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General Comments

The staff of our counseling center had the opportunity to read the articles in your February issue of *The PLAIN TRUTH*. We commend you for your sincere focus on the problems of today's youth. We have found your publications to be a great help in counseling and rehabilitating juvenile delinquents and we wish to continue using your magazine for the purpose of enlightening our misguided youth. Will you please add our name to your mailing list?

Mark S.,
Probation Counsellor,
Salt Lake City, Utah

I am pleased to inform you that our 17-year-old college son is changing a lot as a result of your interesting articles about drugs, sex, the new generation and so on. Formerly he just cut out the pictures for his pin-up album. But of late he has been having very lively discussions with me on these topics. He admits he has now "seen the sense in your magazine." Thank you very much for your publications — they help train my child.

W. N.,
Accra, Ghana

Learn, Baby Learn

The article "Learn, Baby, Learn" in the March-April issue was revealing to the nation as a whole. It showed how the infant's environment does definitely influence the child throughout his entire life. Although I am not a parent as yet, I do enjoy children and hope to have some of my own. Being prepared to bring up your children with optimism, preparation and opportunity is the responsibility of every parent. Could you please send me your book, *The Plain Truth About Child Rearing*?

Ross W.,
Los Angeles, California

About Marijuana

I would like you to enlighten me more about the facts of marijuana. In my school over 70% of our boys are taking marijuana and other types of drugs. I smoke marijuana myself but can no longer conceal the fact that I am sadly disappointed in it. Just under half of our tutors are on drugs.

Hector C.,
Nigeria

In your last magazine (March-April) you had an article about marijuana. I am 14 and have been smoking it and hashish for 5 years, since I was 9. I agree that grass makes you lazy, but after you aren't stoned anymore, it's all right. I get

stoned at least 3 times a week and I am still able to maintain a B-C average in high school. Grass is not screwing up my life. I am very happy living with my sister and her husband and my own boy friend. So far I have not had any serious problems. So as you can see, I am an average, happy 14-year-old and I don't like your magazine. Please stop sending it to me.

Valerie L.,
Palos Verdes Peninsula, California

New Correspondent

The Correspondence Course is the most interesting and fascinating study that I have ever had the good fortune to come across. What amazes me most is that you ask the questions and then tell me the scriptures to read... then the Bible supplies the answers. After doing the first lesson and reading the booklets sent to me, I observed you were absolutely right.

B. T.,
Nigeria

Big Business: For Peace or War?

In *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine of March-April, Gary Alexander treats the huge multinational corporations very kindly. He offers a number of arguments in their support, and the article is worth reading. He quotes Peter Drucker (*Men, Ideas, and Politics*) as saying, "This (the multinational corporation) may well be exactly what we need to de-fang the nationalist monster."

The point is this, with investments all over the world, the multinational company could not possibly be in favor of all-out war. I agree. But I am far from convinced that the big supra-national outfits are always against "little wars,"

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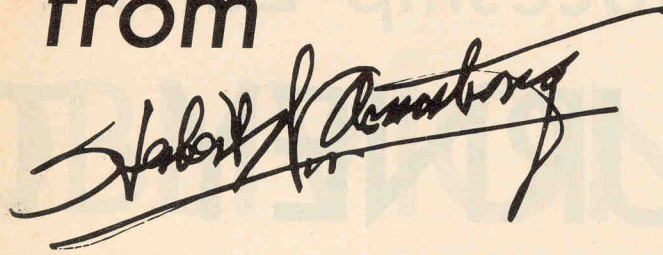
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Coming — A Peaceful WORLD TOMORROW

WHEN you can sit in your living room at home, and right before your eyes, on television, see an attempted assassination — an attempted MURDER — not simulated by actors, but the REAL attempted murder in cold blood, filmed by network TV news only a few hours before, especially if your young children are looking on — it makes you wonder what kind of world we are *living in!*

Today, presidents, heads of state, those running for political office, frequently are shot — or assassinated. In the WORLD TOMORROW *not one* will EVER be! That's one difference between this sick and evil world today, and the world tomorrow — when there will be, at last, *world peace*, universal prosperity, abundant well-being for ALL!

What's the *cause* of all this violence, crime, inequality, moral decay, with more than half the world's population living in ignorance, poverty, filth and squalor?

After the attempted assassination of Governor Wallace, another candidate for President, Senator McGovern, said, "If we have gotten to the point in this country where a public figure can't express his views on the issues of the day — can't seek the Presidency of this country, without being shot, then I tremble for the future of our country." We'd better ALL tremble — and then look ahead toward a world AS IT SHOULD BE.

What about these would-be assassins? After the assassination attempt on Governor Wallace, a television commentator expressed the opinion that our society is called sick and violent, but he did not agree. It is only the occasional "loners" who are sick and do the killings. His opinion is false — and passing the buck. This sick and violent society, with its new IMMORALITY, its permissiveness, its spirit of rebellion, of greed, of envy, jealousy and hate, is producing the loners.

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ABOUT OUR COVER

Man has traveled from "Kitty Hawk to the Moon" in seventy years. He has learned how to construct and manage complex life-support systems for assuring the astronauts a safe return. Yet he has failed to manage Spaceship Earth and to insure that the planet will be habitable for generations to come. Man's technological innovations for space travel have not been parallel with the development of a right perspective and attitude toward his own life-support system on this planet. Yet man's only means for continuing life's voyage is the earth — man's only home, his only survival system.

Spaceship Earth -
JOURNEY TO

NASA, Photo



OBLIVION?

Mankind has only one home — the living earth. But pollution is undermining its life-support system. Man must reorder his thinking in terms of planetary housekeeping if life is to continue its voyage on Spaceship Earth.

by Jerry Gentry

THE ASTRONAUTS' voyages to the moon introduced a new global concept of man's world. We live on a spaceship named Earth.

Just as the astronauts had to carefully maintain their life-bubble, humans on earth must also see that their life-support system is perpetuated and not polluted, if our marvelous spaceship is to function properly.

What Pollution Means

In a fundamental way, pollution means poor planetary housekeeping.

Realization of the global nature of pollution has led to the calling of mankind's first planetwide conference on the human environment, which was held in Stockholm, Sweden in June 1972. Delegations from 130 widely disparate governments convened to draw up reams of environmental compromise. Few however, expect the earth to get cleaner immediately.

To make matters worse, environmental rhetoric is slung about as freely as proverbial mud. Too often it is just a lot of talk, with few real solu-

tions to the crisis in man's environment. The air is little cleaner for all the verbiage. People are sick of hearing about pollution, but it will not go away.

Politicians blame other politicians and run-away technology. Polluting industries say they cannot clean up the environment and still make a profit in today's competitive market economy. They say production must be high because profit margins are low. They look to the consumer and say, "The public gets what it wants. If we do not supply the demand (and spew our waste from the process), somebody else will."

On the other hand, consumers blink burning eyes at the belching smokestacks or the whiskey-brown haze hanging over cities and blame local industries, power companies, and auto manufacturers for not cleaning up air pollution.

Of course, no amount of blaming, finger-pointing and eco-crying will pay the added social costs of a polluted environment. People themselves now pay these costs with a lower quality of life.

The public demands goods at the cheapest cost. The producers of those goods cut their costs by shifting part of the real cost of producing those goods onto the environment in the form of pollution. People buy the products cheaply, but pay added costs in polluted air, impure water, poor health and a host of other ills related to our fast-paced, machine-powered, affluent lifestyles.

Man is the only earthly being not governed by instinct. This means man can stop polluting if he so wills. But all too often, vested interests muddy the solutions and smokescreens cloud the issues while mankind breathes heavier.

We must get beneath the surface of partisan politics, vested interests and blame-hurling — daring even to enter the unknown — if we are to find the cause which will effect a clean environment for mankind.

Man's Behavior

Man alone among earth's creatures is capable of polluting. We must discover what causes man's misbehavior in relation to the earth as a life-supporting spaceship if we are to eliminate the cause of pollution.

A major influence upon man's behavior has been religion. So great has been the influence of religion on human behavior that the noted historian Lynn White, Jr., of the University of California at Los Angeles, believes Christianity is largely responsible for the environmental crisis. Of course, the Christianity

White refers to is vastly different from the teaching of Jesus Christ as recorded in the Bible. He refers to the religion that took over the Roman Empire and labeled itself "Christianity."

White's often cited paper, entitled "The Historical Roots of Our Ecologic Crisis," was published in *Science*, the journal of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, March 10, 1967. In this paper, White lays the cause of the environmental crisis at the doorstep of popular Christian teachings. He asks, "What did Christianity tell people about their relations with the environment? Christianity insisted that it is God's will that man exploit nature for his proper ends.

"By destroying pagan animism [nature worship] Christianity made it possible to exploit nature in a mood of indifference."

Astounding as White's thesis sounds, a second thought reminds us that Christian professing nations have led the world in the sheer magnitude of their pollution. Only relatively few other industrialized nations such as the USSR and Japan have followed suit. Japan, in particular, has striven to emulate the technological prowess of the Christianized Western world. Japan likewise suffers from some of the worst pollution imaginable.

Christian nations have indeed set the example and led the way toward a more polluted environment. But where did Christians get this idea? Does the Bible really sanction man's rape of the environment? Does the basic guidebook of Christianity teach environmental responsibility? It's time to examine what the Bible really teaches.

Man to Dominate

The first environmental command recorded in the Bible is found in the book of Genesis: "have dominion [subjugate, rule] . . . over all the earth," it commands man. "Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it."

These simple commands have profound environmental meaning. They show clearly that man was intended to peak the pyramid of life, that is, to dominate the earth and all life upon it. The book of Genesis states that man was made in God's image and was therefore set above the animal and plant world to rule over it.

But rulership is only half the assignment. Many people often assume that man has total freedom — license — to maim, destroy, and pillage the earth's resources for selfish ends. Nonsense! This is the way of selfishness, which leads to the pollution of the environment. What man must learn is the way of giving, of concern for others, of keeping the environment pure.

"The second chapter of Genesis states that man, after he had been placed in the Garden of Eden, was instructed by God to dress it and to keep it — a statement which has ecological implications," notes Dr. René Dubos in a lecture reprinted by Smithsonian Institution, 1969, entitled, "A Theology of the Earth."

Modern Christianity, though outwardly opposed to pollution, has generally failed to understand the environmental and social meaning of these plain Biblical statements. The command to Adam to dress and keep the Garden of Eden clearly implies responsible stewardship of the earth God created for man.

If the cause of the environmental crisis is due to man's permissive attitude toward the environment, brought on in part by Christian attitudes, it is because Christianity *failed to follow its guidebook*, the Bible.

One of the major failings of modern Christianity is that it did not publish man's responsibility to take care of his home. Indeed no major religion has made it clear that humans must maintain the earth's life-support machinery for the benefit of all, if our spaceship is to survive its voyage.

The earth's physical resources have been devoured on a first come, first serve basis, with little regard for the

needs of future generations. So far, there have been few attempts and no successes at planetary planning. Scarcity of resources is one reason. Human greed for short-term profits and lust for power are others.

Planetary Housekeeping

To save our planetary home, we must understand how it functions as an interconnected living machine. Nothing lives of itself on Spaceship

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Earth. No living creature is an island. The actions of each individual affect others.

One of the basic laws of ecology, as stated by Dr. Barry Commoner in his recently published book, *The Closing Circle*, is that "everything is connected to everything else."

Understanding the living machinery of the earth entails the understanding of simple biological principles and ecological concepts. Yet modern education with its emphasis on accumulating knowledge has often stressed meaningless memorization of trite terminology and dissociated facts. It has failed to put across a practical understanding of the natural world.

R. Buckminster Fuller, in his book *Operating Manual for Spaceship Earth*, Southern Illinois University Press, 1969, states, "One of the most interesting things to me about our spaceship is that it is a mechanical vehicle, just like an automobile. If you own an automobile, you realize that you must put oil and gas into it, and you must put water in the radiator and take care of the car as a whole. . . . We have not been seeing our Spaceship Earth as an integrally designed machine which to be persistently successful must be comprehended and serviced in total."

Along with a new automobile always comes an operating manual for the particular model car. No one

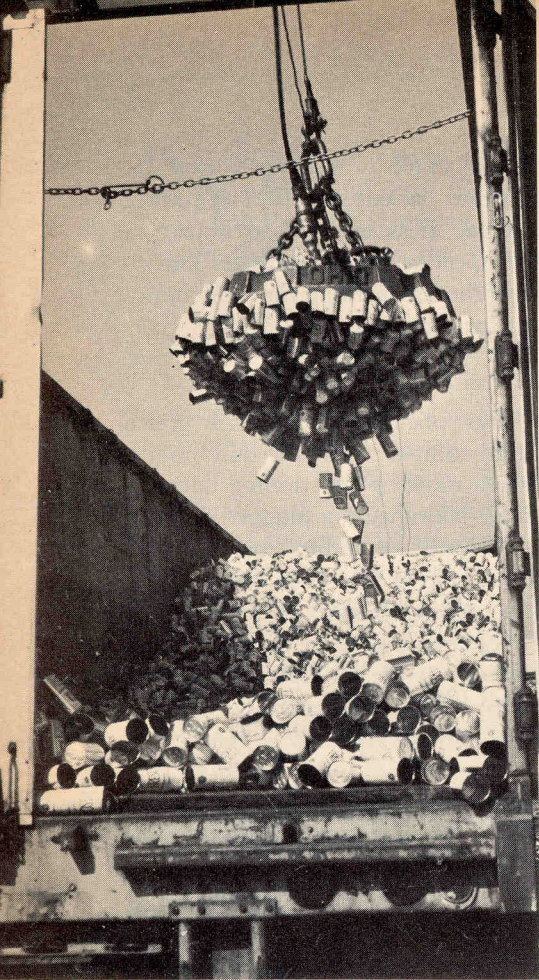
would think of buying a new car without obtaining the operating manual. It is essential to impart to the operator certain necessary knowledge for safeguarding the car's continued performance.

Earth's Safety Factor

Our planetary machine is much more complex than the automobile, which can stop functioning due to a single faulty wire or plugged fuel line or dozens of other malfunctions. What allows the earth to continue functioning, in spite of the disrupted cycles resulting from pollution? The answer is the complexity of the earth's design as a safety factor.

"I would say that designed into





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this Spaceship Earth's total wealth was a big safety factor which allowed man to be very ignorant for a long time," states Fuller.

He proposes a set of generalized principles derived from human experience to form the basis of his "Operating Manual for Spaceship Earth." Yet new behavior patterns based solely on human experience are insufficient. Experience is a dear teacher, but not a perfect one. The past record of human mistakes resulting in the magnitude of the environmental crisis shows that lessons written by human experience alone cannot form a complete manual for solving human behavior problems. Man's unpredictable behavior sometimes frustrates his better judgment.

Harrison Brown, in *The Challenge of Man's Future*, states, "I have not attempted to predict the future, for the course of events ahead of us depends upon the actions of man himself, which are, in the main, unpredictable."

This facet of man's nature is also recognized by the Biblical prophet Jeremiah who said, "It is not in man to direct his own steps." What source, then, can supply the needed set of behavioral guidelines, an operating manual for human conduct toward the environment?

Historian Lynn White, Jr. believes the answer will not be found short of a new religion.

"More science and more technology are not going to get us out of the present ecologic crisis until we find a new religion, or rethink our old one," White states. "Since the roots of our trouble are so largely religious, the remedy must also be essentially religious, whether we call it that or not. We must re-think and re-feel our nature and destiny."

New Behavior Patterns

The modern Christian world has not really followed the Bible's environmental commands to "dress and keep the garden" — to wisely rule and preserve our planetary home. Modern Christianity and other religions did not give man the right perspective in the way he was to treat the earth.

The earth was given to man to take care of, preserve and use on a "sustained yield" basis. "Sustained yield" means balancing the environmental books from year to year. It means no one person or generation takes away from others or future generations by deficit spending of resources which results in future generations having to pay the real debt.

This insures the earth's survival as a productive planet. It also insures a base of resources (wealth) for all mankind.

A proper global perspective makes each person individually responsible

for the well-being of everyone else. It means the world "outside" is really not outside at all and should not be used as a dump for unwanted materials.

This new perspective places social responsibility upon man to treat the earth and all its natural resources responsibly. It forces man to ask the question, "What are the ultimate consequences?"

Responsible Attitude

Former Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall, speaking of a new technological morality, said, "Instead of asking ourselves 'can we do it,' we need to ask 'should we.'"

The answer to "should we" is itself outside the scope of conventional science. This is a moral question which requires a moral answer.

For example, automobiles can be built with small, low-pollution engines. Consumers can buy these cars, but they often prefer the power, speed and personal convenience of cars with big, heavy-pollution engines.

"My choice can make little difference overall to pollution levels," goes the argument. People get what they want, regardless of pollution, if they can afford the monetary cost. However, the sum total of all our polluting automobile engines is polluted air — an added social cost.

Air pollution is one specific example of how we all pay for the "freedom" of environmental irresponsibility — even though autos may well be "necessary" from other viewpoints.

Whether we drive low-pollution or high-pollution autos will certainly not solve air pollution overnight, and is not the major point of this article. The *attitude* we take toward the environment and the *actions* resulting from our attitude are the important factors.

As Professor White said, "More science and more technology are not going to get us out of the present ecologic crisis until we find a new religion or re-think our old one."

It is paradoxical that man has so

long overlooked the ecological consequences of the sensible Bible command to "dress and keep the garden." This command forms the long needed undergirding to a right perspective for using man's knowledge to maintain, not maim, the only home we have — Spaceship Earth.

The Biblical Garden of Eden actually represents the much larger global ecosystem. Throughout this ecosystem, natural waste is recycled. As plants grow, elements from light, soil, air and water combine to form wood, leaves, bark and other plant tissues. Waste oxygen from the process of photosynthesis is released into the atmosphere. Animals breathe this oxygen to burn food. Animal waste fertilizes the soil which supports more plant growth.

This recycling system continually operates in perfect balance. There are no *undesirable* waste products released into the ecosystem. "Waste" in this sense is a *desirable*, useful by-product of production.

Man's Processes Pollute

In contrast, man's great industrial processes have not provided for the reuse of waste. Often, waste is labeled undesirable, useless and something to throw away. This concept is faulty, when viewed in context of the global ecosystem.

Nothing can truly be "thrown away." Materials and energy can only be changed in form, or moved from one place to another.

What man must do is to model his industrial production processes after natural processes. In the ecosystem, waste from one process becomes input or raw materials for another.

The question remains, "Is man willing and financially able to reorder environmental misbehavior to keep planet earth alive?"

Studies have shown that the United States *can* afford such an environmental cleanup, *if the nation so chooses*. And the financial costs of a cleanup would actually be less than the money already being paid out

to treat the effects of pollution.

But is the United States or any nation willing to take such action?

History provides no precedent for such a dramatic about-face. And presently all the powerful economic resources plus today's scientific genius are not enough. Man must learn the proper perspective toward his environment. Traditional Christianity has failed to give man this right perspective. Yet the Book it supposedly follows points vividly to a future time when man's Creator will intervene and give man the needed impetus, knowledge and right perspective he needs in order to properly care for his environment. Without this intervention, the earth will become a lifeless spaceship hurtling aimlessly toward oblivion.

Happily, man and his environment will be rescued in time by the One who created both! Your Bible foretells a time of the "restitution of all things" — when the now-polluted earth will be restored to its once pristine condition. ■



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advance news

in the wake of today's **WORLD EVENTS**

● **Japanese Industry Searching European Markets for "Insurance"**

Japan has launched a massive commercial invasion into Europe. Worries about overdependence on United States markets and mounting resistance in the United States to Japanese goods are at the root of this European sales thrust.

Japanese exports to Western Europe doubled between 1967 and 1970. Sales in 1971 reached an estimated \$3.2 billion. This year, exports will probably climb above \$3.5 billion and could easily double again by 1976.

More than almost any other country, Japan must export to survive. Consequently, if trade difficulties with the United States continue to mount and exports drop off, the slack will have to be made up elsewhere — namely, in Europe. European businessmen are worried.

The Japanese push into Europe is proceeding on a number of fronts: (1) increasing exports; (2) establishment of banks in European cities; (3) direct investments in joint ventures with European companies; (4) takeovers of European firms; and (5) establishment of factory operations on European soil.

The export drive is led by steel, ships, autos, chemicals, textiles, TV sets, radios, and cameras.

West Germany and Britain are the primary targets in the commercial offensive. In Düsseldorf (the "Tokyo of Europe"), for example, there are over 1,750 Japanese working for some 120 companies. Other Japanese bridgeheads include London, Hamburg, Paris, Milan, and Vienna.

Japan's growing commercial presence in Europe is, naturally, provoking protectionist reactions. In order to minimize these, Japan is proceeding more cautiously than she did in her trade invasion of the United States — seeking to avert any major conflicts.

For over two years, Japan has been negotiating with the Common Market for a trade agreement involving reciprocal liberalization. The main point of contention has been the desire by the Europeans for a "safeguard clause" to prevent their markets from being flooded by Japanese export goods.

Japan is also beginning a push into East European markets as a result of present or impending restrictions of Japanese trade with the United States and Western Europe.

● **U. S.-German Space Cooperation**

A David and a Goliath in the world of space technology — West Germany and the United States — are developing an atmosphere of cooperation that is "fantastic," according to West German scientist, Herr Ants Kutzer.

Herr Kutzer is the German Project Manager of Project Helios, a joint U. S.-West German space probe to be launched toward the sun in 1974. The probe will fly by the sun closer than any other man-made probe ever has and will help man understand the physics influencing life on Earth by examining the atmosphere of the sun.

The project is the largest cooperative effort in space research ever undertaken jointly by the two governments and is financed by a budget of over \$150 million.

At the end of April, over 80 of the German scientists involved in the program flew to California's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in Pasadena for one of a series of semiannual meetings aimed at building the necessary communication and cooperation between the two teams.

A banquet held for the visiting scientists at nearby Ambassador College exemplified the warm friendship and the "fantastic" atmosphere of cooperation spoken of by Herr Kutzer.

Project Helios is a *joint* effort in space for a very good reason. As Project Manager Kutzer explained, "Space is too expensive to be tackled on your own — international cooperation is essential."

Watch for greater cooperation between Washington and Bonn on space research and other scientific matters.

● **Dispute Over Vital Sealane Looms**

Increasing big-power activity in the Indian Ocean has spotlighted one of the world's oldest and busiest shipping lanes — the Strait of Malacca.

This strait, which divides Malaysia from the Indone-

sian Island of Sumatra, is the shortest and safest route between the Indian Ocean and the Pacific. Through this strategic international waterway pass some 40,000 ships each year. Some 90 percent of Japan's oil imports pass through this strait on their way from the Middle East. Soviet ships — both commercial and military — ply this route on their journeys between Vladivostok and the Indian Ocean. American and British shipping also has a big stake in free passage through this strait. But that free passage may be in danger — for all concerned.

Indonesia and Malaysia are claiming joint jurisdiction over this vital waterway. The Strait of Malacca is less than 24 miles wide at some points and both nations are claiming a 12-mile territorial water belt. Consequently, Malaysian and Indonesian representatives at a meeting last November in Singapore stated that it could no longer be considered an international waterway and that the two countries have the right to regulate shipping through it.

The two countries did not state just *when* and how they intend to begin enforcing control over the Strait of Malacca, however. Such controls could include a total ban on certain types of ships and the imposition of tolls and freight charges. Presently, Indonesia is insisting that the Soviet and American navies register with Djakarta before their warships enter the waterway.

In March, the Soviet Union and Japan demanded that the waters be considered international territory. Djakarta and Kuala Lumpur rejected the demand, backed by the strong support of the People's Republic of China, which is always eager to take a stance opposing Moscow.

Part of the joint Indonesian-Malaysian desire for control of this strait stems from pollution dangers from the giant supertankers traveling the narrow and shallow route where collision risk is high. But long-term political con-

siderations are clearly at the core of the situation. Control of the shipping bottleneck is related to a Malaysian-authored plan to eventually make all of Southeast Asia neutral and free of pressures and influences from the big military powers. But the scheme, if implemented, could backfire — and only bring on big-power intervention.

• Swiss Neutrality — Out of Date?

There are indications that Switzerland may be contemplating the abandonment of her centuries-old policy of strict political neutrality.

Switzerland's formal independence was recognized in 1648 by the Treaty of Westphalia, which ended the Thirty Years War. The great powers later guaranteed the eternal neutrality of Switzerland at the Congress of Vienna in 1815. The Swiss maintained this neutrality throughout both world wars.

A neutrality clause is written in the federal Swiss Constitution of 1848 and in the charters of all Swiss cantons, and can only be altered by national referendum.

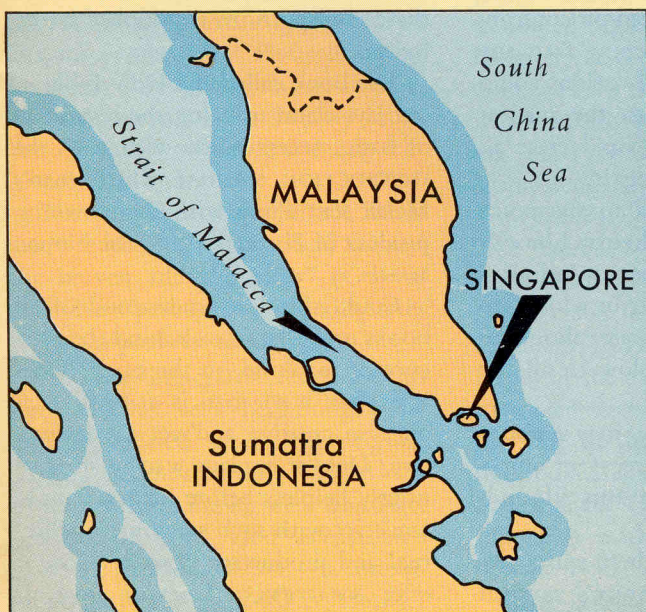
Switzerland has refused membership in the United Nations because of uncertainty on whether membership would allow full play of her neutrality policy. Among other objections, she has argued that she could not unreservedly agree to all U. N. sanctions, and that under the present Swiss constitution, Swiss soldiers could not serve in U. N. police forces. Similar thoughts on neutrality were in part responsible for her not following Britain into full Common Market membership.

But today the question is being raised in Switzerland whether her neutrality may not be a meaningless anachronism. Swiss newspapers have suggested that Switzerland's neutrality was conceived in an earlier European context and was designed to safeguard her during wars between her surrounding neighbors — especially Germany and France. In view of the post-war development of a European Economic Community (EEC), some observers feel that Swiss neutrality may have outlived its necessity.

The questions of U. N. and EEC entry are now prime topics in Switzerland. The Swiss consider their relationship with the EEC the most important question facing them since the war. Many Swiss feel it is time to face the realities of post-war European events squarely. They realize that they can no longer be content to stand on the sidelines of Europe. Ideologically and economically, Switzerland belongs to the West. Even if her foreign policies are neutral, Swiss sympathies are far from it.

Switzerland is now negotiating with the EEC for free trade preferences to link her to the Community. And earlier this year, in the wake of China's entry into the U. N., the Swiss Foreign Minister suggested that Switzerland might at last join the world organization.

As Europe coalesces politically and economically in the months and years ahead, it may become impossible for Switzerland to maintain her "splendid isolation."



WHY WERE YOU BORN?

Is there any PURPOSE for human life? Does life, after all, have real MEANING you have never realized? You need to know!

by Herbert W. Armstrong

WAS HUMANITY created and *put here* on the earth by an intelligent and Almighty Creator *for a definite PURPOSE?* And if so, *what* is that purpose — and *why* is humanity so totally unaware of it?

Or, on the other hand, did human life develop, over a period of millions of years, from lower animal species, by the process of evolution? Did we humans come to be formed and shaped as we are purely by natural causes and resident forces?

These are the two possibilities of origins. Today the theory of evolution has gained almost universal acceptance in levels of higher learning.

Yet biologists and the proponents of the evolutionary doctrine fail to show any definite purpose for the presence of the human family on this planet. Neither do they tell us why man is *as he is*. Man possesses such awesome intellectual and production powers that he can fly to the moon and return safely, but at the same time he is utterly helpless before the onslaught of this world's problems, sufferings and evils. For that matter, neither has religion shown man his true purpose in life.

It has suddenly become imperative

that we find the answer. Suddenly humanity's number one problem has become the question of SURVIVAL. And time is fast running out on us.

Why these mounting, fast-accelerating EVILS?

Neither the evolutionary biologists nor the world's religions have so far given any explanation. They offer no solutions. They give us NO HOPE!

Question of Survival

We are now in a head-on confrontation with this frightening fact: any one of several heads of nations could plunge this world into the nuclear World War III that could erase all human life from the earth!

Has man progressed to the point where he is about to destroy himself? Is *that* the end of the evolutionary line? Is *that* the manner in which science and technology are about to administer the death-blow to all the world's religions?

Is it possible there may exist a source able to shed heretofore unrecognized new light on this life-and-death question?

Is it even possible there exists *new evidence*, vital to humanity's survival and the peace of the world, within

the Biblical revelation, heretofore unrecognized by theologians, Judaism and traditional Christianity?

If so, with the imminent possibility of the obliteration of humanity and with time running out, there is no time to be lost in searching it out.

In this crisis hour of human existence, no apology is offered for turning the spotlight onto the truly startling revelation that has been rejected by science and higher education, and these vital portions overlooked by religion.

The book called the Holy Bible itself lays claim to being the revelation of basic, necessary knowledge — the INSTRUCTION MANUAL which man's Maker sent along with the crowning product of His making — the human MAN!

Could this least-understood of all books reveal PURPOSE behind the presence of mankind on the earth? Does it explain WHY man is *as he is* — at once so creative and yet so destructive? Does it explain WHY man is so utterly helpless before his own problems, yet with such awesome intellectual and productive powers? Does it offer SOLUTIONS? Does it give us HOPE?

Emphatic Answers

To all these vital questions, the emphatic answer is a resounding YES! But ask the same questions concerning evolution, or the teachings of religions, and the answer is regrettably NO!

Would it not, then, seem the folly of fools to refuse honest examination of these desperately needed answers?

Here then, is our Maker's crucial Message to mankind in this crisis hour of human history.

Expect surprises!

How this missing dimension in knowledge could have been overlooked these millenniums by religion, science and education is as shocking as the fact that our Creator, in the first two chapters of His revealed Instruction Book, tells us clearly and emphatically, that man is neither an animal nor an immortal soul! These first two chapters of Genesis refute the theory of evolution two ways:

The very first verse of the first chapter in the Bible states positively that God exists — that God CREATED the heaven and the earth. It also states positively that man is not descended from lower animal species, and that man is not an animal. And the second chapter depicts God Himself saying positively that man is not an immortal soul — contrary to the very foundational belief of many, or most, religions!

The very first words in the Bible are: "In the beginning, God created the heaven and the earth" (Genesis 1:1). No "perhapses" — no theories — just a positive statement!

Another important revelation to note at the very beginning: The human inspired to do the original writing of those words was Moses. Moses wrote in the Hebrew language. The English word "God" is translated from the Hebrew *Elohim* — a uniplural noun, like such words as "family," "church," "team," "group." It means

one God, but more than one Person composing that one God — just as a family is one family, but may be composed of two, five or more persons.

You Are NOT an Animal

Now notice, in verse 21 of Genesis 1: "And God created great whales . . . after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind." Then in verse 25: "And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind. . . ." And then verse 26: "And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. . . ."

This says plainly God made whales after the whale kind — birds after the bird kind; cattle after the cattle kind, chimps after the chimp kind — but God made MAN *after the God kind!*

That's what it says!

And notice, please, *Elohim* did not say "Let *me* make man after *my* kind" but "Let *us* make man in *our* image, after *our* likeness." It is the GOD FAMILY speaking. (But let me explain here that, beginning with verse 4 in the second chapter of Genesis, a new and different name for God is introduced. In the Hebrew it is *YHVH Elohim*. In the Authorized or King James Version, the Hebrew *YHVH* is translated "LORD" — always in capital letters. It is there translated "LORD God." There is no word in English which exactly renders the true meaning of *YHVH*. The Fenton translation renders it "the Ever-Living." The Moffatt translation renders it "the Eternal." Actually, this is the name, used in the Hebrew, for the same Person in the God Family that appears as *Logos* in the Greek [John 1:1-3] in the New Testament, and is translated "the Word." Its meaning is the One of the God Family who is the Spokesman, by whom God [the Father of the God Family] created all things. It is the One who came in human flesh, Jesus Christ.)

This reveals clearly, beyond dispute, that *man is not an animal!* Man

was made in the image and likeness of God — in the very form and shape of God. Man was made to have a relation to God — a link to God — totally unlike any animal. That will become more apparent as we proceed.

But why did God make man in His own image? Why did He create the human species at all?

Was there special PURPOSE? Is there a MEANING to human life unrealized by mankind?

PURPOSE Being Worked Out?

The late Prime Minister of Great Britain, Winston Churchill, actually gave the answer when he said before the American Congress: "There is a PURPOSE being worked out here below." Of course, he implied a Higher Power, above, doing the working out.

But man, it seems, fails to understand that purpose.

Now look about you. Look at all the species and forms of living creatures. How many of those are able to think, plan, devise, and then bring about, by making or creating, that which was thought out, designed and planned?

Instinct, Instead of Mind

By instinct, beavers build dams. But all these dams follow the same pattern. The beaver cannot think out some new, different pattern and make some new and different thing. Ants may form ant hills; gophers, snakes and rodents dig holes; birds build nests. But they always follow the same pattern. There is no originality, no thinking and designing of a new idea, no new construction.

The beavers' dams, the ants' hills, the gophers', snakes' and rodents' holes, the birds' nests are all made purely by instinct, not by thought and original designing.

A test was made with weaver birds. For five successive generations, weaver

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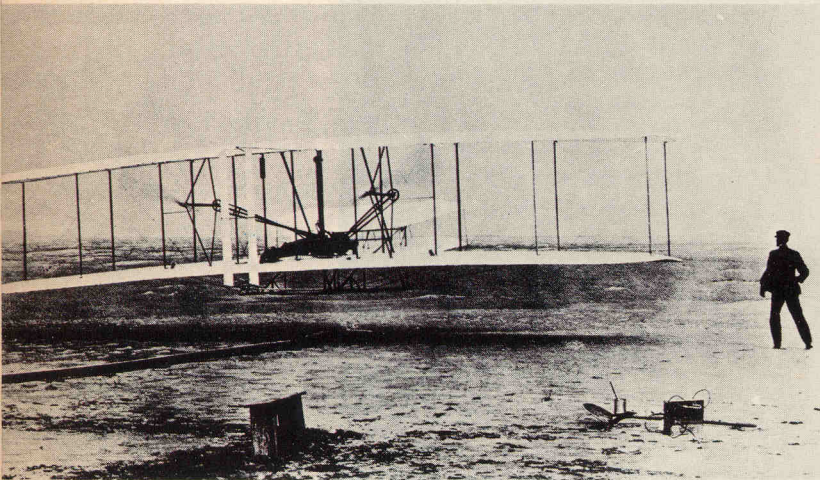
INSECTS AND BIRDS BUILD BY INSTINCT

Insects and birds build their own unique nests — without previous experience. They are programmed from birth to build a specific type of home. On right-hand page is a long-billed curlew on nest (top), a water ouzel, and a barn swallow each at nests (bottom left and right). On this page: wasps building their water-cooled paper nest (top), and a prairie warbler (bottom) Each nest is unique to the species building it.

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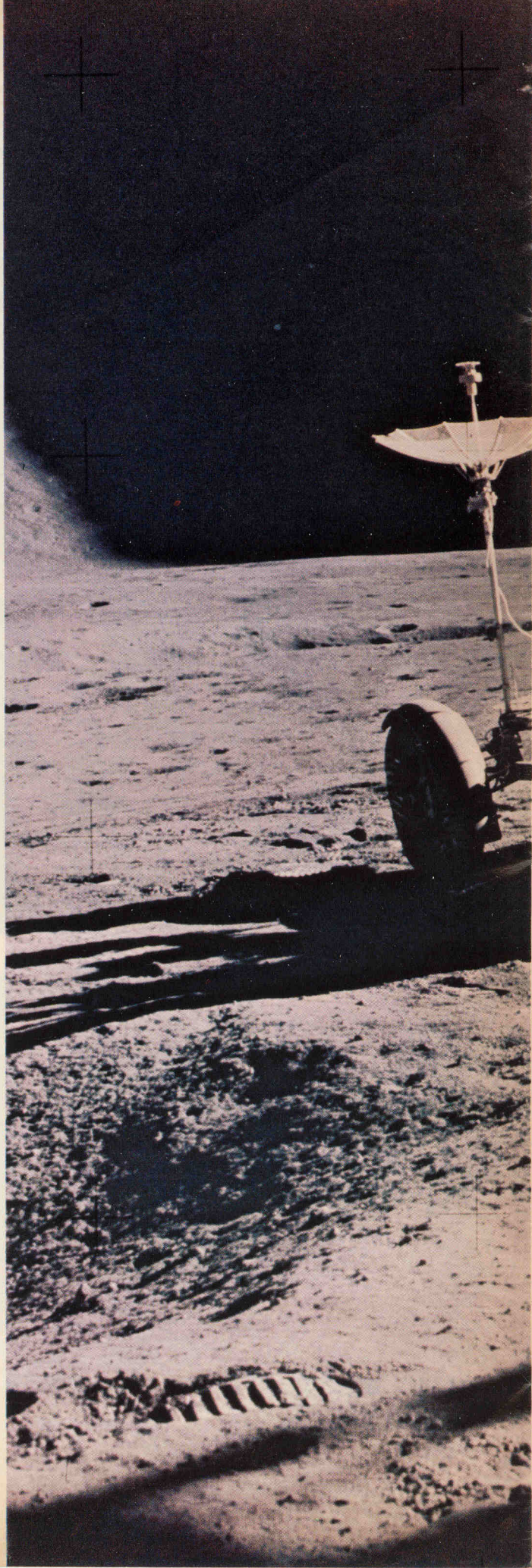


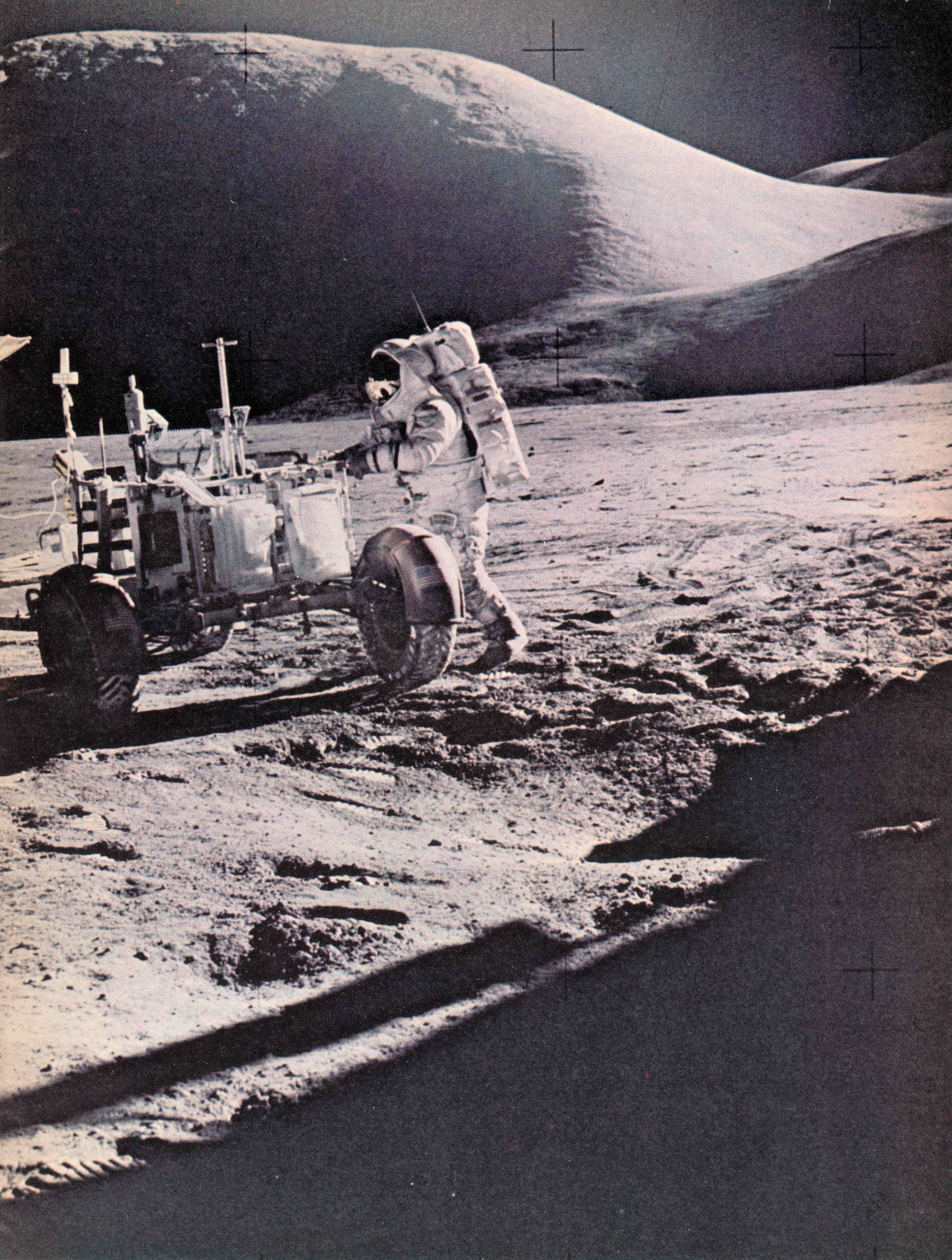




FROM KITTY HAWK TO HADLEY RILLE
Man's actions are not limited by instinct. Man can think, reason and create. First he learned to fly, and within the same century he put his foot on the moon.

Bettmann Archive (top), NASA (right)





birds were kept in a place with no nest-building material available to them. The fifth generation had never seen a nest. But when nest-building materials, along with other materials, were made accessible, that fifth generation immediately made nests. And they were weaver-bird nests — not robins' nests or swallows' nests or eagles' nests.

Evolution cannot account for the fact that animals are equipped with their marvelous instinct — yet with total absence of MIND power. Nor can it account for the absence of such instinct in MAN. Or, for the vast gulf between the powers of animal brain and human mind.

Mind Without Instinct

Man can design and build great dams such as the Grand Coulee. Man can build great tunnels through mountains or under rivers, such as the Hudson River. Man can invent and build automobiles, airplanes, battleships, submarines. Man *alone*, of all God created, is capable of approaching real creative powers.

How Man Has Used His Powers

Look, however, at what man has actually *done* with the things he has had the intelligence and ability to devise and to make.

Thousands of years ago he learned to mine and process iron, gold, copper, and other metals. He made implements and constructed buildings — but he also made swords and spears and went out to *destroy*!

Man learned how to *organize* his kind into cities, groups, nations. But to what use did he *put* the organization he controlled? He organized the able-bodied of his men into armies and set out to conquer, to destroy, and to acquire by *taking*, not alone by producing and creating.

Man discovered that the powers he possessed allowed him to produce explosives, so that he could move mountains if necessary — but soon he exerted the most frenzied energies of his nations, at costs of billions of dol-

lars, endeavoring to develop nuclear weapons faster than his enemies, and now is producing weapons of mass destruction that can blast all human life off the earth!

A philosophic country doctor once said to me it was his belief that everything man's hand ever touched of God's creation man had polluted, befouled, besmirched, and ruined. That statement seemed radical then. But I have been observing, since he said that over thirty-five years ago, and I am almost persuaded he was right.

I need not go further. Just look about you and observe. If you are a thinker, you'll see how man, endowed with a portion of God's actual creative power — and the *only* being which has it — turns this power of devising, planning, inventing, and producing into destructive channels.

Science Running Amuck?

Look at the great factories of the major industrial nations. Here hums and roars the creative activity of mankind. Man has made some slight approach toward actual God powers and God activity in his tremendous industrial development.

But there is one deadly fault with all this.

Man has learned to exercise scientific, inventive and mechanical powers *in excess of his development in ability to direct the product of his efforts into right and constructive channels!*

Did God Make Man So Destructive?

Why did an all-wise Creator put man on this earth? Did the Creator design and make man *as he is* — with such tremendous intellect and powers, yet so destructive, and so helpless before all his problems?

It may come as a shock to learn true explanations of revolting world conditions, their causes — how it all came about — and of the real PURPOSE for human existence. But read with your own eyes in your own Bible — scriptures heretofore overlooked or rejected by man, yet true

revelations that have been there all along! Moreover the Bible itself tells us — if we will listen — how it came about that these foundational, basic TRUTHS have been both rejected and overlooked.

Amazing?

Amazing indeed!

But now see it for yourself! If you do not have a Bible, buy one without delay!

Creation Not Completed

One of the very first things we need to realize, that has been utterly overlooked in the Bible, is this:

Adam's creation was NOT COMPLETED!

The first chapter of Genesis — called the "creation" chapter — actually does not record the completed creation at all! Man's creation *was not finished!*

Read that amazing truth again! Be sure you understand!

What was created, as revealed in Genesis 1, was the PHYSICAL creation — the mortal, physical man and woman — the physical material *with which* to create the SPIRITUAL CREATION!

The Bible plainly reveals this, as we shall see. What God actually is creating in the human family is the CROWNING, SUPREME MASTERPIECE OF ALL HIS WORKS OF CREATION! And that will be, when finished, millions — yes BILLIONS — of humans converted into perfect SPIRITUAL CHARACTER!

The spiritual creation is still in progress!

As covered above, God created Adam and Eve in God's own image, after God's likeness. He created animal life, each animal after its own animal *kind*. But He created man after the GOD kind. That is, as to form and shape, but NOT of spirit composition.

Man is Physical

In Genesis 2:7, it is plainly stated: "And the Eternal God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed

into his nostrils the breath of life; and man [physical matter] became a living soul."

When God caused breath — air — to be breathed through man's nostrils, man — composed of physical matter from the ground — BECAME a soul. The soul is composed of MATTER — not of spirit.

That's not what most people believe. But it is what the Bible SAYS! Further it says: "The soul that sinneth, it shall die" (Ezek. 18:4). That is so important it is stated twice, for emphasis: "The soul that sinneth, it shall die" (Ezek. 18:20).

... But God is Spirit

God is composed of SPIRIT — not of physical matter (John 4:24). But nowhere does the Bible say man is a spirit. Nowhere in the Bible can you find the expression "immortal soul," or "immortality of the soul." In Genesis 1, animals are called souls — that is, Moses used the word *nephesh* which in Genesis 2:7 is translated into the English word "soul," while in Genesis 1:21, 24; 2:19 it is three times translated "creature."

The Two Trees

But now continue with Genesis 2:8, "And the Eternal God planted a garden eastward in Eden: and there he put the man whom he had formed. And out of the ground made the Eternal God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil" (verse 9).

"And the Eternal God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die" (verses 16-17).

Notice for disobedience, God said, "Thou shalt surely DIE"! Man is MORTAL, and shall DIE! God said so!

Now what have we seen? God made man MORTAL — composed of physical matter. In Genesis 3:19 God

said to Adam: "... for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return." He was speaking to the conscious MAN — to the human MIND.

Notice what is symbolized and revealed here. The tree of LIFE symbolized eternal life. They did not, as yet, possess immortal life. This was freely offered to Adam and Eve as GOD'S GIFT.

But they were required to make a choice.

Also in the garden was another symbolic tree — the tree of "the knowledge of good and evil." To make the wrong choice of taking of that forbidden tree would impose the penalty of DEATH. "Thou shalt SURELY die," said God — IF they chose to disobey and take of that tree.

In other words, as we read in Romans 6:23: "For the wages of sin is DEATH; but the *gift* of God is ETERNAL LIFE. . . ." This clearly shows that God revealed the Gospel to them. And what is the Bible definition of SIN? "Sin is," it is written in I John 3:4, "the transgression of the law."

Actually there exist, overall, only TWO BASIC WAYS of life — two divergent philosophies. They travel in opposite directions. I state them very simply: One is the way of GIVE — the other of GET.

More specifically, the one is the way of humility, and of outgoing concern for others equal to self-concern. It is the way of cooperation, serving, helping, sharing; of consideration, patience and kindness. More important, it is also THE WAY of obedience to, reliance on, and worship solely toward God. It is the GOD-centered way, of LOVE toward God and LOVE toward neighbor.

The opposite is the SELF-centered way of VANITY, lust and greed; of competition and strife; of envy, jealousy, and unconcern for the welfare of others.

The CAUSE of Peace and Happiness

Few realize this vital fact: The "GIVE" way is actually an invisible,

yet inexorable, SPIRITUAL LAW in active motion. It is summarized, in principle, by the Ten Commandments.

It is a LAW as REAL, *as inflexibly relentless as the law of gravity!* It governs and regulates all human relationships!

Why should it seem incongruous that man's Maker — the Creator of all matter, force and energy — the Creator of the laws of physics and chemistry, gravity and inertia — *should also have created and set in motion this spiritual Law to cause every good result for man?*

If the Creator is a God of LOVE — IF our Maker is a God of all power — could He possibly have done otherwise? Could He have neglected to provide a WAY — a cause — to produce peace, happiness, prosperity, successful lives, abundant well-being?

I repeat: There has to be a CAUSE for every EFFECT.

If there is to be peace, happiness, abundant well-being, something must cause it! God could not *be* God without providing a cause for every desired good.

Isn't it about time we realize that in love for the mankind He created, God also created and set in motion *inexorably* this spiritual Law to provide the cause of every good result?

Now let's recapitulate: death is the penalty of sin. Sin is the transgression of this Law! To transgress this Law is to reject the WAY that would CAUSE the GOOD all humans want — to turn to the way that causes every evil result. God forbade Adam and Eve to take the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, under penalty of death!

Why? Because He wanted them to choose the WAY of every desired GOOD — because He wanted them to avoid causing evils, sorrows, pains, suffering, unhappiness. Therefore, taking this fruit was symbolic of transgressing God's spiritual Law!

To have taken of the tree of life was merely symbolic of receiving the gift of God's Holy Spirit, the very love of God (Romans 5:5) which

fulfills this Spiritual Law (Romans 13:10) and which God gives only to those who OBEY His Law (Acts 5:32).

Consider further: A just God could not have warned the first humans of the death penalty without having fully revealed to them the spiritual Law — the Law codified as the Ten Commandments — the transgression of which carried that penalty. Remember, the details are not written here — only the highly condensed summary of what God taught them.

The Cause of World's Evils

So God had explained fully to Adam and Eve His way of life — the “GIVE WAY” — His inexorable spiritual Law. God had already set in motion the Law that *causes* all GOOD. He had explained also the way that causes evils — the *transgression* of that Law — else He could not have told them that for transgression they would SURELY pay the penalty — death.

More clearly stated, God gave man *his own choice*. He could *choose* to cause every good and to receive eternal life in happiness. Or, he could choose to cause evils. It is HUMANITY — not God — that causes all the evils that befall man. The choice is man's. What man sows, that does he reap.

Yet here's the crucial point: It was necessary for them to take His word for it — the spiritual Law is as invisible as the laws of gravity and inertia! They could not see this Law. But God had told them the way of good, and the way of evil.

Now come to Genesis 3.

“Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the Eternal God had made” (verse 1).

Much of the Bible is in symbols — but the Bible explains its own symbols. It is, of course, very out-of-date to believe in a devil today, but the Bible plainly speaks of a devil, named Satan. In Revelation 12:9 and 20:2, the symbol *serpent* is plainly explained to represent the devil. (Ask for our free article “Did God Create a Devil?”)

The Subtle Temptation

Notice now, the temptation.

Satan subtly went first to the woman. He got to the man through his wife.

“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: for God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods [margin, GOD], knowing good and evil” (Genesis 3:1-5).

The narration here attributes astute subtlety to the devil. First, he discredited God. In effect, he said, “You can't rely on God's word. He said you are mortal and can die. He knows better than that; He knows your minds are so perfect that YOU can be GOD.”

It is the prerogative of God alone to determine what's right and what is sin — what is good and what is evil. God has not delegated to man the right or power to decide WHAT is sin — but He *compels* us to decide WHETHER to sin, or to obey His Law.

To rightly determine what is good required the creative power to produce and set in motion such inexorable laws like the laws of physics and chemistry and this spiritual Law — a Law which automatically causes good if obeyed, and evils when disobeyed!

Adam and Eve had only God's word that they were mortal and could die. Now Satan disputed this. He said they were IMMORTAL SOULS.

Whom should they believe? They had no proof, except God's word. But now Satan discredited that, and claimed just the opposite.

Satan said their intellectual powers were so great they could determine for themselves what is good and what is evil. That is a GOD-prerogative. “YOU can be GOD!” said Satan.

Thus Satan was appealing to their human VANITY. Remember, they had just been created, with perfect human minds. Not God minds — but perfect *human* minds. They allowed the thought to enter their minds that they possessed intellectual powers SO GREAT that they could assume the GOD-prerogative of producing the knowledge of what is good and what is evil!

Intellectual vanity seized them! They were thrilled, enthralled, intoxicated with vanity at the grand prospect.

How after all, could they be sure God had told them the truth?

The First Scientific Experiment

They saw (verse 6) — they used observation — that the forbidden tree was good for food, pleasant to their eyes, and *desired to make them wise*. Intellectual vanity was stirred. In the ecstasy of this vanity they used *human reason*. They decided to *reject revelation* imparted by God, and to make the very first SCIENTIFIC EXPERIMENT!

They took the forbidden fruit and ate it!

They *took to themselves* the prerogative of deciding what is GOOD, and what is EVIL. In so doing, they *rejected* the GOD-centered way of God's spiritual Law, and, rejecting it, of necessity they chose *the way* that transgresses it!

They pioneered in deciding for themselves what is *right* and what is *wrong* — what is righteousness and what is sin! And humanity has been doing what seems right in its own eyes ever since.

And HOW did they do it? They (1) rejected revelation, (2) used observation, (3) used experimentation, and (4) used human reason. And that is precisely the “scientific” method used by modern science today!

And the result of that experiment? THEY DIED! They produced the first juvenile delinquent, the first criminal and murderer!

The most VITAL dimension of knowledge was MISSING from their “scientific” procedure!

(To be continued)

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CHTK — Prince Rupert, B. C. — 560 kc., 7:30 p.m. Sun.
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AN ARAB SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

The Mideast has seen three Arab-Israeli wars in two decades. The bitter fruits of these wars have been widespread destruction, the loss of thousands of lives, and the tragic displacement of refugees on both sides. But where are the solutions?

by Raouf el-Gammal

Raouf el-Gammal lived the first 22 years of his life in the Middle East, graduating from the University of Alexandria in Egypt. In 1963 he was chosen as the official delegate of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the New York Herald Tribune World Youth Forum held in the United States. Prior to his departure he received extensive instruction in Middle Eastern affairs and in particular the Palestinian refugee question. Under the auspices of the Ministry of Education he visited many of the refugee camps and was thoroughly schooled in the Arab point of view. His wife, also a graduate of the University of Alexandria, is a Palestinian refugee born in Haifa.

WHY is it that news sources usually report the propaganda of militant Arab groups who are by far in the *minority*?

Isn't it time that the voice of those Arabs who believe the whole Middle East question should be solved peacefully and realistically were heard? There are many Arabs who believe that the Palestinian refugees have been used as political pawns.

Our readers have a right to hear

the refugees' side of the Middle East dilemma.

Recent History

The background to the Palestinian question was first drawn by the pen of Theodore Herzl — the founder of the Zionist organization. Many Jews had been returning to Palestine in the late 1800's in far greater numbers than they ever had before. On the whole, the Arab reaction at that time was quite *favorable*. The Jewish contribution to the economy led to a rise in the living standard of many Arabs.

During World War I, the British entered the Middle East scene. They apportioned various territories to a number of Arab monarchs. The eastern two thirds of Palestine was given to Abdullah, the second son of the Sherif of Mecca, and came to be called Transjordan. Western Palestine was kept under direct British rule. By 1922, the League of Nations officially designated Great Britain as Mandatory Power in Palestine. In the late 1940's, the British — unable to handle the explosive situation — took the issue to the U. N.

U. N. Partition Plan

The United Nations announced a partition plan in August 1947. Palestine was to be partitioned into an Arab state and a Jewish state, while Jerusalem would be placed under the international trusteeship system of the U. N.

The Jews accepted the proposal. The Arabs did not. The U. N. voted for partition, 33 to 13, in November 1947, with the help of (ironically) the behind-the-scenes diplomacy of Andrei Gromyko, Russia's delegate to the United Nations. Britain, which said it would not vote for a plan unacceptable to both sides, announced it would surrender its mandate on May 15, 1948.

The Arab Exodus

The exodus from Israel began when fighting broke out after the U. N. resolution of November 29, 1947. Villagers and townspeople were encouraged by their leaders to "temporarily" withdraw to neighboring territories.

There is no doubt that the Grand



Some Arab leaders privately admit that Palestinian refugees were often kept in tents for political reasons after the 1948 partition. It wasn't until two years ago that the last refugees began to move from tents into hastily built housing (photo at left).

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Mufti of Jerusalem, Haj Amin el-Husseini, was one of the primary instigators of that "temporary evacuation" policy. His main objective was to clear the way for advancing Arab columns. Supposedly the Arabs were to return to their homes in the wake of the victorious Arab armies and obtain their share of abandoned Jewish properties.

The result of this unfortunate policy was the birth of one of the most agonizing headaches the Middle East has ever seen — the Palestinian refugee mess.

How Many Refugees?

The estimates of how many refugees were involved have varied from about 500,000 to 1,300,000, depending on who compiled the statistics.

From the outset, the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) was unable to separate the *genuinely* displaced refugees from those who simply wished to benefit from relief operations. And there was no shortage of candidates — the local unemployed, the poverty-stricken, indigenous population, and the nomadic Bedouin. According to the UNRWA review series (September 1962), "Relief agencies were confronted with the problem of false and duplicate registrations from the very inception of their operations."

In June 1966, giving the number of refugees as 1,317,749, UNRWA emphasized: "The above statistics are based on the agency's registration records which do not necessarily reflect the actual refugee population owing to factors such as the high rate of unreported deaths and undetected false registration."

The statistical discrepancy is further pointed up by UNRWA which estimated that the proportion of ineligibles drawing rations may be as high as one third to one half in some host countries (89th Hearing Foreign Assistance Act of 1965, page 192).

In 1949 the Economic Survey Mission set up by the Conciliation Commission of the U. N. put the figure

at 718,000. Other estimates were 500,000 and 600,000.

Dr. Walter Pinner, in his book *The Legend of the Arab Refugees*, concludes that refugees, according to the official U. N. definition, currently number no more than 50,000 in Lebanon, 75,000 in Samaria, Judea and Transjordan, 125,000 in Gaza, and 2,000 in Syria.

The difference between these figures and UNRWA statistics is explained by 466,000 self-appointed refugees — 15,000 from villages in the vicinity of the now defunct Israel-Jor-

dan armistice lines, 177,000 unrecorded deaths, 109,000 ex-refugees resettled in 1948, and 225,000 ex-refugees who have become self-supporting since 1948.

ous reports on the census, however, one notices that there were 1,600,000 Arabs on both banks of the Jordan River in 1948. The obvious conclusion is that many thousands of Arabs in Palestine in 1947 had immigrated to the area from neighboring countries between the years 1911-1947.

The motive for Arab immigration can be attributed to the constant flow of Jewish capital and know-how into Palestine.

Why Refugees?

It is the general assumption that the "poor and miserable refugees, victims of the Zionists," are all crowded into tents, helpless and unable to care for themselves. But the truth of the matter is far removed from these false assumptions and from groundless propaganda.

Many Palestinians have emigrated to other countries around the world and have become successful and productive citizens. Some have been appointed to cabinet posts in the Arab governments. There are also Palestinians in the Israeli government, such as the Deputy Minister of Health, Abdel Aziz Zuibi, a prominent Moslem Arab from Nazareth. The Deputy Speaker of the Knesset is another example of a responsible Arab who strives to build rather than destroy. A total of six Palestinian Arabs are in the Knesset (Parliament of Israel). There are tens of thousands of Palestinians in Kuwait, Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt, South America, the United States, etc. Many hold advanced degrees in such fields as medicine, engineering, teaching, and the sciences.

The Palestinians now living in wretched camps are there because of one of two reasons, or both:

1. They like it in the camps.
2. The Arab governments deliberately keep them there.

It may sound strange to say many refugees are happy and content in camps, but I can attest to this fact, having talked to hundreds of Palestinians from many walks of life, having visited many refugee camps, and hav-

THE BALFOUR DECLARATION

On November 2, 1917, Lord Balfour, then Britain's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, published a statement on policy in the form of a letter to Baron Rothschild. It stated:

"His Majesty's Government view with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavours to facilitate the achievement of this object, it being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine, or the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in any other country."

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Jews and ARABS Migrated to Palestine

It is the general assumption that all immigrants to Palestine in the 1900's were Jews, but according to the *Encyclopaedia Britannica* (1911), there were 400,000 inhabitants in Palestine on both banks of the Jordan River.

Given the extremely high birth rate among Arabs, this population would have doubled from 320,000 to 640,000 by 1946. In reading the vari-



Even though the refugees live in the new camps in "solid" dwellings, their children still play in the sands of the arid land when it's hot and in the mud when it's cold and rainy.

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ing lived in the Middle East for over two decades.

Many simply took advantage of the U. N. relief and food distribution — an opportunity to eat and do little. Many of these supposedly wretched refugees *refused* the opportunity to relocate elsewhere. Many have said to me, speaking of Gaza: “This is our home; we like it here. We will stay here until we get all of Palestine.”

The Israelis have offered to settle some of the Gaza refugees in Sinai. The refugees were offered modern apartments at el-Arish, but in many cases they would not leave the camps!

Most, if not all, of the upper- and middle-class Palestinians refused to live in the camps. When suddenly confronted with the reality that they had lost Palestine, they simply settled elsewhere and prospered.

Refugees Kept in Tents

The second reason may at first seem farfetched, but other responsible Arabs and several Arab leaders have admitted that this is the case.

Until recently, most of the Arab leaders *privately* admitted that the refugees were kept in tents as a deliberate policy. Finally, an Arab leader brought it out into the open. The Deputy Chairman of the Revolutionary Command Council, Libya’s number two man, Major Abdel Salam Jalloud, admitted that the Palestinian refugees have been “kept in tents” for over two decades as a planned policy. At a meeting with sheikhs of the Gulf principalities last January, he said:

“The Arabs have kept the Palestinian refugees in tents, according to a planned policy for the return of Palestine — the rehabilitation of the Palestinians in Arab countries would have lost them Palestine for good.”

This has been the reasoning of cer-

Street scene in Ain-el-Bacha, the largest refugee camp in Jordan. The camp houses approximately 60,000 refugees from the Six-Day War. The Jordanian government has provided small clay buildings.

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tain Arab leaders for the last two decades. Keep the refugees helpless and wretched as a "testimony to the world of what Israel did to the Arabs." Obviously this policy hasn't worked. The refugees are still displaced and Palestine is now history.

The problem is that the Arabs are having a war with their own tormented vision of themselves. It is not Israel that the Arabs hate so much, and far less the Jews because they are Jews. But the fact that the Arabs believe that the West, acting from guilt after the extermination of six million Jews in Nazi Europe between 1941 and 1945, imposed Israel on them and then abandoned them in admiration for Israel. What the Jews brought to Israel that was offensive to the Arabs was not their Jewishness. It was their Westernization and their ability to succeed. This infuriates the Arabs.

A Positive Aspect

While most of the Arab countries refused to grant citizenship to the Palestinians, King Hussein of Jordan granted citizenship to all Palestinians who wished to live in his kingdom. Even though there are camps, Jordan — with what little resources it has — has tried to improve the lot of the refugees and has succeeded. A trademark of the camps, such as those found in Gaza, is filth and misery, but not so in some camps in Jordan where tents have been replaced with permanent dwellings. Health clinics, vocational training and many services have enabled some refugees to become self-supporting. The reason the refugees in Jordan — unlike the Gazites — are more willing to improve their lot is the fact that they are treated as citizens.

While Gaza was under Egyptian administration prior to Israeli occupation in 1967, it was held under siege; the refugees had to have a special permit to travel to Egypt proper and every opportunity to become self-sufficient was denied them. They were always treated as aliens and not fellow Arabs.

Some Palestinians are realistic enough to place the blame where it belongs. They are not blinded by propaganda that whitewashes the errors of the past and covers up the real facts. It takes courage on the part of Palestinians to "say it like it is." The then secretary-general of the Palestine Arab Higher Committee was one who did. He said in 1948: "Our leaders told us to get out so that we can get in. . . . the fact that there are refugees is the direct consequence of the action of the Arab states in opposing partition and the Jewish state. The Arab states agreed upon this policy unanimously and they *must share in the solution of the problem.*"

Bold New Plan for Peace

Virtually no progress has been made toward peace between Israel and its Arab neighbors since the Six-Day War of June 1967. (Peace would undoubtedly usher in the beginning of the end of the plight of the refugees.) In March 1972, King Hussein outlined a bold, ambitious plan that might conceivably be a basis for normalizing, in part, relations between Jordan and Israel.

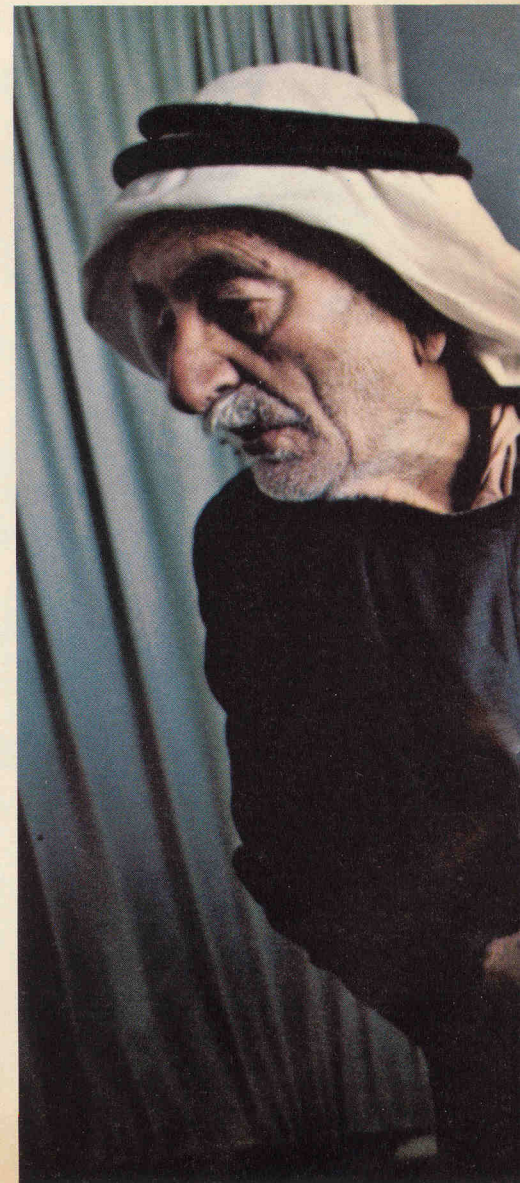
In a speech at Basman Palace in Amman, King Hussein addressed 500 of his subjects, including representatives of the Israeli-occupied West Bank of the Jordan River. The king proposed the creation of a new autonomous region of Palestine, consisting of the West Bank with its 620,000 Arab residents. Jordan and this area would form a political entity called the United Arab Kingdom. The Palestinian capital would be in the old sector of Jerusalem; foreign affairs, defense and the economy would be controlled by a federal government in Amman.

Israel's official response was understandably negative, as were most of the responses of the Arab governments. However, in a troubled area where stalemate and hostility represent the status quo, there was a measure of hope in the fact that someone at last had made a different move.

What About Jewish Refugees?

There are many Jewish refugees settled in Israel from Yemen, Egypt, Iraq, Syria and Morocco. These countries have expelled large portions of their Jewish populations, often without allowing them to carry any property with them. The total number of such refugees could run as high as 475,000, depending upon what one accepts as the definition of a refugee. The wealth left behind by these refugees was considerable.

There are two sides to the story, and it is only fair to present both. We are not attempting to be judges; we neither praise nor condemn. It would actually take a superhuman judge, a merciful, all-knowing, all-powerful Being to settle this complex and, at times, illogical question.



Those Palestinians who believe in the all-or-nothing policy have been looking for some sort of deliverer who would take them "back home" to Palestine. When you think of it, they are in Palestine, whether it's Gaza or the West Bank of the Jordan River. But somehow they have the dream of a home back there where everything was just fine, "until the Jews took it from us."

The fact is that many of these refugees have never even been there! They were born and have lived all their lives in the camps. They simply heard from the "old timers" that they belong in Palestine and they should always look to the day when they can return. In the meantime, they are sitting around in their tents, multiplying and degenerating. What the real refugees need now is to wake up to

the reality of the situation. Palestine is now history. Israel is in the Middle East to stay, and the only logical solution is *right* education and relocation in the neighboring Arab countries, some of which are more than capable (thanks to the oil revenues) of absorbing them with ease, if they really wanted to.

There are some legitimate claims — on both sides — to lost lands and properties. These should be settled, but until they are, there is no point in waiting for some Saladin to drive the Jews into the sea.

The Arab nations don't have a chance of defeating the Israelis militarily. Mohammed Hassanein Heikal, the influential editor of the Cairo newspaper *Al-Abram* and a confidant of Sadat, told Egyptians in March of this year to forget about an all-out war

with Israel and that the only alternative now was a political settlement. Heikal went on to say that the Arabs do not have the required military power to dislodge Israel from even the smallest town in Sinai or the Golan Heights.

Arab leaders acknowledge this quite freely. War will not accomplish anything constructive but will further complicate the situation. And as in the past, more Arab territory would probably be lost.

Look at Other Palestinians

If the Arab world wants to avoid a great debacle, then it's high time the real facts behind the Palestinian question were discussed freely.

For over two decades the Arabs and the Israelis have been arguing



The Jordanian government has provided health clinics for Palestinians. The refugees living in Jordan are treated as citizens and are provided with vocational training and other services. Some refugees have become self-supporting.

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about who has committed the most atrocities and who should possess the land of Palestine. These useless arguments have produced nothing but more hatred and strife. The question should be approached in a different way. The Palestinians must look at the situation realistically. They must not go on leading a relatively useless, unproductive life, just to prove that they have been wronged.

The best example for the camp dwellers to follow is that of their own people. As mentioned earlier, many thousands of Palestinians have resettled elsewhere, and they are prospering. We are not advocating that the Palestinians should leave their own people and culture to resettle, far from it; the Arab countries have ample room. Libya, for example, has an acute shortage of manpower, and

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Israel provided training for a refugee-run orange growing and packing operation in the Gaza strip.

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it is a very rich country, grossing \$2 billion a year from oil revenues alone. Neither are we advocating that the Palestinians should abandon *legitimate* claims to lost properties.

Look at the Jewish Refugees

The half million or so Jewish refugees from Arab countries have resettled in Israel. The Israeli government doesn't have them in tents to demonstrate to the world that these people lost property to the Arabs.

The Arab's policy of keeping the Palestinians in tents in past years, by admission of Arab leaders themselves, is a great injustice.

The False Deliverer

When Nasser came on the scene in the early fifties and promised to regain Palestine for the Palestinians, the refugees really thought their long awaited Saladin had finally come to liberate them. As it turned out, Nasser merely used them to rally Arab support for his dream of a

United Arab Republic, which he hoped would stretch from the Atlantic to the Persian Gulf.

Nasser led the Arabs into two disastrous wars with the Israelis. Now he is gone and no one has claimed his mantle, yet.

The True Deliverer

It is interesting to note that the book which is the center of the Arab's Moslem religion, the Koran, prophesies that in the end-time, Christ, not Mohammed, will come back to the earth to set everything right. The Christian New Testament teaches the same thing.

That is the whole point. The Middle Eastern conflict needs Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, to finally usher in peace.

It is unlikely that King Hussein's plan will ever come to fruition. Neither does it seem likely that the Arabs and Israelis will see eye to eye. There is only one alternative. The Prince of Peace is the only answer. ■



what you can do...

TIMELY Tips and Helpful Suggestions for YOU and YOUR FAMILY

● Uncommon Knowledge About Common Aspirin

Most aspirin users rarely consider the possibly dangerous side effects of the drug. But those who casually use aspirin, especially habitual users, should beware of its hazards.

Dr. Vernon N. Smith, Professor of Medicine at the University of Maryland Medical School, found that 94 out of 100 patients admitted to hospital care for severe intestinal bleeding had taken aspirin, or a preparation containing aspirin, within 24 hours of the onset of the bleeding. "There is certainly far more harm in a couple of aspirin than in a couple of cigarettes," he concluded.

D. René Menguy, Professor of Surgery at the University of Chicago, warned over a year ago that aspirin should be sold only by prescription because it had been known to cause internal bleeding and even death.

The biochemical effects of aspirin on the body have, until recently, remained largely a mystery. Some of its drug reactions are now unfolding. For example, as reported in *Drill's Pharmacology*, page 290, 1965, it has been known for some time that both injection of aspirin into the blood ("intravenous salicylate") as well as oral doses can cause bleeding in the stomach.

New research reveals that aspirin blocks the production of the hormone-like component called prostaglandin E, which promotes the thickening of the stomach walls. Interference with its production weakens the intestinal lining. Because of this action, aspirin can cause bleeding and is associated with the formation of stomach ulcers. But the bleeding most likely occurs in other parts of the body as well, since bleeding in the small intestine has also been associated with the consumption of aspirin (D. A. Brodie, C. L. Tate, K. F. Hooke, *Science*, vol. 170, page 183, 1970).

Mouth ulcers can occur by chewing aspirin-containing gum (H. N. Claman, M.D., *Journal of the American Medical Association*, vol. 202, page 199, 1967). More than likely, inhibition of prostaglandin E production is involved here as well.

Other side effects are also associated with the consumption of aspirin, such as low blood sugar (hypogly-

cemia) in diabetics and "normal" subjects. But in contrast, aspirin causes high blood sugar in rheumatic patients.

● Plant Hunger Signs

A lack of nitrogen, phosphorus and potash in the soil will adversely affect the growth and quality of plants in your vegetable garden. Watch for the following indications to detect a deficiency of these major soil elements:

NOT ENOUGH NITROGEN

1. A sickly yellowish-green color.
2. A distinctly slow and dwarfed growth.
3. Drying up or "firing" of leaves, which starts at the bottom of the plant, proceeding upward. In plants like grains and grasses, the firing starts at the tip of the bottom leaves and goes down the center or along the midrib.

NOT ENOUGH PHOSPHORUS

1. Purplish leaves, stems and branches.
2. Slow growth and maturity.
3. Small, slender stalk in grass; in small grains, lack of stooling.
4. Low yields.

NOT ENOUGH POTASH

1. Mottling, spotting, streaking or curling of leaves, starting on the lower levels.
2. Lower leaves scorched or burned on margins and tips. These dead areas may fall out, leaving ragged edges. In grains and grasses, firing starts at the top of the leaf and proceeds down from the edge, usually leaving the midrib green.
3. Premature loss of leaves.
4. Plants falling down before maturity due to poor root development.

In most cases the deficiency problem can be corrected by adding good manures to the soil and watering them in.

An informative book on the subject is *Hunger Signs in Crops*, by Howard B. Sprague, published by David McKay Co. This book is filled with color illustrations which clearly show the symptoms of the above-mentioned deficiencies. You may be able to find Mr. Sprague's book or a similar one in your public library.

The Missing Dimension in the Study of HUMAN BEHAVIOR

Man can send astronauts to the moon. Yet man seems unable to understand himself. Why this vast gap between modern technology and the science of human behavior?

by Paul Kroll

THINK ABOUT it for a moment: Would men of another century believe it — astronauts stepping onto the moon?

Incredible?

Not at all. In this decade it is the logical result of applying modern technical know-how to space.

This feat was not merely exciting. It was possible!

But where is the same enthusiasm for the science of human behavior — of understanding man? Why is a great scientific breakthrough by today's educators and thinkers *missing* in the study of man?

Human behaviorist B. F. Skinner explains: "There is no comparable excitement about the problems posed by human behavior. We are not close to solutions."¹

¹ This and other statements by Skinner mentioned in this article are in his 1971 best seller, *Beyond Freedom and Dignity*. Skinner is regarded by many as the most influential and controversial living psychologist. He says we need a new technology of human behavior, although he admits we have none. He rejects traditional explanations of behavior in terms of states of mind, feelings and attitudes. Skinner emphasizes the need to change the conditions to which people are responding and that attitudes will adjust themselves to the new situation. It is right here that Skinner comes up short. This missing element in his thesis is the subject of this article.

But why? Why should we understand ourselves least of all?

Does It Make Sense?

Why haven't educators discovered the ultimate causes of human behavior and learned how to control them? What has gone wrong in education that this most important question is least understood?

We have used the incredible instruments of science; we have measured; we have compared. But somehow, writes Skinner, there is "something essential . . . missing in almost all current discussions of human behavior."

What is this missing dimension? Without it, we are failing to solve the gargantuan problems facing twentieth-century man. There may be no twenty-first century without it!

Needed: New Understanding of Man

Twenty-five hundred years ago, man understood himself as well as any other part of his world. "Today," writes psychologist Skinner, "he is

the thing he understands the least.”

This does not mean he understood himself to any degree two or three millennia ago. His limited understanding of himself was actually comparable to his abysmal lack of knowledge in physics and biology.

Physics and biology have come a long way since then, but, as Skinner points out, “There has been no comparable development of anything like a science of human behavior.” And he is right!

“Greek physics and biology are now of historical interest only (no modern physicist or biologist would turn to Aristotle for help), but the dialogues of Plato are still assigned to students and cited as if they threw light on human behavior.”

They don't, of course. Yet, Socrates and company would fit right into most current discussions on behavior and human affairs. Somewhere, their way of thinking about man — what he is and why he is — has acquired a terminal Achilles' heel.

Skinner argues, “Greek theories of human behavior led nowhere. If they are with us today, it is not because they possessed some kind of eternal verity, but because they did not contain the seeds of anything better.” And man has added nothing essential since.

The missing dimension in the study of human behavior is still missing from this world's education today. Otherwise, we would have the New Man and peace. It's just that simple.

Today, mankind *must* have that “something better.” Our ability to tap the physical resources of our earth is increasing dramatically. We must have a commensurate ability for dealing with human behavior, because it is human behavior which can misuse that physical power and erase mankind from this planet.

We must understand what man is.

We must understand how man can learn to exhibit behavior conducive to the well-being of himself and his neighbor. We must come to learn what motivates him to certain kinds of action.

Modern Attempts to Change the Mind

In modern times, the philosophy of communism has attempted to change the human mind by manipulating the environment and instituting a system of law to define this environment. Mao's little red book is a sort of philosophical Bible, and China is the experiment in utopianism.

Before the Communist take-over in China, Shanghai was the sin capital of the Orient. The phrase “to be shanghai'd” speaks for itself. Today, Shanghai is a model of puritan cleanliness and morality, when compared to other major cities of the world. However, the excesses of the Cultural Revolution reveal that the Chinese mind is still subject to violence and hatred. The Communists have instituted a new system, but subliminally, the Chinese mind has not been altered.

Now look at the experiment in the Soviet Union.

Under Communism, says a Soviet party book entitled *Man's Dreams Are Coming True*, “men will work to the best of their abilities simply because men will delight in creative endeavor.” Soviet and Chinese authorities have stressed the need for hard work, thrift and morality, all in the hope of changing both the environmental climate and the human mind itself. To the degree the human mind in its present state is susceptible to man-made manipulation, some headway has been made.

In the Soviet Union, laziness, drunkenness and managerial competition have not been done away. In some ways, the problems have been

aggravated by lack of incentives.

One, of course, must institute a system of law, a system of doing things, to bring about the kind of environment conducive to growth. Yet, that is not enough.

Human behavior is a problem both of the mind itself and of the environment.

A Unique Utopian Experiment

To date, only one experiment in all history has ever been devised to deal with both of these elements. This experiment has been widely published, but little understood. You probably have the book describing this experiment in your own home and have never read it. It is, in fact, the historical record of that least understood of all books — the Bible.

This experiment has demonstrated the importance of both environment and mind. It has also demonstrated that of the two, it is the mind which is the most problematic.

This unique experiment is tripartite — in three phases. In Phase One, a large group of people were taken out of the wretched environment in which they lived. They were thrust into what could have been a perfect environmental system with a legal system that, if followed, would have guaranteed its preservation. There was a program to change the conditions to which people were responding — with a corresponding change in basic attitude. Phase One of the experiment ultimately failed. The utopian state disintegrated. The people didn't want the legal system that would have guaranteed the preservation of the utopian state. They revolted and ended up in national captivity. This is, in essence, the historical record of the Old Testament.

Phase Two was handled from the other point of view. The problem of the human mind was the primary focus of attack. A change was effected

in the minds of large numbers of individuals. Individually, these people continued to live in their old environment, but their attitudes were changed. Despite being forced to respond to poor environmental conditions, they were happy. This aspect of the experiment was successful. This is the story of the New Testament church.

Phase Two was, however, somewhat traumatic for those involved in the experiment. The change in their minds went counter to the elements of the environment in which they lived. Many suffered persecution and were killed or forced to flee.

Phase Three of the experiment is yet in the future. At that time, the change in the mind will be combined with a change in the environment. This environmental change, coupled with the great advantage of a corresponding mental change, will produce the utopia all men long for. This will be the fulfillment of Jesus Christ's announcement to man of the Kingdom or government of God which will rule over all the earth.

Why Phase One

Maybe you have never thought of it in this way before? So let's take a closer look.

This unique experiment involving man is a long-range one encompassing several thousand years of human history. Beginning in the fifteenth century B.C. a whole nation, of Hebrews, was forcibly ejected from what was then the world center of civilization — Egypt. This began Phase One. Their experiences are recorded in the Bible so we today can better understand ourselves.

These people, called the nation of Israel, then migrated across the desert of the Sinai Peninsula. They successfully defeated the various city-states dotting the area called Canaan and settled in this Promised Land.

This nation of people accepted a legal system which would have guaranteed a physical, psychological, sociological, and spiritual environment of

perfection. It was based on what we know as the Ten Commandments (Exodus 20). It outlined a certain behavioral environment that would have allowed the inhabitants maximum personal freedom. The first commandment, for example, stated, "You shall have no other gods before ME." This would have kept other philosophical systems from encroaching upon, distorting and subverting the system which they had come to accept.

The fourth commandment set down the law of the Sabbath. This was indeed a practical law. It allowed the inhabitants to be free from their usual pressing duties every seventh day. At that time, they would refresh themselves on the basic points of the system they had accepted.

The fifth law dealt with preserving the right relationship between parents and children, emphasizing the family as the basic building block of the society.

Other laws forbade stealing, lying, sexual excesses, and coveting of other people's belongings and goods. These laws provided a certain physical environment conducive for human growth. They have been described as being in two parts. The first four laws dealt with the philosophy of the system. The second six were sociological in nature, dealing with such important items as family structure, crime and sex.

These ten basic laws were developed into a rather complete system of law. In the system, there were punitive measures for disobedience. But the laws and the penalties were meant primarily to maintain an environment of freedom, prosperity and purpose for its inhabitants.

Yet, Phase One of the system failed. The nation, nearly five centuries later, split into warring factions. It was unable to put into practice the laws it had adopted. Large portions of the Old Testament chronicle the tragic failure of this utopian experiment. The last vestiges of that

utopian state fell to Babylonian invaders in the sixth century B.C.

Phase Two Begins

Phase Two was ushered in by the birth, teaching, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, described in the New Testament. Jesus called out individuals and created a new behavioral environment in their minds. There would be no geographical utopia. It would be in the person's mind.

Jesus Christ used the analogy of the Comforter to explain this: "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things" (John 14:26). Thus, humans would not be limited to mere mental and/or psychological power. They would have opened to them a whole new field of power — a spiritual technology of behavior would be at their disposal. This is the "missing dimension" in human behavior.

This new power — the power of the Spirit of God — would eliminate the weaknesses of Phase One, so aptly described by the Apostle Paul. He was well qualified to explain why it failed. Paul was one of the most educated men of his day. He was taught by Gamaliel, recognized as one of the few great scholars of the Old Testament in the first century A.D. (Acts 22:3).

Paul himself was participating in Phase Two of this experiment. His mind had been changed by a spiritually technological input. Paul summarized both the change in his own life and his understanding of Old Testament principles in Galatians 2:16-21.

His explanation of the failure of Phase One centered around the mind of man; yet not many theologians recognize this fact!

Paul discussed the two aspects of this experiment in behaviorism as the first and second covenant. He explains, "For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second. For finding fault with them [that is, the

MAN'S INHUMANITY TO MAN

War speaks more forcibly than any other form of human experience that man has failed to understand why he behaves as he does.

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people], he saith, Behold the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel... *I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts*" (Hebrews 8:7-10).

That was simply theological language explaining how the behavioral problem with the human mind would be solved. It will take a divine source of power available to man if he wants to tap that Source, to change the human mind. That Source is not in man. It can be received or tapped only when man is willing to acknowledge that he has erred by nature and is in need of supernatural help.

What Is Needed Beyond Law

Speaking of legalism — the attempt to legislate human behavior, Paul says: "The law made nothing perfect" (Hebrews 7:18-19). Again, he is emphasizing the obvious. You cannot legislate good behavior. A sign may say, "Don't walk on the grass." But its observation is dependent on the attitude of the human being involved. If he says, "I'll walk on the grass anyway," the law is useless and unprofitable.

Perhaps the most definitive statement of what a human being lacks is found in Paul's book of Romans. Read it yourself: "For what the law could not do, in that it was *weak through the flesh*, God sending his own son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh" (Romans 8:3). A few sentences later, Paul made this all-encompassing statement about the human being: "The carnal mind [the human mind attuned to a wavelength of rebellion and disobedience] is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be" (Romans 8:7).

This characterization of the human mind as being influenced by and/or containing a lawless element in it should not be construed as merely a theological statement about some ethereal sinfulness of man. It is very basic and pertinent to our discussion

of the science of behavior. That man tends to be attuned to a wavelength of lawless behavior is quite clear from a cursory look at our world. It is filled with crime, juvenile delinquency, disrespect for law and symbols of authority, cheating, stealing, hate and killing.

Heredity or Environment — Which?

At this point, some may argue, "But we still can't tell whether it is really the society or the individual mind which is at fault." It is not a question of either/or. The evils of society and the individual human mind are intimately connected and both are at fault.

Skinner phrases the connection effectively, "Man himself may be controlled by his environment, but it is an *environment which is almost wholly of his own making*... The social environment is obviously man-made — it generates the language a person speaks, the customs he follows, and the behavior he exhibits with respect to the ethical, religious, governmental, economic, educational and the psychotherapeutic institutions which control him!"

Who, for example, was able to anticipate the consequences of mass migration to the cities with the attendant evils of urban deterioration, drug addiction and crime? We must be able to *anticipate* actions which will turn out to be social catastrophes.

It is foolish to try, for example, to attempt to solve heroin addiction by substituting the use of a synthetic drug. We must today, if at all possible, place the addict in an environment conducive to a non-addict mentality. More importantly, the addict himself must acquire and build an attitude that voluntarily decides to stay away from heroin. The same system of attack must be used for other social and global problems.

Looking for the New Man

We come full circle to the need for, as Skinner phrases it, "a tech-

nology of human behavior." To Skinner, there is no such technology available. Yet, if we have eyes to see, there is such a technology.

It is a *spiritual* technology of man, derived from direct contact with the Spirit of God. It has been developed in Phase Two among those individuals who were willing to *overcome* their environments by a change of attitude and of mind. But that spiritual technology is yet to be applied worldwide — to mankind in general.

We now come to Phase Three of the utopian experiment discussed in this article. It is discussed in the writings of the prophets who foresaw an age where a utopian environment and a change in human mind and nature would be combined. Phase Three would not deal with only scattered individuals in an adverse environment as in Phase Two. It would include *everyone* — the whole of society. A new world environment would be created as a by-product.

The Ten Commandments which defined the parameters of that experimental utopian society would no longer be engraved on stones or scratched on parchment. The Ten Commandments would be indelibly etched in the MINDS of living humans. Not as so many words but as living behavioral concepts.

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Isn't it time we looked into this Great Experiment and asked ourselves where we fit into it? ■

"TEN REASONS WHY I TITHE"

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by David Jon Hill

WE ALL establish a sense of possession very early in life. My toys are very distinct from *your* toys. So are my clothes, my bed, my room, my house, my mommy and my daddy. We all begin with *self*-consciousness and work outward. Yet as we grow older, we begin to realize that, even though we call it my school, my city and my country, we do not have the same claim to these things as we do to my toys, my clothes or my bed.

I realized my toys were mine because my father, aunt, sister, mother or friend had given them to me. Later, I learned a more direct sense of

ownership because I worked to earn money which I spent to make things mine. Then my sense of possession was more mature. The thing which was mine was mine by choice — not just something someone else might think I would like — and by right of payment. I began to think more consciously about the day when I would buy a house and a car like Dad. But what seemed simple at first became more complex. I realized skills were necessary for a job to earn money in order to purchase the things I needed and wanted. Therefore, I had to look forward to a great deal more schooling before I would be as competent as

my father, in order to possess and own more things.

Early Disappointment

I must admit it was a little disappointing when I learned that Dad and Mom didn't really own our house and property. Later I learned about banks and mortgages. Swiftly on the heels of this knowledge came the realization that, even if banks and creditors were not involved, we would still have to pay for the privilege of calling the house we lived in "ours" in the form of tax payments! State, county and even city governments all held prior claim and a right to demand payment for our right to say "This is our house!" Then, of course, came the shock that the income out of which I could purchase all these things and rights also had a tax on it, a prior claim. City, county, state and especially federal governments all insisted on a lawful demand and prior right to my money!

A further shock came at the beginning of World War II. All of our Japanese neighbors — outstanding examples of hard-working, tax-paying, law-abiding citizens — had all their property confiscated by the U. S.

government, and they themselves disappeared for the duration of the war! My faith in security of ownership was severely shaken, if not permanently undermined. I realized that I could pay off all those who had prior claim to my goods and still not really own them! Unusual circumstances, but certainly ones which could happen and could cause loss of ownership no matter how carefully one paid the uttermost farthing!

Deductions

Many little disillusionments were interspersed with these major experiences. All of you are aware of the seemingly endless demands on your income: sales taxes, excise, import and hidden taxes, license fees and assessments, tolls and surcharges, social security, insurance, pension, health and medical deductions, and union dues — until total deductions nearly equal your take-home pay. With not enough money to make ends meet, you borrow money. Then interest and lending fees are added to the already seemingly insuperable burdens of ownership. Some additional costs I didn't become aware of until much later also add their weight. One of these is outright theft from your possessions. Another is employee theft. It is estimated that the cost of employee filching adds 15% to the cost of items you buy; government corruption and ignorance of how to manage your money further eats up your take-home pay.

After all these realizations had eroded my concept of possession to a mere shadow of its former self, I was faced with an understanding that was the greatest shock of all! I discovered God had a prior claim to my gross income that superseded government claims, pension plans and personal desires! He insisted on 10% off the top! He seems to think His claim comes first! He insists on prior right to all prior rights.

I don't mean to be funny in the wrong way, but have you ever thought that there might be a fee for

the license to live, that there might be a tax for the sun, moon and stars, not to mention the earth which we all — governments and individuals alike — take too much for granted and that the One who made and now owns all things might want a little return on His investment?

Don't misunderstand. It rains on the just and the unjust alike. God does not charge us anything for His utilities. He freely gives us everything we have, beginning with life itself. But it is an interesting thought. He is God, after all, and if He so chooses to charge us for His many services that we take for granted, I wonder what the rate would be? Well anyway, thankfully all these are His free gifts to us!

Are All These Prior Claims Legitimate?

When I was very little, I realized that my toys, which had been given to me, could be taken away by my parents at any time — they had prior claim on them. As I grew older, I realized I owed certain duties and obedience to my parents just by virtue of the fact that they fed, clothed and sheltered me. My parents' prior claim was legitimate. Later, I came to see that governments which supply us with certain security and services exercise a prior claim on our possessions and income by virtue of their sober responsibilities. These are perfectly legitimate prior claims. Can any of us acknowledge our parents' and our government's prior claim as being legitimate and believe, on the other hand, that God's is not?

There is a saying that surely must be universal: "There is nothing surer than death and taxes!" I have heard of people who have gotten away with tax evasion, but have you ever heard of someone who got away with death evasion? Solomon puts it down wisely and succinctly: "No one can hold back his spirit from departing; no one has the power to prevent his day of death, for there is no discharge from that obligation and that dark

battle. Certainly a man's wickedness is not going to help him then!" (Ecclesiastes 8:8, *The Living Bible*.)

Do not misunderstand. I am not saying that you can buy life from God with tithe money. God cannot be bribed, and life is God's gift that cannot be purchased!

But then no one would construe that you buy your house from the government when you pay taxes on it either — at least no reasoning person would.

What is it then that you do get in return for the due payment of taxes? You get continued permission to live in freedom under the form of the government to whom you pay taxes!

Fortunately for you and me, God is not nearly so harsh as human governments when it comes to delinquent taxes — but He knows what you owe Him. You may not have been aware of His prior right. However, it's your responsibility to act on that knowledge when you do become aware of it.

The Government Doesn't Exist!

Have you ever seen a government?

I've read about government. I've seen buildings where they tell me the government resides. I've read laws the government puts out — especially about my money! I've talked to people who say that they represent the government. I've also read about people being jailed, fined and maligned by the government. Everybody seems to believe there is a government.

But I don't believe government exists!

To quickly borrow a phrase from the Apostle Paul, let me hasten to say, "I speak as a fool!"

Permit me a little more foolishness. How far do you think I would get with my disbelief in the existence of government? If I didn't pay my property tax, it wouldn't be long before the government would be telling me — and backing it up with force, if necessary — that my property no longer belonged to me! If I paid no tax on my income — and stubbornly

refused to do so on the basis of my disbelief in government — people who do believe in government and claim to represent it would remove me from all my freedoms and security and put me behind bars until I had paid my debt to “society”!

The only consolation I would have would be that I could spend the money I didn't spend on taxes for things I might want — for the short space of time between the committing of the crime of not paying taxes and the time of being apprehended for that crime.

Solomon's logic is hard to beat in this connection. Solomon says, “Because God does not punish sinners instantly, people feel it is safe to do wrong. But though a man sins a hundred times and still lives, I know very well that those who fear God will be better off” (Ecclesiastes 8:11-12, *The Living Bible*).

You see, whether I believe government exists or not has nothing to do with the actual fact. The government, in time, proves in a very persuasive

manner that it does indeed exist! The same reasoning applies to God. My point is not to prove God exists in this article. (However, we will send you a free booklet on the subject if you'd like. Just write and ask for *Does God Exist?*) In fact, I'm sort of taking for granted that anyone reading an article like this has at least a hunch, if not a conviction, that God does exist!

The First Reason I Tithe

I TITHE BECAUSE GOD EXISTS! Let's face it. It's the reason upon which all the other reasons hang. God lives!

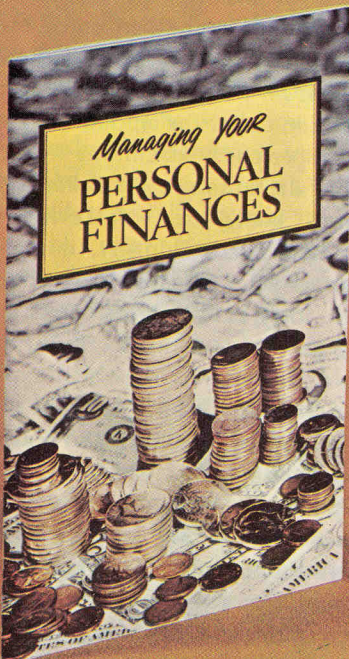
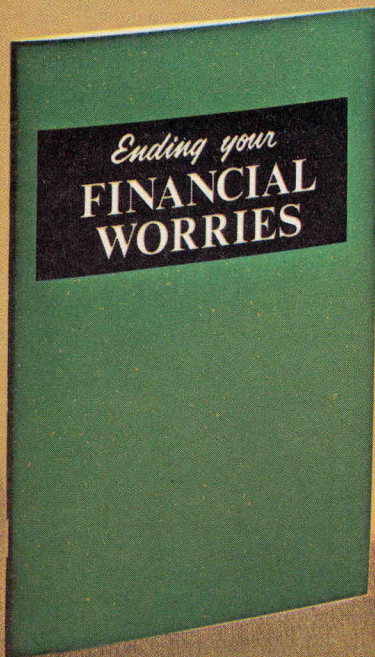
If the government didn't exist, you know you would NOT pay taxes. You and I pay taxes because of two basic reasons based on our belief that government does exist: (1) If we pay, the government does things for us; and (2) if we don't pay, the government does things to us! Certain benefits accrue to us by the paying of taxes, and certain punishments come if we don't.

In truth, I believe God exists just the same as I believe government exists. I pay my tithes. I pay my taxes. I

am happily at peace with God and government. I follow Jesus' advice, “Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's” (Matthew 22:21).

You and I can only “own” things in a partial way for a short time, with many restrictions. Even governments rise and fall, and the governmental stamp of ownership on earth is a passing thing. I tithe for the same reason Abraham, the father of the faithful, did. He gave his tithe to Melchizedek, who was the earthly representative and the high priest of the Most High God whom Abraham recognized as the Possessor of Heaven and Earth. I tithe because God is the true and ultimate owner of everything. Read about it in Genesis 14, beginning in verse 18. Also read Psalms 24:1 — “The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.”

That's why God has prior claim on everyone's possessions and income. Any rules He wishes to apply or taxes



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He wishes to assess come *first!* God explained this principle to the ancient Israelites to whom He gave the possession of the Holy Land: "The land shall not be sold into perpetual ownership, for the land is Mine; you are [only] strangers and temporary residents with Me" (Leviticus 25:23, *The Amplified Bible*). God is the One who owns everything forever! It is wise to keep on the good side of such a powerful Landlord! But I must also say that after practicing tithing for many years, I have learned to do it joyfully!

God Commands Tithing

Both the Old and the New Testaments are very plain on the point of tithing. The first mention of the principle of tithing has already been mentioned in the above reference to Abraham in Genesis 14. Here, long before the law was codified and given from Sinai's top, long before there *was* an Israel, our father Abraham (by faith, Romans 4:16 and Galatians 3:29) practiced tithing. So did Jacob — see Genesis 28:22.

Surely there is no question about it being a *law* in Israel. "And, behold, I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in Israel for an inheritance, for their service . . . even the service of the tabernacle of the congregation" (Numbers 18:21). This law itself changed the manner of tithing in the sense of *to whom* it was paid at that time. Abraham paid his tithe to Melchizedek, God's representative on earth in his time. It is not stated to whom Jacob paid his tithes, but he did pay them. *The tithe belongs to God.* God governs to whom it is to be paid. In Abraham's day it was Melchizedek. (By the way, write for our free article "The Mystery of Melchizedek Solved." It tells all about who he was.)

At the establishment of Israel as a nation, Melchizedek did not make himself available to have tithes paid directly to him. God made a change in the law regarding tithing. He didn't alter the amount. He just changed the recipient, the one(s) to

whom it should be paid. That's why He says, "I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in Israel." The tenth (tithe) belongs to God, and God at this time chose to give it to Levi.

The Levites were at that time performing the religious duties for the church of that day — "church" just means called-out ones, and God had called Israel out of Egypt, as Stephen pointed out to the high priest in his day when he called Israel the "church in the wilderness" (Acts 7:38). From the time God gave the tenth (tithe) to the Levites until the time of the establishment of the New Testament Church of God, the law of tithing remained in effect with no further change regarding whom the tithes should be paid to.

But Christ established a ministry called by the Spirit and not chosen only through the lineage of Levi; He did away with the need for sacrifices by His own sacrifice; thus temple services were no longer required; He commanded His own Spirit-filled ministry, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). After this unique point in history, the services God commanded to be performed for all people changed, *and with that change God again changed the law of tithing.* He didn't alter the amount — a tithe is ten percent by definition — but He again altered to *whom it should be paid.* After Christ's time, the Levites were no longer His ministry, doing His service. After Christ's time, the tithes were to be paid to His servants doing His service to mankind. Paul, in the book of Hebrews — which explains the transition from a Levitical priesthood to a Spirit-chosen and Spirit-led ministry of Jesus Christ — plainly shows this change in the seventh chapter.

[Editor's Note: For the reader who would like a more technical exposition of this and related points, request our free booklet *Ending Your Financial Worries*. It explains the tithing system in greater detail.]

I Like God's Blessings

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it" (Malachi 3:10). Or, as it expresses it at the end of Deuteronomy 14 where tithing is discussed, one of the main Biblical reasons given is "that the Lord thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hand which thou doest" (verse 29).

It is not wrong to want to be blessed by God. And often the blessing does not come in the form of immediate monetary increase. In fact, I'm sure from some sour examples I'm personally familiar with that if someone tithes with a belligerent attitude, just to "prove" tithing doesn't work, sure enough it doesn't for him — until his attitude changes! Paul explains the principle of the attitude toward giving, and it most certainly pertains to giving to God, "not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver"! (II Corinthians 9:7.) God, the giver of all good gifts, hopes we will all learn to give lovingly, generously, even eagerly as He gives.

This is *one* of the reasons why I tithe — not *the* reason. But it is *a* reason, and I will not apologize for God's blessing. No one can outgive God. There are thousands of others among our inner family of co-workers who help support this worldwide Work of God and who share experience with me in this. Let me quote just a couple excerpts from letters they have sent to us as a witness that God indeed blesses those who tithe:

My husband and I have been tithing for a little more than a year now, and I would like to say that God always keeps His promises. After tithing about six months, my husband received a raise that was actually more than we had given God in tithes. We have never found tithing to be a financial burden, but it *has* been a true bless-

ing. We feel privileged to help in God's Work. Here is our tithe, and our thanks to you for letting us help.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. R.,
Roanoke, Virginia

We have been tithing for about two months now and have received so much more than we have given. I had only sent \$35 when my husband received a \$600 raise annually that he didn't ask for and his company began paying him for overtime — the first time in years. . . . I'm more than glad to be a Co-Worker. May God richly bless you and the Work.

Mrs. V. H. P.,
Boise, Idaho

Now this doesn't mean that all those who begin tithing suddenly inherit a huge sum of money, or that God immediately performs some incredible miracle. But over the long haul, God blesses those who faithfully pay *His* tithes so that the 90% of income that they keep for themselves will spread out to accomplish what the 100% would have. God promises to prosper the tither. And God keeps His promises!

Don't Rob God

How long you can get away with evading taxes before you are indicted, tried, fined and/or jailed I don't know — nor will I find out because I pay them when they are due. How long anyone can be guilty of tithe evasion and not suffer the consequences without even realizing it is a question the answer of which I personally don't want to experience.

Malachi admonished an end-time generation to repent. Immediately after the verse where he explains that God does not change (Malachi 3:6), Malachi gives a specific example of an ordinance (or statute) God has not changed. It explains one way in which an individual or nation can begin to return to God: "Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. *Return* unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the Lord of hosts. But ye say, *Wherein shall we return?*"

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have

robbed me. But ye say, *Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.* Ye are cursed with a curse: for YE HAVE ROBBED ME, even this whole nation"! (Malachi 3:7-9).

I certainly don't want to be brought before the court of final judgment with the sin of having robbed God! Admittedly, this is a negative reason, but it is *a* reason, and a powerful one to me.

Can't Afford Not to Tithe

The fifth reason I tithe is that I can't afford NOT to tithe. And this reason is *not* as negative as it might first appear. So many demands are laid on our income, as I explained at the beginning of this article, that, when we come to the knowledge of tithing, it seems an impossible burden to be added. But the proof of practice of many thousands over many years shows this is not valid.

When God begins to intervene in your life, He helps you in so many ways that you can't possibly recognize them all. Somehow, despite the mathematics and all the other prior-claim deductions, the ninety percent you are left with after you tithe covers much more of your needs than the 100% did before. Exactly how this works I don't know, but I do know it does.

Thinking on it from time to time, I've come up with ideas. How many accidents have I been saved from because God is with me? I don't know. The troubles we all get into are easy to see, but what if we could see all the problems we were kept from! How many times have I been kept from illness (my doctor bills are virtually nil for a family of four)? How much has God given me grace and favor in the eyes of officials, employers and friends when I most needed it?

Others also feel this way. Let me share with you the experiences of some who temporarily stopped tithing:

We began tithing last year because it was commanded of God. Then something went wrong with us, and we decided we needed the money for something else that week. We "rea-

soned" that we could make up the \$25.70 "next" time. The next week my pay dropped to around \$100 per week. Then it dropped to \$57. . . . We began tithing again two weeks ago, \$5.15, or roughly 1/5 of my pay of a few very short weeks before. That's not all either. I've gone into debt again, whereas before I was getting out of debt quite rapidly. Also, I found myself worried about nearly everything. To summarize, I had lost "faith." Believe me, you need not worry about my tithe. It will arrive every week from now on. If God is willing, I shall endeavor to make up the rough amount of \$60 which I didn't pay back to God's Work.

Neal E. H.,
Sanford, Maine

Thanks to you and *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine, my husband and I are closer to God and are happier than we ever have been in our lives. We sent our 10% to you every week faithfully for a year until last winter. Then we had to buy so much oil for our apartment that it set us back on our bills.

Instead of keeping our faith, we panicked and stopped giving our 10% so that we could get caught up on our bills. That didn't solve anything, because our baby (8 months) got sick and ended up in the hospital for four days with a virus. Then my son got sick, I got sick, and my husband was laid off from his job.

Finally, we realized that God was correcting us for not having enough faith. Right then and there, we decided to start giving our 10%.

Things sure started to pick up since. Our kids are just fine now and so am I. My husband gets unemployment checks now, but soon he'll be getting called back to work. We have more than enough food.

I hope you will tell your readers this, so they won't make the same mistake we did.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry J.,
North Adams, Massachusetts

Have a Part in God's Work

The Work God is doing today is financed by tithes and offerings just as the Work of God has always been. It is God's law of financing. We can't all be physically active in performing the Work. But we can all participate with our money as well as our prayers. There is a deep joy in knowing that *my* tithes and offerings are in part responsible for this magazine you have in your hand, for *The World*

Tomorrow broadcast you and so many others hear, for the many booklets and articles that are sent *free to others* who ask for them, for the classrooms and faculty on three Ambassador College campuses, and for every facet of this great Work of God worldwide!

There is a special feeling nobody can deny you that you experience from knowing that *your* tithes and offerings have a direct part in fulfilling the commission Jesus Christ gave His church!

The Principle of Giving

Sharing in the responsibility of carrying the Gospel to the world brings us into harmony with God's way of *giving* as opposed to the world's way of *getting*. Paul quoted Jesus as saying, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35). Tithing teaches this principle.

Tithing is for the service of others. Tithing is outgoing. Tithing weans you quickly from the "love of money" which is a "root of all evil" as Paul warns Timothy in I Timothy 6:10. You begin to think of how you can give more so others can know more of God's truth. You begin to practice much more concern about the Kingdom of God and God's righteousness and much less concern about clothing, food and shelter as Matthew 6:24-34 teaches. Not that these basics are ignored, but they take on lesser importance. Besides, once we turn our attention in the right direction of giving, with a right attitude, God comes through with His promise that He gives in this context: "All these things shall be added unto you" (Matthew 6:33).

Financial Responsibility

This world says, "Buy now, pay later!" The "pay later" part is made to sound like good news. People get drawn into the credit syndrome to such an extent that they are bound in an interest and fee-paying cycle that seems impossible to break. "Lust" is the guide word. "Get" is the message. Hardly anyone seems to realize that a

person has only so much money in a lifetime to spend. If he spends much of it on interest and purchases that feed his vanity — keeping up with the Joneses — he is wasting a great amount of his buying capacity on a big, fat nothing!

Tithing helps teach you the principle of self-control. It teaches you to be responsible with all that God has given you financially. It teaches you to be a good steward. It teaches you budgeting. It teaches you to be faithful with the little you have, so that you may share in the greater blessings of God later. It helps teach you to plan and think ahead, to be circumspect, not careless, to be realistic and not live in a world of lust-fantasy! (If you need help in these particular phases of money management, write for our free booklet, *Managing Your Personal Finances*.)

Put God First

God's tithe is the **FIRST** tenth of your gross income. When you pay it, you focus your attention and interest on God and away from self-interest. God says, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: "For *where your treasure is, there will your heart be also*" (Matthew 6:19-21).

We all too often put our trust in *things* instead of God. Some put trust in gold and silver (money) to see them through their trials, but God warns that a time will come soon when He will intervene in mankind's affairs. "In that day a man shall cast his idols of silver, and his idols of gold [anything we trust in and worship is an idol], which they made each one for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats" (Isaiah 2:20).

A man's money too easily becomes his god — or it comes between him and his God. Money is close to a

man's heart, and when he freely gives to God and to others through God and His Work, his heart, interest and direction of life all focus on God!

And that's a very good reason to tithe!

Eternal Partnership With God

At the beginning of this article I explained the concept of possession and ownership. I explained how God is the ultimate owner of all things, the Possessor of Heaven and Earth! When He calls you to understand this, when you realize God really does exist, that He has a message for the world today and that He's bringing His Kingdom soon, then you are called to a partnership with God!

God made all things, and you and me. But God is not selfish. He has invited you and me to share His eternal glory with Him. He has urged us to be partakers of the divine nature, to share His mind, His heart, His kingdom. He has given us life. He has given us the earth and the good things that come from it. He wants to *give* us much more!

"The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; *heirs of God*, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together" (Romans 8:16-17). Can you comprehend what this means? God, the Father, is Possessor of Heaven and Earth — He *owns everything!* It is His to *give*. He has chosen to give it all to His Son, Jesus Christ, and He says *we were born to share that gift!* (Read the article in this issue titled "Why Were You Born?" or send for it in booklet form — free, of course.)

That total partnership and sharing in the eternal possession of all there is begins at the resurrection when we can be born into the very Family of God as His sons! But knowing about it is possible now. Beginning to live toward that goal starts *now*.

I tithe because I want to be God's partner *now* and FOREVER! ■

The BIG Question... SURVIVAL!

Today a nuclear war could ERASE HUMANITY FROM THE EARTH! To learn why man, with awesome mental powers, is unable to achieve world PEACE, this series began with pre-history. In this installment: WHY the vast gulf between animal brain and human mind?

by Herbert W. Armstrong

PART II

IN THE past two years, I have flown five times around the world. I have had personal conferences with many heads-of-state, discussing domestic and world problems — and believe me, the conditions are appalling! These leaders today face problems beyond their ability to solve.

International Tensions Tightening

I have found international tensions tightening. World conditions are drifting toward a final, supreme crisis!

Heads of nations are human. They are subject to passions and emotional instability in the throes of some heated crisis. One *could* miscalculate, or lose his head in such a nerve-shattering trauma, and set off the world-devastating nuclear war! You and I are staking our lives on WORLD PEACE arriving first!

It is a matter of *life-and-death URGENCY!*

The world's problems and evils have multiplied. Things are happening faster and faster! Eruptions of violence everywhere have greatly increased tensions and the danger of nuclear war. And that could mean human extinction!

It's a different world today. For thousands of years, heads of nations have been seeking PEACE. None ever found it — a lasting and permanent world peace, that is. But until some two-and-a-half or three decades ago, there was always time to continue trying.

That is true no longer!

Today we are in a head-on confrontation with the question of SURVIVAL! Time is fast running out. That's the factor that makes all the difference today.

The Incongruity of Man

But WHY should man have been unable to achieve lasting world peace?

Consider the awesome intellectual powers of man! Certainly they *should* enable him to live on a plane of PEACE, happiness and universal plenty. He produces the most intricate mechanisms — technological miracles! He flies astronauts to the moon and back. Yet these same human minds seem utterly helpless before man's moral, spiritual and ethical problems.

WHY this incongruity?

WHY is man *as he is* — so able, yet so helpless? Why the evil in human nature? How, and when did it happen?

Human problems, conflicts and evils have existed as far back as history throws light on human conduct. So, for the answer we must go all the way back to the question of origins.

The world finds itself in this dilemma: Of the two possibilities in the question of origins, one school holds to the theory of evolution, and the other believes in special creation by a Creator, God. But neither the scientists and educators on the one hand, nor the theologians and traditional Christianity, on the other, can tell us WHY man is *as he is*, nor HOW and WHEN he became plagued with the evil in human nature.

Yet human survival depends on the answer.

Man has no way to figure it out. Unless the answer is revealed, humanity is left helpless! And IF it is revealed, the religionists and theologians have not found it — and the evolutionists reject revelation.

What IS Man?

Now we need to UNDERSTAND the origin of MAN.

What is man? Do you realize that almost nobody knows?

Is man an animal — merely the highest of the animal kingdom? Is man an immortal soul? Is he a sort of transmigration product from a former butterfly?

Is there anybody who has not wondered “What AM I?” I cannot remember when that question first entered my mind. I do remember that forty-seven years ago the question especially troubled me. I tried to reason it out — but it was a dead-end street. All my thinking and reasoning led nowhere. The answer cannot be discovered — unless by revelation.

Then a year later, in the autumn of 1926, I was challenged into a thorough, in-depth research into this question of origins — the theory of evolution, or special creation by a supreme Creator, God.

At the outset I questioned the existence of God. And I questioned also the evidences for the evolutionary theory. I sought PROOFS — whichever was the truth.

I studied Darwin, and his promoters Haeckel and Huxley, Lyell before them, and such later evolutionists as

Karl Vogt and Thomas Chrowder Chamberlin. I studied Genesis and the Bible as a whole. I was deeply astonished to see that the plain statements of the Bible were diametrically contrary, in many basic points, to teachings I had received in Sunday School as a growing boy.

I was equally surprised to learn that this Book, as Bruce Barton has said, is the Book that almost nobody seems to understand — a Book that has been interpreted to suit traditional religious tenets, misrepresented, twisted, maligned. I discovered that it is a “NOW” book, for our time, now!

I found PROOF of the existence of the living God (write for our free booklet *Does God Exist?*). And I found PROOF of the infallible inspiration of this Book, the Bible. I found in it one quoted, saying He is God, foretelling infallibly the future, and in the days when ancient Egypt and Babylon flourished, daring to tell, then, the future state of every nation on earth, and of every important city then existing — including the cities of Babylon, Tyre, Sidon, Ashdod, Ashkelon. And what was then foretold has happened in every case! (Write for our free booklet *The Proof of the Bible*.) Daniel’s four kingdoms alone would give proof — but there is much more.

It became clearly evident that when one goes to Biblical revelation he is going to a source that has been substantiated through the centuries and the millenniums — yet the most MISUNDERSTOOD, misrepresented, distorted, maligned book ever written! Yet I found that it MADE SENSE, when taken *as it is*, instead of interpreting into it what one *wants* to believe. It’s a Book that *can* be understood — and rightly understood — if one is willing!

The Purpose of This Series

It is the purpose of this series to give direly needed UNDERSTANDING to the claims of revelation.

It does not necessarily require an

intellect superior to that of scientists and theologians to come to this understanding. It requires merely an open-minded willingness to consider what is clearly stated. Why such objective and open-minded willingness should be such a rare commodity is difficult, indeed, to comprehend.

As covered in Part 1 of this series, our source of revelation, the Bible, starts with the positive statement: “In the beginning, God created the heaven and the earth.” No guess. No theory. Just the positive statement.

From there, we proceeded to cover what is revealed about pre-history. Then the positive statements about the physical creation in Genesis 1. Many statements in the Bible show that Genesis 1 does not describe the completion of creation, but merely *the physical creation*. In other words, the physical material (primarily man) *with which* to BEGIN a far more important *spiritual* creation!

Is Man an Animal?

First, notice more particularly what we covered in the preceding installment in the latter part of that first chapter of the book of Genesis.

Notice, now, what most usually fail to notice:

In verse 21: “And God created great whales . . . after their kind.” After the WHALE kind. “. . . and every winged fowl after his kind.” Not after some different or lower kind, but after the winged fowl kind.

Continue, verse 25: “And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind . . .” — cattle after the cattle kind, lions after the lion kind, bears after the bear kind, apes after the ape kind.

But *not* MAN after the ape kind!

Instead, verse 26: “And God said, let us make man in our image, after our likeness.” Plainly, it says God made MAN after the GOD kind — not after any animal kind! That is, formed, shaped, like God — not like the ape, the horse, the cow.

When asked what God looked like, Jesus said that if they had seen

Him, they had seen what God looks like, for He was formed and shaped like God the Father in heaven. And Jesus looked like any other Jew of His day — else His enemies should not have paid Judas 30 pieces of silver to point out and identify Him.

Much of God's appearance is revealed in the Bible. God has hands and feet — not claws, paws or hoofs. God has ten fingers and ten toes. God has two eyes, a nose, a mouth, two ears. He has arms and legs. He is formed and shaped like a man, because He created man after HIS image and likeness.

Man, it is plainly revealed, then, is NOT AN ANIMAL!

The evolutionary theorists debase man as a mere animal — and descended *from* lower animals. The Biblical revelation of man's beginnings sets him emphatically in a GOD category. The Bible reveals that man was made to have a special relationship with God, utterly impossible with animals!

Yet of Material, not Spiritual Composition

But it is also vital to note that man is composed of material substance. In John 4:24 it is plainly revealed that *God is a Spirit* — composed of spirit, not of matter.

Why was man made of matter, mortal, with a chemical existence supplied by circulation of blood, oxidized by breathing air, fueled by food and water?

As stated before, the Bible reveals that the creation described in Genesis 1 was a PHYSICAL creation. In it God produced the physical material — primarily man, with which to BEGIN the far more important SPIRITUAL CREATION. We are the clay. God is our Potter (Isa. 64:8). And that spiritual creation is still going on. That relates to man's transcendent potential — the very PURPOSE for which the Creator put the human family here on the earth!

Genesis 1 describes a physical renewal of the face of the earth — the

presence of physical water in seas, lakes and rivers, material ground, the physical sun and moon, physical plant life, physical animal life — and, finally, physical HUMAN life.

In Genesis 2:7: "And the Eternal God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul."

In other words, God took matter from the ground, and then formed and shaped that matter like God Himself. But this man (and woman) came out of the ground — material substance. Then God breathed PHYSICAL AIR into man's nostrils — the breath by which man receives his temporary physical LIFE. Then the breathing, living, physical man *became* a living SOUL.

WHAT became a "soul"?

Not something spiritual — but something formed and shaped from the dust of the ground. The "soul," then, came FROM the ground, and is wholly MATTER — not spirit!

The "soul," then, is material and MORTAL. There is no such expression anywhere in the Bible as "immortal soul." A soul is NOT immortal. But it is written: "The soul that sinneth, it shall die" (Ezekiel 18:4). It is written, for emphasis, a second time: "The soul that sinneth, IT SHALL DIE" (Ezekiel 18:20). God distinctly told Adam and Eve that if they sinned, they would SURELY die (Gen. 2:17).

HOW Different From Animals

At this point it is well that we come to UNDERSTAND another basic truth about man — a truth to which even the minds of theologians have been blinded. Yet without this truth one could never come to understand WHY man is as he is — WHY man has such advanced, complicated, and marvelous intellectual powers — and why he still cannot solve his own problems in living with fellowman.

Neither, without this missing dimension of knowledge, can we comprehend the true *destiny* of man — the PURPOSE of human life — the purpose

for which the living God PUT mankind on the earth!

The Missing Link

Paleontologists have searched in vain for the missing link, in fossil findings, between man and animal. They would devote their time more profitably if they would seek the Missing Link between man and GOD — Jesus Christ.

Why was man formed in the very likeness of God? The Biblical revelation answers that question. It says humans may be actually begotten by God—may become actual SONS of God!

Speaking of Christ, you will read, in John 1:12: "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God." Again, in Romans 8:14, 16-17: "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. . . . The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; heirs of God and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together."

Man Created for Special Relationship With God

No such relationship with God is mentioned regarding animals!

Man was created that he might have the close relationship of actual fellowship with God and with the resurrected, living Christ. Read it, in I John 1:3: "That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ." In I John 3:2: "Beloved now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is."

Man was created to have a very special relationship with God that is utterly nonexistent with animals.

The most remarkable thing about mortal man is his MIND.

There is a direct relationship be-

tween this very special and personal fellowship made possible for man with God, and the incredible GULF between the intellectual capacities of human mind and animal brain.

Right here is a truth that ought to ASTOUND the reader, and cause him impulsively to almost SHOUT for joy.

God created each animal after its own animal kind. But He created MAN after GOD'S OWN kind — to have fellowship with God, to become SONS of God.

GOD is the supreme intelligence that is the architect of the universe. The mind of God designed all we see in nature. His mind designed the marvelous human body with its various systems. He designed the brain — both animal and human brain. But He equipped animal brain with an instinct absent in human brain. On the other hand His purpose, in making MAN after His own likeness — to have fellowship with God — to become sons of God — demanded MIND POWER in man patterned after God's own mind.

But HOW did God do that? He made man of matter from the ground. GOD is a Spirit. Man's potential is to *become* spirit, as God now is. So God added a nonphysical component to human brain to impart the power of intellect. He gave man a mind, even as GOD has mind. But man's mind must function through physical brain. And it is therefore evident that, during this human life, man's mind does not reach that all-encompassing perfection of the mind of God. And it is LIMITED. Even now, man's mind NEEDS an additional ingredient, as will be made clear.

Why the Incredible GULF?

Early in my intensive study of the evolution vs. special creation question, I learned what man IS! But I had not researched deeply the question of the difference between animal brain and human mind until early in the decade of the sixties. And then, at last, I found plainly revealed what causes this tremendous difference.

I didn't know it then, but a scholarly minded young student was also delving into this same question in eastern universities in the United States. He was pursuing the subject, not in the Bible, but in the physiological science of brain research. He had studied at New York University, University of Rochester, Johns Hopkins Medical School, Yeshiva University, receiving his A.B. from Johns Hopkins University, and his Ph.D. from the University of California at Los Angeles. He has conducted research programs in molecular biology and cerebral cortex electrophysiology. What a coincidence that we both came to the same answer — he from research in physical science, and I from research in revealed knowledge. And what a further coincidence that we were brought together. He is Dr. Robert Kuhn, now on the faculty of Ambassador College, Pasadena.

Beginning with the January number, *The PLAIN TRUTH* has been publishing Dr. Kuhn's remarkable series of articles on this very vital question.

So now I present the Biblical revelation on the subject.

These things we need to know:

1) Why is the human mind, awesomely great in abilities and accomplishments, unable to solve its own problems — to live at peace, and in universal happiness and well-being?

2) Why are man's intellectual powers so great by comparison when the animal brain is virtually the equal of human brain both quantitatively and qualitatively?

3) And most important, *WHAT* is the solution to man's problems — *HOW* shall we come to WORLD PEACE before human extinction occurs?

The Bible shows clearly WHY this world is filled with evils of every sort. Notice Jeremiah 17:9: "The heart [of man] is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked." And again, Romans 8:7: "... the carnal mind is enmity [hostile] against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be."

Human nature is well filled with evil.

But WHY? Did God — IF we are to believe in an all-wise Creator — create an EVIL heart in man? Did God create man so that he could produce such marvels as he does, but at the same time be impotent and helpless before his problems?

Did God create the deceitful and wicked heart in man? Did God put hostility in man's mind against his Maker? And if not, HOW DID MAN COME TO BE AS HE IS?

First, let us consider what *causes* the vast superiority of man's mental powers in comparison with animals.

Everything is a matter of cause and effect. If man, with a brain so nearly *like* the brains of animals, has infinitely greater MIND power that cannot be accounted for by either the size or quality of the physiological brain — as Dr. Kuhn's articles have so clearly demonstrated — WHAT CAUSES IT?

Dr. Kuhn demonstrates scientifically that there is, of necessity, some nonphysical component in the human brain that is not present in the animal brain.

I found the same thing *revealed* before I ever heard of Dr. Kuhn.

In Job 32:8, I had read: "But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding."

Notice it carefully. The inspiration of God gives — imparts to man — UNDERSTANDING. But how? By what means? The means is contained in that same verse: "There is a spirit in man." And spirit is nonphysical. Notice carefully, this spirit is *IN* man. It is not the man, but something that is *IN* man.

And what is man? Of what is he composed? The man is composed of *matter*, not spirit!¹ Remember, as

¹ Just a brief semi-technical explanation about this word "spirit."

It is translated from the original Hebrew word *ruach*. The Hebrew *ruach* has at least four meanings, determined by the way the word is used in the sentence. For example, in the English language, the word *saw* may mean an implement for cutting

quoted previously, "The Eternal God formed man of the dust of the ground." Dust is material substance. Man is physical. Man's brain is physical. The human brain is almost precisely like the brain of whale, elephant, dolphin, chimp. But the spirit *IN* man is nonphysical. It is a non-physical component *IN* man *that is not present in animal brain.*

Spirit Imparts Intellect to Physical Brain

Now notice the function of the "spirit in man."

In his letter to the Corinthians, the Apostle Paul is explaining why the world's great intellects cannot comprehend the knowledge of what God has in store for man. He goes to great length to explain it is not because of big words or complicated language. On the contrary, he explains that he used only plain, simple speech.

In chapter 1, he shows it is not the great intellects that are able to comprehend spiritual knowledge — but on the contrary the more common and simple among humans have been called and *given* this comprehension.

He writes: "For you see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called:

through wood, or it can mean "did see."

Ruach may mean the nonphysical essence, spirit, or it may mean physical air, wind, breath; sometimes it may mean attitude, and with the word "Holy" preceding, it means the Holy Spirit of God — non-physical, of course.

As used here in Job 32:8 it means spirit — non-physical essence. The same word is used in Job 33:4, speaking of the Holy Spirit of God: "The spirit [*ruach*] of God hath made me, and the breath [*neshamab*] of the Almighty hath given me life." In this sentence is a Hebrew word *neshamab* that can mean only "breath" — the air that is breathed into and exhaled from the lungs through the nostrils. It refers to Genesis 2:7: "And the Eternal God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath [*neshamab*] of life; and man became a living soul." The man God formed out of matter from the ground did not have life until God sparked it by breathing into his nostrils the physical air. ("Breathed" is from the Hebrew *naphach*, to inflate, to blow.) A "soul," translated from the Hebrew "*nepesh*," means the breathing, living physical being, whether man or animal.

Also in Job 34:14, the same two words are used — saying God gathers to Himself man's "spirit" (Heb. *ruach*) and his breath (Heb. *neshamab*).

This demonstrates conclusively that in the context the English word "spirit" in Job 32:8 has the meaning of *spirit*, the nonphysical essence.

but God hath chosen the . . . weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; and base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen . . . that no flesh should glory in his presence. . . . And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God" (I Cor. 1:26-29; 2:1).

In other words this spiritual KNOWLEDGE is *revealed* from God, and is not obtained *because* of a superior degree of human intellect. The apostle is showing that even the humble may comprehend. He writes that "your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. . . . But we speak the wisdom of God . . . even the hidden wisdom . . . which none of the princes of this world knew . . ." (verses 5-8).

The only way knowledge can enter the human mind, naturally, is through the eye, the ear, or the sense of taste, smell, touch or feel. Paul goes on to show that this spiritual knowledge from God simply cannot enter the normal, natural mind — no matter how superior the intellect.

"But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him" (verse 9).

"BUT God hath *revealed* them unto us by his Spirit . . ." (verse 10), regardless of the degree of human intellect. In other words, this knowledge of spiritual things does not enter human minds by natural processes — for spirit cannot be seen, heard, smelled, felt nor tasted — and there is no other way knowledge enters the mind naturally. The great minds of the world, without God's Spirit, are confined to knowledge of the PHYSICAL. That's why, when another — perhaps of lesser intellectual attainments — speaks of spiritual things, it appears as utter FOOLISHNESS to the highly educated mind. All his knowledge is confined to PHYSICAL things.

Spiritual things are on a totally different plane.

The Mystery Explained

Now we come to the verse that explains it all! The verse that has been MISAPPLIED by those who have accepted the "immortal soul" fallacy.

"For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God" (verse 11).

Study that — in context. What man KNOWS — has knowledge of — the things of a man — what man could have this HUMAN knowledge — knowledge animal brain cannot receive — save by the *spirit of man* which is in him?

Animals do not have this spirit — this nonphysical component. Animal brain therefore cannot perform as does human MIND. And human brain alone, *just BARELY* superior to animal brain, could not have and utilize this human knowledge UNLESS there was ADDED to the physical brain this *spirit* — this nonphysical component that is added to man. And this spirit, *associated with* human brain, functioning with human brain, produces the intellect that is awesome compared to animals.

Keep carefully in mind that the MAN is *wholly* composed of matter — from the dust of the ground. But God has *added* to man something that is *not* the man but something *added* to the man — something *IN* him. And this nonphysical something — this *spirit* — imparts the power of intellect to physical human brain. Just how I will explain later.

But, even though man has this power of MIND, his mind is confined to receiving PHYSICAL knowledge. The reason for this also later.

But, even as man could not know the things of a MAN without the addition of the *spirit of man*, even so, the things of GOD cannot be comprehended without the addition of another Spirit — the Holy Spirit of GOD!

Just as a stupid cow grazing on the

grass could not comprehend any part of the Einstein theory, even if Mr. Einstein himself were standing beside the cow and trying to explain it to the cow — and neither could MAN without this spirit — EVEN SO an Einstein, a scientist, a great educator, a great theologian, cannot comprehend — cannot KNOW, have knowledge of — the spiritual things of GOD *unless* another Spirit is added, the Holy Spirit of God.

Study this carefully! It is of tremendous importance!

Continue, now, this passage in I Corinthians 2:

“Now we have received [the *we* refers to Christians who have received God’s Holy Spirit which is dwelling in them], not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God” (verse 12). God’s Spirit has been ADDED, that we might KNOW — have knowledge of — the spiritual things of God. This is knowledge that cannot be received except by the addition of God’s

Spirit, to be associated with, functioning with our spirit and brain which together compose our human MIND.

Continue, verse 14: “But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.”

In like manner, the animal brain, without the spirit that is in man, cannot receive the kind of knowledge humans possess. Just as stated above, if an Einstein would try to explain the Einstein theory to a grazing cow, it would seem like so much foolishness to the cow — IF the cow could even think that far. But the cow could not comprehend any of it. Neither can the unconverted natural mind, without the Holy Spirit of God added, comprehend the spiritual knowledge REVEALED by God.

But, when one does receive God’s Holy Spirit, we read in Romans 8:16: “The Spirit [of God] itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God.” There again, in revealing knowledge, God’s Spirit re-

veals this knowledge through our spirit — the spirit in man.

Now we have only scratched the surface, so to speak, of this most important question.

Still to be answered are these stupendously important questions:

HOW and WHEN did man come to *be as he is* — with almost awesome intellect, but impotent before his own problems?

How did man’s heart come to be deceitful and desperately wicked as stated in Jeremiah 17:9? Did God create this evil nature in man?

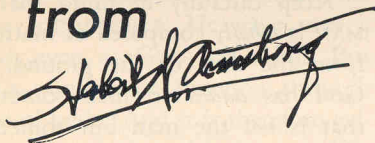
How does the spirit in man impart the power of intellect?

Does this spirit see, hear, think? In the first installment of this series, the Biblical explanation of the presence of the devil was given. What’s the connection between that and this spirit in man?

If man is NOT an “immortal soul” what HOPE do we have for life after death? Let it be added here, it is an enormously greater hope than the “immortal soul” fallacy.

We will continue these ALL-IMPORTANT questions next month. ■

Personal from



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It’s true nearly all the would-be assassins have been loners. Nearly all have been little men, with twisted, perverted minds, bent on making *big* headlines. The man accused of shooting Governor Wallace was described as about 5’ 6”, weighing around 145 pounds. Sirhan Sirhan, convicted killer of Robert Kennedy, was 5’ 5” and weighed only 120 pounds. Senator Bobby Kennedy had apparently said he was in favor of aid to Israel. Sirhan Sirhan, a Jordanian Palestinian, was quoted saying: “I can explain. I did it to save my country.”

Lee Harvey Oswald, who assassinated President John F. Kennedy, was a small, slight man, wearing a BIG smirk of arrogance. Of all presidential assassins, or those who attempted assassinations, only one — John Wilkes Booth, who shot President Abraham Lincoln in the back, was even average height for his time. He was 5’ 8”, which was above average height in 1865.

But all others were shorter, ranging down to Giuseppe Zangara, who attempted to assassinate Franklin Delano Roosevelt, 2½ weeks prior to his first inauguration, was just five feet tall, and weighed only 106 pounds. This small piece of misguided humanity fired five shots, hitting and wounding five men and women *near* Mr. Roosevelt, and *kill-*ing Mayor Anton J. Cermak of Chicago.

Other *little* men with *BIG*-murder

ideas were Charles J. Guiteau, who shot President James A. Garfield in the back, July 2, 1881. Then there was Leon F. Czolgosz who walked up in line to shake hands with President William McKinley in Buffalo, Sept. 5, 1901, and as the President smiled cordially, extending a friendly hand, this contemptible little malcontent, feigning an injury with a gun in a hand wrapped in a bandage, pulled the trigger twice, killing the President.

Then there was John N. Schrank, who on Oct. 14, 1912, in Milwaukee, shot Theodore Roosevelt in the chest as he was stepping into the rear of an open car. This shot was not fatal. There was an attempt on the life of President Harry S. Truman by two Puerto Rican nationalists. In that attempt, two men were killed and three others wounded. There have been MANY other assassinations and attempted assassinations in other coun-

tries. Each assassin was a man possessed with a fancied, but wrong CAUSE, holding emotional feelings of personal animosity, feeling he was a man of DESTINY, an instrument in the hands of God. How twisted and perverted, in their thinking about God can men get? John Wilkes Booth wrote: "Our country owed all her troubles to him, and God simply made me the instrument of his punishment." In one respect, President Lincoln's assassin might have been right — he referred to the WRONG GOD — the god of *this* world. After Guiteau killed President Garfield, he explained his reason: "His removal is an act of God." Later, during his trial, he said to the jury: "Let your verdict be that it was the Deity's act, not mine" — but the jury didn't see it that way. After Czolgosz killed President McKinley, he said, "I thought it would be a good thing for the nation to kill the President." After attempting to kill President Truman, Collazo justified himself in court, saying: "I thought it would be a good thing for the nation to kill the President."

Apparently not one of these little warped-minded anarchists ever repented of his foul deed. Each was a little man — seized with an invisible satanic force, with illusions of diabolical grandeur, and a perverted sense of mission. How can a nation completely protect its leaders from such men? Probably, in this world, it can't.

But in the World Tomorrow it will be totally DIFFERENT! All those in government office and authority will be no longer human — composed of mortal flesh and blood. They will be composed of SPIRIT — NON-physical spirit, with life inherent within themselves.

Let me give you a quick explanation of what we mean by the World Tomorrow. The Bible speaks of three worlds.

1) The world prior to Noah and the Flood is referred to as "the world that then was," in II Peter 3:6.

2) The world from the Flood up to now is referred to as "this present evil world" in Galatians 1:4.

3) Jesus spoke of "this world" in contrast to "that world" (Luke 20:34-35), or the World Tomorrow — the coming world beginning with the time of the resurrection.

The New Testament was originally written in Greek. Two Greek words are translated "world." One is *aion* meaning "age" or "a duration of time." The other is *kosmos*, meaning "pattern, way, or order of society, with its customs, systems, and organization." Actually, when one reads of "this world" in the Bible, it refers to society as it is organized and lived during the period which is this present age.

You've heard talk about "the end of the world." Actually, that expression originated with the disciples of Jesus Christ, when He was on earth over 1900 years ago, as referred to in Matthew 24:3. It refers, NOT to the end of the earth's existence, but the word "world" there is translated from *aion* referring to the end of this present AGE — and the beginning of the World Tomorrow — a world AT PEACE!

Let me give you a short-short outline of what this world's best-selling Book says about the World Tomorrow.

There is a very remarkable prophecy in the book of Isaiah: "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this" (Isaiah 9:6-7).

Then in the New Testament the same thing is announced by an angel to Mary, mother of Jesus: "And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary:

for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end" (Luke 1:30-33).

Jesus' Gospel *was* the announcement of this Government of which He was born to be the King: "The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God; As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. . . . Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, and saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel" (Mark 1:1-2, 14-15).

And, as Jesus taught it, a kingdom is in reality TWO things: 1) it is a government and 2) it is a family grown into a nation with its government. For example, the Turkish nation is primarily composed of the descendants of Esau, brother of Jacob, whose name was changed to Israel. The Israelites were such a kingdom, a nation descended from Jacob. Jesus taught that upon real repentance, and faith in Christ, humans may receive the Holy Spirit of God — and IF God's Spirit dwells in them, they will be resurrected as spirit-born children of God — then composed of spirit, no longer mortal flesh and blood.

Many have erroneously believed that the Church is and constitutes the Kingdom of God. But in I Corinthians 15:50-53, we read: "Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound,



Bob Jackson, Dallas Times Herald

The violence didn't end with John F. Kennedy's assassination. His accused murderer, Lee Harvey Oswald, was unexpectedly shot by Jack Ruby before the very eyes of Dallas policemen and a shocked and mourning nation.

and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality."

Jesus, on trial for His life, before Pontius Pilate, was accused of sedition against the Roman Empire. He admitted He was born to become a King, but said His Kingdom was

NOT of this world — this present world. It was of the World Tomorrow: "Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence. Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice" (John 18:36-37).

Notice Jesus' promise to those converted, receiving God's Holy Spirit in *this* age, when they are resurrected — immortal — composed of spirit — in the World Tomorrow: "And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father" (Revelation 2:26-27).

And also: "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in

his throne" (Revelation 3:21).

World-famous scientists and statesmen have said the *only hope* of world peace is WORLD GOVERNMENT. This is impossible, now, with MEN! But the Bible shows this time will soon come when "The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ, and he shall reign for ever and ever" (Revelation 11:15).

The GOOD NEWS (the word *Gospel* means "Good News") which Christ came into the world to announce is the World Tomorrow — the coming time of world peace, universal prosperity, happiness and abundant well-being for all. It's the MOST WONDERFUL GOOD NEWS ever heralded!

To proclaim that wonderful announcement is the mission of *The World Tomorrow* program on radio and television. ■

What Our Readers Say

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or "localized wars" (like Vietnam) in order to protect their investments. I doubt too that many executives of these firms bother to distinguish between genuine nationalist uprisings and real communist take-overs.

Charles Neal Newsletter
Charles Neal Financial Services, Inc.
San Juan Capistrano, California

• *Economist and financial expert Charles Neal has brought forth a valid criticism of our recent article on "World Peace Through World Business." The point of the article was not to whitewash big business of its many corporate sins, but rather to point out the folly of selfish nationalism. The other side of the corporate picture — the callous selling of arms and death machines to weak foreign nations — will be covered in a future article in a coming issue entitled "Blood Money."*

Heroin

May I congratulate you on being the first to present a true picture of what an addict is and how he got that way. I am in total accord with the concept of cause and treatment as expressed by the author. Only when we break down the

barriers of prejudice and get the cooperation of society, as a whole, will we succeed. As long as our government persists in a law and order approach, the impetus for a realistic system of treatment must come from the people.

Herb J.,
Portland, Oregon

I would like to commend you on your fine periodical *The PLAIN TRUTH*. It is one of the most fascinating magazines I have ever read. I was extremely impressed with your article "The Heroin Addict" in the February issue. I am a Health and Physical Education teacher and I intend to use parts of your article in my lesson plan. I very much would like to subscribe to your fine magazine but it is a private publication. Would you please put me on your mailing list if it is at all possible?

James B.,
Levittown, Pennsylvania

Mindszenty

In the February 1972 issue of *The PLAIN TRUTH* on page 15, a picture is shown of Cardinal Mindszenty. He happens to be of Hungarian descent and not from Romania as is stated under the picture.

Alexander P.,
Cleveland, Ohio

• *The mistake was ours and was corrected after about 60,000 copies were released. You are quite correct. It was Cardinal Mindszenty of Hungary. Thank you for your concern.*

Shadow of the Giant

As a Canadian citizen living in these great United States of America, I found your article "Living in the Shadow of the Giant" particularly interesting. I too believe that American-Canadian diplomatic relations should serve as a model to the free world. But how long can such peaceful co-operation exist when one party begins to take the other for granted? I must say that American ignorance does not bother me half as much as American arrogance.

Victor M.,
Rock Hill, Kentucky

I can't help but think that the author of "Living in the Shadow of the Giant," Richard C. Peterson, is either a Canadian or an American with tremendous insight. The article was well done and concluded with positive thinking. I only hope our leaders on both sides of the border absorb this kind of attitude in the future for any necessary negotiations.

Barbara F.,
Surrey, British Columbia, Canada

Human Mind

You are to be congratulated on your series about human and animal brains and minds. The series is written in layman terms and it is very refreshing to be able to *understand* what I am reading for a change. This is one of the few magazine articles I have read recently and didn't have to consult a dictionary to learn what I was reading about.

F. B.,
Steilacoom, Washington

I have never heard of apes or gorillas dropping bombs on other apes or gorillas, nor have I ever heard of them killing each other by the thousands. . . . As long as the Russians and Americans hold the threat of atomic war over the heads of all other humans, I question the thesis that man's brain is vastly superior to that of the animal.

P. S.,
Toronto,
Ontario, Canada

• *The fact that the human mind is vastly superior to the output of animal brain refers only to the level of, or capacity for, higher mental activity — not to the moral, ethical or spiritual superiority of humans over animals. In fact, the existence of a non-physical component in the human mind precisely demonstrates that only man has problems that can affect his spiritual welfare.*

You ask — "What animal could be called a craftsman?" A beaver can build a dam of such qualities and under such conditions that even an engineer ponders as he looks at it. Then take the little silk worm; it can build a cocoon of threads that the greatest queens cherish.

Wallace S.,
Grangeville, Idaho

The Silent Epidemic

We were particularly impressed by your feature: "V.D.'s Tragic Role in History." This is an issue we have wanted to run in our own weekly newspaper. We would like your permission to reprint some of the material from this article. We would, of course, give *The PLAIN TRUTH* full credit as the source of our material should permission be granted.

William W. Keeler,
Editor-Publisher
Wyalusing Rocket
Wyalusing, Pennsylvania

It gave me a jolt to read your article on VD. Never has such a clear and to-the-point article been written. Thank you very much for getting so precise on a subject which has harassed thousands.

J. L.,
Durban, Natal

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