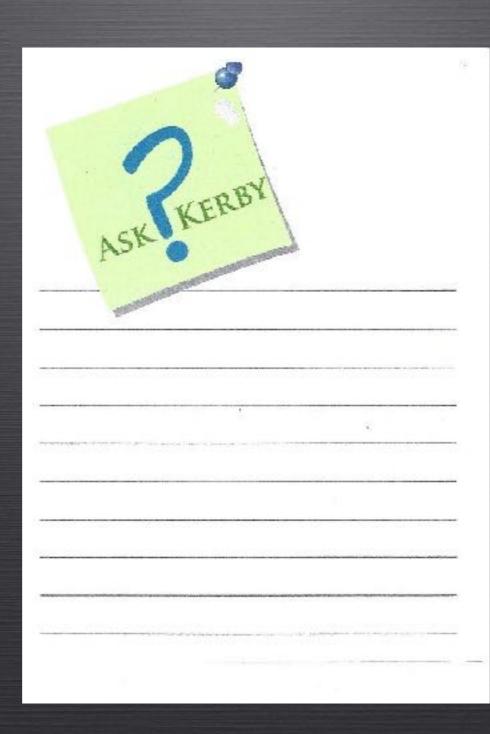
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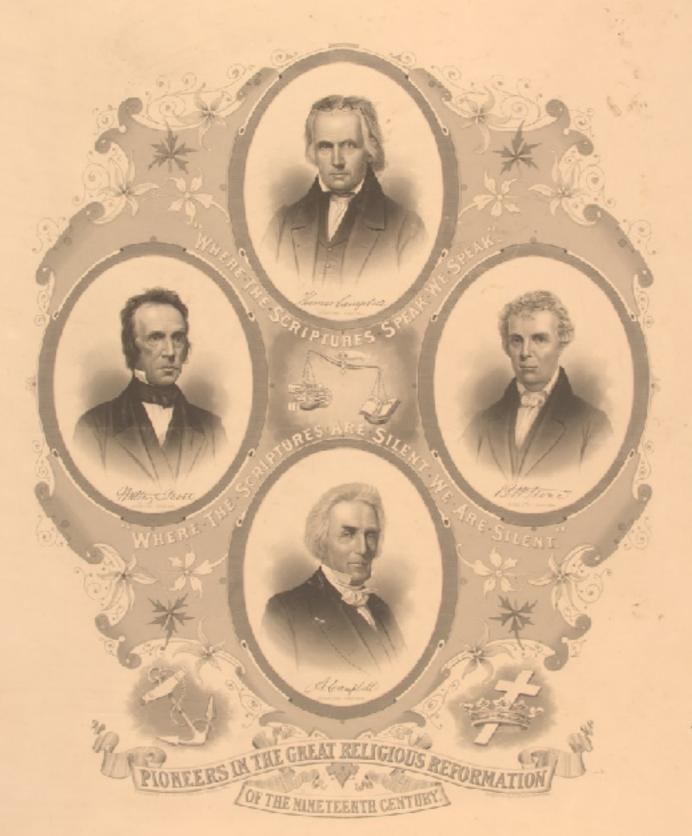


#### QUESTION #1:

PLEASE EXPLAIN THE BELIEF OF CHURCH OF CHRIST. WHY DO THEY FEEL THEY ARE THE ONLY ONES GOING TO HEAVEN?

#### Restoration Movement

- Restoration Movement arose during the Second Great Awakening (1790–1840).
- The founders of this movement (Barton Stone, Thomas Campbell, and his son, Alexander Campbell) were seeking to reform the church from within and sought "the unification of all Christians in a single body patterned after the church of the New Testament."



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## Key Principles

- Christianity should not be divided, Christ intended the creation of one church.
- Creeds divide, but Christians should be able to find agreement by standing on the Bible itself.
- Ecclesiastical traditions divide, but Christians should be able to find common ground by following the practice of the early church.

## Key Slogans

- "Where the Scriptures speak, we speak; where the Scriptures are silent, we are silent."
- "No creed but Christ, no book but the Bible, no law but love, no name but the divine."
- "In essentials, unity; in opinions, liberty; in all things love."
- "Do Bible things in Bible ways."

#### Restoration Movement

- There are three main branches in the U.S. are:
  - The Churches of Christ
  - Church of Christ congregations
  - The Christian Church/Disciples of Christ

## Saved by Baptism

- Acts 2:38 "And Peter said to them, "Repent, and let each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."
- Acts 22:16 "And now why do you delay? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on His name."

## Saved by Grace

- Ephesians 2:8-9 "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith, and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God, not by works, so that no one can boast.
- Romans 5:6-8 "For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. . . . But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

#### Oak Hills Church



- Max Lucado is the pastor of what used to be be called Oak Hills Church of Christ.
- "We never taught baptismal regeneration" and don't believe only members of Church of Christ are saved.

#### QUESTION #2:

How should we respond to the Muslim's demand to include Sharia law?

#### Shariah Law

- A foundational practice of Islam is the implementation of sharia into the legal structure.
- Sometimes the world has been able to see how extreme the interpretation of sharia can be.
- The Qur'an teaches that an apostate Muslim faces the wrath of Allah (Sura 47:25-28). Sharia law in many countries treats apostasy as the unforgivable sin and therefore punishable by death.

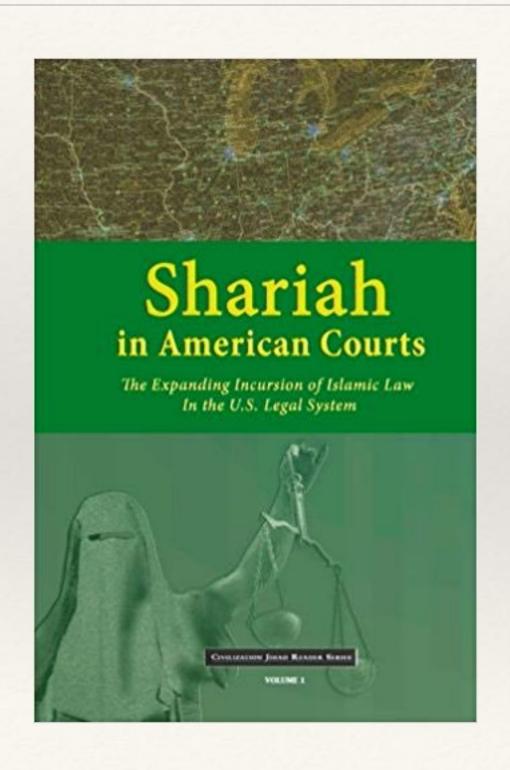
#### Shariah Law

- According to the Qur'an women are considered inferior to men: "Men have authority over women because God has made the one superior to the other" (Sura 4:34).
- The Qur'an restricts a woman's testimony in court. Her testimony is worth half as much as that of a man (Sura 2:282).
- The Qur'an teaches that a son's inheritance should be twice that of a daughter's (Sura 4:11).

#### Shariah Law - Constitution

- Sharia law is very different in many respects from the laws established through the U.S. Constitution and the laws established through English Common law.
- In an attempt to prevent sharia law from being implemented in America, a number of state legislatures have passed bans on sharia law.
- Voters in other states have approved a ban that has been struck down by a federal appeals court.

#### Shariah Law - Constitution



Shariah Law in American Courts was published by the Center for Security Policy. In their original report they found 50 significant cases of Sharia law in U.S. courts just from their small sample of appellate published cases.

#### 1-8-14

- The First Amendment says that there should be no establishment of religion. Sharia law is based on one religion's (Islam) interpretation of rights.
- The Eighth Amendment prohibits "cruel and unusual punishment." Most Americans would consider the penalties handed down under Sharia law to be cruel and unusual.

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- The Fourteenth Amendment guarantees each citizen equal protection under the Constitution.
- Sharia law does not treat men and women equally, nor does it treat Muslims and non-Muslims equally.

#### QUESTION #3:

# HOW SHOULD CHRISTIANS THINK ABOUT THE IMMIGRATION DEBATE?

## Legal History

- 1997 Flores Consent Decree government can detain unaccompanied minors for only 20 days.
- 9th Circuit Court of Appeals applies to all children.
- William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act - minors must be transferred to the custody of HHS - Office of Refugee Resettlement
- May 7, 2018 Attorney General "zero tolerance."

## Biblical Perspective

- Government is established by God (Romans 13:1-7)
- Border security: "When the Most High gave to the nations their inheritance, when he divided mankind, he fixed the borders of the peoples" (Deuteronomy 32:8).
- We are warned, "Do not move the ancient landmark that your fathers have set" (Proverbs 22:28; 23:10).

## Biblical Perspective

- We are supposed to obey the government (Romans 13).
- We are to care for immigrants:
  - "You shall not wrong a sojourner or oppress him" (Exodus 22:21).
  - "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers" (Hebrews 13:2).
- We are to care for children (Mark 10:14)

#### Children

- Approximately 12,000 immigrant children are in the federal system.
- About 2,300 have been separated from their parents seeking asylum or entering the country illegally.
- About 437,500 children are in the foster care system in America (many because of substance abuse of parents).
- More than 2.5 million children are homeless in the U.S.

## Legislative Options

- Ted Cruz <u>Protect Kids and Parents Act</u> double the number of immigration judges to 750, keep immigrant families together, new temporary shelters, expedited resolution of asylum claims within 14 days.
- Dianne Feinstein <u>Keep Families Together Act</u> would have a higher standard for separating children, separation could only be done after consultation with children welfare expert.

QUESTION #4:

IS AMERICA A CHRISTIAN NATION?





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DR. ROBERT JEFFRESS SENIOR PASTOR

# First Baptist pastor Robert Jeffress' gospel of division does not represent my **Dallas**



Robert Wilonsky, City Columnist 🍏 🔀



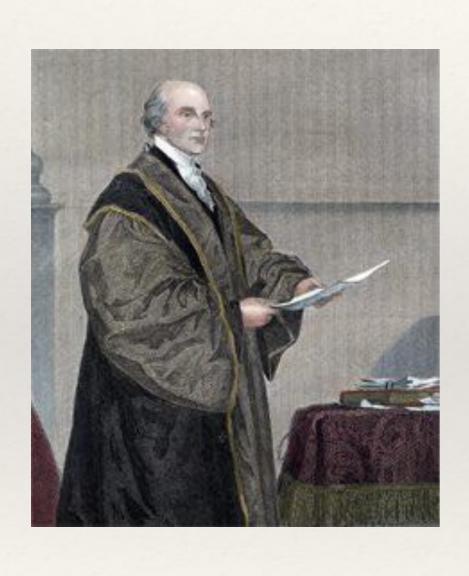


#### Christian Nation

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord."

Psalm 33:12

#### Christian Nation



- John Jay was one of the three coauthors of the *Federalist Papers*.
- He served as vice-president of the American Bible
   Society (1816-1821) and its president (1821-1827).
- He later became the first Chief
  Justice of the U.S.

#### Christian Nation

"Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers, and it is the duty as well as the privilege and interest of our Christian nation to select and prefer Christians for their rulers."

The Correspondence and Public Papers of John Jay, Henry Johnston, editor (New York: G. P. Punam's Sons, 1893),

## Declaration



## Constitution



#### QUESTION #5:

WHAT ARE THE BEST EVIDENCES FOR DESIGN THAT CHALLENGE THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION?

## Why We Believe in Creation

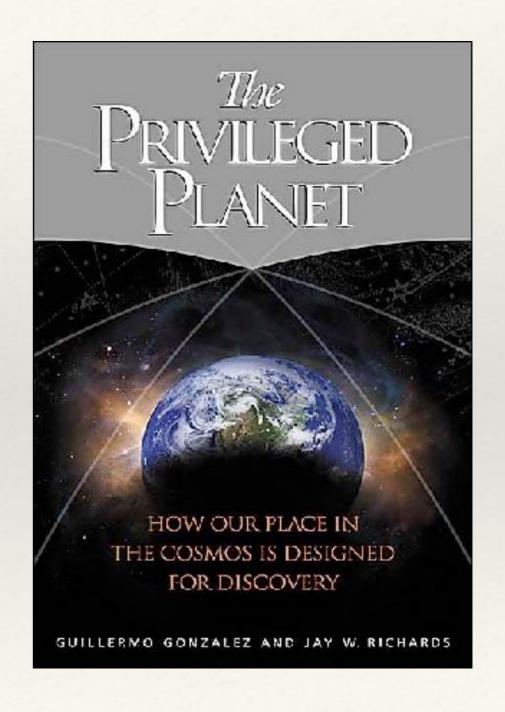
- Genesis is the foundation of the entire Bible. It is the story of the beginning of the universe, the solar system, earth, and human beings.
- Chapters 1-11 in Genesis are quoted more than 100 times in the New Testament.
- All of the first eleven chapters are referred to in the New Testament. Every New Testament author refers somewhere to Genesis 1-11.

## Jesus and Creation

- Jesus Himself refers to each one of the first seven chapters of Genesis.
- Jesus refers to Adam and Eve to explain the biblical view of marriage. That means they were real people.
- Jesus affirms the historicity of Cain/Abel in Matthew 23. He connects the blood of Abel to Zechariah.
- Jesus confirms the historical nature of Noah and the Flood in Matthew 24:37-39.

# Intelligent Design - Astronomy

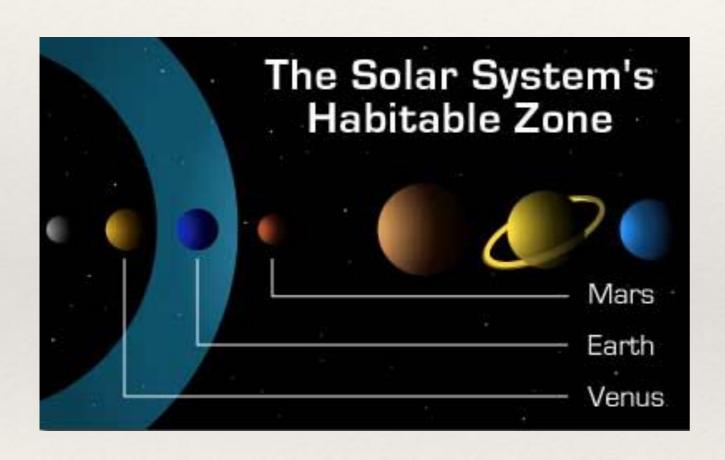
- Guillermo Gonzalez, PhD, professor of astronomy and physics at Iowa State University.
- Jay Richards, PhD, Discovery Institute



## Earth's Size

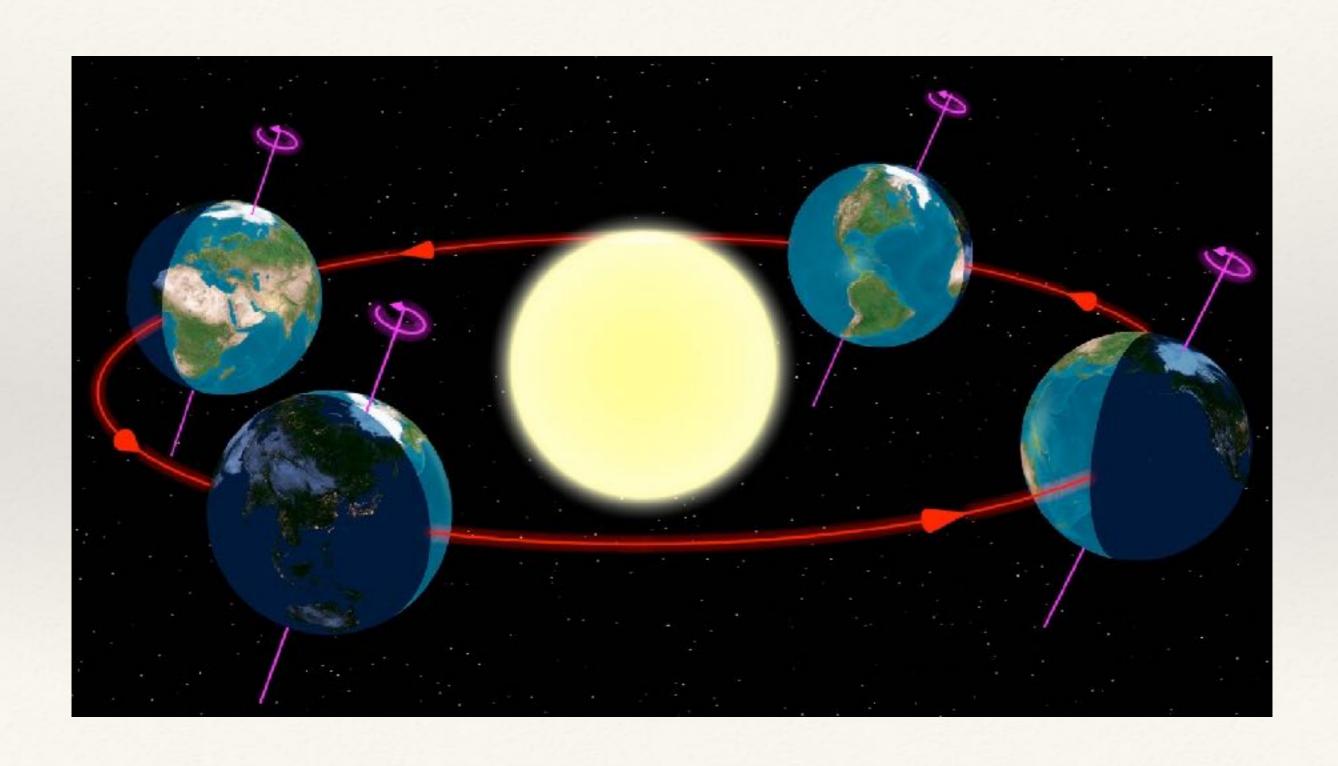


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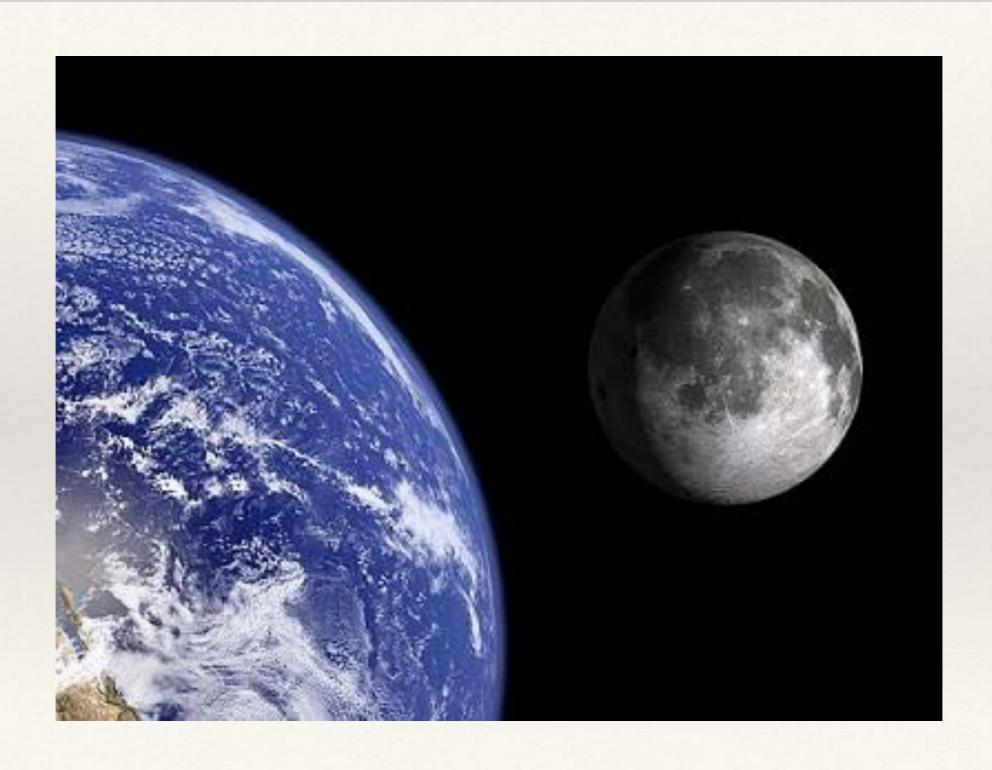




## Earth's Axial Tilt



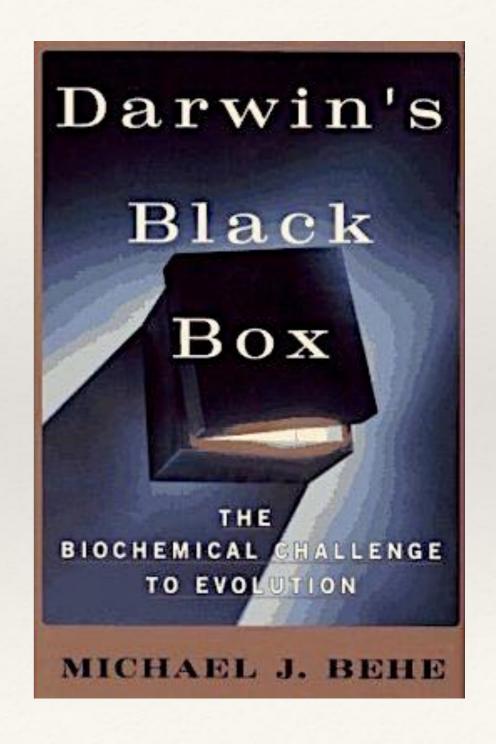
## Earth's Moon





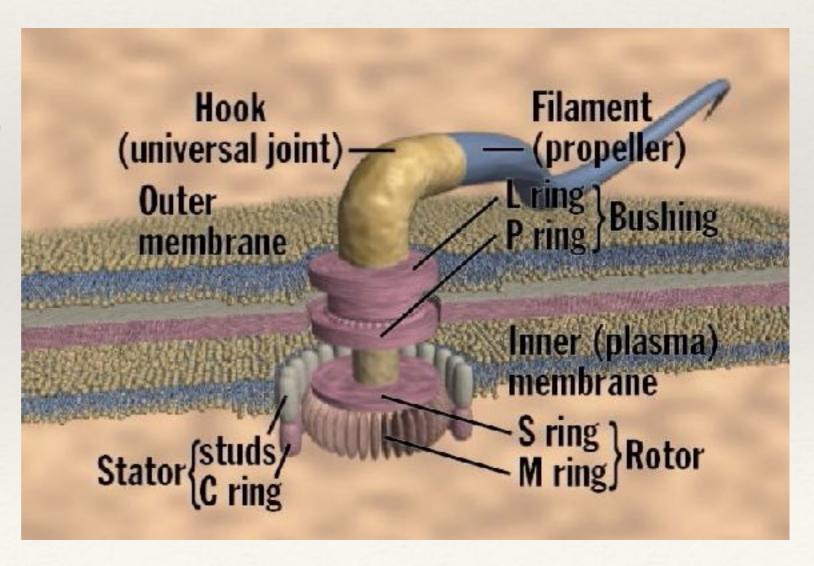
# Intelligent Design - Biology

- Michael Bene wrote this book and many others.
- *Christianity Today* selected it as its 1996 Book of the Year.



## Intelligent Design - Biology

- Showed that cells are filled with irreducibly complex molecular machines.
- Bacterial flagellum.
- Over 100 molecular motors exist inside the cell similar to designed motors.



# Intelligent Design - Biology

- The DVD "Unlocking the Mystery of Life" explains the complexity of living systems and shows how this illustrates intelligent design in biology.
- There are many other DVDS from the Institute for Creation Research and Illustra Media.

