

"God's Love Story Sermon Outlines"

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Section 1: Evidence (Genesis Chapters 1-11)

Proposition: There is a movement in this world today that likes to beat the drum of "God is not real" or "Where is the evidence that He is even there?" If we are ever going to understand God's Love Story, then we must know that God is not hiding from us, for His evidence is abundant if we will only look. Using the opening eleven chapters of the Bible along with an examination of the many sciences within, we can clearly see it takes more faith to NOT believe in intelligent design that to deny it. The fingerprints of *His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature are clearly seen...so that we are without excuse.* (Romans 1:20).

Genesis 1:

From the Opening words of Genesis *"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth"* (1:1), we find consistency in the First Law of Thermodynamics. *He said "Let there be light" and there was light* (1:3). We know for a scientific fact that energy cannot be created or destroyed, but only transferred from one form to another. For example, petroleum converts kinetic energy to the strength of the turbine, which converts to electricity, which converts to light, which eventually is absorbed into the Cosmos to be re-circulated in some form again. No matter how you slice it, energy is only transferred. The scripture theorizes that God transferred His energy from Himself to the creation of the Cosmos, creating all that we have in the universe. The atheistic observer is left with a Big Bang Theory that all the energy in the universe came into being from absolutely nothing. Which one is more plausible? Which theory follows natural law?

The scientific fact of the Second Law of Thermodynamics, that energy and matter naturally move toward entropy, (decay, disintegration and destruction) is also violated when we pretend there is no intelligent design. Without intervention of a designer nothing can come together and form order by itself from a vacuum.

- An explosion without intervention of design during the Big Bang would have sent all inorganic matter in all directions without end. Yet we find in Genesis 1 that atoms came together to form molecules. Those molecules formed the inorganic structures that became the atmosphere, land and oceans just as the Bible stated. It occurred in this way because there must have been design from somewhere or someone.
- Without explanation through the same law we find that the inorganic matter somehow became organic as living creatures emerged. Molecules came together to form hundreds of amino acids. Together they formed the proteins that brought forth a cells bearing DNA, the most intricate super-computer in the universe. It is proposed by the evolutionist that this all came about through a lightning strike upon mud. What lightning strike in the history of the world has caused order and not entropy? Once again it could have only come about through design from something or someone. Genesis 1 credits the designer to be God as He brought forth all life upon the earth with structure and order, not in violation of the Second Law of Thermodynamics.

Genesis 2:

We are introduced to the first two humans, Adam and Eve. This would have been less than ten thousand years ago. They married and had children, obeying the command and desire to "be fruitful and multiply" (Genesis 1:28). This introduces more evidence of the divine Creator God.

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Mankind had to start out with one male and one female at some point, whether you believe in God or not.

- At the dawn of agriculture 8,000 years ago, the population growth rate was at .05%. This steadily increased over the next few thousands of years.
- With the modern advances of medicine and technology beginning in the 1800s, the world population growth-rate exploded, reaching one billion for the first time. By the 1930s we reached two billion and in the 1970s four billion. Today we have slightly over 7 billion.
- The highest population growth-rate on record in the world was in 1963 at 2.2%. Today there is a 1.1% rate and falling.

Anthropologists, who tend to dismiss the existence of God, claim that man originated about one million years ago in the region of the Middle East. If one started out with a population growth of less than one fifth the present rate, let's say a modest .0022%, some interesting data is revealed.

- At 10,000 years the world population would be 7 billion, roughly where we are at today.
- At 20,000 years it would be at 2.5 million trillion people (2.5×10^{16}).
- At 30,000 years the population of the earth would have been 85,000 trillion trillion (8.5×10^{26}). This number would be larger than the earth many times over.

What would it be if the age of humankind was a million years old? It would be more than all the known universe could hold. If it was impossible to have occurred at 20,000 years at the modest rate, then how could a million be feasible? Even if we were to take the lowest estimated number of .0005% for one hundred thousand years, we would end up with more than a billion trillion people. This communicates that God is accurate in what He speaks in His word.

Genesis 6-9:

We are told in the Bible that there was a Great Flood that covered the earth about 2348 BC. In a survey of ancient Flood literature and legends, Bryon Nelson discussed in *The Deluge Story in Stone* (1968) that it was a common legend among the ancients. Of the forty-one different tribal and national groups researched throughout the world, every single group had a legend of destruction by a Great Flood. In 2 Peter 3:5-6 it speaks of a culture of mockers in the latter times that would intentionally overlook the evidence of two major events involving water in world history. The first was that God brought the earth out of the water during creation and the other was that God flooded the earth. It has only been in the last century that the culture has attacked these facts with vitriol. They say, "Where is the evidence of this so-called God?" Concerning the flood, the evidence cries out for God to be seen.

- Using the account from the opening chapters of Genesis, we are told that there was a super cloud of water in the upper atmosphere (1:7) which would have globally regulated a uniform climate. During the flood, this vaporous cloud poured open upon the earth, causing the additional weight upon the land to break the floodgates of water beneath to burst open (7:11).
- The rapid change from the uniform climate would have caused the polar caps to freeze for the first time. Rain, sleet, snow and ice would have poured from the sky, covering the animal and plant life at both polar caps. Entire tropical forests and all in them would have

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immediately frozen alive. In the more centralized regions it would have simply flooded them out, choking the breath of life from all creatures (7:22). The resulting death and destruction would have been cataclysmic.

- As the frozen polar caps would have continued the quick freeze, large volumes of ice called glaciers would have formed at a massive rate. This would have soaked up a large bulk of water like a sponge (8:3). As the waters receded, taking additional gravitational pressure off the earth, some additional water would have poured back into the retracting, shifting ground.
- Billions upon billions of dead animals and plants would have flowed to the lower levels, pooled together and covered with the additional flow of mud (7:23). Large canyons and riverbeds would have formed from the runoff.

One would think that such an event would yield much evidence that it occurred. A look at geology and archeology must yield something, right?

- "Baron Toll, the Arctic explorer, found remains of a saber-toothed tiger and a 90-foot plum tree with green leaves and ripe fruit on its branches over 600 miles north of the Arctic Circle in the New Siberian Islands. Today the only vegetation that grows there is a one-inch high willow. " Joseph C. Dillow, *The Waters Above* (1982), p. 346.
- "Dr. Jack A. Wolfs in a U.S. Geological Survey Report [1978] told that Alaska once teemed with tropical plants. He found evidence of mangroves, palm trees, Burmese lacquer trees, and groups of trees that now produce nutmeg and Madagascar oil." Op. cit, p. 348.
- Oil, which is the result of dead animals being buried quickly under high pressure. Coal is the result of dead plants being buried under the same circumstances. According to the US Government we have over 19.2 BILLION short tons of coal reserves in our country. The same government says the US is sitting on Trillions of barrels of oil yet to be pumped out of the ground. This is just in our country, not the world reserves. Do you realize how many plants and animals would have to die and be quickly buried under enormous pressure to yield so much? What other event in history do you know of that could have done so great of damage, pooled so great amount of dead things together and bury it all?
- Did you know there are millions of frozen tropical plants in the poles? How do we explain frozen palm trees in glaziers? How do we explain tropical and semi-tropical plants in the mouths of these mammoths? A Great Flood?
- "There is an estimate of 150 million mammoth remains in Russia's Siberian permafrost, which covers a vast sparsely inhabited area. Some of the remains are frozen complete, others in pieces of bone, tusk, tissue and wool, from less than a meter to 1 km below ground. *Kramer, Andrew E. (19 November 2008). "Trade in mammoth ivory, helped by global thaw, flourishes in Russia"* Most of them were actually frozen with branches in their mouths and undigested meals in their stomachs.
 - Newsflash: Faced with this dilemma, some scientists are now turning back to the long-dismissed Abiogenic Hypothesis which states that fossil fuels are not formed through decayed animals and plants, but from carbon-bearing fluids that work their way up from the mantle of the earth during its formation. If that is the case, then it looks like God created the earth in such a way AND geologists must retract all connected hypotheses of evolution that have been conveniently attached.
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The list of evidence greatly expands when you believe that God is real and not hiding from us.

Genesis 11:

The eight survivors of the flood got off the ark and were once again told to be "*fruitful and multiply*" (Genesis 9:1). Three centuries since the flood passed and the population once again grew by the thousands. 9:7 states that they were to spread out with the population, but they did not. Staying together in one area, they decided to build a tower to reach the heavens, possibly out of a warped vision to become something great in their own eyes. The text says that God stopped the foolish project by confounding their language into many so they could not understand each other (9:7). The language barrier caused them to scatter to the various regions of the earth.

According to the linguistic society of America, there are over 6,800 languages, most of which came from earlier primary ancient tongues. This would seem to line up with the biblical account of the Bible, for many languages are said to have burst onto the scene at one time. Post-flood logic would tell us prior to that account there would have been a "proto-world" tongue from which all language originated.

The publication The Power of Babel: A Natural History of Language by John McWorter, exposes that there is no real evidence of "Proto-world" language when researchers attempt to find it. He stated that if one attempts to trace back all 6,000+ languages and dialects of the world today, it would yield a dead-end, leaving a few dozen various languages. Can you guess the time period of history that these languages came forth? It was around the time of historical Babel. In other words "Proto-world" language was wiped off the face of the earth just as the Bible stated.

If we just look at the evidence, reason it for a bit, we will see God in the languages and the cultures that emerged. He is not hiding from us, but quite evident.

In Summary:

How can you know His love story if you do not know He is real? God is not hiding from us, but is revealed through simple logic in the sciences and other evidences around us. From the complexity of genetics, molecular biology, geology, anthropology, astronomy and many other sciences, we can see God if we just open our eyes. *Psalm 19:1 The heavens are telling of the glory of God; And their expanse is declaring the work of His hands.*

What better way to start out a series on "God's Love Story" than by re-establishing in our hearts that He is real and alive in our presence today? In the next lesson we will examine the basis of this love, His promise.