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Good Bye

This may seem a bit abrupt, but this is finis to the publication of this small paper. With this final issue of it we say farewell to those who have received it for many years. Due to an effort to reach out in a different direction, the elders at Valley decided that the effort, the cost, and effectiveness of this paper has served its usefulness and will be curtailed.

Valley Tidings has been sent out primarily in our own neighborhood. To our friends and neighbors we simply wanted to have contact with residents who live nearby our meeting house. The rest who are on our mailing list generally have asked to receive it. It has been this congregation's good pleasure to send the paper to all who have an interest in it and we hope you will miss it.

Valley Station church is now seeking to make contact with newcomers in our areas. It is our sole desire to have contact with all who may be interested in spiritual matters. It is also our hope we will be able to contact those who need salvation and the Lord.

We continue to offer biblical teaching and spiritual encouragement through our web site—<http://vscoc.org>. We try to keep our page current and include a number of things we deem helpful to all who desire to learn more of the word of God.

To all in our area we continue to invite you to visit with us and become acquainted with us. We have no denominational affiliation nor do we have any human creed book. All we offer is the Bible. We do not teach opinions about the great themes of God's Book—we endeavor to follow it as closely as possible. With the world heading in a direction away from the one true God Almighty we take no chances by adding to or taking from His holy revelation.

Our services remain the same: Bible classes each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and Wednesday night at 7:30. Our worship on Sunday morning is at 10:30 and in the evening at 7:20. The welcome mat is always out.

So, with our adieu and farewell, we wish all a very happy and safe holiday and continue to be available to any who wish for help in studying the Bible. Good bye.

Evolution

On the grand philosophical scale modern biology still takes evolution for granted. In articles intended for the general public, evolution is seldom called in question. But on the technical level, and in the interpretation of facts, disagreement, doubt, and confusion abound.

Consider, for example, the study of taxonomy, the classification of living things. Man has always organized plants and animals into groups for convenience of study, but if evolution is true, classification also implies descent. If everything living today arose from earlier, simpler forms, we should be able, with enough study to say what came from what. But biologists cannot do this. There is little agreement about how living things should be classified in relation to each other. Relationships that were once considered certain are now thought doubtful. A prime reason for the unsettled condition of taxonomy is that the fossil record does not support evolution. Plants and animals appear for the first time substantially as they are now.

The following quotations from the New Encyclopaedia Britannica will illustrate what I mean:

“Because of the lack of fossils, the evolutionary course of the Cacti is difficult to trace” (Vol. 3, p. 575).

“The earliest reliable fossils already show the differentiation of flowering plants into many distinct families” (vol. 18, p. 1092).

“The fossil record of bats prior to the Pleistocene (about 2,500,000 years ago) is limited and reveals little about bat evolution. Most fossils can be attributed to living families” (vol. 4, p. 434).

“The earliest known rodents came from the late Paleocene (about 57,000,000 years ago) of North America, by which time they had already acquired all of the diagnostic features of the order” (vol. 15, p. 976).

“There is little unanimity among botanists, however, as to how the family oleaceae (the olives) should be classified” (vol. 13, p. 558).

“Fossils have contributed little, as yet, to the understanding of salamander evolution . . . The relationships of urodeles (salamanders) to other living and fossil amphibians are unclear...” (vol. 18, p. 1087).

“The fossil record is of little assistance in attempting to determine which group of flowering plants appeared first on earth” (vol. 11, p. 343).

“Palms stand by themselves in terms of evolution. They do not appear to be very closely related to any other order of flowering plants unless it be the order Cyclanthales, nor can they be derived from any present or past group of plants” (vol. 1, p. 1133).

The last quotation (and these are just random examples) is revealing. How can palms “stand by themselves in terms of evolution”? If evolution is true, nothing stands by itself! Evolutionists live in hope that when more fossils are discovered, these large gaps in our knowledge will be filled in, but already it should be apparent that this is not going to happen.

So a few brave souls are venturing to question the assumptions of Darwin. One such assumption is the principle of uniformitarianism, “the present is the key to the past.” Uniformitarianism assumes a long and tranquil history for the earth, a view which directly opposes the biblical teaching about at least one worldwide calamity, the flood of Noah. But today some researchers believe that a comet striking the earth may have killed off the dinosaurs. We know that mammoths found under polar ice died suddenly with grass in their mouths, and were frozen so quickly that the sled dogs of the explorers could eat their flesh without ill effect.

It has recently been proposed that the basic forms of life were brought to earth on a spaceship. As ridiculous as this theory is, it has more to commend it than Darwin’s.

Bill Brumit, in Greenwood Park Church of Christ Messenger, Vol. 12, No. 13.

“The main problem in reconstructing the origins of man is lack of fossil evidence: all there is could be displayed on a dinner table.” - New Scientist 20 May



For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; 19 ¶ Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. {in them: or, to them} For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: {so...: or, that they may be} Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Romans 1:18-21.

