THE DINOSAUR DILEMMA AND MODERN SCIENCE : PART 1

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As I point out in such articles as "Leviathan: An Ancient Dragon of the Sea?", "The Earth Is Under 7,000 Years Old" and "Adaptation, EVILution and the Six Days of Genesis", similar to many other Bible-believing Christians, I have some serious problems with the theory of Darwinian evolution -- which for a long time I have personally referred to as EVILution -- the age of dinosaurs, and similar concepts which are espoused by atheistic, modern-day scientists. For example, according to science text books, we are instructed to believe that great dinosaurs roamed the Earth millions of years ago prior to the arrival of mankind.

Not surprisingly, the "millions-of-years-ago" scenario is in direct conflict with the Creation Account which is found in the opening chapters of the Book of Genesis. I believe this to be an accurate record which was written by Moses, as it was dictated to him by God. Or perhaps Moses was simply the first person to write down the oral traditions regarding the Creation which had been passed down to him by the Patriarchs. Whatever the case may be, contrary to some of the peculiar beliefs which are embraced by certain New Age advocates, in my view, the Book of Genesis contains very little symbolism. It is a precise, factual historical account that was written from a human perspective, so that we can understand the Story of Creation even thousands of years later today.

As I point out in some of the aforementioned articles, when the Book of Genesis speaks of the Six Days of Creation, I am personally convinced that it means exactly that: six days as we know them today. In our modern day, it seems that there are so many skeptics and debunkers who cunningly try to use the Scriptures to show that they contradict themselves. In the case of the Story of Creation, they sometimes point to the second Epistle of Peter where the Apostle writes as follows:

"But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day." 2 Peter 3:8, KJV

In the previous verse, it appears that Peter may have been paraphrasing the following verse that is found in the Book of Psalms:

"For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night." Psalm 90:4, KJV

Contrary to what some of these misguided people think, I am not convinced that the previous verses contradict Genesis. Neither are they suggesting in any way that the days in the Creation Account were really thousands or millions of years in length, as is ascribed to the periods, epochs and ages which have been dreamed up by modern-day paleontologists, archeologists and other scientists who endeavor to refute the Word of God. My understanding is that these verses are merely stating that in the Spirit Realm, time does not really exist. Time is a product of our three dimensional Universe. Being as He is all-knowing, omnipresent and omnipotent, God sees the past, present and future as one. Some people have referred to this as the Eternal Now. In reality, time is only an actual reference in the physical Universe, but not in the spiritual Universe, because God appears to exist outside of time.

To reiterate, it is my opinion that the Book of Genesis was written from a purely human perspective. I believe that the Lord wanted to make certain that Moses -- and by extension, we as well -- understood exactly what He was saying. This is evidenced by the fact that we are told a number of times that the evening and the morning were the first day, the second day, the third day, etc., as we see here:

"And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day . . . And God called the firmament Heaven. 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 God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day." Genesis 1:5, 8, 13, 19, 23, 31, KJV

These verses clearly demonstrate that the days in Genesis were twenty-four hour periods, and not intervals of thousands or millions of years as misguided modern-day scientists would have us to believe. Following Jewish tradition, each of these days began and ended at sunset. Sunday represents the first day of the week, while the Sabbath -- or Saturday -- is the day of rest, because that is when the Lord rested from His great work of Creation.

In the Gospels, while talking about light and darkness, day and night, and the work which He had been appointed to do by His Father, even Jesus Himself used examples which the common man could easily relate to. For example, in the Gospel of John, Jesus states the following:

". . . Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of the world." John 11:9, KJV

Jesus was clearly indicating that from the human perspective, from the physical perspective of our Earth, there are twelve hours in the daylight, and there are also twelve hours in the nighttime as well. From the very first days of Creation up to the final chapter of the Book of Revelation, days, months and years signify the same time periods as we know them today. The few exceptions worth mentioning are the following:

1) In certain prophetic passages, such as those that are found in the Book of the Prophet Daniel, the Biblical word "week" -- or "shabuwa" in Hebrew -- does not refer to a seven-day period, but rather to a seven-year period.

2) Being as it is based on Jewish tradition, a Biblical year is actually 360 days, instead of our modern 365 days which is based on the Gregorian calendar.

3) In certain places in the Scriptures -- such as in Daniel and the Book of Revelation -- the word "time" actually refers to a one-year period, as is clearly borne out in associated Scriptures.

Contrary to the opinion of certain nonbelievers, the Bible is consistent from beginning to end. As I point out in a number of articles, the Apostle Paul tells us that God is not the author of confusion, as we see by this verse:

"For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints." 1 Corinthians 14:33, KJV

In other words, God does not use one term to mean one thing in one place in Scriptures, and then change its meaning to something entirely different in another place. This would surely lead to confusion. Based on my knowledge of the Word, and my understanding of God, I simply do not believe that this is how the Lord operates. He is very meticulous, and very organized in all His doings. In contrast, Satan is most certainly interested in trying to confuse us with his web of lies and deception. The previously-noted time designations hold true throughout the entire Bible.

Logically-speaking, if Adam and Eve were created on the Sixth Day of Creation, then this obviously means that there were only five days before that, and not thousands or millions of years as scientists propose. If this is indeed the case, as I believe it is, then there were no ages of the dinosaurs, or saurians or "Reptoids", as certain New Age advocates prefer to call them. Neither were there evolving half-men half-apes running around grunting unintelligibly at each other. God created Adam and Eve in His own image, as is clearly shown by the following verses:

"And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."

Genesis 1:26-27, KJV

Either we believe that the previous two verses mean exactly what they say, or else we don't. There are no two ways of going about it. We either believe in and trust God's Word, or we reject it and call Him a liar. Which do you do? If you are so foolish as to choose the latter, then consider this:

"God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?" Numbers 23:19, KJV

"God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged." Romans 3:4, KJV

"In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;" Titus 1:2, KJV

"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." John 8:44, KJV

Furthermore, I am also convinced that Adam was created with intelligence. After all, he was responsible for naming all of the animals. While it is obviously true that Adam did not have the intelligence to build an automobile, a computer, or a rocket, there is a simple explanation for this. Once Adam and Eve partook of the forbidden tree of the knowledge of good and evil, their eyes were opened. From that time until now, man's knowledge has slowly incremented to its current level, with a sudden spurt during this last century. It may interest you to know that the Book of Daniel in fact seems to indicate that this was going to happen, as we see by this verse:

"But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." Daniel 12:4, KJV

Amongst certain New Age circles, there is the belief that some ancient societies -- such as the purported Atlantean culture, the Indians and the Greeks -- reached an advanced level of technology; so advanced in fact, that they were able to develop not only air and space travel, but nuclear technology as well. Certain of these claims are based on statements that are found in ancient Hindu scriptures known as the Vedas and the Sanskrit epics. The epic poems describe flying machines -- referred to as "vimana" -- that soared in the heavens, while the Vedas speak of the flying chariots of the gods. Another source for these claims are the ancient clay tablets from Sumer, which is today a part of Iraq. It is said that these tablets are even more ancient than the writings of Moses. Insofar as the Scriptures are concerned, the people who promote these ideas use such verses as the following to support their claims:

"And Zillah, she also bare Tubal-cain, an instructor of every artificer in brass and iron . . ." Genesis 4:22, KJV

For those of you who may not be knowledgeable in this area, Tubal-cain was one of the later descendants of Cain. This is all the verse says, and nothing more. There is no indication regarding to what degree Tubal-cain was skilled in working with these metals. However, if we read other verses in the Bible which deal with metalworks, we find that from Genesis to the Book of Revelation, they appear to have been limited to cups and related eating utensils, spearheads, shields, chariots and other defensive weapons. In the area of worship they likewise included candlesticks, priestly ornaments and other temple objects. Of course, there is also the design of the Ark of the Covenant, as well as the molten calf that was fashioned by Aaron, the brother of Moses, and also the brass serpent that was fabricated by Moses. Many of the pagan gods and temples were likewise adorned with precious stones and metals. Coinage was also made from metal by certain ancient cultures.

To my knowledge, this is the basic technology which existed across the first four thousand years of Earth's history, up until the New Testament era. Nowhere is there the slightest indication of advanced technology being produced from these metals, especially not aircraft or spacecraft. If this had indeed occurred, I think that the Lord would have thought it important enough to tell us about it. If Roman soldiers were still using swords and spears in Jesus' day, I don't doubt that this was the level of technology to which humanity had been limited since the beginning of Creation.

As I point out in considerable detail in such articles as "Nature of the Alien: ET's, Demons or a Government Plot?", "Under the Cloud: UFO's and the Holy Bible", "Chariots of Fire: A Voluntary Voyage to Heaven?" and related articles, while it is true that there are clear signs in the Bible of out-of-this-world technology -- such as in the case of the Prophet Ezekiel's "wheel-within-a-wheel" vision, what these people saw was clearly not of human origin. To interpret the previous verse from the Book of Genesis any other way is, in my view, clearly grasping at straws, distorting the truth, and being extremely speculative to say the least.

In my opinion, no matter how much these other sources might awe us with their fantastic tales of ancient flying machines and other advanced technology, I believe that we all need to ask the Lord to grant us His Wisdom, and we need to exercise a degree of Spiritual Discernment. It is better to err on the side of caution, and regard these ancient tales with a bit of healthy skepticism and suspicion. After all, they may very well be the deceptive voices of Satan and his cohorts. Consider the following verses:

"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him." James 1:5, KJV

"And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light." 2 Corinthians 11:14, KJV

"Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices." 2 Corinthians 2:11, KJV

As I explain in such articles as "2012: New Age Deception and Psychobabble" and "Age of Deception, Age of Delusion", if one reads a sufficient amount of the New Age material, and compares it with Scriptures, it becomes quite evident that it is full of misguided ideas, lies and deception. The New Age false prophets -- and sadly, even quite a number of so-called Christian "prophets" -- are being exposed for the misguided souls that they are, more and more each day as their predictions and prophecies fail to materialize. If we consider how popular New Age thought has become, I can't help but wonder if it might morph into the religion of the New World Order. For this reason, it is important that we all familiarize ourselves with the truth of God's Word, so that we can effectively combat Satan's lies.

Concerning the many dinosaur fossils which have been found over the decades, it is also important to remember that the age of these discoveries is based on scientific techniques which are not only not perfect, but in fact questionable. I have read material which reveals that even the oft-touted carbon-14 dating method has a history of producing rather conflicting ages for different fossils and artifacts.

If God did in fact create dinosaurs during the first Six Days of Creation, as some people wish to believe, I find no Scriptural evidence to sustain the claim that they were the terrible, meat-eating, fanged, clawed monsters that are so often depicted by modern-day scientists. In fact, there is Biblical evidence which, in my view, strongly suggests the exact opposite. Consider the following verses:

"And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that it was good . . . And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good . . . And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good . . . And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good . . . And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good . . . And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good."

Genesis 1:10, 12, 18, 21, 25, 31a, KJV

Do you see my point? Everything that God made was good. In fact, on the final day of Creation we are even told that He beheld the work of His hands, and He considered it to be not just good, but "very good". Think about that point for just a moment. If we consider that Adam and Eve were God's crowning achievement, does it make any sense that God would create a family of fanged, clawed, flesh-eating monsters which could easily tear His crowning creation to shreds, and devour it? Would God have considered that very good as well? I think not. Have I got you thinking yet?

Let us continue by contemplating another fact. Genesis makes it clear that before the Flood, both man and beast were all herbivores; that is, plant eaters. Following Creation Week, everything was in perfect harmony and balance. God had made a very beautiful, peaceful world. It wasn't until after the Fall of man that the situation began to unravel. As we learn in Genesis chapter nine, it was also after the Flood that God informed Noah that it was now permissible for people to begin eating meat; provided, that is, that they killed it first, and drained out the blood. In the following verses, the Lord also says that any beast which kills man, or any man which kills another man, will be cursed. Consider the following verses which clarify these various points:

"And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth. And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered. Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you all things. But flesh with the life thereof, which is the blood thereof, shall ye not eat. And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man. Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man." Genesis 9:1-6, KJV

The question is, what changed in the world so that God now ordained that it was alright for man to kill animals and eat their flesh? Also, why is it that it was at this time that God said that any beast which killed a man would be cursed? Allow me to share my personal theory with you regarding why I think it became permissible to eat meat. We will tackle the second question a bit later.

Prior to the Flood, the Scriptures seem to suggest that the Earth may have been surrounded by a thick band, envelope or canopy of water. Given the magnitude of the Flood, plus the fact that it had never rained before, I suspect that this was not just layers of clouds, but rather a very thick layer of water. In Genesis chapters one and two we read the following: "And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters. And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so. And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day."

Genesis 1:6-8, KJV

"And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was not a man to till the ground. But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground." Genesis 2:5-6, KJV

If this thick layer of water is in fact what the previous verses are describing, then it would have served to protect early man from the harmful ultraviolet rays of the Sun, and from anything else from Outer Space which might cause him harm. If this thick layer of water was destroyed during the Flood, one of the immediate results would be that man would start to age faster. As we know from the Biblical record, this is precisely what happened. By the time of Moses, the upper age limit had dropped from almost one thousand years, to barely one hundred and twenty years maximum. We can only theorize as to what other physical, spiritual or genetic changes may have occurred after the Fall, after sin entered into the world, and after the protective layer of water had disappeared.

So how does this relate to eating meat? My guess is that the introduction of protein into our diets helped to prolong our lives by reducing, or at least by slowing down, the negative effect that the Sun's rays have upon human body tissue. Even with this partial remedy in effect, today, very few people manage to live to the age of one hundred and twenty, and the vast majority of us don't even make it to one hundred years of age.

The Genesis Account concerning the Flood makes it very clear that all air-breathing life which dwelt on the dry land was destroyed, except for those animals which entered into the Ark with Noah and his immediate family, who themselves were a total of eight individuals. Consider these verses:

"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. And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them . . . The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth. And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth . . . And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die." Genesis 6:5-7, 11-13, 17, KJV

"For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth . . . 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. And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark."

Genesis 7:4, 21-23, KJV

Furthermore, what we also learn from the Flood Account in the Book of Genesis, is that whatever went into the Ark, likewise came out of it later after the flood waters had sufficiently receded. Again, consider these verses:

"And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee; they shall be male and female. Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every sort shall come unto thee, to keep them alive." Genesis 6:19-20, KJV

"Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that are not clean by two, the male and his female. Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth . . . Of clean beasts, and of beasts that are not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth, There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah . . . 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, 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." Genesis 7:2-3, 8-9, 13-16, KJV

"And God spake 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." Genesis 8:15-19, KJV As I noted earlier, if everything that God created was good, it doesn't seem likely that He would purposely create violent carnivorous dinosaurs which would threaten the very beings He had blessed and instructed to be fruitful and multiply, and which He wanted to protect. This would be self-defeating. But even if God did create dinosaurs, and if we assume that they were actually docile herbivores and not meat-eating monsters, in order for them to survive the Flood, they would have to have been called into the Ark.

While we can theorize that dinosaurs may have been included amongst the animals that Genesis calls "every creeping thing" -- even though not all dinosaurs creeped -- we are still left with a major problem: Where are they today? If they went into the Ark and came out afterwards, why aren't there survivors in our modern day? Many of the other species survived, so why not the dinosaurs? No doubt certain people will automatically respond by mentioning the popular theory regarding an alleged comet, asteroid or meteor strike, which supposedly resulted in a "nuclear winter" which wiped out all of the dinosaurs.

Personally, in light of what the Scriptures say, I view this theory as a total cop-out by hard-hearted scientists who find themselves forced to look for another plausible explanation, simply because they refuse to accept what God's Word tells us regarding this issue. Exactly what do the Scriptures reveal concerning both the origin and the disappearance of ancient dinosaurs? These are questions which I will address in part two of this article.

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God Wanted The Dinosaurs To Die, Dinosaurs Were Just Larger Older Lizards Theory, Reptiles And Amphibians Continue To Grow Throughout Their Lives, Iguanas And Iguanodons, Major Skeletal Differences, Harmony And Balance Between God And Man Was Broken By The Fall, Aspects Of The Curse, God Uses Pests Pestilences And His Own Creation To Chastise Humanity, Creation Gone Amuck Following Man's Fall?, God's Desire For Repentance And Healing, How Did Dinosaurs Originate, Plant Eaters And Meat Eaters, Why Did God Destroy Man And Beasts?, All Flesh Was Corrupted, Marred Ruined And Spoiled, Source Of Earth's Corruption: Fallen Angels Grigori And Watchers, Foolish Pact Is Made On Mount Hermon, Roman Catholic Church Fathers Reject Book Of Enoch, Azazel And Companions Teach Men Wickedness, Nephilim Giants Born To The Fallen Angels, Humanity Devoured By Nephilim, Excerpts From Book Of Enoch

As I concluded in part one, while modern scientists embrace the view that the dinosaurs disappeared from the Earth due to sudden climatic change -- that is, a nuclear winter -- which resulted from a theorized asteroid, comet or meteor striking the Earth, my study of the Scriptures has led me to believe otherwise. Even if it were possible for the Patriarch Noah to have taken smaller, herbivorous dinosaurs onto the Ark -- or even dinosaur eggs for that matter -- I am convinced that God did not instruct him to do so. Furthermore, it is my opinion that God purposely wanted all of the dinosaurs to die. Why would God do this?

I believe that the answer lies in understanding what may be the true origin of the dinosaurs. Regarding their origin, one popular theory which has been embraced by a lot of Christians who adhere to the Creationist point of view, is that ancient dinosaurs were normal lizards which had grown to a tremendous size, as a result of their greatly expanded life spans which they enjoyed prior to the Flood. On the surface, even some of the scientific literature would appear to support this claim. For example, on page eleven of "A Field Guide to Reptiles and Amphibians: Eastern and Central North America" -- which is part of the Peterson Field Guide Series that was sponsored by the National Audubon Society and National Wildlife Federation -- under the section called "Size", authors Joseph T. Collins and Roger Conant note the following:

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"Reptiles and amphibians may continue to grow as long as they live, rapidly at first but more slowly after maturity. Hence, giant specimens may be encountered on very rare occasions."

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If we consider that both man and some beasts had opportunity to live for hundreds of years prior to the Flood, and that reptiles continue to grow as long as they live, it is very easy to imagine that certain lizards could have attained to the size of dinosaurs. In fact, one dinosaur which has been used to support this belief is the Iguanodon. The Iguanodon was one of the earliest formally named dinosaurs, having been preceded by the Megalosaurus. The fossil remains of Iguanodon were discovered by English geologist Gideon Mantell during the early Nineteenth Century. Creationists propose that this beast -- which fossilized evidence indicates may have grown to an average length of thirty-three to forty-three feet -was nothing more than an overgrown iguana.

When I first examined this issue years ago, I believe that I may have also embraced this same erroneous point of view. It is possible that I may still mention it in a few of my older articles. However, more recent personal research reveals that this position really is not supported by taxonomic evidence. Taxonomy is the branch of science which classifies organisms. Equating a modern lizard such as the iguana with the ancient Iquanodon simply won't work; the reason being that there are very substantial skeletal differences between modern reptiles and true dinosaurs. These include differences in the skull, teeth, backbone, pelvis, ribs, etc. I will leave it to you to delve deeper into this topic if you so desire.

If ancient dinosaurs were not just older and larger versions of God's original creations, then were did they come from? Furthermore, why was it God's Will that they all be destroyed during the Flood? At this point we are going to delve deeper into the arena of personal speculation. Being as it is only my personal speculation, you are obviously not obligated to believe it or accept it if you don't want to.

As I explained in part one, following actual Creation Week, everything was in perfect harmony and balance. God had made a very beautiful, peaceful world. It was not until after the First Pair had disobeyed the Lord that the situation began to unravel in a very serious way. That balance was broken; both the natural balance in the world, as well as Adam and Eve's relationship with God. It would never be the same. In describing the curse and punishment which befell the First Pair as a result of their disobedience to the Lord, Moses writes the following:

"And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return."

The implication in the previous verses seems to be that prior to the Fall of man, thorns and thistles did not exist. It may also be that they already existed, but that God had just not allowed them to sprout forth from the ground yet. As I point out in a few other articles, the Bible makes it clear that not only did God create pests and pestilences, but He will often use His own Creation as a tool of chastisement against disobedient men. This fact is made evident by verses such as the following:

"And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she was very fair. The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels. And the LORD plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife." Genesis 12:14-17, KJV

"And the LORD said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me. For I will at this time send all my plagues upon thine heart, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people; that thou mayest know that there is none like me in all the earth. For now I will stretch out my hand, that I may smite thee and thy people with pestilence; and thou shalt be cut off from the earth." Exodus 9:13-15, KJV

"And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me; I will bring seven times more plagues upon you according to your sins. I will also send wild beasts among you, which shall rob you of your children, and destroy your cattle, and make you few in number; and your high ways shall be desolate. And if ye will not be reformed by me by these things, but will walk contrary unto me; Then will I also walk contrary unto you, and will punish you yet seven times for your sins." Leviticus 26:21-24, KJV

"And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loatheth this light bread. And the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died." Numbers 21:5-6, KJV

"Who led thee through that great and terrible wilderness, wherein were fiery serpents, and scorpions, and drought, where there was no water; who brought thee forth water out of the rock of flint;" Deuteronomy 8:15, KJV

"If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful name, THE LORD THY GOD; Then the LORD will make thy plagues wonderful, and the plagues of thy seed, even great plagues, and of long continuance, and sore sicknesses, and of long continuance. Moreover he will bring upon thee all the diseases of Egypt, which thou wast afraid of; and they shall cleave unto thee. Also every sickness, and every plague, which is not written in the book of this law, them will the LORD bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed. And ye shall be left few in number, whereas ye were as the stars of heaven for multitude; because thou wouldest not obey the voice of the LORD thy God." Deuteronomy 28:58-62, KJV

"I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me: That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else. I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things." Isaiah 45:5-7, KJV

If we examine the Book of Revelation, we discover that it is likewise due to the sins and rebellion of godless men that the Lord allows great plagues and other calamities to befall the people of Earth. Is it possible then that as a part of the curse, God simply allowed His Creation to go amuck, and that the dinosaurs somehow evolved in the process? While it may seem like a plausible possibility, personally, I am not convinced that it is so; the reason being that, as I pointed out in part one, God's intention was not to destroy Adam and Eve, it was simply to punish them for their disobedience. If He had allowed bloodthirsty, carnivorous dinosaurs to roam the Earth, there is no way that man would have possibly been able to survive to our present day.

As I explain elsewhere, when God is forced to deal with His children, the purpose of His chastisements is not to destroy, but rather to bring about repentance and healing. In other words, His chastisements are actually meant to be remedial punishments which bring about positive change in our lives. This is made evident by verses such as the following:

"Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?" Ezekiel 33:11, KJV

"For the Lord will not cast off for ever: But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies. For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men." Lamentations 3:31-33, KJV

"And it came to pass, when the time was come that he should be received up, he stedfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem, And sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him. And they did not receive him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem. And when his disciples James and John saw this, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did? But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of. For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them. And they went to another village."

"The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." 2 Peter 3:9, KJV

"And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him: For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness. Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby. Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees; And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed." Hebrews 12:5-13, KJV

So that is the dilemma. If God did not create the "terrible lizards" -- from the Greek "deinos sauros" -- during the Six Days of Creation, then where did these monstrous beasts come from? It is evident that they did exist, unless we choose to simply ignore the abundance of fossilized evidence which has been uncovered during the past two centuries.

By the way, in case you are wondering, yes, I am aware of the fact that not every dinosaur was a bloodthirsty, meat-eating monster. The fossil record does seem to indicate that certain dinosaurs were carnivorous while others were herbivorous, and may not have posed as serious a threat to our human ancestors. However, being as we are primarily concerned with the impact that these creatures had on humanity, I have emphasized the sharp-toothed carnivores in this series.

Concerning their possible origin, we find hints of an answer to this dilemma in the verses that I shared in part one. One question we need to ask ourselves is this: Why did God choose to destroy His crowning creation in the first place? Genesis informs us that it is because man had grown extremely wicked. But if that alone is the reason, does it make any sense that God would choose to destroy everything -- both man and beast -- if man alone was to blame for the wickedness and violence which filled the antediluvian world? Why punish the innocent animals?

In re-examining the verses from Genesis chapters six through eight, it becomes obvious that when Moses writes "all flesh", he means exactly that. He is referring to both man and beast. This is evident in the following verse which describes the animals that left the Ark after the Flood waters had receded:

"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." Genesis 8:17, KJV

In other words, it was not just man. All flesh -- both man and animal -- had in some way become totally corrupted. The corruption was so pervasive, and so profound, that God was not only heavily grieved by it, but He determined that He had no choice but to destroy all land-based, air-breathing life, and basically start all over again. The full extent of this wickedness and corruption in both man and beast -- that is, in all flesh -- is made evident by the following verses as well:

"The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth." Genesis 6:11-12, KJV

In the previous verses, the word "corrupt" is derived from the Hebrew word "shachath". Pronounced shaw-khath', one of the meanings of this word is to mar, ruin or spoil. How is it that both man and beast could become marred, ruined or spoiled? Furthermore, marred, ruined and spoiled in what way?

In order to understand what was the source of the corruption, wickedness and violence which filled the Earth, we need to go back to the beginning of Genesis chapter six, to see exactly what happened in the years leading up to the Flood. If you happen to be familiar with the events of Genesis chapter six, and if you have read my articles entitled "The Book of Enoch: Truth or Heresy?" and "Nephilim: The Giants of Genesis", you will already know that the source of this great evil which covered the Earth in the century or two prior to the Flood, was none other than an extraterrestrial assault on the Earth.

Don't worry; I am not suggesting that it was an invasion by advanced aliens beings from another planet. Rather, it was an incursion by a group of about two hundred Fallen Angels who had rebelled against the Lord. Due to their foolishness and lust, and their desire for human women, they chose to leave their Heavenly Abode. This is evident by the following verses which are found in both the Old and New Testaments, as well as in the Book of Jubilees:

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

"For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;" 2 Peter 2:4-5, KJV

"And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day." Jude 1:6, KJV

"For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison; Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water."

1 Peter 3:18-20, KJV

". . . And in the twenty-eighth jubilee Noah began to enjoin upon his sons' sons the ordinances and commandments, and all the judgments that he knew, and he exhorted his sons to observe righteousness, and to cover the shame of their flesh, and to bless their Creator, and honour father and mother, and love their neighbour, and guard their souls from fornication and uncleanness and all iniquity. For owing to these three things came the flood upon the earth, namely, owing to the fornication wherein the Watchers against the law of their ordinances went a whoring after the daughters of men, and took themselves wives of all which they chose: and they made the beginning of uncleanness. And they begat sons the Naphidim, and they were all unlike, and they devoured one another: and the Giants slew the Naphil, and the Naphil slew the Eljo, and the Eljo mankind, and one man another. And every one sold himself to work iniquity and to shed much blood, and the earth was filled with iniquity. And after this they sinned against the beasts and birds, and all that moves and walks on the earth: and much blood was shed on the earth, and every imagination and desire of men imagined vanity and evil continually. And the Lord destroyed everything from off the face of the earth; because of the wickedness of their deeds, and because of the blood which they had shed in the midst of the earth He destroyed everything . . ." Book Of Jubilees 7:20b-26a

As I explain in the aforementioned articles, this group of Fallen Angels -- who were also known as the Grigori, or the Watchers -- made a pact between themselves, descended to the Earth on Mount Hermon -- which is located in the northern region of the present-day Golan Heights -- and proceeded to commit all kinds of evils upon the Earth. It is because of the pact that they made, that Mount Hermon is also known as "the mountain of oath".

Most Christians are not aware of the full impact that this incursion by the Fallen Angels had on humanity, due to the fact that the early Roman Catholic Church "fathers" decided to exclude the primary text source where these events are discussed, from the Canon; that is, the accepted Scriptures. That source is the Book of Enoch, which contains much more information regarding the Fallen Angels than both the Bible and the Book of Jubilees combined.

One of the leaders of this group of two hundred Fallen Angels who chose to rebel against God was named Azazel. Together with his rebel companions, Azazel taught humanity many evil works. As a result, the Patriarch Enoch informs us that men "were led astray, and became corrupt in all their ways". But the greatest evil of all, was the fact that the Fallen Angels intentionally corrupted -- or marred, ruined and spoiled -the human gene pool, when they engaged in sexual intercourse with human women. This resulted in the birth of the violent, giant Nephilim. Following are some actual excerpts from the Book of Enoch for your consideration:

"And it came to pass when the children of men had multiplied that in those days were born unto them beautiful and comely daughters. And the angels, the children of the heaven, saw and lusted after them, and said to one another: 'Come, let us choose us wives from among the children of men and beget us children.' And Semjaza, who was their leader, said unto them: 'I fear ye will not indeed agree to do this deed, and I alone shall have to pay the penalty of a great sin.' And they all answered him and said: 'Let us all swear an oath, and all bind ourselves by mutual imprecations not to abandon this plan but to do this thing.' Then sware they all together and bound themselves by mutual imprecations upon it. And they were in all two hundred; who descended in the days of Jared on the summit of Mount Hermon, and they called it Mount Hermon, because they had sworn and bound themselves by mutual imprecations upon it. And these are the names of their leaders: Semiazaz, their leader, Arakiba, Rameel, Kokabiel, Tamiel, Ramiel, Danel, Ezeqeel, Baraqijal, Asael, Armaros, Batarel, Ananel, Zaqiel, Samsapeel, Satarel, Turel, Jomjael, Sariel. These are their chiefs of tens."

"And all the others together with them took unto themselves wives, and each chose for himself one, and they began to go in unto them and to defile themselves with them, and they taught them charms and enchantments, and the cutting of roots, and made them acquainted with plants. And they became pregnant, and they bare great giants, whose height was three thousand ells: Who consumed all the acquisitions of men. And when men could no longer sustain them, the giants turned against them and devoured mankind. And they began to sin against birds, and beasts, and reptiles, and fish, and to devour one another's flesh, and drink the blood. Then the earth laid accusation against the lawless ones."

"And Azazel taught men to make swords, and knives, and shields, and breastplates, and made known to them the metals of the earth and the art of working them, and bracelets, and ornaments, and the use of antimony, and the beautifying of the eyelids, and all kinds of costly stones, and all colouring tinctures. And there arose much godlessness, and they committed fornication, and they were led astray, and became corrupt in all their ways." Book of Enoch 8:1-3a

"Thou seest what Azazel hath done, who hath taught all unrighteousness on earth and revealed the eternal secrets which were (preserved) in heaven, which men were striving to learn: And Semjaza, to whom Thou hast given authority to bear rule over his associates. And they have gone to the daughters of men upon the earth, and have slept with the women, and have defiled themselves, and revealed to them all kinds of sins. And the women have borne giants, and the whole earth has thereby been filled with blood and unrighteousness." Book of Enoch 9:6b-10a

"And again the Lord said to Raphael: 'Bind Azazel hand and foot, and cast him into the darkness: and make an opening in the desert, which is in Dudael, and cast him therein. And place upon him rough and jagged rocks, and cover him with darkness, and let him abide there for ever, and cover his face that he may not see light. And on the day of the great judgement he shall be cast into the fire. And heal the earth which the angels have corrupted, and proclaim the healing of the earth, that they may heal the plague, and that all the children of men may not perish through all the secret things that the Watchers have disclosed and have taught their sons. And the whole earth has been corrupted through the works that were taught by Azazel: to him ascribe all sin.'" Book of Enoch 10:4b-9a "And Enoch went and said: 'Azazel, thou shalt have no peace: a severe sentence has gone forth against thee to put thee in bonds: And thou shalt not have toleration nor request granted to thee, because of the unrighteousness which thou hast taught, and because of all the works of godlessness and unrighteousness and sin which thou hast shown to men.'" Book of Enoch 13:1-3a

"Wherefore have ye left the high, holy, and eternal heaven, and lain with women, and defiled yourselves with the daughters of men and taken to yourselves wives, and done like the children of earth, and begotten giants as your sons? And though ye were holy, spiritual, living the eternal life, you have defiled yourselves with the blood of women, and have begotten children with the blood of flesh, and, as the children of men, have lusted after flesh and blood as those also do who die and perish." Book Of Enoch 15:3-5a

"And I asked the angel of peace who went with me, saying: 'For whom are these chains being prepared ?' And he said unto me: 'These are being prepared for the hosts of Azazel, so that they may take them and cast them into the abyss of complete condemnation, and they shall cover their jaws with rough stones as the Lord of Spirits commanded. And Michael, and Gabriel, and Raphael, and Phanuel shall take hold of them on that great day, and cast them on that day into the burning furnace, that the Lord of Spirits may take vengeance on them for their unrighteousness in becoming subject to Satan and leading astray those who dwell on the earth.'" Book of Enoch 54:4-6

"Ye mighty kings who dwell on the earth, ye shall have to behold Mine Elect One, how he sits on the throne of glory and judges Azazel, and all his associates, and all his hosts in the name of the Lord of Spirits." Book of Enoch 55:4

"And after this judgement they shall terrify and make them to tremble because they have shown this to those who dwell on the earth. And behold the names of those angels [and these are their names: the first of them is Samjaza, the second Artaqifa, and the third Armen, the fourth Kokabel, the fifth Turael, the sixth Rumjal, the seventh Danjal, the eighth Neqael, the ninth Baraqel, the tenth Azazel, the eleventh Armaros, the twelfth Batarjal, the thirteenth Busasejal, the fourteenth Hananel, the fifteenth Turel, and the sixteenth Simapesiel, the seventeenth Jetrel, the eighteenth Tumael, the nineteenth Turel, the twentieth Rumael, the twenty-first Azazel. And these are the chiefs of their angels and their names, and their chief ones over hundreds and over fifties and over tens]." Book of Enoch 69:1-3

"And I, Enoch, answered and said unto him: 'The Lord will do a new thing on the earth, and this I have already seen in a vision, and make known to thee that in the generation of my father Jared some of the angels of heaven transgressed the word of the Lord. And behold they commit sin and transgress the law, and have united themselves with women and commit sin with them, and have married some of them, and have begot children by them. And they shall produce on the earth giants not according to the spirit, but according to the flesh, and there shall be a great punishment on the earth, and the earth shall be cleansed from all impurity. Yea, there shall come a great destruction over the whole earth, and there shall be a deluge and a great destruction for one year.'" Book Of Enoch 106:13-16a

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There Was No Other Remedial Solution Short Of Destruction Of Both Man And Beast, Nephilim Giants Consumed Everything Then Both Mankind And Each Other, How Did They Sin Against Birds Beasts Reptiles And Fish?, Did Fallen Angels Or The Nephilim Create Dinosaurs By Manipulating The Gene Pool Of Animals?, All Flesh --Man And Beast -- Was Corrupted, Perfect Time For Appearance Of Meat-Eating Dinosaurs, Was Man Created Before The Dinosaurs?, Will Men Of Science Open Pandora's Box And Release Horrors Into The World In A Few Decades, God Makes New Rules Regarding Eating Meat, Noah Offers Burnt Sacrifice To The Lord, Cain And Abel's Offerings To The Lord, Jacob Sacrifices To God, Marine Species Not Affected By The Flood, Leviathan And Behemoth, The Loch Ness Monster, Other Alleged Aquatic Monsters, New Age Beliefs Regarding A Highly Evolved Saurian Race, Eve And Serpent Gadreel, Dragon Serpent Satan And Devil, Satan: Any Adversary Who Withstands God's Will, New Age Myths Regarding Underground Advanced Civilizations Which Escaped The Flood, Alleged Reptilian Races: The Grays Dracos And Zeta Reticulans, Possibility Of Extraterrestrial Life, Beware Of Scientific Hoaxes And Unsupported Conjecture, Legal Dispute Regarding Tarbosaurus Bataar, The Catastrophic Nature Of Flood, Ancient Graveyards Mud And Mineralization, Challenge Of Separating And Assembling Fossils, God's Sure Word, No One Hundred Per Cent Complete Dinosaur Skeletons, Tyrannosaurus Rex Named "Sue", Sciurumimus Albersdoerferi

In light of the previous Scriptures and excerpts from both the Book of Jubilees and the Book of Enoch, it is easy to understand why God found it necessary to destroy both man and beast. The extent of the genetic corruption, as well as the level of evil and violence upon the Earth was so great, that there was no other remedial solution to consider. The previous verses make it rather clear that the Fallen Angels were responsible for these great evils. Before they arrived on the Earth, there were no giants to contend with. While it is true that humanity had already demonstrated it rebellious and evil nature since the time of Adam and Eve and Cain and Abel, what occurred once the Fallen Angels/Grigori arrived was so much worse.

Notice that in chapter seven of the Book of Enoch, we are informed that the giants "consumed all the acquisitions of men. And when men could no longer sustain them, the giants turned against them and devoured mankind. And they began to sin against birds, and beasts, and reptiles, and fish, and to devour one another's flesh, and drink the blood." The latter part of the verses is rather clear. As a result of their veracious appetites, the giants eventually turned on each other, and even began to consume each other and drink each other's blood.

However, what is not clear is what is meant by "they began to sin against birds, and beasts, and reptiles, and fish". Does this simply mean that they began to devour these animals as well, or is something else being implied? Exactly how did the giants sin against these various creatures? Considering the Nephilim's great size, it doesn't seem likely that they would be able to satisfy their appetites by eating birds and fish and such.

It is at this point where I will offer a bit of speculation for your consideration. What if what is really being stated in these verses is that just as the Fallen Angels manipulated the human gene pool when they chose to engage in sex with the women of Earth, either their evil offspring -- the giants -or perhaps even the Fallen Angels themselves, also began to in some way manipulate the genes of the animals of the Earth? What if this is what actually resulted in the appearance of dinosaurs on the Earth in the distant past?

While this is just a personal theory which you are obviously free to accept or reject, I find it rather interesting that the previous verses specifically mention all four different animal groups, which according to science, were populated by various species of dinosaurs. What if the Fallen Angels or their Nephilim offspring took what God had already created, and manipulated and corrupted it, just as the Fallen Angels had corrupted humanity? As we have seen, Moses specifically wrote in Genesis, that all flesh had become corrupted; that is, marred, ruined and spoiled. That is why the Lord chose to take action by way of the Flood. He had to put a stop to it before no one was left. He had to stop the Fallen Angels in their tracks.

It just seems to me that if there was any time in Biblical history when violent, meat-eating dinosaurs would appear on the Earth, the centuries leading up to the Flood would most certainly be it. The Angelic Invasion had already occurred. The giant Nephilim were terrorizing humanity. It was a time of spiritual darkness, excessive wickedness and relentless violence. The original peaceful balance which God had made had been lost, and creation had really gone amuck. Dangerous dinosaurs would fit right into that scenario.

Now, if there is any truth to my personal speculation -- and I do emphasize that it is just a theory -- it makes a number

of rather interesting statements regarding what we are being taught, and what is happening today in the world of science. For example, as I explain in the article entitled "The Earth Is Under 7,000 Years Old", according to my calculations, the worldwide Flood occurred when our planet was approximately 1,556 years old. If this genetic corruption in the gene pool of man and beast occurred several hundred years at best prior to the Flood -- thus resulting in giants and dinosaurs -- it means that contrary to the claims of modern science that man appeared on the Earth millions of years after the dinosaurs, not only did man and dinosaur exist together for a short span of a few hundred years, but man actually appeared on the Earth over a thousand years before the dinosaurs!

The second important statement, or observation, is this: If what I have stated here is even close to correct, stop and consider what is happening in the world of science today in the areas of the Human Genome Project, gene sequencing, stem cell research, in vitro fertilization, somatic cell nuclear transfer and genomic reprogramming, and related fields. In his desire to become his own creator god, is man tampering with technologies which belong to God alone? Is he about to open the proverbial Pandora's Box which no man will be able to shut once it is opened? In their foolish pride, will men of science accidentally release horrors into the world in a matter of a few decades or less? Frightful thoughts indeed!

Incidentally, with this new knowledge concerning the giants eating flesh of both man and beast, it makes it a lot easier to understand why God gave new commandments regarding killing animals and eating meat, immediately after the Flood in the ninth chapter of the Book of Genesis. In other words, aside from the fact that consuming protein would assist people in living longer, healthier lives, despite the negative effects which would result from ultraviolet rays and other sources of radiation from Outer Space, perhaps Noah and his three sons had caught whiffs of cooking meat, and the Lord knew that it was something which they just wouldn't be able to resist for very long. For those of you who are not vegetarians, how does your body react when you catch a whiff of steak being cooked on the flame, or when the smell of your neighbor's delicious barbecue happens to come your way?

So, maybe the Lord changed the rules in order to fit the new situation in which Noah and his family found themselves after the Flood had occurred. The fact that God made the new rules regarding man and beast, and eating meat, also suggests that prior to the Fall and the intervention by the Fallen Angels, beasts did not kill men, and men did not kill beasts in order to consume their meat.

While some of you may object to my speculation regarding the smell of meat, and how Noah and his family may have reacted to it, perhaps you will find it interesting to know that once Noah and his sons had released all of the animals from the Ark, Noah also offered a burnt sacrifice to the Lord. What is interesting about this is how the Lord Himself reacted to the smell of Noah's sacrifice. Consider the following verses:

"And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. And the LORD smelled a sweet savour;

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." Genesis 8:20-22, KJV

As you can see, the Lord seems to have enjoyed smelling the burnt sacrifice which Noah offered to Him. It is also rather interesting to note that this is the very first place in the King James Version of the Bible where building an altar, and offering a burnt sacrifice is mentioned. The only offering that is recorded as having taken place prior to that time was when Cain and Abel offered their gifts to the Lord. However, as you can see below, there is no mention of either of them actually killing an animal, or offering a burnt sacrifice on an altar:

"And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD. And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering: But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell." Genesis 4:3-5, KJV

While the word "fat" could possibly imply that Abel killed an animal, allow me to point out that in the original Hebrew text, the word used is "cheleb". This word not only refers to the fat of human or beast, but also to the choicest or the best part of something. Thus, personally, I am inclined to believe that Abel simply offered the very best part of his flock as a gift to the Lord, while it was Noah who built the very first altar, and then offered the very first burnt sacrifice in the Bible. To reiterate, the words "burnt" and "altar" are not used in the KJV Bible until Noah offers the aforementioned sacrifice. Furthermore, the word "sacrifice" is never used until the Patriarch Jacob offers one in Genesis chapter thirty-one, as we see here:

"Then Jacob offered sacrifice upon the mount, and called his brethren to eat bread: and they did eat bread, and tarried all night in the mount." Genesis 31:54, KJV

Returning to our discussion concerning ancient dinosaurs and the destruction of all flesh -- man and beast -- as a result of the Flood, allow me to remind you that the Book of Genesis seems to indicate that this only affected air-breathing life which was land-based. In other words, to my knowledge, marine species were not affected. This suggests that there are some ancient sea creatures which may still be roaming the depths of our oceans even in our present day. One prime example of this which has sometimes made the news is the coelacanth. As you may know, as late as the early Twentieth Century, modern scientists had erroneously assumed that the coelacanth had become extinct millions of years ago. However, in 1938, one was caught alive off of the east coast of South Africa. Since that time, other live specimens have been found in the region of the Indian Ocean, and around Indonesia as well. So much for the theories of men. Many Christians are also familiar with the Bible's mention of two monsters named Leviathan and Behemoth. As I explain in the series entitled "Leviathan: An Ancient Dragon of the Sea?", the Scriptures seem to indicate that Leviathan was a real fire-breathing dragon which roamed the ancient seas, even during the time of men. Whether or not it still exists I honestly do not know. While we may be tempted to refer to Leviathan as a dinosaur, it was actually a marine reptile. As we have seen, dinosaurs and reptiles are very different in a taxonomic sense. Please refer to the aforementioned series for a detailed treatise regarding this ancient beast.

Behemoth, on the other hand, was a land-based creature of tremendous size, and apparently an herbivore. Its precise identity has been a source of discussion and debate for a number of centuries. Suggestions have included an elephant, a hippopotamus, a mammoth and a Diplodocus or Brachiosaurus. As occurred with Leviathan, the verses below indicate that the Behemoth was created at the same time as man:

"Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee; he eateth grass as an ox. Lo now, his strength is in his loins, and his force is in the navel of his belly. He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together. His bones are as strong pieces of brass; his bones are like bars of iron. He is the chief of the ways of God: he that made him can make his sword to approach unto him. Surely the mountains bring him forth food, where all the beasts of the field play. He lieth under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and fens. The shady trees cover him with their shadow; the willows of the brook compass him about. Behold, he drinketh up a river, and hasteth not: he trusteth that he can draw up Jordan into his mouth. He taketh it with his eyes: his nose pierceth through snares." Job 40:15-24, KJV

According to the Book of Enoch, Leviathan and Behemoth seem to have been created together, and were later separated. In the Book that is named after him, Enoch also states that the Leviathan was a female monster, while Behemoth was a male. Consider the following excerpts:

"And on that day were two monsters parted, a female monster named Leviathan, to dwell in the abysses of the ocean over the fountains of the waters. But the male is named Behemoth, who occupied with his breast a waste wilderness named Duidain, on the east of the garden where the elect and righteous dwell, where my grandfather was taken up, the seventh from Adam, the first man whom the Lord of Spirits created. And I besought the other angel that he should show me the might of those monsters, how they were parted on one day and cast, the one into the abysses of the sea, and the other unto the dry land of the wilderness. And he said to me: 'Thou son of man, herein thou dost seek to know what is hidden.'"

Book of Enoch 60:7-10

Some of my readers will no doubt be wondering what my view is regarding the so-called Loch Ness monster. Does it really exist, or is it just the invention of fantasy-minded Scotts who have tourism in mind? Could it possibly be a modern-day survivor of the Leviathan? To both these questions, I have to provide an honest "I don't know". While I am no expert on the subject, I will say that according to what I have read, the high concentration of peat in the water, the high water temperature -- which results in a lower level of oxygen -the low visibility level, and the scarcity of natural food, would seem to make Loch Ness less conducive to the survival of a large aquatic reptile such as the Loch Ness monster. More than that, I really cannot say.

The same answer applies to the other alleged aquatic monsters such as the Lake Van Monster of Turkey; the Mokele-mbembe of the Congo River basin; the Ogopogo which is said to dwell in the Okanagan Lake of British Columbia, Canada; Champ, which is purported to swim in the waters of Lake Champlain in the American states of New York and Vermont; and so many others which are too numerous to name here. Are they pranks and just silly attempts to draw tourists? Are they misidentifications of known objects or animals? Could some of them possibly be bona fide remnants of ancient creatures? In light of the small amount of real, verifiable evidence, it is difficult to say. So again, I just don't know what they are, if anything at all.

As I mentioned in part one, some New Age adherents embrace a number of strange beliefs of their own. One of them which is directly related to our current discussion, is a belief that an ancient upright-walking saurian race -- who they like to refer to as reptoids -- coexisted with early man. The people who accept this belief claim that the serpent in the Garden of Eden was actually one of these creatures which had become possessed by Satan. On a related note, it may interest you to know that according to the Book of Enoch, the actual Fallen Angel who deceived Eve was called Gadreel, as we see here:

"And the third was named Gadreel: he it is who showed the children of men all the blows of death, and he led astray Eve, and showed [the weapons of death to the sons of men] the shield and the coat of mail, and the sword for battle, and all the weapons of death to the children of men. And from his hand they have proceeded against those who dwell on the earth from that day and for evermore." Book of Enoch 69:6b-8a

"Wait a minute!" some of you will no doubt protest. "That is a direct contradiction of the Bible. The Scriptures plainly state that it was Satan who tempted and deceived Eve." While that is what many of us have been taught -- and even what I have also taught for many years -- a close inspection of the Bible reveals that nowhere in the Book of Genesis is Satan directly named as the source of Eve's deception. It simply says "the serpent". Furthermore, when the Apostle Paul refers back to the incident in his second Epistle to the brethren at Corinth, neither does he use the name of "Satan" directly. He likewise writes "the serpent". Consider these verses:

"Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die . . . And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat." Genesis 3:1-4, 13, KJV

"But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ." 2 Corinthians 11:3, KJV

It may surprise you to learn that nowhere in the entire KJV Bible is the name "Eve" used in the same verse as the words "Devil" or "Satan". The reason why we assume that Satan was the culprit in the Garden of Eden is because he is generally recognized as God's chief adversary -- such as in the Book of Job -- and also because of the following verses that we find in the Book of Revelation:

"And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him."

Revelation 12:9, KJV

"And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years," Revelation 20:2, KJV

So how do we find harmony between what we have long believed, what the Book of Enoch states, and what the Biblical Canon states? If we consider that the Book of Enoch describes how the Fallen Angels were divided into different companies and groups, each of which had their leader, and that Satan seems to have been the head of them all, it makes perfect sense to assume that Gadreel may have been operating directly under Satan's directions, which means that Satan deceived Eve by proxy. Consider these verses:

"And I asked the angel of peace who went with me, saying: 'For whom are these chains being prepared? 'And he said unto me: 'These are being prepared for the hosts of Azazel, so that they may take them and cast them into the abyss of complete condemnation, and they shall cover their jaws with rough stones as the Lord of Spirits commanded. And Michael, and Gabriel, and Raphael, and Phanuel shall take hold of them on that great day, and cast them on that day into the burning furnace, that the Lord of Spirits may take vengeance on them for their unrighteousness in becoming subject to Satan and leading astray those who dwell on the earth.'" Book of Enoch 54:4-6

As you can see, Azazel and his bands actually became subject to Satan. This would obviously have included Gadreel. It is likewise important to realize that in the original Hebrew tongue, the word "satan" -- which is pronounced saw-tawn' -literally means adversary or one who withstands. In the New Testament, the Greek form "satanas" is used. In other words, any Fallen Angel or evil spirit who resists God's Will is technically a satan. That is why in the Book of Enoch, the word "Satans" is used to refer to the Fallen Angels. Returning to our discussion regarding the New Age advocates, In addition to believing that an ancient bipedal saurian race coexisted with early humans, in contradiction to God's Word, these people also propose that some of these alleged saurian creatures actually survived the Flood. According to this New Age myth, they accomplished this by escaping into underground tunnels and caverns of the Earth, where they are said to have evolved into highly intelligent beings.

As has been said of the alleged Atlanteans, the Greeks, the Hav-Musuvs of Paiute Indian legend, the Indians of India, and other ancient societies, these reptilian creatures are said to exist to this very day in their underground metropolises. Other New Age advocates also believe that some of the ancient races escaped from the Earth and traveled to the stars. The Grays -- who are also referred to as Dracos or Zeta Reticulans -- are likewise claimed to be reptilian in nature, possessing serpentine slitted eyes, and scaly skin of varying shades of gray, according to those people who espouse these beliefs.

Obviously, I do not accept any of this New Age psychobabble as being true. As I have already made clear, the possibility of underground civilizations which somehow survived the great Flood is totally contrary to what we are taught in the Bible. To reiterate, God's Word informs us that all land-based and air-breathing men and beasts died, with the exception of the ones which were offered protection in the Ark. As I mentioned in part one, there is no way around this, unless we choose to say that the Genesis Account is not true, and that God is a liar.

As I believe I mention in the series "Alien Life, Extrasolar Planets and Universal Atonement", if there is in fact life on other planets, the Biblical account does not support the idea that it originated on or migrated from the Earth in some ancient time. In my view, if life -- intelligent or otherwise -- exists on other planets, I am inclined to believe that it must have been a separate creation by the Lord. Naturally, I do not know this for a fact, and this is just speculation on my part.

But let us return now to the central theme of this series. While the fossil record convinces me that dinosaurs did exist in our ancient past for a brief period prior to the Flood, please note that this doesn't mean that I just blindly accept all of the claims which are made by modern scientists. While we can hope that most men of science are men of honesty and integrity, neither should we be ignorant of the fact that a fair number of hoaxes have been perpetrated over the decades. Not only that, but we also need to recognize that, while by nature science adheres to a very rigid system of rules, when it involves dinosaurs, particularly what they looked like, what their diet consisted of, whether they were bipedal and stood on their hind legs or crawled on all fours, whether they were capable of running quickly or moved slowly, whether they were warm-blooded or cold-blooded, etc., it has involved a certain degree of personal conjecture.

Even during my own lifetime, a number of long-held erroneous assumptions regarding dinosaurs have had to be corrected, to the great embarrassment of the scientific community. Some of my readers will no doubt respond that such is the nature of scientific inquiry and that it is an ongoing, self-correcting process to discover the truth. I obviously agree with this point. Nevertheless, my point still stands that we should not just blindly believe something just because a scientist with a Ph.D. states it, any more than we should believe everything that a preacher says just because he possesses a Th.D. We all should endeavor to verify the facts for ourselves, if it is within our means to do so. Sad to say, sometimes the desire for fame or financial profit will cause some men to distort the truth.

As I worked on the update to this series, I discovered that even at this current time, there are legal disputes going on regarding certain fossilized dinosaur remains. One example in particular involves a case where a skeleton of a relative of the Tyrannosaurus rex named Tarbosaurus bataar was apparently taken out of Mongolia illegally. Part of the legal battle is over the fact that a certain degree of deception has clouded the case. While the fossil dealer involved in the case made the claim that the fossils came from a seventy-five per cent complete specimen -- meaning from a single dinosaur -- claims are now being made that it is in reality what is referred to as a composite specimen. In other words, the skeleton may be actually comprised of fossilized bones from several different skeletons of the same species of dinosaur. Furthermore, these bones may have come from several different countries. It is for reasons like these that we should not just accept things at face value, because you never know what deception may be at work.

If we consider what a catastrophic event the Flood was, and what kind of condition it must have left the world in after the flood waters had receded, it makes it a lot easier for us to understand the challenge that scientists face whenever they do discover actual dinosaur bones; or more correctly stated, the fossilized, mineralized remains of what had once been dinosaur bones.

We need to realize that when the Flood arrived, and mighty currents began to rapidly fill up the lowlands and valleys, all living things -- both people and beasts, including the dinosaurs -- were suddenly swept off of their feet by flash floods and such. Many animals were probably carried great distances and eventually drowned. As the waters eventually receded off of the face of the Earth after the Lord stopped the rain, whatever remains the sharks and other garbagemen of the sea weren't able to eat, were probably carried by the swift-moving currents to the various lowlands of the Earth where they piled up in mighty ancient graveyards. They were then either partially or fully buried in thick layers of mud. That mud was eventually hardened by the Sun, time or pressure -- or possibly by a combination of the three -and the slow process of mineralization began to occur.

When paleontologists and other scientists discover fossilized dinosaur skeletons today, quite often, the remains are mixed in with remains from other dinosaurs, as well as from other animals which died during the Flood. Furthermore, rarely are the bones from one dinosaur neatly in place. They can be very jumbled, scattered over a very wide area, or even completely missing some bones, such as tail bones. Some bones will also be severely damaged. So, as I said earlier, this presents a major challenge for the paleontologists, and it does force them to make a lot of educated guesses when it comes time to actually assemble the bones, which can later turn out to be wrong.

Consider, for example, that until recently, it was commonly believed that certain dinosaurs where slow, dumb, solitary creatures which lumbered about. Then one day some scientists discovered that they had placed the angle of the tail bones incorrectly. As a result, said dinosaurs are now viewed as having been swift-running, highly-intelligent pack killers. Such is the world of scientific theory and guesswork. It is very volatile and can change from day to day. Thank God that our faith as Christians is based on the "more sure word of prophecy", as we see by this verse:

"We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:" 2 Peter 1:19, KJV

It may interest you to know that based on the research that I conducted, there are only about 2,100 dinosaur skeletons on display in museums around the worldwide. Not only that, but to my knowledge, none of these models -- the real bones are not displayed for obvious reasons -- are based on one hundred per cent complete dinosaur skeletons. In fact, some dinosaurs which have been categorized are based on one single bone or tooth.

One of the most complete dinosaur skeletons that I am aware of is a display of a Tyrannosaurus rex named "Sue" that is located at the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago, Illinois, USA. Named after its discoverer, paleontologist Sue Hendrickson, this huge beast stands thirteen feet tall at the hips, and measures forty and a half feet from the tip of its snout to the end of its tail. "Sue" is based on a fossilized skeleton that is said to be eighty per cent complete, which is a record for completeness within paleontology.

More recently, the fossilized remains of a related theropod -- a carnivorous dinosaur of a group whose members are also bipedal -- was discovered in the state of Bavaria in southern Germany a few years ago. The newly named dinosaur Sciurumimus albersdoerferi -- which is believed to be a juvenile of its species -- measures about seventy-two centimeters from its snout to the tip of its tail, and is said to be ninety-eight per cent complete.

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Frozen Mummified Woolly Mammoth Carcasses Found In Siberia, Mummification Involves Desiccation, Fossilization Involves Mineralization, My Hesitancy To Accept Outward Appearance Of Dinosaurs, Theory Regarding Formation Of Polar Ice Caps, Global Warming And Melting Polar Ice Shelves And Ice Flows, Danger Of Coastal Inundation In Coming Decades, God Promises With A Rainbow, Destruction By Fire, Sudden Destruction And Death Resulted From The Flood, Carcasses Carried By The Waves To Extremities Of The Earth, Closing Remarks, Reading List

Other than frozen, mummified woolly mammoth carcasses which have been found primarily in Siberia -- some of which still have seed pods in their mouths and undigested vegetation in their stomachs according to the reports -- I personally have never heard of any other frozen, mummified remains having been found anywhere of any prehistoric animal. Please note that these frozen woolly mammoth carcasses are mummified and not really fossilized. There's a distinct difference between the two. Mummification involves real, desiccated flesh, and not just mineralized bones as is the case with the dinosaurs. In light of the fact that most fossilized dinosaur remains consist primarily of mineralized bones, and do not contain much -- and usually no -- flesh, skin, scales, etc., this contributes greatly to my personal hesitancy in accepting how paleontologists depict the outward appearance of dinosaurs. They may be right, but then again, they could be way off the mark as well.

Regarding the frozen, mummified woolly mammoths of Siberia -the most famous of which are two calves named Dima and Lyuba -- while it is just a personal theory on my part, I have long suspected that the polar ice caps were formed when the flood waters froze as they slowly receded to the extremities of the Earth; that is, to the polar regions. While much of the water was no doubt swallowed by the Earth itself, or became a part of the oceans of the world, as I explain in other articles, the Bible does inform us that God caused a wind to blow which caused the waters to recede. While I am not a scientist, it makes perfect sense to me that the flood waters would recede away from the Equator, and thus would accumulate at the two poles. Consider these verses:

"And God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that was with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters asswaged; The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained; And the waters returned from off the earth continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters were abated. And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat. And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month: in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, were the tops of the mountains seen."

What I find so interesting regarding this theory, is that in our modern day, there is great scientific concern regarding the fact that the polar ice shelves have begun to melt due to Global Warming. In fact, it is well known within scientific circles that with each passing year, more and more of the ice flows are melting, resulting in larger areas of open seas for a longer period of time each year. Greenland in particular is being seriously affected by these climatic changes. The fear is that if this continues at an increasing rate, within a few decades, many islands and coastal areas of the world will be totally inundated and will disappear. It will be like a mini global flood except in reverse. However, while I obviously do not know the future, allow me to remind you of God's promise:

"And God spake 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. And God said unto Noah, This is the token of the covenant, which I have established between me and all flesh that is upon the earth." Genesis 9:8-17, KJV

Of course, while the Lord promised that He would never again destroy the Earth by the waters of a great flood, we should remain mindful of the following verses as well which we find in the Apostle Peter's second Epistle:

"But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men . . . But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up . . . Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?" 2 Peter 3:7, 10, 12, KJV

At any rate, if my theory properly explains how the ice caps were formed thousands of years ago, it would likewise easily explain the many mummified frozen wooly mammoth carcasses which have been discovered in the tundra of the Arctic. As we have already seen, the destruction of all air-breathing life on Earth was a very sudden, catastrophic, worldwide event in which death came swiftly and unexpectedly. This is evident by the fact that these wooly mammoths were found with vegetation still in their mouths and in their bellies, as if they were totally caught by surprise. As an avid snorkeler in my younger years, I am quite familiar with the power of the ocean waves. As such, it is very easy for me to imagine global tidal waves which were caused by the Lord's wind, carrying many animals to the northern and southern extremities of the Earth, where they immediately froze and were preserved for many centuries until they were recently discovered.

In conclusion, we have a clear, accurate, factual, historical account of the early days of the Creation of the Earth, and likewise an accurate record of the catastrophic consequences of the great Flood which covered the Earth, due to the sins of both man and the Fallen Angels. For anyone who possesses a sincere interest in the truth, the answers can be found in the pages of the Bible, if he asks the Lord to open his eyes, mind and heart to them. Likewise, I have provided personal theories regarding how the dinosaurs may have been created, as well as how they may have really met their demise. Even if you reject my personal theories, I hope that at the very least, this series has made you stop and think, and consider your own position regarding some of the things which you currently believe.

Based on the information which I have provided for you in this series, I hope that you will agree that anything which lends weight to the argument that the Earth and the heavens were not created in six literal days, or that the dinosaurs existed on the Earth millions of years prior to mankind, or that man evolved from apes, should be held suspect, and in fact totally rejected by sincere Christian Believers. There can be no compromise when it comes to inspired truth. Either the Genesis Account is the true, accurate, inspired Word of God, or else it is not. We each must make that decision for ourselves. Which will you choose?

With these thoughts I will bring this series to a close. I pray that you have found it informative, and that it has been a blessing in your life. If you have been inspired by it, I encourage you to share its URL link with all of your online friends. Also, if you have an account with Facebook, Twitter or Google+, I would very much appreciate if you would take the time to click on the corresponding link that is found on this page. Thanks so much, and may God bless you!

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