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1. **GEN 1:1-3.**

- A. God brought forth order out of darkness and disorder in creation.
- B. The grave is a place of darkness and disorder. **JOB 10:22.**
- C. God will have no trouble at all bringing forth glorious, ordered bodies from the grave at Christ's return: He knows the process well. **PHIL 3:20-21.**
- D. Evolutionists generally hold to a spontaneous beginning of life from inanimate matter (life from the dead) in the distant past which they have not seen.
 - (1) Yet they mock the resurrection which many saw. ACT 1:3; MAT 27:52-53.
 - (2) They will see life from the dead in the future. **REV 1:7; JOH 5:28-29.**
- E. (ACT 26:8) Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you, that God should raise the dead?

2. **GEN 3:7, 21.**

- A. Sin having entered, Adam and Eve tried to fashion their own covering.
 - (1) The fig leaves were the idea of fallen man who preferred to hide rather than seek God, the first case of tradition's inadequacy to deal with sin. c/w **PRO 28:13.**
 - (2) The fig leaves did not undo sin, they only covered shame. c/w **REV 3:18.**
 - (3) The fig leaves were prototypical "filthy rags." **ISA 64:6.**
- B. God obviously did not consider their covering sufficient.
 - (1) God Himself provided a covering through the shedding of blood.
 - (2) HE clothed them: the covering was according to His order, He did it by Himself in spite of their corruption and without consideration of their doings. c/w ISA 61:10; HEB 1:3; 9:12.
- C. God's mercy precludes our fig leaves. **TIT 3:5.**

3. **GEN 16:1-4.**

- A. Hagar was an Egyptian who probably came into Abram's household when he was in the presence of Pharaoh. **GEN 12:16.**
- B. Sarai, like Eve, evidently doubted that God meant the obvious when He promised Abram a seed: that she (Sarai) as his wife would bring forth.
- C. Abram, like Adam, hearkened to his wife and took Hagar.
- D. This pattern repeated itself too often in Israel's history when God seemed to be lingering, distant or hesitant to arise for His people. They tended to resort to Egypt for help.

NUM 14:4; ISA 30:1-2; 31:1.

- (1) Resorting to Egypt breeds confusion. **ISA 30:3.**
- (2) Guess from where the main manuscripts behind the confusing blizzard of modern-day Bible versions come?

4. **LEV 18:21.**

- A. This chapter focuses on the evils of sexual uncleanness.
- B. Yet in the midst of this topic is found a warning against idolatry and child sacrifice. Where one is found, the others will be close by.
- C. Where creature-worship has replaced true religion and humanity is reduced to the level of breeding animals, is it any wonder that offspring should be considered expendable?
- D. Currently, Molech-worship has been replaced by belly-worship. **PHIL 3:19.**
- E. Sexual uncleanness follows idolatry. **ROM 1:23-25.**
- F. Vile affections follow uncleanness. **ROM 1:26-27.**
- G. Reprobate minds follow vile affections. **ROM 1:28.**
- H. It should be no surprise that there is a loss of *natural affection*. **ROM 1:31.**
 - (1) They become cruel. **LAM 4:3 c/w JOB 39:13-16.**

- (2) The fruit of the womb is a resource to be exploited for personal gain. LAM 2:20.
- 5. **DEU 11:20.**
 - A. God here instructed Israel to write the scriptures on the doorposts of their house.
 - B. This was the same place where the blood of the passover sacrifice was to be spread. **EXO 12:7.**
 - C. These things go together well.
 - (1) The scriptures all testified of the blood of Christ our passover Who delivers us from death. **JOH 5:39 c/w 1CO 5:7.**
 - (2) There is cleansing power in His blood and His Scripture. 1JO 1:7-9; HEB 9:12-14; PSA 119:9-11.

6. **2CO 5:13.**

- A. <u>beside oneself</u>: out of one's wits, out of one's senses.
 - (1) This is descriptive of the irrational mind, a madman like Balaam. **2PE 2:16.**
 - (2) One who gives himself to lust is outside of himself. LUK 15:17.
- B. Paul had a sound mind. **2TI 1:7.**
- C. Paul did not let himself be ruled by his lusts. **1CO 9:27.**
- D. Paul was referring to the perception that others had of him. 1CO 4:12-13.
- E. In this he identified with Christ. MAR 3:21; JOH 10:20.
- F. Paul spoke words of truth and soberness. **ACT 26:25.**
 - (1) For this he was called a *babbler* in **ACT 17:18.**
 - (2) For the same gospel he was called *mad* in **ACT 26:24.**
 - (3) He was a *doofus* one day, a *savant* another day for the same message.
 - (4) He went from a *murderer* to a *god* in a moment. **ACT 28:4-6.**
 - (5) And he was the screwball?
- G. To natural man, the most coherent and sane thoughts are deemed irrational while lunacy like macro-evolution, eugenics, sodomy, abortion, same-sex marriage and transgenderism are deemed rational and unquestionable.
- H. To be deemed crazy by an insane culture should be taken as a compliment.
- I. Care not what unbelievers think of you as long as you are walking with Christ.

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