

# Bible doesn't agree with theory, agrees with science

Many educated people believe evolution is not just a theory, yet the Bible teaches that each living thing was created "according to its kind." (Genesis 1:25).

How do Bible teachings stack up with scientific knowledge? Is there any reason to doubt what the Bible teaches in favor of believing in evolution?

Written nearly 3,500 years ago, the opening verse of the Bible describes the origin of the universe: "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

Scientists acknowledge that the earth had a beginning. Some say the beginning was an accident, a "Big Bang," but even they agree with one thing the Bible says, that the universe has not always existed — it had a beginning.

Recorded some 2,700 years ago, Isaiah 40:26 says, "Raise your eyes



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• use it or lose it

high up and see. Who has created these things? It is the One who is bringing forth the army of them even by number, all of whom he calls even by name. Due to the abundance of dynamic energy, he also being vigorous in power, not one of them is missing."

Modern science has discovered that all matter is basically materialized energy.

At a time when men believed the universe was made up of a few thousand stars they could see with unaided eyes, the Bible compared the

number of stars to the grains of sand on the seashore.

Genesis 22:17 says, "I shall surely bless you and I shall certainly multiply your seed like the stars of the heavens and like the grains of sand that are on the seashore."

In the past, this comparison was believed to be greatly exaggerated, yet today the evidence shows that the number of stars is as incalculable as grains of sand on the shore.

What accounts for such accurate scientific knowledge when mankind did not have telescopes, microscopes and educated scientists to find these things out? Is it not that the Bible was inspired by the Creator of such things?

At Matthew 15:6b-9, Jesus said of

the religious leaders in his day: "And so you have made the word of God invalid because of your tradition. You hypocrites, Isaiah aptly prophesied about you when he said, 'This people honors me with their lips, yet their heart is far removed from me. It is in vain that they keep worshipping me, because they teach commands of men as doctrines.'"

Jesus warned about believing what such religious leaders teach because those leaders were hypocrites, and what they taught was not from the Bible — they taught traditions, commands of men.

Jesus said at John 4:24, "God is a spirit, and those worshipping him must worship with spirit and truth."

1 Peter 2:2 says, "as newborn infants, form a longing for the unadulterated milk belonging to the word, that through it you may grow

to salvation."

We need to read and study the Bible for ourselves to benefit from the truths it teaches. It is like a letter from God that tells us important things we need to know, explains our purpose in life, tells us God's purposes and helps us to see what the future holds.

We can also learn from the Bible who God is and draw closer to him. God's dealings with his past servants teach us about many things that are important to him, and they teach us what he wants from us.

But we can't gain that knowledge by believing what other people have always taught us. We have to actually open the Bible and read it for ourselves.

Some years ago, a man well-versed in evolution interviewed people who accepted the theory. He said, "I discovered that most believ-

ers of evolution are believers because they have been told that all intelligent people are believers."

Some are so determined to convince people to believe what they do that they use the tactics of bullies. To be sure we don't believe such lies, we need to check things out for ourselves and consider the source of information.

The Bible is the word of God, the ultimate accurate and reliable source of information. It is worth our time to read and study His word for many reasons.

Among them are the things listed at 2 Timothy 3:16, 17: "All scripture is inspired of God and beneficial for teaching, for reproving, for setting things straight, for disciplining in righteousness, that the man of God may be fully competent, completely equipped for every good work."

## Bird City family adds girl

Michaela Ann Rippe was born Monday, Nov. 8, 2004, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 6 pounds and was 19 inches long.

Kevin and Megan Rippe of Bird City are her parents, and she was welcomed home by an older sister, Lilly Rippe, 19 months.

Her grandparents are Richard and Theresa Rippe of rural Ludell and Jim and Cheryl Steinert of Lyons. Geat grandparents are Clarence



Michaela Ann Rippe

Sattler of Herndon and Beatrice Steinert of Russell.

## Jehovah's Witnesses assemble in Nebraska

Delegates from 19 congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses, including Goodland, attended a two-day circuit assembly Saturday and Sunday in Hastings, Neb.

There were 1,011 delegates, said Dan Lucas, presiding overseer for the Goodland congregation.

"Be Guided by the Wisdom from Above" was the theme of the assembly; based on James 3:17.

Delegates were helped to see that the "wisdom from above" is chaste, peaceable, reasonable and ready to obey. The speakers discussed how

everyone can display each of those qualities.

Another highlight was the discussion, "Pursue the Things That Are Upbuilding." Speakers said everyone can benefit one another in both the family and the congregation.

The main feature was a talk by a visiting speaker, Richard Allen from the U.S. Branch Office of Jehovah's Witnesses in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Allen spoke on, "How God's Wisdom Benefits Us," saying he wanted to deepen the delegates' appreciation for the Creator.

## Worship warms the heart



### Calvary Gospel Church

**Pastor:** Rev. Steve Rains  
Fourth & College • 899-3605  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:15 am  
Morning Service: 10:30 am  
Small Group Ministries  
**Wednesday:** Prayer and Worship: 7:00 p.m.  
Youth @ the Rock House: 7:00 p.m.

### Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**Pastor:** Father Norbert Dlabal  
307 W. 13th • 899-7205  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
4:30-5 pm Saturday or by appointment  
**Mass Schedule:**  
Saturday: 6 pm, Sunday: 10:30 am  
**Spanish Mass:**  
1st & 3rd Sunday: 4 pm

### Sonrise Christian Church

Ninth & Caldwell • 899-5398  
**Minister:**  
**Youth Minister:** Doug Bean  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 9:30 am  
Sunday School: 10:45 am  
**Wednesday:**  
Junior/Senior High Meeting: 7 pm  
Adult & Children's Classes: 7 pm

### Word of Life Foursquare Church

10th & Clark • 899-5250  
**Pastor:** John Coumerilh  
**Service Schedule:**  
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**Pastor:** Glenn Hermanson  
Fifth & Broadway  
899-7368  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 am  
Morning Service: 10 am  
Evening Service: 6:30 pm  
**Wednesday:** Evening Bible Study: 7 pm

### Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

1200 15th Street • Burlington, CO  
(719) 346-7984  
**Sacrament Meeting:** 10 am  
**Sunday School:** 11:15 am  
**Priesthood/Relief Society:** 12 am

### Iglesia Del Dios Vivo

La Luz Del Mundo  
Spanish Speaking Church  
**Minister:** Esteban Ortiz B.  
1601 Texas • 899-5275  
**Daily Prayer:** Sunday thru  
Saturday: 5 am & 6 pm  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 10 am

### United Methodist Church

**Brewster:**  
**Pastor:**  
Worship Service: 10:45 am CST  
Sunday School: 9:45 am CST  
**Winona:**  
**Minister:** Rev. Bob Winters  
Worship Service: 9 am CST  
Sunday School: 10:15 am CST

### First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)  
**Pastor:** John Park Winkler  
Eighth & Arcade • 890-5233  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 10:30 am  
**Sunday School:** 9:15 a.m.  
**Activities:** Junior High & High School Youth Groups,  
Adult Bible Study, Choir, Men's and Women's Groups,  
Devotions Study, Monthly Fellowship  
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**Pastor:** Leonard Cox  
399-2468  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 am  
Worship Service: 10:15 am

### Church of the Nazarene

**Pastor:** Bob Willis  
Third & Caldwell  
899-2080 or 899-3797  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:45 am  
Worship Service: 10:50 am  
Evening Service: 6 pm  
**Wednesday:** Evening Service: 7 pm

### First United Methodist Church

1116 Sherman  
899-3631  
**Pastor:** Rev. Janet Hernandez  
**Saturday:** Informal Worship: 5:30 pm  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:15 am  
Worship Service: 10:30 am

### Goodland Bible Church

109 Willow Road • 899-6400  
**Pastor:** Chad DeJong  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:30 am  
Morning Worship: 10:45 am  
Evening Worship: 6 pm  
**Wednesday:** AWANA (Winter)  
and prayer: 7 p.m.

### First Baptist Church

**Pastor:** John Meckling  
Fifth & Center • 899-3450  
**Sunday:** Sunday School for all ages:  
9:15 am (Child care provided)  
Morning Worship: 10:30 am  
**Wednesday:** Bible study 7 p.m.  
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**Thursday:** Bible study 9:30 a.m.  
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### St. Paul's Episcopal Church

13th & Center  
Church 890-2115 or Rectory 890-6969  
**Priest:** Father Hal Lycett  
**Holy Eucharist:** 10:00 a.m. Sunday  
10:00 a.m. Thursday  
**Morning Prayer:** 8:00 a.m. Wed. - Sun.  
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Mon. and Tues. 890-3320

### Grace Fellowship Church

104 E. Hwy 24 • 899-6423  
**Pastor:**  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 10 am  
Worship Service: 11 am

### Seventh Day Adventist Church

1160 Cattletrail  
**Pastor:** Jim Martin  
**Saturday:** Sabbath School: 9:30 am  
Worship Service: 11 am

### Emmanuel Lutheran Church

13th & Sherman • 890-6161  
**Pastor:** Scott Grimshaw  
**Sunday:** Christian education/fellowship:  
10:15 a.m.  
Worship Service: 9 am  
**Wednesday:** Confirmation: 6 pm

### Church of Christ

401 Caldwell  
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**Sunday:** Bible Study: 9:45 am  
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**Wednesday:** Bible Study: 7 pm

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