## **The Bible States the Earth is Flat and Stationary** Excerpt from <u>The Greatest Lie on Earth (Expanded Edition)</u> For More Biblical Proof That God Created a Flat and Stationary Earth Read <u>The Sphere of Influence</u> Edward Hendrie

T has been the accepted dogma of so-called "science" that the earth is a globe spinning faster than the speed of sound as it orbits the sun at approximately 80 times faster than the speed of a rifle bullet. The sun, in turn, is supposed to be hurtling through the Milky Way galaxy at more than 500 times faster than the speed of a rifle bullet. The Milky Way galaxy is, itself, alleged to be racing through space at a speed that some scientists claim is over 1,000 times faster than the speed of a rifle bullet.

God's word, however, states that the earth is fixed and does not move. "Fear before him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable, that it be not moved." (1 Chronicles 16:30) Indeed, the earth cannot be moved. "The LORD reigneth, he is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself: the world also is stablished, that it cannot be moved." (Psalms 93:1).

Notice that the immovable earth is closely associated with the praise and glory of God Almighty. They are inseparable concepts. In Psalms 93:1 we read that the LORD is clothed with majesty and strength, just as the world is stable and cannot be moved. If the earth is movable, then it impeaches the majesty and strength of God. Psalms 104.1-5 makes it clear that God laid the foundations of the earth and stretched forth the heavens just as he is clothed with honor and majesty. The concepts of God's majesty and a stable immovable earth are inseparable. If the earth moves and spins, then the God of the Bible cannot exist. However, a stable immovable earth confirms the existence of God.

Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with honour and majesty. Who coverest thyself with light as with a garment: who stretchest out the heavens like a curtain: Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: who maketh the clouds his chariot: who walketh upon the wings of the wind: Who maketh his angels spirits; his ministers a flaming fire: Who laid the foundations of the earth, that it should not be removed for ever. (Psalms 104:1-5)

Knowledge of God is revealed through his creation. "The invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead." (Romans 1:20) To have a false concept of God's creation gives one a false concept of God. Who is the creator? The Bible gives the answer. Jesus created all things.

For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible

and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist. And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence. (Colossians 1:16-18)

If one believes in a creation that does not exist, he also necessarily believes in a creator that does not exist. It is important, therefore, to have an accurate understanding of God's creation. God did not make a moveable, spherical earth. A Jesus who creates a spherical, moving earth is a different Jesus from the true Jesus in the Bible. *See* 2 Corinthians 11:3-4. The sovereign reign of God can only be properly understood, if one first understands that God made a stationary, flat earth. In fact, Christians are called upon to tell the heathen that the LORD reigns and we are to also tell them that the world shall not be moved.

O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth. Say among the heathen that the LORD reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: he shall judge the people righteously. (Psalms 96:9-10)

Why are Christians not telling the heathen that the earth shall not be moved today? Because of the pride of life. Christians today are afraid of being labeled a "flat earther," which the devil and his minions have propagandized people to associate with being ignorant. It is a time honored practice of the devil to use the sinful flesh as a lever to quiet Christians.

There are many Christian "scientists" who try to ease their conscience by accommodating the lies of "science" with the truth of the gospel. They take the view that the Bible is true about everything, except scientific "facts." One example is Francis Collins, M.D., Ph.D., who is a prominent evangelical Christian geneticist, who is the director of the National Institute of Health and believer in the "science" of evolution. Dr. Collins stated that he reads and trusts the Bible about theological truths. He, however, suggests that discoveries in science are just as authoritative as the Bible and reconciles the conflicts between the Bible and so-called "science" by claiming that the Bible was not intended to be a textbook of science. He claims that the Bible is only a book about the nature of God and man.<sup>1</sup>

God contradicts charlatans like Collins. God's word is true regarding all things, both in theology and science. **"I esteem all thy precepts concerning <u>all things</u> to be right."** (Psalms 119:128) Indeed, Jesus stated that if one does not believe him about the earthly things that he explained (i.e., true science), they could not believe him regarding theological truths. "If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things?" (John 3:12)

Jesus maintained the truth of the Genesis account of creation, which was written by Moses. Jesus told the Jews that if they did not believe Moses, they would not believe him. "For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?" (John 5:46-47) The King James Holy Bible titles the first book of the Bible as "The First Book of Moses, Called Genesis." Where did Moses write about Jesus? In Genesis 3:15 and Genesis 22:18.

The Jews, however, rejected Moses and went after their own traditions, which have been memorialized in the Talmud and Kabbalah. The Jews do not believe Moses, therefore they do not believe Jesus. One cannot believe the gospel of Jesus Christ without believing the creation account in Genesis. A Christian who says he believes Jesus Christ but rejects the creation account believes in a different Jesus. "For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him." (2 Corinthians 11:4) All of (not just some of) God's words are pure truth. John 17:17.

We are admonished not to be seduced by the world and its lusts. The desire for the love of the world is what has silenced the entire Christian church on the issue of heliocentricism.

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world." (1 John 2:15-16)

God "laid the foundations of the earth, that it should not be removed for ever." Psalms 104:5. What kind of foundation is there in a spinning earth careening through space? Such a spinning, moving earth cannot be said to have any foundation. If there is no foundation, there is no God, since God stated he laid the foundations of the earth. In fact, the heavens prove the existence of God, as they demonstrate his skill as the creator. In Psalms 19:1 it states that the heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament shows his handiwork. Part of the glory of God and his handiwork is the fact that the earth is stationary and the sun travels in a circuit over the earth.

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard. Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun, Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race. His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and **his circuit unto the ends of it**: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof. (Psalms 19:1-6)

It is the sun that travels in a circuit, not the earth. What is a circuit? It is a continuous circular route that starts and ends in the same place. Some might argue that the circuit of the sun is the sun's revolutions around the Milky Way galaxy. The problem with that interpretation is that Psalm 96:10 states "the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved." If the earth cannot be moved, yet the sun is careening through space, that means that the sun would be flying away from the earth.

The earth was created on the first day. Genesis 1:1. The sun was not created until the fourth day. Genesis 1:14-19. That means that the earth could not have been spinning on its axis and orbiting around the sun for the first three days, since the sun had not yet been created. Clearly, the earth was stationary.

The earth started its existence "without form, and void." Genesis 1:2. God then gave the earth form, and that form was flat. We know that because the surface of the waters God created had to have been flat, just as the surface of water is today. Indeed, "God moved upon the face of the waters." Genesis 1:2. As the face on a clock is flat, so also is the face of the water on the earth flat.

Gravity did not exist, because there was no need for gravity. The waters, grass, herbs, and trees, which were all created in the first three days, were all held to the earth by their density. How and why would the earth suddenly on the fourth day transform into the shape of a ball, begin spinning on its alleged axis, and then start orbiting the sun? What was the force that began the alleged spinning and orbit? Why is that transformation and movement not mentioned in the Bible?

It is only if the earth were a sphere would it be necessary for gravity. Where was the alleged force of gravity before the earth supposedly turned into a ball and started spinning? Gravity was not necessary before the alleged transformation of the earth into a spherical spinning ball. How did it spring into existence? Gravity does not spring into existence upon spinning spherical objects on earth. The earth and the objects on the earth obey the same laws of physics. And so if gravity was a reality on earth, spinning spherical objects on earth should develop gravity, but they do not. Objects do not develop gravity on earth, because gravity is a myth, and so is a spherical spinning earth.

It is God who created the heavens and the earth, and he had a purpose for doing so. It was to be inhabited by man, whom he created in his image.

For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else. (Isaiah 45:18)

God's creation of heaven and earth is part and parcel of his creative powers each day when he forms each person in the womb. If people lose sight of God as creator of all things, then any sin, including abortion can be justified. It is important for people to understand the nature of God's creation, because it reveals his character. In Isaiah 44:24 God states that he alone stretched forth the heavens and spread abroad the earth. A ball is not spread out. You spread out things that are flat, like a flat bed spread. God spread out the earth and he stretched forth the heavens above the earth.

Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, I am the LORD that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself. (Isaiah 44:24)

The account of creation in Genesis refutes the commonly held view of a spherical earth that

is surrounded by an endless vacuum of "space." In Genesis 1:6 we read that "God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." A firmament is something that is hard. Indeed, in Job the firmament is likened to a strong, molten looking glass. "Hast thou with him spread out the sky, which is strong, and as a molten looking glass?" (Job 37:18) A looking glass is a highly polished reflective surface.

The firmament divides the waters, which means that there is water above the firmament in heaven. Indeed, all one needs to do is look skyward to see the blue water that is above the firmament. The blue sky is not the atmosphere as claimed by scientists; the blue sky is the water above the canopy of the firmament. "Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that be above the heavens." (Psalms 148:4) God placed the sun, moon, and stars in the firmament.

And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years: And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. (Genesis 1:14-15)

When God flooded the earth he opened the windows of heaven to let out some of the water that was above the firmament.

In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened. (Genesis 7:11)

God formed the foundation of the earth from the beginning. "Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands." (Psalms 102:25) God laid the foundation of earth immovable forever. "Who laid the foundations of the earth, that it should not be removed for ever." (Psalms 104:5) Please note that God laid the foundations of the earth, which does not at all suggest a globular earth. "Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand hath spanned the heavens: when I call unto them, they stand up together." (Isaiah 48:13) The foundation is stated to be pillars. "He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the LORD'S, and he hath set the world upon them." (1 Samuel 2:8) What is the foundation of the earth? One could infer that it is the seas. "The earth is the LORD'S, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods." (Psalms 24:1-2) Indeed, God states that he stretched out the heavens over the earth, which suggests a flat earth. "I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded." (Isaiah 45:12) God has repeatedly referred to the earth as being founded upon water. "To him that stretched out the earth above the waters: for his mercy endureth for ever." (Psalms 136:6) Notice that the earth is "stretched out" above the waters. A flat earth could be said to be "stretched" out, but such an expression would preclude a globular earth.

Nowhere in the Bible does God state that the earth is a globe. In fact, God expressly states that the face of the earth is a circle. "It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:" (Isaiah 40:22) A circle is two-dimensional and flat. That does not mean that the earth is two dimensional, as the earth certainly has depth. Rather, it means that the earth has a face that is a flat circle. Amos 9:6. It is "the circle <u>of</u> the earth." A globe, on the other hand, is a three dimensional ball. Isaiah knew the difference between a ball and a circle. *See* Isaiah 22:18. If Isaiah meant ball in Isaiah 40:22, he would have said ball. He didn't say ball, because the earth is not a ball. There can be no confusion here. God is stating that the face of the earth is a flat circle and the heavens are spread like a tent over that circle.

In the Bible, it states in reference to wisdom: "I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth." (Proverbs 8:27) Notice God set a compass upon the face of the depth. What does compass mean in that context? Certainly, a compass is a directional instrument, but the word compass means more than that. Compass also means a circular boundary; the limit or boundary of a space, and the space included; encircle; to surround; to inclose on all sides; a circular course.<sup>2</sup> A compass is a flat circular boundary. In Proverbs 8:27 we have God encircling the seas with a boundary. That can only happen on a flat earth. The boundary of the seas is the ice rim of Antarctica. The globular myth is that one can circumnavigate the globe by going around Antarctica, because it is believed to be a continent in the southern most part of a spherical earth. The globular earth myth does not have a circular boundary for the seas, as stated in Proverbs 8:27. "Let God be true, but every man a liar." (Romans 3:4)

God's creation of a stationary earth is a testimony to his truth. In Psalms 33:4-9 we find that just as "the word of the LORD is right," so also "he spake, and it was done." In the same way, "all his works are done in truth," so also "he commanded, and it stood fast." Just as his word is true, so also does the earth, that was created by his word, stand fast.

Psalms 33:4	Psalms 33:9
For the word of the LORD is right	For he spake, and it was done
and all his works are done in truth	▶ he commanded, and it stood fast

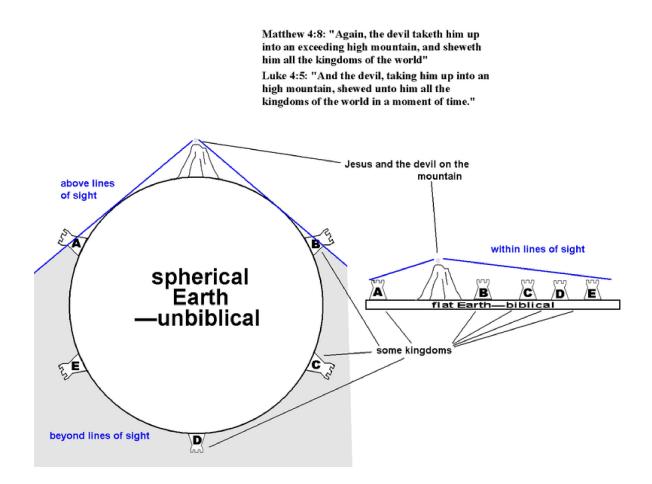
For the word of the LORD is right; and all his works are done in truth. He loveth righteousness and judgment: the earth is full of the goodness of the LORD. By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth. He gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap: he layeth up the depth in storehouses. Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him. For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast. (Psalms 33:4-9)

In Psalms 33:4-9 David explains that all of God's works are done in truth. God's creation of an immovable earth that stands fast testifies to God's truth. God spake his truth and through that true

and sure word he created a fixed earth. Just as the earth is fixed and stands fast, so also is God's word true. If the earth is moving, it means that God's word is variable and cannot be true. The mythology of a spinning, orbiting earth calls into question the truth of God's word. If the earth is orbiting and spinning that means that the Bible, which is God's word, cannot be true. But a spinning, orbiting earth is a lie, and God's creation of an earth that stands fast testifies to his truth.

Five verses later, in Psalms 33:14, God describes his reign over what can only be a flat earth. David segues from explaining that the earth stands fast to, five verses later in Psalms 33:14, explaining that God looks upon all the inhabitants of the earth from his habitation. Where is God's habitation? God's habitation is in heaven. God's throne is heaven and the earth as his footstool. "Thus saith the LORD, **The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool**: where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the place of my rest?" (Isaiah 66:1) Footstools are not spherical. God can only look over the inhabitants of the earth from one location if the earth is flat. So, within five verses in Psalms 33 we have God describing a stationary, flat earth.

God states that he looks upon all the inhabitants of the earth from one location, his place of habitation in heaven. "From the place of his habitation he looketh upon all the inhabitants of the earth." (Psalms 33:14) It is not possible for God to look upon all of the inhabitants of the earth on a globe from one location; those on the backside of the earth would be hidden from view. People might argue that God is all powerful and therefore can do anything. Yes, but Satan is not all powerful. In Matthew 4:8 and Luke 4:5, the devil took Jesus up to a high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world. The devil did not take Jesus around the world on a tour of the kingdoms. The devil showed him all of the kingdoms from one point on a high mountain. How could the devil have shown all the kingdoms of the world from a single spot on a high mountain on a globular earth? Such an event could only be done on a flat earth.<sup>3</sup>



Some argue that Satan had simply shown Jesus a vision of the kingdoms of the world and thus the event is no proof that the earth is flat. The problem with that argument is that it would not be required for Satan to take Jesus up to a high mountain simply to show him a vision of the kingdoms of the supposed spherical earth. Satan could have done that from where they were standing. There was a reason Satan took Jesus up to an "exceeding high mountain;" and that reason was to show Jesus the kingdoms of the world that span the flat earth.

When Jesus returns to earth, everyone will see him in the sky. "Behold, he cometh with clouds; and **every eye shall see him**, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen." (Revelation 1:7) Jesus will return physically "with clouds." That is a fulfillment of the prophecy in Mark 13:26 that Jesus will physically return "in the clouds." That would only be possible on a flat earth. If the earth were a globe those on the back side of the globe could not see him. Some may argue that the prophecy of Jesus' return in Revelation 1:7 would be worked out by God in some miraculous way so that everyone on the supposed spherical earth will see his return. That view is impeached by Acts 1:9-11, where God makes clear that Jesus will return to earth from heaven just as he ascended from earth to heaven. The only way that every eye on earth could see Jesus' descent from heaven in that manner is on a flat earth.

And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven. (Acts 1:9-11)

God describes the face of the earth as a circle. He also describes the earth as having four corners. "And after these things I saw four angels standing on the **four corners of the earth**, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree." Revelation 7:1. See also Isaiah 11:12. While the word corner brings to mind a sharp angle, that is not its only meaning. A corner is not just where two edges meet. Corner also means parts, or regions. Indeed, not all corners are sharp angles; we often refer to driving on a rounded curve in the road as going around a corner. A corner is also defined as "indefinitely any part; a part. ... The end, extremity or limit."<sup>4</sup> The following phrases given in the American Dictionary of the English Language are examples of how corner means more than the place where two edges meet: "They searched every corner of the forest. They explored all corners of the country."<sup>5</sup> It also has the meaning of "direction" or "quarter."<sup>6</sup> It could also be "a small area away from the center, especially one that is quiet, peaceful, or secret."<sup>7</sup> The Merriam Webster Dictionary defines corner as "a private, secret, or remote place,"<sup>8</sup> and gives that example of "a quiet corner of New England" and "to every corner of the earth."<sup>9</sup>

The context of Revelation 7:1 suggests that corners mean remote regions of the earth. Indeed, God refers to the ends of the earth. There are no "ends" to a globular earth.

He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heaven by his understanding. When he uttereth his voice, there is a multitude of waters in the heavens; and he **causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth**: he maketh lightnings with rain, and bringeth forth the wind out of his treasures. Jeremiah 51:15-16. See also Jeremiah 16:19.

Indeed, the context of corners suggests that God in fact means ends of the earth. Elsewhere in the Bible, God describes the lightning going out to the ends of the earth. "He directeth it under the whole heaven, and his lightning unto **the ends of the earth**." (Job 37:3) God looks out over the whole earth at once and sees to the ends of the earth; again, that suggests a flat earth. "For he looketh to **the ends of the earth**, and seeth under the whole heaven." (Job 28:24) Modern science has replaced God's abode of heaven with the myth of the empty vacuum of space, thus suggesting that there is no heaven and there is no God. If there is only an empty vacuum of space, that means that God cannot be above us walking in the circuit of heaven." (Job 22:14)

In Daniel we read of his vision of a tree that was so high that it could be seen to the end of the earth. There is no end to the earth on a globe; such a tree could only be seen at the end of a flat

earth. "The tree grew, and was strong, and the height thereof reached unto heaven, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth:" (Daniel 4:11)

All builders know what it is to "snap a line" when building to ensure that objects are laid even and level. When snapping a line, one stretches a cord that is coated with chalk and it is snapped against the surface of whatever is being constructed. The line leaves a perfectly straight chalk line between the two points of the line. You cannot stretch a line on a ball. Notice that in Job 38 God stretched the line upon the earth, which suggests a flat earth. Notice also how God takes hold of the ends of the earth. A globe does not have ends that can be held.

Where wast thou when I laid the **foundations of the earth**? declare, if thou hast understanding. Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath **stretched the line upon it**? Whereupon are the **foundations thereof fastened**? or who laid the corner stone thereof; When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy? Or who shut up the sea with doors, when it brake forth, as if it had issued out of the womb? When I made the cloud the garment thereof, and thick darkness a swaddlingband for it, And brake up for it my decreed place, and set bars and doors, And said, Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: and here shall thy proud waves be stayed? Hast thou commanded the morning since thy days; and caused the dayspring to know his place; **That it might take hold of the ends of the earth, that the wicked might be shaken out of it**?" (Job 38:4-13)

The Bible prophesies that the stars will fall to the earth. "And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind." (Revelation 6:13) The prophecy of the stars falling to earth would be ridiculous if the stars were large suns millions of light years away. Of course, that is the point of modern cosmology, to refute the truth and authority of the Bible. If the modern cosmology were correct, a single star would engulf the earth if it struck the earth. Modern so-called science serves to undermine the word of God.

God pours water upon the "face of the earth." "It is he that buildeth his stories in the heaven, and hath founded his troop in the earth; he that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon **the face of the earth**: The LORD is his name." (Amos 9:6) Everyone knows that when speaking of objects, "face" is the flat visible side of an object. For example, we commonly speak of the face of a clock. Never is a ball or globe referred to as having a face. We would never refer to a baseball as having a face. Indeed, it cannot have a face, it is round. Face implies the front of an object. Persons have faces, which is because a person's face is considered the front of his head, which is not at all like the back of his head. A spherical earth cannot have a face, because there is no front to a globe. However, both God and man refer to the face of the earth, which denotes that the earth is flat. "Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest **the face of the earth**. (Psalms 104:30)

Indeed, God describes the earth in Job 38:14 as being "turned as clay to the seal." The tradition of placing a seal on documents using clay dates to antiquity. The wet clay was flattened

under pressure using a seal, which was a hard die, called a signet. The signet was pushed into the clay. This was often done to authenticate royal decrees. The clay then dried with the positive impression from the negative image on the royal signet left visible in the flat pressed clay. The clay image itself was known as the seal. All such seals were necessarily pressed flat.

God calls the process, of creating the clay seal of the earth, being "turned." The word turn in this context is pregnant with meaning. Turn means "to form; to shape,"<sup>10</sup> and "to transfer."<sup>11</sup> That is what happens when the image on the signet is pressed against the clay. That process shapes the clay and transfers the image from the signet to the clay. Turn also means "to reverse the sides or surfaces of: invert."<sup>12</sup> And that is what we see in the positive image left in the clay from the negative image on the signet. Turn has yet another meaning: "to cause to move in a circular course,"<sup>13</sup> "to cause to move around an axis or a center."<sup>14</sup> In the context of a clay seal as described in Job 38:14, it implies that the flat clay seal is being "turned" into a circle. Thus, God's description of the earth being "turned as clay to the seal" clearly describes a flat earth, and it suggests that it is a circle. *See also* Isaiah 40:22, God "sitteth upon the **circle** of the earth."



Joshua 10:12-13 poses a real problem for the Christians who believe in a heliocentric model of a rotating earth orbiting around the sun. In Joshua 10:12-13, God caused the sun and the moon to stand still. In order for Christians to hold to heliocentricity, they must necessarily call God a liar, because God moved Joshua to give a command to both the sun and the moon to stand still in Joshua 10:12-13; whereby God stopped both the sun and moon in their motion across the sky.

Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon. And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day. (Joshua 10:12-13)

God states clearly in the passage that the sun stood still. The passage does not say that the earth stopped spinning. "Scientists" claim that the earth is spinning at 1,000 miles per hour at the equator and that motion of the earth accounts for the path of the sun across the sky. If that were the case, the event in Joshua could never have happened. Any vehicle coming to a sudden stop at 1,000 miles per hour would kill all the passengers aboard. It would be a bloody mess. The same would happen on a supposedly spinning earth. A sudden stop of the supposed spin of the earth would have killed every living thing on earth. God would have killed the very army of Israel that he was helping. That makes no sense.

It was not the earth that stopped spinning. God did just what he said he did; he caused the sun to stop and stand still in the sky. Joshua did not command the earth to stop spinning. The passage states that Joshua commanded the "Sun, stand thou still." God moved Joshua to command the sun to stop and "the sun stood still" by the power of God. Indeed, God states that it "hasted not to go down about a whole day." That means that ordinarily the sun would be hasting to go down, but in this particular case it did not. The sun is ordinarily in motion, coming up and going down. On that day, God stopped the sun's usual motion in the sky. To suggest otherwise is to call God a liar.

God's intention in helping Israel was to stop the sun. Stopping the moon was not helpful to Israel. However, once God stopped the sun, he also stopped the moon, because God wanted to keep the motions of the sun and moon synchronized. The synchronization of the sun and moon is part of God's creation. God made the sun and moon to be "lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years." Genesis 1:14. He made the sun to rule the day and the moon to rule the night. Genesis 1:15-16. In order to keep that purpose intact, once God stopped the sun, it was necessary for God to also stop the moon.

Notice also that Joshua ordered the sun to stand still upon Gibeon and the Moon, to stand still in the valley of Ajalon. The sun could not be said to be "upon Gibeon" if the sun were more than 100 times larger than a spherical earth and 93 million miles away in distant space, as it is portrayed under the heliocentric model. Furthermore, the heliocentric model puts the moon 240,000 miles away from a globular earth in distant space, which would preclude it from being "in the valley of Ajalon" as stated by God in Joshua 10:12-13. The sun and moon both must be much smaller than and closer to the flat earth in order to stand still over the areas in which they were located in Joshua, chapter 10.

"Scientists" acknowledge that it is the moon that moves over the earth. They wrongly opine that it is orbiting around a spherical earth. If God were stopping the sun by stopping the spin of the earth, the "scientific" view of the independently moving moon would require that the moon keep moving in its supposed orbit around the spherical earth. But that is not what happened. God stopped the moon in that same way he stopped the sun; he stopped it in its usual circuit over a stationary, flat earth.

Satan has tried to muddy the waters so that Christians will not discover the truth of the flat unmovable earth at the center of God's creation. He must do this by having his minions publish corrupt versions of the Bible. For example, corrupt Bible versions like the New International Version (NIV) have been trotted out with corrupt passages that obfuscate the clarity of God's word. Despite the fact that God's word states clearly the earth is immovable, the new Bible versions wish to change God's word to comport with what they believe is the "scientific fact" that the earth is rotating on its axis and at the same time orbiting around the sun. In 2 Kings God reveals a miracle he performed by making the shadow cast by the sun on Ahaz's sundial to reverse and go back ten degrees.

And Isaiah said, This sign shalt thou have of the LORD, that the LORD will do the thing that he hath spoken: shall the shadow go forward ten degrees, or go back ten degrees? And Hezekiah answered, It is a light thing for the shadow to go down ten degrees: nay, but let the shadow return backward ten degrees. And Isaiah the prophet cried unto the LORD: and he brought the shadow ten degrees backward, by which it had gone down in the dial of Ahaz. (2 Kings 20:9-11 AV)

Now, if you accept what God says in his word as true that the earth cannot be moved, it must have been the sun that went back ten degrees. In fact, in Isaiah 38:8, God reveals that is exactly what happened; the sun moved back ten degrees by which degrees it had already gone down. In order for the sun to return the ten degrees that it had already gone down, the sun must have been moving across the sky in its ordinary path before its reversal. Hence, the earth is stationary and the sun revolves around the earth.

Because the New International Version (NIV) Bible translators do not believe God's word, they have changed the passage in Isaiah 38:8 to state that "sunlight" went back ten steps on the "stairway," rather than what actually happened, that the sun itself returned ten degrees. Simply stated, they have changed the verse to comport with a heliocentric view of the universe.

## <u>AV</u> Behold, I will bring again the shadow of the degrees, which is gone down in the sun dial of Ahaz, ten degrees backward. So the sun returned ten degrees, by which degrees it was gone down. (Isaiah 38:8 AV)

## NIV

I will make the shadow cast by the sun go back the ten steps it has gone down on the stairway of Ahaz. So the sunlight went back the ten steps it had gone down. (Isaiah 38:8 NIV)

By changing the passage to say that the sunlight went back instead of the sun, the NIV translators have removed the fact that the sun is moving and have allowed for an explanation that the earth reversed its rotation, thus causing the sunlight to move back. Furthermore, they have removed the miracle of the event entirely by stating that the shadow went back ten steps on a stairway, rather than ten degrees on a sundial. A shadow cast by a pillar can go up and then back down steps due to the ordinary travel of the sun across the sky, however, the shadow cast upon a sundial cannot move backwards unless the sun moves backwards.

The corrupt new Bible versions have concealed from the reader the admonition to avoid the opposition of "**science** falsely so called." God clearly had in mind to warn his flock about heliocentricity and evolution. Instead, the reader of the new Bible versions is told to turn away from "what is falsely called **knowledge**." There is no field of study called "knowledge," but there is a whole discipline of study called "science." The admonition to avoid so-called knowledge, therefore, has no real meaning. That is the point of the new Bible versions: to strip the Bible of any real guidance.

"O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of **science** falsely so called." 1 Timothy 6:20 AV (KJV) (emphasis added). Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called **knowledge**. 1 Timothy 6:20 (NIV) (emphasis added).

The corrupt Bible versions leave the reader without any warning against so-called science. Bible corruption is a centuries old plan by Satan. One of the early Bible corruptions was the Roman Catholic Douay-Rheims Bible, which was an English translation of the Latin Vulgate. It was published in 1610. In 1750 the Roman Catholic Church published a revision of the Douay-Rheims Bible under the guidance of Roman Catholic Bishop Richard Challoner (1691–1781). The revision changed the word "compass" in the original 1610 Douay-Reims Bible in the verse at Isaiah 40:22 to "globe" in the 1750 revision, just in time to hop on the heliocentric bandwagon. That Bible is given over entirely to following after "science falsely so called" in direct opposition to God's admonition. In the passage at Isaiah 40:22, the Douay-Rheims Bible changes the word "circle" to "globe," to comport with the godless helicentric model that has since become all the rage in "science falsely so called."

"It is he that sitteth upon the **circle** of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:" Isaiah 40:22 AV (KJV) (emphasis added).

"It is he that sitteth upon the **globe** of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as locusts: he that stretcheth out the heavens as nothing, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in. Isaiah 40:22 (Douay-Rheims Version) (emphasis added).

The Authorized (King James) Version (indicated by AV or KJV) of the Bible is God's word in the English language. The King James Bible is a faithful English translation of God's word that is largely based upon the authoritative Greek text known as the *Textus Receptus* (Received Text).

Every other English Bible version, including the NIV, is corrupted by the servants of Satan. The NIV is based upon corrupted texts that were provided by the Roman Catholic Church. The two primary manuscripts that form the basis for the NIV, and indeed all modern English Bibles, except for the Authorized (King James) Version, are the *Sinaiticus* and the *Vaticanus*. The manuscript *Sinaiticus*, which is often referred to by the first letter of the Hebrew alphabet, *Aleph*, is written in book form (codex) on velum.<sup>15</sup> It contains many spurious books such as the Shepherd of Hermes, the Didache, and the Epistle of Barnabas.<sup>16</sup> *Sinaiticus* was allegedly discovered by Constantine Tischendorf (1815-1874) in a wastebasket in St. Catherine's monastery on Mount Sinai in February of 1859.<sup>17</sup> The monks of St. Catherine's denied Tischendorf's wastebasket story. The wastebasket story seems to have been a tale spun by Tischendorf to explain his mutilation of the codex and destruction of some leaves to conceal acrostics that would identify the author of the codex. *Sinaiticus* is covered with alterations that are systematically spread over every page and were made by at least ten different revisors.<sup>18</sup> The alterations are obvious to anyone who examines the manuscript.<sup>19</sup>

Tischendorf was a nominal Protestant who had very close ties with the Roman Catholic hierarchy. He was welcomed at the Vatican by the pope in a private audience. Tischendorf also had meetings in the Vatican with the Vatican Librarian, Cardinal Angelo Mai (1782-1854), who, incidently, wrote an 1838 edition of the *Codex Vaticanus*.<sup>20</sup> Sinaiticus is not an ancient fourth century codex, as alleged by Tischendorf. Indeed, the author of Sinaiticus came forward and stated publically that it was in the early nineteenth century that he authored what became known as Sinaiticus.<sup>21</sup> When Constantine Simonides (1820-1867), a renowned Greek scholar and paleographer, found out that the Greek manuscript of the Bible that he wrote when he was at the Monastery of Saint Catherine was being promoted by Constantine Tischendorf as a fourth century manuscript, he refuted that claim. Simonides invited Tischendorf to a debate on the issue and challenged Tischendorf to bring Sinaiticus with him so that Simonides could demonstrate, with the public watching, where he had made unique markings that only the author of the document would know. Tischendorf agreed to the debate, but never showed up for the planned debate and never explained his absence. Tischendorf instead chose to use the media organs controlled by the Roman Catholic church to attack Simonides' character. To this day, Simonides is libelously accused of forgery, always with qualifiers like "allegedly" and "claimed to be," etc. What is almost never mentioned is that the allegations of forgery were actually litigated and Simonides was exonerated in a court of law.

It is a matter of public record, however, that a Greek Archimandrite (superior abbot) named Kallinikos, who was a resident of the St. Catherine's Monastery, came forward and verified that he witnessed, with his own eyes, Simonides writing *Sinaiticus* at Mount Athos in Greece.<sup>22</sup> Furthermore, Kallikos stated that he was at St. Catherine's Monastery and saw Tischendorf in possession of the manuscript that he recognized as being the work of Simonides.<sup>23</sup> Kallinikos accused Tischendorf of guile. Kallinikos stated that *Sinaiticus* was not an ancient text but was washed with lemon juice and herbs to lighten the text and make it appear to be an ancient text. He further accused Tischendorf of mutilating the codex written by Simonides.

The manuscript *Vaticanus*, often referred to by the letter "B,"originated in the Vatican library, hence the name.<sup>24</sup> *Vaticanus* was first revealed in 1841; where the manuscript had been prior to that date is unclear.<sup>25</sup> One thing is clear, the manuscript omits many portions of scripture which explain vital Christian doctrines. *Vaticanus* omits Genesis 1:1 through Genesis 46:28; Psalms 106 through 138; Matthew 16:2,3; Romans 16:24; the Pauline Epistles; Revelation; and everything in Hebrews after 9:14.<sup>26</sup>

It should not be surprising that the Vatican would produce a manuscript that omits the portion of the book of Hebrews which exposes the Mass as completely ineffectual and deletes Revelation chapter 17, which reveals Rome as the seat of "MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH." It is notable that the two primary manuscripts used by the new Bible versions were found in the care and custody of the Roman Catholic Church.

The *Vaticanus* and *Sinaiticus* manuscripts, which make up less than one percent of the existing ancient manuscripts, differ significantly from the Received Text that is the basis for the Authorized (King James) Version. *Vaticanus* omits at least 2,877 words; it adds 536 words; it substitutes 935 words; it transposes 2,098 words; and it modifies 1,132 words; making a total of 7,578 verbal divergences from the Received Text. *Sinaiticus* is an even worse corruption, having almost 9,000 divergences from the Received Text.<sup>27</sup>

Those corrupted texts (*Vaticanus* and *Sinaiticus*) became the core of the modern Greek text that is the basis for all new Bible versions, including the popular NIV. The personalities behind the new texts have an occult new age agenda. The compilers of the corrupted Greek text used in virtually all of the new Bible versions were Brooke Foss Westcott and Fenton John Anthony Hort.<sup>28</sup>

Westcott and Hort were nominal Protestants, but they were defacto Roman Catholics. Hort denied the infallibility of the Holy Scriptures, he did not believe in the existence of Satan, he did not believe in eternal punishment in Hell, nor did he believe in Christ's atonement.<sup>29</sup> Hort, however, did believe in Darwin's theory of evolution, he believed in purgatory, and he also believed in baptismal regeneration.<sup>30</sup> Hort hated the United States and wished for its destruction during the civil war, because he was a communist who hated all things democratic.<sup>31</sup>

Westcott was equally Romish in his beliefs.<sup>32</sup> He, like Hort, rejected the infallibility of the

Holy Scriptures.<sup>33</sup> He viewed the Genesis account of creation as merely an allegory.<sup>34</sup> He did not believe the biblical account of the miracles of Jesus.<sup>35</sup> He did, however, believe in praying for the dead and worshiping Mary.<sup>36</sup> Politically, Westcott was a devout Socialist.<sup>37</sup>

Westcott and Hort were both necromancers who were members of an occult club called the "Ghostly Guild."<sup>38</sup> Westcott also founded another club and named it "Hermes."<sup>39</sup> According to Luciferian H.P. Blavatsky, Hermes and Satan are one and the same.<sup>40</sup> Hort viewed evangelical Christians as dangerous, perverted, unsound, and confused.<sup>41</sup>

Assisting Westcott and Hort in creating the corrupt Greek revision was Dr. G. Vance, a Unitarian, who denied the deity of Christ, the inspiration of the Holy Scriptures, and the Godhead (Jesus Christ, God the Father, and the Holy Ghost).<sup>42</sup> Jesuit Roman Catholic Cardinal Carlo Maria Martini, the prelate of Milan, was the editor of the corrupted Greek text.<sup>43</sup> Martini believed the occult new age philosophy that man can become divine.<sup>44</sup> Remember, that is the very lie that Satan used to deceive Eve into eating the forbidden fruit: "ye shall be as gods." Genesis 3:5.

The combined effect of having a corrupted text and then having that text interpreted using a free-form translation method known as dynamic equivalence has been that the NIV has 64,098 fewer words than the King James Bible.<sup>45</sup> That is a 10% loss in the Bible. That means that an NIV Bible would have 170 fewer pages than a typical 1,700 page King James Bible.<sup>46</sup> Let's read what God thinks about such deletions of his holy words. "And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book." Revelation 22:19. God takes the misuse of his name very seriously (Exodus 20:7), but it is even more serious to tamper with God's word. [T]hou hast magnified thy word above all thy name. (Psalms 138:2)

The New International Version (NIV) is the most popular of the new Bible versions. Reportedly, the NIV represents 45 % of all Bibles sold.<sup>47</sup> Dr. Virginia Mollenkott, the textual style editor for the NIV, is an admitted lesbian.<sup>48</sup> The Chairman of the NIV Old Testament Committee, Dr. Woudstra, was considered to be sympathetic to the interests and practices of sodomites. The NIV chief editor vaunted the fact that the NIV showed that it is a great error to believe that in order to be born again one has to have faith in Jesus as Savior.<sup>49</sup>

Rupert Murdoch owns the exclusive rights to the NIV.<sup>50</sup> The NIV is published by Zondervan, which is owned by Murdoch's News Corporation.<sup>51</sup> Murdoch's News Corporation also owns Harper Collins, the publisher of Anton LaVey's Satanic Bible. LaVey is the founder of The Church Of Satan. He is reputed to have been a Jew, whose real name was Howard Levey. Both the Satanic Bible and the NIV Bible are featured on the Harper Collins sales website.<sup>52</sup> "Can two walk together, except they be agreed?" (Amos 3:3 AV) LaVey's book is an exoteric Satanic Bible, whereas the NIV is an esoteric Satanic Bible.

Time magazine called Murdoch one of the four most powerful people in the world, and for good reason; he has a media empire that includes Twentieth Century Fox, Fox Television, cable

television providers, purported "satellites," and newspapers and television stations throughout America, Europe, and Asia.<sup>53</sup> The pope bestowed upon Murdoch the title of "Knight Commander of St. Gregory" for promoting the interests of the Roman Catholic Church.<sup>54</sup>

Defenders of the new Bibles claim that the essential doctrines of the Christian Faith are expressed in the new Bibles, even though they have been deleted or changed in many passages. James H. Son, author of *The New Athenians*, likened the logic of that argument to removing a stop sign from a busy street intersection and then justifying the removal because the other traffic signals in the city were left intact. Even though the sign only contained one word, that word is of critical importance to those who arrive at the intersection, just as each word in the Holy Bible is of critical importance to those who are reading it. The above example of the change in the passage in Isaiah 38:8, is just one of many examples of subtle changes in wording in the new Bible versions used to change the true meaning of a passage.

God has made the point in the Holy Bible that **every word** of God is important. "And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, **but by every word of God**." (Luke 4:4 AV) Incidently, the doctrine of Luke 4:4 is missing in the new Bible versions. The NASB, which is another corrupt Bible version based upon the *Vaticanus* and *Sinaiticus* manuscripts, leaves out the last clause and simply states: "And Jesus answered him, 'it is written, MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE." (Luke 4:4 NASB) The new versions leave the reader in ignorance as to what it is other than bread by which man lives: "**by every word of God**." (Luke 4:4 AV)

And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but **by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live**. (Deuteronomy 8:3 AV)

**Every word of God is pure**: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him. (Proverbs 30:5 AV)

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