

RELIGION

ALTERNATIVES

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Kingship or pauper, believers or gentiles, fools or wise people; that is the question for intellectuals and illiterates alike?

Why must Christians act as gentiles act? Christians are no longer outside the covenant of God, aliens without the anointing of God, if ye be Christs, you are children of God, joint heirs with Jesus, the Christ. Changed, born again into the family of God. No longer spiritually dead; alive in mind, emotions and body. Jesus suffered these deaths (of mind, emotions and body) as an incorruptible sacrifice for the sins of all people. He conquered hell and death; there being no sin in Him for which he

could be condemned; He arose victorious over death and hell, breaking the curse of sin brought about by the disobedience of Adam, the first created man. Christ, therefore, being the first born from hades, makes possible the rebirth of all people who believe in Him; proclaiming Himself Redeemer with all power and authority over all creation.

Eph. Ch. 2= This testament of Christ Jesus is true, binding; a Covenant, signed in the righteous blood of the Son of God. True Christians believe in death, burial and resurrection of Jesus, therefore, are no longer strangers from the Covenant of God, with no hope, without God; no longer gentiles, aliens to the covenant of God. Believers are free of the bonds of sin, under the protection

of Jesus, members of His family, ordained to good works by God; rich, fruitful and joyous; knowing (believing) there are always alternatives to better living; this knowledge making it possible to deny and reject the plan of satan, which seeks the destruction of mankind.

Christians are not alone nor lonely for God is always there. God has provided guidelines to salvation and provides all people with the ability to choose a better way. Why must man be without hope, drinking fully of the goblet of sin; liars, cheaters, neglecters of duty, users of other substance, manipulators, users and abusers of children, despises of Saints, without honor, full of guile, devious, lovers of self? Guidelines to the glory of God, to honor, salva-

tion and kingship with God are easy to follow: 1) Believe with the heart on God, the Father. 2) Stay (choose) the second birth of Jesus, your double portion, your priesthood. 3) Know (believe) that all people are made in God's image, but not all are children of God. 4) Pray! God direct me into the/my second birth. 5) Know (believe) that you have a Redeemer, Jesus Christ. 6) Know (believe) that emotions do not connect us with God. 8) Know that belief, hope, and love dependence on God causes God to bless with double portions all everything that believers ask of him. 9) Know that He is God, the Father to the unsaved person; be he is God, my Father to all who have been born again. 10) Know that the 'will of God' will be done in all the heavens

and the earth.

There is no need to kill, maim, abuse and misuse others who like you are made in the image of God, thereby, putting yourselves in jeopardy under the laws of God and Man. Simply by believing and trusting in God, and asking of Him, all things your heart desires, and it will be given unto you. Accept the alternatives for a better life and better living offered through belief in Christ Jesus.

Only a fool rejects a free gift. Rebirth from hades is assured through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Christ, himself has paid the price for the sins of all people. Therefore, there is no condemnation for all who believe in Him, but a cleansing of sin

as if it never happened. Established programs have not worked to stop the killings, the abuse, the cheating and stealing, the distrust, the cults and all other vile happenings. More government, state and community projects and programs are not the answer, but bandages that keep hidden the corruption beneath for awhile. The challenge goes out to each individual who is hopeless and lost, suffering low self esteem, greedy, unloved, fearful and depressed to not remain fools but accept the plan of God offered as a free gift of abundant life through Christ Jesus. There is much evidence that this plan has had great success through out history and it is free. Only a foolish man uses a broken plow, when a tractor is available for free.

What About A Drug Free Zone In Inner N/NE Portland???

*Come, Let's talk about it!
Inner-City Community Forum*

Time: 7 PM

Date: Tuesday, August 30, 1994

Place: The Community Room
NE Community Policing Facility
449 NE Emerson
Portland, OR 97211

Agenda: a) Inspirational/Informational Video: Drug Free Zones...
...Taking Action!
b) Guest Speakers
c) Group Discussion

Special Guests: Pastor John Rodgers, Vernon Presbyterian Church
Commander Bruce Prunk, NE Precinct
Imam Mikal H. Shabazz, NE Muslim Community
Officer Kim Ell, Gresham Police Department
Mr. Al Jasper, Marco Polo Restaurant
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Debate Over The Origin Of Life

When it comes to exploring the origins of life, have most scientists put the cart before the horse? Have they, in fact, turned their belief in Darwinism into their own religion?

Yes, contends a law professor from the University of California. He will explain his position in a Portland-area appearance Sept. 22.

Prof. Phillip Johnson will be the principal presenter at the first seminar for the 1994-95 academic year conducted by the Institute of Science and Christian Faith at Western Evangelical Seminary. The event, free and open to the public, will be 7 to 10pm in the WES Chapel at Hampton Plaza, 12753 S.W. 68th Ave. in Tigard.

The institute was formed in 1993. It seeks to equip people to communicate the common ground of science and the Christian faith, and also provides an

arena for discussion on matters of faith and science, says Director Dr. Nate Olson. In addition to sponsoring seminars, the institute will provide courses as part of the WES curriculum, will build a resource center of videos and books, and also plans an eventual summer program for high school science teachers.

Olson is a business entrepreneur, a former college professor and president, and director of non-traditional programs at WES. Dr. Richard Parker, the institute's associate director, is professor emeritus of microbiology and former department chair at Oregon Health Sciences University.

Under a grant from the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust, the institute is sponsoring the seminar series on science, ethics and ministry. Seminars held earlier this year looked at the biblical basis for creation and at the ethical questions surrounding euthanasia.

Johnson's address will be

"The Established Religious Philosophy of America," and will be followed by a time for discussion and audience interaction. Johnson is a graduate of Harvard University and the University of Chicago. He was a law clerk for Chief Justice Earl Warren of the U.S. Supreme Court, and has taught for more than 20 years at Berkeley.

He is the author of *Darwin on Trial* (Second edition, Intervarsity Press, 1993) and has written many papers and lectures criticizing Darwinian evolutionary theory. He took up extensive study of that theory because he felt that books defending it were dogmatic and unconvincing. He looks at the evidence the way a lawyer would -- with a cold dispassionate eye for logic and proof.

According to Johnson, today's scientific orthodoxy is that all living things evolved by a gradual, natural process -- from non-living matter to simple microorganisms -- leading eventually to man. But he notes that many dissidents, some with advanced scientific degrees, deny

that evolution is a fact and insist that an intelligent creator caused all living things to come into being.

He acknowledges that much media attention has been given to those Christians who follow an extremely literal interpretation of the Bible, and who thus insist the Earth is no more than 10,000 years old and that its creation occurred in only a matter of days.

But, he adds, there are also Christians who believe the creator employed a more gradual process that some might even term evolution -- even though Johnson considers that too imprecise a term -- but that has been specifically directed by a higher, purposeful intelligence.

Joining Johnson on the program will be John Wiester, a geologist and author who has taught at Westmont College in California. He will speak about errors he alleges are in an "Evidence for Evolution" museum exhibit presented by the California Academy of Sciences.

For more information about the Sept. 22 program or the institute, phone (503) 639-0559.

Clinton Addresses Crime Bill



President Bill Clinton attends Sunday services at the Full Gospel A.M.E. Zion Church in Temple Hills, Md. He urged passage of his crime bill for the sake of communities and children.

President Clinton spoke to 2,000 members of the Full Gospel A.M.E. Zion Church, Temple Hills, Md., stressing the need to pass the nation's largest-ever crime bill to save the country's communities and children.

Following the president's Aug. 14 address to the church more than 40 African-American ministers released a statement supporting the crime bill. In their statement, the religious leaders said, "While we do not agree with every provision in the crime

bill, we do believe and emphatically support the bill's goal to save our communities and most importantly, our children."

The statement supported specific provisions of the crime bill including \$8 billion to fund preventive programs, drug treatment programs, the ban on assault weapons and an addition of 100,000 well-trained officers for the nation's police departments.

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