

Kicking Evolution, *Lifting Jesus Up*

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In this booklet you will discover ways to

- increase your faith and remove your doubts
- share the word of God without doubts
- increase your love on the Word of God
- Develop passion of confirming the Word of God

Truth is our most powerful weapon in overcoming the darkness of this world

**"Thy word *is* a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."
(Psa 119:105 KJV)**

**"If ye continue in my word, *then* are ye my disciples indeed." (John
8:31 KJV)**

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Introduction

One of the hallmarks of the end of the age is increased confrontation between God's forces and the enemy's. We are wary of this and to combat the enemy requires the light of God's word. The psalmist said that **"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Psalm 119:105)**. True enough, I was one of those most bound on the theory of evolution and philosophy before meeting Jesus Christ. But by His grace, He opened His word before my eyes to see His wonderful truths hidden in His Law.

Knowing then that my struggle was never unique and there are people who wouldn't easily budge to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ gave me impetus to write this book. It is my desire that as you go through the page and learn of Him, He will guide you, set you free from the deception that has bound you. I was a man in bondage, imprisoned by a whole lot of ideas, but the Lord gladly received me and made me free. That love I will never forget.

The Lord mentioned in the gospel that when He will be lifted up on earth, He will draw all men to Himself. I pray that He would open your eyes as you go through the pages and open your heart that you may be healed and be freed by Him too. Like the Psalmist who prayed:

**"Blessed are you, O Lord;
teach me your principles". (Psalm 119:12)**

May all the words in this book guide you to walk in freedom and devote yourself wholly to the Word of God unhindered by doubts or unbelief. His blessings be upon you as you read through.

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Chapter one

Real Education, Real Science

Obedience can be the hallmark of a real follower of God. But this obedience stems from a deep love of the Lord and not a mere show. There were two trees in the Garden of Eden. One was to give eternal life to Adam and his descendants and one that can give damnation forever to his descendants. Few people were given such mighty position as Adam and Eve had. They were there to determine the rise and fall of the entire human race forever. Such a position cannot be a source of envy to everyone except with the devil. Let me begin by telling you the origins of education which can determine the destiny of thousands and even millions.

Education did not begin from the east or from the west as some of us might think. As all things were created by the Lord, so was the institution of education. He was the first mentor by teaching Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. To His very first student, He emphasized the importance of obedience and the possible consequences of disobedience. Obedience is not easy and this entails both sacrifice and humility. To obey is to take heed of the one teaching. Adam was humble enough to listen to the Lord. His first task was to dress and keep the garden.

“And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.” (Gen 2:15 KJV)

The word, “dress” means to organize, to arrange or to administrate; and the word, “keep” means to protect, preserve or to take charge. Adam’s task was so big, but God’s power to enable Adam was never short. When Adam was made, He was made in God’s likeness. Surely that gave Adam the wisdom to know and the understanding to take charge of the Garden. What happened in that beautiful garden one morning was not just a tragedy but a catastrophe to the human race. By disobedience, sin entered and took hold of the first man and woman. Both of them fell to the subtlety of the serpent. Satan who took the guise of a serpent questioned God’s authority while conversing with the woman.

“Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which Jehovah God had made. And he said to the woman, *Is it so that God has said, You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?* (Gen 3:1)

Rather than fighting back satan or asking her husband about what the serpent was referring to, Eve took her own way. By her defiance, she first fell prey to the evil one and then encouraged her husband to sin rather than tell the truth. At this instance we can also see how sin can easily blind us. Eve does not even know she already sinned! You know what happened next. It brought the curse to the man and woman, the ground and the serpent. Disobedience brought God's sweeping judgment – He asked the man,

“And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where *art* thou? And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I *was* naked; and I hid myself.

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?”

(Gen 3:9-11 KJV)

It was the disobedience of Adam and Eve that made them naked, uncovered and an easy prey to the devil. Before that fateful day, the Lord told Adam:

“And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:

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.”

(Gen 2:16-17 KJV)

He was never a negligent father to a son.

The Lord's first educational system was a one to one mentoring program with Adam which was then encroached by satan. It was the devil's subtle manipulation that brought the downfall of man. This failure can be attributed to the failure of the man to mentor his wife and the failure of the woman to ask her husband. The Lord's description of the serpent was – **“more subtle than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made” (Gen. 3:1 KJV)**. Had Adam and Eve not underestimated satan, they would have asked the Lord for more grace on how to overcome the evil one.

It can be said that they fell because they disobeyed, but they could not have disobeyed if only they did not open themselves to the subtlety of the serpent. Likewise today, the marks of the enemy are well imprinted in education. It's time the church reclaim this powerful tool of teaching. It's time to shine God's light for the world's needs. Just as the serpent carefully implanted the words **“Yea, hath God said in Eve's mind”**, he is doing the same today to countless people using subtlety in the very tool God used to teach Adam. Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil, and He set us with the same destiny. The apostle Paul clarifies, **“We are destroying speculation and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ.” (2 Cor. 10:5)**

The primary battle field is the mind. There is none more powerful tool than to sow God's word to the minds of the people and set them free. True education is heeding God's word. Adam listened and knew the voice of the Lord, but his wife was not as familiar as he was. This is why the apostle Paul wrote "**the woman was deceived but not the man**" (1 Tim. 2:14). I'm saying this not to blame Eve, but that the sin of one is the accountability of each other as they are considered as one flesh.

Understanding that education started with God and later adulterated by satan, we have a great task before us to discern the error from the truth. But we can only do so much if we have the love for the truth. It is love that overcomes. It is love that will enable us to drive away the darkness from our own hearts and from the heart of others. We do not preach the truth to pummel the head of others but we want to use the truth to open the eyes of the blind and lead them to the person of Truth. Truth is our most powerful weapon and we cannot give in to misusing it. Truth can be misused and not received by the way we speak and carry it. But we are sure the grace is there for us to bring the truth to others as we do this with His love and might. We are not to be like those pretending as ghost hunters, yet not knowing that they themselves are powerless since Jesus Christ is not with them.

In the ancient times, the only way to educate a person was by his cultural understanding. His upbringing was enough but as civilization and trade became increasingly international in nature, people came to understand the need to teach and mentor their young children. We trace this to old Babylon where the oldest civilization existed. From it, came writing and oral tradition. By this time, satan was using education to propagate his lies on earth. He used it by encroaching deeply into the cultures of men. He made them bow to the suns and the stars. He started the cults of astrology and animism.

True education then is recognizing God's hand that in spite of the evil that happened, He is still in control. And that He is able to bring down Heaven's blessing to set free the people from the lies of satan and enlighten the masses. This enlightenment brings both cultural and spiritual revolution into the very fabric of a decaying society. When this affects a large proportion of the world or a region it is called awakening. The great Awakening that occurred in the United States enabled it to bring great upheavals in its society. Pietism, and personal faith became the norm in the society and it preceded the Independence of the American colonies from Great Britain. This is in contrast to the French enlightenment where Jesus was rather thrown out by the philosophy of man.

Abel and Cain

After the fall of Adam and Eve, both of them were driven out of the Garden (Gen.3.23), but as tragic as what happened to them, the Lord continued to communicate with them. We see this in the Lord making an animal coat for their first clothing (Gen.3.21). Although the Lord's plan for Adam and Eve was now in shatters, He knows that this would happen and in spite of this He decided to make man in His own image. The Lord continued to watch over Adam's family long after the fall, even talking with Cain and Abel (Gen.4.6). In here we can see that long after the enemy has encroached into the territory of God, the Lord did not just gave up and left. Rather, with patience, he continued to mentor the humans who were willing to walk with Him. We see this in the life of Abel being a shepherd, he continually walked into a pleasing relationship with the Lord and whose brother became so jealous of him because of this. In the two brothers we can see the seed of God and the seed of the devil. In Abel, we can see the Lord working in his life, teaching him His ways and applying this knowledge in both shepherding as well as praying to the Lord. In Cain, we can see him becoming passionately evil because of jealousy towards his brother. The Lord even warned him of this but the serpent got the better part of him.

**“And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?
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.”
(Gen 4:6 -7 KJV)**

Abel showed the path to righteousness and his brother that of perdition. Righteousness here comes as a result of their constant walk with the Lord. After Abel, Enoch lived to be one of the prime examples of how a disciple walks with the Lord. And after him came Noah who also led the next generation of man. In all of this generation, the Lord was always seeking someone who will not only agree with Him but would bid Him for that generation. All of them can be distinguished by the lives that they have lived and their legacies that affected generations after. They learned the righteousness of God by their constant walk with Him. True education will not come to us not unless we learn that it is both a spiritual matter as well as vocational. Abel has to learn how to live by himself and not just depend from his parents' cupboards and at the same time learn for himself how to distinguish the voice of God.

Mandate in the Hebrew nation

We can see God's hand to recover this mandate during the days of Moses by giving the Hebrew people His laws and regulations. This was to serve as their framework of governance from the time of Moses to the days of the Roman

Empire. He consolidated this to become the Scriptures which were then commanded to be taught to the children of Israel (Deut. 6:20-24).

“And when thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What *mean* the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD our God hath commanded you?

Then thou shalt say unto thy son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt; and the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand:

And the LORD showed signs and wonders, great and sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his household, before our eyes:

And he brought us out from thence, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which he swore unto our fathers.

And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as *it is* at this day” (Deu 6:20-24 KJV).

His purpose for the Hebrew nation by calling them out from slavery to freedom was to champion a life of true freedom by living under God. The Israelites would be just the best people who would be able to teach and show other nations how different it would be to live under the system of the Lord and that of Egypt, the most powerful nation of that time. Peter wrote this mandate and reinstated the same for the Christians,

“But ye *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light:

Which in time past *were* not a people, but *are* now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.” (1Pe 2:9-10 KJV)

The Israelites were indeed the chosen people of God. They were freed from the Egyptian oppression; rescued by the Lord through the hands of Moses and Aaron. As this happened physically with the Israelites, this happened spiritually for every Christians being rescued from darkness by the Lord, as the apostle Peter wrote. We obtained mercy by His mercy and we obtained freedom by being brought to His marvelous light.

While all the nations grappled in darkness, Israel has a shining bright light in its midst. We therefore understand that through the blessed Law, the Word of God, we are all indebted to the Lord. This contribution of the Jewish civilization, of teaching a monotheistic system and a system run by priests and kings, has been unmatched in any civilization. Without the Jews, there would have been no Bible and no Savior.

Primary way of teaching

The primary way of how God teaches us is through our relationship with Him. Just as He did not make a robot but man that needed to be taught, it will be the same with us. Our learning comes from this relationship with Him. It is by this relationship with Him through His Son that we will learn how to hear His voice. We learn His teachings from the written accounts in the Scriptures just as the Israelites have to hear from Moses and read from the written accounts. As we do, He connects to us through His Holy Spirit. The apostle John wrote,

“But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you know all things. I have not written to you because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and know that no lie is of the truth.” (1Jn 2:20-21)

John tells us that it is the anointing of God that guides and leads us concerning the Lord. It is this anointing also that allows us to know Him. He further distinguished how this happens,

“But the anointing which you received from Him abides in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you. But as His anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true and no lie, and as He has taught you, abide in Him.” (1Jn 2:27)

Jesus also taught us that, **“He, the Spirit of Truth, has come; He will guide you into all truth. For He shall not speak of Himself, but whatever He hears, He shall speak. And He will announce to you things to come.” (Joh 16:13)** Doesn't this leave us to too much subjectivity in the interpretation of the Scriptures? Yes. But subjectivity is required if we want to learn from the Lord first hand. Are deceptions and mistakes part of the package? Again, the Lord does not lead us to deceptions but at times we can be deceived by our own circumstances as well as petty doctrines and ways of interpretation. But by giving this freedom to the people to interpret for themselves, the Holy Spirit is also given the freedom to lead them into the truth and we can trust Him to do His job well. We are not to fear deception as much as we should fear lacking the love for the truth.

How then do we connect and learn from the Lord? This connection with the Lord happens when we received Him as our Lord and Savior and commit our lives to follow His way. It does happen automatically but without much fanfare and do not expect to see such things although it can happen that there are. Salvation can come as silent as one single child realizing he has hurt the Lord so much and needs to repent and then prays. It can also happen to an old rugged gentleman, already sick and weak and bed ridden; his conscience bothering him to prepare to meet His maker. Such promptings can come from the Holy Spirit.

For the Israelites, the Lord determined that in the fullness of time when they were freed from the house of bondage in Egypt, He taught them. He educated them. The wilderness was meant to purge the influence of the Egyptian culture on the people and renew their mindset. It took them 40 years to wander in the desert that can bring them to the Promised Land for just an eleven days' journey.

Today real education can come to anyone willing who surrenders their life to the Lord. This real education is not theocracy. When one gets into the right perspective of seeing God according to what He says as He is in the Scriptures, then true education is possible. Many Christian parents are doing this already. They do home schooling as well as bring their children to Christian schools. But for us to bring this matter as a required subject and required undertaking to the community at large it would take rather time but this is not impossible.

To overcome the great debacle of true science, we must remove the theory of evolution from our midst. The greatest single subject that needs changing for this is no other than Biology. The other subjects such as Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics do not suffer as much from this perspective but Biology and Geology does. This is what the Creation scientists such as Henry Morris' group were seeking. It is a paradigm change and this would require a revolution to overthrow the current system that has been entrenched deeply in Evolution. Any change that happens in the perspective of the US education system is bound to affect the educational system of the world. But even when one single country no matter how tiny it is bows to the Lord and changes its educational system, from a paradigm of evolution to that of the Bible, it will have eternal repercussions to the world. When evolution retreats from one city or university, it will begin the collapse of other universities and bring in the needed changes. Such event is not far from happening. With God, nothing is impossible!

Real education comes as we abide in Christ and seek His Word. The Psalmist captured its essence when he wrote,

“Maschil of Asaph. Give ear, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

**I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old:
Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us.**

We will not hide *them* from their children, showing to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done.

**For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel,
which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children:**

THAT THE GENERATION TO COME MIGHT KNOW *THEM*, EVEN THE CHILDREN WHICH SHOULD BE BORN; WHO SHOULD ARISE AND DECLARE *THEM* TO THEIR CHILDREN.” (Psa 78:1-6 KJV)

To abide is to stay according to the limits of God’s word, according to what He remarked to us in His word. As education by culture was primarily overtaken by satan in almost all nations except that of the Hebrew nation, the Lord made a new way. He chose to set a standard of education by first giving His laws and decrees. The Hebrew nation will never again be without a book, a standard, a distinct set of culture that the Lord established through His covenant. Contrary to most anthropological theory, culture is not permanent and will not remain as continually evolving but will have certain limits. This limitation is what the Lord has determined. The human system will be totally re-transformed in the coming New Age of Jesus Christ. His thousand year reign (see Rev 20.4) will be marked with unprecedented peace and development seldom seen in what we now have even called developed world. Thus our cultures are not valid for thousands of years; it will be measured by the rod that the Lord has given and by that rod, it will be rejected, or it has to conform to God’s measurement. This would mean that the various cultures in existence today would have to conform it to His ways or they will perish this is evident for the disappearance of the cultures of Sodom and Gomorrah as well as the Canaanite tribes.

There is a biblical basis for the way the Spaniards treated the Filipinos before the Christianisation of the Philippines. Although the Spanish were looking for gold and spices, they also brought with them Catholicism which was used to convert the native indios to the cross and in allegiance to the King of Spain and the Pope. We can point to the many abuses of the Spaniards but their coming paved the way also for the coming of Protestantism in the Philippines through the Americans. Without these two nations, there would be no present day Christian Philippines that we see. Blaming others such as colonialism for our present backwardness would be only doing a blame game like Adam and Eve did. Our failure to improve economically cannot be attributed to religious beliefs alone but rather how much we have used of what we were given. We were given enough natural resources that could even support more than 100 million Filipinos, but our failure to live on the principles of the Bible makes us “wicked servants” and those who are non-believing nations can be said to be worthy of the title as “good servants”.

**“Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine:
And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.”
(Exo 19:5-6)**

Science and the Bible, are they contradictory?

With God, real education purged from the dirty road culture of the devil is possible. Science is such and as we endeavor to learn more, we will find the truth. Science and the Bible were never in contrary. But they support the basic claims of each other; in fact the founder of modern education, Jan Amos Comenius wrote that, “nature is God’s second book”. Paul wrote,

“For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse (Rom 1:20 KJV).”

“For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist (Col 1:16-17 KJV)”.

And David the Psalmist wrote,

“Ye *are* blessed of the LORD which made heaven and earth. The heaven, *even* the heavens, *are* the LORD's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men (Psa 115:15-16 KJV)”.

The Lord would be more than happy to be tested in order that we may see and understand His creation. So a set of basic experiments to confirm the truth is not at all evil. But an unfounded theory that would defy the living God and His teachings must be discarded. For this is nonsense before us. Did not the Lord said, **“Let your light so shine before men (Mat 5:16)?”** As such one way is to discard and remove evolutionary concepts and philosophies far from us. For these ideas only engender strife’s from among the people eventually.

The Bible has this to say on these matters,

But shun profane *and* vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness (2Ti 2:16).
But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do engender strifes (2Ti 2:23).

What does the apostle refers to when he said shun profane and vain babblings? This refers to heretical ideas that can have an ultimate effect on the society. Such ideas include communism, evolution and terrorism. It is profane because it invokes evil when spoken, it can infect like a fungal disease just by touching. Karl Marx’s ideas of communism are not without validity but his thoughts run out wild with the truth because it runs contrary to our basic nature of freedom. Evolution is the most absurd of the three as this

tried to pre-empt a society that is human centered and not God centered, when this happens we all become out-centered---eccentric in short. God has designed the human heart to need Him, and when this desire is not fulfilled by seeking His ways, satan fills the void and what we may even think as human centered is actually devil centered already.

Though the apostle did not discussed much about Science, they focused on cutting the root of the tree by revealing to the people that it is sin that started the false philosophies and destructive heresies. They did not just flail at the branches but they put the axe on the roots! Education can only become that pure and then brings God's light to dispel darkness. We would then produce wiser men of the calibers of Daniel and his friends, whose wisdom is ten times more than the wisest magician of Nebuchadnezzar.

“And the king spoke to Ashpenaz the master of his eunuchs that he should bring *some* of the sons of Israel, and of the king's seed, and of the rulers; sons *in* whom was no blemish, but who were handsome and skillful in all wisdom; and who had knowledge and understanding, even those who were able to stand in the king's palace, and to whom they might teach the writing and the language of the Chaldeans (Dan 1:3-4)”.

Chapter two

The glory of the Creator and the creation

It amazes me to understand that no prophet in the Bible was more direct or repetitive as Isaiah had been in proclaiming that the Lord is the Creator. This is the same prophet who was caught up in a trance and saw the Lord as He is inside the temple. Experiencing trance was a common experience for most of the prophets of the Lord. It is not a make up fake thing. If you are called to be a prophet, this would be one of the experiences that you will go through. It is not for all but for those God has called in His service. It means, “being there”, as if the whole body was transported there. The account he wrote reads,

“In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory. And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke. Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I *am* a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts (Isa 6:1-5)”.

These creatures which the prophet saw, were crying how glorious the earth is which the Lord made. It is clothed with God’s glory. Most of us would really think twice if the prophet really heard it right or not. In this world where the wars and conflicts never end, how can those seraphims see the glory?

But in His presence, everything is filled with His glory. Remember, it is not what we see in the physical world which reveals the truth to us but what we see spiritually is what gives us the true reality of the world. When we are soaked with the presence of God, we will not only see the wars but also behold the glory of the Lord in the creation just as the seraphims did. One would just have to observe how the Sun goes down during sunset in Manila bay or even in Boracay. When you travel to the rustic province of Batanes, you will also see how wonderful the shores and the dancing waves are. But even then, just appreciating what we have now and thanking the Lord uplifts even our feelings and wholeness. Thanksgiving brings us to heaven’s gate (Ps 100:4).

I remember an account I have read from a book, which tells how people can be so blind of God’s glory in His creation. That such an earth as we have teeming with diverse life would require just the right distance from the Sun, the gravitational pull of all the planets in the Solar System aligned exactly as they are

so that it won't wobble; and the tilt of the earth for the changing seasons. Basically such intricate balance and harmony observed in nature would have us believing how much effort the Lord has put into it so that it would be in that perfect array. The apostle Paul upon understanding this, wrote,

**“For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him.”
(Col 1:16)**

I now understand why the great apostle Paul included the word, “invisible”, as I have studied my microbiology, there are a lot of small life forms that the naked eye cannot see. Many of this can cause diseases such as viruses as well as bacteria and fungi. Some are agents of diseases, poisonings, decay and rot. But without even these small organisms, life would not function as we now know. They are essential for our survival. From the smallest microscopic plants called algae, which produces oxygen and feeds the fishes and whales to the biggest Sequoia trees where we can take lumber as well as oxygen (see figures 1-4 for diatoms, dinoflagellate, and virion sample pictures). The negatives of these small organisms came us a result of the curse. One scientist remarked, if the Lord has not also put this in their DNA before, then they would be left defenseless and be extinct in just a few days. Moreover even the Physical laws are subject to Him having been created by Him. This would include the wind, the typhoon and the storms, as well as waves and gravity. There is nothing that is not subject to Him, “all things were created by him, and for him (Col 1:16).”

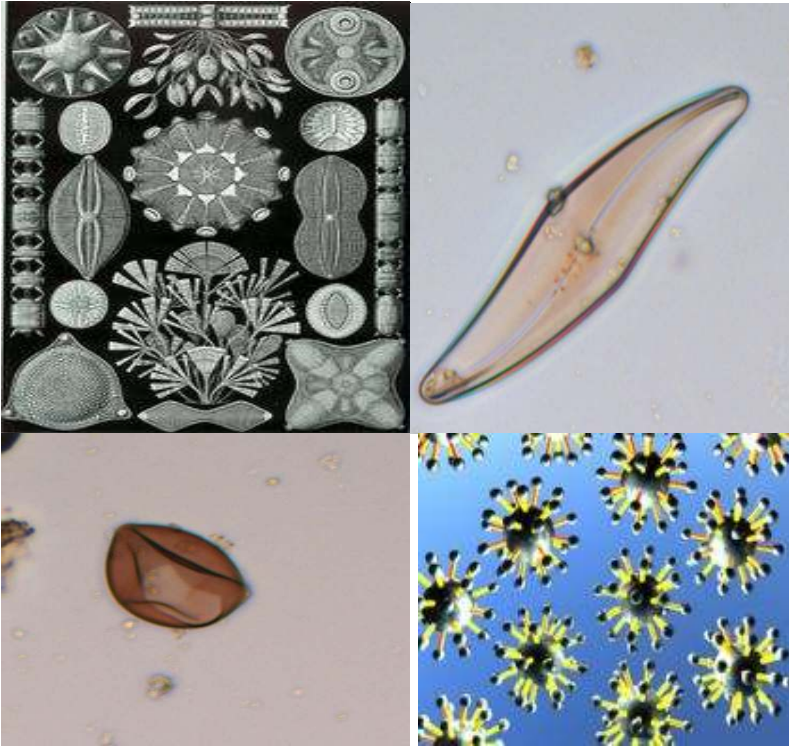


Fig.1-4. Top left, are the drawings of the German evolutionist Ernst Haeckel (adapted from Wikipedia); top right, a pennate diatom and bottom left an empty casing of a cyst forming dinoflagellate and Bottom right, a computer generated image of virion (adapted from Wikipedia)

In one of my subjects in zoology as an undergraduate, we went to Puerto Galera and have had a taste of the diverse marine life found in that area. We collected some specimens for our experiments, did snorkeling and diving. The reef fishes and the corals of the area are a paradise to behold with (below see Fig. 5-6 as a sample picture of corals). Even though I was just in the shore as I could not swim, the lovely creatures amazed me. For me this realization that all these wonders could be just a flap of time for evolution is a great hoax. Not to mention it's improbability. The probability that a typhoon or tornado would leave a perfectly built airplane is even greater than a single occurrence of evolution to occur in nature. It would be insanity to believe that from a bowl of soup came all the creatures of the earth including the mighty dinosaurs and the complex thinking man.



Fig. 5-6. Shows the various colorful corals that can be seen underwater in tropical places such as the Philippines. Most of the corals are distributed in the tropical belts because of the requirement of the dinoflagellate algal symbionts for Sun light.

Let us probe a little deeper. How about the atmosphere of the earth? Our earth's atmosphere is made of primarily three gases, Nitrogen (78%), followed by Oxygen (21%) and then the inert gases (Argon-0.93%, Carbon dioxide-0.038%). Below I have taken an illustration of this atmospheric composition (Fig. 7.), and you can see that Nitrogen is the most abundant gas composition of the atmosphere. Until now there is no plausible explanation for why would there be a largely maintained Nitrogen gas in the atmosphere. But practically and biblically, we need this Nitrogen component of the atmosphere because without it, combustion or the process of burning would be unretarded making it very easy for us to burn down a house, a farm, a building as well as Oxygen can consume our skin too. Too much of a good thing can really hurt; when Oxygen gets the upper hand, it can form free radicals which can easily become incorporated in our bodies and in no time we are dead because of this. The Oxygen molecules are aggressive and that is why they are also called radicals. This can be observed in nature in how it can consume an exposed iron metal. The rusting of house roofs as well as iron fences and structures would be very fast. The Creator placed Nitrogen to control this reactivity of the Oxygen gas.

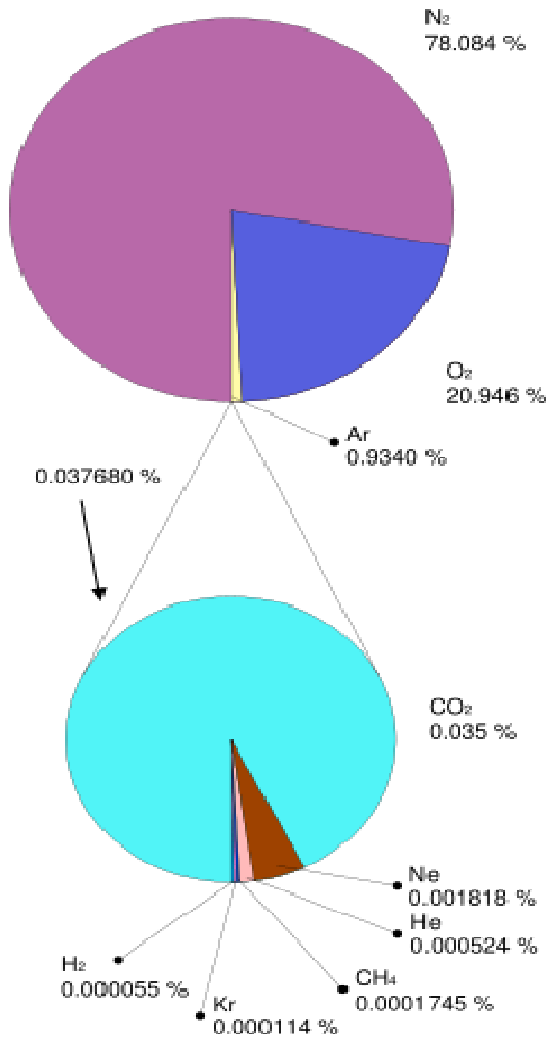


Fig. 7. The major composition of the earth's atmosphere including the inert gases (Modified from Wikipedia)

Surely the Lord cares for us. Even when the earth's atmosphere is compared to other planets in the Solar System, the earth has no peer for its excellent life nourishing condition. He has truly set apart this world, this earth which we call as home unique in the universe. Again He declared by the prophet Isaiah,

“Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.” (Isa 43:7)

I would say Isaiah is a false prophet or we are fools not to believe what he is proclaiming! What did he say? God made us for His glory! That is as short and as direct as we should be on this issue. Is it any wonder that satan would preach his lying wonders by telling us, “yeah hath God said?”, questioning God's accounts

in Genesis on the creation of mankind, plants, animals, the solar system and the universe.

The lies of satan

Satan's age old craft is to deceive people. The Lord called him the "father of lies", and so are his children called the children of lies.

“Why do ye not understand my speech? *even* because ye cannot hear my word. Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.”

(Joh 8:43-44 KJV).

The Lord was blunt to the people saying straight to their shame that if they do not agree with the truth, they are in effect agreeing with satan the liar. Why would the Lord say he was a murderer from the very beginning? Whom did he murdered? We find the answer back to Genesis. The Lord told Adam that in the day that he will eat the forbidden fruit of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, he will surely die (Gen. 2.17). Satan sneaked in and Adam was not the least aware of it. Since he cannot directly confront Adam, he used the woman and deceived the woman, he did. Eve bought his lie that it will be wisdom to eat the fruit since it will make her wiser than God, and soon both of them were eating the fruit. Both of them soon found themselves cursed with the ground because of violating the command of God. In a way both of them were still alive, but the essence of their life, their connection and intimacy with God was broken by the sin that battered in. The better dream God has for them died, buried with the sin. It took a single disobedience from the first man to destroy the race of man; it will also take one, single unwavering obedience from another man to retake what was lost by the first man. This is what Paul wrote of this,

“For since by man *came* death, by man *came* also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.”
(1Co 15:21-22)

Jesus Christ brought in the new creation, which is a far better and nobler race than the first one. Paul writes, “Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new (2Co 5:17 KJV).” Did Jesus buy in with satan's lies? No. He never budged to the devil's slyliness. Every single cunning assault of satan, He rendered a word for word rebuttal. He used the Scriptures saying, “it is written”, and the devil has nothing to do but to fly away.

So how shall we live then while the right education is still being implanted by God? We shall therefore live by the Word of God and believe His written accounts.

“People need more than bread for their life, they must feed on every word of God” (Matt. 4.4 NLT)

God’s final design

We come finally to the desired plan of the Lord for His creation, that violence or death was never instituted by God but came as a consequence of sin. Sin has a compounding effect on man, whether we like to hear this or not. In ecology, we call this biomagnification, or increasing effect of a toxin. By this, it means that when a shell fish for example filters out a toxic substance such as mercury as its food, it may not necessarily die immediately but the poison is stored in its fats and when larger animals feed on it, the poison is transferred and since larger animals have the tendency to eat more than smaller animals, there will be greater toxin accumulation in its body. The effect would be the top eater, or carnivore will always become immediately affected, either dying early on or becoming sick. In a similar manner, sin which may look like as simple as a disobedience by Adam and Eve eating the fruit of the tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, have actually spread so much today and it is the feature of each man. All of us have gone astray and we are not looking for God. Shortly after Adam and Eve sinned, Cain would release another evil, the violence to kill his own brother out of jealousy. His seething anger turned into the first cold-blooded murder of his own younger brother. Just a few thousand years later, the human society was characterized as violent and evil.

**“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.”
(Gen 6:5 KJV)**

So He brought the deluge on the earth that killed all those who does not want to come to the ark that Noah built. That would include all the beast of the earth save the young ones and other pairs of animals that Noah kept within the Ark. After the flood, He renewed His covenant with man and made Noah, the righteous steward of the life on earth.

**“And God spoke unto Noah, saying,
Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee.
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.
And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him:
Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, *and* whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after their kinds, went forth out of the ark.**

**And Noah built an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.
And the LORD smelled a sweet savor; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any 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.
While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.”
(Gen 8:15-22 KJV)**

In the text above you can see that although Noah has been trying to send a bird out to look for a dry ground, in the final end, he did not come out until the Lord spoke to Him to come out. In a very similar manner, Jesus only did what He saw the Father doing. Noah was called a righteous man because in all things, He only did what the Lord would tell Him to do. Even the construction of the ark did not come from him but was the resort of the Lord knowing that his friend Noah is the only righteous one left. To be counted as righteous as Noah is not an easy one and it entails a call for life of obedience to the Lord. Had Noah tried to save all of his countrymen and relatives? Yes indeed. It took 100 years to construct the ark of Noah and for those 100 years, it was also the grace period for the people to see his work, ask Noah and be curious why he was constructing an ark on a mountain and not on the sea? Why construct such a vessel when not needed? Such questions the people could have asked Noah but in the later end were not convinced of Noah after all. Jesus said of this to them,

**“But as the days of Noah *were*, so shall be the coming of the Son of Man.
For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until *the day* Noah entered into the ark.
And they did not know until the flood came and took them all away. So also will be the coming of the Son of Man.” (Mat 24:37-39)**

Surely Noah was a righteous man, but even after him, his descendants again got into another debacle. This debacle is the tower of Babel. From one language, thousands sprang up so that man will not get into the folly of building things for themselves. The Lord sent them a strong message that He alone is to be worshipped. That it won't be done by man's way but by God's ways. This is the tower of confusion. From there, people spread all over the face of the world-carrying with them the Knowledge and technology of their times. This is how the different cultures developed. It came because of the divisions of languages. All the cultures that developed were basically infiltrated by satan, so that idol worship can be the characteristic of such cultures...from ancient drawings to paintings and to carvings. God cannot stand this and His original plan must be done. He sent for and called Abraham who obeyed and walked with God, being officially called as the “friend of God.” From his loins came the Jewish people whom Moses set free from the slavery in Egypt. What was the point in here? This account will not be easily accepted by anthropologists and sociologists whose aims include preserving cultures of people and they may contradict with my

views. God is no respecter of persons as well as culture I should add. The Spanish missionaries were right to convince the early Filipinos to abandon their animism and nature worship.

A cultural revolution is what Jesus brought. He aimed to redeem man first by having faith in Him which would then empower them to live as changed people above their current circumstances and whose minds are set towards the heaven. This means, He aimed to change us from deep inside and these changes would then reflect outwardly, changing the society and the culture in effect. What would be the effect when a missionary comes to an ethnic tribe and was able to convert a chieftain? Since the chieftain is the chief or the big boss, he then commands the whole village to obey and follow his ways. In effect, they may still wear their old clothing which may look like a drab by modern standards but enough to live by then. Then they may throw away their wood carvings of "Anitos" or woody carved gods and goddesses. To an anthropologist this is destroying a culture but to God, this is changing the mindset of a culture from a human based perspective to one which is higher and more heavenly.

This was how the Lutheran missionaries of the Americans did with the early mountain tribes of the Philippines during the pre-World War II era as well as during the post war Philippines. I still think that we benefited from them a lot, from their canned goods and chocolates, our literatures as well as our tribes came to be known and studied. If you would count how many books were produced concerning the Mountain provinces, many of the authors would be Americans who were driven by curiosity as well as missionary endeavors to the mountain tribes. This was also the reason why you can speak in English even with the old mountain tribal leaders then and some who still remains now.

Education is valuable therefore for the changing of the society, including its beliefs and systems. The Indian caste system is like an institution of slavery where the lower classes cannot easily get out. This is tied to their Hinduism. Freedom came because Christ preached Freedom, "if you will know the truth, the truth shall make you free," became the battle cry of His followers from the early days even now. It was when Constantine learned of the truth that he was freed to adopt Christianity as the official religion of the empire. Democracy was the product of Christianity preaching the truth of individual right and freedom to chose. Human nature cannot fit more in any other doctrines, not in slavery nor in forced communal settings.

The reason therefore why we cannot use our own culture is because it does not carry the ideals of Christ. When a culture fails to bow to the new culture propogated by Jesus Christ, it has failed eternally. The new culture is needed because it brings us to a God centered view point in life as well as in customs. There is the system of laws and system of right business transactions. The Jews who were shrewd business men and merchants are so because they learned this early on. They were taught of the writings of Moses. Although they do not know

Jesus Christ, their contribution to the world is they are the stewards of the revelation of the written word of God. In a similar way, we do not need evolution because it does not bring us any pragmatic advantage in terms of the now and then after this life.

What am I advocating here? I am simply telling that when a person becomes born again, all his tastes and patterns of preferences changes. His cultural background is not a limitation whether he is an animist or a muslim or atheist. He becomes the institution by which Christ brings the changes and reforms to the society or place where he is living. Here I am not advocating theocracy or rule by religious people. We respect the separation between the Church and the state. I am however telling that real education comes only when we make the Scriptures as the basis or foundation of all our textbooks and learnings. Moreover, a truly Christian society comes around when we learn to all live His word. That would bring us to removing all the atheistic philosophies and literatures including evolution in the end. All of our old stumps will be burned by the Lord and totally removed when He comes again, He will recreate and restore the earth to what it was meant to be.

“For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth. And the things before will not be remembered, nor come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever *in that* which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy (Isa 65:17 -18).

And God will wipe away all tears from their eyes. And there will be no more death, nor mourning, nor crying out, nor will there be any more pain; for the first things passed away.

And He sitting on the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And He said to me, Write, for these words are true and faithful.” (Rev 21:4-5)

The covenant renewal

“And God spoke unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying, And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you;

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.

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.

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:

I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.

And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud:

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.

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.” (Gen 9:8 -16 KJV)

In this covenant of renewal between the Lord and Noah, He re establishes His mandate through Noah. There are a few things I would like to emphasize here,

First, He will never destroy the earth again by flood

Second, He placed the rainbow as a token of the covenant between Him and all creatures-man and animals

Third, It will be an everlasting covenant.

Fourth, he re-instated his plans for Adam through Noah

All of these points out that the next judgment of God will not be done by flood anymore. In Peter, the account was,

“through which the world that then was, being flooded by water, perished. But the present heavens and the earth being kept in store by the same Word, are being kept for fire until the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

But, beloved, let not this one thing be hidden *from you*, that one day *is* with *the* Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

The Lord is not slow concerning His promise, as some count slowness, but is long-suffering toward us, not purposing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.” (2Pe 3:6-9)

This means that the coming judgement of God would have a similarity with what He did for Sodom and Gomorrah. Again, the apostle Peter says,

“For if God did not spare sinning angels, but thrust *them* down into Tartarus, and delivered *them* into chains of darkness, being reserved to judgment.

And He did not spare *the* old world, but saved Noah *the* eighth one, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly.

And turning the cities *of* Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, He condemned *them* with an overthrow, setting an example to *men* intending to live ungodly.” (2Pe 2:4-6)

Such judgment as what happened in Sodom and Gomorrah was the only choice God has since He bound Himself that He will not flood the world again. But even so, we can see that what happened in Sodom and Gomorrah was like a nuclear bombing, totally annihilating living things. Nagasaki and Hiroshima which was bombed during the World War II so that the Japanese Imperial army will capitulate was even luckier compared to Sodom and Gomorrah since plants and

animals are both able to live in the area once again. The two cities of old however until now are but deserted areas.

We can expect that in the scenario of a world catastrophic event, flooding can be a problem but it will not be as devastating as what the Lord has done. His judgment will more likely be a fire that consumes the world, because of ungodliness. Where ungodliness abounds, the Lord will not forever struggle with man. Only repentance of such level as that of the Ninevites can overturn the judgment of God in that case.

What can we do then? As the plan for Adam was re-instated with Noah,

“And God blessed Noah and his sons. And He said to them, Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth.

And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon the animals of the earth, and upon every bird of the air, upon all that moves on the earth, and upon all the fish of the sea. Into your hand they are delivered.

Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. I have given you all things, even as the green herb.

But you shall not eat of flesh with the life in it, or the blood of it.

and surely the blood of your lives will I require. At the hand of every animal 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.

Whoever sheds man's blood, his blood shall be shed by man; for He made man in the image of God.

And you be fruitful and multiply. Bring forth abundantly in the earth, and increase in it.” (Gen 9:1-7).

One way of fulfilling this mandate of the Lord is to continue to be fruitful and multiply in all things. This would mean we continue to grow spiritually, financially, corporately and professionally. If we are called to be a senator or a lawyer, let us be doing our office as a Christian lawyer and senator. Let us be legislating laws that would enable businesses to come and spread in the different islands of the country. If we are called to be teachers let us be teaching and doing what we teach whether it is the Word of God or Mathematics in High School. Let us be pursuing personal development in all areas from one good hobby to another. Churchill was not only a passionate statesman, rhetorician or writer but in old age he took up painting and mastered it. As a businessman wouldn't it be nice to grow your business in all the islands and benefit not only the community by employing thousands of people but also increasing and helping the government's economic plans? Or as a painter, you produce thousands of religious and historical scenes that not only inspire the local folks but also the children? Whatever our profession is, let us take heed of what Martin Luther King Jr. said; let us be the best person that our office has and that the world had ever seen.

Chapter three

Creation versus Evolution

We are all born in the battlefield. Those who are oblivious of this reality will suffer deception. War has been waging throughout all the heavenly realms for so long now. It started with the thought, **“I will ascend into the heavens, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God” (Isa. 14:13)**. This is primarily why we are called to **“destroy every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God” (2 Cor. 5:10)**. Satan thought he can raise himself up in the stars of God, and he did try ending up to his defeat and being thrown out on earth. He ended up deceiving himself – he looked to himself more and more and thought he can be greater than God. It started with “I will”. This is the real issue between the war of creation and evolution. The evolutionist thought they can actually exalt their knowledge more than the knowledge of God. They thought by doing so, they are free from religion. But even humanism itself is a form of religion. When one subscribes to its teachings and follow its tenet, which is simply putting all things as man in the center, one has become the most pitiful among all creatures. When this happens, we have become the most backward of all creatures, and the most notorious follower of the devil. In its roots is no other than rebellion against the authority of God.

It is within this issue that the Lord is concerned – it takes away the glory of God in His creation by saying God is a liar and all that He says in the Scriptures is simply false. It replaces hope with fear, it binds people to unbelief and essentially death follows. I have given a table to compare the two for you to analyze well.

Table 1. Comparison between the basic tenets of Creationism and Evolution

	Creationism	Evolution
Working Power	The Lord God	Spirit of deception
Standard	Word of God	Works of man like Darwin, Lamarck, Charles Lyell
Time frame	6 days; Catastrophic	Billions of years; Gradual
Repeatable	No	No
Harmony of fossils	100%	Filled with gaps
Effects to people	Supports the validity of the Scriptures, brings eternal life and strengthens the faith of followers of Jesus	Depression, hopelessness, fear, death

Evolution was primarily supported by Charles Darwin who after reading Charles Lyells's book – 'Principles of Geology' combined his thoughtful observation during his sea voyage with the HMS Beagle around the world and in the Galapagos Islands. His contribution is considered to be monumental to science and the general public. Yet this is deceiving. Let's examine the facts one by one.

Anaximander was a Greek philosopher 2500 years ago who thought that life arose in water and that simpler forms of life preceded more complex ones. This Greek philosopher preceded Darwin and he believed that species or animal kinds are not fixed or static. Now we understand that from the point of Creation of Adam and Eve, the Lord finished His work on the creation—it was already completed (Heb. 4:4). This happened from one point in time and not in several thousands or millions of years. And when He saw so much sin marring His image in His crowning work of man, He deluged the earth with flood, thus afterwards the earth was peopled by Noah's descendants. We see also in Genesis 2:6 that before the flood, the earth was as one big land mass with all the teeming animal life forms including that in the ocean. From the Genesis account, we also know that God created the dinosaurs as He said **“God made the beast of the earth after its kind” (Gen. 1:25)**. We are also confident that there was just one big land mass on earth before as He says, **“Let the water under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so”**. The Bible says that in one place – He placed the sea, and He let the dry land appear. There was no mention of many lands or islands. Genesis 1:10 says **“God called that dry land earth; and the gathering together of the water called the sea.”**

Later however, this one big land mass was fragmented because of the catastrophic event that occurred when God judged the earth. So violent was this catastrophe that the description was, **“and all flesh died that moved upon the face of the earth” (Gen. 7:21)**.

“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. And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights. 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; 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. And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein is the breath of life. And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in. 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.

**And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters.
And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that *were* under the whole heaven, were covered.
Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered.
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:
All in whose nostrils *was* the breath of life, of all that *was* in the dry land, died.” (Gen 7:11-22)**

With fountains of the deep breaking, this signifies how powerful and violent the judgment may have been during that time. These fountains of the deep being referred to in Gen. 7.11 are today's subterranean volcanoes which dotted the whole earth. If all of them were to explode, it will not be hard to break that one big land mass into several pieces of continents today. Added to that, the continuous pouring of the rain would surely drown the human beings including the large dinosaurs. Increased erosion as well as volcanic eruptions here and there would totally re-sculpt the landforms and the face of the earth. Note that the Bible says above that only all of those organisms found in the dry land died (Gen 7.22). It did not say even those found in the oceans although we are sure there would have been many which also died.

Creation science prevailed very much before the 1840s. This teaching was accepted and taught in all schools by professors in Europe so that God was glorified. But Satan crept in and using the works of Darwin as well as Wallace, evolution became a trend among schools and philosophers. It was also the works of Charles Lyell which says “natural forms gradually change the earth's surface.” This became the geologic basis of evolution producing the idea of “gradual change with descent of modification.”

Christian scientists then were unable to put a word against this people. This was as if the world just watched by, taken by surprise by Darwin's thoughts; which were certainly inspired by the devil. The Christian scientists did not verify the findings of Darwin nor did they screen it with the Bible. Had they done it seeking God, they would have been able to interpret even Darwin's findings in the light of the Scriptures as well as disagree with his other findings which are unbiblical. Darwin's ideas and findings may not be totally all wrong but his interpretation is wrong. He did not interpret this using the paradigm of the Scriptures but his own imagination.

He lived during the Victorian era when God blessed Britain to be the most powerful nation on earth. Britain honored the Bible then and through her, God spread the English language as a medium to spread the knowledge of the Scriptures. They spread it to the whole world to prepare the people for the gospel

of Christ. Even though Christian atmosphere pervaded in Britain during those days, probably most of the Christians took off their guards and Darwin's flag rolled off the press and waved in the wind. His nuclear assault on Christianity although he may never have intended to do decimated the faith of many school children increasing the population of hell. It was at this juncture when the Christian professionals and intellectuals were not doing anything that the assault continued and became entrenched in the next 50 years. It has been proven more than once that when the Christians do not rise up to their calling, the devil turns the tide and defeats them.

By the year 1859, it shook them. The findings of the HMS Beagle were that there were great similarities between the living organisms and fossils found in South America and that of Africa. Their coastlines seemed to match and fit together as the German scientist Alfred Wegener later studied. Yet the Bible was never consulted so that the findings of the scientists would be interpreted in the light of the Scriptures.

The Bible declared that it would be of no surprise to find similarities between South America and Africa since they were as one big land mass before the deluged. Fossils therefore in Brazil or Africa would be similar. This would also mean that it would be of no surprise to find similar dead fossilized animals in Australia, America or India too. Reasons for the scarcity of fossilized animals in tropical countries are due to the temperature which is very ambient for bacterial decomposition of any of the animals that died long time ago, except for the ones quickly buried in mud or volcanic rocks which were preserved immediately. In contrast, there would be more fossils preserved in temperate areas because the ice and the low temperatures are very ambient to preserve these animals. The Russian wilderness and the Canadian areas will in the long term bring us more discoveries of fossils including both the Arctic and Antarctic areas. Only the ice covers and protects them from being seen but in the long run we shall see more of the fossils of organisms that died due to the flood. It is of no question also that the oil reserves of Russia are one of the highest in the world today because of the large expanse of its area and the large probability that many of the animals and plants that died due to the flood would have been buried in its area.

Moreover, the tower of Babel would also explain how the nations arose since Noah's time. It would explain why cultures have similarities; education and beliefs as well as languages would somehow show one root. Today also, we have the knowledge of DNA that all of the different races of man do not have different sets of genes per race but rather the same regardless of race.

Charles Lyell's works was used to justify the removal of flood geology among schools and Darwin's theory was used to remove creationism in schools. When one of the Smithsonian scientists and curators were asked about the gaps of evolution if they are complete already, he replied "they remain as they are – incomplete". Only the flood model can explain why such devastating large

number of animal and plant forms died in that instant. It can explain why petrified woods would be found interspersed with dead dinosaurs and sea shells. It can explain why there are fossils in Australia and America as well as Russia or Europe. And above all, it can explain why the radioactive dating is not an accurate way to date or sample stones for their years.

God blessed Britain when it obeyed God's word and taught the Biblical account of creation in its public schools and universities. When it followed the humanists, it brought confusion and weakness to the Christians and now mosques and empty Cathedrals "grace" the very land where Jesus was honored before.

Can the creation account be repeated? No, and so is evolution. God ceased from His work on the 7th day, it cannot be repeated (see Heb. 4.4). We can however validate and compare the Lord's works with what we can find in the field as evidence. Evolution prides itself as one which is overtaking the word of God in many people's minds. But God says He will bring down the lofty mountains and He will evict this theory of evolution out. As we are living in these last days, Jesus will once again be lifted up and honored.

The effects of evolution have been too far-reaching. It was because of this that the US justice system removed prayers from the hallways of their schools. This is also the court of man that legalized abortion. From here we can learn that it does not necessarily mean that when it is instituted by law, it is righteous. It does not follow that when an order comes from the highest governmental office it would be righteous. Evolution justified also the cause to purge man of the disabled and the handicap. Hitler used this in his bloody campaign of perfecting the Aryan race; he almost annihilated the European Jews. Such ideas have sounded absurd ever since but we are not far when another such event can take place because we do not repent and change. In contrast, Jesus pronounced His objective when He came, and it is for us to choose which road we must take.

"I am the gate. All who come in through me will be saved. Through me they will come and go and find pasture.

A thief comes only to rob, kill, and destroy. I came so that everyone would have life, and have it in its fullest.

I am the good shepherd, and the good shepherd gives up his life for his sheep.

Hired workers are not like the shepherd. They don't own the sheep, and when they see a wolf coming, they run off and leave the sheep. Then the wolf attacks and scatters the flock." (Joh 10:9-12 CEV)

Chapter four

Taking the right road

The past chapters showed you that there is a God who controls the whole world, a God who is watching us, not from afar but from near and closely. We understood that each of us differs because God wanted us to be unique, to fill the whole earth and that every snowflake can be different from each other simply because they simply are. All of these can be because the Creator left His imprint in His own creation. Just as authors would have their own styles of writing and teachers have their own ways of teaching, the Lord had His own unique signature in the creation.

If there would be one single unifying concept or thread that the Sciences are missing, it is the acknowledgment that we owe the creation to a Creator. By suggesting that there is a Creator, it will not diminish the continuing researches that we have right now but rather it would create the impetus for us to search for the reasons of why the Lord created such, for what purposes and roles. It does not take a genius to do this and we are far advancing as we continue to try to figure out what God has done. This is the light that we need right now to continue the next phase of advancement. Any nation which will acknowledge the Lord and honor Him, He will honor that nation. He who honors God, He will honor him, is a verse we should never forget. In the same way, sin will bring us backward but by acknowledging the Lord, we are surely bringing with us to the greatest Helper we can ever have.

We are as pilgrims on a journey. We make choices everyday and from these choices we have to face the consequences of our decisions. This is where the difference lies between an overcomer and a failure. A time will come when we have to decide and the time to do so may not be favorable upon us. We can only depend on our previous trainings, or experiences but even these things may not help us when we are faced with a new situation that is very different from the previous ones.

It has been said that the hinge of civilization depends on the way it has taken care of the simplest unit of the society-the family. When the family stays strong and stays together, the same with its civilization. The real downfall of the Babylonian empire was because of a weak leader who gave in to his own lust and greed. The last night of the last emperor of Babylon was spent on a drinking spree; he was subsequently captured and his empire given to the Medes. And Rome fell not because of the Christians but because of the failures of the succeeding emperors to train future leaders, and the lost of vision for the empire besides the constant bickering of the leaders. In the same way, when we lose our vision for the future and the will to succeed, innovate and change things for the

better, we are in danger of falling to the same pit. The division of the Roman Empire into two probably killed it earlier than it would have been. It was rather the failure of the leaders to foresee states within it and assign different leaders, delegating authorities and forming schools that can continue to bring fresh minds and changes to the administration. The eastern section more popularly known as the Byzantine Empire lasted for 1000 years more compared to the western section because of the apparent peace it maintained within its leadership ranks. Although this may be arguable, the peace of time bought by the few bickering would have been enough to buy the time for its existence. It was however the failure to see farther than just the routine administration of the empire that brought it to its knees. When a nation fails to see forward, it will not move forward. When this happens, the next nation which is apparently more discerning will take the leadership baton and move on.

The British Empire fell mainly because of failure to discern the signs of the times such as the emerging shift into economic activity and rising nationalism of the nations but also because it stopped to innovate and reform within its system. In the same manner, our life can be decided in that pathway we are leading into. When one would have to choose evolution, you would have to carry with you the darkness it embodies from racism to euthanasia and abortion; simply because evolution does not give value to real life and it does not see beyond the present time.

Vision of the future

It is vision of the future that gives back life to others and enables us to survive day to day because we know that we are still alive the next day and the next months. So what we do is to continue to work on and do all that we can. What then gives us a better vision of the future than to know that we still have the whole of eternity to spend and work for and develop what we can for the Lord?

This is the main difference when one becomes a Christian and when one is not. The Christian can think of the future, he can envision what is laid up for him as contained in the Bible. When one is not a Christian, he cannot find his vision for the future and his eternity is uncertain...would you be an insect? A crocodile? Or a pig? Hinduism and the New Age groups speak of these things but only Christianity offers a proven pathway to eternity when Jesus Christ who was the Son of God came and preach Himself. By dying as a common sinner in the cross and rising as a resurrected One, He showed to the world that He has overcome death.

“Since then the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise partook of the same; that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death (that is, the Devil), and deliver those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.” (Heb 2:14-15)

I still have to see or hear another one who resurrected and who proclaimed himself as God. But even so, the difference of Jesus to others is His continuing history from the early Scriptures of the Old Testament to that of the New Testament and until now. It was a continuous history. This is in reference to what He is building; an everlasting Kingdom, an empire that will forever last and the theme of His rule will be love and the anthem, The Love of the Son. This is the reason why we must be wary for the, **“Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whomever He will (Dan 4.25).”**

Our vision is our most valuable asset into the future and not just for our existence. This is why satan wants to reduce men to just being a mere animal simply because when men loses their drive to live, it would then be the easier for him to rule their lives. The devil delights in destroying the lives of men from constant wars and the constant conflicts they are entangled in because what he sees in the face of man is not the men and women that we are but the image of God. By trying to make us run into different conflicts and adversaries of life, he thinks we will flee away from God. He thinks he is killing God Himself. The greatest obsession he has is to remove us from our faith in the Lord.

Faith is the reason for our existence. Faith can be likened to an engine that runs the train. Without faith, we cannot go farther. But faith without vision is like a camper with all packs ready but no maps and compass to guide through. It is by having faith and vision that will enable us to probably survive even the harshest enemy that we can ever run into. What makes the Japanese ahead in many aspects of the competition in many technological products can be their vision not just for 100 years but also for 500 years. The Korean firm Samsung works in the same way. It has a product design and planning division just as any modern company would but more than this, they have the vision of what is the look and feel of the future most likely. When a man discerns that he has a future at hand and this future is more than gold or silver or earthly treasures, he will work at it with his whole life. Paul the apostle was probably motivated less by his position as an apostle but more so because he saw what is the future holds without the light of the gospel of Christ shining and without training the next leaders of Christianity. The Christian church was strong for the next 100 years after Jesus Christ but almost driven into oblivion when no leaders were trained to succeed the next disciples of the apostles. Laxity brought the Christian advancement to a halt with the edict of Constantine of joining the Church and the state. It would take another thousand years to bring back the apostolic mandate back to the Church which is the time that we are now in.

Patience is a virtue

I am often times being reminded by my wife of patience as a virtue. Many times we can lose our patience just by what happened outside our houses or the news in the evening. Such instances show us how weak we are and how much we are in need of someone greater than us to change us from deep within. No one can

really change himself into another one just by merely doing it by the strength of his own will. The only one who can forever change the course of our life is Jesus Christ. This can be a cliché for the many times you may have heard it. But for me who has heard it since childhood, I was only changed and convicted that I really needed Christ when I saw I cannot really change myself no matter how I tried. I tried to do a religion and visited other sects of Christianity. But I saw the same thing...men who have vices as well as fits and rage. Some are sincere, some are seeking, but many are also simply stupid and unsearching; they were there just to chat and look for other friends. They were seeking merely for socializations. Conviction came to me when I was deeply thinking of my sinful condition...how can I be changed? That was my simple thought as well as how I can reconcile the Bible with Biology.

These questions led me to search for and read the Bible. Someone shared his testimony in the group I attended but when I heard them crying and I was not crying, I felt maybe I was simply stupid and hard at heart not doing the same thing. The time however came as I searched for myself the Bible and understood that I cannot save myself, and that I was born sinful. The only One who can save me is the one who did atone for me in the Cross and loved me without regard for His life.

I bought that idea. And I have never regretted in doing so. Faith is our personal and deep conviction that the Lord is alive and that He is as He claims to be—our personal Creator, Savior and Master that we should be ready to account for how we have lived here on earth. Patience is also another part of faith. When we have patience, we have the grace to overcome the boredom that comes naturally with waiting for the right time for many of our opportunities in life. Waiting is not the best part of life but it is also a test that we need to undergo so that we will not be bound by compulsion. It is however the tyranny of the urgent that many times had us bound to become impatient. The most impatient people on earth are usually the shortsighted who cannot see beyond the four walls they are in. Life is too short to waste and to be devoted to other trivial things that are not worthy to merit any attention from us when in the end it will just be burned by fire.

The invitation of the Lord for you is open.

“All things are delivered to Me by My Father. And no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and the one to whom the Son will reveal Him.

Come to Me all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke on you and learn of Me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and you shall find rest to your souls.

For My yoke *is* easy, and My burden *is* light.” (Mat 11:27-30)

"Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of *the* mouth of God." (Mat 4:4)