

WHICH WILL YOU FOLLOW?

(APPENDIX 1)

Why Is This Study Available?

The study entitled *Revelation's Two Witnesses* focused upon Revelation 11. We discovered that a beast was released, which attacked the Bible. Revelation 11:7 tells us, "And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them." The beast was released in the late 1700's, and today, we still feel the results of it. It is none other than atheism, which was born in France and promulgated in this century by the old Soviet Union, which met its demise in 1991. It is not to be confused with Russia, as Russia is still a country. It was the USSR that disappeared in 1991.

In this lesson, we will uncover the specific atheistic attacks being hurled against the Bible, especially that upon creation of which was prophesied to happen and ought not be a surprise to us.

Is This Issue Important to God?

Revelation 3:14 says, "And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God." In the *New American Bible*, Revelation 3:14 states "To the angel of the church in Laodicea, write this: 'The Amen, the faithful and true witness, the source of God's creation.'" In a future lesson, we will discover the significance of this introduction to the seventh church, but for now, notice that Jesus draws attention to "the beginning of the creation of God." Here in the last book of the Bible, Jesus is drawing our attention back to the beginning of the Bible, specifically creation week. Could it be that our all-knowing God foresaw that in the last days the fact that He created all things would be challenged? Absolutely!

Evolutionists argue that believing in God is contradictory to science. Well did you know that there are many things in the theory of evolution that

contradict science? For instance,

1. It is a scientific fact that matter cannot be created out of nothing. Since that is so, how did the world and the universe come into existence then?
2. Before the big bang, it is taught that gravity concentrated all matter into a little dot. What caused the gravity to exist?
3. To start the big bang, science teaches that energy is required. Where did the energy come from?
4. It is a scientific fact that in a frictionless environment, when parts of an object spin off from the core that those objects will all spin in the same direction. Why then do Venus and Uranus spin the opposite direction as compared to the other seven or six planets in our solar system? Why do several moons spin backward and other moons move around planets in the opposite direction?
5. Jupiter is cooling at twice the

pace of the sun. If this universe were in fact billions of years old that would make Jupiter an ice block today.

6. There is a scientific understanding regarding space dust. For every 10,000 years, an inch accumulates. On planets where there is no one to disturb the dust, it was understood that with the universe being billions of years old, there would be so much dust that humans would drown on any other surface beyond earth. This explains the use of landing pads on earlier space missions that were sent to the moon. Why then was there only about a half-inch of dust on the moon when they landed?
7. A scientific understanding is that the sun is shrinking. To be billions of years old would require the original size of the sun to have extended to the earth's orbit and beyond making at least the first three planets closest to the sun to have started from within the sun, which is an impossibility.
8. Another scientific understanding is that the moon is slowly drifting away from the earth a few inches per year. Here, billions of years ago, the moon would have been but only a few feet from the earth's surface.
9. Where is there an example of life evolving into a higher life form? All genetic changes seem to degrade life instead.
10. It is also a known scientific rule that something which is

not in motion will remain still until acted upon by another force, so then just how could that big bang theory start if everything was motionless?

God is worthy of honor and praise because He did create all things. This too is in the book of Revelation, where 4:10 tells us, *"The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."*

Further, to really see how much of a concern this is to God, let us examine Revelation 14:6-7, which says, *"And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters."* Since Satan is so effective in these last days in blotting out the creation record, God sends forth as part of the gospel message to the whole world the fact that He created the *"heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters."*

Why Would Satan Want to Attack God's Title of Creator?

To answer this, let us examine the first week in the Bible, day

by day and discover why Satan is so concerned about creation.

~ *The First Day* ~

Genesis 1:1-5 opens up with, *"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness [was] upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw the light, that [it was] good: and God divided the light from the darkness. And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day."* First we have, *"In the beginning God."* Remember, Satan wants all the worship so the first thing he needs to do is remove God from existence and that is exactly what atheism and evolution does.

Next, the Bible says *"Created the heaven and the earth."* That means this earth is God's and not Satan's as he claims to own. This is recorded in Matthew 4:8-10, which states, *"Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve."* Satan claimed to possess all the kingdoms of the world, yet they were not his to claim because God created it all, and they are His. Psalms 50:7-12 says, *"Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, and I will testify against thee: I [am] God,*

[even] thy God. I will not reprove thee for thy sacrifices or thy burnt offerings, [to have been] continually before me. I will take no bullock out of thy house, [nor] he goats out of thy folds. For every beast of the forest [is] mine, [and] the cattle upon a thousand hills. I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field [are] mine. If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world [is] mine, and the fulness thereof."

Continuing on, "And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness [was] upon the face of the deep." This goes against the scientific principle that "something cannot be created out of nothing," proving that He is God and we are not.

"And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw the light, that [it was] good: and God divided the light from the darkness." Spiritually speaking, Satan hates the fact that Jesus came to this darkened world and separated the people from the darkness into His light. John 8:12 says, "Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." Note that God did not create gray. There is only light and darkness. Amen?

The next phrase we will look at is, "And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day." In Satan's attempt to set up the counterfeit day of worship, he changed the beginning and ending time frame of days. Midnight to midnight has been

established as one of Satan's vehicles. This verse clearly rejects any other reckoning of days because all of God's days begin and end at sunset.

~ The Second Day ~

Genesis 1:6-8 continues on with, "And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters. And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which [were] under the firmament from the waters which [were] above the firmament: and it was so. And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day."

"And God said" is referenced also on the first day and in the other days. This declares the power that God has. All He has to do is speak it. No other being has such power. Again, this distinguishes the fact that He is God and we are not.

Notice that God called the sky "Heaven." This is not his throne, which is also called Heaven. In fact, there are three heavens: the sky, outer space, and God's home. This is why Paul states "I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven." (2 Corinthians 12:2) Paul did not know if he was physically talking to God in the body as if to another human or if carried off in vision to God's throne which is located in "the third heaven."

~ The Third Day ~

Genesis 1:9-13 then tells us, "And God said, Let the waters

under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry [land] appear: and it was so. And God called the dry [land] Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that [it was] good. And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, [and] the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed [is] in itself, upon the earth: and it was so. And the earth brought forth grass, [and] herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed [was] in itself, after his kind: and God saw that [it was] good. And the evening and the morning were the third day."

Then we see, "And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry [land] appear: and it was so." Of course, if we were to listen to modern day scientists, "several billion years ago, all the land was one mass, but since then it broke up and floated apart like rafts until they hit high underground points lodging the land masses in their new locations." Well, there is a choice to make. Either we believe God created the land the way He did, altering it during the flood, or we follow science, but may it be pointed out that God is not pleased that we choose the later without one Biblical reference for it? 1 Timothy 6:20-21 says, "O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane [and] vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called: Which some professing have erred concerning the faith. Grace [be] with thee. Amen."

The next verse is "And God

called the dry [land] Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that [it was] good." Notice after everything that God makes, it is considered good. I would further state that it was perfect thus giving us guidance for our endeavors. Whatever we undertake, we should do as perfect of a job as humanly possible. We are even commanded to do so: Matthew 5:48 says, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."

The remainder of the third day study includes: "And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, [and] the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed [is] in itself, upon the earth: and it was so. And the earth brought forth grass, [and] herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed [was] in itself, after his kind: and God saw that [it was] good. And the evening and the morning were the third day." Notice that each of the things created bearing seed was after its kind. These crossbreeding food experiments should not be conducted? We are tampering with principles that God laid down, and we are now trying to act as gods ourselves?

~ The Fourth Day ~

Genesis 1:14-19 tells us, "And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years: And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. And God made two great lights; the greater light to

rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: [he made] the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that [it was] good. And the evening and the morning were the fourth day."

This is when the sun ("The greater light"), moon ("The lesser light"), and stars were created. Now, another tactic that Satan uses is that of worshipping the created objects rather than the Creator: Romans 1:25 says that this would happen: "Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen."

One of the greatest objects that God created that is worshipped today is that of the sun, in fact, we have a whole day named after it – Sunday. God even warned the Israelites who are the examples for us today.

(1 Corinthians 10:11): Deuteronomy 4:16-19 warns, "Lest ye corrupt [yourselves], and make you a graven image, the similitude of any figure, the likeness of male or female, The likeness of any beast that [is] on the earth, the likeness of any winged fowl that flieth in the air, The likeness of any thing that creepeth on the ground, the likeness of any fish that [is] in the waters beneath the earth: And lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the moon, and the stars, [even] all the host of heaven, shouldest be driven to worship them, and serve them, which the LORD thy God hath divided unto all nations

under the whole heaven." There is even a prophecy that this very thing would occur. Ezekiel 8:16 predicts, "And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD'S house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, [were] about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east." Babylon practiced it, Medo-Persia continued it, Greece passed it on to Rome, and Papal Rome Christianized saying that "We don't worship the rising SUN but rather the risen SON" bringing it into the Christian fold. And they have no Biblical support, yet the majority of the Christian world still follows the Papal lead.

~ The Fifth Day ~

Genesis 1:20-23 tells us, "And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl [that] may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven. And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that [it was] good. And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth. And the evening and the morning were the fifth day."

God said "Let the waters bring forth abundantly." Do the waters bring forth abundantly today? Not only should we be concerned for the fish and life in the sea, but if the water supply gets much more contaminated, there will not be any for us to

safely drink. You figure, where do the sewers empty into? Rivers and oceans is the answer. And how about the pesticides that run into creeks and rivers? No wonder schools of fish are turning up dead. There are two primary things that we need to live: water and air. And we are doing a number on both of them. However, it is stated that Jesus returns at the time of this crisis. Revelation 11:18 predicts, *“And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.”* If left on our own much longer, we will destroy ourselves, but thank God for Jesus. Amen?

~ The Sixth Day ~

Genesis 1:24-31 tells us, *“And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing 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, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in his [own] image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. And God blessed them,*

and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which [is] upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which [is] the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat. And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein [there is] life, [I have given] every green herb for meat: and it was so. And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, [it was] very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.” This is another loaded series of verses.

Let us begin with, *“And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that [it was] good.”* Notice that each of the animals were to breed among themselves (“*after his kind*”), but scientists today and animal breeders are trying various experiments in combining various animals and calling it a break through. In addition, God never endorsed cloning. Amen? What does God have to say about all of this? Leviticus 19:19 says, *“Ye shall keep my statutes. Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a diverse kind: thou shalt not sow thy field*

with mingled seed: neither shall a garment mingled of linen and woollen come upon thee.” You see, if one does not believe in God (atheism and evolution) then one can proceed with these experiments. Further, since God’s principles are being ignored, is it possible that they are causing other problems in the world? Absolutely, in fact, we are having a hard time deciding what is and is not moral.

And then we come to the verse that is most attacked even inside the Christian church. *“And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.”* Now we see another of Satan’s aims. If creation week is done away with, so is the price of life. In other words, God made us in His image, which carries a heavy price tag, but if there is no God, then life is meaningless. This explains the high rate of abortion, suicide, and murder. Did you also know that when you criticize yourself, especially your appearance, you are actually criticizing your Creator? *“And God saw everything He had made, and, behold, it was very good”* (Genesis 1:31).

A second point to bring out is that God so loved the world, that he still created us. Wait! I thought God so loved the world that He sent His only Son to save us? Yes, He did, but remember when grace came: 2 Timothy 1:9 says, *“Who hath saved us, and called [us] with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began.”* Since grace is only by the shed blood of Jesus on the cross, that means God

knew before the world was created that He would have to send His Son to die so as to redeem mankind. God had a choice. He could have been content with being alone or create other beings to love. Of course, one particular being was the seed for turning one third of the angels away from God and is quite active in leading many humans away from God as well.

A third point which is off of the second is that Jesus loved us so much that not only was He willing to come to this planet and die for us, but He is the one that actually made man. In fact, He was the active agent in all of creation. John 1:1-3 tells us, "*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.*" So, Jesus is the one that formed Adam. Jesus is the one that formed man's hands that would eventually whip Him, pull out His beard, place a crown of thorns upon Him, and nail Him to a cross. It was Jesus who formed man's mouth that would spit upon him, say all manner of falsehood against Him, and curse Him. It was Jesus who formed man's ears that would be closed to His teachings. It was Jesus who formed man's feet, which would be used to forsake Him in the garden. It was Jesus who, despite all these things, still created us. That is love.

And now the verse that evolutionists really hate: "*And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over*

every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth."

Today, society has this backwards. Again, notice that if one does not believe they have been created in the image of God, then the value of man is diminished, so much so that animals now rule over us.

Take for instance, a man who one day found his home full of rats, so he bought traps and got rid of the rats. He is now serving a life sentence in California for destroying an endangered species because that particular breed of rat was on the most endangered list.

Another example is also from California where a mountain lion killed a jogger who happened to be a single mother of two. The mountain lion was destroyed by authorities who later found that it too was a mother of several cubs. A fund was created for the jogger and another for the mountain lion to take care of their respective offspring. The jogger's fund raised only a few hundred dollars while the fund for the mountain lion raised several thousand dollars.

And then there are other activist groups that hate this next verse as well. "*So God created man in his [own] image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.*" By removing creation, Satan is also removing the God ordained relationship that is to be consummated by marriage. Genesis 2:23-25 tells us, "*And Adam said, This [is] now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife:*

and they shall be one flesh. And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed." God made and married Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve. Amen? Further, it is only after being pronounced husband and wife that the closer relationship was to occur. Plainly put, during creation, God set the ground rules. Extramarital, pre-marital, and simply living together is not how God planned it. He also did not plan self-satisfaction either. But, Satan, by removing the thought of a literal creation week, has lowered the marital standards to "Since there is no God, it is just a piece of paper!"

And what was man to do? "*And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.*" First point is that God gives the command to "*be fruitful and multiply*" which homosexuals cannot perform. The second point is that we are in charge of the animals and the earth, but a great responsibility also goes with that. If we kill animals for the sake of killing and do not take care of the ground, we will end up killing ourselves. Further, when God said to have dominion over the animals, do you think He meant for us to shoot them up with chemicals so that they would produce more milk? Do you think God meant for us to lock up hens in a barn with lights on twenty-four hours a day so as to produce three eggs a day versus the usual one a day?

Then God showed His care for our health. "And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which [is] upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which [is] the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat." Do away with creation and you do away with the God-given diet. I am sure glad that we are hearing more about eating fruits, vegetables, and grains because it is much healthier than some of the other things people call food. And we wonder why so many people are overweight, popping pills, and having health problems.

And the sixth day closes with, "And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein [there is] life, [I have given] every green herb for meat: and it was so. And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, [it was] very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day." Again, God does not create junk. We have a high price tag. So high priced that it caused Jesus to condescend to human form and die a cruel death for our sins. An angel could not pay our redemption nor could another human being. And an animal definitely could not pay the price. Those animal sacrifices were simply object lessons pointing to the real Lamb of God "For [it is] not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins" (Hebrews 10:4).

~ The Seventh Day ~

What else did Jesus create? Genesis 2:1-3 says, "Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of

them. And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made." Now when Jesus was done with all His work, He blessed the seventh day, sanctified it (set it aside for a holy purpose), and rested upon it. He did not need the rest but just as He did in the tomb, He showed us an example of how to keep it, which is to cease from our labors and our pleasures.

This is the reason why the commandment reads so: Exodus 20:8-11 says, "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day [is] the sabbath of the LORD thy God: [in it] thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that [is] within thy gates: For [in] six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them [is], and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it." Even in the commandment, Jesus wrote with His own finger the fact that He showed us how to keep it during the creation week. And when Jesus walked the earth in human form, He continued to show us how to keep it.

Those that say we are no longer obligated to keep the Sabbath, specifically the seventh day, are serving Satan. How can that be? John 10:10 tells us, "The thief

cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have [it] more abundantly." Now ask yourself two questions: Does keeping the Sabbath promote life? Yes. Does not keeping the Sabbath steal, kill, and destroy life? Yes. Specifically, our bodies need to rest and God knew that. Note Mark 2:27 says, "And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath." The Sabbath was created for man, not just for Jews, to rest and recoup. This promotes health, family time, and time with God just to name a few benefits. Breaking the Sabbath promotes poor health and is a reason for the increase of heart problems, popping pills to deal with headaches, and much more.

It was not like that before the 1950's and it has been getting worse each year. Further, breaking the Sabbath is aiding family problems. Parents hardly have time for their children and each other. And most importantly breaking the Sabbath also takes time away from God.

After seeing the details involved in the creation, you can understand the many reasons why Satan is attacking it.

What Happens if There is No Creation Week?

Revelation 21:5 says, "And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful." If we do not believe God created the world as He

said He did, how can we trust that He will create a new world, a better world? Remember, we walk by faith and not by sight.

What will that world contain? Among many other things, Isaiah 66:22-23 tells us, "*For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain. And it shall come to pass, [that] from one new moon to another, and from one sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD.*" Jesus is going to create a new heaven and new earth -- more than likely in the same amount of time. How do we know that? Because the Sabbath is instituted for the new earth as it was for the old one?

So, since Jesus is going to carefully create the new earth and include the Sabbath that means it is Satan who speaks when we hear people exclaim, "The Ten Commandments have been nailed to the cross" or "The Sabbath is for legalists." Do not believe those and other lies concerning the law. God's government is not lawless, as Satan would have it. All these human theories will be proved false one day. 1 Corinthians 3:11-14 tells us, "*For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. If any man's work abide which he hath built*

thereupon, he shall receive a reward."

Who Will You Obey?

Satan has developed a falsely called science through atheism and is using evolution. It promises no future, no peace in this life, and ugly relatives (monkeys and apes). Then there is Jesus who has promised eternal life (Titus 1:2), life abundant in the here and now (John 10:10), and the greatest relative of all -- to be brothers and sisters of Christ (Mark 3:35) and sons and daughters of the Father (2 Corinthians 6:18).

And what does Jesus have to say? John 5:46-47 states, "*For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?*" The book of Genesis was written through Moses. Choose wisely whom you will believe

May God remind each of us of how dear we are to Him and how much we are worth to Him. Amen.