

THE WORLD TOMORROW

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DO YOU EVER STOP TO THINK WHY PEOPLE BELIEVE WHAT THEY BELIEVE? DIFFERENT RELIGIONS BELIEVE WHATEVER THEIR RELIGION IS. PRACTICALLY ALL THE PEOPLE IN THAILAND BELIEVE IN BUDDHISM. WHY DO THEY ALL BELIEVE IN BUDDHISM? WHY IS IT NEARLY ALL ARABS BELIEVE IN THE MOSLEM RELIGION? WHY IS IT THAT NEARLY EVERYBODY IN FRANCE IN CATHOLIC? AND HOW DID YOU COME TO BELIEVE THE THINGS YOU BELIEVE?

MOST PEOPLE NEVER ASK THEMSELVES, IN RETROSPECT, HOW THEY CAME TO BELIEVE WHAT THEY DO. DO YOU EVER STOP TO THINK OF HOW YOU CAME TO BELIEVE WHAT YOU BELIEVE? HOW DID IT GET INTO YOUR MIND? YOU'VE GOT ABSOLUTE BELIEFS. YOU'VE GOT CONVICTIONS AND YOU'RE SURE OF IT. BUT SOMEONE IS JUST AS SURE OF SOMETHING ENTIRELY DIFFERENT, HOW DID YOU COME TO BE SO SURE? ARE YOU SURE, AFTER ALL, OR DO YOU JUST THINK YOU ARE? LET ME ANSWER THAT QUESTION.

MOST PEOPLE BELIEVE WHAT THEY'VE BEEN BROUGHT UP TO BELIEVE, ESPECIALLY IN RELIGION. THEY BELIEVE THE RELIGION THAT THOSE PEOPLE AROUND THEM BELIEVE AND WHAT THEY WERE TAUGHT TO BELIEVE AND WHAT THEIR NEIGHBORS, THEIR PEERS BELIEVE AND EVERYBODY THEY KNOW.

THERE'S ANOTHER REASON WHY PEOPLE BELIEVE WHAT THEY DO ABOUT THINGS OTHER THAN RELIGION. THEY BELIEVE WHAT THEY HAVE REPEATEDLY READ OR WHAT THEY HAVE REPEATEDLY HEARD UNTIL THEY JUST ACCEPT IT. ADVERTISING MEN KNOW THAT PEOPLE BELIEVE WHAT THEY HEAR OR SEE OR READ REPEATEDLY. NOW IN ADVERTISING, WE HAVE TO CONSIDER TWO BROAD CATEGORIES OF THE THINGS THAT WE ADVERTISE THAT ARE FOR SALE. OF COURSE THERE ARE SERVICES AND MERCHANDISE. BUT MAINLY, YOUR MERCHANDISING PROBLEM IS EITHER ONE OF EDUCATION OR IT'S ONE OF JUST REPEATING A NAME UNTIL THEY'LL BUY THAT NAME.

FOR INSTANCE, IN CIGARETTES, MOST

CIGARETTE COMPANIES WILL ADVERTISE THEIR PARTICULAR BRAND. NOW A LOT OF THEM ARE USING ADVERTISING TO TRY TO SHOW YOU THAT YOU OUGHT TO SMOKE EVEN THOUGH THE GOVERNMENT MAKES THEM PRINT THAT CIGARETTE SMOKING IS DANGEROUS. SO NOW THEY'RE TRYING TO COUNTER THAT SO THEY THINK THEY CAN GET YOU TO BELIEVE. THEY KNOW THAT IF THEY REPEAT IT OFTEN ENOUGH, YOU'RE GOING TO BELIEVE IT, YOU BELIEVE WHAT YOU READ.

YOU SEE, WE LEARN THAT IN OUR EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM. PEOPLE START IN SCHOOL. THEY LEARN TO READ BEGINNING IN THE FIRST GRADE IN SCHOOL AT AGE SIX. THEY BEGIN TO GET A LITTLE ARITHMETIC AND THINGS LIKE THAT ABOUT AGE SEVEN IN THE SECOND GRADE. PRETTY SOON THEY ARE ABLE TO READ AND SO EDUCATION FROM THAT TIME ON COMES LARGELY FROM BOOKS AND TEXTBOOKS. AND YOU'RE EXPECTED TO BELIEVE EXACTLY WHAT THAT TEXTBOOK SAYS. IF YOU DON'T YOU'RE GOING TO BE FAILED OR YOU WILL GET A WRONG MARK ON THAT PARTICULAR QUESTION. WELL, MOST PEOPLE BELIEVE THEN, WHAT THEY'RE RAISED UP TO BELIEVE, OR THEY BELIEVE WHAT THEY HAVE READ OR WHAT THEY HAVE HEARD.

AGAIN, MOST PEOPLE BELIEVE WHAT THEY WANT TO BELIEVE, OR THEY BELIEVE WHAT THEIR PEER GROUP BELIEVES. KIDS, FOR INSTANCE, BELIEVE WHAT OTHER KIDS THEIR OWN AGE THAT THEY ASSOCIATE OR PLAY WITH BELIEVE, MUCH MORE THAN THEY BELIEVE WHAT THEIR PARENTS SAY. AND YOU PARENTS OUGHT TO REALIZE THAT. TO YOUR CHILD, EVEN UP INTO THE TEENAGERS, THE OTHER KIDS THEIR OWN AGE HAVE A LOT MORE AUTHORITY THAN YOU DO, UNLESS YOU'RE VERY CAREFUL. MAYBE YOU'RE CLEVER ENOUGH TO CONVINCING THEM THAT YOU KNOW MORE THAN THE OTHER KIDS DO. AND I HOPE YOU SUCCEED IN THAT. BUT OTHERWISE, JUST BE CAREFUL.

NOW THERE'S ANOTHER THING. A LOT OF PEOPLE BELIEVE WHAT THEY WANT TO

BELIEVE. EVEN THOUGH THEY MIGHT KNOW IT'S NOT THE TRUTH, THEY BELIEVE IT ANYWAY. A LOT OF PEOPLE REFUSE TO BELIEVE WHAT THEY DON'T WANT TO BELIEVE. EVEN IF YOU PROVE IT TO THEM THEY WON'T ACCEPT IT, THERE'S AN OLD SAYING THAT A MAN CONVINCED AGAINST HIS WILL IS OF THE SAME OPINION STILL.

WELL, HOW DID I COME TO BELIEVE WHAT I BELIEVE? WANT TO TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT MY OWN EXPERIENCE BECAUSE I WAS PUT THROUGH AN EXPERIENCE. FIFTY-ONE YEARS AGO, I WAS GIVEN A GREAT JOLT — A MIND DISTURBING DUAL CHALLENGE. ALL OF A SUDDEN, TO MY DISMAY, I LEARNED THAT MY WIFE HAD TAKEN UP WITH WHAT REGARDED AS RELIGIOUS FANATICISM!

I WAS IN THE ADVERTISING BUSINESS AND AS I HAVE SAID, HAD LEFT CHURCH AND SUNDAY SCHOOL AND RELIGIOUS INTEREST AFTER ABOUT AGE 18. OF COURSE, I WAS REARED TO BELIEVE IN CHRIST. I DIDN'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT GOD, I DIDN'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT CHRIST, BUT I JUST KNEW THAT I BELIEVED IN THEM, WHY? I DIDN'T KNOW, BUT THAT'S WHAT I'D BEEN TAUGHT, AND EVERYBODY ELSE THAT I WAS WITH BELIEVED THE SAME THING. BUT I DIDN'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT IT. OF COURSE, I ALSO BELIEVED THAT I WAS AN IMMORTAL SOUL AND I BELIEVED THAT I WOULD GO TO HEAVEN OR TO HELL WHEN I DIED, DEPENDING ON HOW GOOD I WAS.

BUT HERE MY WIFE HAD TAKEN UP WITH RELIGIOUS FANATICISM, AND I HAD ALMOST LOST INTEREST IN RELIGION, THIS WAS A GOOD MANY YEARS AFTER I WAS 18, AS A MATTER OF FACT, I WAS 34. MY WIFE HAD TAKEN UP WITH THE SEVENTH DAY SABBATH. NOW TO ME THAT WAS JUST ABOUT THE VERY HEIGHT OF RELIGIOUS FANATICISM! I BEGAN TO THINK ... I HAD BUSINESS ASSOCIATES. I HAD BEEN MAKING, IN THE ADVERTISING BUSINESS WHAT WOULD BE AN EQUIVALENT INCOME TODAY, OF ABOUT \$150,000 A YEAR. I DON'T THINK YOU'D SAY THAT'S EVIDENCE OF FAILURE.

BUT NOW I WAS REALLY DISTURBED. AND ABOUT THE SAME TIME A SISTER-IN-LAW OF MINE WHO WAS JUST OUT OF COLLEGE AND NEWLY MARRIED TO MY WIFE'S BROTHER, CAME TO ME AND SHE SAID SHE HAD LEARNED

SOMETHING NEW IN SCHOOL. I DON'T KNOW HOW IT CAME ABOUT, BUT I HAD STUDIED SO MANY THINGS AND I HAD GOTTEN BOOKS FROM THE LIBRARY, I HAD BOUGHT BOOKS AND I READ AND STUDIED BOOKS AND I HAD NOT NEGLECTED EDUCATION BY ANY MEANS. BUT MY SISTER-IN-LAW SAID TO ME, BECAUSE SHE KNEW I DIDN'T BELIEVE IN EVOLUTION, HERBERT ARMSTRONG, YOU ARE JUST DOWN RIGHT IGNORANT!

WELL, I SAID, I DON'T THINK I AM, OF COURSE, I WAS QUITE PROUD AT THAT TIME. AND SHE SAID, ANYONE WHO HAS ANY KNOWLEDGE AND ANY SENSE AT ALL KNOWS EVOLUTION IS TRUE. WELL, I SAID, DON'T KNOW IT. AND SHE SAID, WELL, YOU'RE IGNORANT. SAID, BERTHA, I'M GOING TO MAKE YOU SWALLOW THOSE WORDS. I'M GOING TO MAKE YOU EAT THOSE WORDS. I HAD NEVER GONE INTO AN IN-DEPTH STUDY OF EVOLUTION. I'VE READ A GREAT DEAL ABOUT IT AND FROM WHAT I HAVE SEEN, I DON'T BELIEVE IN IT. BUT, I SAID, NOW I'LL GO INTO IT DEEPLY. I'M NOT GOING TO BE CALLED IGNORANT. YES, I WAS PROUD.

SO THE NEXT SIX MONTHS WAS A NIGHT AND DAY STUDY. AND IT HAPPENED TO BE A SIX MONTH TIME WHEN I HAD TIME ON MY HANDS. MY WIFE USED TO SAY TO ME, HERBERT, WHEN ARE YOU COMING TO BED, BECAUSE I WAS STUDYING. OFTEN I WAS AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY AT 9 O'CLOCK WAITING FOR IT TO OPEN ITS DOORS IN THE MORNING AND I WAS STILL THERE WHEN THEY CLOSED THE DOORS AT 10 O'CLOCK AT NIGHT. THEN I WOULD GO HOME AND STUDY UNTIL 1 O'CLOCK. I STUDIED IN DEPTH.

IT JUST HAPPENED THAT BOTH EVOLUTION AND THE SABBATH QUESTION MY WIFE HAD TAKEN UP WITH HAD A COMMON STARTING POINT — THE BOOK OF GENESIS IN THE BIBLE. BUT I DIDN'T BEGIN WITH THE BOOK OF GENESIS, I BEGAN TO STUDY BY GETTING THE WORKS OF DARWIN AND THE ACCOUNT OF HIS TRIP AROUND THE WORLD IN THE GOOD SHIP "BEAGLE." THEN I GOT THE WRITINGS OF HAECKEL AND HUXLEY AND A MODERN ONE, CHARBERLAIN, WHO WAS THE PROFESSOR EMERITUS IN THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, AND OTHERS. I DELVED INTO WHAT LAMARCK HAD TO SAY ABOUT USE AND DISUSE, WHICH IS A DISCARDED THEORY AND HAD COME UP

BEFORE DARWIN'S TIME, AND LYELL AND ALL OF THE OLD EVOLUTIONISTS.

I BEGAN SOME OF THE STUDY IN THE BIBLE. BUT I TELL YOU, AS I BEGAN TO STUDY THE WRITINGS OF THESE EVOLUTIONISTS, THEY WERE VERY, VERY CONVINCING. NOW I ADMIT THEY HAVE TO BE, TO HAVE SOLD PRACTICALLY ALL HIGHER EDUCATION ON THE THEORY, IT'S ALMOST UNIVERSALLY ACCEPTED. AND YOU ARE CONSIDERED IGNORANT IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE IT. THAT'S WHAT THEY HAD STUFFED INTO THE MIND OF MY SISTER-IN-LAW.

I HAD AN ARTIST DRAW A PICTURE FOR ME WHEN I FIRST THOUGHT OF THE PLAIN TRUTH MAGAZINE SEVEN YEARS BEFORE I WAS ABLE TO START THE PUBLICATION OF IT. THAT PICTURE SHOWED A BUNCH OF KIDS, MAYBE ABOUT SECOND GRADE, IN A CLASSROOM IN SCHOOL ALL SITTING AT THEIR DESKS, THERE WAS THE TEACHER, AND IN EVERY KID SHE HAD STICKING A FUNNEL RIGHT DOWN IN THE TOP OF HIS HEAD AND SHE HAD A PITCHER "READY-MAKE PROPAGANDA" AND SHE WAS JUST POURING IT IN. HE'S SUPPOSED TO BELIEVE WHAT THE TEACHER WAS GIVING, WHETHER IT'S TRUE OR NOT. THAT'S OUR SYSTEM OF EDUCATION. THAT'S ANOTHER THING THAT'S WRONG IN THE WORLD AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT 50 YEARS FROM NOW IT WON'T BE THAT WAY ANY LONGER.

BUT, NEVERTHELESS, THEY DO HAVE CONVINCING ARGUMENTS AND PRETTY SOON MY HEAD WAS SWIMMING AND I BEGAN TO SAY, WELL NOW, IS THERE A GOD AFTER ALL?, I HAD ALWAYS BELIEVED IN GOD, BUT I BEGAN TO ASK WHY. HOW DID I EVER COME TO BELIEVE IN GOD? WELL, I WAS JUST BROUGHT UP TO BELIEVE IN GOD, HAD I EVER SEEN IT PROVEN? DID I EVER REALLY LOOK INTO IT? NO, I NEVER HAD, I TOOK IT FOR GRANTED. MOST PEOPLE BELIEVE WHAT THEY HAVE READ OR HEARD AND THEY CARELESSLY TAKE IT FOR GRANTED. THEY JUST ASSUME IT. THEY HAVEN'T PROVEN IT. BEGAN TO REALIZE I HAD NEVER PROVED WHETHER THERE IS A GOD.

I THOUGHT, WELL NOW, BEFORE I GO INTO THE BIBLE ABOUT THIS SABBATH OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT, I WANT TO KNOW WHETHER GOD EXISTS, BECAUSE IF THERE ISN'T ANY GOD, THEN YOU'VE GOT TO THROW THE BIBLE OUT.

SO I STUDIED, AND I STUDIED THE BIBLE ALONG WITH IT. TO MAKE A LONG STORY SHORT, I PROVED, BEFORE THAT SIX MONTHS WAS OVER, THAT THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION IS FALSE, THAT GOD DOES EXIST, THAT GOD IS THE FIRST CAUSE AND THE CREATOR OF MATTER AND OF ALL OF US, EVEN OF SPIRIT BODIES, SPIRIT BEINGS CALLED ANGELS, OF EVERYTHING THAT IS. I CAME TO LEARN WHO AND WHAT GOD IS. AND NOT ONE RELIGION IN THE WORLD BELIEVES THAT OR UNDERSTANDS IT, THAT JUST MAKES ME STAND AGHAST WHEN I THINK OF THAT!

WE WERE LIVING AT PORTLAND, OREGON, AT THE TIME, AND IN PORTLAND THEY HAVE A VERY FINE PUBLIC LIBRARY. AND THEY HAVE A VERY FINE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT — TECHNOLOGY, SCIENCE, AND TECHNICAL BOOKS. THEY HAD A WOMAN IN CHARGE OF THAT DEPARTMENT WHO WAS VERY HIGHLY EDUCATED. I FINALLY WROTE ABOUT MY STUDIES DISPROVING EVOLUTION, AND I DIDN'T WASTE TOO MANY PAGES ON IT. I ALWAYS HAD A TENDENCY TO WANT TO GET TO THE TRUNK OF THE TREE. IF THE TRUNK OF THE TREE IS FALSE, EVERY BRANCH ON IT IS FALSE. YOU CHOP DOWN THE TREE AND YOU'RE CHOPPING DOWN EVERY BRANCH WITH IT, AREN'T YOU?

I TOOK THIS PAPER TO THIS WOMAN AND ASKED HER IF SHE WOULD READ IT. I CAME BACK A COUPLE DAYS LATER AND SHE SAID, YES, I READ IT. I HAVE TO ADMIT YOU ARE RIGHT, YOU HAVE PROVEN IT. YOU HAVE AN UNCANNY KNACK OF GETTING RIGHT DOWN TO THE ONE CRUX OF THE THING; THE TRUNK OF THE TREE, AND SHE SAID, I'VE NEVER SEEN IT PRESENTED THAT WAY BEFORE. BUT MR. ARMSTRONG, I HAVE TO GO ON BELIEVING IT. YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND, I HAVE BEEN IN HIGHER EDUCATION ALL MY LIFE. I HAVE DONE GRADUATE WORK FOR HIGHER PHD DEGREES AND OTHER DEGREES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO AND AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, AND I HAVE BEEN IN SCIENCE AND AMONG SCIENTISTS WHO HAVE BELIEVED EVOLUTION ALL MY LIFE. IT'S PART OF ME. TO TAKE THAT OUT OF MY MIND WOULD BE LIKE TAKING BOTH OF MY ARMS AND CUTTING THEM OFF. YOU BROUGHT THIS TO ME TOO LATE, I CAN'T GIVE IT UP, EVEN THOUGH I ADMIT YOU PROVED THAT I AM WRONG.

YOU KNOW, THAT'S TOO BAD THAT ANYONE CAN GET TO THAT KIND OF A POSITION. I PROVED THEN, AFTER THAT, THE AUTHORITY AND THE DIVINE INSPIRATION OF THE BIBLE. ONCE I HAD THAT PROVED, I HAD SOLID GROUND TO STAND ON, THEN SOMETHING ELSE HAPPENED ALONG. I FOUND TO MY GREAT AND SHOCKED SURPRISE THAT NO RELIGION (OF COURSE I DON'T KNOW THAT ANY BUT THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION CLAIM THEY GET THEIR RELIGION OUT OF THE BIBLE), BUT NO RELIGION AND NO CHRISTIAN SECT OR DENOMINATION BUT THE ONE CHRIST CALLED THE "LITTLE FLOCK" (THAT WAS THE CHURCH HE FOUNDED IN 31 AD), GOT THEIR RELIGION OUT OF THIS BOOK. THEY SIMPLY DIDN'T! IT WAS NOT DERIVED FROM THE BIBLE, BUT RATHER IT WAS DERIVED FROM MAN, AND THEY TRIED TO MAKE IT SORT OF READ INTO THE BIBLE AND MAKE PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT THEY GOT IT OUT OF THE HIBLE, BUT THEY DIDN'T.

FOR EXAMPLE, I LOOKED AT ROMANS 6:23, "FOR THE WAGES OF SIN [NOW WAGES IS WHAT YOU GET PAID FOR WHAT YOU DO. THE WAGES YOU GET PAID FOR SIN, IT SAYS HERE] IS DEATH."

I LOOKED AT THAT AND I SAID, WHY, THAT CAN'T BE! I'VE BEEN TAUGHT ALL MY LIFE THAT THE WAGES OF SIN IS ETERNAL LIFE, NOT DEATH — JUST THE OPPOSITE! OF COURSE IT'S ETERNAL LIFE IN HELL FIRE, BUT YOU'LL BE ROASTING, AND ROASTING AND ROASTING FOREVER AND EVER BUT NEVER BURN UP.

BUT THEN I NOTICED THE SECOND PART OF THIS SENTENCE, "BUT THE GIFT OF GOD IS ETERNAL LIFE THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD." NOW THAT HIT ME ALSO. I SAID, WELL, I'VE ALREADY GOT ETERNAL LIFE, I'M AN IMMORTAL SOUL. WHY DO I NEED TO GO TO GOD AND GET IT AS A GIFT? I ALREADY HAVE IT, I WAS BORN WITH IT.

SO I BEGAN TO LOOK. WENT TO THE BIBLE CONCORDANCES THAT WILL GIVE YOU A WORD AND SHOW YOU EVERY PLACE THAT WORD IS USED IN THE BIBLE YOU JUST TURN TO IT IN A MINUTE. SO I LOOKED UP THE WORD SOUL AND I FOUND THE WORD SOUL USED TWICE BACK HERE IN THE BOOK OF EZEKIEL AND IN THE 19TH CHAPTER. EZEKIEL 18:4, "THE SOUL THAT SINNETH, IT SHALL DIE." I'D BEEN

TAUGHT JUST THE OPPOSITE OF THAT. YOU SEE, THE CHURCH I WAS RAISED IN WAS A HIGHLY RESPECTED CHURCH, BUT THEY WEREN'T PREACHING WHAT THIS SAYS. THIS SAYS THAT THE SOUL WILL DIE.

I LOOKED ON THE NEXT PAGE AND I FOUND IT AGAIN IN VERSE 20, "THE SOUL THAT SINNETH, IT SHALL DIE." THEN I GOT TO LOOKING BACK HERE IN GENESIS, AS I SAY, THE STARTING POINT FOR BOTH THE EVOLUTION AND THE SABBATH QUESTION. I LOOKED BACK HERE AND I FOUND THAT GOD SAID IN GENESIS 2:15, "AND THE ETERNAL GOD TOOK THE MAN AND PUT HIM IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN TO DRESS IT AND TO KEEP IT. 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."

THAT WAS GOD SAYING YOU WILL DIE. WAS THAT MAN A SOUL? WELL, IN THIS SAME CHAPTER IN VERSE 7, IT SAYS "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." MAN IS A SOUL. HE SAYS THAT SOUL WILL DIE! WELL, I TELL YOU, YOU CAN SEE WHY MY HEAD WAS SWIMMING!

I LOOKED AT EVOLUTION AND WHAT THEY WERE SAYING. IT MADE THIS ALL LOOK RIDICULOUS, IT MADE GOD LOOK RIDICULOUS. FINALLY I FOUND OUT THAT THEY WERE RIDICULOUS AND THAT GOD IS TRUE.

WELL, THEN I LOOKED UP THIS MATTER OF SOUL. JUST HAD TO RUN THIS DOWN. I REALIZED I'D TAKEN IT FOR GRANTED. DID GOD EXIST? IS THE BIBLE TRUE? I HAD TO KNOW. I WANTED PROOF! THIS IS THE WAY I WAS GOING AT IT.

TAKE GENESIS 1:20, "AND GOD SAID, LET THE WATERS BRING FORTH ABUNDANTLY THE MOVING CREATURE." I FOUND THAT THAT WORD CREATURE IN ENGLISH WAS ORIGINALLY WRITTEN IN THE HEBREW LANGUAGE BY MOSES. THERE WASN'T ANY ENGLISH LANGUAGE AT THAT TIME, HE WROTE IN THE HEBREW LANGUAGE. MOSES WROTE, "LET THE WATERS

BRING FORTH ABUNDANTLY THE MOVING CREATURE." MOSES WROTE "NEPESH," BUT TRANSLATORS HAVE CHANGED IT INTO THE ENGLISH WORD, "CREATURE." THEN THE NEXT VERSE, "GOD CREATED GREAT WHALES AND EVERY LIVING CREATURE [NAPHESH] THAT MOVETH, WHICH THE WATERS BROUGHT FORTH ABUNDANTLY, AFTER THEIR KIND, AND EVERY WINGED FOWL AFTER HIS KIND..." THEN AGAIN IN VERSE 24, "AND GOD SAID, LET THE EARTH BRING FORTH THE LIVING CREATURE [NAPHESH] AFTER HIS KIND, CATTLE, AND THE CREEPING THING, AND BEAST OF THE EARTH AFTER HIS KIND: AND IT WAS SO." ALL AFTER THEIR KIND.

WHEN WE COME TO MAN OVER HERE IN GENESIS 2:7, "MAN BECAME A LIVING 'NAPHESH'." BUT WHY DID THEY CHANGE IT AND CALL IT SOUL? THEY CALL IT "SOUL" WHEN IT COMES TO MAN. MAN IS THE SAME THING AS AN ANIMAL SO FAR AS THAT PART OF IT IS CONCERNED, THE GREAT DIFFERENCE IS EXPRESSED IN OTHER WORDS. THERE'S A GREAT DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MAN AND ANIMAL AND THAT'S MOSTLY THE SPIRIT THAT IS IN MAN. BUT THESE SCRIPTURES RIGHT HERE DON'T EXPLAIN THAT. OTHER SCRIPTURES IN THE BIBLE DO. NOW IT TOOK ME A LITTLE WHILE TO LEARN SOME OF THESE THINGS. I GIVE THESE THINGS TO YOU AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORK A LOT THROUGH ALL OF THE YEARS AND ALL THE HOURS AND MULTIPLE HUNDREDS OF HOURS OF STUDY THAT I DID.

NOW I'D LIKE YOU TO READ GENESIS 1:25, "AND GOD MADE THE BEAST OF THE EARTH AFTER HIS KIND, AND CATTLE AFTER THEIR KIND, AND EVERYTHING THAT CREEPETH UPON THE EARTH AFTER HIS KIND; AND GOD SAW THAT IT WAS GOOD. AND GOD SAID, LET US MAKE MAN IN OUR IMAGE." SEE, GOD IS MORE THAN ONE PERSON, BUT ONE GOD.

NOW IN JOHN 1:1 YOU READ THAT THERE WAS THE WORD AND THE WORD WAS WITH GOD AND THE WORD WAS GOD. THERE ARE TWO BEINGS AND YET EACH OF THEM IS GOD. BUT WE FIND LATER IN OTHER SCRIPTURES THAT GOD IS A FAMILY AND THE ONE WE THINK OF AS GOD THE FATHER; THE ONE THAT JESUS CHRIST PRAYED TO WHEN HE WAS ON EARTH, IS THE FATHER OF THAT FAMILY. AND WE, IF WE ARE CONVERTED, ARE HIS BEGOTTEN CHIL-

DREN AND WE ARE TO GO ON AND BECOME BORN OF HIM. WHEN WE ARE BORN OF HIM WE WILL BE LIKE HE IS AND WE'LL BE NO LONGER FLESH AND BLOOD. WE'LL BE NO LONGER HUMAN. WE WILL BE DIVINE. WE WILL BE GOD! I DON'T KNOW ANY RELIGION THAT BELIEVES THAT. BUT THIS BIBLE DOES, THAT'S WHERE I GOT IT. I DIDN'T MAKE THAT UP IN MY OWN IMAGINATION BY ANY MATTER OR MEANS.

SO YOU SEE, GOD MADE THE CATTLE AFTER THE CATTLE KIND, ANIMALS AFTER THEIR KIND, THEN HE MADE MAN AFTER THE GOD KIND. MAN WAS MADE AFTER THE GOD KIND. WE FIND LATER THAT GOD HAD SAID, "LET US MAKE MAN IN OUR IMAGE AFTER OUR LIKENESS..." MAN WAS MADE TO LOOK LIKE GOD. ONLY MAN IS MADE OUT OF MATTER AND GOD IS COMPOSED OF SPIRIT. THERE'S THE DIFFERENCE.

GOD HAS A HEAD, HE HAS ARMS AND HE HAS LEGS, HE HAS HANDS AND HE HAS FEET, AND HE HAS TEN FINGERS AND TEN TOES. HE HAS A NOSE AND HE HAS A MOUTH. HE HAS EYES. IT'S ALL MENTIONED IN THE BIBLE — ALL OF THOSE THINGS — JUST LIKE A HUMAN BEING.

MAN DID NOT DESCEND FROM ANIMALS. MAN WAS MADE AFTER THE IMAGE OF GOD. MAN WAS MADE TO HAVE A VERY SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD. MANY MAY BE BORN OF GOD AS GOD IS GOD AND IN THE GOD FAMILY EVEN AS JESUS CHRIST IS NOW VERY GOD BY A RESURRECTION FROM THE DEAD.

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