

Prayer List



Of Our Number

- ♦ Janice Carnley—sick
- ♦ Candace Derrick—tests run
- ♦ Florene Howze—health issues
- ♦ Milo Lasater—kidney problems
- ♦ Jim Ward—health problems

Others in Need

- ♦ Thomas Bush—11, cancer
- ♦ Mary Cobb—stroke
- ♦ Tim Dixon—sciatica
- ♦ Keith Grimes—doctor in Oct.
- ♦ Dawn Holloway—fibromyalgia
- ♦ Maxine Knoll—hospital; tests
- ♦ Patsy Luke—home health care, improving
- ♦ Michael Parish—released by cardiologist; all clear
- ♦ Jason Rickmon—home health after throat cancer surgery
- ♦ Sidney White—short of breath

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♦ Pray also for those who have lost loved ones, first responders, police officers, government leaders, military, those traveling, alien sinners, those fallen away, the church at Baker and worldwide.

Events



- ♦ July 29-Aug. 1 Gospel Meeting at Union Hill
- ♦ Aug. 5-9 Gospel meeting, church of Christ in Jay, Jared Knoll
- ♦ Aug. 5-8 Gospel Meeting, church of Christ in Fairhope, AL with Jason Hilburn speaking
- ♦ Oct. 14-18 Our Gospel Meeting

Faithful Worship — **1) Praying** to God the Father in the name of Jesus Christ (Luke 11:1-2; John 16:23; Eph. 5:20; Phil. 4:6); **2) Singing** without mechanical instruments (Matt. 26:30; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16-17; Heb. 2:12); **3) Preaching** God's Word (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:42; 20:7); **4) Giving** as prospered, cheerfully (1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 9:7); **5) The Lord's Supper** on the first day of every week (Matt. 26:26-28; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:20-34; 16:2; Heb. 10:23-31).

To Our Visitors



We are happy and honored that you are here! Please fill out a visitor's card and give us a chance to get to know you. If you have any questions about anything said or done in Bible class or worship, please ask. We seek to give a Bible answer for everything we do (Colossians 3:17; 1 Peter 3:15; 4:11).

Privileged to Serve



Announcements—Leo Derrick
Song Leading—Mark Howze (Wed.)
 David Howze (Sun.)
Serving the Lord's Supper
 Head: Glenn Howze; Helpers: Justin Derrick, Rick Laux, Josh Lawson
Lord's Supper PM
 Head: Justin Derrick
 Helper: Ethan Howze
Scripture Reading—Caleb Howze



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Meeting Times

Sundays:

10AM Bible Class
 11AM Worship
 5:30PM Pew Packers
 6PM Worship

Wednesdays:

7PM Bible Class

Other Information

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Influence of Charles Darwin

Doug Couch

Charles Darwin was born on Feb. 12, 1809. His father and grandfather were medical doctors. His grandfather Erasmus, was King George's personal physician, and was known for his atheistic views.

A medical school dropout, Darwin entered Cambridge University at the age of 18 to study for the ministry. He would graduate with a degree in theology four years later. When Darwin was 30, he married his first cousin, Emma, daughter to a wealthy potter, Josiah Wedgewood.

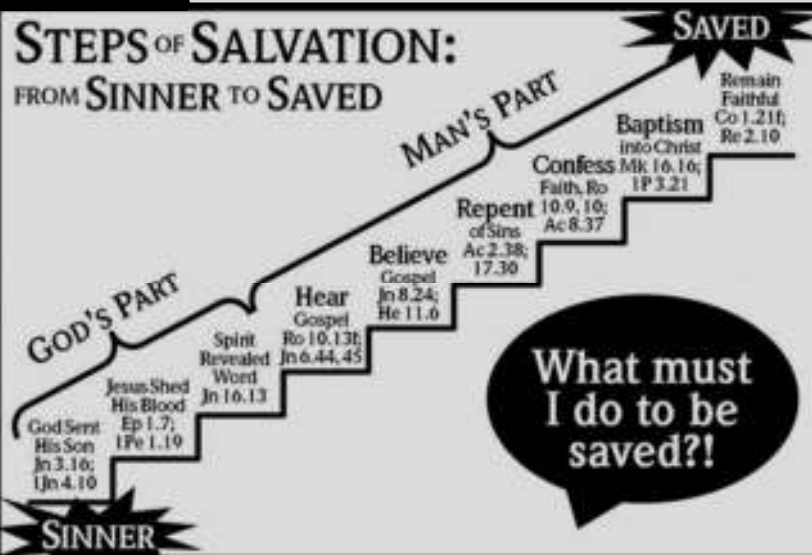
For the next twenty years, Darwin would study, explore, write and conduct studies with animals. Despite his education in theology, Charles had serious doubts about Christianity. When his daughter Annie died at the age of ten in 1851, Darwin became an agnostic. He said that a God who permitted suffering could not exist and was not worthy of being served.

In 1859, he published the Origin of the Species where he proposed natural explanations for the existence of all living things. Although it provoked outrage among religious leaders, Darwin's book was readily embraced by the scientific communities in Britain, Europe, and the United States.

One of Darwin's Cambridge professors, Adam Sedgewick, warned Darwin that his book would damage a lot of people. Sedgewick's words have proven to be true.

In 1991, British historian Paul Johnson claimed that the 20th century was the bloodiest in human history and it

STEPS OF SALVATION: FROM SINNER TO SAVED



"...ye were the servants of sin..."
 (Romans 6:17).

What must I do to be saved?!

"...but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness"
 (Rom. 6:17b-18).

can be laid at the doorstep of Darwinian biology (quoted by professor David Campbell in *Dehumanization: A Product of Darwinism* 32, ISBN: 978-1-304-42445-7).

Dr. Campbell shows how Darwinism laid the foundations for political movements like Nazism and Communism, and the liberal, progressive movement in the USA. Campbell is now a retired biology professor from the University of Missouri (St. Louis) and serves as an elder in the Lord's church in St. Louis.

Campbell, along with other scholars estimate that Nazism and Communism were responsible for millions of deaths in the 20th century. Prof. J. R. Rummel concluded that 178 million were killed by dictatorial governments in that time period. He wrote: "Stalin exceeded Hitler in monstrous evil, and Mao beat out Stalin" (Source: <http://www.orthodoxytoday.org/articles5/RummelDemocide.php>).

It is well documented that Stalin (Russia) and Hitler (Germany) were influenced by Charles Darwin. Although raised as a Buddhist, Chairman Mao Zedong (China) embraced the views of Karl Marx and Vladimir Lenin while in college. Marx enjoyed Darwin's *Origin of the Species*, although he thought it was not well-written. Stalin, Hitler, Mao, Marx and Lenin were atheists who denied special creation by God.

It has been claimed that it does not matter what one believes about God. However, Jesus said, "*by their fruits ye shall know them*" (Matt. 7:16). The fruit of atheism is bitter, leading to declines in moral behavior, respect for human life and to an increase in the despair and hopelessness of men. —*Slightly adapted*

The Atheist's Inflationary Universe

Jon Gary Williams

Over the years atheists have wrestled with the problem of explaining how, apart from a special, creative origin, the universe came into existence. While different theories have been offered, none of them have solved the dilemma. The philosophical fact of eternal existence (that there never could have been a point at which nothing existed) proves to be a barrier for the atheistic mind. Since atheists believe that physical matter is the only thing that exists, they are forced to deal with the idea that physical matter may, of itself, be eternal. Yet, they realize this is an illogical alternative. So, where do they turn?

For years the so-called "Big Bang" theory was offered as the answer. This is

the idea that the universe just suddenly exploded into existence. However, this solves nothing, for it means there had to be a preexisting "something" to "bang." So, this brings them back to zero. To avoid the problem of the eternal existence of physical matter, more than thirty years ago atheists concluded that at some point the material universe had to have a beginning. But, from what? Well, actually, from nothing! Yes, you read correctly—from nothing.

In 1984 the famed atheists, Alan H. Guth and Paul J. Steinhardt, proposed what they called, *The Inflationary Theory*. In the *Scientific American* they wrote: "From a historical point of view, probably the most revolutionary model is the notion that all the matter and energy in the observable universe may have emerged from almost nothing. The inflationary model of the universe provides a possible mechanism by which the observed universe could have evolved from an infinitesimal region. It is then tempting to go one step further and speculate that the entire universe evolved from literally nothing." (*Scientific American*, May, 1984, p.128).

Notice carefully the "scientific" language of this atheistic explanation for the origin of the universe: "...probably... the notion that... may have emerged... a possible mechanism... could have evolved... tempting to go one step further and speculate...."

So, presumably, the problem is solved. Merely speculate that at some point when nothing at all existed, the material universe spontaneously self-generated and, "poof," there it was—just a revision of the "Big Bang" theory—wishful thinking at it's best.

It is almost impossible to believe anyone would promote such foolishness and keep a straight face. But, sad to say, this is the nature of atheistic thinking, and, after all, this is the only thing they have to offer, there is nothing left.

UPDATE: In the February 2017 issue of *Scientific American*, early promoters of the Inflationary Universe theory now admit their theory is scientifically invalid. In an article titled *Cosmic Inflation Theory Faces Challenges*, the lead heading reads: "***The latest astrophysical measurements, combined with theoretical problems, cast doubt on the long-cherished inflationary theory of the early cosmos and suggest we need new ideas.***"

So, atheists are still found groping about searching for "new ideas" for the materialistic origin of the universe. However, it is a foregone conclusion that whatever "ideas" are concocted will, like the previous ones, fall by the wayside. That there is something eternal, something self-existent in and of itself, never having had a beginning, is so obvious—yet, under no circumstance will dogmatic, atheists open their minds to consider it.

How true, indeed, the statement twice made by the Psalmist, "*The fool hath said in his heart, there is no God*" (Psalm 14:1; 53:1).