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OBSERVATIONS FROM OUR DIRECTOR

The last two editions of the *Lamplighter* have represented bookends on two chapters in the history of Lamb & Lion Ministries. What began 41 years ago continues, even as we turn the page into a new season. Our mission and message will not end until Jesus returns.

The Bible also contains many chapters in multiple books. Written over many generations by many authors, it offers a metanarrative—an overarching story of God's interaction with Man. Its prophetic passages offer clear glimpses of things to come. And it consistently focuses on the person and purpose of Jesus Christ.

Christians who love the Lord develop a hunger for His Word. They gain understanding as the Holy Spirit illuminates key passages, offering solace or insight at just the right moment. They hide His Word deep in their hearts, allowing it to guide their journey on the straight and narrow path. And they realize that all of Scripture points to a culmination of human history when Jesus will return to reign upon the earth.



For many years, I've considered Genesis and Revelation to be the "bookends" of the Bible. Critically important in their own right, they enclose the entirety of God's Word. Genesis provides the foundation for everything else that follows. Revelation provides the grand finale of God's revealed plan for humanity and assures us that God prevails in the end.

This edition of the *Lamplighter* will focus on the bookends of the Bible. It complements the sweeping series we will be undertaking on our *Christ in Prophecy* television program beginning in September. Befitting the name of our program, we intend to revisit the entire Old Testament. Over the course of the next several months, we'll point out how God's prophetic Word points to Jesus Christ. His was there in the beginning and His story is the driving theme of biblical history.

We trust that the changes you've noticed in the *Lamplighter* and on *Christ in Prophecy* have demonstrated our intention to stay fresh

and engaging, while remaining true to the message we share. As always, we welcome your input and feedback.

Please keep us in your prayers and know that we welcome your support to reach new audiences and new generations with the exciting news that Jesus is coming soon.

Until He returns we'll continue to live between the bookends, grateful for the tender mercies He showers down on us each day and for the privilege to serve as co-laborers for Christ.

Godspeed!!

Tim Moore
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BOOKENDS OF THE BIBLE

TIM MOORE



Remember the former things from long past, for I am God, and there is no other; I am God and there is no one like Me, declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things which have not been done, saying, 'My purpose will be established, and I will accomplish all My good pleasure... Truly I have spoken; truly I will bring it to pass. I have planned it, surely I will do it.

Isaiah 46:9-11

What an awesome God we serve!

No other supposed deity has the knowledge to describe the pre-historic past authoritatively, the foresight to predict the future, the audacity to proclaim the future, and the power to ensure that what He declares will come to pass.

The Bible is unique in that it contains detailed descriptions of the beginning and the end of Creation. Skeptics and atheists are left sputtering their contempt in the face of God's commanding declarations. They argue that the prophets of God recorded their prophecies long after what they foretold came to pass.

But the historical record is clear. The prophets of God lived and prophesied long before their prophecies were fulfilled. That fulfillment validated the prophets' authenticity—and validates God's omniscience and omnipotence.

In the Beginning

God's first statement contains His own eyewitness account of His activity at the very outset of recorded history: "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth" (Genesis 1:1). Who can dispute His account from a position of authority? Who else was present to offer a different recollection of that event? Thus, cosmologists and theoretical scientists with their hypotheses cannot even provide a valid contradictory theory because there is no way to substantiate their ideas for how the

cosmos came into being.

And the universe that God created was not merely reformulated out of existing stuff. He did not mold and form matter that He found pre-existent and unused. He made everything that exists ex nihilo—out of nothing. Indeed, all that we observe and know sprang from an idea in the unfathomable mind of God.

John tells us that even before He created, God existed in perfect harmony with Himself. Referring to Christ, John records, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being" (John 1:1-3).



Every created thing—be it a galaxy, a world, a mighty beast, a perfect snowflake or God's highest creation, Man—exists because God made it so.

A Denial of Reality

Over time, Man's relationship with God became skewed due to our sinful nature. As it has been said, we are not sinners because we sin; we sin because we are sinners. That propensity to wander away from God—initially spurred by the serpent in the garden of Eden—has been our downfall throughout human history.

Yet, just like Adam, we endeavor to deflect the responsibility for our sin to anybody or

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anything but ourselves. Or, following the faulty reasoning of fallen Man, humanity rationalizes that there is no God who created us—therefore, we are not beholden or accountable to anyone outside ourselves. David renounced such false thinking and the behavior it inevitably produces: “the fool has said in his heart, ‘There is no God.’ They are corrupt, they have committed abominable deeds” (Psalm 14:1).

Always eager to discredit God and lead men and women into deception and destruction, Satan still whispers, “Did God really say?” and “You surely will not die!” (Genesis 3:1, 4). Today, the false gods of our age beckon us to

reject the God who made us and become our own god. Doing so leads to certain destruction. But God had a better plan.

Before the Foundation of the World

John recorded that God has a Book of Life containing the names of everyone—past, present, and future—who trust in the Lamb who was slain before the foundation of the world (Revelation 13:8). Peter also testifies that “He (Jesus Christ) was foreknown before the foundation of the world, but has appeared in these last times for the sake of [those who have believed]” (1 Peter 1:20).

God’s plan of salvation was not His “Plan B,” concocted to deal with a creation gone awry. He did not wring His hands and exclaim, “Well, this isn’t working out the way I’d hoped. I’d better come up with something to set it right, or at least save some.”

No, the good news of God’s provision for salvation was preordained before He even said, “Let there be light.” He knew that His Son would have to suffer and die for the sins of many before He said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness” (Genesis 1:26). He knew your name, your heart and

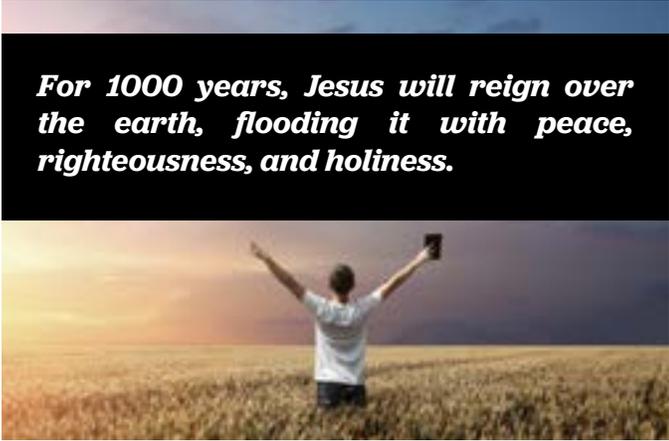


the number of hairs on your head before He set the first star in the sky.

Alpha and Omega

At Lamb & Lion Ministries, our focus is often on “last things.” Our mission is to proclaim the soon return of Jesus Christ. For the Bride of Christ—the Church—our homegoing will occur at the Rapture when our Bridegroom comes to take us back to His Father’s house.

For those who have rejected God’s free gift of salvation, the wrath of God will be poured out in the Tribulation. Following those seven years of unparalleled horror, Jesus Christ will descend from heaven in the same manner that He was caught up in the sight of the Apostles. He will set foot on the Mount of Olives and speak a supernatural word that will destroy the Antichrist and armies gathered near Megiddo. The Kidron Valley will split in two, and Jesus will enter the city of Jerusalem through the Golden (Eastern) gate, ascend to the Temple Mount, and take His seat on the throne of His father, David.



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For 1000 years, Jesus will reign over the earth, flooding it with peace, righteousness, and holiness. Then, He will put down a final rebellion instigated by the Devil and cast death and Hades into a lake of fire. At that point, the redeemed will enter the eternal state, where time itself ceases to have meaning.

That plan too was foreordained by God, which is why He could reveal it to His servants, the prophets. Though not yet realized, that se-

quence of events is as certain as any historical fact—because our God has declared the beginning and the end. He is our Alpha and our Omega—our Creator and Sustainer—and the One who will welcome us into His eternal presence—or cast us into everlasting destruction.

Evening and Morning

The opening verses of Genesis describe the earth as formless and void, with darkness abiding over the surface of the deep. The only movement was the Spirit of God Himself (Genesis 1:2).

In the midst of that impenetrable darkness, God said, “Let there be light” (Genesis 1:3). He pierced the darkness with the power of His spoken Word and showered the earth with light that He declared to be good. From that point forward, darkness was separated from light. Mankind would experience a daily reminder of the contrast between those two extremes. Every day—beginning with the first seven recorded in the opening pages of Genesis—consists of evening and morning. That is why Jewish days begin at sundown and end when the brightness of day recedes once again.

Throughout the Creation account, each day’s work with its component stages was declared to be good. Only when the whole was completed in perfect harmony did God gaze over all He had created and declare it to be “very good” (Genesis 1:31).

Initially, Man’s interaction with God was also very good. Adam had no stain of sin and no reason to be ashamed or fearful of God. However, the Fall brought Man from that glorious height into the cursed depths. He was even banished from Eden, condemned to hardship and toil. The Creation itself became discordant, with thorns and thistles and poisonous plants and animals emerging. Wandering ever farther from God, men and women “became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened” (Romans 1:21).

The Hebrew word for evening is *erev*. The word originally conveyed obscurity and chaos, but over time has come to mean darkness or evening. So evening represents a rise in disorder and understanding. Likewise, in a very real sense, Mankind's dark age began the moment Adam and Eve first sinned against God.

In Jewish understanding, the fall of night symbolizes Man's departure from God's goodness. That motif of darkness and light carried through the Old Testament and into the New. Thanks be to God, His eternal plan was to pierce the darkness. Citing Isaiah 9:2, Matthew recounted how "the people who were sitting in darkness saw a great Light, and those who were sitting in the land and shadow of death, upon them a Light dawned" (Matthew 4:16). That Light was Jesus Christ.

John testified about Jesus, "In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it" (John 1:4-5). Later, John reiterated that the message he heard from God and shared with us is that "God is Light, and in Him there is no darkness at all" (1 John 1:5).

Beginning and End

Just as each day has a beginning and an end (whether according to Jewish or western reckoning), Creation also had a beginning and will come to an end. Likewise, human history also has a beginning and an end.



Those of us who are plodding along the timeline of history are confined to a very two-dimensional awareness. We can reflect on the

past—although our own awareness fades the further back we go; even human records only carry us so far back. We are capable of antici-

pating the future but, left to our own devices, cannot gaze ahead at all.



Referring to mankind, the writer of Ecclesiastes observed that God "has also put eternity in their hearts, but no one can discover the work God has done from beginning to end" (Ecclesiastes 3:11). Thus, in this life, we are constrained to a linear experience of time and confined to a never-ending "present."

But God is not confined to time as we know it. Instead, like a pilot flying high above an interstate who can see obstacles and traffic jams many miles ahead, God's omniscience allows Him to see the beginning and the end with equal clarity. And He has chosen to reveal what we need to know about each—testifying to His creative acts in Genesis and the flow of end-time events in Jesus' Revelation.

Jesus – the First and the Last

God is the Central Figure both in the beginning and at the end. Jesus Christ is the Creator who fulfilled the will of the Father. He will also come again to fulfill all the Father has revealed and promised.

For the next several months, Lamb & Lion Ministries will go back to the future, beginning with the foundational texts of God's testimony. As we step through the Old Testament on *Christ in Prophecy*, we'll focus on the wonderful examples of Christ in prophecy.

Jesus—the eternal Son of God—was there at the beginning. He is there in every book

of the Bible, either in pre-incarnate manifestation, foreshadowed type, or as the gracious and silent Author driving the narrative of history. And history itself is His story.

Bookends

The two books of the Bible most frequently dismissed as fanciful and non-literal are Genesis and Revelation. But they act as bookends to all of God's revealed Word—describing His acts of Creation, Man's Fall, God's foreshadowing of a Messiah to restore relationship, and the final culmination of human history when God closes the loop on righteousness, justice, mercy, and holiness.

Between those two bookends, the Bible conveys all the revelation God deemed appropriate to share with mankind.



Skeptics complain that the span of God's revelation in Scripture is just too hard to understand. But, as Henry Morris once said regarding Revelation, "It is not hard to understand; if you will believe what the Lord has proclaimed, you will understand."

With God's metanarrative available to all who would simply read the Book and believe, why is there such a shortage of understanding today? The reasons are legion—and yes, that is an intentional side-reference to the band of demons that possessed the hapless man that Jesus encountered on the eastern shore of Galilee.

Some are so enamored with their reason and lean so heavily on their own understanding that they reject the revelation of God. Others allow the insidious doubts sown by Satan to sprout into weeds and thorns that choke off the truth. As in the garden, our enemy's favorite tactic is to ask, "Did God really say..." and then proceed to discount and contradict the Creator outright.

So, what can we do? First and foremost, we must dedicate ourselves to reading, studying, and heeding the whole Word of God. Revelation twice promises a blessing to "all who read and heed" that final book of prophecy. That principle applies to all of God's Word. The Holy Spirit will increase our knowledge and understanding as we read the entire Bible. Heeding first involves believing God and literally taking Him at His word.

Genesis (and Paul) testified that Abram believed God, and He credited it to him as righteousness. Therefore, if we desire to receive a blessing from God, we must not only believe IN Him, we must also believe Him.

The Image of the Invisible God

Jesus—the Word who was there at the beginning, the One by whom all things were created, the Son whose finished work on the cross justifies us before the Father—has promised to come again (John 1:1-3, Colossians 1:15-17, Romans 5:9, Revelation 22:7, 12, 20). When He does, we will look upon Him face-to-face. We'll see His glory, and He will dwell among us forever.

In the months to come, I want to challenge you to read the Old Testament as we step through each book on *Christ in Prophecy*. Pray that the Holy Spirit will open your eyes to see Jesus on every page. Expect that He will reveal the prophecies that point to Himself—causing your heart to burn within you as the disciples on the road to Emmaus testified when Jesus revealed Himself in the scriptures.



The Bible really is all about Jesus. Experience Him anew as you dive between the bookends. ✠



The revelation of the person and ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ is the central message of the Bible. Like book-ends for biblical revelation, we find the Lord Jesus creating all things at the beginning and reigning over all things at the final consummation. Creation and consummation are two works of the Lord that are, by necessity, linked together. In the first chapter of Colossians the apostle Paul links

By Him

ALL THINGS WERE CREATED

the fact that Christ is first the Creator of “all things,” and continues as the Sustainer of “all things” and, thus, has full authority—in every sense—to be the legitimate Redeemer of “all things.”

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“He [Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation: for by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones, or dominions, or rulers, or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together...and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross” (Colossians 1:15-17, 20 NASB, emphasis added).

The truth that the Lord Jesus is Creator and Redeemer of “all things” leaves no doubt that He continues to have full authority to consummate a final, never-ending reign over all things. Is Jesus worthy to reign forever? Yes, He is...He is our Creator! Looking back to the doctrine of creation

will always be foundational to looking forward by way of any doctrine about the future works of the Lord Jesus.

The link of the creation event to the reality of a Creator-God is the supreme reason why the Bible begins: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth" (Genesis 1:1).

The Doctrine of God Is Based on Creation

"Who is God?" is an enormously important question. Christians assert that God is the Creator, but a more accurate statement is that the Creator of everything is God. The very name "God" designates a status. The being who surpasses everything holds the rank of "God." Clearly, the creation event in Genesis 1:1 is central to this doctrine. We conceive of the highest being by reckoning that He is the ultimate source, or cause, of everything—and He is uncaused. He has always existed, and all other things owe their very existence to Him. These truths reflect upon God's very essence and His non-moral attributes which He doesn't share with any created thing. Psalm 96: 4-5 sums it up nicely, "For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are idols, But the Lord made the heavens." (NASB).

In addition, Christ's deity is tied to the truth that He is the Creator as we saw in Colossians 1. The first chapter of many books in the New Testament seems to zero in on this fact such as John 1:1-4 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him not

even one thing came into being that has come into being. In Him was life..." Jesus spoke into existence the material components that make up our bodies and the immaterial "thing" that is our life.

The Doctrine of Creation is Central to Christianity

As President of the Institute for Creation Research, I value the scientific insights of creationists that show where science confirms creation. Unfortunately, when creationists often teach why the Genesis creation account is relevant to Christians, they regularly focus on abortion, family break-up, violence, racism, homosexual behaviors and so on. It's also true that Adam's original sin explains why humanity needs a Savior. Certainly, these are very important issues. But, as we've seen, they're not the central reason for why the historical creation account is vital.

For Christians, the reason should be obvious for why we unite the universe's creation to Christ as the personal and immediate cause: we are theists. Everything that we hold dear rests on the reality that Christ can do supernatural works—both past and in the future. Perceptive atheists also understand the God-creation-supernatural connections. While they can't disprove God, they can create a militant, anti-theistic culture that intimidates some Christians—those fearful of others' opinions—into being too ashamed to say, "In the beginning God created." Christians are engaging in spiritual suicide when they abandon, ignore, minimalize or fail to defend the doctrine of creation because it's the basis for the very doctrine of who God is—the Creator of everything. ✠

"We find Christ in all the Scriptures. In the Old Testament He is predicted, in the Gospels He is revealed, in Acts He is preached, in the epistles He is explained, and in Revelation He is expected."

- Alistair Begg



THE CULT OF THE FLAT EARTHERS

NATHAN E. JONES



More and more people these days seem to be buying into the notion that the earth is not shaped like a three-dimensional sphere. Rather, they have been claiming that the earth is two-dimensional and flat. Even Christians, surprisingly in droves in recent years, have been buying into what's called the Flat Earth Theory. Should those who believe in the literal interpretation of the Genesis Creation account be joining what is swiftly growing into the cult of the Flat-Earthers?

To answer this question, I turned to my friend and fellow evangelist, Eric Hovind. Eric is the president of Creation Today (creationtoday.org), an apologetics ministry that focuses on teaching Genesis using Creation Science. He assures me that the earth is definitely not flat.

Internet-Fueled Flat-Earthers

Nathan Jones: Eric, I'm trying to figure out why people have become so adamant lately in claiming that the earth is flat. Where did this idea come from?

Eric Hovind: Flat-Earthism is a growing movement that, I'm convinced, the Internet has given rise to, perpetuating yet another outdated idea that has long been totally disproven. Because of the Internet, there's been a resurgence of interest in this false idea which has already been well debunked many times throughout history.

I'm convinced the modern Flat Earth Movement was created as a joke which has gotten completely out of hand. A Flat Earth Society was even formed in Canada to make fun of people who believe in the Bible. They claim that to believe in the Bible is to believe that the earth is flat when, of course, that's not true at all. They were attempting to elicit a mental comparison, and quite successfully, for they have turned many people's minds away from the Bible.

One of the side effects of this scam has been that a lot of people — I've heard as much as 6% of the population of the United States or some 20 million people — now believe in the Flat Earth Theory. Some Christians even claim



that the Bible supports their notion that the earth is flat.

Four Corners Flat-Earthers

Nathan Jones: I traveled to the island of Saint Martin to preach at a church there and met a young man who clearly got all of his information from YouTube. He'd become absolutely convinced that the earth is flat. In response, I asked him if he'd ever left his little island, and though he responded that he had indeed never left it, he was still positive the earth must be flat. I explained to him how while traveling around the world from high up in the air, I could see the curvature of the earth. I pointed out that even from the island's beaches, he could gaze upon the horizon which curves along the ocean so that the ocean had the appearance of roundness. But, he merely countered that the curvature would only inevitably wrap around into a circle and not a true sphere in the shape of a ball.

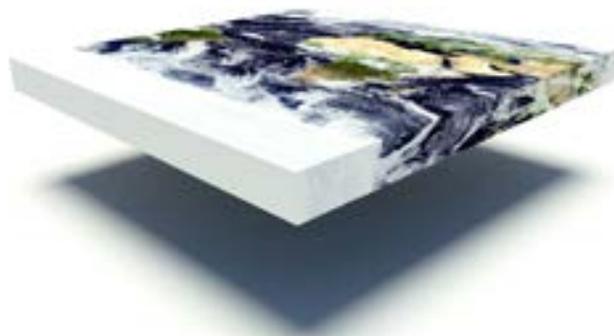
The youth then pointed to Revelation 7:1 and 20:8 which notes the "four corners of the earth." He told me to look to those verses for proof that the earth is flat.

Eric Hovind: He's got a problem there. Is he arguing for a flat square or a round disk? Most Flat-Earthers do not believe there are actually four corners to the earth. Much conflict exists

within the Flat Earth Movement.

When you begin to study it, you'll find there are multiple internal conflicts about who is in charge, who is the smartest, who has the best ideas, and just who is the authority on the subject.

As you look at those passages in Revelation that refer to four corners, we have to understand how they are interpreting Scripture. Most Flat-Earthers I would call hyper-literalists, taking whatever a passage says hyper-literally. The problem ends up being that they find themselves facing a whole lot of issues.



For example, in explaining those two references in Revelation, they claim these verses are portraying the earth as a square like a table with everything above revolving around the top of the table. If you're not familiar with

the Flat Earth Movement, though most people have probably encountered it by this point, you'll also have heard them claim there's possibly a dome extending over the tabletop and that the dome is structurally solid. Some Flat-Earthers would claim the stars are, in truth, angels locked inside of this solid dome that is spinning around a stationary planet.

Multiple scientific theories naturally come into play concerning what Flat-Earthers believe. Central to their view is the rejection of the Heliocentric Model which holds that the Sun sits at the center of our solar system and that the planets are orbiting around it. Rather, they believe the earth remains stationary. To support their view, they'll use passages where the Bible talks about how the earth will not move, is fixed, or rests upon a foundation. I don't believe stationary is what the Bible is intending to portray when it uses these descriptions of the earth relative to the cosmos.

Hyper-literalists state the Bible says the earth has four corners, and so, therefore, it must have four corners. Rather, when interpreting the Bible, what they really should be asking is: "What is the Bible trying to communicate in these passages?"



At times differences can occur between what the Bible is saying versus what the Bible is actually trying to convey. For example, Isaiah 55:12 says, "all the trees of the field shall clap their hands." Do we really believe that trees in the field are clapping actual hands? Well, no! To do so would be to take a hyper-literalist

approach. We should instead interpret Scripture based on what the verses mean literally but applying the genre which they employ; not always on what they actually say, especially when we translate the text from the original Hebrew and Greek.

Round Disk Flat-Earthers

Eric Hovind: Other Flat-Earthers will use Isaiah 40:22 which reads, "It is He who sits above the circle of the earth...." and claim there's the proof that the earth exists as a two-dimensional flat circle rather than as a three-dimensional



sphere. They claim the globe should look like a circular disk and not as a sphere or square like a tabletop.

Multiple problems also arise with this claim as they do with the four corner Flat-Earthers. Just one, Isaiah uses different words for sphere and uses them somewhat interchangeably. And, specifically claiming that the earth must be a flat disk, rather than having four corners, would grind against those previously addressed passages in Revelation noting the earth as having four corners.

On top of translation issues, they are neither interpreting the Bible correctly nor are they viewing the science correctly. Scientific problems with this Flat Earth model abound.

So, which is it? Does the earth have four corners, or is it a round disk, or can it be both?

Some maps have been drawn up in an attempt to unify both interpretations. Obvious-

ly, those couldn't possibly work because, in order to produce such a map, the mapmaker would need to be able to view everywhere in the world all at once. Astronauts have actually done that from up in high Earth orbit, and what they have seen is a sphere.

Let's go back and address the theorized dome, for Flat-Earthers also claim the earth possesses a crystalline dome stretching over a flat square or disk. This dome supposedly holds in the air pressure. And, they don't believe in gravity, denying that gravity is even a real force of nature.

Scientifically, though, here is what would happen. Say you are standing in one stationary spot on that flat disk and the stars are rotating around you. Instead of the stars making a perfect circle above you, that is, unless you are standing directly at the center point on that disk, the stars would end up drawing an oval shape around you. So, when you look up and see the stars revolving around you, their paths would appear oval in shape the farther they moved away from you, and came back, and moved farther away from you, and came back, and so on. In truth, we don't see an ovoid pattern from any point on Earth. What we do see in time-lapsed photos are the perfectly circular paths of the stars moving across the sky, and never in an oval shape.

Avoiding Falling Down the Rabbit Hole

Eric Hovind: Scientifically speaking, the Flat

Earth Theory is riddled with problems. And, biblically, even more problems abound. The supporting verses their adherents point to do not support the view that the earth is flat because they have taken them out of context, with biblical interpretation being one of the biggest problems I see with this cockamamie theory.

If only we would just read the Bible and take it for what it means. When it means something literal, then we take it literally. Like, for example, in Genesis 1-2, the six-day Creation account should be taken literally. But, when the biblical author makes references in passages that are clearly meant to be taken poetically or symbolically, then we interpret them by their proper genre and context. We have to continually be asking ourselves what the passages are saying, what are they communicating, and what are the phrases being used by God in His attempt to communicate with mankind.

Nathan Jones: It does indeed appear that the Flat Earth Theory contains many glaring holes, both biblically and scientifically. A proper literal hermeneutical approach to biblical interpretation — recognizing and accepting symbols and other literary forms for what they are — is how one should properly interpret the Bible. Follow this method of biblical interpretation and you won't get lost down the rabbit hole of the latest crackpot theory and find yourself ensnared in the cult of the Flat-Earthers. ✝

It is He who sits above the circle of the earth, And its inhabitants are like grasshoppers, Who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, And spreads them out like a tent to dwell in.

Isaiah 40:22





FROM GENESIS TO REVELATION

DR. RON RHODES



When people reflect on the person of Jesus, they often see in their mind's eye the nativity scenes so popular at Christmas time.

Jesus is portrayed as a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes in a lowly manger, often inadvertently implying that this scene represents the actual beginnings of Jesus Christ. Scripture, however, portrays Jesus as eternal God—the second person of the Trinity (Isaiah 9:6; Colossians 2:9; 2 Peter 1:1; Titus 2:13; Hebrews 1:8).

Prior to the beginning of time, God conceived a grand and glorious plan for humankind (Ephesians 1:11). The plan was conceived in eternity but would be carried out by God in time. That which was eternally determined before the ages would be brought to fruition in the ages.

We learn from Scripture that this eternal plan was colossal in scope. According to the plan, the Father chose the Son as the Redeemer (1 Peter 1:18-21), and determined, among other things, to “send” Him into the world of humanity. This is what Jesus was referring to when He told Nicodemus: “For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him” (John 3:17).

On another occasion, Jesus told a large gathering: “I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of Him who sent



me” (John 6:38). Galatians 4:4-5 tells us that “when the time had fully come, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons.” Truly, the Incarnation — the event in which the preexistent, eternal Christ took upon Himself a human nature — was a supreme moment in the outworking of God’s eternal plan for humankind.

But Jesus is not just the focus of the New Testament. Far from it! He is also the heart and center of Old Testament revelation. On five different occasions, Jesus claimed to be the theme of the entire Old Testament: (1) Matthew 5:17; (2) Luke 24:27; (3) Luke 24:44; (4) John 5:39; and (5) Hebrews 10:7. This means

that viewing the Old Testament Christocentrically (that is, in a way that centers on Christ) is not a mere interpretive option. Indeed, for the Christian, it is a divine imperative. And, because Christ is the theme of the Old Testament, the relationship between the Old and New Testaments is inseparably connected in the person of Jesus Christ.

To me, this brings a whole new level of excitement in studying the Old Testament. I must tell you that the study of Christ in the Old Testament has a history of causing excitement in people. Recall that after His resurrection from the dead, Jesus appeared to two disciples on the road to Emmaus and spoke to them about His true identity: "And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, He [Jesus] explained to them what was said in all the [Old Testament] Scriptures concerning Himself" (Luke 24:27, inserts added for clarification). Christ's words to the disciples, in my view, cannot be limited in scope to Old Testament prophecies of His future coming. His words likely included a recounting of His many preincarnate appearances to various Old Testament personalities. Later, after the resurrected Christ departed, the two disciples asked each other: "Were not our hearts burning within us while He talked with us on the road and opened the [Old Testament] Scriptures to us" (Luke 24:32, insert added for clarification)? This burning heart is the birthright of every Christian.



Theologian Lewis Sperry Chafer once commented:



The Bible, opening with the words, "In the beginning God" (Gen. 1:1), and closing with reference to "the Lord Jesus" (Rev. 22:20-21), is preeminently a revelation of Jesus Christ. Though the Bible obviously treats many subjects — including the his-

*tory of man, the existence of angels, the revelation of God's purposes for the nations, Israel, and the church, and includes in its revelation facts from eternity past to eternity future — Jesus Christ is revealed as the Center.**

In other words, the entire Bible — from Genesis to Revelation — is a "Jesus Book." We might view Genesis and Revelation as "bookends" in this Jesus Book. What began in Genesis comes to fruition in Revelation. The promises made in Genesis find final fulfillment in Revelation. Things that went wrong for humankind in Genesis are redeemed, restored, and corrected in Revelation. And Jesus is the heart and center of it all. It is an amazing thing to ponder.

Consider just a few inspirational truths from the "bookend" books of Genesis and Revelation:

- In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth (Genesis 1:1). In the eternal state, a new heaven and a new earth await us (Revelation 21:1-2).
- In the beginning, the sun and moon were created as "two great lights" (Genesis 1:16-17). The eternal state entails an eternal city where there is no longer any need for such light, for the glory of God (and the Lamb) lights up the eternal city of the redeemed (Revelation 21:23; 22:5).

- In the beginning, God created the night (Genesis 1:5). The eternal state involves a nightless eternity (Revelation 22:5).
- In the beginning, human beings succumbed to Satan's temptations (Genesis 3:1-4). In the eternal state, Satan will be perpetually quarantined from the people of God (Revelation 20:10).
- In the beginning, God pronounced a curse following humankind's fall into sin (Genesis 3:17). In the eternal state, there will be no more sin and no more curse (Revelation 22:3).
- In the beginning, paradise was lost (Genesis 3:23-24). In the eternal state, paradise will be gloriously restored for redeemed humans (Romans 8:19-21, Revelation 2:7).
- In the beginning, Adam and Eve were barred from the tree of life (Genesis 3:22-24). In the eternal state, redeemed humans will enjoy restoration to the tree of life (Revelation 2:7; 22:2,14,19).
- In the beginning, tears, death and mourning entered human existence (Genesis 2:17-19; 37:34). In the eternal state, tears, death, and mourning will be forever absent from the redeemed (Isaiah 25:8; Revelation 21:4).
- In the beginning, a Redeemer was promised (Genesis 3:15). In the eternal state, the victorious Redeemer reigns (Revelation 20:1-6; 21:22-27; 22:3-5).

The great news is that we can experience all of this because of what Jesus has done for us in salvation. We can't earn it. We can't be "good enough" to warrant it. We can't make ourselves worthy of it. But each of us—fallen sinners every one—can participate in this grand reversal because of the salvation we have in Jesus (Ephesians 2:8-9). Never forget what Jesus Christ has done for you. The Bible—the "Jesus Book"—tells us all about it:

- We are saved in Christ (Hebrews 7:25).
- We are forgiven in Christ (Ephesians 1:6-7).
- We are justified in Christ (1 Corinthians 6:11).

- We are reconciled in Christ (Colossians 1:20).
- We are redeemed in Christ (Ephesians 1:7).
- We are made alive in Christ (Romans 6:11).
- We are brought near in Christ (Ephesians 2:13).
- We have eternal life in Christ (Romans 5:21).

Stay tuned! In a forthcoming article, I will elaborate on some specific ways Christ appeared to and interacted with Old Testament personalities in the outworking of God's prophetic plan. For more details, I invite you to peruse my book, *Basic Bible Prophecy: Essential Facts Every Christian Should Know* (available on Amazon). ✝

*Lewis Sperry Chafer, *Systematic Theology*, vol. 2 (Dallas: Dallas Seminary Press, 1978), p. 399.



Where Are You Going?

When NASA launched the Saturn V rocket on missions to land a man on the moon in the 1960s, technology was pushing the envelope. To this day the audacity of what American engineers pulled off with rudimentary computers and slide-rule calculations boggles the mind.

While it might seem obvious that flight controllers simply needed to point the giant rocket at the moon and light the engine, the actual flight planning was much more complicated. In order to arrive at the proper spot to enter lunar orbit (without slamming into the moon or straying off into interplanetary space), astronauts had to know exactly where their mission began—and where they were throughout the flight.

Most people today are hurtling through life without giving much thought to where they are going. Their apparent indifference about their destination follows their apathy about their origin—and their dismissal of where they are right now spiritually and morally.

Christians are called to have an eternal perspective. We realize that this life is not “all there is,” and that God created us to outlive this mortal life. Having put our trust in Jesus Christ, we know who we are and where we are going. And trusting in His testimony about the beginning, we know where we began as a species and why so much sin and suffering infects the world today.

Some followers of Christ foolishly discount the importance of appreciating our origins. But God revealed His firsthand account of the Creation because He wanted us to understand: a) how and why He created, b) the state of the earth prior to Man’s Fall into sin, c) the reason for the curse, and

d) the promise of a Deliverer to set all things right again.

Similarly, some show surprisingly little interest in Jesus’ revelation about the end. They live in the here and now, resigned to the expectation that it will all pan out in time. Again, God chose to reveal His plan for mankind to give us hope—and to alert us to the signs we should be watching for in the last days.

A wise man once said, “give me a lever long enough and I can move the world.” In that vein, give me the ability to discern the beginning from the end and I can know where I am on the timeline of human history.

Do you know where you are going? Do you even know where you’ve been?

Whether you come from generations of prosperity or abject poverty, you are part of a creation that was once declared to be very good (Genesis 1:31). In spite of mankind’s disobedience and rebellion, the One who sits on the throne of heaven has promised to “make all things new” (Revelation 21:5). If you have put your faith in Jesus Christ, you are already a “new creature; the old things passed away; behold, the new things have come” (2 Corinthians 5:17).

Knowing the beginning and the end, you can make sense of where you are—and know where you are headed.

David wrote, “I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; wonderful are Your works, and my soul knows it very well” (Psalm 139:14). Take time today to exult the Lord our Creator and Sustainer, the Author and Perfector of our faith, and our soon-returning King! ✍

BEWARE SINKHOLES AND OTHER FAILING FOUNDATIONS

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The sudden falling of some historic Christian schools can be compared to tiankengs, the geological term used for sinkholes that are at least 300 feet deep.

Smaller sinkholes are more common, such as those found in karst-limestone-dominated lands, such as the cenotes that permeate the cavernous areas of Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula. America has its own sinkhole regions in Florida, Georgia, Wisconsin, Missouri, and regions bordering the Chesapeake Bay.

What is a sinkhole, geologically speaking? A sinkhole is an area of ground that has no natural external surface drainage—when it rains, all of the water stays inside the sinkhole and typically drains into the subsurface. Typically, sinkholes form so slowly that little change is



seen in one's lifetime, but they can form suddenly when a collapse occurs. Sinkholes form in what geologists call "karst terrain," a region where the bedrock (usually limestone, dolomite, or gypsum) can be dissolved by ground water.

As we examine nature closely, parallels can be found between what we observe physically and what we observe spiritually (Matthew 7:24-27). Recently, one ICR (Institute for Creation Research) scientist met with leaders of a well-known Christian education institution. In previous generations, this prestigious seminary was famous for training men and women in God's truth and equipping them to serve Him responsibly all over the world. Although the number of students at this school has grown impressively over recent decades, the school's distinctively Christian educational quality has diminished just as noticeably.

Sadly, that school is now compromised theologically, socially, and academically. It flies a flag of Bible-based Christian education, yet its programs now deliver predominantly worldly wisdom (1 Corinthians 3:19-20). Its educational courses focus on the academic equivalent of what C. S. Lewis called "being like [secular] folks."

Institutional scandals—unbefitting any Christian school—have become so common that they no longer are reported as news. What caused this downward trend? In other words, how did the once standing-tall-for-Christ school drop deeply into a sinkhole?



Like disintegrating soft limestone, unseen, the underlying foundation of the above-noted school's teaching eroded away gradually, without anybody noticing. The school's trust in the Word of God was slowly dissolved, being washed away by contra-biblical compromises here and there, often failing to affirm and adhere to the authority and relevance of Genesis (John 5:44-47).

Christian schools need to teach God's truth—and real truth is recognized with certainty when it's grounded on the specific teachings of Scripture (John 17:17). The Bible must be the bedrock foundation for all informational instruction, and the often-neglected creation account is a Bible basic. Christ's role and actions as Creator must be taught alongside His identity as the death-conquering Son of God.

When that scriptural foundation disappears, unseen by those who only view surface activities, what will happen? When we examine the foundations of biblical education, earth science provides us with a helpful lesson: if accumulating subsurface dissolution isn't remedied in time, the ground above will soon cave in, its weight falling in upon an eroded foundation, leaving a sinkhole of hazardous wreckage.✝

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There are innumerable images—foreshadowings of Jesus—throughout God's Word.

We see portraits of the Lord from the actions of the First Adam, by whom, Paul tells us, death came into the world, and how that penalty could not be corrected until the triumph of the Second Adam, Jesus.

We see in Moses the figure of the lawgiver, setting apart the Jews as God's Chosen People. But we must compare that picture to Jesus, Who brought the improved law—the law of grace—and widened the membership in God's kingdom to include both Jew and Gentile believers.

The list goes on and on: prophets, priests, and kings—all types, foreshadowing the Christ. Every lamb being sacrificed leads us to think of Jesus as, "The Lamb of God, who takes away the

sin of the world (John 1:29)."

So when we see one particular image that occurs perhaps more than any other, as enthusiastic students, we recognize the need to pay special attention to that connection. That pervasive, recurring portrait is of Jesus the Good Shepherd.

In fact, Jesus drew that comparison Himself in John 10:11: "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep." (NKJV)

Without needing to dig very deeply, we all rightly love that portrayal: Jesus tenderly gathers the lost lambs—each of us—and carries us out of danger and home with Him. He is not only willing to die to save us, He did die to save us.

But that reassuring and comforting picture is far from being the only image linking the Lord to shepherds.

Consider this: the first martyr, Abel, was a shepherd. He was murdered by his brother, Cain, out of jealousy and envy, because Abel properly brought the 'firstborn of his flock,' as an offering to God. Just that snippet of story is packed with meaning! Not only was Abel a shepherd, Abel's sacrifice prefigured the sacrificial death of Jesus, the first-born. Being envied, hated and ultimately killed—by a brother—for being true to God's will, is what happens to Jesus!

Think next about Abraham and the intended sacrifice of his son, Isaac. Abraham had great flocks and herds, yet when God tested his obedience He asked if Abraham would trust Him enough to offer, 'Your son, your only son.' And of course Abraham proved not only his trust in God but that God Himself is trustworthy, as the writ-

er to the Hebrews records about Abraham's faith, "concluding that God was to raise him (Isaac) up, even from the dead."

In Abraham's trust in God we hear hints about the eternal significance of obedience which remind us (in advance) of what is recorded of Jesus: "He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross." (NKJV) The Good Shepherd presented Himself—the Lamb of God Who takes away the sins of the world—as the perfect sacrifice.

We should also think of Joseph, sold into slavery by his brothers only to rise to become the second most powerful man in Egypt and ultimately the salvation of his family. Joseph was also part of a family of shepherds. All foreshadowing the Good Shepherd, Jesus the Lord.

Isaac, Jacob, Moses—all shepherds; all pre-figuring in different ways the coming of Jesus.

King David—the Shepherd-King, and the archetypal ancestor of Jesus who established the throne on which Jesus will sit—also composed the perfect hymn to Jesus the Shepherd in writing Psalm 23: "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want."

We can have perfect peace in our lives only when we acknowledge and follow the Good Shepherd, Jesus. He alone will meet all our needs and surround us with His protection—and give us His correction, when needed.

The rod and staff spoken of by David relate to the shepherd's tools. The staff is employed to defend against attacking wolves and lions, and to help extract lambs like us tangled in the brambles of sin or despair. The rod is a short stick than can be thrown. Sheep wandering into harm's way—too close to a cliff's edge—can be turned back from danger by a short, sharp blow on the nose. Is it painful for the sheep? Absolutely! But it can serve to prevent tragedy, which is why David can write of the Lord, "Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me."

There is something else that has to be examined when considering all the scripture portrayals of shepherds leading to Messiah: If He's the Good

Shepherd, is there such a thing as a 'bad shepherd?' It turns out, the answer is Yes, but not only from the contrast Jesus presents in John 10. "But a hireling (shepherd) he who is not the true shepherd, one who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf catches the sheep and scatters them."

Six hundred years before Jesus' birth, the Prophet Ezekiel wrote this: "Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the Lord: 'As I live,' says the Lord God, 'surely My flock became food for every beast of the field, because there was no shepherd, nor did My shepherds search for My flock.'"

And Ezekiel goes on to record this: "For thus says the Lord God: 'Indeed, I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out.'"

God Himself, in the person of Jesus, did come to seek for, locate, and rescue His sheep.

Abel, Abraham, Joseph, David—all these shepherds, whose lives are recorded sometimes in extravagant detail—are recorded to point us to Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

But don't stop there.

Jesus was also the Great Shepherd, as the benediction in the letter to the Hebrews tells us: "Now may the God of peace, Who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you complete in every good work to do His will... (Hebrews 13:20-21)"

And furthermore, there is this: When Jesus comes to gather His flock, at the moment when "every knee shall bow....and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord (Philippians 2:10-11)," we will see that the staff of the Good Shepherd has become His scepter, as the Forever Shepherd-King is Lord of all. Amen! ✠

For historically accurate fictional encounters with Jesus, see the Thoenes' A.D. Chronicles. And for more on Jesus, the Good Shepherd, and the Thoenes' personal encounter with shepherding, look for the Thoenes' non-fiction title, Why a Shepherd, at www.thoenebooks.com.

Jesus Christ in the Old Testament

TIM MOORE

For over 20 years, Lamb & Lion Ministries has produced a television show called *Christ in Prophecy*. Through broadcast stations around the nation, and cable and satellite providers, this weekly program reaches millions of homes around the world. With the advent of the Internet, billions of people can access every show through our archive.

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Starting in October, *Christ in Prophecy* will turn back to...Christ in prophecy. We'll start where it all began, in Genesis. Along with Revelation, the book of Genesis represents one of the key "bookends" to the Bible—as we address in this edition of the *Lamplighter*.

In the months to come, we'll step through the Old Testament—following the order of the books as laid out in the Bible. Each week we'll invite you to choose a key verse that captures

the revelation God communicated in that portion of His Word. As the series progresses, we will provide a chronological overview.

From time to time, we'll invite noted experts to join us as we discuss a particular book. This edition of the *Lamplighter* has introduced you to a few of the folks who will be appearing in the months to come. Randy Guliuzza is the new president of the Institute for Creation Research and a respected medical doctor. Brock and Bodie Thoene are a gifted husband-and-wife writing team and my favorite fiction writers. She once worked as a screenwriter for John Wayne's production company and together they have written over 65 works of historical fiction that highlight God's providence. Their writing is so beautiful and their research so thorough that their book series have been used at Christian schools and colleges to teach students about Israel's history.

We are certain that our guests will bless you as they share their insights. You can look forward to regular segments highlighting Signs of the Times and offering applications for Christian living in such a time as this. And, of course, we will occasionally insert other programs as the series progresses.

When we complete our review of the Old Testament, we are confident that you will be



Then some of the scribes and Pharisees said to Him, “Teacher, we want to see a sign from You.” But He answered and said to them, “An evil and adulterous generation craves a sign; and so no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah the prophet; for just as Jonah was in the stomach of the sea monster for three days and three nights, so will the Son of Man be in the heart of the earth for three days and three nights. The men of Nineveh will stand up with this generation at the judgment, and will condemn it because they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and behold, something greater than Jonah is here.

Matthew 12:38-41

amazed at how Jesus’ presence is evident throughout. As Brock and Bodie Thoene have learned, “Everything means something, everything means Jesus.” How else to realize that the tragedy of Jonah spending three days and nights in the belly of a great fish points to Jesus’ victory over the grave (Matthew 12:38-41).

God’s metanarrative (His overarching revelation) weaves together all the individual narratives and stories in the Old Testament to reveal His plan—and His Son. In a similar manner, the Author and Perfecter of our faith is weaving our lives into a beautiful tapestry that

manifests His own power and glory.

If you will join us in building a series of key verses, you’ll be overwhelmed by how they point to God’s great plan of salvation in the person of Jesus Christ. And, if you read along with us as we go, you’ll be drawn to worship our Blessed Hope and soon-returning King with even greater anticipation.

I hope you will join us each week for the “Christ in Prophecy” series on *Christ in Prophecy*, either on one of the many stations that offer our program or on our website, YouTube and Facebook channels. 🐟

SIGNS OF THE TIMES



Age-old Lie

Beginning in the Garden of Eden and continuing throughout human history, Satan has tried to discredit God. His first tactic is to sow seeds of uncertainty, as when he first asked, "Did God really say...?" Eventually Satan directly contradicts God and proclaims Him a liar.

For over 150 years, Satan has been working to discredit God's own eyewitness testimony about the creation of the universe as we know

the past.

Today, every public institution promotes the theory of evolution—despite growing evidence that discredits the entire proposition. And although its advocates take by faith the fanciful explanations of evolution, government generally sides with this new religion to the exclusion of all others from the public square (especially in public schools). Organizations like the Institute for Creation Research and Answers in Genesis offer genuinely-scientific



Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools...

Romans 1:22

it. He has even convinced millions that mankind is not the awesome design of a benevolent and loving God, but the accidental byproduct of a mindless evolutionary process. No wonder our culture exhibits such disdain for human life.

Evolution first congealed as an academic hypothesis just prior to the American Civil War, but it eventually infiltrated every facet of Western society. Based on assumptions that exclude the possibility of a supernatural Actor, Darwin's theory reinforced a desire for natural explanations to the universe and life itself. The Creation account and the inferred timeline of scripture was replaced by millions of years of so-called natural selection—a process even ardent Evolutionists cannot support in the fossil record. Along the way, belief in God was discarded as a quaint but irrelevant vestige of

support for God's Creation account, but the high priests of evolution will not tolerate any criticism of their faith.

Paul spoke to the state of affairs we are witnessing with our own eyes in Romans 1:21-25. Supposedly intelligent men and women are so desperate to avoid any acceptance of God that they would rather embrace fanatical explanations. Faced with a dearth of fossil evidence, some ardent evolutionists have even suggested that mankind was planted on earth by an advanced alien race.

Denial of God and His created order has produced eugenics, genocides, and holocausts. And we are witnessing the inevitable manifestation of personal autonomy by reprobates who want to become like

God—as demonstrated by rampant abortion, desecration of biblical marriage, and unholy sexual identity and wickedness.

Recent Sign

On that note, in early July, the San Francisco Gay Men’s Chorus released a video joyfully declaring, “we’re coming for your children.”



What begins as a seemingly lighthearted solo turns into a frolicking duet and then a rousing chorus with scores of men singing together. This professionally produced video has a Disneyesque quality, which is to say that most listeners will recognize the light, catchy tunes as something that could easily support an animated blockbuster.

And that’s just what was intended.

In mid-August, *Christ in Prophecy* featured an interview with Dr. Al Mohler of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Regarding the sexual revolution, Dr. Mohler warned in late 2019, “they’re coming for our children.” It was hard to imagine then how quickly that warning would come to pass—or the glee that the revolutionaries would express in fulfilling that dire prediction. And yet, here we are.

The chorus sings: “You think that we’ll corrupt your kids, if our agenda goes unchecked. Funny, just this once, you’re correct. We’ll convert your children. Happens bit by bit. Quietly and subtly. And you will barely notice. We’re coming for your children.

We’re coming for them. We’re coming for them. We’re coming for your children. Then soon we’re almost certain, your kids will start converting you!”

This is not some dystopian nightmare. This is America in 2021, where every instrument of public education (and many private venues) are completely given over to the sexual revolution. Colorado teaching standards will now require 2nd graders to be introduced to the wide variety of gender options. The military now celebrates LGBTQ recruits and promises gender reassignment surgery to anyone who will put on the nation’s uniform.

Wake Up!

Who is teaching your children and grandchildren? Someone who respects the Word of God and reveres Him as our Creator? Or someone who rejects God and His Word, and instead reveres Darwinian evolution and promotes the sexual revolution? It really does matter—eternally.

Christian parents and grandparents need to wake up and guard what has been handed down to them. You’ve been warned: They’re coming for our children! ✠



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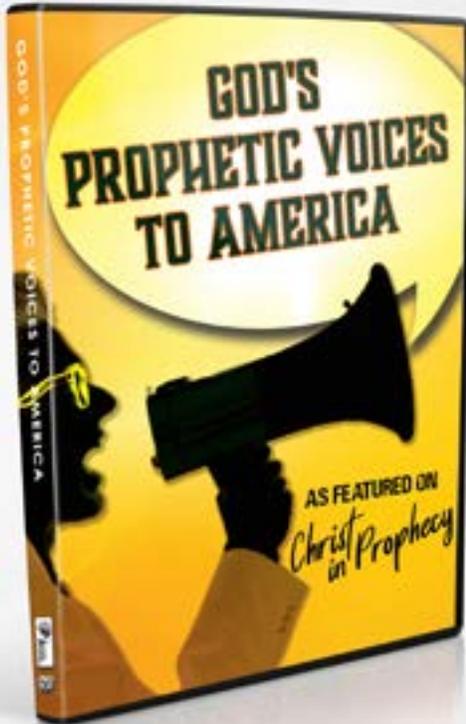
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