

# Heartbeat

INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH

July 23, 2017

Welcome to this local fellowship of believers known as Indian Hills Community Church.

When a sinner turns from his sin and places his faith in Jesus' death on the cross, he is born into God's family. On top of that, he becomes part of the body of Christ, and a dwelling is reserved for him in glory.

Regarding our new life, Paul said, "Now you are Christ's body, and individually members of it" (1 Corinthians 12:27).

Then, regarding our eternal home, Jesus said, "In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also" (John 14:2, 3).

Not only do we have a home in heaven, but as the Body of Christ we have a spiritual family here on earth—united by the blood of Christ.

This is an amazing truth. Every single believer in this local fellowship of believers is a brother or sister in Christ.

We love our earthly families, but there is nothing like the love and common bond we have in our spiritual family, the Body of Christ.

Immerse yourself in the love of this local fellowship. The blessings will be out of this world.

## Solar Eclipse Conference

Be sure to invite friends and family to the ICR conference at The Hills next Sunday, July 30. Invitations are available at the main entrances.

For those unable to attend, all three messages will be available via streaming. Simply go to the church website: [www.ihcc.org](http://www.ihcc.org) and click "watch services live," and then click "live stream."

## Key to Victory

The key to a victorious Christian life is obedience. The Lord will faithfully supply us with instructions for each step as we follow Him. His way may not be the easiest or the most comfortable, but it is always the best. As we rely on Him, He will lead us to victory.

Have a victorious week!

# Coffee Time

Ends at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday,  
July 30 for the ICR Seminar

Coffee will be available only in the Family Center until 8:30 a.m., as we will have a combined Sunday School session in the auditorium at 9 a.m., and no beverages are allowed there.



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## Solar Eclipse Seminar

### Sunday, July 30

9:00 a.m. Dr. Jake Hebert (Combined Sunday School)  
*Dinosaurs and the Bible*

10:00 a.m. Dr. Jim Johnson (Worship Service)  
*What Does Scripture Say about the  
Sun and Moon?*

6:00 p.m. Dr. Jake Hebert (Sunday Night Church)  
*The Greater Light to Rule the Day:  
Our Created Sun*

Interpreted for the Deaf



# Genesis Compromise Unravels the Bible Evidence for Creation

Jake Hebert, Ph.D.

Christians who accept millions of years of Earth history may be unaware of the inconsistency of their position. On one hand, they profess to believe the Bible, but on the other they fail to accept Genesis 1–2 as written. They might attempt to dismiss the issue by telling themselves it isn't that serious. After all, can't one accept the rest of the Bible as written yet reject the doctrine of a recent six-day creation? Unfortunately, accepting an old earth logically undermines the entire Bible.

If the world's sedimentary rocks really are millions of years old, then the fossilized remains of plants and animals within those rocks are also millions of years old. These include the fossilized

remains of thorny plants. This would imply that thorns were in the world long before the first humans. So, how can thorns be punishment for man's sin as described in Genesis 3:18? And if the third chapter of Genesis is wrong about thorns, why would we trust the promise of the coming Savior in Genesis 3:15? And why should we believe its claim that death is the penalty for sin (Genesis 3:19)?

Because fossils are the remains of dead animals and plants, accepting deep time implies that animal death and suffering existed for millions of years before Adam's sin. Yet God's description of His original creation as "very good" (Genesis 1:31), the gracious charac-

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## SOLAR ECLIPSE SEMINAR

Dr. Jim Johnson & Dr. Jake Hebert  
*of the Institute for Creation Research*

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**Evidence for Creation**

ter of God revealed in Scripture (Psalm 145:9), and the fact that God created people and animals originally as vegetarians (Genesis 1:29-30) all imply that the “groaning” now found in nature (Romans 8:20-22) was imposed on it only after Adam’s fall, not before.

Also, these fossils are found in water-deposited rocks all over the world. This would seem to be prima facie evidence for the Genesis Flood, but many Christians naively accept the uniformitarian claim that these rock layers formed slowly over millions of years. But if these water-deposited rocks are not from the Flood event, then it would be only logical to conclude that the Flood never really happened in the first place.

But this would imply that the global Flood described in Genesis 6–8 is at best a serious exaggeration of a mere local flood. Yet the apostle Peter affirmed the global nature of the Flood (2 Peter 2:5, 3:6). If Peter was wrong about this, then clearly his writings were not divinely inspired. Yet those same writings testify of the transfiguration and resurrection of Christ (2 Peter 1:16-18; 1 Peter 3:18). So was Peter wrong about those events too?

The millions-of-years view also impugns the testimony of Christ. The Lord Jesus Himself

clearly believed in both a recent creation (Mark 10:6, 13:19; Luke 11:50-51) and the historicity of the Genesis Flood (Luke 17:26-27). If He was wrong about such things, then how can He be the Son of God?

The bad news is that compromise with old-earth ideas logically undermines the entire Bible. The good news is that there is no good reason to believe in an old earth! The earth is young, the Flood really did occur, and the scientific evidence is consistent with the claims of Scripture. Christians must, and can, stop uncritically accepting agenda-driven claims about Earth history made by secular scientists who deny the existence and revelation of God.



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He is the author of *The Ice Age and the Flood: Does Science Really Show Millions of Years?* and a contributor to *Guide to Creation Basics*, *Creation Basics & Beyond*, and *Guide to the Universe*.

# Genesis Science Is Practical, Not Just Academic

James J. S. Johnson, J.D., Th.D.

“It doesn’t really matter, in the real world, what you believe about creation or evolution,” the college student glibly challenged me. “Whether the evolutionists are right or whether Genesis is right makes no practical difference in how science works or in how people live their lives.” With a grin and a wave of his hand, the sophomore dismissed the real-world relevance of biblical creation as if it were no more practical than evolutionary myths.

Was he correct? Is the Genesis record of God’s creation (and its post-Fall groaning condition, the global Flood, etc.) really that irrelevant to how science works and how people live?

No. There are many practical proofs that refute his reckless conclusion. Here is just one: True science is habitually handicapped (and at times even sabotaged) by evolutionary thinking because false foundations are scientific stumbling blocks. Real scientific progress, in ways that apply to daily life, has been both hindered and harmed by evolutionary thinking.

The delay in studying soft tissue (such as blood, collagen, and DNA fragments) in dinosaur

fossils is due to the evolutionary assumption that dinosaurs went extinct so many millions of years ago that their bones could not possibly contain soft tissue today.

Scientists’ reluctance to investigate carbon-14 in diamonds and dinosaur bones is also due to evolutionary thinking; if their assumptions were correct, there should be no carbon-14 in any of these specimens. But, of course, scientists have found carbon-14 in both places.

Evolutionary myths impact our daily lives—even influencing the foods we eat. Brian Thomas has exposed how Darwin’s smug defender, Thomas Huxley, recklessly applied evolutionary thinking to the population dynamics of North Atlantic codfish during Darwin’s own lifetime, with disastrous results. Huxley used his political post at the British Royal Commission to advance Darwinian dogma. One result was that British fishermen were approved to essentially fish without restraint because he proclaimed only the less-fit-to-survive cod would be caught and the resilient remainder would “continue to evolve” into more-fit codfish!

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# Genesis Science

Huxley was wrong about fish survival because he was wrong about where fish came from. What masqueraded as “science” was actually Darwinian philosophy, and it matched neither ecosystem and population dynamics, nor codfish design limitations.

Even though Huxley’s erroneous ideas clashed with the realities of the Atlantic Ocean, the British government acted on his advice. The North Atlantic cod population became—and remains—pillaged, populationally speaking, due to wanton overfishing. Huxley’s imagined magic of “natural selection” did not protect them, with bad results for codfish, fishermen, and future generations of cod consumers.

In this example, evolutionary thinking clearly handicapped the food supply—that’s practical, not just academic.

The same is true for the so-called “vestigial organs” like tonsils and appendices that evolution-trusting surgeons removed as evolutionary leftovers from patients who could have benefited from their immune system-enhancing services. Having a healthy immune system is practical, not just academic.

It’s not just academic—Genesis-based science is practical.



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Previously he taught for LeTourneau University, Dallas Christian College, and Concordia University Texas (history, ethics, biosciences, ecology, apologetics, evidence, law, and international studies).

Dr. Johnson’s biblical studies background includes biblical languages study (American Bible Society Award, 1982, mostly for Hebrew and Aramaic), a Th.D. (Emmanuel College of Christian Studies, 1996), ACSI credentials, and service as a Protestant chaplain (BSA, National Capital Area).

He is a contributor to *Guide to Creation Basics* and *Creation Basics & Beyond*.



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# Bible Fellowship Hour

## **Children' Sunday School**

Visit the Sunday school coordinator's desk for class locations.

## **Junior High** (Grades 6-8)

Studying Acts  
Team Taught  
Cornerstone House

## **Senior High** (Grades 9-12)

Topical Study  
Team Taught  
Room 1430

## **Alpha Omega** (18-25)

Studying 1 Corinthians  
Duane Nelsen Teaching  
Room 2311

## **EDGE**

Studying Philippians  
Jimmy Pelton Teaching  
Rooms 2211

## **Common Bonds**

Studying Acts  
Jim Mooberry Teaching  
Room 1404

## **HIS**

Studying Deuteronomy  
Scott Bailey Teaching  
Room 1423

## **LOGOS**

Studying Second Samuel  
Greg Thomas Teaching  
Room 1422

## **180<sup>o</sup> Fellowship**

Studying Luke  
Bill Cooley Teaching  
Room 1100 (Chapel)

## **One Heart**

Studying Matthew  
Dick Bergt Teaching  
Room 1112

## **LIFE**

Studying Matthew  
Jim Pelton Teaching  
Room 1419

## **The Father Knows Best**

Studying "Taking the Mystery Out of Revelation"  
Don Goertzen Teaching  
Room 1414

## **Prime Time** (60+ retired)

Studying 1 Thessalonians  
Ed Daly Teaching  
Room 1417

Classes begin at 8:45 a.m. but everyone is welcome to come at 8:30 a.m. for a cup of coffee and fellowship.

For more information about any of these classes, contact Duane Nelsen at 483-4541, visit the class, or stop by the information center in the south lobby.

## **Information Center**

We would love to meet you! Please stop by and pick up your visitor/newcomer gift bag. We're located across from Sound Words.

"And He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all" (Ephesians 1:22, 23).

## Family News

**Death.** Sandy Klepper, wife of Richard, died July 19, 2017.

**Hospitalized.** Sharon Rohn was a patient at Methodist Hospital in Omaha.

**A heartfelt thank you** for the thoughtful, caring prayers, telephone messages, and cards for my hernia surgery. God is good all the time.—Sally Dunham

## Children's Studies

**Children's Sunday School.** The children studied John 6:15-21 and learned about Jesus walking on the water.

**Children's Church.** The children studied Genesis 11 and learned about God judging the nations at Babel. The lesson goal is to understand why and how the Lord scattered the people at Babel.

## Information

**Streaming on July 30.** All ICR messages: 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 6:00 p.m. will be streamed next Sunday, July 30. Be sure to let your friends and family know that they can take part in the Solar Eclipse conference by going to [www.ihcc.org](http://www.ihcc.org), clicking on "watch services live," and then clicking on "live stream."

**Boys of Faith Summer Camp** is August 5-8. Register by July 23. If you have questions, contact Jonathan Goodding at 402-326-8505, or [bof@ihcc.org](mailto:bof@ihcc.org)

**Teacher Needed** at The Arbors in north Lincoln on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please e-mail Tom Price at [mathmanprice@gmail.com](mailto:mathmanprice@gmail.com) or call 402-792-9331.

**Teacher Needed** on the first Sunday of the month for a Bible study at Homestead Alzheimer's Unit. Please e-mail Tom Price at [mathmanprice@gmail.com](mailto:mathmanprice@gmail.com) or call 402-792-9331.

**Music Camp** meets at 6 p.m. to-night. All children going into first through eighth grade in the fall are encouraged to attend.

First-third graders will begin the evening in the Family Center.

Fourth-eighth graders will begin the evening in the choir room. For more information about Music Camp contact Andrew Thomas at [andrew.thomas@ihcc.org](mailto:andrew.thomas@ihcc.org) or visit [www.ihcc.org/smc](http://www.ihcc.org/smc)

**Door 2 Door Evangelism** (in the neighborhoods of Lincoln) meets each Monday at 6:15 p.m., weather permitting. Meet at the north entrance of IHCC (by the security desk). Everyone is welcome to attend. If you've never been out before, we will pair you up with someone who has experience and you can learn by observing.



**Nursery Workers** are needed for the second hour. Please contact Cheryl Slade, 402-770-3055, if you would like to help.

**Gardening** meets Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. If you'd like to help with the church flower gardens, we'd love your helping hands. Experience and green thumbs are not required. We provide the tools. Please come and enjoy the fresh air and fellowship. Meet in the south parking lot.

**Rainout Gardening.** When Wednesday gardening gets rained out, the workers meet on Thursday at the same time they were scheduled to work on Wednesday. If you would like to help on a rainout Thursday, please come! Tools are provided.

**Substitute Nursery Workers** are needed for all three services on Sunday. If you're available for one or all three services, call Stephanie Dowding, 402-416-9868, and she will put you on the list.

**Hospitalizations.** Please call the church, 402-483-4541, and notify Pastor Aaron Nicholson or Curt Kuster of all hospitalizations and births.

**Nursing Home Door-to-Door Evangelism.** If you'd like to help, call Adam Flaugh, 402-310-2070.

**Weddings & Funerals.** Please call the church, 402-483-4541, and ask for Pastor Duane Nelsen or Pastor Aaron Nicholson for wedding and funeral arrangements.

# Summer Pulpit Speakers

**July 30**

James Johnson Speaking  
Jake Hebert Speaking  
(Institute for Creation Research)

**August 6**

Tommy Ice Speaking (AM & PM)

**August 13**

Peter Barber Speaking (AM & PM)

**August 20**

Gary Gilley Speaking (AM & PM)

**August 27**

Duane Nelsen Speaking (AM)  
Adam Flaugh Speaking (PM)

**September 3**

Duane Nelsen Speaking (AM)  
Ed Daly Speaking (PM)

## Last Week's Message

July 16 AM. Gil Rugh. GR 2011.  
*Mercy in the Worst of Times.* Revelation 7:9-12

July 16 PM. GR 2093. God's  
*Promise Makes Salvation Secure.*  
Galatians 3:15-18

# This Week's Events

## Sunday

Sunday Night Church 6:00 p.m.  
Summer Music Camp 6:00 p.m.  
Sunshine Kids 6:30 p.m.  
Communion (PM)

## Monday

Door 2 Door 6:15 p.m.  
Sisters 6:00 p.m.

## Tuesday

Seventh Grade Mahoney Swim Day

## Wednesday

Gardening 9:00 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

## Thursday

Alpha Omega Study 7:00 p.m.  
Eighth Grade Grand Island Swim Day



## Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting

July 26  
August 2  
August 9  
August 16  
August 23  
August 30

Come pray with the brethren in room 1414 at 7:00 p.m.

# Future Events

## July 30

James Johnson & Jake Hebert (Institute for Creation Research) Speaking

## August 5-8

Boys of Faith Camp

## August 6

Tommy Ice Speaking

## August 9-12

Junior High School Camp

## August 13

Peter Barber Speaking  
Baptism

## August 20

Gary Gilley Speaking

## August 25

Worship Night (13th & P)

## August 27

Duane Nelsen Speaking (AM)  
Adam Flaugh Speaking (PM)

## September 3

Duane Nelsen Speaking (AM)  
Ed Daly Speaking (PM)

## September 4

Labor Day (Offices Closed)

## September 10

Fall Kickoff

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