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1. NEW "CLIMATE CHANGE AND CREATION" DVD AVAILABLE NOW. DON'T MISS: THE REALLY INCOVENIENT TRUTH ABOUT GLOBAL WARMING with the Big Aussie from Down Under, International Director of Creation Research John Mackay, as he brings you CLIMATE CHANGE AND CREATION - A BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE. A look at the history of the world and the weather from the Word of the Creator God who was there. PLUS the evidence from the rocks and human records and implications for the future. The Bible does mention the last global warming!

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DVD COVERS

PART 1.

What does Islam say about Global Warming?
Is man causing global warming?
Is it global warming, climate change or tax revenue?

PART 2

What was the weather like at creation?
What has been it's history since then?
What effect did Noah's flood have?
What role does God have in weather?
Does the Bible speak of future global warming?

PART 3

Does it matter if Polar Bears become extinct?

2. SEA LEVEL SCEPTICISM reported in news.com.au. After viewing an Australian Museum display of the changing coastline around Sydney Piers Akerman, writing for the Sunday Telegraph, claims "climate doomsayers are all at sea". According to the Museum, 18,000 years ago the coastline was 15 km (9.3 miles) to the east and 120 metres (394ft) below the current sea level. This means there was no Sydney Harbour, just a long series of sandy beaches with few headlands and no extensive rock platforms. Between 18,000 and 6,000 years ago the sea levels rose to their current levels. This is a rise, on average, of one metre (3ft 3in) every 100 years. Piers Akerman comments: "But the worst-case scenario posed by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change . has sea level rising about 0.3m per 100 years, about a third of the rise known to have occurred in the relatively recent past." He then goes to ask how they know the current changes in sea level and climate are caused by human activity. During the time of rapid sea level rise described in the Australian Museum display, human technology is believed to have been "fire-stick farming," hunting and gathering, and cooking over camp fires. Telegraph article:
<http://www.news.com.au/story/0,23599,21479808-5007146,00.html>

Australian Museum Display: <http://www.amonline.net.au/exhibitions/catching/sealevels.htm>

ED. COM. We may not agree with the timetable presented by the Australian Museum, but there is no doubt that sea levels and climate have changed significantly in the past and are continuing to do so. Piers Ackerman is asking the right question - if there weren't millions of people burning coal and oil when the sea levels were rising at a more rapid rate than they are today, why do we blame mankind for the recent slower changes? The Bible tells us that large variations in the world's climate began with the world wide flood of Noah. When it was over, God told Noah that for the rest the history of the world there would be periods of cold and heat, and 4,000 years of agricultural history has confirmed this. Of course, it is harder to shift the Sydney opera house than an Aboriginal Gunya nade of sticks. (Ref. weather, environment, oceans)

3. COLLEGE GRADUATES REJECT EVOLUTION, according to Newsweek poll published 30 Mar 2007. The poll found that 48% of the USA general public rejects the theory of evolution and 34% of college graduates claimed to accept the Biblical account of creation as a fact. The poll also collected statistics on overall religious allegiances. Atheists accounted for only nine % of people in the poll. The remaining 91% believed in a god/God and 82% identified themselves as Christians. The other five % identified themselves with non-Christian religions, such as Judaism or Islam. Of those who identified themselves as Evangelical Protestants, 73% claimed they believed God created human beings in their present form, less than 10,000 years ago. This belief was also held by 39% of non-Evangelical Protestants and 41% of Catholics.
<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/17879317/site/newsweek/>

ED. COM. TWO PERSPECTIVES ON THIS ONE:

1.) We suspect that militant atheists like Richard Dawkins will be pouring scorn on these results, but they are similar to results of a BBC Mori poll survey in Britain in 2006, which showed that only 48 % of people believed evolution was the best explanation for how the world got here, and 39 % believed in creation or intelligent design. (See "Evolution fails in British opinion poll, Evidence News 8 Feb 2006) Despite evolutionists' and atheists' almost complete dominance of professional and popular media in both countries, a significant number of people believe the Bible gives a better explanation of how they got here. Whether they have a college education or not, people know from their own experience that chance random processes only destroy things. It takes a Creator to make a functioning world.

2.) Our latest SPIRITUS VERITUS POLL shows that 100% of demons surveyed believe in God. ALL knew the theory of evolution to be false based on their own observations of the act of creation but stated (without exception) they still find evolution a useful means to deceive a majority of Americans into accepting God used evolution. In a democracy 52% is all that is needed as democracy does not depend on truth. Please note - this survey was based on known demon data only from the past 6000 yrs only. (Ref. statistics, faith, philosophy)

4. HISSING LINK? asks Nature, vol 446, p473 29 Mar 2007. Palaeontologist Michael Caldwell of the University of Alberta and Alessandro Palci of the University of Modena, Italy have studied a fossil lizard found in Slovenia and claim they have found clues as to how lizards evolved into snakes. The creature has been named "Adriosaurus microbrachis" and has a small head and a long neck and body. Its forelimbs are "greatly reduced", i.e. it does not have forearm bones, hands or digits. In an article from the Eureka Alert news service Caldwell comments: "For some oddball reason the forelimbs were lost before the rear limbs when you would think it would be the opposite. The front limbs would be useful for holding onto dinner or digging a hole but it must be developmentally easier to get rid of the forelimbs." Dr. Martin Cohn, from the Department of Zoology and University of Florida Genetics Institute commented: "This is a terrifically important discovery because it shows, in a group of animals thought to be closely related to snakes, that forelimb reduction and trunk elongation were well underway before the onset of hindlimb reduction. By uncovering the sequence of the morphological changes that occurred during evolution of a snake-like body plan, Palci and Caldwell's study provides important clues as to which developmental mechanisms could have been involved." The Eureka alert article also comments: "Living lizards also show almost every variation in limb reduction from a perfectly formed back limb with no forelimb, or a spike for a forelimb and one or two toes on the rearlimb, to total limblessness. This degree of variation makes it very difficult to understand the pattern of evolutionary limb loss in these animals."

Eureka Alert article: http://www.eurekaalert.org/pub_releases/2007-03/uoa-fdm032207.php

ED. COM. The best explanation for the fossil described above is that genes for lizard limb formation have been damaged and some lizards no longer develop normal limbs. This is not evolution, it is degeneration. Loss of structures in both fossil and living creatures is good evidence for the Biblical history of life. Genesis tells us that God made fully functioning creatures in separate kinds to live and reproduce in a very good world. Since then the world's environment has degenerated because of human sin and God's judgement, and radiation and chemicals have damaged the genes of many animals. In addition we can add, If living

lizards show "almost every variation in limb reduction," then finding a fossil lizard showing one of these variations cannot be considered evidence that lizards turned into snakes millions of years ago. (Ref. reptiles, herpetology, serpents)

5. LINK TO CONSERVAPEDIA: a Conservative Online Encyclopedia: Conservapedia has over 6,300 educational, clean, and concise entries, including more than 350 lectures and term lists <http://www.conservapedia.com/Index> There have been over 4,900,000 page views and over 76,200 page edits. This site is growing rapidly.
USA columnist Brent "Bozell points to Conservapedia as ... a more authoritative reference" than Wikipedia. See details here <http://www.conservapedia.com/Wikipedia>
Bible Quote of the Day (we filed this): "By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible." Hebrews 11:3
Historical Quote of the Day (we filed this): "The greatest destroyer of peace is abortion <http://www.conservapedia.com/Abortion> because if a mother can kill her own child, what is left for me to kill you and you to kill me? There is nothing between." Mother Teresa, Roman Catholic missionary in India, at the Nobel Peace Prize Lecture, 1979.
Read rules on <http://www.conservapedia.com/Rules>, and how they differ from Wikipedia on http://www.conservapedia.com/Differences_with_Wikipedia
Link: http://www.conservapedia.com/Main_Page

6. WHEN YOU ARE TRAVELLING TO ALBERTA VISIT Big Valley Creation Science Museum
www.bigvalleycreationsciencemuseum.com or <http://www.bvcs.com/>

8. FOR BBC POT LUCK ON EVOLUTION vs CREATION as anti creationist Eugenie C. Scott from National Center for Science Education (USA) featured in a BBC World Service "Heart and Soul" program March 25, 2007, the first of a two-segment feature on religious views regarding creationism and evolution. Scott interviewed atheist Richard Dawkins, non-theistic cosmologist Paul Davies, old-earth creationist Hugh Ross of Reasons to Believe, theistic evolutionist and Lutheran theologian Ted Peters from Pacific School of Religion, and Ken Ham of Answers in Genesis USA. In the second segment, Henry M. Morris III of the Institute for Creation Research was the interviewer, and met with Scott on the edge of the Grand Canyon to discuss their experiences. Morris's programme is on the link below until the next programme is broadcast Sunday 8th April." It is unclear whether both segments will be permanently archived.
http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/programmes/heart_and_soul.shtml

ED.COM. Note that in his interview Dawkins claims that the fossil evidence is no longer needed to support evolution "we have enough evidence from genetics". Seems he has not discussed it with UK's Dr Steve Jones whom we debated last year on the BBC and who said "The finest evidence of evolution comes from fossils." Dr Steve Jones Royal Society Lecture, 11 April 2006. "Why creationism is wrong and evolution is right" - Prof Steve Jones 29 Min. 14 Sec. Into Podcast available from Royal Society web site. Sadly both programmes suffered from 'reporters' being extremely polite to people they disagreed with - overworking it in fact.

9. DO CREATIONISTS PUBLISH IN NOTABLE REFEREED JOURNALS?
<http://www.trueorigin.org/creatpub.asp>

10. TRANSITIONAL FOSSILS QUERY as Canadian asks "what do we say to claims on "Transitional Vertebrate Fossils FAQ Part 1B" <http://www.talkorigins.org/faqs/faq-transitional/part1b.html> Copyright C 1994-1997 by Kathleen Hunt <http://www.talkorigins.org/faqs/faq-transitional/email.html> She wrote in Species-to-species transition, referring to a set of numerous individual fossils, "that show a change between one species and another. It's a very fine-grained sequence documenting the actual speciation event, usually covering less than a million years. These species-to-species transitions are unmistakable when they are found. Throughout successive strata you see the population averages of teeth, feet, vertebrae, etc., changing from what is typical of the first species to what is typical of the next species. Sometimes, these sequences occur only in a limited geographic area (the place where the speciation actually occurred), with analyses from any other area showing an apparently "sudden" change. Other times, though, the transition can be seen over a very wide geological area. Many 'species-to-species transitions' are known, mostly for marine invertebrates and recent mammals (both those groups tend to have good fossil records), though they are not as abundant as the general lineages (see below for why this is so). Part 2 lists numerous species-to-species transitions from the mammals."

ED.COM. This comment is not new, but it has been turned into more of a lie now than it was when this editor was a geology student at University. The guru in my student days was George Gaylord Simpson who said the same thing, but went on to qualify it, and then deny his qualification in order to support evolution.

George Gaylord Simpson (evolutionist), wrote in *The Major Features of Evolution*, New York, Columbia University Press, 1953 p. 360.

(HIS STATEMENT OF TRUTH) "In spite of these examples, it remains true, as every paleontologist knows, that most new species, genera, and families and that nearly all new categories above the level of families appear in the record suddenly and are not led up to by known, gradual, completely continuous transitional sequences."

(HIS QUALIFICATION) "When paleontological collection was still in its infancy and no clear examples of transitional origin had been found, most paleontologists were anti-evolutionists. Darwin (1859) recognized the fact that paleontology then seemed to provide evidence against rather than for evolution in general or the gradual origin of taxonomic categories in particular."

(HIS DENIAL OF THE FIRST TRUTH) "Now we do have many examples of transitional sequences."

(HIS REASON FOR NOT LISTING ANY EXAMPLES) "Almost all paleontologists recognize that the discovery of a complete transition is in any case unlikely. Most of them find it logical, if not scientifically required, to assume that the sudden appearance of a new systematic group is not evidence for special creation or for saltation, but simply means that a full transitional sequence more or less like those that are known did occur and simply has not been found in this instance." END OF QUOTE.

THEN ALONG CAME GOULD, ELDRIGE AND the professor of Geology at my old Uni, Prof Waterhouse, who used the very real gaps to demand a new theory of evolution called punctuated evolution. Which brings us to the FACTS AT PRESENT: There are plenty of transitional forms, living and fossil, if you are trying to explain how Finch species 1 became Finch species 2. BUT Genesis is not about the origin of species, it is about the origin of separate Kinds. That's why Gould could make a good case for punctuation based on real gaps in the fossil record which do not support Darwinism, and it's also why we Creation Researchers win debates against evolutionists. (Ref geological record, missing links, gaps)

11. COD STAY SHRUNK, according to an article in ScienceNOW 31 Jan 2007. After years of over-fishing Atlantic cod became smaller in both size and numbers. A moratorium was declared on catching Atlantic cod in 1993 in the hope that the population and the average size of fish would bounce back. However, this has not happened. Douglas Swain, a biologist at the Gulf Fisheries Centre, Moncton, Canada has studied 20 years of records from 1977 to 1997 of fishing intensity, fish size and population and environmental variables such as temperature. During this time there was abundant food for the fish, and the temperatures were warm enough for them to grow to larger sizes. Swain's team concluded that the current generation of fish has inherited a slow growth rate from previous generations of slow growing fish which would have reached reproductive age before being caught.

The ScienceNOW article summarised the findings as: "Researchers report that because the largest and fastest growing fish were harvested, cod have evolved to grow slowly - an adaptation that haunts them to this day."

ED. COM. This study provides one insight into possible reasons for the decrease in size of many present day animals when compared with their fossils. When human beings began to hunt animals after Noah's flood they would have seen and killed the larger animals first. Therefore, smaller animals that had reached reproductive age before they were killed off would be more likely to have left offspring before they died. Therefore, with each generation the slow-growers would survive and eventually be the only ones left. This is a change brought about by selection, but it is not evolution. The genes for slow growth already existed, and removing the genes for rapid growth decreases the overall genetic potential of the population. This fish study also adds to the overwhelming evidence that the world is going downhill, not evolving upwards, just as the Bible describes. (Ref. giants, degeneration, megafauna)

12. CANADIAN CHEM PROF Dr Ed Neeland University sends an intriguing quote about the fossil record from the biology text book used at his University. "Many evolutionary biologists since Darwin's time, and even Darwin himself, have been struck by how few sequences of fossils have ever been found that clearly show a gradual, steady accumulation of small changes in evolutionary lineages. Instead, most fossil species appear suddenly, without transitional forms, in a layer of rock and persist essentially unchanged until disappearing from the record of rocks as suddenly as they appeared. Campbell, et al., *Biology Concepts and Connections*, 3rd Ed., p 290, 2000.

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ED.COM. Newer editions still have this quote. Love it! To see Dr Ed Neeland in action go to:
<http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=-8464925642918434596&sourceid=docidfeedhl=en-CA>
Get behind the costs of this research. Donate via www.creationresearch.net click Donation. Tax deductible in USA and UK.

13. A RARE AUSSIE LIVING FOSSIL auction opportunity. The Wollemi pine is one of the latest discoveries to join the ranks of "living fossils". Now you can obtain the evidence that the Wollemi pine has not evolved, but has reproduced after its kind, just as Genesis says. We are offering some rare fossil relatives of this "living dinosaur of the plant world" for sale. They came from the famous fossil mass kill site in Australia, the Talbragar fish beds, which contain fossil plants (Auricularia) "so similar" to the living Wollemi pine, they are increasingly being regarded as direct ancestors.

We have a limited number of excellent specimens, and better yet, each one comes with a pressed, preserved branch from a living Wollemi pine growing at Creation Research HQ, so you can compare the fossil and living specimens. See small pictures of fossil specimens or large pics and closeups on www.creationresearch.net, click PRODUCTS, then AUCTION.

14. DONATIONS TO HELP CREATION RESEARCH WORLDWIDE can be sent to the following addresses or use our secure Web site: www.creationresearch.net and click DONATIONS.
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