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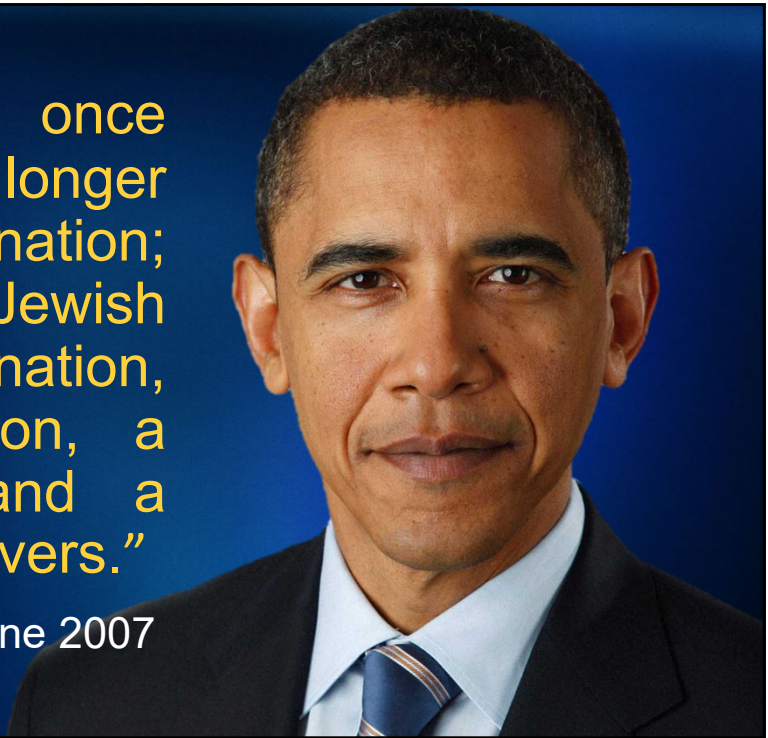
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## Part 2: **When** and **Why** are our kids jettisoning “the faith”?

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“ Whatever we once were, we are no longer just a Christian nation; we are also a Jewish nation, a Muslim nation, a Buddhist nation, a Hindu nation, and a nation of nonbelievers.”

Barak Obama, June 2007



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2007 Pew Forum study revealed religious convictions of Americans are:

.4% are Hindu  
.6% are Muslim  
.7% are Buddhist  
1.7% are Jewish

**78.4% are Christian**

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Gallup reported this spring:

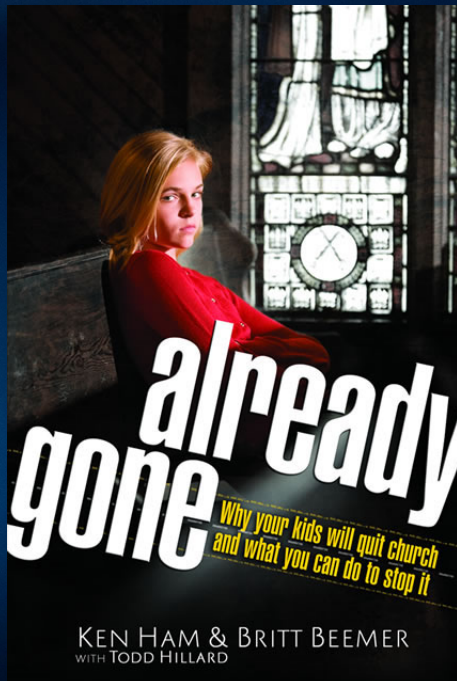
“U.S. church membership has fallen to 48% since 1999 – a 20-percentage-point decline.”

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The SBC's numbers have dropped from 16.4 million just a few years ago to 14.8 million in 2018 – the lowest number in 32 yrs.

The other Mainline denominations' have fallen by 50% in the past 50 years.

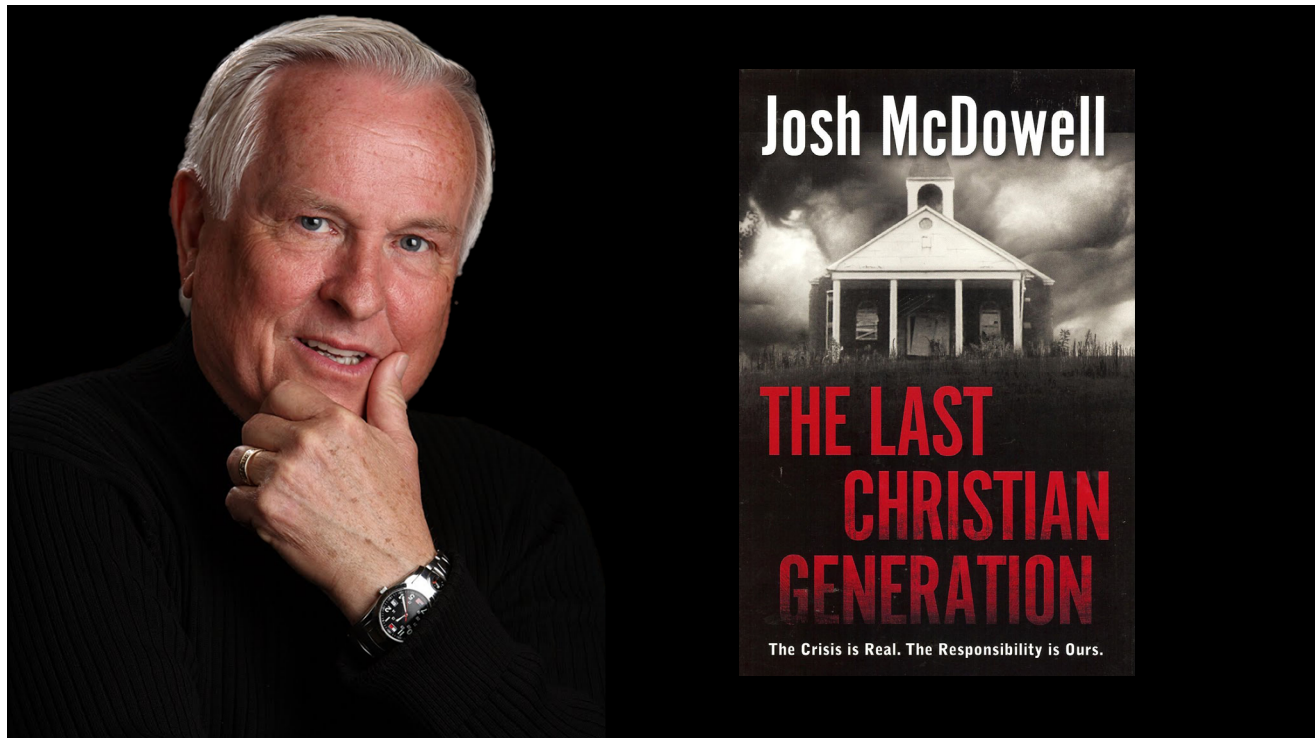
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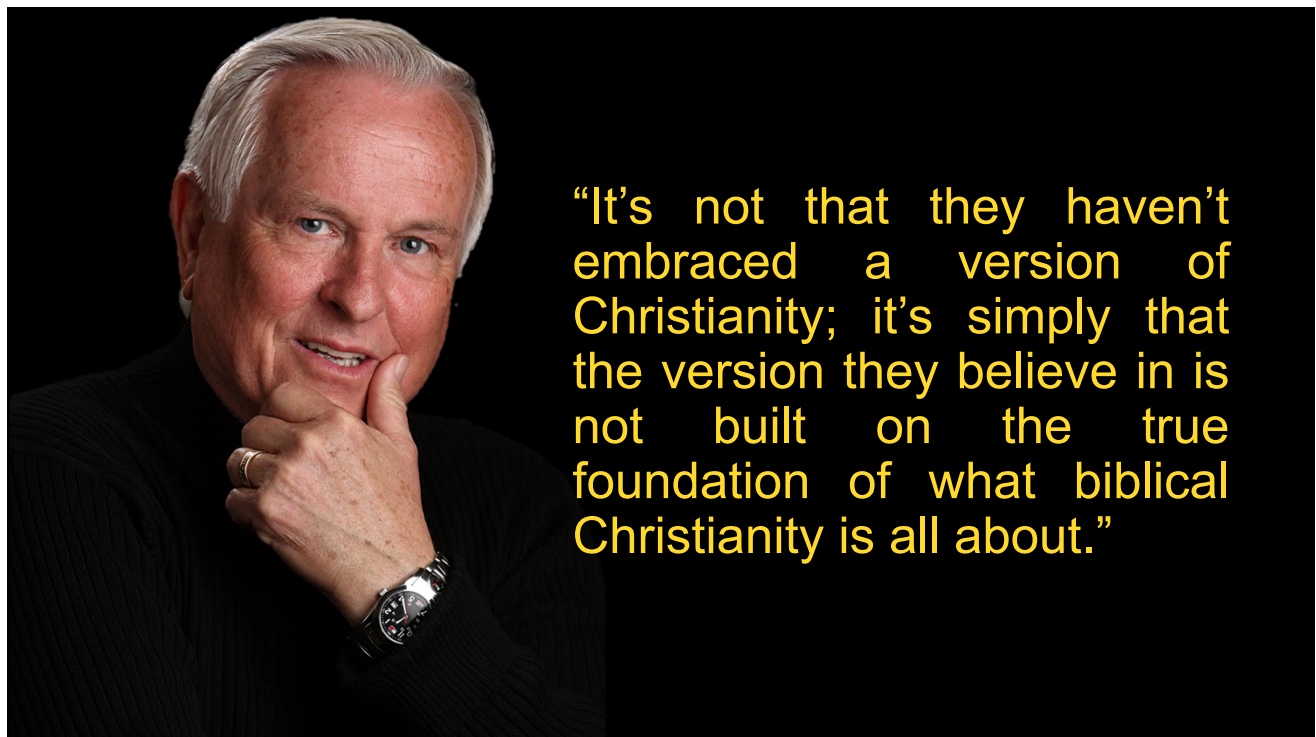
“We are one generation away from the evaporation of church as we know it. Slowly but certainly the church of the future is headed toward the morgue and will continue to do so unless we come to better understand what is happening and implement a clear, biblical plan to circumvent it.”

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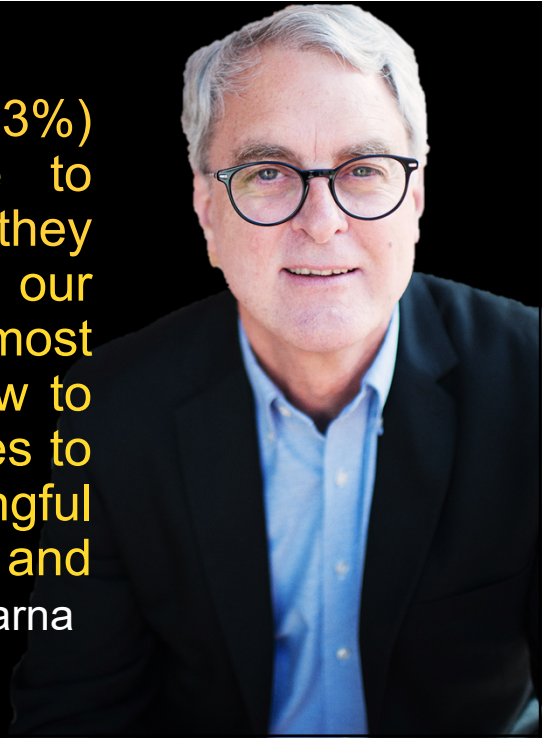


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“Only about 1 out of 3 teens (33%) believes they will continue to participate in church once they are living on their own. ... our research found that most Americans have little idea how to integrate core biblical principles to form a unified and meaningful response to the challenges and opportunities of life.” George Barna



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“Beloved, ... I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints. <sup>4</sup>For certain men have crept in unnoticed, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ.” Jude 1:3-4

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When are our kids jettisoning  
“the faith”?

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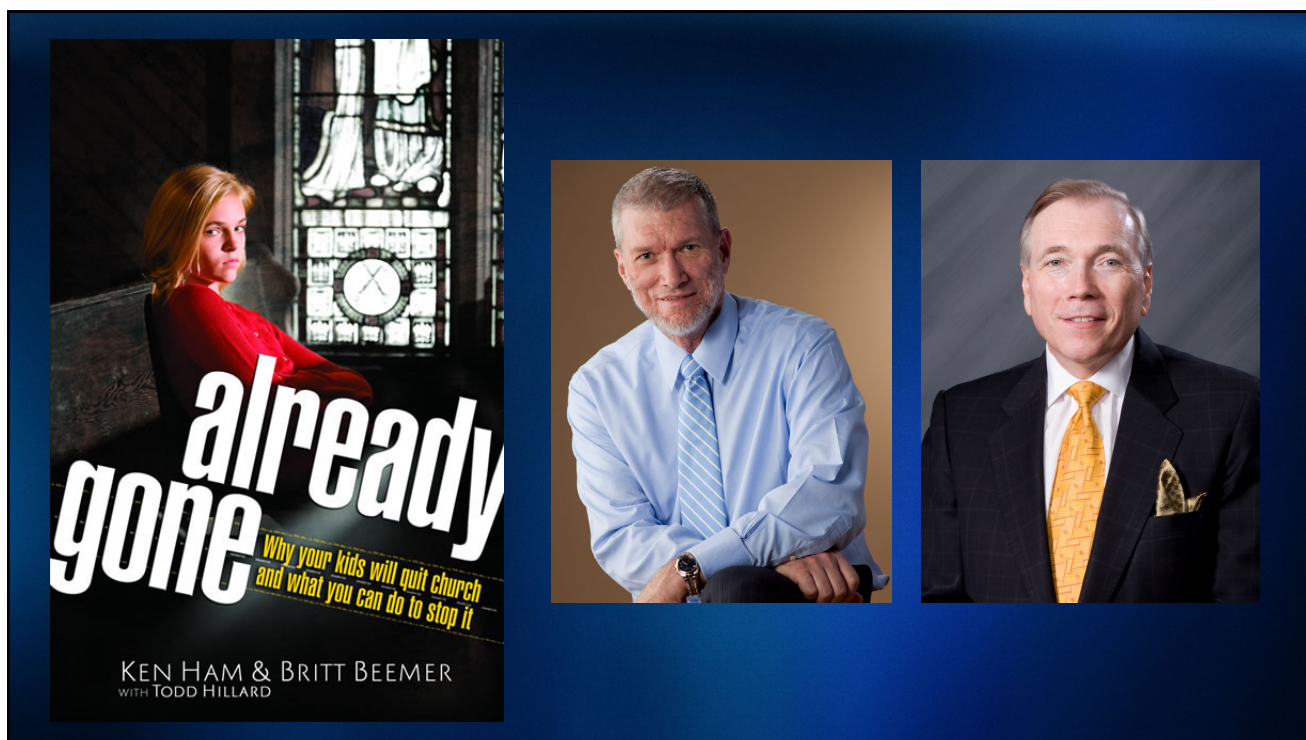


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**Of all the 20 to 29-year-old evangelicals who attended church regularly but no longer do so:**



95% of them attended church regularly during their elementary and middle school years



55% attended church regularly during high school

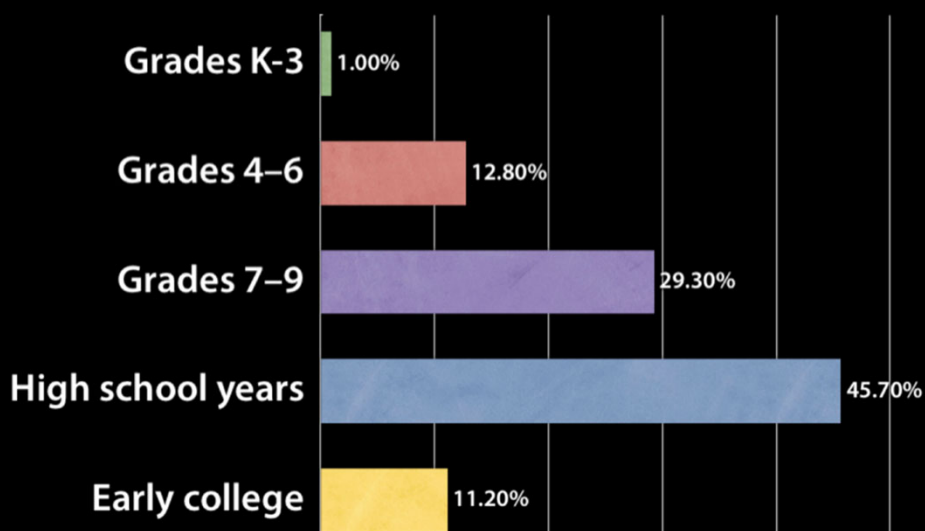


11% were still going to church during college

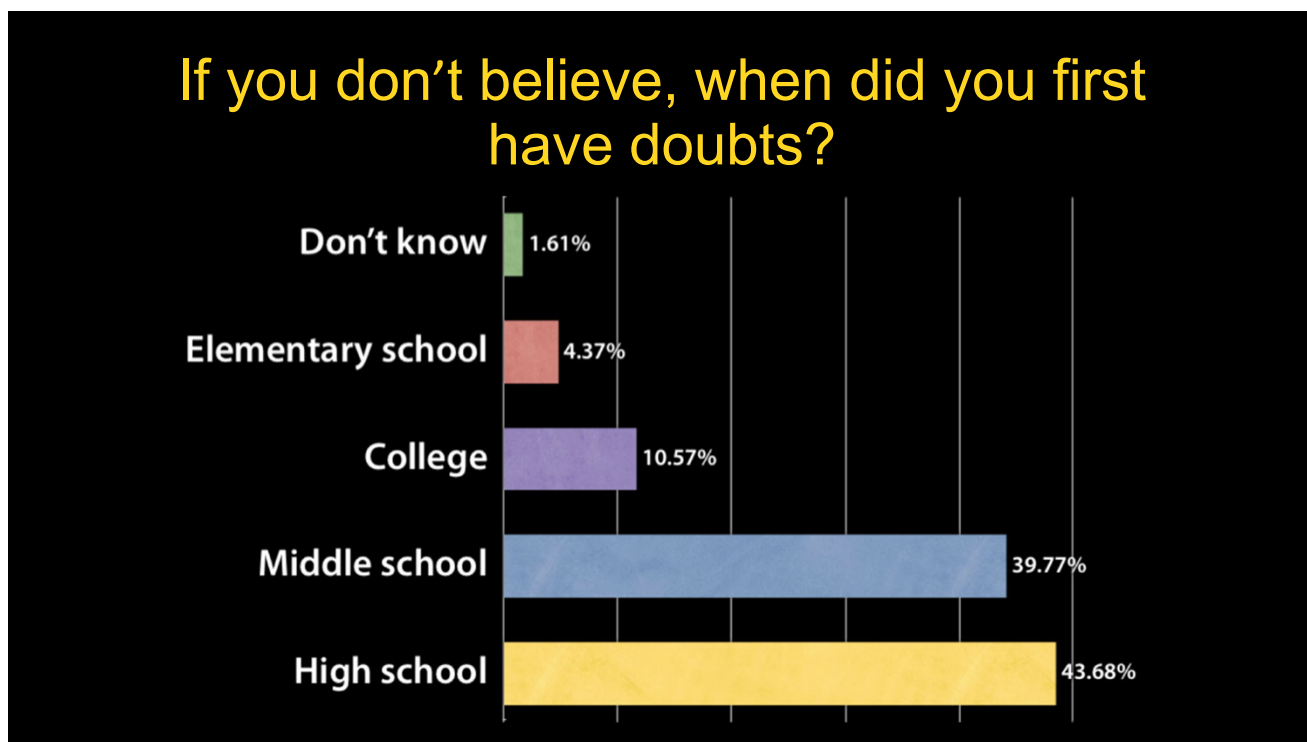
Source: *Already Gone*, Ken Ham & Britt

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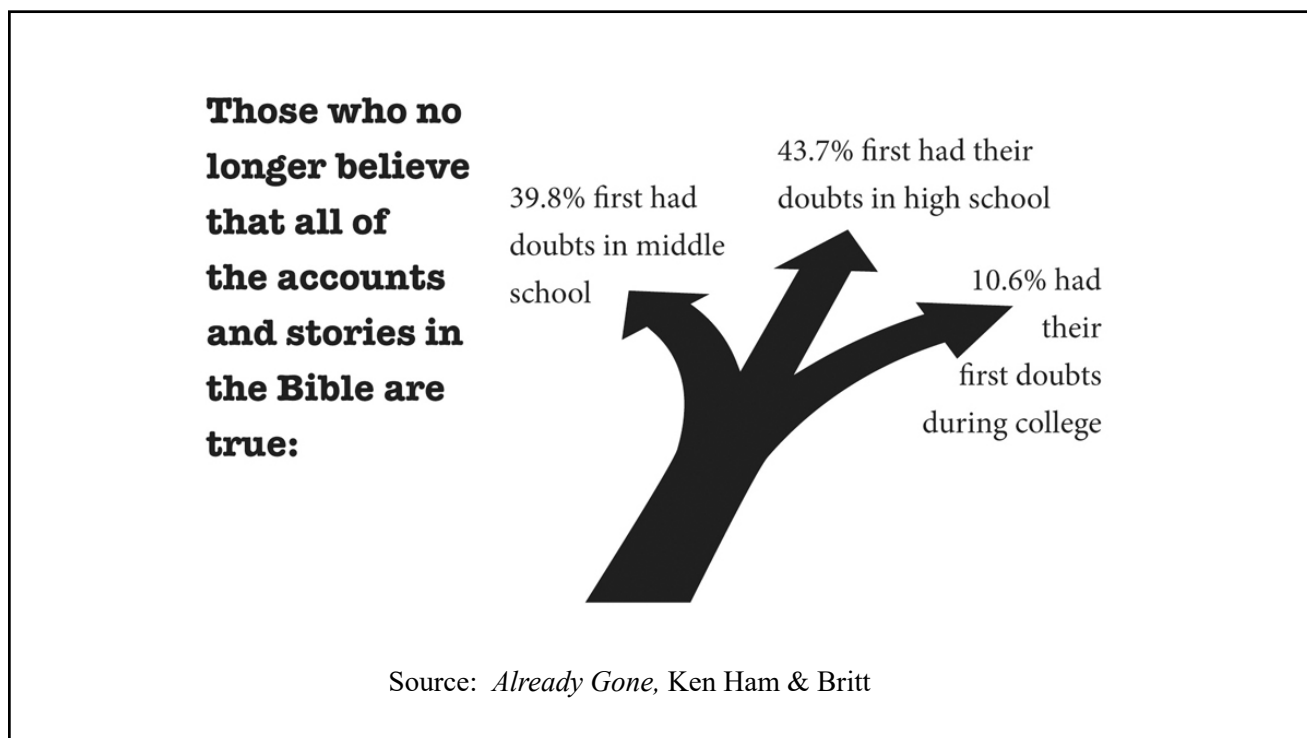
**At what age did you begin to really question contents in Bible?**



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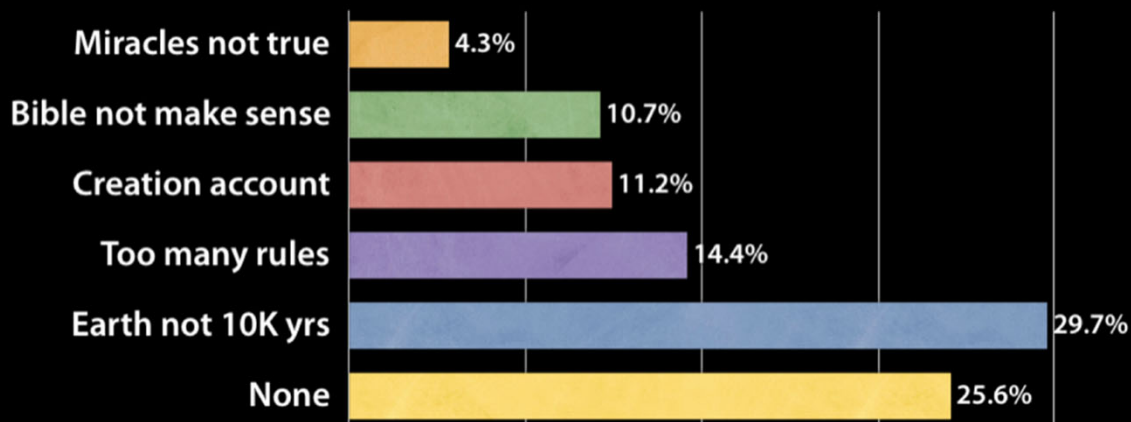
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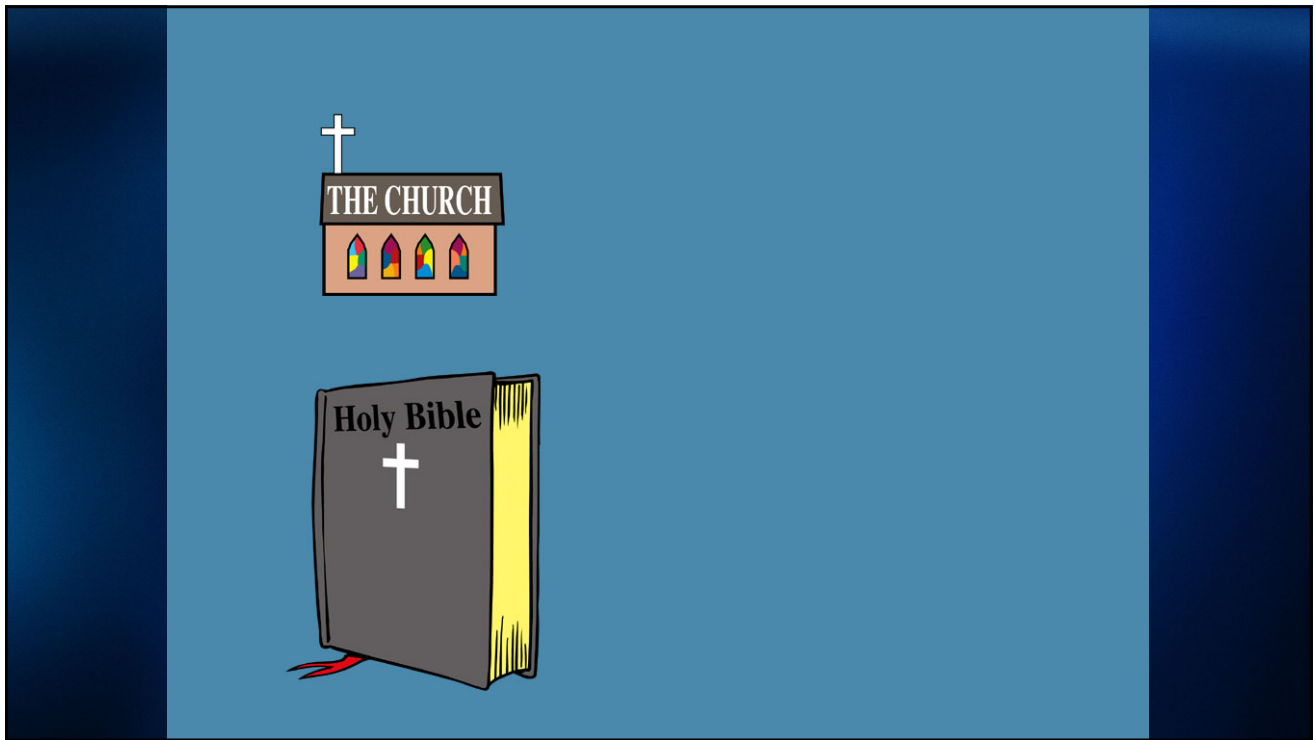
## Why are our kids jettisoning “the faith”?

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Of those who often attended Sunday School,  
which of these makes you question the  
Bible the most?



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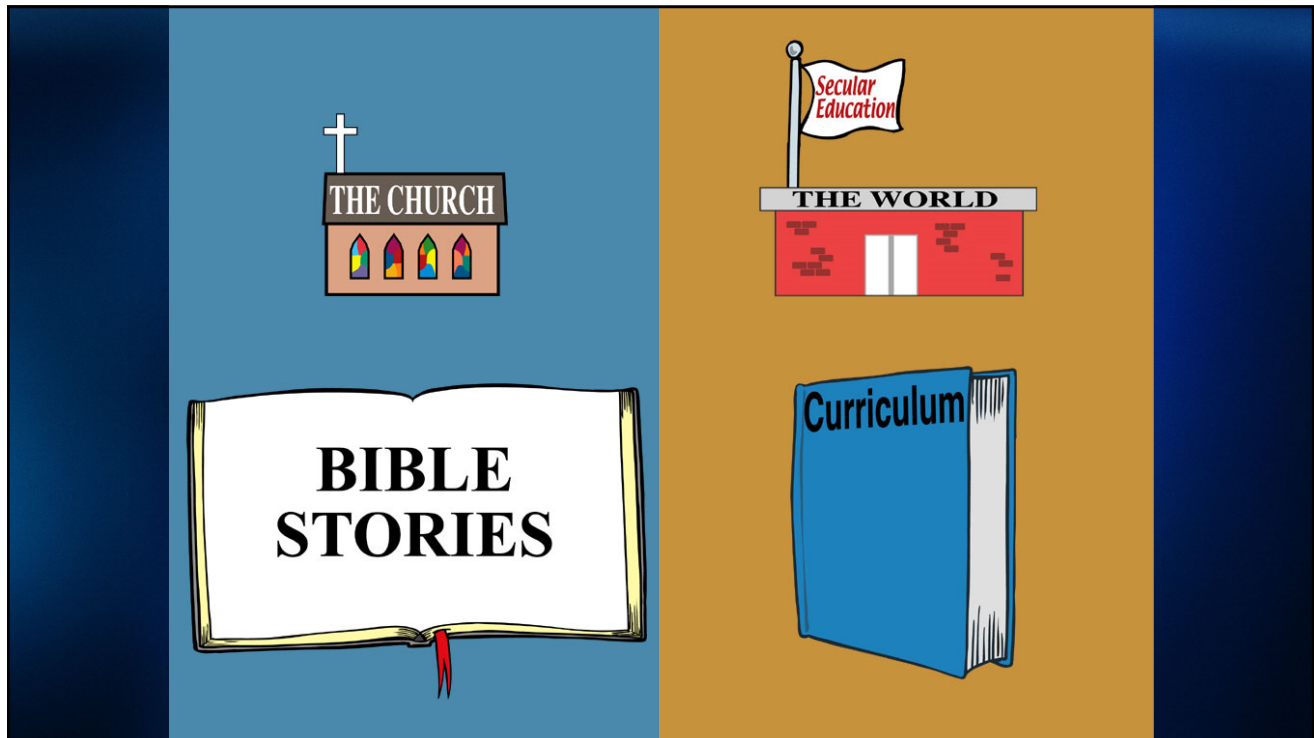


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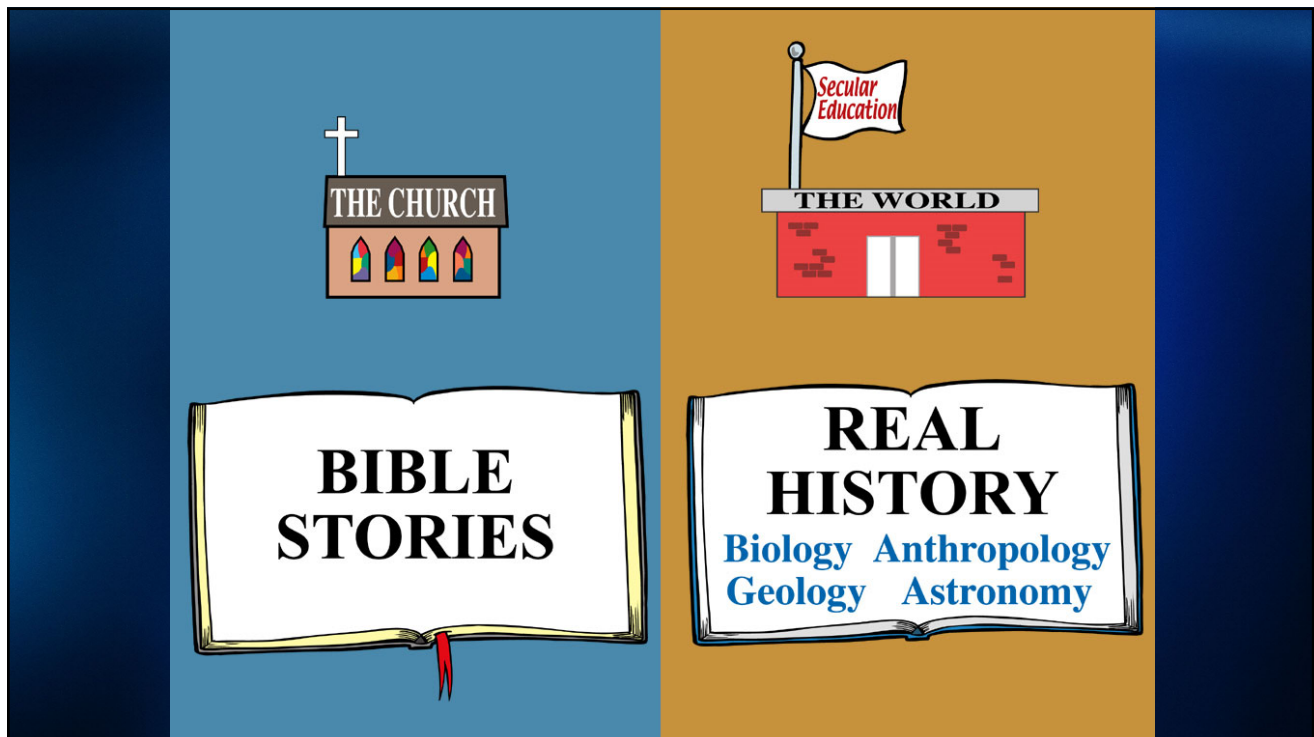


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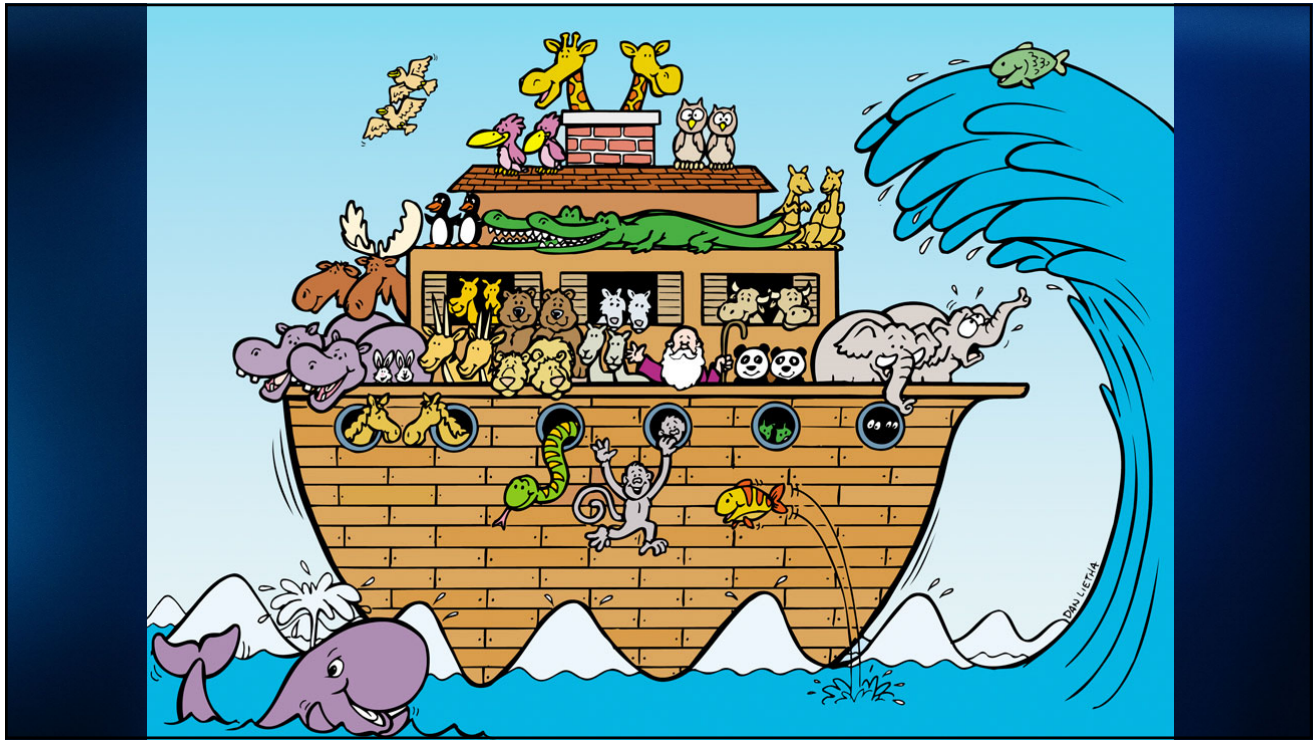


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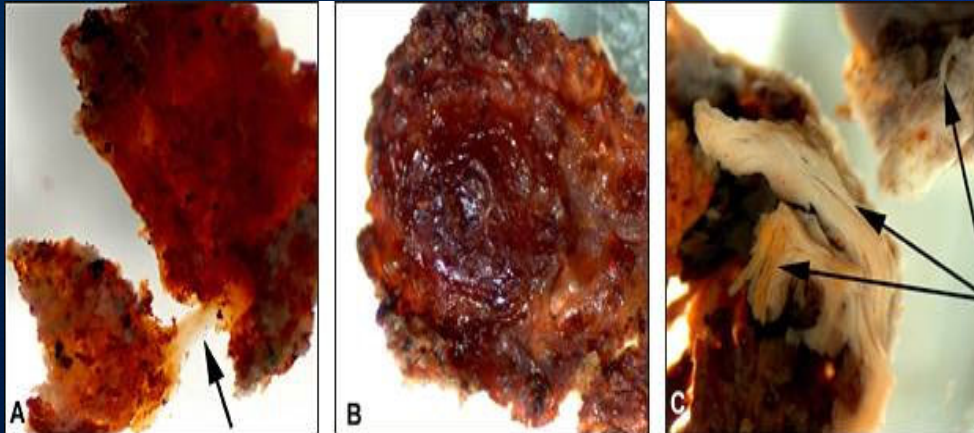


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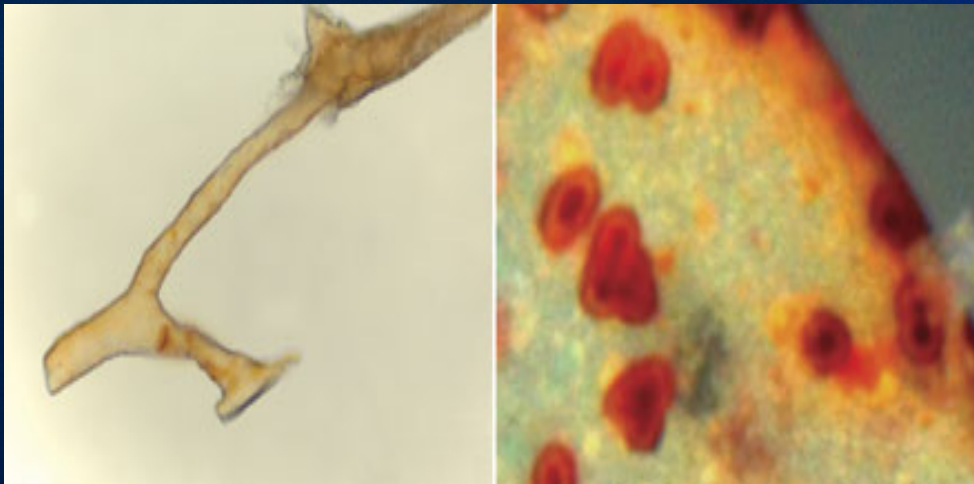
## Un-fossilized dinosaur tissue found in Alaska in 1990



Elastic material still present

fibrous bone material

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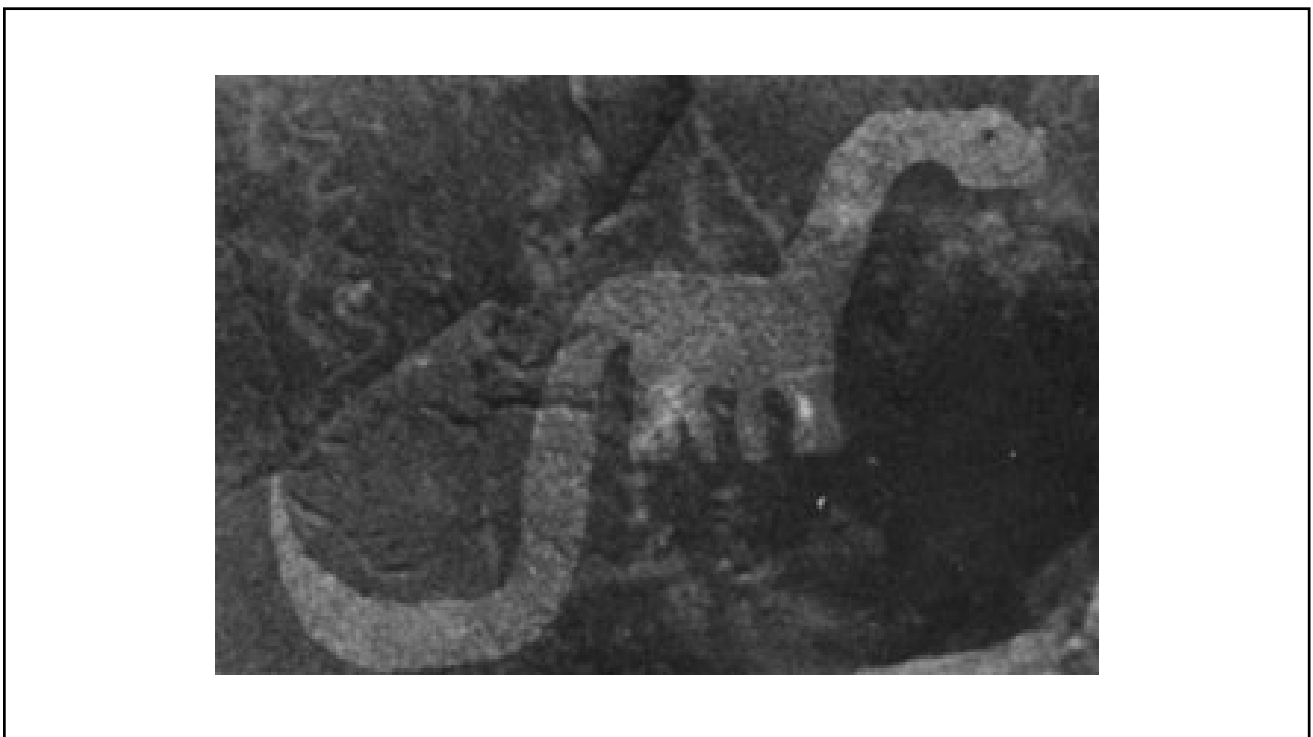


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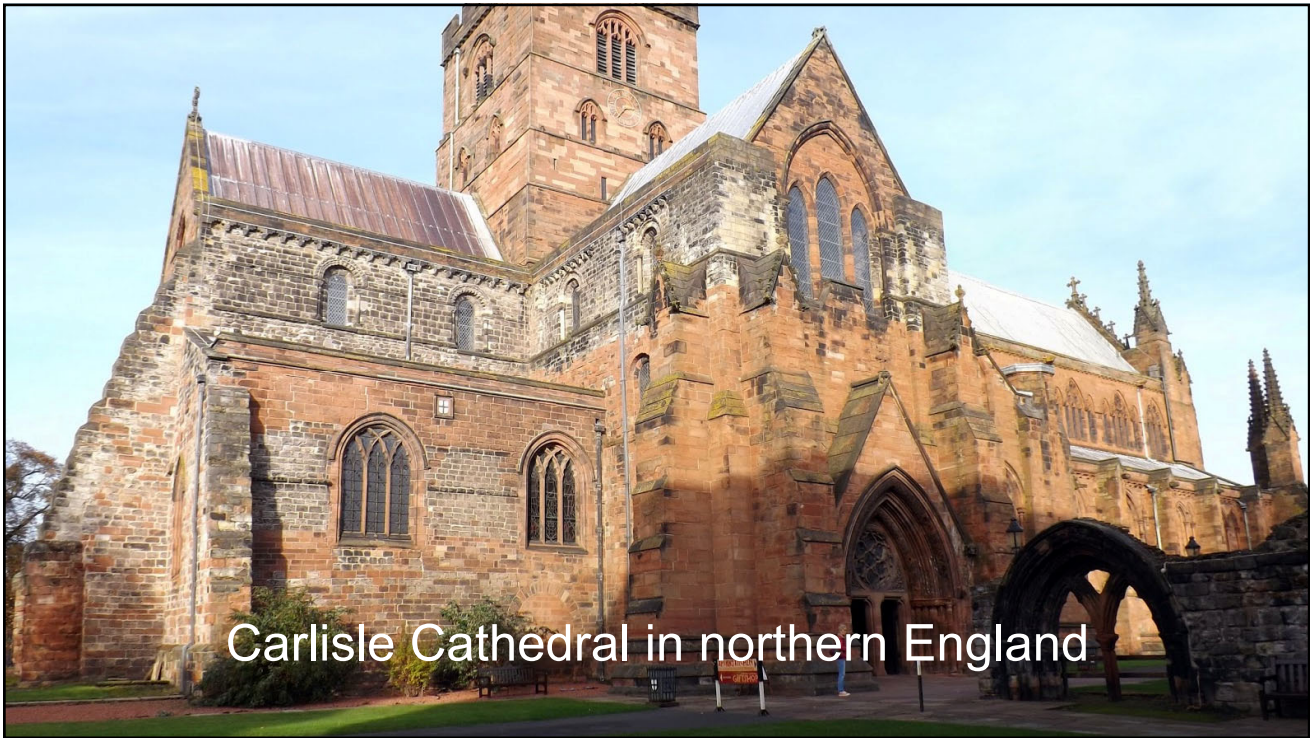




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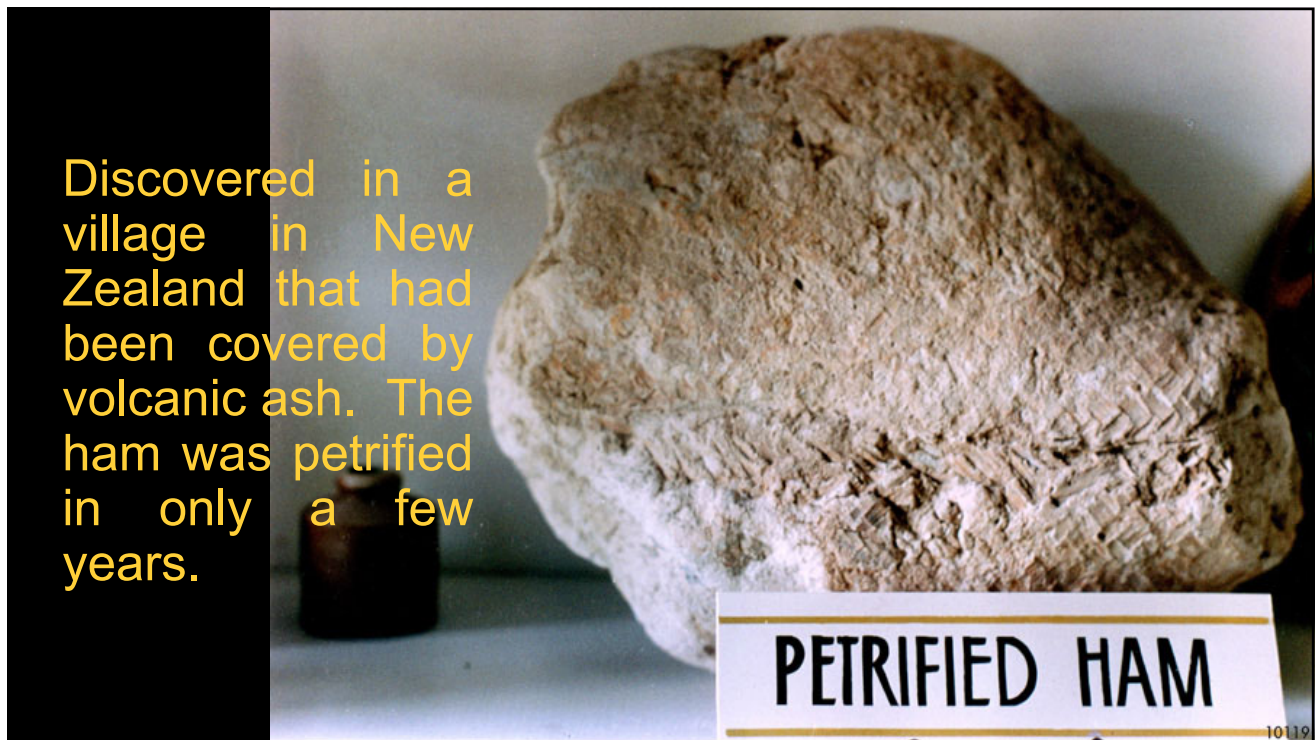




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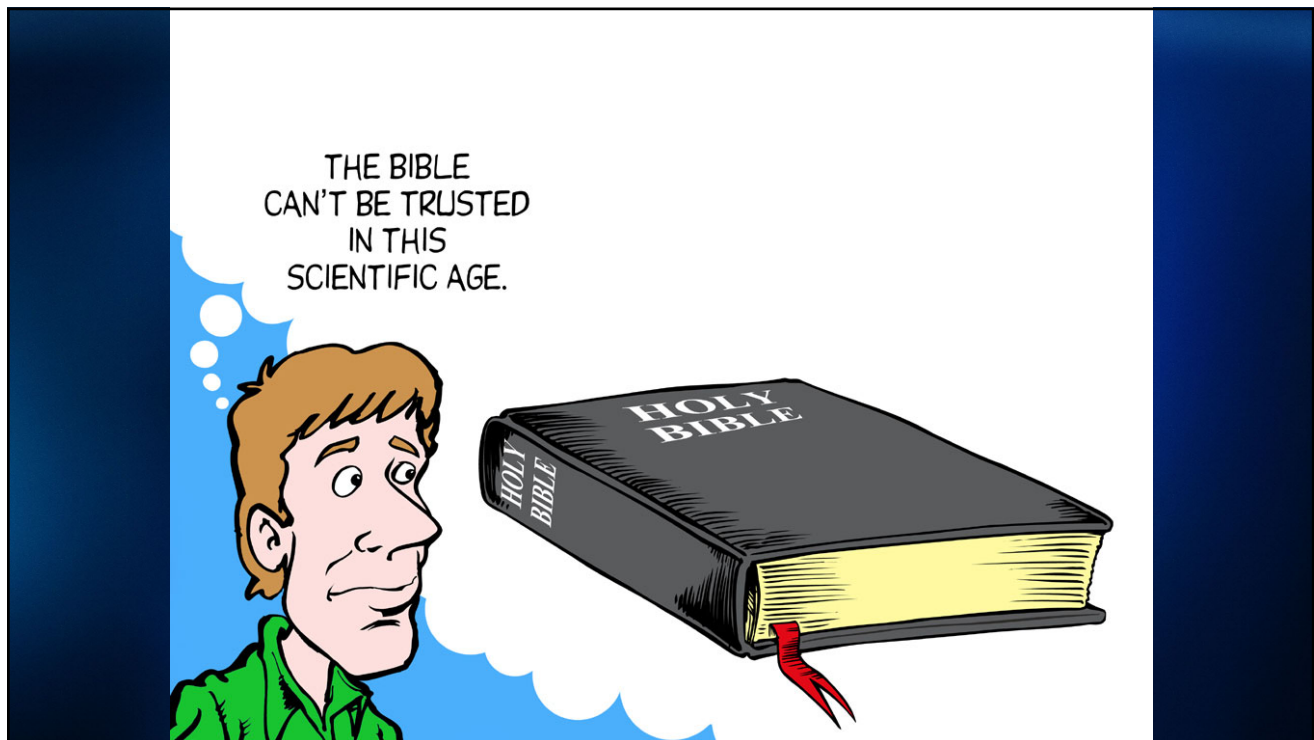


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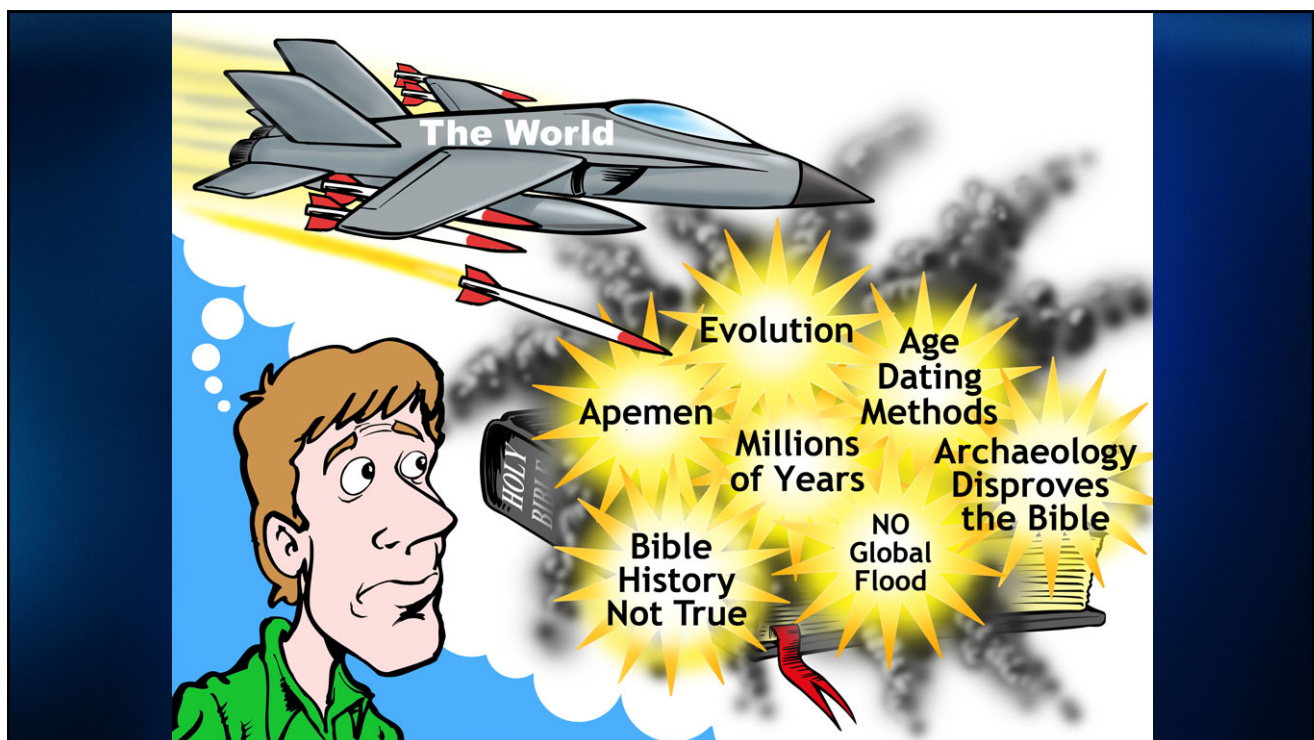
1 Pet 3:15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear;

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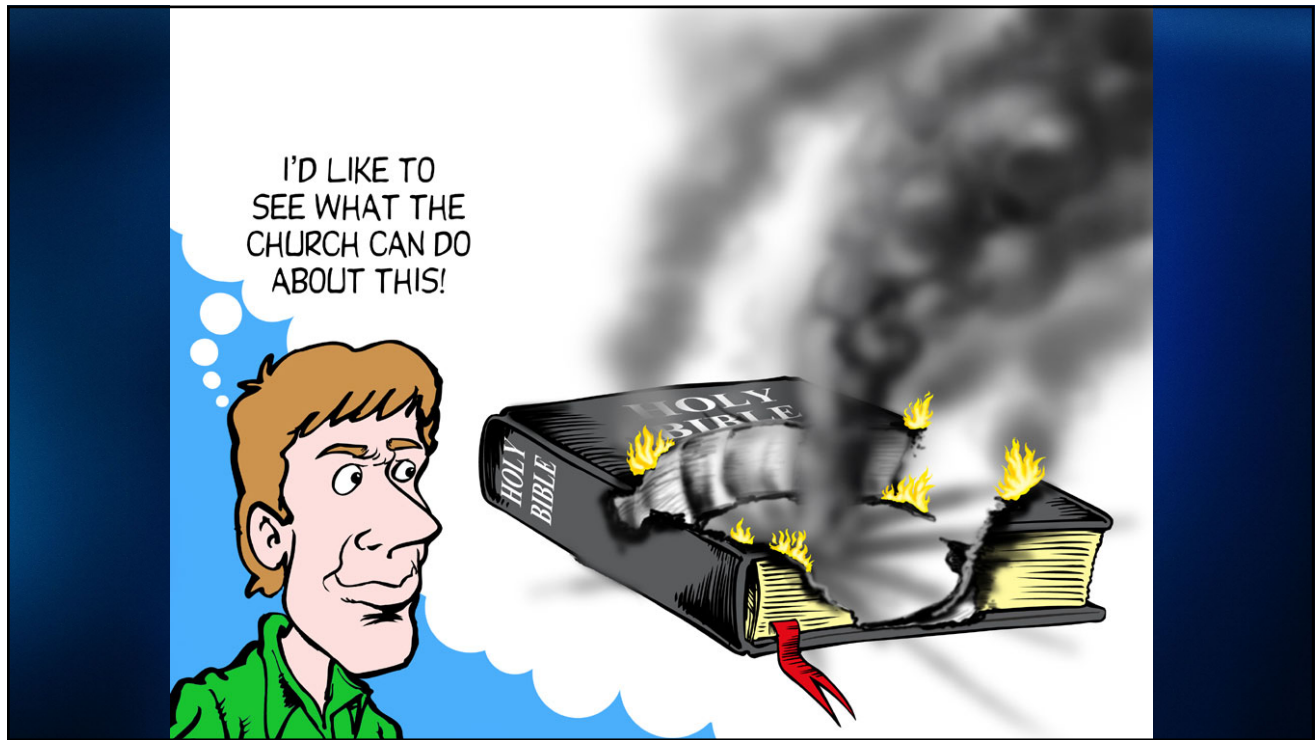




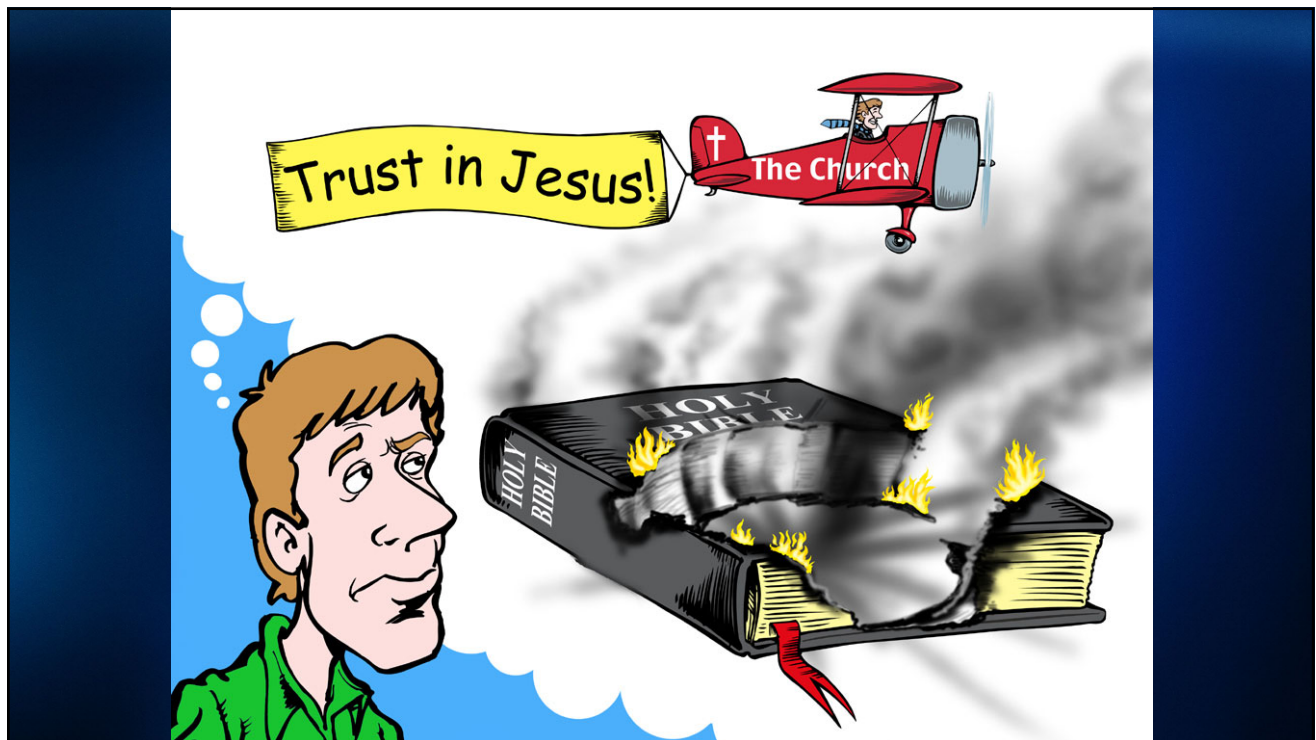
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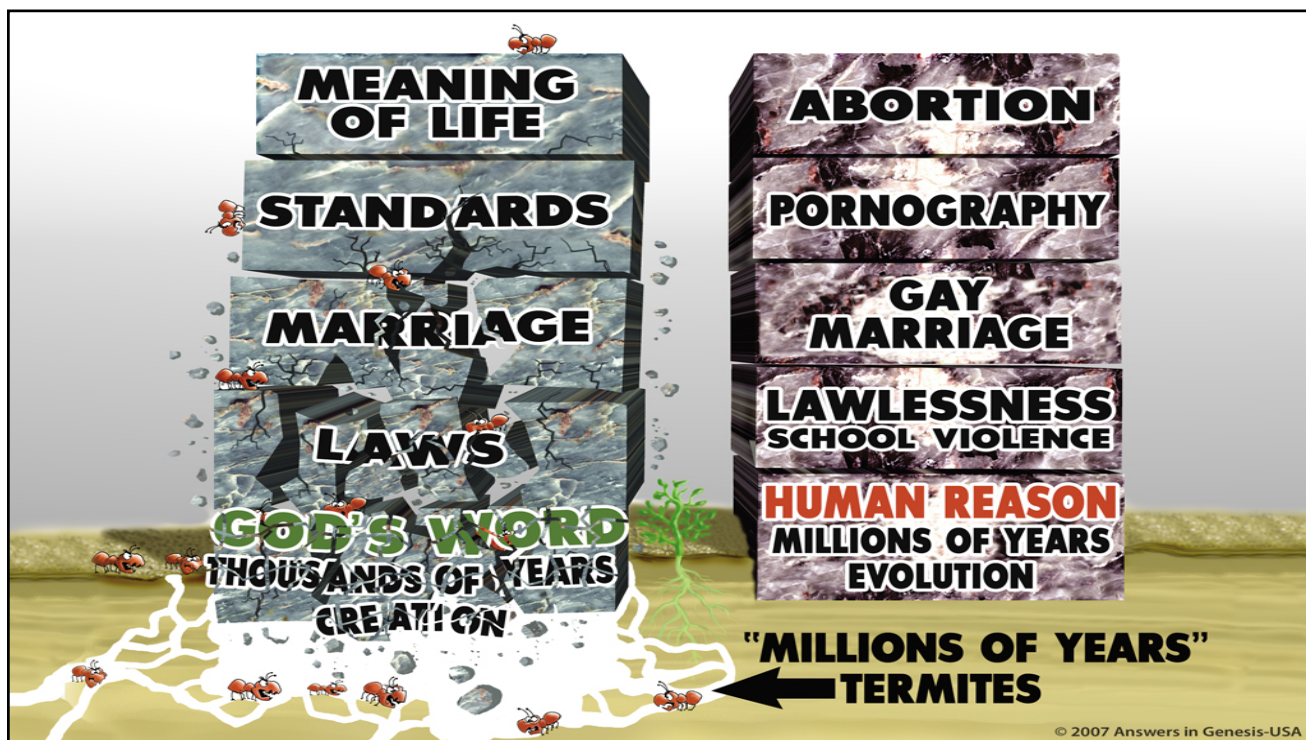
“The majority of our young people appear neither to understand who the true God is nor the true meaning of Christianity. It is evident that the Church and Christian families are failing to lead them into a transforming experience with God.”

Josh McDowell

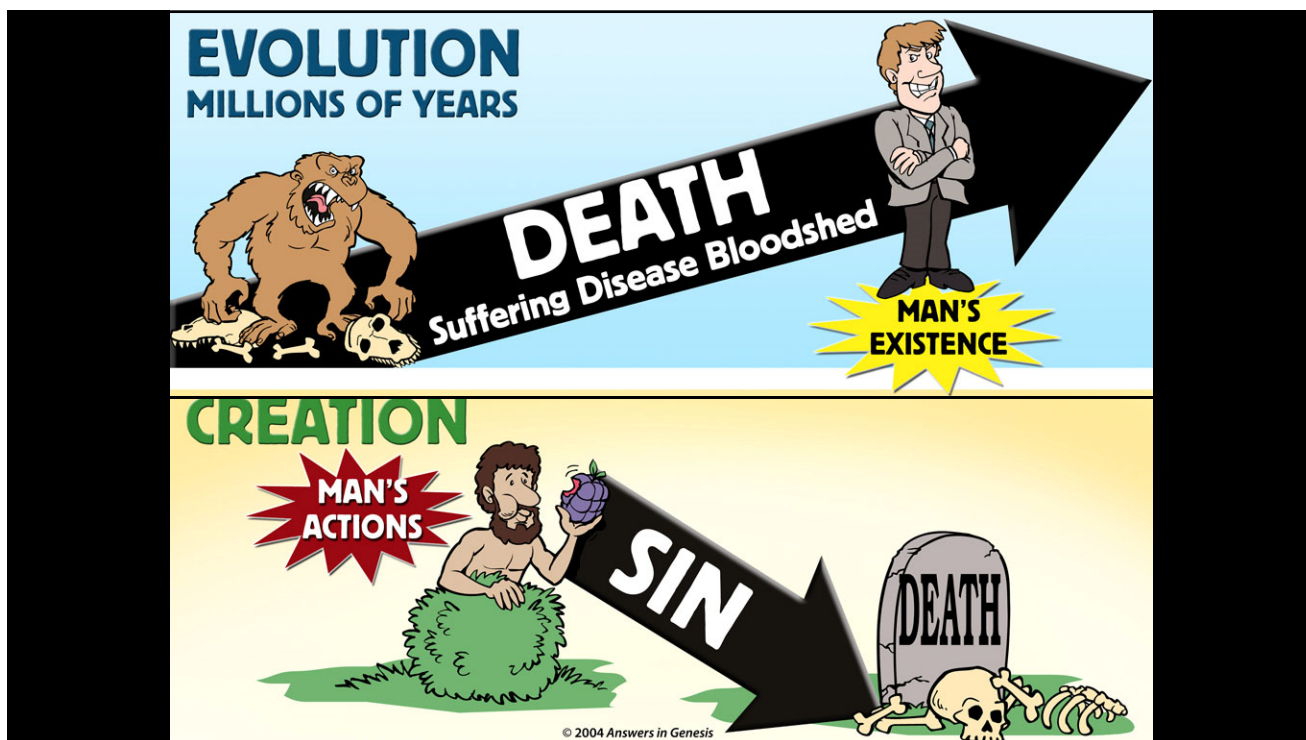
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“Guard what was committed to your trust, avoiding the profane and idle babblings and contradictions of what is falsely called knowledge <sup>21</sup>by professing it some have strayed concerning the faith.”

1 Tim 6:20-21

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“But I want to remind you, though you once knew this, ...” Jude 1:5

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“The chief danger of the 20th century will be religion without the Holy Ghost, Christianity without Christ, forgiveness without repentance, salvation without regeneration, politics without God, and Heaven without Hell.”

William Booth

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**Heb 6:19** This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, ...

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