

“[The Bereans] . . . searched the scriptures daily,

[to see] whether those things were so.” —Acts 17:11

The Importance of Fundamentalism — Part One

T. A. McMahon

I’m a fundamentalist . . . and I hope that all who consider themselves to be biblical Christians would declare that as well. The term, however, is used in a derogatory way by many people today. I don’t know why, other than the fact that many simply don’t like Christianity, especially biblical Christianity. But regardless of what its detractors think, fundamentalism is a very valuable concept.

Let me give you an illustration from the sports world. During the college and pro football seasons, the teams’ schedules usually include a bye week. That’s a week that has no game scheduled, so it’s dedicated to practice, and the practices rarely involve tricky new plays. Instead, the focus is nearly always on returning to the fundamentals of the sport.

Throughout the season, players often drift away from fundamental techniques and develop some bad habits that decrease their effectiveness. But sports aside, if one’s fundamentals are wrong in *anything*, the results aren’t going to be good.

In biblical Christianity, sound doctrine is critical, and how sound it is depends upon whether or not it is *fundamentally* sound. There are numerous important doctrines found throughout Scripture, but I want to focus on just one, which I firmly believe is the most important fundamental teaching, and that is the gospel.

No one is saved unless he has heard and believed the gospel, whether by hearing it or reading it—and then believing it. The gospel isn’t complex. In fact, even a child can hear and believe it and be saved. Yet too often a message of “salvation” is given that doesn’t contain a fundamentally sound gospel.

I was speaking at a conference in Kansas City a few years ago, and on Sunday a friend of mine took me to a popular church there. The guest speaker was a well-known evangelist. The pastor who introduced him was excited that the speaker was going to give one of his “classic evangelistic messages.” Following the message, an altar call was given and about 250, at least one-third of the people in that service, went forward. I was stunned.

Why? The gospel was nowhere to be found in the message! It was purely an emotional appeal. I wrote to the pastor afterward, asking him about the missing gospel. I really wanted to also ask him if it concerned him that so many in his fellowship went forward. That would seem to indicate that they weren’t saved, but I decided to hold off on that question until I got a reply from him—which never came. If they weren’t saved beforehand, they certainly weren’t saved by the *gospel-less* message to which they were responding! It was a grievous situation.

On the other hand, in many churches, even when a gospel message is given that includes enough information for a person

to put his or her faith in Jesus for salvation, *rarely is it explained*. Why do I think that’s so important? Well, those who have yet to accept the gospel are being asked to make a decision that has *eternal consequences*. How many important decisions do any of us make without explanations being given as to what we should do and the consequences that are involved? Hopefully, very few.

Proverbs 4:7 says, “Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.” There are a number of reasons why *understanding* is very important, especially in evangelism. An explanation of the gospel itself is not only critical, but the hearer must also be helped to understand the fundamental foundation necessary for one’s life and growth in Jesus Christ. Furthermore, what happens afterward—after a person has, by God’s grace, received the gift of eternal life? What are believers to do with that free gift?

In the book of Matthew, we are reminded that which a believer has freely received, he or she is to “freely give” (Matthew 10:8). Jesus came to save sinners. It’s my understanding that once we’re saved and have received the gift of eternal life, we are to “freely give” out the information of what that gift is and how it can be obtained. That’s known in Scripture as the “great commission.” In Mark 16:20, we see that “they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them,

and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.”

The “great commission” is for every believer in Christ. What better way could you spend your life than being used of the Lord to encourage someone to spend eternity with Jesus Christ? Our lives may be wonderfully fruitful in a secular sense. Some of us might be doctors, heart surgeons, cancer specialists, nurses, educators, military personnel, caregivers, etc. We may be great parents or good children to our parents. Such endeavors are meaningful, but they are of little or no value beyond this earth, rewards notwithstanding. Please don’t misunderstand what I’m saying here. I’m just comparing the good things that we do temporally with those things that have *eternal* value—which are far better. What could be greater than being used of the Lord in such a way that would result in eternal salvation for someone? Our temporal life lasts on the average about 75 years. Compare that with living *forever* with Jesus!

But what might be an obstacle to any of us freely giving what we have freely received? In fact, nearly all revolve around *self*. Self-love, self-esteem, self-preoccupation, self-worth, and especially self-consciousness, are among the chief obstructions to witnessing.

Regarding self-consciousness, no one likes to be thought of as stupid or ignorant. Few if any of us enjoy finding ourselves in a position in which we’re at a loss to give to anyone who asks a sensible answer to an important question. That certainly applies to believers regarding their understanding of the gospel, or perhaps, for some, a lack or a weakness in that area. A lack of *con-*

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fidest understanding of the gospel too often creates a potential embarrassment that prevents some from sharing it with others.

Who would attempt to explain anything that's important if he wasn't sure of the subject, and I mean really convinced of it? Sadly, most people *who call themselves* Christians do not share the gospel because 1) they've never really heard or accepted the biblical gospel, or 2) they've heard enough truth to be saved but have never grown in their confident understanding of it. Many Bible-believing Christians either cannot or have great difficulty *explaining* the gospel, so they simply don't share it.

I hope these articles will help to increase our understanding of the gospel so that we can be more confident and even bolder, as the Lord provides opportunities to share His message of hope with others. Romans 1:16 exhorts, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." Sometimes, because of some of the reasons I've noted, we don't realize that drawing back from sharing the gospel is, in a sense, being "ashamed" of it. We need to keep that in the back of our minds as we go about understanding it better.

So, exactly what is the gospel? The word itself means "good news." What's good about it? Well, it solves a problem. In fact, it solves humanity's greatest problem, which is that mankind, early on, was separated from their Creator because of disobedience.

At the beginning of the human race, God gave Adam a command that he was not to eat of a certain fruit in the Garden of Eden—a command that Eve, and then Adam, disobeyed. God had warned them that the penalty for that sin was death, meaning that they would be separated from God spiritually and then physically, through death. The condemnation was eternal. The hopeless fact was that once they sinned, there would be nothing they could do about it except to pay the infinite penalty, which is impossible for finite human beings.

Scripture tells us that the wages of sin is death and that all have sinned. Therefore, God's perfect justice demands that all who sin are under the penalty for sin, which is separation from Him forever. Yet God, because He is merciful, had a solution to reconcile mankind to Himself.

We see it first in Genesis 3:15 right after Adam and Eve had disobeyed God. Speaking to Satan, who had successfully tempted Eve to taste the forbidden fruit, the Lord said, "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel." This is a prophecy concerning Christ (the seed of the woman), who would pay the penalty for all mankind Himself, thereby destroying the works of Satan and giving humanity the opportunity to be reconciled to God. Verse 15 is referred to as the "First Gospel."

Throughout the Old Testament we find prophecies and types that point to God's solution to mankind's condemnation through Israel's Messiah, Jesus Christ.

Consider the sacrifices of Abel and Cain, the two sons of Adam and Eve. Abel's sacrifice was accepted by God. Cain's was not. Why? Abel's was a blood offering of a sacrificial lamb necessary for the atonement of sin, a "type" (or a foreshadowing) that pointed to Jesus, the Lamb of God, who would take away the sin of the world. Hebrews 9:22 tells us that without the *shedding of blood* there is no remission of sin. Cain did his own thing, offering his veggies rather than what God had instructed.

The Old Testament is filled with representations and concepts that point to the coming Savior of the World. They symbolized the Messiah-to-come, and thus those living in that time period before His arrival could look ahead to Him—by faith—and thus be saved.

Space limitation restricts me from giving more than a couple of examples, yet they are staggering in their significance. Consider Abraham in his obedience to God through the impending sacrifice of Isaac, his only son, the son of God's promise (Genesis 22:2-16). As the father of three sons, I can't imagine myself in that

situation without trembling uncontrollably with grief. Yet Abraham *believed God*, and it was counted unto him for righteousness (Romans 4:3). What did he believe? He knew that if he slayed Isaac in obedience to God, even then, God would raise Isaac from the dead. He had even told his servants that he would return from the Mount *with his son Isaac*.

If anyone cannot see the relationship of this with God the Father sacrificing His only begotten Son, I don't know what I can add, except maybe for this. In Isaiah 53 are found verses that prophesy what the Messiah, Jesus Christ, would experience when He paid the penalty for our sins, past, present, and future. We see Christ our Savior, "despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief" (Isaiah 53:3). "He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted....wounded for our transgressions...bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and...afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth. He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken. And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth. Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand. He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors" (Isaiah 53:4-12).

This is the Creator of the universe, the Creator of all living souls (identified here as transgressors), who interceded for us! Words can scarcely put that in a way we can truly fathom. Neither now—nor perhaps for all eternity. All I can think of in response is, "Thank you, Jesus! Thank you, Jesus!"

To sum up: we see that the *gospel* is indicated throughout the Old Testament, and it was to this that the Jewish believers of that era looked ahead by faith—and were saved. But it wasn't only the Israelites. Job lived at the time of the patriarchs and was not a Jew but rather a Gentile. His belief in the coming Savior is made clear in Job 19:25: "For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth."

Why study the Old Testament, which some see as merely a history book? Because it lays the foundation for "the first principles of the oracles of God" (Hebrews 5:12)! Without it, the Bible makes no sense. Christ and the Cross become meaningless. Still, many who profess to be Christians have abandoned the inerrant Word of God, like those enamored with pseudoscience, such as the theistic evolutionists, who deny its very clear fundamental teachings such as the global flood and the literal six days of creation. Of late are highly influential Christians who seek to accommodate the culture by making the Old Testament into a seeker-friendly offering, avoiding, or even eliminating, the truth of God's Word, which doesn't appeal to the world.

In part 2 of this series, we'll turn to the New Testament, where we find the prophecies and Old Testament types of our Savior perfectly fulfilled in confirmation of the fundamentals of biblical Christianity.

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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QUESTION: I have heard you say on a few occasions that all babies and children are saved. I do not dispute this, but could you back this up from Scripture?

RESPONSE: The sense of justice we have in our consciences assures us that God would not send innocent babes, who were never conscious of having sinned, to hell to suffer eternally for sin. We can rely upon Abraham's pleading with God not to "slay the righteous with the wicked," and his appeal, "Shall not the judge of all the earth do right?" and God's apparent agreement (Gn 18:25). We also have David's statement regarding his dead baby son: "But now he is dead...I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me" (2 Sm 12:23).

Christ's attitude toward, and His statements regarding, small children gives us additional assurance of their salvation: "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven" (Mk 10:14); "Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, that in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven" (Mt 18:10). Although I don't fully understand the latter statement about "their angel," it seems to indicate a relationship with God during their innocence. Furthermore, everyone must "receive the kingdom of God as a little child" (Mk 10:15).

QUESTION: You once attempted to answer a question about Matthew 1:21 ["He shall save his people from their sins"]. Your answer could lead one to believe (using Jn 1:29, 1 Jn 2:2, 4:14, and 1 Tm 4:10 out of the context of the whole Word of God), that everyone is saved. You quoted 1 Jn 4:16, Jn 3:16-17, 2 Pt 3:9, and 1 Tm 2:4 and implied from them that God loves everyone! I suppose then we should ignore verses like Ps 5:4-5, Prv 8:13, Mal 1:2-4, and Rom 9:11, 13-24? If no one can understand God's Word without the Spirit of God (1 Cor 2:4) and if Jesus is the author and perfecter of our faith (Heb 12:2), how can we choose God? Rom 3:10-12 says that no one either understands or seeks God. We would all go to hell unless God chose to reveal Himself to us and to give us saving faith.

RESPONSE: Matthew 1:21 doesn't say that Christ will save *only* His people from their sins—or most of us wouldn't be saved. "His people" refers to Israel. They were the first to be called God's elect (Is 45:4; 65:9). Again, it is Israel to whom Christ referred as the elect in Matthew 24:31, which is not describing a post-trib Rapture of the church into heaven but the gathering by angels of all Jews back to Israel at the end of Armageddon. That God loves all, and Christ died for all, obviously doesn't mean that all are automatically saved. Salvation is for "whosoever believeth" (Jn 2:16, 36; 5:24; 6:35; 7:38; 1 Pt 2:6; 1 Jn 5:10, etc.). Those who are lost are separated from God eternally, not because God didn't love them enough or Christ didn't die to save them but because they refused the salvation He offered freely by His grace.

You insist that "world" refers only to the "elect" in statements such as "God so loved the world" or "sent his Son to be the Savior of the world." There is no basis for such an interpretation. Furthermore, the meaning of "all men" or "world" is undisputable in other similar verses. For example, "[Christ] is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe" (1 Tm 4:10). Here the "all men" is clearly different from "those that believe" (i.e., the elect). So too with the statement that Christ "is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world." "Whole world" can only mean "whole world." It cannot mean the elect, because it is contrasted to them.

Nor does the fact that God must draw us to Himself by His Spirit negate a genuine response to that drawing on the part of those who are saved. The same is true of Christ's statement, "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you" (Jn 15:16). Every employer could say to his employees, "You didn't choose me; I chose you." That would only mean that the employee could not force the employer to hire him. It was the employer's decision that determined the hiring. But the one hired still had to apply for the job and agree to the conditions of employment.

Likewise, we could not force Christ to save us. God must initiate and only He can consummate the transaction. However, it would be meaningless if we were incapable of responding to God's offer of salvation and thus didn't genuinely choose to believe in, receive, and follow Christ in response to the conviction and wooing of the Holy Spirit. That we consented to being saved and believed in Christ is neither a "work" nor anything to our credit. The drowning man who allows his rescuer to pull him to shore has nothing to boast of or take credit for, nor has he played any role in his rescue. He can only be grateful to the one who saved him.

QUESTION: If we are to believe OT prophecies about Jesus, aren't we also to believe OT prophecies about Mary? The Catholic Eternal Word Television Network [EWTN] has posted articles with lists of these prophecies.

RESPONSE: To come up with these conclusions, Catholics must "read into" the Scriptures meanings that aren't there. EWTN provides a list regarding "prophetic" scriptures referring to Mary: 1) Old Testament Prophecies of Mary; 2) Old Testament Pre-figurings of Mary; 3) Daughter of Zion, and 4) Ark of the Covenant. One has to exercise great imagination to turn the phrase "Daughter of Zion" into a prophetic scripture of Mary! The phrase occurs several times in the Old Testament, mostly in the prophetic Scriptures. "Zion" has always applied to Jerusalem—and also to Israel—as the people of God. Thus, the "Daughter of Zion" does not refer to a specific person such as Mary. It's actually a metaphor for Israel that also refers to the relationship God has with His chosen people.

It's true that Scripture states, "Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel." Even in that, however, we see that the focus is to be on the *Messiah* to come. Mary's conception of Jesus is a sign of His coming, but He himself is the focus.

Any attempt to find a prophetic focus on Mary in the Ark of the Covenant only serves to obscure the absolute focus on our Lord. In John 5:39, speaking of the Old Testament Scriptures, Jesus specifically said, "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of *me* [emphasis added]."

In Luke 1:34, concerning her announced pregnancy, Mary asks "How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?" The Catholics try to use that verse as proof that Mary had made a vow of continual virginity. But we have Scriptures such as Matthew 13:55-56, which plainly states, "Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas? And his sisters, are they not all with us?" Catholics claim that this refers to either stepbrothers and sisters or cousins. Yet, the words, context, and plain meaning will not allow this wresting of Scripture to stand. Furthermore, Matthew 1:25 clearly states that Joseph had no sexual relations with his wife "...*till* she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS [emphasis added]."

LETTERS

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Dear TBC,

I have largely benefitted from Dave Hunt's materials since, thanks to them, I finally understood the Gospel and made up my mind to accept Jesus as my Saviour. His teachings have persuaded me that Jesus is the Messiah and that there is no way to escape that fact.

I have downloaded all Dave Hunt's books available on your website along with the conferences. They have been a great blessing. However, I have been unable to share them with my family and friends because they don't speak English. Actually, it's been some time since I started to notice that the amount of trustable Christian material is limited in Spanish. This is the reason why I would like to see your ministry's work more available to speakers of Spanish. MP (prisoner, Mexico)

Dear Berean Call,

Thank you, Berean Call, for your offer of *Cosmos, Creator, and Human Destiny*. I live in what is called "the Bible Belt." We have many churches around us here. I plan to give one to every church pastor I can. I love your newsletter and look forward to receiving it each month. May God bless everything you do at The Berean Call. RT (TN)

Dear Sir,

Your articles warning about Hollywood "Bible-based" movies are exactly what today's entertainment-addicted Christian needs to hear. Hollywood is America's Babylon. It is influenced by greed, moral corruption, and by sociopolitical activists. Although some actors are Christians, or have become Christians during their acting career,

Hollywood is not a friend of the church. They simply took advantage of our naiveté. By luring us to watch their corrupt, "Bible-based" movies, they have taken advantage of our weakened defenses and have broken them down even further, in hopes of drawing us back to the theaters to watch many of their worldly movies. . . . Because we've become so gullible and weak, many of us have fallen for it. When we go to their theaters, we are in effect sitting in their pews to absorb Hollywood's corrupt, worldly sermons that destroy our efforts to renew our carnal minds to the Word of God.

And we wonder why the spiritual life of the church, and of ourselves, is in such a degenerate state. We Christians need to wake up regarding how much time and money we're wasting on mere entertainment for our carnal minds and how little time and money we're giving for the study of the gospel, the outreach of the gospel, ministry to the poor and the persecuted church, and to prayer. We are not redeeming our time but horribly wasting it on the entertainment from TV and movies and sports. Our support of the Gospel of Jesus Christ (which is a significant part of the great commission) has been whittled down to a virtually insignificant trickle by our becoming absorbed with the love of the pleasures of this fallen world. LA (email)

Dear Berean Call,

I read the slap you got from someone who said you were sliding now that Dave was gone. I don't feel that way at all. I just ordered and received three of the Calvinism [Berean Bites] with book, study guide, and CD. I am delighted to have something affordable and easy to understand to share with others. Keep up the good work. Dave would be happy with what you are doing. I have long been a fan (or should I say "student") even though I am 70! ER (email)

Dear Friends in Christ,

I am so grateful for the Berean Call. I read Dave Hunt and T. A. McMahon's book *The Seduction of Christianity* back in the 80s. We were involved in the "Prosperity Movement" in our church. On first reading, I didn't agree with them. But the book planted a seed that came to fruition eventually and I am so grateful. I have a deeper love for the Almighty Sovereign God than I ever imagined possible. Thank you again. AJ (TX)

QUOTABLE.....

To create, God had but to speak, and it was done. But to redeem, He had to bleed. And He did so in the Person of His Son, Jesus Christ, whom He sent to take the place of death upon the cross which our sin had so richly deserved. Redemption, however, was no last-minute thought, brought into being to meet an unexpected emergency. No sooner had sin entered the garden than God spoke of One who was to come and who was to bruise the serpent's (that is, Satan's) head, His own heel being bruised in the process (Gen. 3:15), and to restore all the damage which sin and Satan had done. God thereby revealed that the sad turn of events had not taken Him by surprise, but that there was One in reserve to meet this very situation. Scripture calls Him "the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world" (Rev. 13:8), because with God the remedy antedated the disease. And all this was done with the one purpose of bringing us fallen men with our sinful, proud, unbroken natures back to that relationship with God of submissiveness and God-centeredness that was lost in the Fall—that position where once more He can delight in us and we in Him.

—Roy and Revel Hessian, *We Would See Jesus*

TBC NOTES

Your Life Is a Witness

That can be good news...or bad news. Either way, the fact is that we are witnesses.

Most of us like to impress others. That can also be a good thing...or a bad thing. The Bible is filled with commendations for those Christians whose lives glorified the Lord and who were a blessing to others, especially to their brothers and sisters in Christ. But their witness didn't stop there. Even their enemies or unsaved spouses were sometimes changed by the words and actions of these believers in the true God.

Among those in Thessalonica, who had "received the word in much affliction, with joy," a strong witness went out, "...so that [they] were ensamples [examples] to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia...but also in every place [their] faith to God-ward is spread abroad..." (1 Thessalonians 1:6-8).

We are both impressed and blessed by the extraordinary examples of witnessing found in Scripture. Yet, sadly, sometimes we miss the fact that our own witness among our families, especially our children, is just as significant. And truthfully, that is where it needs to begin.

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NEWSWATCH

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in discerning the times from a biblical perspective.

FRANCE'S LATEST SURRENDER TO JIHAD

FrontPageMag.com, 7/10/18, "France's Latest Surrender to Jihad" [Excerpts]: It is being called "the biggest aquarium in the world." Perhaps the best known symbol of France to the world, the Eiffel Tower, will open this month with a new look that leaves some native French very disgruntled.

New walls of "extra clear", bullet-proof glass, standing 10 ft. high and 2.5 inches thick, will now enclose Paris's affectionately named 'Lady of Iron' on its north and south sides. Metallic walls of curved prongs of equivalent height will encase the other two sides, through which one will have to pass to access the Tower after submitting to security controls.

In addition, 420 blocks are being placed around the Tower to prevent jihadist vehicular attacks....All of which has caused observers to complain the Tower will lose its aesthetic look, resembling now a "fortress."

Many French believe these latest security measures not only disfigure the venerable 'Lady', but represent, above all, the French political class's impotence in face of the jihadist threat.

"It's a loss of sovereignty when we are forced to build walls to guard against enemies that we do not know how to contain outside our frontiers," commented one indignant reader in a French newspaper.

Bernard Gaudilleres, president of Societe d'Exploitation de la Tour, the entity which operates the tower, said the new measures were meant to "reinforce security, modernize the welcoming area and improve the comfort of the visit." He described the new glass structures as rock-solid for absolute security,"..."infinitely nicer and more romantic" than the temporary metal barriers, erected for the 2016 Euro soccer championships...

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FEMINISTS CLASH WITH TRANSGENDERS

PJMedia.com, 7/8/18, "Feminists Clash with Transgenders at London Pride Parade" [Excerpts]: Conservatives long predicted that feminism and transgenderism were ultimately incompatible, but for a long time it seemed like the LGBT movement might just hold them together. Well, on [July 7] that movement burst open, as lesbians led the parade in attacking transgenderism.

"Transactivism Erases Lesbians!" read a banner that temporarily led the Pride in London march in...Britain's capital.

This banner naturally caused quite a stir, with London Mayor Sadiq Khan denouncing it in a statement. "Pride is about celebrating difference and London's amazing LGBT+ community," Khan's spokesperson told *PinkNews*. "It's about showing those round the world that in our great city you can be free to be whoever you want to be and love whoever you want to love. The vast majority of those present at today's march respected and embraced that and the Mayor condemns the tiny minority who did not."

Who is that "tiny minority"? The final statement made it clear: "Transphobia is never acceptable."

(<https://goo.gl/PauEcA>)

SIXTYMILE FORMATION PART OF GENESIS FLOOD

ICR.org, 7/10/18, "Sixtymile Formation Part of Genesis Flood" [Excerpts]: For many decades, creation scientists have included the Sixtymile Formation in Grand Canyon as part of the [geological] Sauk Megasequence [during] the onset of the global Flood. The secular geological community has arrived at a similar conclusion.

Stopping short of admitting the possibility of a global Flood, Karl Karlstrom, from the University of New Mexico, and colleagues...found that the Sixtymile Formation in eastern Grand Canyon is much younger than originally thought.

Karlstrom and his research team...published their findings in *Nature Geoscience*, concluding that the Sixtymile Formation must have been deposited just prior to the deposition of the overlying Tapeats Sandstone, with no significant time gap.

Both creation and secular scientists agree that the Sixtymile Formation is part of the Sauk Megasequence. But because they have a different worldview, secular scientists continue to struggle to explain the Cambrian strata, the Sauk Megasequence, and the significance of the Sixtymile Formation, asking:

"To this day, the Cambrian Period (541 to 485 million years ago) remains a geologic enigma: why did animal life become so globally diverse during this time; why were many continents flooded by advancing oceans in a way rarely seen before or after?"

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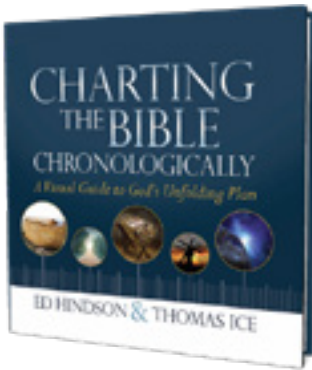
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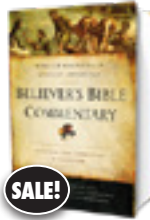


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