TODAY'S MESSAGE:

CSI: Examining the Evidence of Creation

2. Establishing the Timeline

2 Pet 3:3-6

April 14, 2013



3First of all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. 4They will say, "Where is this 'coming' he promised? Ever since our fathers died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation." 5But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water. 6By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. (2 Pet 3:3-6)

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Theories and Worldviews that compromise by attempting to reconcile Evolution and Creation:

1. Theistic <u>EVOLUTION</u>: (God used evolution as the method of creation)

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But what about **JONAH** & **JOSHUA**?

- 2. <u>FRAMEWORK</u> Hypothesis (Genesis is written as myth & poetry, intended to provide a framework, not details.
- 3. <u>DIVINE</u> Accommodation (God reveals only what people can handle/understand at the time.)

Theological Problem: Who needs Jesus when man is not accountable for sin and death? (see Romans 6:23)

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- HUMANISM Worldview assuming no creator

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For Reflection / Action: Have you been tempted to compromise the account of creation in the Bible by holding to evolutionary theory at the same time as Biblical creation? Why is this a dangerous thing? What part of the creation account gives you the most challenge? ... Call Pastor Augie about that! Why does undermining creation affect our proclamation of the Gospel of Christ? What faulty science have you been taught to believe regarding the age of the earth? Do you agree that natural processes we observe now must have always operated that way? How do you plan to learn more about what the Bible teaches concerning creation?

All Scripture, unless otherwise noted, is taken from the "New International Version" (NIV). Graphic slides courtesy of Russ Miller, www.creationministries.org.



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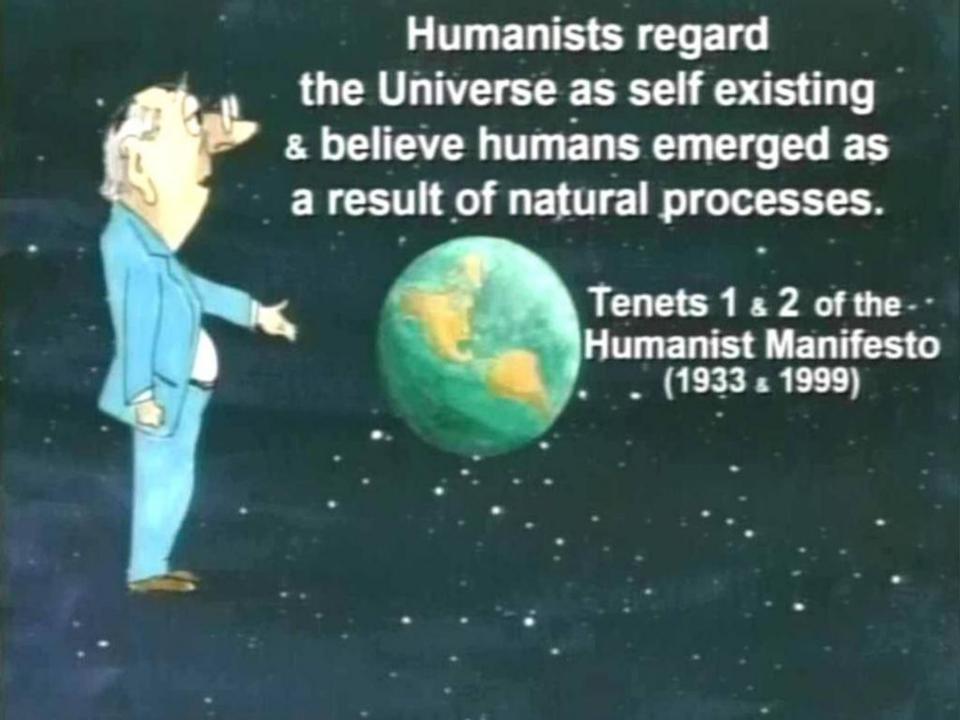
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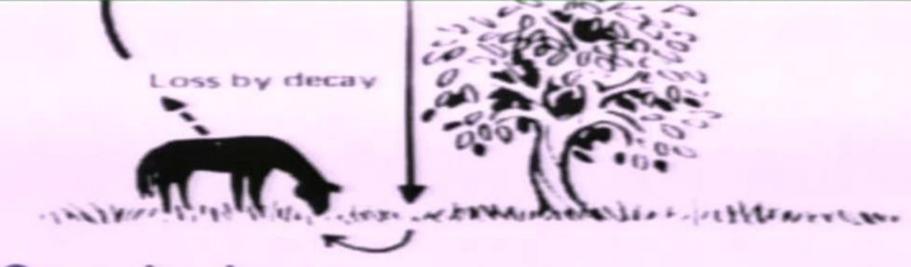
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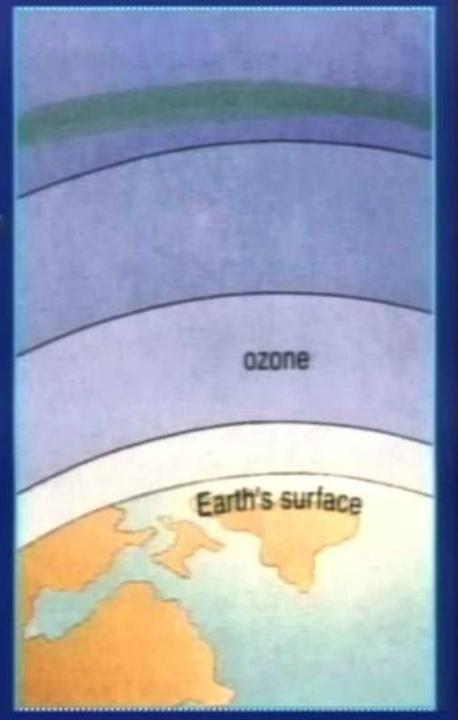


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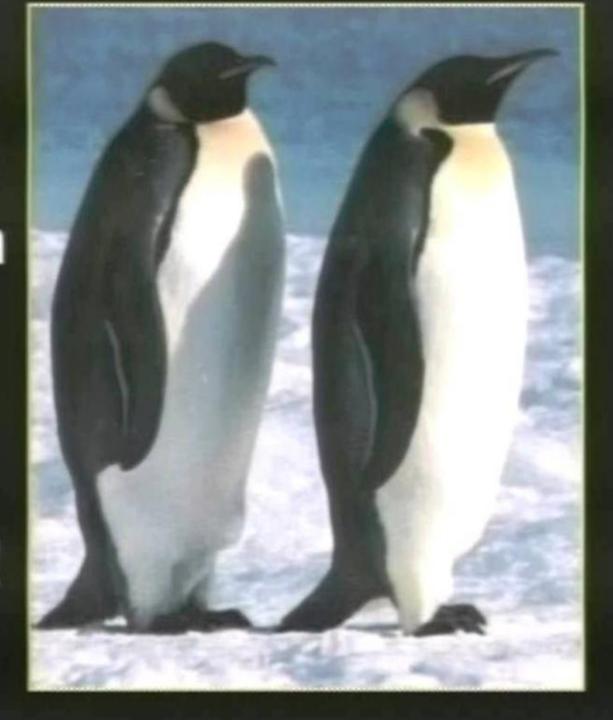


C-14 will completely decay away in 50,000-70,000 years Scientists
have shown
"extremely large"
changes in
atmospheric C-14.

Science; June 29, 2001; pages 2443-2458



Living Penguins have been dated as being 8,000 years old!





Shells from living snails carbon dated 27,000 years old!

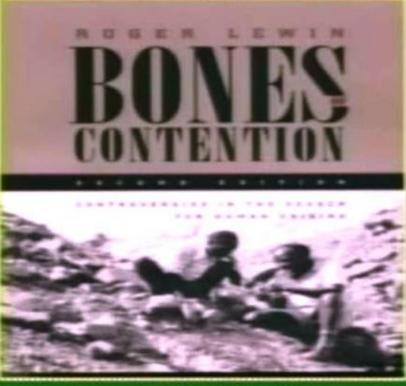
Science Volume 224, 1984; pages 58-61

Human Skull

(#KNM-ER 1470) found by Richard Leakey in 1972 under the 230 million year old KBS tuff It was re-dated at 1.8 million years

JN Moore: Teaching About Origins Questions: Origin of Human Beings: Creation Research Society: March, 1986; page 185





Bones of Contention Roger Lewin page 257

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Rocks <u>formed in an 1801</u> lava flow in Hualalai, Hawaii were dated 12 times via radioisotope methods:

The youngest age given was 325 million years

The oldest age given was 3 billion years

The average of the 12 dates was 1.5 billion years

Journal of Geophysical Research; 7-15-68: Science; 10-11-68; Photo: Volcanoes: Earth's awakening; Katia & Maurice Krafft; 1979; page 87

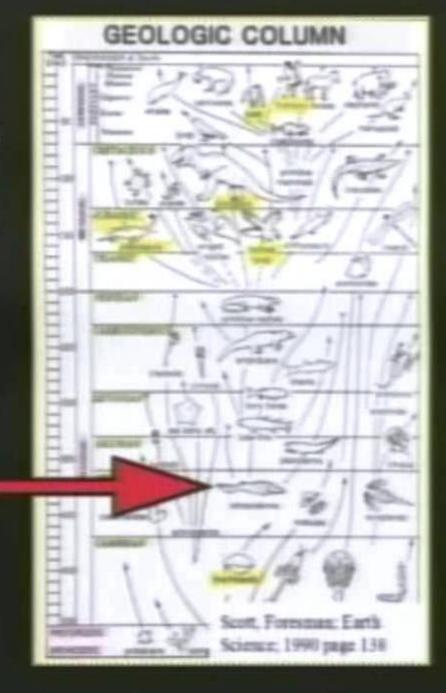
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name (like Jurassic);

age; index fossils.

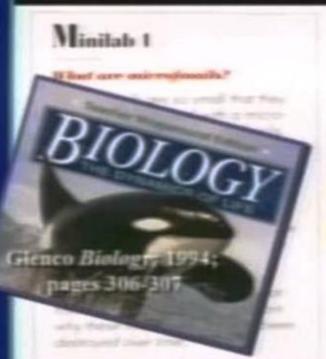


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change to its chemical makeup. Sometimes, minerals filter into the body of the preserved organism's part or parts and the organism also turns to rock. The organism has became petrified.

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The Fussil Recurd Fossils give us information about kinds of organisms that have existed on Earth. Thanks to the layering in sedimentary rock, fasils also give us clues as to when the organisms may have lived. Think if it this way: You stack up newspapers by adding each day's edition to the top. As long as the stack remains undisturbed, the oldest paper is on the bottom and the newest is on the top. In much the same way, particles of weathered rocks settle in layers like the layers in a cake and form sedimentary rocks. Fossils found in the undisturbed lower layers of sedimentary rocks are usually older than those found in undisturbed upper layers. Scientists have determined the relative times of appearance and disapparance of many kinds of organisms from the locations of their fossils in undimentary rock layers.

Often many fossils are found together at the same location, probably because all the organisms died together in a flood, volcaric eruption, or same other disaster. One site discovered in China consists of sediments from an ancient seafloor dating back 570 million years. More than 70 protically unknown fossil animals were discovered at that site.

Fossil studies often show that the majority of organisms from older lasers are generally simpler in body structures than ones from younger

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If there were a column of sediments deposited continuously since the formation of the earth, the entire history of the planet could be reconstructed. Unfortunately no such column exists. Where sediments are missing, a break in the sedimentary record occurs. Breaks result in gaps in the record that may range from a few years to hundreds of millions of years. Breaks in the sedimentary record are called *unconformities*.

O How do geologists read environmental changes in rock formations?

• What is an unconformity?

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"Radiometric dating would not have been feasible if the geologic column had not been erected first."



American Journal of Science O'Rourke, J. E.,
"Pragmatism versus
Materialism in
Stratigraphy,"
vol. 276 (January 1976)
page 54

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Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, which some have professed and in so doing have wandered from the faith. Grace be with you. (1 Timothy 6:20-21)

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