

COSMOLOGY

Where Did I Come From?

Why Am I Here?

Where Am I Going?



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Our Purpose

To know the Creator

To obey the Creator

To bring glory to the Creator

“Everyone who is called by My name, And whom I have created for My glory, Whom I have formed, even whom I have made.”

Isaiah 43:7

Our Origin

Six Day Creation?

or

Billions of Years of Evolution?

or

Billions of Years of Creation?

“The serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world...”

Revelation 12:9

Our Mission

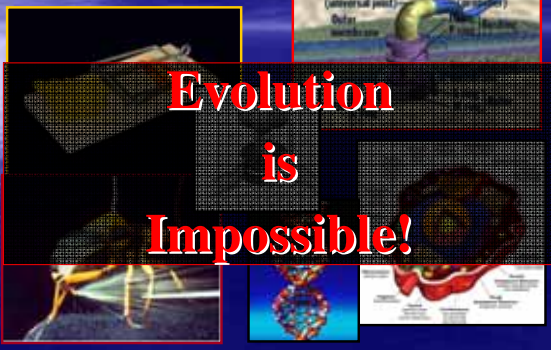
“We are destroying *speculations* and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God...”

2 Corinthians 10:3

Destroying the First Speculation Irreducible Complexity



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Destroying the Second Speculation: Uniformitarianism

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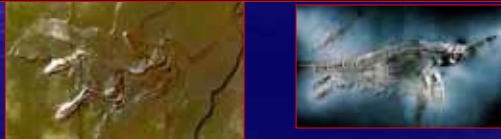
**Evidence indicates
Catastrophism!**

Destroying the Third Speculation: The Fossil Record



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**Sudden Appearance
of
Abundant Life!**



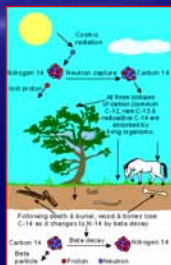
Destroying the Third Speculation:
The Fossil Record

"All paleontologists know that the fossil record contains precious little in the way of intermediate forms; transitions between major groups are characteristically abrupt."

Stephen Jay Gould



Destroying the Fourth Speculation:
Radiometric Dating



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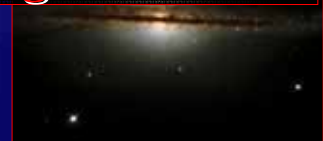
Based on Assumptions!

Destroying the Fifth Speculation:
Age of the Universe



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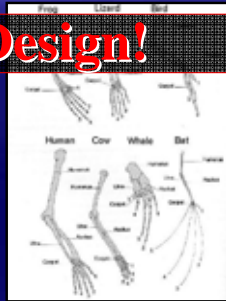
**Created with
Apparent Age!**

Destroying the Sixth Speculation:
Similarities of the Species



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Implies Design!



Persuasive Arguments

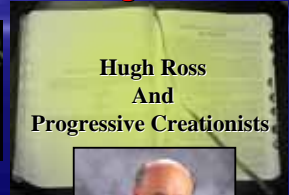
From Science & Religion



NEANDERTHAL



**CAVEMEN
HOMINOIDS**



**Hugh Ross
And
Progressive Creationists**



I. The Origin of Man

"Man is descended from a hairy quadruped, furnished with a tail and pointed ears...and this through a long line of diverse forms, either from some reptile-like, or some amphibian-like creature, and this again from some fish-like creature."

Charles Darwin

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"Rewind the tape of events to play evolution out once more, Gould argues, and the odds are against anything like Homo sapiens developing. We're here because we're here -- not because we had to be here."

Stephan Jay Gould

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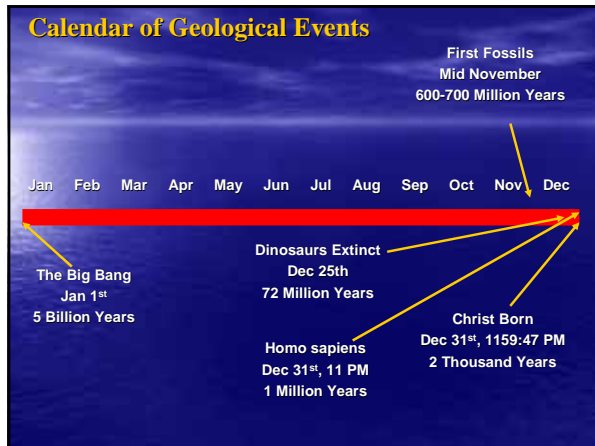
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"Then God said, 'Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness...'"

Genesis 1:26

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"Then the LORD God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being."

Genesis 2:7

B. Man is *distinctive* above all God's creation

"All flesh is not the same flesh, but there is one flesh of men, and another flesh of beasts, and another flesh of birds, and another of fish."

1 Corinthians 15:39

C. Man was at the *beginning* of God's Creation

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Jesus said "But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female."

Mark 10:6

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Caveman Hoaxes

Pittdown Man, Nebraska Man, Java Man, Peking Man;



Neanderthal: The Famous Missing Link

“Nearly all anthropologists agree that they were *Homo sapiens*. Mind you, these early definite *Homo sapiens* did not look completely like modern humans. But they were not different from us either, not even the ones called Neanderthals. Somehow through the years the Neanderthals have become the victims of their cartoon image, which usually misrepresents them as burly as and more ape than human. Actually, they might go unnoticed in a cross section of the world's population today.”

Textbook: Anthropology, A Brief Introduction



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OUTLASTED DINOSAURS AND THE ICE AGE, BUT CAN THEY SURVIVE YOUR PREJUDICE?



It was their complete dependence on a single resource - fire - that caused the Neanderthals' extinction, not any inherent biological inferiority. The Neanderthals were not biologically inferior to modern man. They were simply different. They were a different species. They were a different kind of human. They were a different kind of person. They were a different kind of being. They were a different kind of creature. They were a different kind of animal. They were a different kind of thing. They were a different kind of... **UP WITH CAPEMEN**
Cape men are people too!

Lucy: The Famous Hominoid



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“Most notorious has been the widely publicized controversy between Carl Johanson and Richard Leakey as to whether not "Lucy" is man's ancestor. “They suggest that in the common view, that these fossils are similar to modern man or that on those occasions when they depart from a similarity to man they resemble the African great apes, may be incorrect. Most of the fossil fragments are in fact uniquely different from both man and man's nearest living genetic relatives, the chimpanzee and gorilla. . To the extent that resemblances exist with living forms, they tend to be with the orangutan.”

Charles Oxnard, University of Chicago Magazine, Winter 1974

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“I know that, at least in paleoanthropology, data are still so sparse that theory heavily influences interpretations. Theories have, in the past, clearly reflected current ideologies instead of the actual data.

David Pilbeam, "Rearranging Our Family Tree," Human Nature, 1978



The Anthropologists

“There is almost a complete gap in the African fossil record between 13.5 million and 5 million years ago. If we want to understand the evolutionary links between the apes of the Miocene and the hominids of Africa, we need more fossil evidence from the Miocene times in Africa. But we are not without any knowledge of the transition to hominoids. The molecular biology of the various modern primates suggests when the last common ancestors of humans and our closest primate relatives (Chimpanzees) probably lived.”

Anthropology, A Brief Introduction—College Textbook

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“These estimates depended on the assumptions that the more similar in chemistry the blood proteins of different primates are (for instance comparing chimps and humans) the closer those primates are in evolutionary time... These studies have confirmed the probable recency of the hominoid divergence from chimps and gorillas.”

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“So what does the fossil record tell us about where and when hominoids first emerged? Unfortunately, the answer is nothing as yet. We still do not have any hominoid fossils in Africa from the end of the Miocene – the presumed place and time hominoids emerged. And definitely hominoid fossils dating from the late Miocene have not been found anywhere else. So all we know is that primates with undisputedly hominoid characteristics lived about 4 million years ago in eastern Africa.”

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“If you go to a paleontologist and ask, “When do you think the primates started?” the paleontologist will say, “Well, the earliest fossil we can find that’s definitely a primate is 55 million years old. So if we add a few million years as a safety margin, we can assume that primates evolved about 60 million years ago.”

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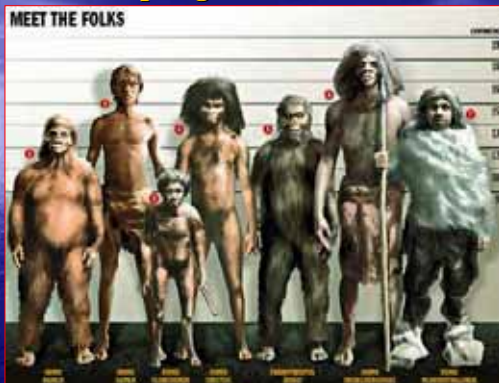


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“I was looking at bats, and it occurred to me that when you first find bats 55 million years ago, they look just like modern bats. All their key characteristics are developed. And so I suspected that things must go back further than that, unless you just believe they somehow popped into existence. The common ancestor of primates probably appeared about 20 million years earlier than people thought. So it’s closer to 85, not 65, million years ago.”

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“I’m not sure whether they were actually running around alongside the dinosaurs. All we can say is that they existed at the same time. But they may not necessarily have occurred in the same areas..”



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"So one is forced to conclude that there is no clear cut scientific picture of human evolution."

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III. PERSUASIVE ARGUMENTS FROM PROGRESSIVE CREATIONIST

"It was not necessary to start the Torah with the account of Genesis—Exodus would have sufficed but there it is right up front!"

Rashi

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"The battle line has been drawn over a peripheral point of age of the universe and our earth." Misidentifying God or His key attributes could destroy the possibility of a person's relationship with Him. Misunderstanding God's strengths, capacities, and past works can impair the success of such a relationship. But misidentifying the timing of God's past works in the cosmos has little or no bearing on that relationship. Nor does it bear upon the Bible's authority. It appears ill-advised, then, to make an issue out of such a trivial doctrinal point."

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"The hypothesis that God increased the complexity of life on earth by successive creations of new life forms over billions of years while miraculously changing the earth accommodate the new life. "



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- ★ Animals frequently became *extinct*, never to be seen by man.



“And God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.”

Genesis 1:31



“I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God shall add to him the plagues which are written in this book; and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city, which are written in this book.”

Revelation 22:18



“Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves.”

Matthew 7:15

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He created the mighty beasts and other living things including angelic beings. But Satan rebelled. Then there was death, destruction, and lots and lots of time went by.

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Genesis 1:2

NIV Now the earth was formless and empty,

ASV And the earth was waste and void;

DBY And the earth was waste and empty,

ESV The earth was without form and void,

NAB The earth was a formless wasteland,

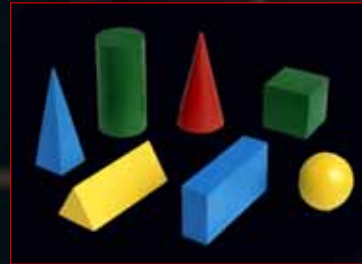
NKJ The earth was without form, and void;

NLT The earth was empty, a formless mass cloaked in darkness;

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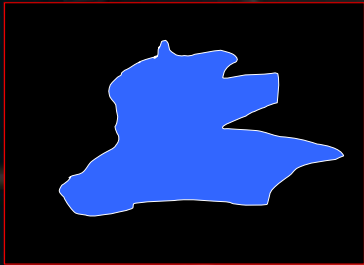
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“For thus says the LORD, who created the heavens (He is the God who formed the earth and made it, He established it and did not create it a waste place, But formed it to be inhabited), ‘I am the LORD, and there is none else.’”

Isaiah 45:18

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"For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it... For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now."

Romans 8:20-22



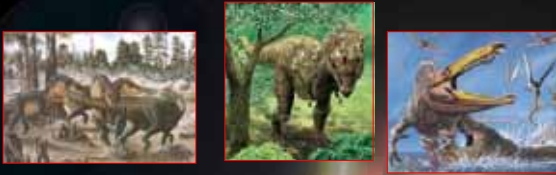
"Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat from it'; Cursed is the ground because of you; In toil you will eat of it All the days of your life. 'Both thorns and thistles it shall grow for you; And you will eat the plants of the field;

Genesis 3:17-18



“...and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to every thing that moves on the earth which has life, I have given every green plant for food”; and it was so.”

Genesis 1:30



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“The fear of you and the terror of you will be on every beast of the earth and on every bird of the sky; with everything that creeps on the ground, and all the fish of the sea, into your hand they are given. 3 "Every moving thing that is alive shall be food for you; I give all to you, as I gave the green plant.”

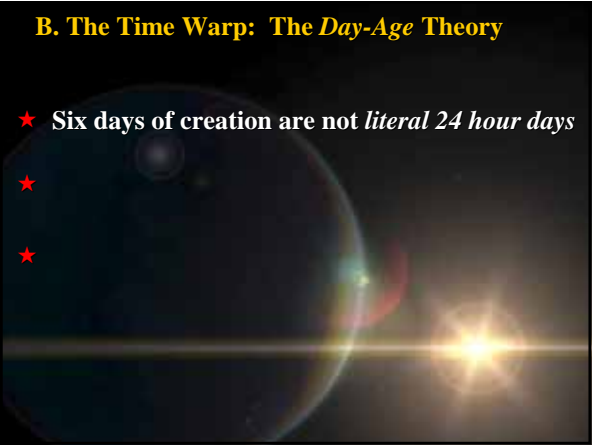
Genesis 9:2-3

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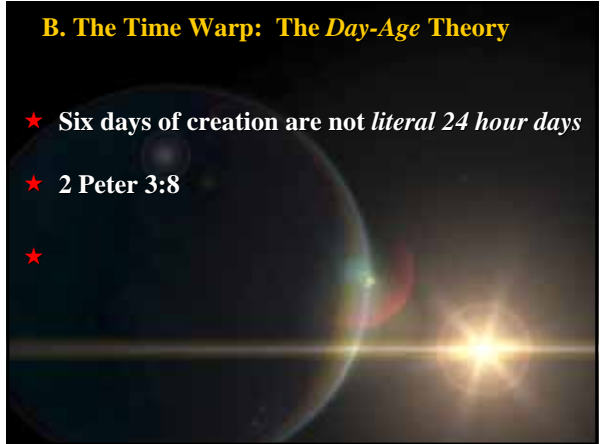
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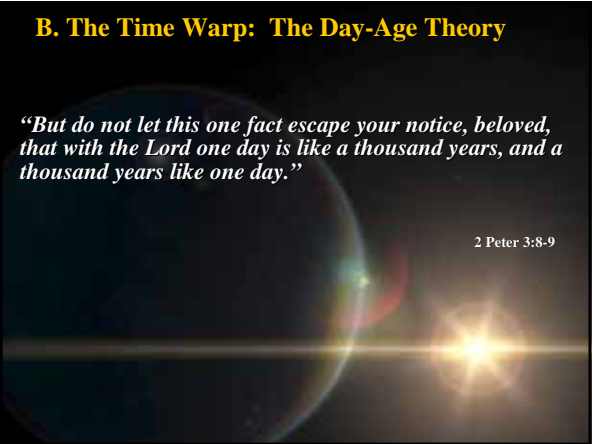
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“YOM”

afternoon*(1), age(8), age*(1), all(1), always*(14), amount*(2), battle(1), birthday*(1), Chronicles*(38), completely*(1), continually*(14), course*(1), daily(22), daily the days(1), day(1115), day of the days(1), day that the period(1), day's(6), day's every day(1), daylight*(1), days(635), days on the day(1), days to day(1), days you shall daily(1), days ago(1), days*(11), each(1), each day(4), entire(2), eternity(1), evening*(1), ever in your life*(1), every day(2), fate(1), first(5), forever*(11), forevermore*(1), full(5), full year(1), future*(1), holiday*(3), later*(2), length(1), life(12), life*(1), lifetime(2), lifetime*(1), live(1), long(2), long as I live(1), long*(11), midday*(1), now(5), older*(1), once(2), period(3), perpetually*(2), present(1), recently*(1), reigns(1), ripe*(1), short-lived*(1), so long*(1), some time(1), survived*(2), time(45), time*(1), times*(2), today*(172), today*(1), usual(1), very old*(1), when(10), when the days(1), whenever(1), while(3), whole(2), year(10), yearly(5), years(13), yesterday*(1).

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“YOM” VS “OLAM”

Meaning: long duration, antiquity, futurity

Usage: ages(1), all successive(1), always(1), ancient(13), ancient times(3), continual(1), days of old(1), eternal(2), eternity(3), ever(10), Everlasting(2), everlasting(110), forever(136), forever and ever(1), forever*(70), forevermore*(1), lasting(1), long(2), long ago(3), long past(1), long time(3), never*(17), old(11), permanent(10), permanently(1), perpetual(29), perpetually(1).

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- And the evening and the morning were *the first day.*”
- And the evening and the morning were *the second day.*
- And the evening and the morning were *the third day.*
- And the evening and the morning were *the fourth day.*
- And the evening and the morning were *the fifth day.*
- And the evening and the morning were *the sixth day.*

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“Jesus answered, ‘Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him.’”

John 11:9

C. Genealogical Gap Theory

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★ Gaps in the Genealogical Record of *Genesis 5*

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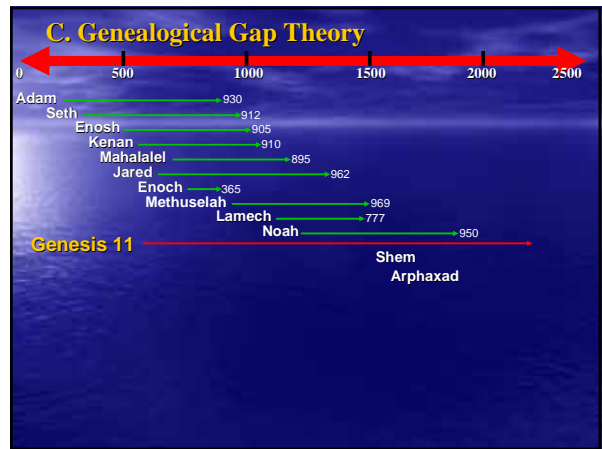
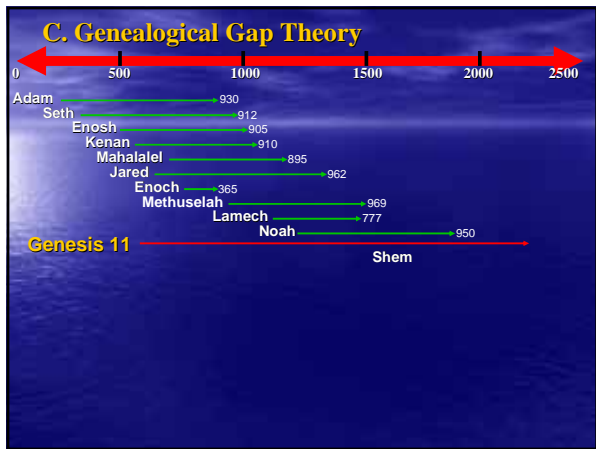
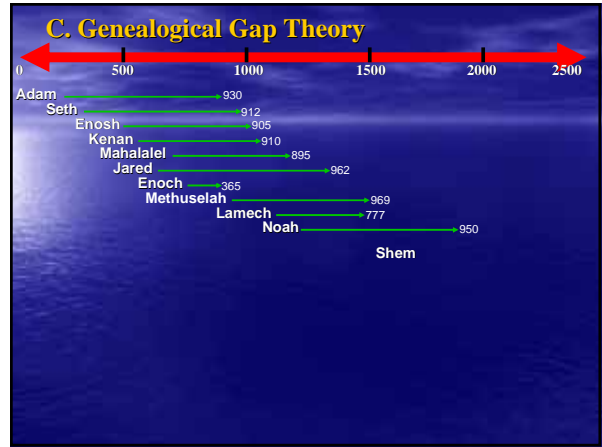
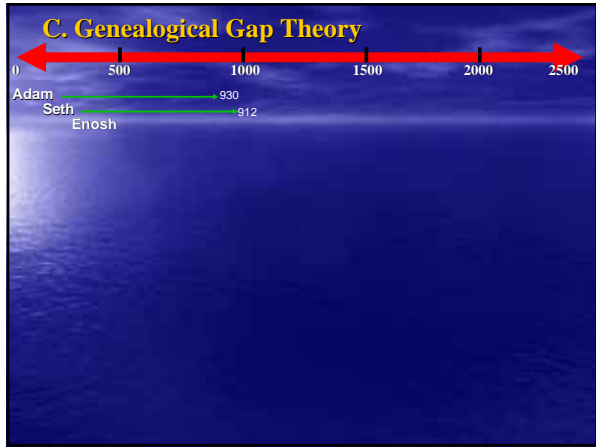
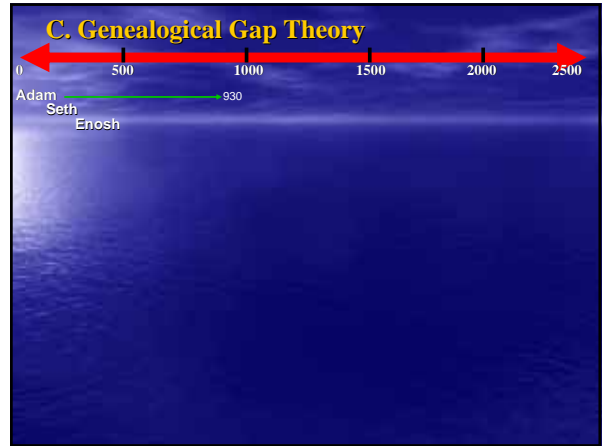
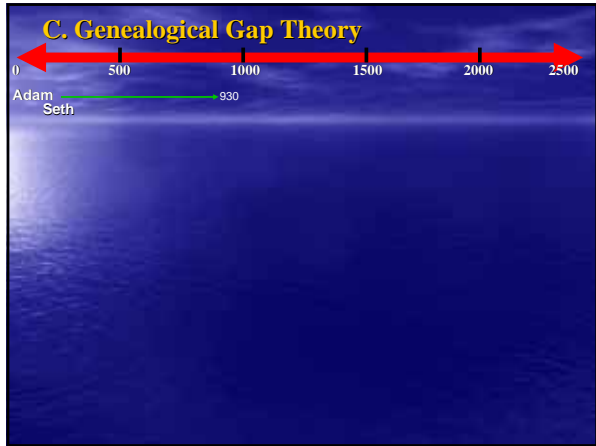


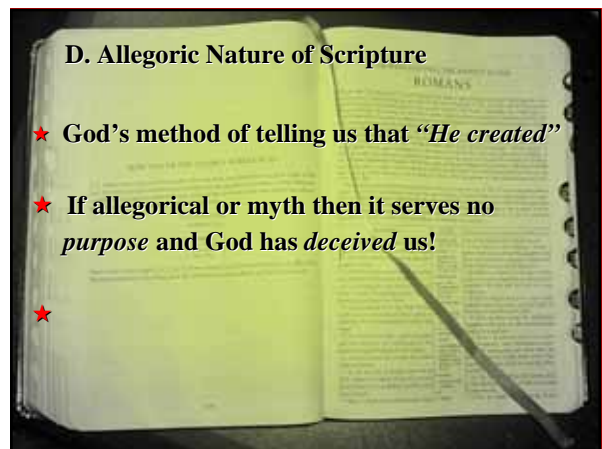
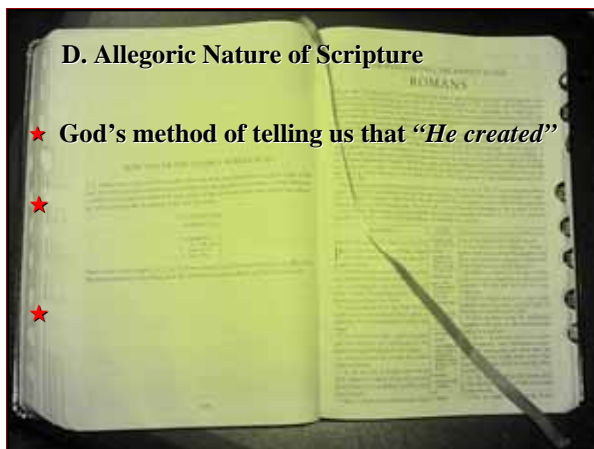
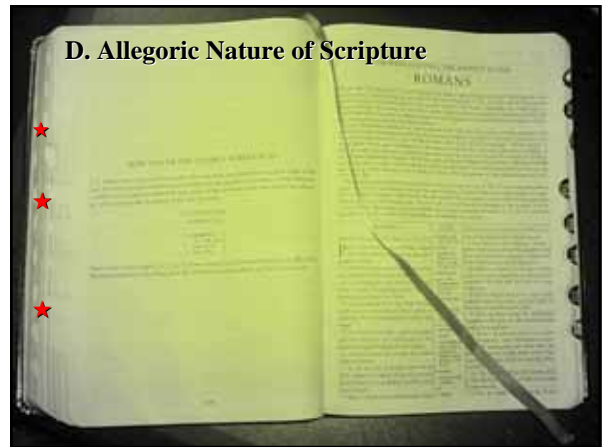
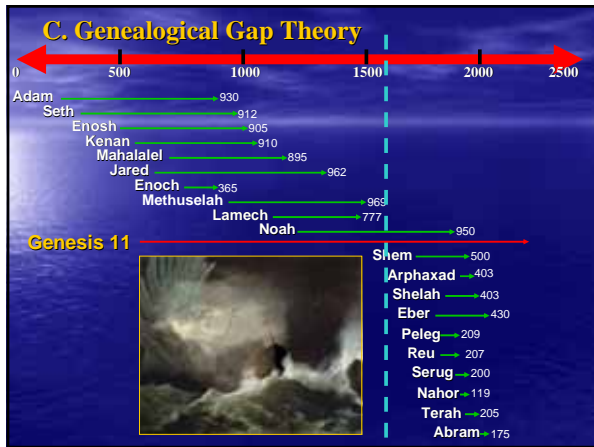
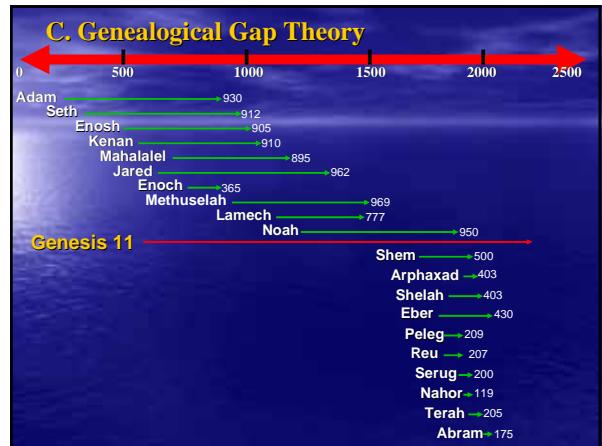
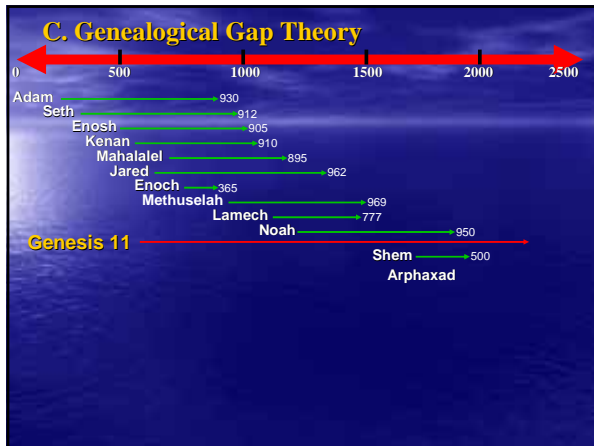
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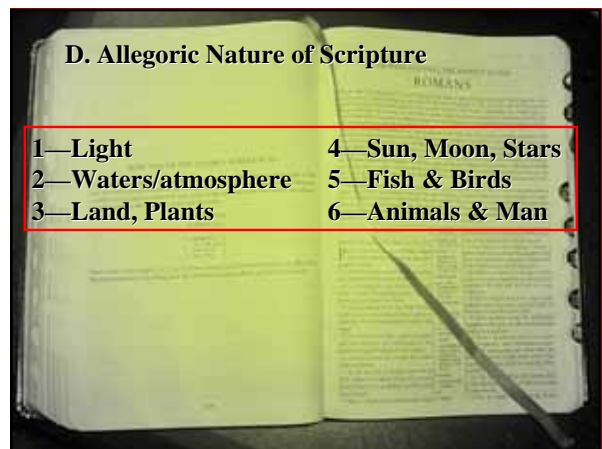
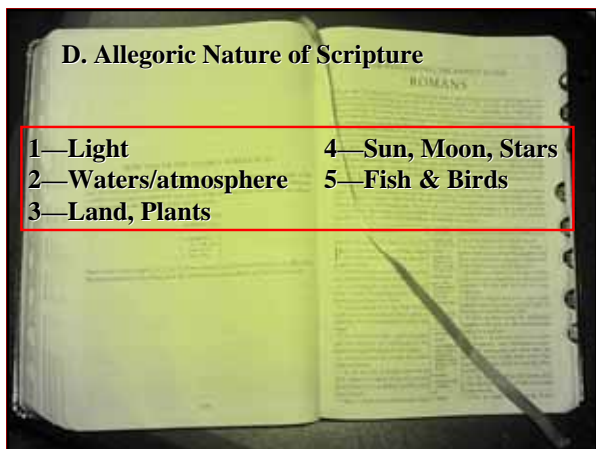
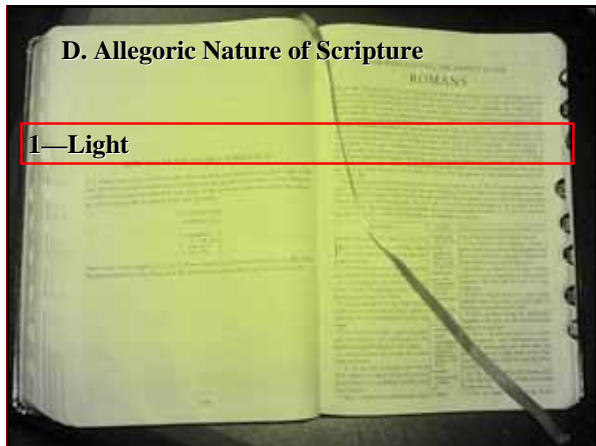
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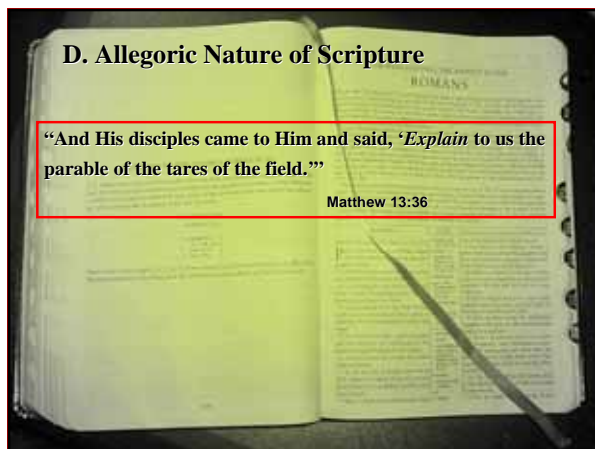
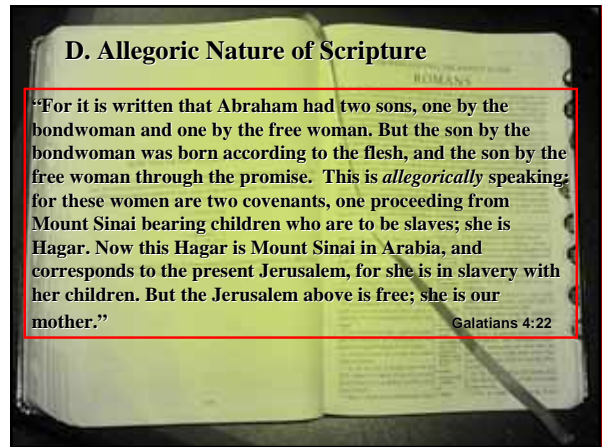
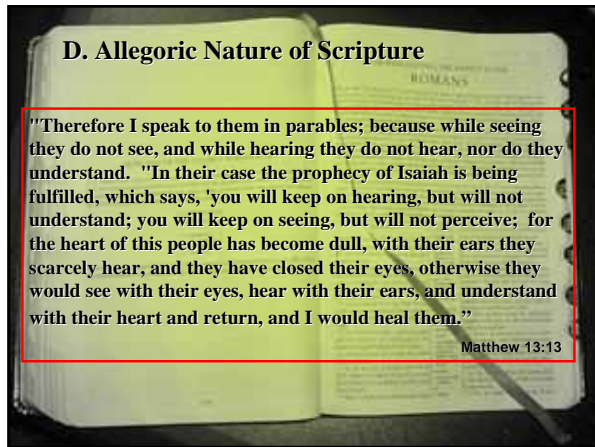
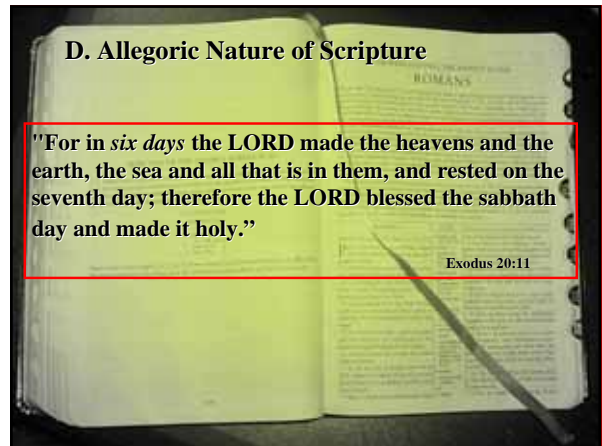
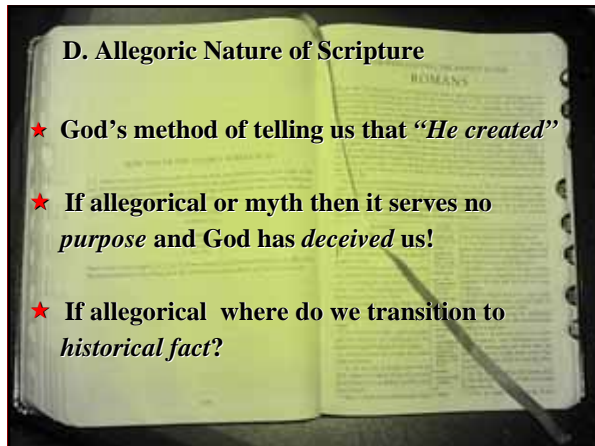


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"The starting point for Christianity is not Matthew 1:1, but Genesis 1:1. Tamper with the Book of Genesis and you undermine the very foundation of Christianity. You cannot treat Genesis 1 as a fable or a mere poetic saga without severe implications on the rest of Scripture...If the starting point is wrong, then the Bible is built on a foundation of falsehood."

John MacArthur



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