

Mmm, mmm good!

# Primordial Soup

by Dan Meador

The essence of all relationships with God is man's *unlimited* liability. That is, if you don't satisfy certain requirements and duties imposed by God, when you die, you may wind up spending eternity in Hell. *That's* "unlimited" liability. On the other hand, if you do satisfy those basic requirements and duties, you may be rewarded with eternal life.

The essence of all relationships to modern government is *limited* liability. You need not "trust in God" for your providence so long as government is here to feed, cloth, and provide for you in your old age. In So-So Security We Trust.

Likewise, you can drive as fast or drunk as you like, because mandatory auto insurance gives you *limited* liability for any adverse consequences of your negligence. For example, if you run a school bus off the road and kill a bunch of kids, all that might happen is your insurance premium will increase. Although God might hold you liable, our judicial system might not. With limited liability, there's always a change to "beat the rap".

And if you're a woman and you want to murder your own children – no sweat. The majority of the clowns on the Supreme Court said it's OK, and you'll en-

counter no personal liability. It is even woman's civil right to murder (partial birth abortion) their own children so long as the infants still have their heads stuck up their mother's vagina. Just scoop their brains out and toss 'em in the trash.

It is government's promise of limited liability that seduces us away from God. God's unlimited liability is hard. Government's limited liability, on the other hand, seems easy, tempting.

But few recognize that government's promise of limited liability necessarily means *continuous* liability. For example, government promises to provide for you in your old age. That's limited personal liability in the sense that you don't need to save for your old age. Sounds good. But you'll have to pay *continuously* into social security throughout your productive years.

Similarly, the limited liability you enjoy through mandatory auto insurance is shrouded in the *continuous* liability you must accept during all the years you drive. Have you had an accident? No matter, you'd better have that mandatory insurance or you just might wind up in jail. *Limited liability* in the event of an accident translates into *continuous liability* even if you make no mistakes.

Although women can kill their kids without incurring personal liability, the mother may still be tormented by guilt. If there is a God, she may even wind up screaming in Hell. Thus, in return for the government's limited liability for aborting her kids, she may later accept a continuous liability of personal shame or even damnation.

From a classical perspective, all freedom is inextricably joined to personal responsibility (liability). To the extent government reduces (limits) our personal liabilities, it necessarily also reduces our freedoms. Likewise, to the extent we seek limited liability, we must also "voluntarily" forfeit our freedom.

But to secure limited liability, you must give up more than parts of your secular freedoms. Government promises of limited liability don't work unless the American people are first "indoctrinated" to ignore or deny the existence of God. In the final analysis, we can worship and rely on God, or rely on (and worship) government. We can't do both. More precisely, to believe in government is to doubt God; to believe in God is to doubt modern government. You can't serve two masters.

God and modern government are spiritual adversaries.

Government's power is in large measure predicated on the people's disbelief in God.

By most measures, America's belief in God is growing. Whether that belief is growing in depth or merely breadth remains to be seen, but growth is undeniable. Rising spirituality does not bode well for continued government power and is another force for government decline.

Nevertheless, government has, so far, been able to stave off the "religious right" with Supreme Court rulings that support atheism and secular government power. The court, being very logical, refutes spiritual claims for lack of supporting evidence.

But as you'll read, even scientists are beginning to find evidence that supports the existence of God. Our existing government can not survive such evidence. To maintain any government that promises limited liability in a universe where God mandates unlimited liability endangers our eternal souls. If tangible, persuasive evidence can be presented to the American people that God is real, our "democracy" must fall.

Rising religion is just one more leaf in the breeze of government's decline.

This morning as I was going through the normal routine of flipping between financial, news, and weather channels, I happened to flip over to TBN, the Christian channel. What I saw and heard mesmerized me for most of half an hour. My only regret is that I didn't catch the first of the program.

Four men were discussing creation versus evolution as the origin of life. At least two, and possible all four, were scientists involved in high tech biological research in areas such as DNA,

genetic structure, and the like. All four were academic types, not pulpit thumpers as such.

As a charismatic Christian, I'm naturally prejudiced, but for much of the world, testimony based on personal experience doesn't carry much weight.

Unfortunately, many professing Christians have thrown their hands up when it comes to the creation verses evolution debate. The position goes something on the order of, "Maybe God used evolution for creation," the underlying rationale being that God's time isn't necessarily the same as ours. There may be a scriptural gap that doesn't account for missing millions of years, they concede.

I've resisted this notion based on the law of entropy, one of the laws of thermal dynamics. It goes like this: All systems tend to degenerate, and eventually fail, unless infused with new energy from some outside source.

Evolution theory hypoth-

esizes origins based on the notion that by chance, simple elements combined to become complex systems over millions of years. But the theory doesn't wash. It doesn't explain the simplest organic life forms evolving from primordial soup comprised of basic mineral elements.

In my estimation, evolution theory flies in the face of everything that gives us the most amazing technological age we live in. If the laws of thermal dynamics, the laws of gravity, etc., weren't reliable, we wouldn't have telephones, televisions and computers. In order to have any kind of reliable operating system, be it mechanical, organic or otherwise, it must be based on cohesive underlying principles, what we can otherwise describe as laws.

I was managing editor of a rural market center newspaper in 1981-82 when creation scientists were battling in Federal courts to have creation theory taught in

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public schools simultaneous with evolution theory. When the case got to the circuit court, creation science advocates were rejected, not because creation science doesn't have as legitimate a claim as evolution science, but because evolution theory is more politically popular. In other words, judicial rejection, which has excluded creation science from public schools for the last two decades, has nothing whatsoever to do with scientific viability. The exclusion is strictly political.

In the mid-eighties, DNA was isolated, and since then genetic codes have been broken. Today science is delving into organic life building blocks.

That's where scientists involved in this morning's panel discussion came in.

By examining basic proteins and other elements of DNA, they have concluded that *evolution is out of the question*. One said that

the probability of even one component of the DNA structure occurring by chance is approximately one in ten to the 176th power — that's a one with 176 zeroes strung out behind it. The chance is so remote that it doesn't register on the probability scale. For two or more of the essential biological events to happen in the same place at the same time is remote enough to be impossible.

In laboratory settings, scientists spend months preparing specimens and specimen fields, then when all is ready, they must do whatever they're going to do in a hurry because the deterioration process is so rapid.

The basic DNA structure can survive *only within the protective, self-repairing environment of whole cells*. Consequently, evolution outside simultaneous creation of, or pre-existence of the nuclear cell, is unfathomable.

Internal cellular function is on the order of holistic mechanical and communications systems. One element communicates with another, and one is responsive to another.

The panel members presented a simple analogy to explain what lies behind cellular functions: Where there is communication, there must be a communicator; where there is a message, there must be a messenger. In sum, a conscious, creative being had to design and set the system in motion.

Because I missed the early part of the program, I don't know what the scientists base their conclusion on, but they said the timeframe for existence of life on planet earth is several thousand, not several million years. This and other evidence tends to affirm the God of the Christian and Jewish Bible. I'm not certain what other evidence they support the conclusion with, but what I heard reinforces the conclusion that life, if

not the entire universe, is the produce of a conscious, creative, and evidently purposeful God.

After listening to the scientists, I was reminded of the early eighties decision by Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals on teaching creation science in school. At the time I wasn't very well versed in law, but even then I wondered how or why a ruling of that magnitude could be based on political considerations rather than truth.

How could a panel of judges exclude one claim when it was at least as strong as the prevailing claim? Can man, regardless of his political station, by edict or otherwise, alter or amend what American founders described as the Law of Nature and of Nature's God?

### Naturally religious

In the 1920s, Otto Rank, once a student and associate of Sigmund Freud, concluded that man is by nature religious. He is

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religious before he is political, social, economic, and possibly even psychological.

By religious, Rank didn't mean man is Christian, Jew, or any other specific religion. What he meant was that we each develop a belief system that provides the foundation for all other life activity. Basic belief systems evolve through experience, observation, and custom. Some small portion of our individual belief systems are affected and come by way of reason.

As Sir Isaac Newton knew, man's natural thought process is analogous.

The discipline of formal logic, or what we normally refer to when we use the term "reason," is a learned thought process. Analogy is a comparative process where we draw on experience when we determine that one thing is like something else. A child learns about heat from floor furnace gratings and campfires, not textbooks filled with scientific explanations.

Thus, a vast majority of the population isn't very well versed in metaphysics and other formal disciplines. Where abstract systems such as theology, scientific principle and the like are concerned, most people rely on tradition and authority.

Therein is where creation sci-

ence suffered judicial condemnation.

### The faith of our bureaucrats

America's institutional religion is Secular Humanism. And lest anyone wonder, the U.S. Supreme Court has acknowledged that Secular Humanism is in fact a religion.

The three main components of Secular Humanism are evolution (Charles Darwin), dialectical materialism (Karl Marx), and a variation that evolved from Freud's pioneer work with the human psyche, behavioral psychology. [All deny the existence of God.]

Secular Humanism places man in a precarious position where he is subject to blind natural forces that have no particular purpose, nations and cultures are driven by carnal and material wants and needs, and there is no moral purpose for man or the universe. At best, we are an ethical species, with the basis of ethical behavior being arbitrary and varying from culture to culture and time to time (situation ethics). There is no higher authority than man.

### Either/Or

But if creation scientists are correct, Secular Humanism is incorrect. Creation and evolution

theories are mutually exclusive. They can't peacefully coexist in the same classroom. Life had to be created by a purposeful Creator, or it had to accidentally evolve from primordial soup.

I was amused by one of the creation scientist's observations: There would be a better chance for life to evolve from a can of Campbell's soup than from whatever primordial soup there was on our evolving planet. Commercial canned soup is vastly richer in essential life elements than whatever primordial stew there might have been was.

Why is evolution institutionally if not politically preferred? The answer is simple and self-evident: If God created man, man is accountable to God, and we are collectively accountable to each other.

If God created man, truth is absolute, not relative or arbitrary. If God created man, man cannot avoid His self-executing moral law. We are not at liberty to pursue the self-serving ends of lust and unbridled greed without consequence.

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