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Jesus Created The Universe As A Perfect Place For Mankind To Reside Forever!

By Robert Moak, President of CRSEF

In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe.
Hebrews 1:1-2 (NIV)

How and when did the universe come into existence? In this world today many people have been convinced that our universe came into existence by random chance processes over billions of years, this religion is called evolution, or the religion of humanism! Bible believers have been taught by the God of the Bible that our universe was created by miraculous acts of Jesus Christ only a few thousand years ago. Some people have tried to combine these two vastly different causes into the same event, and that God used this evolutionary idea as His form of creation. This of course, makes no sense to me! What have you come to believe about the God of the Bible?

My reference to the God of the Bible comes from my belief that the only true God gave mankind this book as the history (His Story) of the creation of His (our) universe, and God did it to supply a place for mankind to dwell forever. However, the first two people God created to live in this universe used their freewill to disobey the one command God gave them, and mankind lost their immortality as the consequence of their sin. Because of this first or original sin mankind became a mortal being, and this current earth became a depository for the dying bodies of mankind. This death spiral will continue until Jesus Christ creates a new immortal world for the immortal souls of the members of mankind who chose to become followers of Jesus Christ during their life on this mortal planet!

The bible tells us that every member of mankind is born into this world with an immortal piece usually referred to us as our soul, and a mortal piece referred to as our sinful nature, and these two identities live together in our mortal body. This then sets up a conflict often pictured as an angel on one shoulder and a demon (fallen angel) on our other shoulder whispering into our ears confusing messages throughout this earthly lifetime.

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How Great is our God

by Eric Jesse Norman, Ph.D.

Considering the greatness of God, we may recall the magnificent stars or the vast oceans or the lofty mountains.

But great things also may come in small packages. I was never drawn to building model airplanes which required such careful detailed work. But I did build, from an Alcott kit, a super sailfish sailboat (13 ft 7 inches long) which I and my family used for several years. The boat was named the "SS Hope She Floats". And it did! Years later, my daughter and her husband obtained a boat and named it SS Hope She Floats II. They said many times people passing on the road would shout "What happened to Hope She Floats I"?

Hold on to your imagination while we describe God's wondrous creation of the E. Coli bacterium.

To start with the size of the E. Coli is a cylinder shaped 2 micrometers (millionth of a meter) long and 1 micrometer in diameter. For simplicity explanation, let's say my sailboat was 2 meters long and 1 meter wide. That would mean it was a million times bigger than the hapless E. Coli bacterium. By the way, after further explanation, I will never again use the word hapless to describe the wondrous E. Coli.

The DNA molecule (chromosome) inside the E. Coli cell is a single, double stranded circular DNA molecule (1.7 mm) composed of 4,641,652 bp (base pairs), some 850 times the length of the E. Coli cell. (1-p959) The base pairs are four nucleotides: A pairing with T and G pairing with C, which is the language directing the operation of the E. Coli cell. Also, the 4 million plus DNA bases must be in a correct sequence for proper function.

"Replication proceeds with an extraordinary degree of fidelity. In E. Coli, a mistake is made only once for every billion to 10 billion nucleotides added. (1.p993) But for E. Coli, much more is needed than just DNA. You need the four nucleotides to form the DNA molecule. They must be formed first. To form them you need 20 different amino acids to form the enzymes to produce the nucleotides. But you must first form the amino acids to form the proteins. You need ribosomes, to produce the proteins. Oh yes, some proteins require modification by adding sugars and don't forget the cell membranes to keep everything together. This requires lipids and sugars. As the writer of Hebrews 11:32: "And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of"... ATP energy, the TCA cycle, the electron transport chain, the glycolysis pathway, amino acid and lipid synthesis and degradation pathways and last but not least the E. Coli flagellum.

Well, how long will it take an E. Coli to reproduce? .. must be months. No, "under favorable conditions, the E. Coli bacterium takes as little as 20 minutes to reproduce". (2. Wikipedia). It is estimated that 4,300 proteins are coded for in E. Coli DNA. "(1. p958). Suggesting an average of 100 amino acids is required for each protein and all the amino acids must be in the right sequence for proper operation, the odds of this happening by evolution is astronomically low, meaning impossible. Oh yes, by natural chemical processes amino acids are formed both L and R. But for life all amino acids in proteins must be L. "Nearly all biological compounds with a chiral center occur naturally in only stereoisomeric form, either D or L. The amino acids residues in protein molecules are exclusively L." (1. p78).

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ChatGPT and The Bible

By Lance Clippinger

I was recently watching a YouTube podcast of Kirk Cameron (of Left Behind series fame) interviewing an “important” Christian of whom I was not familiar. During the discussion Kirk Cameron said something that would seem trivial to most evangelical Christians, but I think it is a great example of the thinking Christians should avoid. Kirk was discussing the current collapse of the culture in the U.S. and what Christians should do about it. He said this is important because, “Jesus may not come back for another thousand years.” Now why did he choose to say a thousand years? Why didn’t he say 100 years? Or to go in the other direction, why not 10,000 years? Or why not a million years? You see it may not seem that important but the number he chose “off the cuff” (although I don’t believe it was) is still in fact important. I would propose that Kirk’s choice of a 1,000 years shows his ignorance (possibly willful ignorance?) concerning secular and biblical history. You may think I am making a mole hill into a mountain, but read on and I think you will change your mind.

First let’s consider a little human history. From the time of Abraham and the Pharaohs (4,000 years ago) until George Washington every human being could travel on land no faster than a horse could run. George Washington died in 1799 and the first working train was created in 1804. So the ancient Egyptian Pharaohs and the first president of the United States could go no faster than the speed of a horse. Concerning travel, a lot has changed in just the last 200 years, and before that there was no change for over 4,000 years. It is beyond any doubt that we today live in a unique time when compared to the rest of human history. But we are just warming up.

Since the time of Abraham and the Pharaohs up to the American Civil War, if you wanted to give light to your bedroom at night there was only one way to do it, with fire. The Pharaohs lit an oil lamp and so did Abraham Lincoln. Compared to all of human history we live in a very unique time. I could talk about the iPhone in your pocket, but I think you are getting the idea. For over four thousand years of human history many things saw no change but in just the last 150 years our world has seen explosive exponential growth in all areas of technology.

Why did this change happen so recently? Before we look to the Bible for answers, let me remind you about one more important historical truth. When King David ruled over Israel in 1000 B.C. the entire population of the world was only around 50 million. Two thousand years later, in 1000 A.D., the population of the world was only 265 million. By the way, these numbers which secular scholars have confirmed agree perfectly with the Biblical timeline of human history. Today we have a world population of 8 billion. When did the world reach its first billion? Not until 1804. From the time of King David, it took almost 3,000 years to reach a population of 1 billion. But in only the past 200 years we went from 1 billion to 8 billion. Again, in our time we see exponential growth.

What explains this explosion in population? Dr. Nathaniel Jeanson in his book Traced - Human DNA’s Big Surprise states, “The arrival of modern medicine and of improvements in agriculture and technology have combined to produce an explosion in human population size.” So, with more humans we have more brilliant people and with our technology we connect those brilliant people together. That is why in the last two hundred years our world has radically changed.

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What Will It Take for Mankind to Fear GOD?

By Terry Ivers

In the humanistic atheistic society that we live in today, there appear to be few people who fear God. I believe there are many reasons for this, but you will hear no warnings or speeches made by politicians or church leaders bringing this matter to anyone's attention! The fact that very few people fear GOD as they should, maybe the single determining factor in the decline of our culture!

I believe that God has given us scripture and examples in the past to confirm that judgment is coming, sometimes with warning but most of the time judgment comes swiftly and without warning.

¹² *"Look, I am coming soon, and my reward is with me to repay each person according to his work.
Revelation 22:12 CSB*

One of the issues facing mankind is the lack of or complete misunderstanding of the total sovereignty of GOD. Mankind believes that they control not only their actions but they also control the environment around them. This leads to problems such as the "Climate Change Religion" that is causing so much pain and anxiety in America and the rest of the civilized world, also, mankind now can choose their gender or sexual identity, just to name a couple of the problems. As I mentioned above GOD is Sovereign over His creation:

³ *Our God is in heaven
and does whatever he pleases. Psalm 115:3 CSB*

³⁵ *All the inhabitants of the earth are counted as nothing,
and he does what he wants with the army of heaven
and the inhabitants of the earth.
There is no one who can block his hand
or say to him, "What have you done?" Daniel 4:35 CSB*

⁹ *Remember what happened long ago,
for I am God, and there is no other;
I am God, and no one is like me. Isaiah 46:9 CSB*

A culture or nation that has no respect for God's Sovereignty will not rightly fear God:

⁸ *Let the whole earth fear the Lord;
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him. Psalm 33:8 CSB*

⁴ *You must follow the Lord your God and fear him. You must keep his commands and listen to him;
you must worship him and remain faithful to him. Deuteronomy 13:4 CSB*

⁷ *The fear of the Lord
is the beginning of knowledge;
fools despise wisdom and discipline. Proverbs 1:7 CSB*

²⁷ *The fear of the Lord prolongs life,
but the years of the wicked are cut short. Proverbs 10:27 CSB*

EDITOR'S THOUGHTS?

By Terry Ivery

"I think the whole d... thing
is overexaggerated. . ."

Harry R Truman, March 31st 1980
The Longview Daily News

Welcome readers to the latest edition of the World By Design Newsletter, we at CRSEF are extremely glad you have chosen to read our newsletter. As has been the case for the past many editions of the newsletter, we find ourselves in a very disturbing chaotic time. In America we are dealing with a great political divide, an all-out attack on our 1st and 2nd Amendment rights, and if all that isn't bad enough, we appear to be on the eve of World War III. To make matters much worse the world doesn't appear to be fairing any better.

As Christians, we are called by God to be an example to the world, as Jesus was in His day. In order for us to be the reflection of God to the world, we first need to know the Jesus that we follow. As we study Jesus's three-year ministry one thing that should stand out to us is that he effected change everywhere He went. Are you doing that in your daily life? One way for Christians to be an example in America is to be politically informed and to participate in local, state, and federal elections. I believe that most Christians who attend church regularly do not participate in the political process, especially when it comes to informed voting. Voting or not voting has consequences. If we are going to effect our culture, we as Christians, have to be willing to rise up and take a stand for Jesus every day not just on Sundays.

In this edition of the newsletter, you find articles that will hopefully, supply you with some useful information that will help you make sense of what's going on and also promote opportunities for you to engage in dialog with family and friends. You will find articles referring to biology as proof of creation, angels, and demons, eschatological references to technology, and catastrophic events relating to judgment, just to name a few. Now more than ever we need the truth and answers for all the calamity and chaos that is happening around us. The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the only true answer for any and all of these current problems.

We welcome your questions and concerns and ask that you send us information and articles that you would want us to share in upcoming issues of the World By Design Newsletter. Thank you for your interest and involvement in CRSEF and we look forward to hearing from you, we may be contacted at editor_wbd@twc.com or rlmoak@fuse.net.

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CRSEF Monthly Program for November Thursday, November 16th 2023

Thursday, 11/16/2023 - From 7-8 PM followed by a 15 minute, Q&A time

A video will be shown entitled, “The Origin of GENETIC Micro-Machines” featuring David Rives and Dr. Joe Deweese.

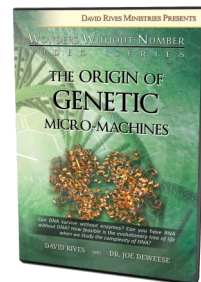
Can DNA survive without enzymes? Can you have RNA without DNA? How feasible is the evolutionary tree of life when we study the complexity of DNA? DNA has encoded the instructions for very complex enzymes. These enzymes are required to keep knots and tangles from threatening the very DNA that encodes them. That’s a chicken and egg problem! Dr. Joe Deweese explains the miraculous chain of events going on in your body’s cells right now. Dr. Joe Deweese earned his P.h.D. in Biochemistry from Vanderbilt University and in 2009, began teaching biochemistry and pharmacology at the Lipscomb University College of Pharmacy. His specialty is in DNA Topoisomerases – a fascinating field of research that will leave you in awe of God’s design.

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CRSEF Monthly Program for December Monday, December 25th 2023

Event: CRSEF Monthly Program— Program is held in December!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Presenter: God will present His Son to the world!

Location: O Little town of Bethlehem



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CRSEF Monthly Program for January Thursday, January 18th 2024

Thursday, 01/18/2024 - From 7-8 PM followed by a 15 minute, Q&A time

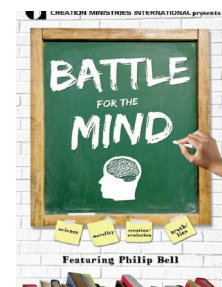
A video will be shown entitled, **“Battle for the Mind”** featuring Philip Bell of Creation Ministries International.

The creation/evolution debate is much more than a disagreement about scientific evidence. It is really a battle for hearts and minds, waged at the level of history.

In his impassioned message to an Australian church, Philip Bell considers reasons why people’s confidence in the Bible and in God is being increasingly challenged today. The wisdom of Scripture is contrasted with that of our increasingly secular world—such worldly thinking tends to change with the times and this impacts our understanding of science as well as that of the Christian faith. Foundations matter, so Creation matters!

Differing worldviews make a huge difference to science, morality and the Gospel itself. Along the way, Philip asks and answers the question “Is there evidence for the rapid formation of rocks and fossils?” In so doing, he presents evidence from things as diverse as crinoids, plants and ‘bog butter’!

The viewer is urged to reconnect biblical history to the real world.



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CRSEF Monthly Program for February Thursday, February 15th 2024

Thursday, 02/15/2024 - From 7-8 PM followed by a 15 minute, Q&A time

A video will be shown entitled, “**Genesis & the Gospel Connection**” featuring Richard Fangrad, CEO of Creation Ministries International (Canada).

Is there a connection between Creation and the Gospel and why does it matter? The account of Creation in Genesis is often considered a side issue in the Church and avoided at the risk of being too "controversial". After all, science supports evolution. Or does it?

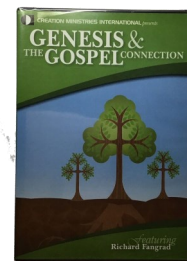
Richard Fangrad makes the connections between the central teachings of Christianity (Christ's death and resurrection) and Genesis, explaining why Jesus had to die and the significance for people today. But then he goes a step further by bringing in the origins debate and how a misinterpretation of Genesis quickly leads to the destruction of central Christian doctrines. He also briefly shows why the type of science that leads to advances in technology can never support evolution.

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CRSEF Monthly Program for March Thursday, March 21st 2024

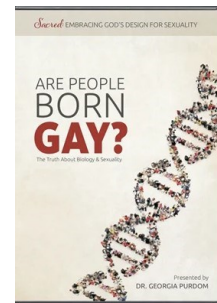
Thursday, 03/21/2024 - From 7-8 PM followed by a 15 minute, Q&A time

A video will be shown entitled, “**Are People Born Gay?**” featuring Dr. Georgia Purdom of Answers in Genesis. (Runtime 60 minutes)

In this illustrated presentation from the popular Answers for Women: Sacred conference, Dr. Georgia Purdom addresses one of our culture’s most controversial “hot-button” questions, *Are People Born Gay?* She shows from both the Bible and science that the answer is a resounding no!

Biology is clear that gender is not a social construct and that only two genders exist. Dr. Purdom shares that scientific research has failed to show any genetic or biological link to homosexuality and transgenderism. In fact, these are incompatible with both a biblical and an evolutionary worldview.

Get real answers that you can share with friends and family. Lovingly show them that there is freedom from sin and there is hope in Jesus Christ.



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Merge onto I-275 W toward I-75
Take the REED HARTMAN HIGHWAY exit- EXIT 47
Turn LEFT onto REED HARTMAN HWY
Turn LEFT onto ramp (To KEMPER ROAD)
Turn RIGHT onto E KEMPER RD
Proceed on Kemper Road about ½ mile, the church is on the left side of the road.

From I-75

Merge onto I-275 E toward I-71
Take the REED HARTMAN HIGHWAY exit- EXIT 47
Stay to the left and then from the right lane
Turn RIGHT onto REED HARTMAN HWY
Turn LEFT onto the ramp (To KEMPER ROAD)
Turn RIGHT onto E KEMPER RD
Proceed on Kemper Road about ½ mile, the church is on the left side of the road.

Enter the church from the parking lot through the back door; then proceed to the sanctuary, see the lighted sanctuary sign, just slightly to the left of the entry door.

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Committed to What??

Does the name Catherine Geach mean anything to you? I had never heard of her until November, and now that I have, I feel ashamed. How about this name - Magda Goebbels? That's one you might know. I didn't know much about her at all, but I know something about her now, and I feel ashamed. Why? I sometimes am troubled by reminders of who or what I'm really committed to in this world.

Magda Goebbels was the wife of Joseph Goebbels, Hitler's propaganda minister during WW II. She and Joseph were totally committed to a man, Hitler, and the causes for which he stood. In fact, their commitment was amazing - even shocking - when placed in light of how uncommitted we as Christians often are to the cause of Jesus Christ.

In a letter to her son, Harald Quandt, written from the famous bunker just days before she and Joseph committed suicide, she wrote: "... We have only one aim in life now - to remain loyal to the Führer unto death; that we should be able to end our life together with him is a gift of fate for which we would never have dared hope..." Wow! Could we say that dying for Christ is a gift for which we could hardly dare hope?

Catherine Geach is now a young woman of 27. She is a talented violinist, a graduate of the prestigious Royal Academy of Music in London. She had everything going for her from the world's perspective - her beauty, her talents, her personality, her drive, and her education. She probably could have "made it big" on the classical music scene if she had wanted to - but she decided to do something very different with her music!

As a teenager in London, she had heard about the "killing fields" and all the atrocities committed by the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia. This touched her deeply. So, as an 18-year-old, she traveled alone to Phnom Penh, the capital, to see for herself how she could help. "I want to go to Cambodia and play my violin for peace", she told an official in Ho Chi Minh City as she was applying for a visa.

Two months later, after an eye-opening stay, she headed back to London, determined to return. She learned Khmer, the national language, and how to play traditional Cambodian musical instruments.

After graduating from the Royal Academy in 1991, she did return. She was 19, and still alone! She had been searching for a way to help heal the suffering she saw, and she found her answer by starting a school devoted to the ancient music that the Khmer Rouge had tried to destroy. All her students are disabled or orphaned children. She decided to establish the school somewhere that foreign aid rarely reached. So she chose Kampot, a tiny city where the fighting between government forces and elements of the Khmer Rouge still occasionally raged. Knowing that she was a highly visible foreigner who was especially vulnerable didn't deter her. She kept on going. She reasoned that if children could live with all the dangers, so could she.(!) An amazing woman who displays commitment, compassion and love!

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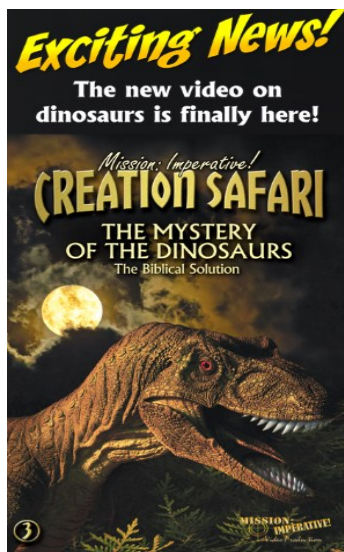
Now, did you notice anything missing from this brief story? First, as far as I know, Catherine is not a born-again believer in Christ. As such, she is not led by, nor empowered by, the Holy Spirit. She did not attend Bible school or a missions conference where the Lord “led” her to go to the mission field. She does not bring a message of eternal hope.

So why does Catherine’s story sting me like it does? Because Catherine’s heart has been completely captured. She displays courage and commitment in the face of danger and hardship, compassion and love for the completely unlovely, and determination in facing the impossible - all without the aid of the Holy Spirit! And all for what? - to teach war-torn kids about their musical heritage! From her world view, Catherine is acting upon her convictions.

You and I, on the other hand, have the Holy Spirit and the message of the gospel - the power of God unto salvation. Do we act on our convictions? ...on our compassion? How committed are you? How committed am I? Lord, help me!

Final Entries, 1945 - The Diaries of Joseph Goebbels, Putnam, 1978

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WALKING ON THE MOON

On October 4, 1957, Russian scientists launched the first artificial satellite into space. This event brought on what is known as “The Space Race” when the U.S. and Russia were competing with each other in advancing space technology. This race cost America over 20 billion dollars and lasted until the year 1975.

Apollo 8 became the first manned mission to orbit the moon. As it orbited, its crew members all read the Genesis account of creation.

Astronaut Neil Armstrong was the first man to set foot on the surface of the moon in 1969 on the Apollo 11 space mission. They landed in what is known as “Mare Tranquillitatis,” or the “Sea of Tranquility,” which was chosen because it was one of the flattest and smoothest places where they could land safely and collect samples.

During this mission, the astronauts set up a retro-reflector on the lunar surface. That experiment has enabled scientists to shoot a laser beam at the reflector. Based on this technology, the moon’s distance is said to be receding from earth at a rate of 1 to 2 inches per year. Two other Apollo missions have contributed to this operation by installing additional reflectors.

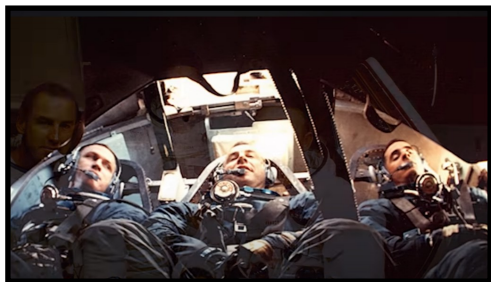
The last three Apollo missions employed the lunar roving vehicle, or moon buggy. Apollo 15, the first to use the moon buggy, landed at the northern end of the Apennine mountain range, near Mount Hadley, and spent a good deal of time exploring in the rover. Over the course of the six lunar Apollo missions, 842 pounds of lunar material was brought back for analysis.

The lunar space missions came to an end with Apollo 17, which became the first night launch, on December 7, 1972.

Sadly, since the time of the famous “space race,” NASA lost one of its greatest scientists with the passing of Dr. Wernher von Braun. Today, while evolutionary theory has become the scientific norm, Von Braun stated:

One cannot be exposed to the law and order of the universe without concluding that there must be design and purpose behind it all.

I’m David Rives...
Truly, The Heavens Declare the Glory of God.



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Jesus Created The Universe As A Perfect Place (Continued)

No wonder many of us humans go astray and commit sinful acts. The Lord God gave us only one Way to keep us going straight during our lifetime, and that Way is for us to be born again by becoming followers of Jesus Christ.

The writer of Hebrews wrote about this change in human events in the selected verses referenced as the last days. So, *“In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways.”* But when Jesus Christ came to this earth, which started the last days period, to offer all of mankind salvation through becoming followers of God the Son! This is the time in which we now live, *“in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe.”* Jesus’ perfect sacrifice replaced the need of animal sacrifices thus such sacrifices were no longer needed!

Jesus coming into this cursed world to offer salvation and peace of mind to those who believe He is the Son of God. *Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.* (Philippians 2:1-2). We become united with Christ as individuals in the hope of becoming one with other believers. Satan, however, has been successful in keeping believers separated by mankind’s creation of various denominations, which all claim to be followers of Jesus Christ!

John wrote about the ideal concept of the reaction of God toward believers in His Son. *If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him and he in God. And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him. In this way, love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment, because in this world we are like him.* (1 John 4:15-17). John wrote in this world, *“we are like him.”* This echoes the belief that all believers are striving to become more Christ-like every day of their lives in this cursed world!

Every human being is given life by God, and each one has a freewill, so we can decide what rhetoric we will believe during our mortal lifetime. Everything we study in this world has been prepared by some human being and thus contains the truth that that person has come to believe during their mortal lifetime. There is a book, however, that has been given to mankind that gives directions for all of mankind, which will lead them to eternal life with their Creator! Have you studied this book; it is called the Bible. If you decide to study it, Jesus left behind in this cursed world the Holy Spirit to guide your reading, if you can learn to allow it to happen.

Most Christians believe there is only one Savior that God sent into this cursed world. **One Savior, one belief system, one Book** given to us by the **one God!** Why do we need denominations? Peter and Paul did not agree that every human being should be offered this free gift of salvation! *Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble.* (1 Peter 3:8). John wrote what he believed about Jesus Christ after living with Him for around three years. *Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.* (1 John 4:8). And so, we know and rely on the love God has for us. **God is love.** *Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him.* (1 John 4:16).

Jesus Created The Universe As A Perfect Place (Continued)

In this cursed world we can all see living things all around us. There are many variations of creatures we may see based on where on this earth we live. Even the human beings we may see may vary in appearance somewhat, based on where we live. However, even though people have different skin colors and eye shapes, etc., we can all reproduce and give birth to another human being. While none of us is perfect we can expect to live on this earth. However, what about all the beings living on this earth that cannot be seen, with the naked eye? *For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, **visible and invisible**, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.* (Colossians 1:16-17).

It has been stated that there are more germs living in each human being than there are people living on this earth, which currently stands at over 8 billion. These germs are essential to you living on this earth, as they contribute to allowing you to digest the food you eat, and a lot more necessities of living in this created world. This interdependence of life forms points to the FACT that the theory of evolution is IMPOSSIBLE! Since all these interdependencies MUST all be present for you to live in this world!

It is obvious to me that there is extreme design involved in all living creatures, which live in this world today. So, the idea of random chance processes resulting in this extremely complex circle of life that can be seen with some help from high powered microscopes, it becomes obvious that the theory of evolution cannot be believed to be possible.

So, some very small creatures are not visible to our naked eyes, but what about other beings that cannot be seen which we believe are much larger, maybe even human sized ones? Some people today believe that this earth is being visited by spacecraft engineered and piloted by aliens from some other planet(s) in our universe! These spacecraft are referred to as UFOs (Unidentified Fly Objects) or UAPs (Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon). Such reports of sightings are now being studied as possibly being real, and thus, they could be threats to the safety of people on this earth.

As believers we have been told that there are angels living in heaven, who have been recorded to visit this earth in the past, and they are still capable of visiting this earth, whenever God may deem it appropriate. We also believe that approximately one third of all the angels were cast from heaven, and they now reside on this earth. *Then another sign appeared in heaven: an enormous red dragon with seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns on his heads. His tail swept a third of the stars out of the sky and flung them to the earth. And there was war in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. **He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.*** (Revelation 12:3-4a and 7-9).



Jesus Created The Universe As A Perfect Place (Continued)

Therefore, if there are many demons (angels) living on this earth, and they are not visible to human beings, then such creatures make a much more believable source of the disruptions experienced on this earth. Demons are more likely the “aliens” that could be able to appear in the sky, and cause people to see them, if the devils desire to be a disruption on this cursed world. After all, they are always present on this earth, and they can likely be able to appear when they want. Remember, the Bible reports angels being sighted on this earth on several occasions. And the writer of Hebrews wrote about the possibility that God’s angels may be on this earth and appear to us as being other humans. *Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it.* (Hebrews 13:2).

In some instances, many people have been reported to observe the same UFOs! How is it possible if these are merely mirages so to speak? The Bible reports that one angel was able to confuse 125 thousand troops, thus causing them to kill each other, as they were all convinced by this angel that anyone who was armed was their enemy. Therefore, if there are numerous angels or demons living on this earth it could only require one of them to deceive numerous humans into believing they see something that in reality does not exist!

Another example of how God will allow large numbers of people to become confused about their surroundings, and thus, they will act erratically, but in concert, as the Lord will direct them. Such an account is written in the book of Judges, about how God helped Gideon to defeat a much larger army by just following the commands God gave him. *Gideon and the hundred men with him reached the edge of the camp at the beginning of the middle watch, just after they had changed the guard. They blew their trumpets and broke the jars that were in their hands. The three companies blew the trumpets and smashed the jars. Grasping the torches in their left hands and holding in their right hands the trumpets they were to blow, they shouted, "A sword for the LORD and for Gideon!" While each man held his position around the camp, all the Midianites ran, crying out as they fled. When the three hundred trumpets sounded, the LORD caused the men throughout the camp to turn on each other with their swords.* (Judges 7:19-22a).

Just think about it, there are more creatures living on this earth that cannot be seen than there are creatures we can see and observe. *Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.* (Hebrews 11:1). These creatures can help us to realize that creation by an all-knowing God is the only viable answer to how this universe came into being. No random chance processes could have created such diversity and interdependence on the relationships that are so intertwined. Everything MUST be available at the same time to allow this complex life to come into being and to continue to be maintained.

An advertisement:

A movie has been made that describes how the aliens presumed to be from outer space and manning UFOs may be the demons being directed by Satan and living on this earth. A movie has been created and was shown at selected theaters that describes this possibility. This movie is titled “Alien Intrusion” and is available at discounted prices from Creation International -US and is available on their website. Just double click on this website address if you want to purchase one or more copies of this movie. <https://usstore.creation.com/product/1968-alien-intrusion-dvd>

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How Great is our God (Continued)

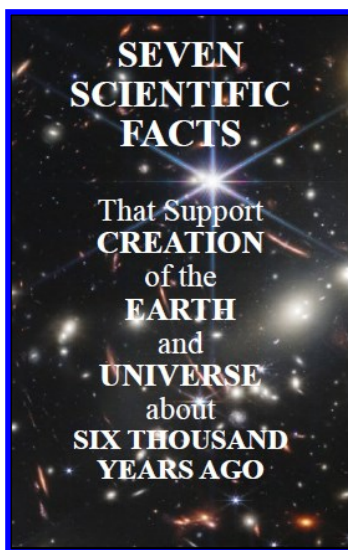
The E. Coli DNA molecule could not have formed randomly in a primordial soup. DNA nucleotides will not connect in the presence of water (3). Please remember also the amino acids will also not combine in the presence of water.

I hope this convinces people searching for the truth that life could not have formed without God. "For by Him (Jesus) all things were created" Col 1:16a (ESV). Something is greater than creativity. That is love: Phil 2:6-8: "who, though he was in the form of God, did not equate equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself, even death on the cross." Romans 6:23: "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus".

John 3:15 "that whoever believes in Him may have eternal life."

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ChatGPT and The Bible (Continued)

Today we are witnessing the greatest human achievement in technology, artificial intelligence or simply A.I. This artificial intelligence is best understood in the program known as ChatGPT. ChatGPT was launched on November 30, 2022, and it is now already in its 4th upgrade. What are the world's leading scientists trying to do? I think, it is clear, they are trying to create something greater than the human mind, they are trying to create not just artificial life but an artificial mind, an artificial super mind. From all the evidence ChatGPT and A.I. is not only remarkable it is now, today, becoming a real threat to humanity. We live in a very unique time in human history. All the data points to one thing. We are fast reaching the climax of human history.

So let us now put Kirk Cameron words in historical and Biblical context. When Kirk Cameron says "Jesus may not come back for 1,000 years" I think you would agree his statement defies all the data before us. Although he may not be aware of it, his thinking is clearly being influenced by the atheistic timeline of millions of years. Yes, technically Jesus Christ could delay His coming for His church by 1,000 years, but if that were to happen, we would have to have some kind of global catastrophe (like Noah's global flood) in order to set back humanity.

This setting back of humanity is something God has shown us needs to be done in order for humanity to remain redeemable. What do I mean? I am referring to the historical event of God's judgment of mankind at the Tower of Babel. To understand where we are today, we must look closely at what God told us of fallen mankind's true capabilities:

Now the whole earth used the same language and the same words. It came about as they journeyed east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. They said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks and burn them thoroughly." And they used brick for stone, and they used tar for mortar. They said, "Come, let us build for ourselves a city, and a tower whose top will reach into heaven, and let us make for ourselves a name, otherwise we will be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth. "The LORD came down to see the city and the tower which the sons of men had built. The LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they all have the same language. And this is what they began to do, and now nothing which they purpose to do will be impossible for them. "Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, so that they will not understand one another's speech. "So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of the whole earth; and they stopped building the city. (Genesis 11:1-8)

Consider closely what God says about humans who He made in His very image. When fallen humans are united their potential is indeed breath taking, "now nothing which they purpose to do will be "impossible" (or withheld) from them. "It must be understood that this judgment at the Tower of Babel was a gracious act of love for mankind. God was delaying mankind from reaching the point of total depravity. God was giving mankind time so that some could be saved from eternal judgment. It has taken mankind over 4,000 years to almost completely undo the gracious and saving judgment of God at the Tower of Babel. For all practical purposes, through our advanced technology, mankind is now very close to complete unity (only in the Tribulation Period will fallen mankind have complete unity under one world government). Today, what is one potentially dangerous result of this new found unity? Artificial Intelligence.



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ChatGPT and The Bible (Continued)

Because of A.I. I believe we have a better understanding how Satan will work with humanity during the coming Tribulation Period. We looked at the first book of the Bible now, let's close by looking at the last book:

Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spoke as a dragon. He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence. And he makes the earth and those who dwell in it worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed. He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth in the presence of men. And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who had the wound of the sword and has come to life. And it was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast would even speak and cause as many as do not worship the image of the beast to be killed. (Rev. 13:11-15)

This “image” is indeed created by a united fallen mankind, and with the help of Satan this “image” comes to “life” or certainly appears to do so. I believe something like ChatGPT may very well play a role in this “image” that will come. The millions of Christians, like Kirk Cameron, who have chosen to believe in the atheistic timeline of human history need to start taking God's word seriously. We don't know when Jesus will come for His Church but we know for sure He will. We need to be ready for His possible coming today, not in a 1000 years.



What Will It Take for Mankind to Fear GOD? (Continued)

Now that I have spelled out some of the reasons that mankind should fear God, let us next look at some of the commands i.e., warnings that GOD has given us in the Scriptures so that we can know that He does bring judgments against mankind from time to time. The Book of Genesis is a great place to start when looking for warnings and examples, GOD does not bring judgment without warning, the warning more times than not comes in the form of a commandment. Let's start at the beginning;

¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and placed him in the garden of Eden to work it and watch over it.

¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree of the garden, ¹⁷ but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for on the day you eat from it, you will certainly die." Genesis 2:15-17 CSB

²² The LORD God said, "Since the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil, he must not reach out, take from the tree of life, eat, and live forever. " ²³ So the LORD God sent him away from the garden of Eden to work the ground from which he was taken. ²⁴ He drove the man out and stationed the cherubim and the flaming, whirling sword east of the garden of Eden to guard the way to the tree of life. Genesis 3:22-24

Man was created perfect by GOD and given everything he needed to sustain his life, except for the one tree in the garden that GOD told him not to eat from, but Adam did not fear GOD enough to obey him and it resulted in the first judgment. GOD removed Adam and Eve from the perfect garden, into a world where sin and death would become prevalent for the rest of human history.

The next example is what I believe to be the greatest judgment in man's history till the present day, it is the Flood of Noah's day. Although we aren't told the exact amount of time Noah and his sons took to build the ark, we can make an educated guess based on the fact that Noah started having sons when he was 500 years old and the Flood did not come till he was 600 years old. We can only imagine how many people Noah warned about the coming judgment, but yet, only eight people were saved on the ark because man did not fear GOD.

⁵ When the Lord saw that human wickedness was widespread on the earth and that every inclination of the human mind was nothing but evil all the time, ⁶ the Lord regretted that he had made man on the earth, and he was deeply grieved. Genesis 6:5-6 CSB

⁷ Then the Lord said, "I will wipe mankind, whom I created, off the face of the earth, together with the animals, creatures that crawl, and birds of the sky—for I regret that I made them." ⁸ Noah, however, found favor with the Lord. Genesis 6:7-8

²¹ Every creature perished—those that crawl on the earth, birds, livestock, wildlife, and those that swarm on the earth, as well as all mankind. ²² Everything with the breath of the spirit of life in its nostrils—everything on dry land died. ²³ He wiped out every living thing that was on the face of the earth, from mankind to livestock, to creatures that crawl, to the birds of the sky, and they were wiped off the earth. Only Noah was left, and those that were with him in the ark. Genesis 7:21-23 CSB

What Will It Take for Mankind to Fear GOD? (Continued)

After the flood, Noah and his family were told to “*Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth.*” Genesis 9:1 CSB, but prideful, non-GOD fearing man had ideas of his own.

⁴ And they said, “Come, let’s build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the sky. Let’s make a name for ourselves; otherwise, we will be scattered throughout the earth.” Genesis 11:4 CSB

⁵ Then the Lord came down to look over the city and the tower that the humans were building. ⁶ The Lord said, “If they have begun to do this as one people all having the same language, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let’s go down there and confuse their language so that they will not understand one another’s speech.” ⁸ So from there the Lord scattered them throughout the earth, and they stopped building the city. Genesis 11:5-8 CSB

The next example of GOD’s judgment is a popular one but even then it does not instill the fear of GOD in most men, it is the account of Lot and his family who were living in the sinful city of Sodom. Abraham pleaded with GOD and was able to at least have Lot and His two daughters escape before the total destruction of the city the next morning.

²⁰ Then the Lord said, “The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is immense, and their sin is extremely serious. ²¹ I will go down to see if what they have done justifies the cry that has come up to me. If not, I will find out.” Genesis 18:20-21 CSB

¹² Then the angels said to Lot, “Do you have anyone else here: a son-in-law, your sons and daughters, or anyone else in the city who belongs to you? Get them out of this place, ¹³ for we are about to destroy this place because the outcry against its people is so great before the Lord, that the Lord has sent us to destroy it.” Genesis 19:12-13

²⁴ Then out of the sky the Lord rained on Sodom and Gomorrah burning sulfur from the Lord. ²⁵ He demolished these cities, the entire plain, all the inhabitants of the cities, and whatever grew on the ground. ²⁶ But Lot’s wife looked back and became a pillar of salt. Genesis 19:24-26

These examples are only a few of the most recognized historical events of GOD’s judgments that are recorded in Scripture, as famous and well-known as they are they do not cause the majority of mankind to fear GOD. Since many people don’t believe GOD’s word, I will spend the rest of my time in this article using past historical events that can be fact-checked, especially for the misinformation crowd! If you do not believe that God exists, then how can the occurrence of the following events be explained? Do you really believe these events were all coincidental?



What Will It Take for Mankind to Fear GOD? (Continued)

PORT ROYAL, JAMAICA

If you've ever been to a Disney Park and visited Pirates of the Caribbean attraction you will be somewhat familiar with the city of Port Royal, because this was the inspiration for the attraction when it was first built. Port Royal in the latter part of the 1600s was controlled by the English, who invited a coalition of pirates and privateers to protect the port from the surrounding Spanish fleet. Port Royal was located on the tip of an 18-mile-long sandbar known as the Palisadoes, which before 1655 served as a minor Spanish port that they did not feel was important to hold onto.

Port Royal became famous for being the port of call for many of the most notorious pirates of all time, such as Captain Morgan, Calico Jack, and Blackbeard to name a few. Although the English were supposed to be in control of the port, it was being controlled by the pirates, and in its glory days, it became the second largest English city in the world behind Boston. By 1692, Port Royal had become known as the most corrupt city in the world, it was said that one out of four buildings in town were drinking establishments and brothels, which were filled by pirates and slavers.

According to a stopped watch found in 1969 we now know that on Sunday morning, June 7th, 1692 at 11:43 a.m., a 7.5 magnitude earthquake occurred at Port Royal. Since the port was built on a sand bar, the ground completely liquified causing buildings, roads, and people to be sucked into the sea, 33 acres of the city disappeared in just a few hours. Following the earthquake, a tidal wave came over the city destroying most of the buildings that were left. Four out of five of the British-built forts were destroyed. In a single day 2,000 people, one-fifth of the city's population were washed out to sea. The devastation was just beginning though, over the next few weeks because of the rotting bodies of the people, animals, and insects left in the city another 3,000 people died. Within a few weeks the "most corrupt city in the world" had its population cut in half. After the earthquake, the island was overtaken by looting, riots, and violence, one survivor noted that after the earthquake everyone went mad.

Following the earthquake, tidal wave, and looting, the Lord was not finished with Port Royal, in 1703 the city became engulfed in flames and was hit by hurricanes in 1712, 1722, 1726, and 1744, leaving Port Royal all but deserted.

JOHNSTOWN FLOOD

Johnstown, Pennsylvania was founded in 1800 where the Little Conemaugh and the Stoney Creek rivers meet to form the Conemaugh River. In 1852 a dam was built on the Little Conemaugh River 14 miles and over 450 feet in elevation upstream of Johnstown. The Southfork Dam was part of an extensive canal system that became obsolete as the railroads replaced the canals for transportation uses. The dam and abandoned reservoir were sold many times until 1880 when an elite group of wealthy Pittsburg investors purchased the property for the South Fork Hunting and Fishing Club.

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The dam was the largest earthen dam of its time, it measured 931 feet wide and 72 feet tall, the dam itself was 10 feet wide at the top and 270 feet thick at the bottom, creating Lake Conemaugh. When the dam was built it was meant to hold back ten feet of water. Over time the South Fork Reservoir grew from a small pond to Conemaugh Lake which was up to a mile wide, nearly 2 miles long, and 60 feet deep at the dam. With a perimeter of 7 miles, and in the spring with high water covering more than 400 acres it was the largest man-made lake in America at that time.

In 1889 Johnstown was a prosperous industrial town with many immigrants and influential people with a population of around 30,000. Johnstown's largest employer was the Cambria Iron Works. Many of those employees lived in company-owned houses that were built on the banks of the river. Seasonal flooding was something that the residents of Johnstown often experienced, and many heard the reports about poor maintenance at the South Fork Dam but nothing had ever happened so they acquired a false sense of security over time.

On May 31st, 1889 it had been raining for a few days and the ground was saturated but a major storm moved in from the west on May 30th and deposited anywhere from 8 to 10 inches of rain. On the morning of May 31st, the level of Lake Conemaugh was rising at a rate of 1 foot per hour, at 11:30 a.m. John Parke the club engineer rides to South Fork village to send a warning message that the dam may fail, but because the telegraph lines were down the message only made it to Mineral Point. The message is carried from there to the next telegraph tower where it was wired to Johnstown but when the town's people were warned, most of them ignored the warning.

At 3:10 pm the water level on Lake Conemaugh breached the center of the earthen dam, and more than 20 million tons of water rushed down the valley past the village of South Fork toward the stone arch-shaped viaduct that spanned the valley. The stone structure only lasted a few minutes and it blew apart releasing a 40 to 50-foot wall of water, depending on the shape of the valley, toward Johnstown. Mineral Point is leveled by 3:30 p.m. and then Woodvale is destroyed by 3:45 p.m.

The 40 ft wave of water moving at around 40 miles per hour reaches Johnstown at 4:07 p.m. dividing into three waves, one crashing into Westmont Hill, then washing back up Stoneycreek River, flooding Kernville. At 4:20 p.m. the Stone Bridge at the north end of town collects a huge amount of debris that is being pushed by the wave of water, this causes a 30 ft deep churning whirlpool that mixes and grinds the debris, survivors, and dead bodies together. The water finally breaks through part of the bridge continuing to flood Cambria City. At around 6:00 p.m. at the Stone Bridge, some fuel tanks caught fire claiming as many as 80 lives. The fire would burn for three days.

Less than one hour after the failure of the dam the wave of water made it to Johnstown where people had been warned but sadly many did not believe that this could happen. Within 15 minutes four square miles of Johnstown were completely destroyed and 2,209 people died: 99 entire families, including 396 children, 124 women, and 198 men were left widowed. Bodies from the flood were found as far away as Cincinnati and as late as 1911. Property damage was estimated at 17 million dollars and 1600 homes were destroyed, the pile of debris at the Stone Bridge covered 30 acres. There are 777 victims laid to rest in the Plot of the Unknown in the Grandview Cemetery overlooking Johnstown.

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What Will It Take for Mankind to Fear GOD? (Continued)

I think at this juncture I have made my point, but if you are still not convinced here are a few more examples:

December 26th, 2004, Indian Ocean Earthquake & Tsunami, approximately 230, 000 died, 125,000 injured and 43,789 missing.

November 25th, 1839, Coringa Cyclone, a 40-foot storm surge hit the port city of Coringa on India's Bay of Bengal, destroying about 20,000 ships and sailing vessels along with an estimated 300,000 lives.

May 18th, 1980, Mount St. Helens, volcano erupted at 8:32 a.m., 57 people lost their lives, 200 homes, 185 miles of roads, and 47 bridges were destroyed. Mount St. Helens was considered a small eruption compared to Krakatoa in 1883 was 18 times larger and Tambora in 1815 was 80 times larger.

Conclusion

Why do most people not fear the Lord, even though we experience numerous disastrous events, around the world people are still surprised and dismayed. One might say that the pirates of Port Royal deserved GOD's judgment and the people of Johnstown wrongly depended on someone else's competency to maintain their safety. Whether this is true or not the events alone should cause us to fear our maker, and yet most of the world's population doesn't.

Believe in GOD or not, He is sovereign and His will, will be done on Earth and in Heaven. If you do not fear the Lord it may be that you don't believe He exists, trust in Him today so that you may know Him and fear Him. Are you prepared to meet your maker at a moment's notice?



Johnstown, Pennsylvania
May 31st 1889



Mount St. Helens
May 18th 1980

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