

Psalm 119:125-144 (NLT)

Give discernment to me, your servant;
then I will understand your decrees.

[126] Lord, it is time for you to act,
for these evil people have broken your law.

[127] Truly, I love your commands
more than gold, even the finest gold.

[128] Truly, each of your commandments is right.
That is why I hate every false way.

[129] Your decrees are wonderful.
No wonder I obey them!

[130] As your words are taught, they give light;
even the simple can understand them.

[131] I open my mouth, panting expectantly,
longing for your commands.

[132] Come and show me your mercy,
as you do for all who love your name.

[133] Guide my steps by your word,
so I will not be overcome by any evil.

[134] Rescue me from the oppression of evil people;
then I can obey your commandments.

[135] Look down on me with love;
teach me all your principles.

[136] Rivers of tears gush from my eyes
because people disobey your law.

[137] O Lord, you are righteous,
and your decisions are fair.

[138] Your decrees are perfect;
they are entirely worthy of our trust.

[139] I am overwhelmed with rage,
for my enemies have disregarded your words.

[140] Your promises have been thoroughly tested;
that is why I love them so much.

[141] I am insignificant and despised,
but I don't forget your commandments.

[142] Your justice is eternal,
and your law is perfectly true.

[143] As pressure and stress bear down on me,

I find joy in your commands.
[144] Your decrees are always fair;
help me to understand them, that I may live.

I want to talk to you today about how important it is for us to believe that the Bible is God's divine, inspired, infallible word. We must be convinced that the Bible is God's true revelation to us; that it is His rule book; that it alone is the absolute authority by which we must live our lives and govern the affairs of the nation.

Families are disintegrating; our nation is experiencing a melt-down of morality; our youth are adrift without a moral compass; our leaders in Washington don't know what is right and what is wrong anymore; they pass laws that are in direct contradiction to the word of God.

Why is all of this happening? I believe that one of the main reasons is that we, as a nation, have lost our fundamental belief that the Bible is God's divine, inspired, infallible word.

The Bible has become irrelevant.

The Bible used to be considered very sacred in this nation. Our laws were based on God's laws. Our schools used the Bible as the primary textbook to teach children how to read. The Ten Commandments were displayed in all of our public buildings and in our public schools.

According to Columbia University Professor, **Dr. Lawrence A. Cremin**, **"The** single most primary source for the intellectual history of colonial America was the Bible. From their knowledge of the Bible, a highly literate and creative people emerged."

The first 24 state constitutions recognized Biblical Christianity as the religion of their states.

In a little over a week from now, we will celebrate the 4th of July. The 4th of July is the day that we as a nation celebrate the day in 1776 when representatives from the thirteen original colonies declared their independence from Great Britain.

They wrote, “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.”

The men who signed their names to the declaration of Independence believed that there was a Creator and that the Bible was God’s inspired word. There is absolutely no doubt about that. It is a historical fact.

But for many years the Bible has been under attack in America. It is no longer used as a text book in our schools. As a matter of fact, students can get into trouble simply by bringing a Bible to school.

When students graduate from high school and go to college, many of them if not most of them, will experience an all out attack on their faith. The Bible is looked upon as a fairy tale. It is ridiculed by college professors and public school teachers, especially by those who teach science and biology.

Why is that so?

It all started with a theory that was proposed by a man named **Charles Darwin** in the 19th century. He wrote a book called “The Origin of the Species” in 1859 and another book called “The Descent of Man” in 1871 in which he outlined his theory about how man came from the same group of animals as the chimpanzee and other apes.

The problem with his theory is that it contradicts what the Bible says about the origin of man. The Bible says that God created man in His own image. Man did not evolve from a chimpanzee.

If Charles Darwin is right, then the Bible is wrong. If the Bible is right, then Charles Darwin is wrong.

Slowly but surely public schools in America stopped teaching that God created the heavens and the earth and everything on the earth and began to teach Darwin’s theory of evolution. At first it was always referred to as a theory but that has also changed and today it is presented as a fact. You say, “Why is that a problem?” Because it contradicts what the Word of God says. If the Bible is not correct about what it says about creation, then how can it be trusted about every thing else that it says?

The Bible says that God created the earth and every thing in it in six days. Evolutionists say that the earth is several billion years old and that man began to exist about three million years ago.

If you trace the chronology in the Bible you will find that creation took place somewhere between six and ten thousand years ago, not several billion years ago.

Evolutionists say that it is absurd and naive to believe the earth is only six to ten thousand years old and so they totally discredit the Bible.

Even when children have been reared in Christian homes, they often begin to doubt that the Bible is true when their science teachers presents to them the theory of evolution as a fact and ridicules the Biblical account of creation.

Therefore, it is very important that our children have some answers when they are confronted with the theory of evolution. I believe that the creation/evolution issue is at the root of all other issues that are plaguing our society.

Abortion, pornography, divorce, aids, homosexuality, drugs, child abuse and every thing else steams from the face that our society has rejected the Bible. And our rejection of the Bible can clearly be traced back to our society's acceptance of the theory of evolution.

So let me see if I can shed some light on this subject today.

First of all, those who teach evolution call it science. Evolution is not science, it is religion.

The definition of science is “systematized knowledge derived from observation, study, and experimentation carried on in order to determine the nature or principles of what is being studied.”

Another definition is, “A total collection of knowledge gained by man's observations of the physical world using one or more of his five senses; taste, smell, sight, hearing, and touch, to investigate the world that exists in the present.

Evolutionists have convinced millions of people that millions of years ago, chemicals evolved into cells and over millions of years, one form changed into another form and as those forms died, they somehow got trapped in layers of stone and became fossils. And from that, they say it is evident that man evolved from apes.

They call that process evolution and it's supposed to be science.

But it cannot possibly be science because in order for it to be a scientific fact, it has to be observable. There was no one there millions of years ago to observe chemicals changing into cells.

Evolutionists have absolutely no scientific evidence that it happened. Therefore it is only a theory.

Scientists were not there 70 to 200 millions of years ago to see reptiles turn into birds. They cannot prove that it happened.

Therefore when they say that man evolved from monkeys or that there is no God, that is not a scientific statement, it is a statement based solely on a belief. It is a matter of faith.

Evolution is a belief about the past based on words of men who don't know every thing, who were not there, who are trying to explain how evidence that only exists in the present got there. That's all it is. It's someone's theory about the past. It's a story someone made up. It's an attempt to explain how the world came into existence and man came into existence by some process other than what the Bible says.

Evolutionists say that they are unbiased and they say that those of us who believe the Biblical account of creation are biased and bigoted.

Wait a minute. When evolutionists say that there is no God, they rule the Bible out. They cannot allow for the possibility that God created the heavens and the earth because as soon as they do that they can no longer be atheists.

If a student has a teacher who doesn't believe in God then it doesn't matter how much evidence there is to support the Biblical account of creation because they have already ruled out the Bible.

Even if a big boat is found on the top of Mount Ararat they will not believe that it is Noah's Ark because they have already decided that the Biblical story of Noah is a fairy tale.

The point is, we're all biased.

I hope that you realize that when you watch the news on television that you are hearing it from a biased viewpoint. If you hear it on CNN, you are hearing it from their perspective and bias. If you hear it on the 700 club, you are hearing it from their perspective and viewpoint.

Atheists rule out what the Bible says before they even consider it. By the same token, Christians base what they believe on what the Bible says because we believe it is God's inspired word.

The Bible says there is plenty of evidence that there is a Creator.

Romans 1:18-20 (NLT)

But God shows his anger from heaven against all sinful, wicked people who push the truth away from themselves. [19] For the truth about God is known to them instinctively. God has put this knowledge in their hearts. [20] From the time the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky and all that God made. They can clearly see his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse whatsoever for not knowing God.

You might ask, "What evidence is there of a Creator? Where is it? Show it to me."

First of all, you must decide what evidence you are prepared to accept as evidence of a Creator. I mean, if you don't know what you're going to accept as evidence, how are you going to know it when you see it? The evidence is everywhere. The fact that there is a creation proves that there is a Creator. But more than that, the evidence of design proves that there is a Designer.

Look around this room. Did this building simply get here by chance or did someone design it and build it? This microphone, those stained glass windows, the air-conditioners. Did they just evolve or did someone design them? What about your watch? Did it happen as the result of an explosion in a junkyard or did someone design it?

The answer is obvious. Someone had to design it!

If you are out in the middle of the desert and find a house, you immediately realize that you are not the first person to be in that place because you know that someone else had to build that house. It did not happen by chance.

If you find an arrowhead, you immediately think of Indians. Why? Because you recognize intelligent design. Someone made that arrowhead. You know that it did not happen by chance.

When people say that there is no evidence for creation I feel sorry for them. The evidence is overwhelming!

Human beings are the most complex form of life in the universe. The human brain is so complex and complicated. Only God could have designed it. Human DNA is so complicated that only God could have designed it.

The more scientists try to prove that life happened by chance, the more they prove that it could not have happened by chance. Yes, there is a Creator. The evidence is overwhelming!

In reality, all of us are bias one way or another. The question is, "Which bias is the best bias to be biased with?"

I admit that I am biased. I believe that the Bible is God's divine, inspired, infallible word. Therefore, there is no question in my mind about the origin of the species. I know where I came from. God created me.

The Bible, regardless of what you think of it, 3000 times claims to be the word of God. It claims to be the word of One who knows everything; One who was there when everything was created. Indeed the One who inspired the Bible is the One who created everything.

If that is true; If the Bible really is the word of the One who knows everything and who created everything, then, if I am going to come to the right conclusions about how everything in the world was created, I must start with the word of the One who knows everything and work from there.

The Bible says that God made the animals and man on the sixth day of creation. If that is true, then dinosaurs, lions, kawala bears, monkeys, and man all lived at the same time. Evolutionists tell us that dinosaurs lived 70 million years before man ever got here. But remember, they weren't here, God was.

I am not through with this study. Next week, I am going to give you the explanation of how various layers of rock were formed. I hope all of you will make a special effort to be here and tell your friends to come with you.

What I will share next week could well be the most important information that you will ever learn about this subject.

Let me close this message by declaring to you that I believe that the Bible is God's inerrant, infallible word and I intend to live my life in accordance with what it says. I intend to teach it and preach it and share it as long as I live because it alone contains the words that bring eternal life.

It says,

Romans 6:23 (NKJV)

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Acts 4:12 (NKJV)

Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

John 3:16 (NKJV)

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Have you received Christ as your Savior? Do it now!

Give invitation!