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Wednesday, May 17, 2017



God Is Faithful

Newer Requests

- Larry Bradley—continued recuperation
- Lawrence & Imogene Carothers's daughter Joyce—cancer
- Pat Clark—general well-being
- L.D. Coate—health
- Arlene Goddard—health/back/MRI
- Mark Handley's mother—fell-health/broken legs
- Mark Handley's brother-in-law Daryl—health/spiritual needs
- Mark Handley's sister, Cindy—blood clots, St. Anthony
- Carole Kuykendall's brother Rudy—recuperation, surgery
- Ron Meek—cancer treatment
- Claudia Montgomery's brother-in-law, Bob Barker—health (Baptist Village)
- Stacy Campbell McCord
- Zander—13-year-old friend of Konner Magden—cancer
- Bob Sapp

Ongoing Prayer Needs

- Glenda Anderson—health
- Willis Bottger and wife Lois—health
- Quinn Bradley—grandson of Larry and Lana Bradley
- Delores Castleberry—vision/strength
- Alberta Darks—health
- Alberta's grandson Kevin
- Arlene Goddard's son Kevin
- Walter Goddard's son Dale
- Bill and Betty Harris—strength, wisdom, and grace
- J.R. Hill—strength/grace
- Twila Howard cousin—Daryl, cancer
- Danny Imhoff—health
- Charles Kuykendall—health/RA
- Billye Murrell—strength
- Dareck Smith—well-being

Persecuted Christians Worldwide

- Our President—wisdom/courage/humility
- Our military and law enforcement
- Elected officials—local and national

Our Military

Pastor's nephew and great-nephew; Heather Smith

Our Shut-ins and friends

- L.D. Coate, Jr.
- Ruth Greene (Bill Long's aunt)

"The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much!"
(James 5:16)



May Birthdays

- 18 Billy Tuter
- 20 Allen Cloud
- 30 Claud Holland (90)

Things You Never Hear in Church

"Hey, it's my turn to sit on the front row."

"I was so enthralled, I never noticed the sermon ran 25 minutes long."

"I love it when we sing hymns we've never sung before."

Camps Coming Up!

Children's Camp and Falls Creek are coming in three weeks!

We need donations for food for approximately 600 meals for our campers.

Please mark your envelope "Camp Food."

May Calendar

- 19 Family activity night, 6 PM
- 21 Deacons Finance, 5 PM
- Women on Mission
- 24 Business meeting, 6:45 PM

May Open/Close

- 21 G. Adams
- 28 C. Holland

May Nursery

- 21 AM, Ann L; PM, Glenna L
- 28 AM, Shirley M; PM Verda H

Stewardship

for the week of 05/14/17

Budget Receipts:	\$2,345.00
Required:	3,313.97
Over/Under:	968.97
TAB:	10,040.00
Falls Creek & Children's Camp Fees:	399.00
Mother's Day Offering:	199.00

Meet and Greet



Sunday, May 21, come between 3 PM and 5 PM to meet Cora Elizabeth Allen, daughter of Jeremy and Megan, granddaughter of Dale and Janie, and niece of Allison and Danny Lindsey. This is a come-and-go event with snacks provided.

Please no gifts.



Church Goal: \$1,000
Received: \$715

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A Real-World View

Last week I wrote about "worldview," the perspective from which all of us as human beings understand the world. Many moderns reject a Christian worldview because they think it old-fashioned and out of touch with reality. They have the idea that progress, so-called, has nullified the out-of-date teachings of the Bible. C. S. Lewis wrote about "progress" in his children's series, *The Chronicles of Narnia*. Prince Caspian was asked, "Have you no idea of progress, of development?" Caspian's response was, "I have seen them both in an egg.... We call it 'Going Bad' in Narnia" (*The Voyage of the Dawn Treader*). Lewis observed in another place, "We all want progress, but if you're on the wrong road, progress means doing an about-turn and walking back to the right road" (*Mere Christianity*).

Is a Christian worldview out of touch with reality?

Modern science as we know it resulted from Christian scientists who believed in an ordered universe ruled by God. Dutch historian Reijer Hooykaas, one of only two honorary members of the American Scientific Affiliation, penned a monumental work, *Religion and the Rise of Modern Science*, detailing the Biblical worldview of the first experimental scientists. In it, he observed, "What strikes one most about the early Protestant scientists is their love for nature, in which they recognize the work of God's hands, and their pleasure in investigating natural phenomena" (p. 105).

If there is no order to the universe, there can be no science. It is as simple as that. Hooykaas noted, "If ... we were to try to build a 'Christian' science, we should be acting like a man who hunts for his spectacles while they are on his nose. Modern science and technology to a great extent are fruits of Christianity" (*The Christian Approach in Teaching Science*). He expanded on that in *The Free University Quarterly* (9), "[T]he founders of modern science strove for a methodological separation of science and religion. With Kepler, (a devout christian), astronomy was made independent of Bible texts, but metaphysical notions still intervened in his method; with Pascal and Boyle, (both apologists of christianity), this separation has become complete. ... [O]ne does not find a word about religion, although their strictly rational-empirical method certainly formed an organic unity with their christian faith" (p. 59).

For most moderns, the theory of evolution has undercut a Biblical worldview. How does one reconcile scientists who boldly make statements about millions and billions of years with a Bible that knows nothing of lost eons? To put it simply, one cannot. It is impossible to reconcile the worldview of evolution with a Christian worldview. But that's a good thing. It forces us to examine evolution.



Evolution in its simplest is simply adaptation.

Organisms adapt to changing conditions. That's observable and measurable. It's science. Darwinism, called macroevolution, is not, however, observable or measurable. Darwin observed microevolution (adaptation) and made a leap of faith into macroevolution—the idea that life began with single-celled organisms that over billions of years evolved into complex life forms, eventually yielding man.

Macroevolution, Darwinism, requires billions of years because it cannot be observed or verified. That is also the fly in the ointment of macroevolution as recent discoveries of raising doubts about the time-frames suggested for things like dinosaurs. Recently miners in Alberta, Canada, uncovered fossilized remains of a nodosaur, dated to 110 million years ago. The problem is, the nodosaur, which *National Geographic* called "the best preserved fossil of its kind ever found" (<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/magazine/2017/06/dinosaur-nodosaur-fossil-discovery/>), still has "fossilized remnants of skin," which evolutionary age theory says should not exist. That should have decayed at least 109 million years ago. One paleobiologist, Jakob Vinther, remarked that the dinosaur is so well preserved that it "might have been walking around a couple of weeks ago. ... I've never seen anything like this."

The nodosaur is but one of many recent discoveries that bring into question the issue of the age of fossils. In the Burgess Shale in Canada, scientists have discovered fossils with soft tissue—worms, eyes, and internal organs—preserved. So how can this be? Scientists suggest a large mud slurry from flooding might explain it. I think of Noah. What about you?

—Brother Gary

