this prayer from your heart and truly mean it, then I guarantee that you will be saved and you will one day go to Heaven. I would suggest that you read

it through first of all so you will know what you are saying.

Prayer:

Dear Lord Jesus, I realise that I am a sinner and in need of Your forgiveness. I am sorry for my sin. I am willing to turn away from everything I know to be sinful. I put my trust in You, and You alone, and what You did on the cross for my salvation. I ask You to forgive me now, and save me. Please give me a new start in life, and wash away all my past sins and wrong doings. I want to follow and serve You for the rest of my life. In Your precious Name. Amen.

If you prayed this pray from your heart, you are now a child of God and you will one day spend all eternity with Him.

If you really meant what you said, then I would advise you to read the Bible, and take time to talk with the Lord in prayer every day. This is important in order for you to get to know the Lord better and it will help you to grow as a Christian.

If you don't have a Bible you may be asking "where can I get a Bible from?" You should be able to get a Bible from most book shops. There are several English translations to pick from. The most accurate translation is probably the Old King James Version, or the Authorised Version as it is otherwise called (this is the version I've used in this book), but this is not in modern English and you may find some of it difficult to understand. There are many modern English versions of the Bible most of which are good translations. However, probably the two most popular modern English versions are either the New King James Version, or the New International Version (NIV), and I would recommend both of them. It is also important for you to find a good Bible believing church to help you in your new found faith.

Genesis 2:1-25

[1] Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. [2] And in the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. [3] And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

Here the Lord establishes a day of rest. Later to be known as the Sabbath Day. This day was the seventh day of the week, and not the first day of the week as Christian's today call the Sabbath Day. So why do we Christian's today worship on Sundays (the first day of the week) and not Saturdays (the last day of the week)? We read in Acts 20:7 And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight. And again in 1 Corinthians 16:2 Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him,.. Here we see in both of these verses that the early church met on the first day of the week and not the last. The early church, however, did not have this day as a day of rest as we do today. They had to do a days work on that day and then go to the meeting afterwards. Sunday was given as a day of rest by the Roman Emperor Constantine many years later.

The next few verses give more information with regard to the six days of creation.

[4] These *are* the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, [5] And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and *there was* not a man to till the ground. [6] But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground.

In verses five and six we see that it didn't rain but rather a mist came up from the Earth and watered the face of the ground. There is no record in scripture of it raining until the flood of Noah's day.

7 And the LORD God formed man *of* the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. 8 And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed. 9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

Here we see in verse eight that originally when God created man He made him to be a vegetarian. It wasn't until after the flood in Noah's time that God allowed man to eat the animals. When God restores all things in the future, man will once again be vegetarian. I'm not a vegetarian myself and I sometimes wonder how it will be not to eat meat. But you know, we have meat replacements for vegetarians now, such as soya.

10 And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads. 11 The name of the first *is* Pison: that *is* it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where *there is* gold; 12 And the gold of that land *is* good: there *is* bdellium and the onyx stone. 13 And the name if the second river *is* Gihon: the same *is* it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia. 14 And the name of the third river *is* Hiddekel: that *is* it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river *is* Euphrates. 15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. 16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: 17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

In verse seventeen we see that the LORD only gives man one command and that is not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The LORD didn't want man to follow and obey Him because He had too but rather because he wanted to. So He gave man a choice, either to obey Him or disobey Him. He does exactly the same with you and me today. We can either accept Jesus and follow Him or we can reject Him. The fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good evil was not an apple which most people think it to be. There must have been many apple trees in the garden for Adam and Eve to eat from. The Bible doesn't tell us what type of fruit it was, but it must have been different from all of the rest. He told Adam that if he ate this fruit, he would surely die. But Adam and Eve disobeyed God and ate the forbidden fruit and when they did so, sin and death and all the other nasty things in the world became known to mankind for the first time. It wasn't that the fruit had any special qualities, it was their disobedience to God that caused the problems. When they ate of the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil they died spiritually that day, and died physically years later.

The next few verses obviously refer to the sixth day of creation.

[18] And the LORD God said, *It is* not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.

Up to this point God had not yet created a mate for Adam, and he was at this point the only human in existence. But please note that God said it is not good for man (or a woman for that matter) to be alone. I know when you are single how lonely it can be at times, and sometimes you think to yourself will that special person ever come into my life? Sometimes you may think and at times even worry whether God has anyone for you. We see from this verse that God says that it is not good for man (or woman) to be alone. So it is very likely that He has someone picked out just for you, and if you wait on Him, you will get the right person.

[19]And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought *them* unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that *was* the name thereof. [20] And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him.

Here we see that God brings all the animals to Adam for him to name.

[21] And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam. and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; [22] And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. [23] And Adam said, This *is* now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. [24] Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. [25] And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

When the Lord made a woman He took a rib from Adams side, not from his feet that he might tread on her, not from his head that she might rule over him, but from his side that she would be his equal.

Genesis 3:1-24 The Fall Of Man

[1] Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? [2] And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

Here we see that Satan indwells a serpent. It is interesting to note that Eve is not startled by the fact that the serpent speaks to her. It may have been that before the fall of creation the animals could talk. I must state, however, that we must be very careful here not to read something into the Bible that it may not say. There are no scriptures that says that animals could speak before the fall, but it is an interesting thought.

[3] But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

Notice that Eve didn't correctly quote what God had said. He didn't say 'Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, 'lest ye die'' but what He did say was "in the day that thou eatest thereof 'thou shalt surely die'."

[4] And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: [5] For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

Satan came to Eve with a half truth. Yes, after they had both eaten of the forbidden fruit they did know good and evil, but not in the way they expected, and they didn't become like God. Satan also tried to make them doubt the 'Word Of God' just as he still does today.

[6] And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food. And that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

Although Eve was deceived, Adam was not. He chose to take of the fruit knowing full well what he was doing, as we read in 1 Timothy 2:14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression. Even though Eve had sinned, creation didn't fall until Adam had eaten the forbidden fruit because God had made Adam the head of creation.

So why did Adam take the fruit if he was not deceived? The scripture doesn't tell us what the reason was but a possible answer could be, because he loved Eve so much that he wanted to be with her even in her fallen state. Even today people will do all sorts of things that they wouldn't normally think of, or do, just because they love that person.

[7] And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

Here we see that Adam and Eve tried to cover up their nakedness by their own self efforts. Mankind hasn't changed. Even today men and women do all sorts of things to try to atone for their sins. When all they need to do is turn to Jesus in repentance and ask Him to forgive and save them.

[8] And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden. [9] And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where *art* thou? [10] And he said, I heard thy

voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I *was* naked; and I hid myself.
[11] And he said, Who told thee that thou *wast* naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

Notice here that Adam and Eve were ashamed of the fact that they were naked. Before they took of the forbidden fruit they must have had some kind of spiritual clothing because we read in the previous chapter and verse 25 'And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.'

[12] And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. [13] And the LORD God said unto the woman, What *is* this *that* thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

Here we see the same old thing that has been going on from the beginning. Everyone wants to pass the buck, so to speak.

Notice here when Adam says "The woman whom thou gavest to be with me," he is fact blaming God , and Eve then blames the serpent.

[14] And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou *art* cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:
[15] And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel. [16] Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire *shall be* to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee. [17] And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed *is* the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat *if* it all the days of thy life; [18] Thorns also and

thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; [19] In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou *art*, and unto dust shalt thou return.

In verse 15 we see the first promise of a redeemer. This all happened when Jesus died on the cross. There Satan bruised Christ's heel, but Jesus triumphed over Satan and bruised his head. In fact Jesus did more than bruise the serpents head, He crushed it. Jesus is 'The Triumphant Victor' over all of the powers of the Devil. Jesus Is:- THE ALMIGHTY KING OF KINGS AND THE LORD OF LORDS'

In verses 16-19 we see that God doesn't curse Adam and Eve but He does put a curse on the Earth. What we would call murphy's law is really the curse. We read with regards to the New Jerusalem in Revelation 22:3 And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: Here we see that the curse has been taken away, and what a wonderful day that will be when God restores all things.

However, in verse fourteen God does curse the serpent and when He does so, He is also putting a curse on the Devil.

[20] And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living. [21] Unto Adam also and it his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

Notice here that God clothes Adam and Eve with coats of skins. In order for Him to do this an animal had to die. Even here we see the principle of animal sacrifices that were needed to cover their sins and ultimately the sacrificial death of Jesus to wash away our sin completely.

[22] And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know

good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: [23] Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. [24] So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

The Lord had to drive Adam and Eve out of the garden to prevent them for eating from the tree of life and live forever. You know, God is a God of love as we see here. Even though death is an enemy, and we all grieve over the loss of a loved one, it is really a blessing in disguise. Just try to imagine if men like Adolf Hitler lived forever, what a terrible place the world would soon become.

When the Lord restores all things, death will be done away with forever as we read in Revelation 21:4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

Genesis 4:1-26 Cain and Abel

[1] And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD. [2] And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. [3] And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD. [4] And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering:

The reason that the Lord has respect for Abel's offering and not Cain's, was because Abel gave an offering that involved the shedding of blood. But Cain's offering was from the fruit of the ground. Notice also that it says in verse 4 'Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock'. When it mentions the firstings it is referring to the best and not second best. But doesn't say that about Cain's offering. Therefore Cain may, or may not, have been giving the best that he had to the Lord. I'm sure that Abel would have given Cain a sheep from his flock if Cain had asked for one.

[5] But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell. [6] And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? [7] If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee *shall be* his desire, and thou shalt rule over him. [8] And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.

Here we see the first murder. Adam and Eve not only lost their son Abel because of their sin but they lost Cain also. How this must have really hurt them, knowing full well, that if they hadn't eaten of the forbidden fruit, none of this would have happened.

[9] And the LORD said unto Cain, Where *is* Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: *Am* I my brother's keeper? [10] And he said, What hast thou done? The voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground. [11] And now *art* thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand; [12] When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth. [13] And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment *is* greater than I can bear. [14] Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, *that* every one that findeth me shall slay me. [15] And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken in him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him. [16] And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden. [17] And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch.

The question is often asked where did Cain get his wife? Most people reason that since Adam and Eve had only two sons, Cain and Abel, where did Cain get his wife? On the surface that may sound to most people, a good question, but it is not true. Adam and Eve had many sons and daughters. We read in Genesis 5:4 And the days of Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years: and he begat sons and daughters:

So where did Cain get his wife. When you think about it, the answer is very simple. He married one of his sisters. Now as soon as I say this someone is bound to say, "but that is incest". In today's world that is very true, but we have to remember here that creation was still young. The law of Moses had not yet been given. The reason we have incest today is that we are so far removed from creation that faults in our human genes could cause genetic problems if close relations such as brother and sister were to marry. This is because there is a likelihood of both parents carrying the same faulty genes and therefore cause genetic problems.

This of course was not a problem back in Cain's day, and therefore he married one of his sisters.

18 And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat methusael: and Methusael begat Lamech.

I need to state here that this is not the same person called Enoch of whom God translated. The Enoch mentioned here is the son of Cain. Whereas the Enoch who was translated was the son of Jared and was of Seth's lineage.

19 And Lamech took unto him two wives: the name of the one *was* Adah, and the name of the other Zillah. 20 And Adah bare Jabal: he was the father of such as dwell in tents, and *of such as have* cattle. 21 And his brother's name *was* Jubal: he was the father of all such as handle the harp and organ. 22 And Zillah, she also bare Tubalcain, an instructer of every artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tubalcain *was* Naamah. 23 And Lamech said unto his wives, Adad and Zillah, Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my speech: for I have slain a man to my wounding, and a young man to my hurt. 24 If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold. 25 And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: For God, *said she*, hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew. 26 And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name Enos: then began men to call upon the name of the LORD.

Genesis 5:1-32 The Worldwide Flood

[1] This *is* the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him; [2] Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created. [3] And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat *a son* in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth: [4] And the days of Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years: and he begat sons and daughters: [5] And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died. [6] And Seth lived an hundred and five years, and begat Enos: [7] And Seth lived after he begat Enos eight hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters: [8] And all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years: and he died. [9] And Enos lived ninety years, and begat Cainan: [10] And Enos lived after he begat Cainan eight hundred and fifteen years, and begat sons and daughters: [11] And all the days of Enos were nine hundred and five years: and he died. [12] And/ Cainan lived seventy years, and begat Mahalaleel: [13] And Cainan lived after he begat Mahalaleel eight hundred and forty years, and begat sons and daughters: [14] And all the days of Cainan were nine hundred and ten years: and he died. [15] And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years, and begat Jared: [16] And Mahalaleel lived after he begat Jared eight hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters: [17] And all the days of Mahalaleel were eight hundred ninety and five years: and he died. [18] And Jared lived an hundred sixty and two years, and he begat Enoch: [19] And Jared lived after he begat Enoch eight hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: [20] And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty and two years: and he died. [21] And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah: [22] And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: [23] And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years: [24] And Enoch walked with God: and he *was* not; for God took him.

Here is verse 24 we see Enoch is taken to Heaven. He is one of two people

mentioned in the Bible, (the other person being Elijah) of whom God took to Heaven whilst they were still alive and it is a picture of the Rapture of the Church. This is what will happen to all truly born again believers when the Rapture occurs.

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English	***Hebrew Meaning***
Adam	*Man*
Seth	*Appointed*
Enosh	*Mortal*
Cainan	*Sorrow*
Mahalalel	*The Blessed God*
Jared	*Shall come down*
Enoch	*Teaching*
Methuselah	*His Death Shall Bring*
Lamech	*The despairing*
Noah	*Comfort or Rest*

When we look at the name of the ten generations in English from Adam to Noah it doesn't mean much but when we look at the Hebrew meanings we end up with the Christian Gospel as we see below.

Man (is) appointed mortal sorrow; (but) the Blessed God shall come down teaching (that) His death shall bring the despairing comfort, or rest.

[25] And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty and seven years, and begat Lamech: [26] And Methuselah lived after he begat Lamech seven hundred

eighty and two years, and begat sons and daughters: [27] And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.

By adding together how old Methuseleah was when his son Lamech was born and how old Lamech was when Noah was born gives us how old Methuselah was the year Noah entered the ark. He was 369 years of age at the time of Noah's birth and the flood came 600 years after Noah was born. That makes Methuselah 969 years of age at the time of the flood.

We read in 2 Thessalonians 2:7,8 ...he who now letteth (hinders) will let (hinder), until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: Now you may ask who is he that hinders? It is the Christian church working by the power of the Holy Spirit who hinders the Anti-Christ from coming to power. The reason that Methuselah lived so long is because he is a picture of God's love and mercy. His name means 'his death shall bring'. The very year that Methuselah died was the year that the flood came. As long as Methuselah lived God was not going to send the flood and the year Methuselah died the flood came. Until the Christian church is removed at the Rapture, God is not going to send the judgements of the Tribulation on this Earth. When the church is removed the Tribulation will begin. Why God allowed Methuselah to live so long is because of His great love and mercy. He didn't want to bring His judgement on sinful men and women of Noah's day, so He gave them years to repent, but sadly we are not told of any who did. It was only Noah and his family that went into the ark and were saved from the flood. It is for the same reason the Lord hasn't yet taken His church to be with Him in Heaven at the Rapture. We read in 2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. You see, the reason that He hasn't come, is to give men and women a chance to repent. Imagine if He had returned before you and I got saved. I'm so thankful that He didn't and He gave me a chance to repent and get saved, but one day His

patience will run out and He will return and take His people home. We also have a picture of the Rapture at the time of the flood because Noah and his family were lifted up off the Earth by the flood and above the judgement of God. After the flood he was lowered back to Earth as the flood receded. This is what will happen at the Rapture. God's people will be lifted up to Heaven and above the judgement of God, then after the Tribulation they will return with Christ to reign on Earth for a thousand years.

[28] And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two years, and begat a son: [29] And he called his name Noah, saying, This *same* shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed. [30] And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five hundred ninety and five years, and begat sons and daughters: [31] And all the days of Lamech were seven hundred seventy and seven years: and he died. [32] And Noah was five hundred years old: and Noah begat Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

Genesis 6:1-22 The Nephilim

[1] And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, [2] That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they *were* fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose. [3] And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also *is* flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years. [4] There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare *children* to them, the same *became* mighty men which *were* of old, men of renown.

The sons of God mentioned here in verse four are believed to be demons who were cohabiting with human women and the result is a cross breed known as the Nephilim. These Nephilim were giants. This is one of the reasons and probably the main reason that God had to destroy mankind from the face of the Earth.

Noah and his family, however were of pure stock, and had no Nephilim in their lineage.

[5] And GOD saw that the wickedness of man *was* great in the earth, and *that* every imagination of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil continually. [6] And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. [7] And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them. [8] But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD. [9]These *are* the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man *and* perfect in his generations, *and* Noah walked with God. [10] And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. [11] The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. [12] And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for

all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth. [13] And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

We see here and time and time again throughout scripture, God never punishes the righteous along with the unrighteous. He prepares a way for Noah and his family to escape the judgement to come. If you truly know the Lord you will not go through the judgement of Tribulation period but will be Raptured before the Tribulation begins.

[14] Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch. [15] And this *is the fashion* which thou shalt make it *of*: The length of the ark *shall be* three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height if it thirty cubits. [16] A window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; *with* lower, second, and third *stories* shalt thou make it.

One cubit is roughly 18 inches (45.72 centimetres) so this makes the ark 450 feet (137.16 metres)in length, 75 feet (22.86 metres) wide, and 45 feet (13.72 metres) high. It had 33,750 square feet (10,287 square metres) and 1,518,750 cubic feet (462,915 cubic metres) of space. This would make it the largest ship ever built until they started building the large ocean liners in the late eighteen hundreds.

[17] And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein *is* the breath of life, from under heaven; *and* every thing that *is* in the earth shall die. [18] But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee. [19] And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every *sort* shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep *them* alive with thee; they shall be male and female. [20] Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind,

of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every *sort* shall come unto thee, to keep *them* alive. [21] And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather *it* to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them. [22] Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.

Genesis 7:1-24

Scientific Evidence For The Flood

[1] And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation. [2] Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that *are* not clean by two, the male and his female. [3] Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth. [4] For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth.

Here we see that Noah is told enter the ark with his family and two of each kind of animals and seven of the clean animals and seven of the birds of the air.

[5] And Noah did according unto all that the LORD commanded him. [6] And Noah *was* six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth.

By adding together the age of each person when the next generation was born, it is possible to work out exactly how many years it was from Creation to the Flood. As you will see in the table on the next page I've worked this out for you but if you wish to check this out for yourself please do so. It works out to be 1656 years from the Creation to the Flood.

Adam	*130*	*years of age when Seth was born*
Seth	*105*	*years of age when Enos was born*
Enos	*90*	*years of age when Cainan was born*
Cainan	*70*	*years of age when Mahalaleel was born*
Mahalaleel	*65*	*years of age when Jared was born*
Jared	*162*	*years of age when Enoch was born*
Enoch	*65*	*years of age Methuselah when was born*
Methuselah	*187*	*years of age when Lamech was born*
Lamech	*182*	*years of age when Noah was born*
Noah	*600*	*years of age when the flood came*
Total number of years from Creation to the Flood.	*1656*	

You may also be wondering how people could live over 900 years. The answer is very simple. The pre-flood world was very different to the one we know today. After the flood, however, we see that people didn't live as long as they did back then. For example we see that Abraham only lived to the age of 175. As we read through the Bible we see that people's lifespan's, gradually became more like we have today.

One reason why dating methods can't predict how old the Earth is, is because they are based on the assumption that things have always been as they are today. But this is not the case because the pre-flood world was very different than it is today.

Even the flood itself would upset the dating methods.

As previously mentioned, on the second day of creation God created the sky which separated the waters as we read in Genesis 1:6-8 [6]And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters. [7]And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so. [8]And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day. Obviously God created a cloud canopy around the Earth. This is not uncommon in the Solar System. Venus is one such planet along with the gas giants Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune, all of these have cloud coverings. So it is not unreasonable to say that before the flood the Earth also had one. As we read the scriptures this appears to be the case. This would also account for the fact that people lived longer before the flood. This canopy would have shielded the Earth from harmful ultra violet light, which I am lead to believe, causes aging. Before the flood people lived almost a thousand years, but afterwards as we read the scripture we see that people began to live a lot shorter lives, more like we know the average life span today.

Before the flood there were no tectonic plates and the Earth had no cracks as we know them today. In the pre-flood world it had never rained

because we read in Genesis 2:6 ...there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground. At that time the Earth didn't need rain because of the mist that went up from the Earth and watered the face of the ground as this verse shows.

[7] And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood. [8] Of clean beasts, and of beasts that *are* not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth, [9] There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah. [10] And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth. [11] In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

Notice here in Genesis 7 verse 11 it says "...all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened...". As I previously mentioned that the Earth in the pre-flood days was different from the Earth as we know it today. It had a canopy surrounding it with no tectonic plate cracks. The day the flood started this water canopy collapsed, and for the first time it started to rain. Notice that it also states in verse 11 'that the fountains of the great deep broke up', so what does that mean? Well, it is believed, that there were underground chambers of water which opened up at the time of the flood. (There are still some remnants of it today with the great gusher we see in certain parts of the world.) A crack opened up around the globe creating the cracks in the Earth we now know today as fault lines. Water from these underground chambers shot high into the air under tremendous pressure, and with great velocity causing a tremendous deluge of rain as it fell back to the Earth. We see today what a volcano can do, so just try to imagine what the fountains of the great deep breaking open would have done. Just try to imagine what it would be like, if all the tectonic plates of the world were

to shoot lava high into the air along the whole length of them throughout the entire Earth all at the same time. Why, it would cause tremendous devastation. Now try to imagine what it must have been like when the fountains of the great deep broke open. There would have been water under tremendous pressure shooting high into the air at very high speed along all of the tectonic plate lines of the Earth, and running the full length of them. You would have had water shooting high into the air around the entire Pacific ring of fire, and the full length of what we now know as the mid Atlantic Ridge all at the same time, and along all the other tectonic plate lines also. These great fountains of water may have carried with them rocks high into the air (just like a volcano does) which may have then landed back in the sea causing tremendously high tsunamis. All this water would have raced across the land carrying with it mud burying many animals in the process. Fossils have been found of animals actually giving birth at the time of the flood. You may be surprised to know, that things can fossilise, in as little as two weeks. It doesn't take millions of years as evolutionists would have us believe. The fossil record is really the record of the flood of Noah's day.

You know it is amazing that many scientists will gladly accept that there was a global flood on the planet Mars which has virtually no water on it, but won't accept that there was a global flood on Earth which is covered by water. The problem is this, if they admit that this flood happened then there must be a God to whom they are held accountable. The real answer to this is found in John 3:19,20 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.

[12] And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights. [13] In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark; [14] They, and every beast after his kind, and all the cattle after their kind,

and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind, every bird of every sort. [15] And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein *is* the breath of life. [16] And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in. [17] And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased, and bore up the ark, and it was lifted up above the earth. [18] And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters. [19] And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that *were* under the whole heaven, were covered. [20] Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered.

Notice here in verse 20 that the water covered the highest mountains by fifteen cubits. A cubit is roughly 18 inches or 45.72 centimetres. When you multiply this by fifteen the answer comes out as 22 ½ feet or 6.86 metres. This shows that the pre-flood Earth was different to the one we know today. If this were not the case, then Noah and his family would have needed oxygen, because the highest mountains were covered by water.

[21] And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man: [22] All in whose nostrils *was* the breath of life, of all that *was* in the dry *land*, died. [23] And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained *alive*, and they that *were* with him in the ark. [24] And the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days.

Genesis 8:1-22
More Evidence For The Flood

[1] And God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that *was* with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters asswaged; [2] The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained; [3] And the waters returned from off the earth continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters were abated. [4] And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat. [5] And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month: in the tenth *month*, on the first *day* of the month, were the tops of the mountains seen. [6] And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made: [7] And he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth. [8] Also he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground; [9] But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters *were* on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark. [10] And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark; [11] And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth *was* an olive leaf pluckt off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth. [12] And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him and more. [13] And it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the first *month*, the first *day* of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry. [14] And in the second month, on the seven and twentieth day of the month, was the earth dried.

Now after the flood where did all of the water go, there was too much of it to evaporate. Surprisingly enough most of it is still on the Earth. Apparently if the land were lower than it is today there is still enough

water on the Earth to cover the entire planet. As previously mentioned the flood waters covered the highest mountain to a depth of 22 ½ feet or 6.86 metres. What happened after the flood is this, God made the mountains higher and the valleys lower. As God raised the land some of the water got trapped and formed the great inland lakes that we see today.

15 And God spake unto Noah, saying, 16 Go forth from the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee. 17 Bring forth with thee every living thing that *is* with thee, of all flesh, *both* of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth. 18 And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him: 19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, *and* whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after their kinds, went forth out of the ark. 20 And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. 21 And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground and more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart *is* evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done. 22 While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

Some believe that verse 22 indicates that this may have been the beginning of the Earth's seasons and there is no mention of seasons in scripture up until this point. The cataclysmic events of the flood certainly would have been enough to cause the Earth's axis to tilt by 23.5 degrees causing the seasons.

Have you ever wondered why there are 360 degrees in a circle. As I understand it, this is because the Earth used to take 360 days to orbit the Sun. So there were 360 days in a year. Each day would have been roughly 24 hours and 21 minutes in length, and twelve 30 day months divides equally into a 360 day year. The fact that we now have 365.26 days per year may have been caused by this cataclysmic flood of Noah's

day.

Genesis 9:1-29

Noah And His Family Leave The Ark

[1] And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth. [2] And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth *upon* the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered. [3] Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you all things. [4] But flesh with the life thereof, *which is* the blood thereof, shall ye not eat.

We see here that man is for the first time given permission to eat animals for food. But God does state here the we are not to eat blood.

[5] And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man. [6] Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man.

We see here that God pronounces the death penalty for any man who kills another human being without a just cause. He also states that any animal that kills a human must also be killed.

[7] And you, be ye fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth, and multiply therein. [8] And God spake unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying, [9] And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you; [10] And with every living creature that *is* with you, of the fowl, of the

cattle, and of every beast of the earth with you; from all that go out of the ark, to every beast of the earth. [11] And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth. [12] And God said, This *is* the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that *is* with you, for perpetual generations: [13] I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth. [14] And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud: [15] And I will remember my covenant, which *is* between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh. [16] And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that I may remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that *is* upon the earth. [17] And God said unto Noah, This *is* the token of the covenant, which I have established between me and all flesh that *is* upon the earth.

We see here in verses 8-17 God's promise that He will never destroy the Earth again with a global flood. After the flood, because it now rained on the Earth, and the water canopy had collapsed, it was now possible for the rainbow to be seen for the first time.

[18] And the sons of Noah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and Ham, and Japheth: and Ham *is* the father of Canaan. [19] These *are* the three sons of Noah: and of them was the whole earth overspread. [20] And Noah began *to be* an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard: [21] And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent. [22] And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren without. [23] And Shem and Japheth took a garment, and laid *it* upon both their shoulders, and went backward, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces *were* backward, and they saw not their father's nakedness. [24] And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done unto him. [25] And he said, Cursed *be* Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren. [26] And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant. [27] God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant. [28] And Noah lived

after the flood three hundred and fifty years. [29] And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years: and he died.

Genesis 10:1-32

The Genealogies Of Noah And His Sons

[1] Now these are the generations of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth: and unto them were sons born after the flood. [2] The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras. [3] And the sons of Gomer; Ashkenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah. [4] And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim. [5] By these were the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands; every one after his tongue, after their families, in their nations.

Verses 2-5 gives us the genealogy of Japheth.

[6] And the sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, and phut, and Canaan. [7] And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah, and Sabtecha: and the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan. [8] And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth. [9] He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said, Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD. [10] And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar [11] Out of that land went forth Asshur, and builded Nineveh, and the city Rehoboth, and Calah, [12] And Resen between Nineveh and Calah: the same *is* a great city. [13] And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim, [14] And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (out of whom came Philistim,)and Caphtorim. [15] And Canaan begat Sidon his firstborn, and Heth, [16] And the Jebusite, and the Amorite, and the Girgasite, [17] And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite, [18] And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite: and afterward were the families of the Canaanites spread abroad. [19] And the border of the Canaanites was from Sidon, as thou comest to Gerar, unto Gaza; as thou goest, unto Sodom, and Gomorrah, and Admah, and Zeboim, even unto Lasha. [20] These *are* the sons of Ham, after their families, after their tongues, in their countries, *and* in their nations.

Verses 6-20 gives us the genealogy of Ham.

21 Unto Shem also, the father of all the children of Eber, the brother of Japheth the elder, even to him were *children* born. 22The children of Shem; Elam, and asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram. 23 And the children of Aram; Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Mash. 24 And Arphaxad begat Salah; and Salah begat Eber. 25 And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of one *was* Peleg; for in his days was the earth divided; and his brother's name *was* Joktan. 26 And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah, 27 And Hadoram, and Uzal, and Diklah, 28 And Obal, and Abimael, and Sheba, 29 And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab: all these *were* the sons of Joktan. 30 And their dwelling was from Mesha, as thou goest unto Sephar a mount of the east. 31 These *are* the sons of Shem, after their families, after their tongues, in their lands, after their nations.

Verses 21-30 gives us the genealogy of Shem.

32 These *are* the families of the sons of Noah, after their generations, in their nations: and by these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood.

Genesis 11:1-32

God Creates All The Different Languages

[1] And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech. [2] And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there. [3] And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them throughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar. [4] And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top *may reach* unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth. [5] And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded. [6] And the LORD said, Behold, the people *is* one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do. [7] Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech. [8] So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city. [9] Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.

Since the creation up until this point all of mankind spoke one language. We see here that this is where all the languages of the world originate from.

[10] These *are* the generations of Shem: Shem *was* an hundred years old, and begat Arphaxad two years after the flood: [11] And Shem lived after he begat Arphaxad five hundred years, and begat sons and daughters. [12] And Arphaxad lived five and thirty years, and begat Salah: [13] And Arphaxad lived after he begat Salah four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters. [14] And Salah lived thirty years, and begat Eber: [15] And Salah lived after he begat Eber four hundred and three years, and begat sons and

daughters. [16] And Eber lived four and thirty years, and begat Peleg: [17] And Eber lived after he begat Peleg four hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters. [18] And Peleg lived thirty years, and begat Reu: [19] And Peleg lived after he begat Reu two hundred and nine years, and begat sons and daughters. [20] And Reu lived two and thirty years, and begat Serug: [21] And Reu lived after he begat Serug two hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters. [22] And Serug lived thirty years, and begat Nahor: [23] And Serug lived after he begat Nahor two hundred years, and begat sons and daughters. [24] And Nahor lived nine and twenty years, and begat Terah: [25] And Nahor lived after he begat Terah an hundred and nineteen years, and begat sons and daughters. [26] And Terah lived seventy years, and begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran. [27] Now these *are* the generations of Terah: Terah begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran begat Lot. [28] And Haran died before his father Terah in the land of his nativity, in Ur of the Chaldees. [29] And Abram and Nahor took them wives: the name of Abram's wife *was* Sarai; and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah. [30]But Sarai was barren; she *had* no child. [31] And Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran his son's son, and Sarai his daughter in law, his son Abram's wife; and they went forth with them from Ur of the Chaldees, to go into the land of Canaan; and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there. [32] And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah died in Haran.

Chapter 11 concludes with the genealogy from Shem who was one of Noah's three sons to Abram. Abram was later to become Abraham.

It is interesting to note that the Old Testament ends with a curse and the New Testament ends in grace. Malachi 4:5,6 reads "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse."

Revelation 22:21 reads "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen."

How Old Is The Earth?

As I understand it according to the Bible, the Earth is only about six thousand years old. You might laugh at that statement, but there is good scientific evidence that the Earth is a lot younger than many believe it to be. It is not possible for the Earth to be 4.6 billion years old as many think it is. You see, when the Apollo missions visited the Moon, I'm told, that three of the missions left some equipment behind that allow scientists on Earth to fire a laser beam at it. By timing the length of time it takes for the laser to reach the Moon and back they are able to work out how far the Moon is from the Earth. Now you may be thinking "what has that got to do with how old the Earth is"? If you let me explain, you will see it has a lot to do with it. You see, they have found the Moon is slowly moving away from the Earth. It's not moving away by much, it is only about 1 ½ inches or 3.81 centimetres per year. Now this creates a problem for anyone believing the Earth to be 4.6 billion years old because when it is worked backwards the Moon would have been touching the Earth 1.5 billion years ago.

Another thing that shows the Earth is young is its magnetic field. As I'm lead to believe, every 1,400 years it decreases by half of its strength. If you work this backwards, when you get anywhere beyond 10,000 years the magnetic field becomes too strong for life to exist. When you get back as far as 20,000 years, the Earth's magnetic field would have been as strong as a magnetic star. So the Earth must be fairly young and is only several thousand years old.

You may be asking "what about the dating methods, don't they prove how old the Earth is"? My answer to this question is, no, they don't! You see, none of the dating methods are very reliable. Take for example the Grand Canyon in the USA. The rocks at the top have been dated at 1.34 billion years old and the rocks at the bottom have been dated at 1.07 billion years old. Now wait a minute, I think that there is a discrepancy here. How can the rocks at the top of the canyon be older than the ones at the bottom? A fossilised baby mammoth has been found, one part of the animal was dated

as 40,000 years old and another part was dated as 26,000 years old, and the wood surrounding it was dated as 10,000 years old.

You may ask "but what about the layers of earth laid down over millions of years, doesn't that prove the Earth is billions of years old"? There again the layers of earth prove nothing. Layers of earth can be seen at Mount St Helens in the USA. They were laid down in about three hours. Then there are what is known as polystrate fossils. These are fossils such as a fossilised tree which is standing upright and it goes down through several layers of earth.

Now, you may be asking, "in that case how can you have a young Earth and an old universe"? As I understand it, the answer may lie in Einstein's theory of relativity. According to this theory, Time, Space, and Matter, are interrelated, so if you alter Time, you alter Space and Matter. If you alter Space, you alter Matter and Time, and if you alter Matter, you alter Time and Space. We read in Psalm 104:1-2 *[1]Bless the LORD, O my soul. LORD my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with honour and majesty. [2]Who coverest thyself with light as with a garment: who stretchest out the heavens like a curtain:* Also we read in Isaiah 40:22 *It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:* Please note that I have underlined the part which says that God stretched the heavens. Here we see in these verses that God has stretched the fabric of space which means that He also altered Time and Matter. Now as I understand it, we are either in or very near to the centre of the universe, because all the stars and galaxies are moving away from us in all directions. Near to the centre of the universe there wouldn't be much stretching, so time wouldn't be altered by much. Therefore because of the stretching of space, time is dilated and matter is matured. Which means that the universe could well be several billion years old whilst the Earth is only about six thousand years of age.

I'm not saying that this is necessarily how it happened, but it is a possibility and it may account for a young Earth and an old universe.

The Big Bang Is Impossible!

The Big Bang could not have happened because it goes against the laws of physics. If you think about it, you have absolutely nothing and then it explodes into something. If I had thought up that idea, you would think I was crazy, and rightly so. But if a scientist suggests it, then it is accepted, after all they should know, shouldn't they? Scientifically 'absolute nothing' CANNOT suddenly explode into something, because there is nothing there in the first place to explode. We need to remember that scientists are just men, and men do not know everything.

Now I want to stop right here and say that I'm not writing this to pull down science or scientists, there are, and have been, many great men of science. They have attributed much helpful scientific knowledge and many great scientific inventions. Neither am I saying anything that contradicts scientific fact. I believe the scientific facts, but when it comes to the origin of things we are not dealing with science fact, but rather what scientist think happened, and there is a lot of guesswork involved.

There are those who would say, well the Big Bang didn't come from absolutely nothing, but the whole universe was packed into something smaller than an atom, and it was this that exploded. Well this may sound plausible on the surface, but even this could not have exploded into the universe that we know today. You may be asking "what makes you say that"? Well let's have a look again at the laws of physics. In this theory of the Big Bang we have the whole universe very densely packed together into something smaller than an atom. There is a scientific law which state that the denser the mass the greater the gravitational force. Now let's just imagine the entire universe packed into something smaller than an atom. You would have an infinite dense mass and an infinitely dense mass would give you an infinitely strong gravitational force. Even if the Big Bang could have happened the gravitational pull would have been so great, that the matter from the explosion would not have been able to escape the gravitational pull and it would have therefore fallen back in on itself. Remember its

gravitational pull would have been many times greater than that of a black hole from which not even light can escape.

When you think about it, when has any explosion ever created order? No, an explosion always without fail causes disorder!

The universe is very complex and orderly. The Earth is 93.000,000 miles or 150,000,000 kilometres from the Sun. If it were a few thousand miles closer it would be too hot to sustain life. If it were a few thousand miles further away, it would be too cold to sustain life. The Moon is the correct distance from the Earth to affect the tides. If it were too close then the affects on the tides would be too strong. The Earth has a magnetic field which shelters us from the deadly radiation of the Sun. It has an ozone layer to protect us from too much ultra violet light. We see design everywhere we look and we live in an orderly universe. The only real answer to the origins to the universe is the one found in the first verse of the Bible.

If you really believe that a big bang created an orderly universe from nothing, then I take my hat off to you, because it takes far more faith to believe that than it does to believe that 'In The Beginning God Created'. We need to remember that there was no-one there at the beginning to see it happen so it is all guesswork. But you say, "you were not there either", that's absolutely right I wasn't, but I know that the One who was, and He cannot lie. He says 'In The Beginning God Created' and since He doesn't lie and He was the only One who was there, then it makes the good sense to believe Him!

'In The Beginning God Created the heavens and the Earth...' Genesis 1:1

What About the Dinosaurs?

You may be thinking "what about the dinosaurs? Weren't they wiped out by some giant asteroid hitting the Earth 64 million years ago?"

My answer to this is; no they weren't wiped out by some giant asteroid hitting the Earth 64 million years ago. There is good evidence that dinosaurs lived up until very recent. It says in the Bible in the book of Job in chapter 40 and verses 15-18 and we read *[15]Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee; he eateth grass as an ox. [16]Lo now, his strength is in his loins, and his force is in the navel of his belly. [17]He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together. [18]His bones are as strong pieces of brass; his bones are like bars of iron.* Some translations of the Bible states in the footnotes that the Behemonth was possibly an elephant or a hippopotamus. Please note that in verse 17 it says '*He moveth his tail like a cedar:*' Let me ask you, since when has an elephant or hippo had a tail like a cedar? The answer is that neither the elephant nor hippo have a tail like a cedar, but a dinosaur certainly does! This description best fits that of a dinosaur. Another description of a dinosaur is found in the book of Job chapter 41 and verse 1 we read *'Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a cord which thou lettest down?'*

Both dinosaur and men's footprints have been found together in the same area.

Ancient painting of dinosaurs have been found. How could men have painted pictures of dinosaurs if they hadn't seen them?

A sea creature was caught off the New Zealand coast in 1977. It was found at a depth of 900 feet (274.32 metres) and it weighed 4000 lbs (1814.37 kilos). It was not fossilised and although it was in a poor state, it still had flesh on it and it looked exactly like a dinosaur. If the dinosaurs went extinct 64 millions years ago how can you explain this find. Even water cannot preserve dead things for that length of time. Water cannot preserve dead things for 64 million years!

COMPARISONS BETWEEN GENESIS AND REVELATION.

In conclusion here are some comparisons between Genesis and Revelation.

Genesis Chapter 1, God creates the heaven and the Earth.	*Revelation 21:1, God creates a new heaven and a new Earth.*
In Genesis 3, we see the fall of creation and paradise lost.	*In Revelation, we see the restoration of all things and paradise regained.*
Genesis 3, Satan tempts Eve in the Garden of Eden.	*Revelation 20:10, Satan is cast into the Lake of Fire.*
Genesis 3, sin enters the world.	*Revelation 21:27, sin has been eradicated.*
Genesis 3, death, sorrow, crying, and pain enters the world.	*Revelation 21:4, death, sorrow, crying, and pain are done away with.*
Genesis 3, Mankind is barred from the Tree of Life	*Revelation 22:14, Mankind is allowed to eat freely from the Tree of Life.*
Genesis 3, God curses the ground.	*Revelation 22:3, The is no more curse.*