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# "The Word Of Jehovah Is Right"

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#### Introduction.

I. Years ago an **atheist sent a parcel of infidel literature to a young man**, advising him to read it in preference to the Bible.

### A. The young man wrote back:

- "Dear Sir: If you have anything better than the Sermon on the Mount, more beautiful than the story of the prodigal son or the Good Samaritan; or any code of morals higher than the Ten Commandments or the 'Golden Rule' of Jesus Christ; or more consoling and beautiful than the Twenty-third psalm; or anything that will reveal to me a more loving and merciful God, or will throw more light on the future send it along!" Sunday School Times.
- B. Needless to say the atheist had nothing better to send. The Bible is the most wonderful and most amazing book ever written. Others books are written by mere men and quickly become outdated.
- II. At this time I would like to study with you a statement made in Psalm 33:4. The Psalmist declared: "For the word of Jehovah is right."

### III. We are living in an age of modernism.

- A. Millions of people make light of the Bible and contend that it is a book of myths and errors, but this is erroneous. The Bible is free of myths and errors though it was written when the world was full of myths and superstitions. It is a book that we can completely trust. It is a book that is inspired and true from beginning to end.
- B. The evidence is certain and indisputable.
- I. **Right About The Origin Of The Universe** The Bible is right about the origin of the universe.
  - A. There are several false theories of the origin of the universe and the world that are advocated today.
    - 1. One theory is that there is **no earth, or universe, or anything else in existence.** 
      - a. Some contend that we only think there is a world, and that we exist, but are deceived by our unreal five senses and unreal fleshly minds.
      - b. **Only a fool** would be naive enough to accept this preposterous theory. It is evident that the universe is real. It is evident that the world and man are real.
    - 2. A second theory of the origin of the universe is that the universe rose up mysteriously out of nothing.
      - a. This theory is accepted by many intelligent people, but it contradicts the scientific law which affirms something cannot come from nothing.

- b. Those who advocate this theory cannot explain how nothing made itself into something. They cannot explain how nothing and blind chance evolved into such a complex and beautiful universe.
- 3. A third theory of the origin of the universe is that **the universe is eternal**.
  - a. It is argued that the universe has no origin, but has always existed.
  - b. The **second law of Thermodynamics**, the science of heat, denies the earth is eternal. Scientists inform us that the earth is gradually losing heat running down. It is losing heat at such a rate that the earth would already be too cold to be inhabited if it were eternal. Something that is running down must have had a beginning and cannot be eternal.
- B. The Bible, God's inspired revelation to man, gives us the correct and logical view of the origin of the universe.
  - 1. It declares that the universe is real and not a mere illusion.
  - 2. It declares that the universe was created by an Eternal, Living, Intelligent, all-powerful God.
    - a. The opening verse of the Bible exclaims. (Gen. 1:1).
    - b. The Hebrew writer exclaimed. (Heb. 3:4).
  - 3. The **order of the universe** substantiates the fact that the earth and the universe had an intelligent Creator. When we see a house we know it had a maker. When we see a watch we know it had a maker. And when we see the marvelous universe we know it had an intelligent Maker. Its Maker is none other than the Eternal, Omnipotent God of the universe.
- II. **Right About The Rotundity Of The Earth** The Bible is right about the rotundity of the earth.
  - A. Men though for ages that the earth was flat, but the Bible never speaks of a flat earth.
  - B. It declares hundreds of years before the coming of Christ that the earth is round.
    - 1. In the book of Proverbs, for example, we find the statement. (Prov. 8:27).
    - 2. Similarly, Isaiah declared. (Isa. 40:22).
    - 3. There is also a most remarkable reference to the rotundity or round shape of the earth is the teaching of our Lord. (Lk.17:31-36).
- LUK 17:31 "On that day, let not the one who is on the housetop and whose goods are in the house go down to take them away; and likewise let not the one who is in the field turn back. 32 "Remember Lot's wife. 33 "Whoever seeks to keep his life shall lose it, and whoever loses his life shall preserve it.
- 34 "I tell you, on that night there will be two men in one bed; one will be taken, and the other will be left.
- 35 "There will be two women grinding at the same place; one will be taken, and the other will be left.
- 36 [ "Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other will be left."]
  - a. Jesus taught it would be both day an night when He comes.
  - b. Christ is implying a knowledge of the roundness of the earth.
- III. Right About The Stars The Bible is right about the stars.
  - A. Men even as late as the 19<sup>th</sup> century thought the stars could be numbered and some even tried to give the number of the stars.

B. But this was fallacious thinking. Today scientists know that there billions of galaxies and the stars of the heavens are without number as the word of God declared long ages ago. (Jere. 33:22).

# Our Home: The Milky Way\_

We live in a galaxy called the Milky Way.

In the city the Milky Way is hard to see because the lights reflect from the sky. But if you get away from the city on a clear night you can see it, a band of white running across the sky.

The Milky Way is made of about 400 billion stars. Our Sun is just one of those many stars. It's a very ordinary star, like most of the stars in the Milky Way. Some of the stars are much bigger -- giants and even supergiants. All of them orbit a point called the Galactic Center, like the planets orbit the Sun.

The galaxy is like an enormous spinning pancake, 100,000 light years in diameter. (1 light year is 10 trillion kilometers or 6 trillion miles.) But because we live inside the pancake, when we look out, we see the edge of the pancake as a strip of stars in the Milky Way. The nearby stars are close enough so that they are spread all over the sky and don't seem to be in the pancake, though they really are.

Our Milky Way is just one of many galaxies in the universe. Astronomers can see many others. One of the closest is the Andromeda Galaxy. But even it is two million light years away. There are around 100 billion galaxies in the universe and each one of them has roughly 100 billion stars. So there is roughly one galaxy for every star in the Milky Way. http://www.letsfindout.com/subjects/space/galaxy.html

- 1. This article says there are roughly 100 billion galaxies and roughly 100 billion stars in each galaxy.
- 2. This means the estimated number of stars is 100 billion times 100 billion. This is 1 followed by 22 zeros. A sextillion is 1 followed by 21 zero. If you add a zero to this number, you have 10 sextillion stars.
- 3. Just in my lifetime astronomers have discovered nearly 100,000 billion galaxies. By the time some of the small children here are my age, the number will probably double or triple.
- 4. What we see now is only a tiny speck of what is out there, and truly the stars are without number.
- IV. **Right About Medical Science** The Bible is right about medical science. The Bible is not a book about medicine and does not employ medical terms, but when it speaks concerning medical science it is always correct.
  - A. In Leviticus 13:45, there is this reading, "And the leper...shall cover his upper lip, land shall cry out, Unclean, unclean..."
    - 1. This was obviously was a recognition of the necessity of isolation in connection with certain diseases.
    - 2. This fact was not known by men generally until many centuries after these words were penned.

- B. Leviticus 14 gives another example in its commands that certain washings be done in running water.
  - 1. This command was originally to the Israelites when they were wandering in the wilderness of Sinai, where water was scarce.
  - 2. The necessity of washing in running water implied a knowledge of disease germs, which was not to be discovered by men for several thousand years.
- C. The Bible also says, "For the life of the flesh is in the blood..." (Lev. 17:11).
  - 1. This is one of the most comprehensive and up-to-date physiological statements that has ever been made. The life and well-being of every organ, gland and tissue depends upon the condition of the blood.
  - 2. Furthermore, this statement is **a strong refutation of bleeding**. This was a popular medical treatment until two centuries ago to rid the body of impurities and restore health.
  - 3. Bleeding to restore health is never taught in the Bible and is not compatible with the teaching that blood is the life. The Bible is perfect and does not make the mistakes of men.
- V. **Right About History** The Bible is right about history.
  - A. **Infidels** long argued that the city of Gibeon mentioned about 34 times in the Old Testament was one of the weak links of the Bible since no trace was ever found of it.
  - B. God let them boast a long time that the city never existed and the Bible was false. Then the Almighty "lowered the boom!" Excavators started digging about six miles north of Jerusalem and uncovered the ancient city. They even found the artificial pool mentioned in 2 Samuel 2:13 besides which Saul's and David's forces battled. Naturally, the modernists mentioned this "weak link" no more. The Bible was right.
  - C. Since the days when the Bible was written, hundreds of archeological discoveries have been made. Not one contradicts the Bible. They all shout the Bible is right.
- VI. **Right About The Coming Of Christ And His Kingdom** The Bible is right about the coming of Christ and His kingdom.
  - A. The writers of the Old Testament prophesied that the Messiah would come and set up His glorious kingdom. (Psa. 132:11; Dan. 2:44).
    - 1. Many doubted this promise and wrote it off as wishful thinking, but they were wrong.
    - 2. The Bible was right.
  - B. During the days of the Roman Empire God sent His Son into the world and Christ established His kingdom.
    - 1. He preached that the kingdom was near. (Matt. 4:17).
    - 2. Skeptics made light of this promise, and He refused to believe the kingdom was near and this lowly Jew would be King of God's kingdom Example of Pilate & the cross.
    - 3. God raised Jesus from the grave after 3 days, and Jesus ascended into heaven to sit on the throne of David at the right hand of God.

- 4. Peter affirms in Acts 2:32 that Christ is King and He now reigns at the right hand of God.
- 5. Those who accept Christ through faith and baptism become a part of this great kingdom.

## VII. Right About Man - The Bible is right about man.

- A. It speaks of the earthly composition of man. It speaks of the soul or spirit of man. It perfectly describes the weakness, the fears, the hopes, the yearnings of man. A man who lives by its teachings finds happiness. A man who ignores its teachings suffers.
- B. Once a learned Chinese man was employed by some missionaries to translate the New Testament into Chinese. At first the work of translating had no effect upon the scholarly Chinese man. But after some time he said, "What a wonderful book this is!" The missionaries asked, "Why so?" The man said, "Because it tells so exactly about myself. It knows all that is in me. The One who made this book must have made me!"

#### Conclusion.

- I. Yes, the word of Jehovah is right about man and about every other subject! It is without error! We can trust it completely and reply on it to direct us to God.
- II. Once a cab driver in Ireland was reading the New Testament. A man who entered the cab said, "What are you reading." The driver answered, "The New Testament, sir." "Why do you read it?" The driver said, "I love it, Sir, and the Savior of whom it tells." What is your creed?" "It is very simple, Sir: Believe all that God has said; obey all that Christ has commanded; expect6 all the Christ has promised."
  - A. That is an excellent creed for us: "Believe all that God has said; obey all that Christ has commanded; expect all that Christ has promised."
  - B. This creed will lead to eternal life. If you are not in Christ, won't you come to Christ now and be baptized and begin living this creed. The Lord wants you to be saved. He wanted you to have eternal life. Come as we sing.

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