

## IF YOU LOVE ME...

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Jesus said "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments. (John 14:15 NASV) It appears to be somewhat an interesting statement. Only six commandments are attributed to Jesus according to a Google search.

They are:

- Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near (Matthew 4:27)
- Come and follow Me (Matthew 4:19)
- Rejoice when you're persecuted in My name (Matthew 5:11–12)
- Let your light shine before all people (Matthew 5:16)
- Be reconciled to one another (Matthew 5:23–24)
- Take sin very seriously (Matthew 5:29–30)

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### RIGHT AND READY TO FIGHT

The world is at war to subdue every unalienable Right endowed upon mankind by Almighty God, our Creator. Ungodly, demonic and tyrannical rulers have set about methodical destruction and reversal of every cultural norm and virtuous

attribute which praiseworthy champions of freedom have martyred themselves to preserve, advance and sustain loving, responsible stewardship among God's people for the benefit of all generations brought forth upon the earth by God.

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### A CHANGE OF HEART?

"Your Cheating heart will make you weep,  
You'll cry and cry and try to sleep.  
But sleep won't come the whole night through;  
your cheating heart will tell on you.

When tears come down like falling rain,  
You'll toss around and call my name,  
you'll walk the floor the way I do;

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This internet list may be somewhat abridged due to denominational influence. Jesus also said "And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery". Matt. 19:9 That is a popular command to ignore, especially today.

We are saying the commands are "attributed" because Jesus actually wrote down none of these commands, as far as we know. The only time we know that He wrote is recorded in John 8:6-7: "This they said, tempting Him, that they might have to accuse Him. But Jesus stooped down, and with His finger wrote on the ground, as though He heard them not. So when they continued asking Him, He lifted up himself, and said unto them, 'He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her.'" John 8:6-7

Some other command-like instructions Jesus gave were to pay taxes (Matt 22:21), be reconciled with your brother (Matt 5:23-24), make friends with your opponents (Matt 5:25-26, Luke 12: 58-59), turn the other cheek (Matt 5:38-48), fast (Matt 6:16-18, do to others what you would have them do to you (Matt 7:12), sell possessions and give to the poor (Matt 19:21), go make disciples of and baptize all nations (Matt 28:19-20, Mark 16:15-16), be a good Samaritan (Luke 20:37), substitute an honest yes of no for swearing an oath (Matt 5:33-37), not to call someone a fool (Matt 5:22), and not to lust (Matt 5:27-28).

No part of the New Testament was written until

at least 20 years after the crucifixion. Jesus did not write His gospel, but rather entrusted his followers to do it, 20+ years later, through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

Were the commands of Jesus what he said during the 3 years of his ministry, or what his followers wrote 20-50 years later? If you love Jesus, do you follow what Jesus said during his 3 years ministry, or the collected inspired writing of his close followers which include his ministry teachings?

We find one of the things that was said by Jesus' apostles after His ascension in Acts 2:38: "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." (Acts 2:38) Something like 99% of the "Christian" world is in rebellion to that single verse.

Benton F. Baugh



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## RIGHT AND READY TO FIGHT

However, what is known only by Satan, the father of lies, who fuels the lust for wealth, power, domain, pride and pleasure of the destroyers, is this war for the world has already been lost to the victorious Son of God, Jesus Christ and Savior of All who place their faith in Him and follow Him into battle to rescue the perishing.

The **warriors who follow Jesus do not fight as the worldly fight**, because they are “clothed in righteousness, powered by Love, and are protected by the Armor of God:

Warriors of the Word are exhorted to “Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your **stand** against the devil’s schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore, put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to **stand** your ground, and after you have done every-thing, to **stand**.”

**Stand** firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist,

with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and

with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this,

take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.

With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.” Ephesians 6:10-18

The challenge to today’s warriors is truly daunting. In a world that taunts with hate towards everything good, this author struggles to feel the same kind of love that Jesus feels – but I know that “no temptation has seized me except what is common to man”. I also know that this kind of love is what Jesus gifted me at my baptism through the Holy Spirit Whose indwelling presence IS that Power that helps me to do what I am incapable of doing alone.

Men hate, but Jesus loves them anyway.

Believers must give themselves over to Jesus because it is Him who we follow and fellow man whom we serve and love by His Command. We are ambassadors for Jesus and His message – not our own. He who lives in us must become greater and our self is to become less because it is God’s Will to be done and His alone. Therefore, we acknowledge before men that everything we attempt to do, we do in the Name of Jesus. We choose to fight the good fight because we are being transformed into the likeness of Jesus by the power of the Holy Spirit according to the Will of God.

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It is our heart's desire, passionate wish and duty to declare and teach the power of God to our children, neighbors and everyone we meet, so that all people might hear the gospel and choose salvation over death. This has been the creed of America from the earliest arrivals enshrined in our Declaration of Independence and Constitution by our Founding Fathers and validated by millions who were inspired to build, protect, and defend the most unique, prosperous, kind and generous civil society to represent hope to the world like no other. Each generation has been called to reaffirm this hope; but never under the circumstances or urgency of today – which requires a deliberate commitment to a collective spiritual awakening of conscience at the core of our souls.

The path forward is very clear: victory is for those who can **stand** up against the forces of evil.

"Thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of Him. For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing. To the one we are the smell of death; to the other the fragrance of life. And who is equal to such a task?" 2 Corinthians 2:15-17

It is my prayer that every reader from every walk, persuasion and station, that we might reason together for the benefit of reconciliation with one-another and preservation of freedom of choice for our future generations.

In Jesus' Name, Amen

Larry S. Grubbs, Harrison, Ohio

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## BE STRONG IN THE LORD

*"Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith..."* (1 Peter 5:8 NIV)

Peter says there are ferocious predators just waiting to pounce. There is a cunning, devious, hidden nature to those things bent on destroying our faith. They numb, distract and blot out spiritual awareness. We need skills to overcome every diversion.

**STRENGTHEN YOUR FAITH:** Increase your knowledge, goodness, self-control, perseverance, kindness and love. Take a firm stand on the truth and persevere. One of the most cunning ploys is the demand for tolerance of evil. It takes strength and self-control to stand your ground.

**STAY ALERT:** There are many enemies of alertness. Whether caring for a loved one or staying up too late bingeing on a TV series – the result is the same. Too little sleep makes us more vulnerable to the enemy. Exhaustion whether our fault or not has the same effect. Live a balanced prudent lifestyle as much as possible to stay out of trouble.

**RESIST!** Recognize that there are many enemies seeking to destroy our faith. Be strong in the Lord. Be aware of your surroundings, stay away from places of darkness and sin. We are to avoid worldliness that contaminates our souls. May the Lord bless every effort toward strength, purity and holiness.

Elizabeth Brown, Texarkana, TX

## GOD IS IN THE NUMBERS, P 2

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If you like math like I do, and the logic that goes with it, then to be intellectually honest, you have to believe in God. It's all in the numbers.

Following is an example. Let's say you go to the beach, and you see the sentence, "SALLY LOVES JOEY" in the sand, written in seashells. Although seashells are scattered about the beach, no one would think that such came about through random forces of nature where the waves just happened to wash onshore those seashells in that precise order or configuration.

The reason has to do with our inherent understanding of how probability works. Without having to do any math, we just know it is completely improbable that such could happen on its own. Obviously, some intelligence (probably Sally) positioned those seashells to convey some information. We also know that when it comes to information, we have never seen through random forces of nature information conveyed in some way.

That is exactly the logic the SETI observers use to look for intelligent life in the cosmos. They are looking for some code, message, or other form of information, and if they found that communication, it would be proof of intelligence somewhere in the universe. For example, if they heard 1 beep, followed by 2 beeps, followed by 3, then 5, then 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31 ... 97 beeps and then repeat, that just couldn't be random beeps, but a simple code conveying all the prime numbers between 1 and 100. No one would have to do any fancy math to determine that there was some obvious

intelligence behind what they were hearing.

But like I said, I like math, so let's go ahead and do some probability calculations but instead of the whole "SALLY LOVES JOEY", let's just look at the word "LOVE". In my diagram, I show an 11 x 24 rectangular area. Let's pretend that every square represents an average-sized seashell, and Sally has only written the word "LOVE" with 55 seashells. To duplicate her word by random forces of nature, the first shell has 55 spots to land out of 264, or a probability P of 55 out of 264, calculated as  $P = 55/264$  or  $1/4.8$ . That means there is only about a 1 out of 5 chance that the waves wash that shell in a right spot. Now one out of five aren't bad odds, but since now one spot has been properly occupied in the rectangular area, that leaves the next shell to be properly placed in one of the other available spots.

Since there are only 54 spots left now out of 263 available spots, that means the probability of it randomly being positioned by a wave in an available spot is  $P = 54/263$  or about  $1/4.9$ . Now the way probability works for multiple events is that you have to multiply them together. Therefore, the probability of both seashells randomly landing in two of the available proper spots is  $P = 55/264 \times 54/263$  or about  $1/23$  which obviously is a lot less likely than just one seashell hitting its spot correctly. And if we go to three shells, the odds are one out of about 116 ( $P = 1/115.6$ ). Who would bet on those kinds of odds? You can see where this is going. Here's how the math works for all 55 seashells just by sheer luck happening to all land in the right spots so that you see the word "LOVE". (Note that "!" means factorial.)

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$P = 55! / ((264! / ((264 - 55)!)))$  or  $P = 55! \times 209! / 264!$  or  $P = 1/3.5 \times 10^{58}$ .

$3.5 \times 10^{58}$  is 35 followed by 57 zeros. There's not even that many seashells on the entire planet earth. The estimated number of atoms that make up our planet is "only" about  $1.3 \times 10^{50}$ .

Such ridiculously low numbers like  $1/3.5 \times 10^{58}$  are considered "zero" by scientists, meaning that the chances of something like that happening are zero, or put another way, it ain't going to happen. And you instinctively know that, which is why you don't waste your time trying to calculate if information like the word "love" came about from random forces of nature. Now you think  $10^{58}$  is a big number. No, no, no, no, no. That's child's play when it comes to life, including supposed life on other planets somewhere.

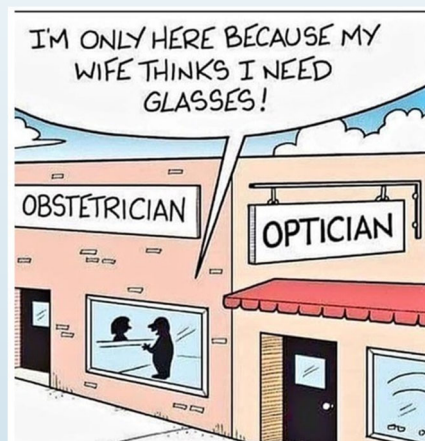
If one is on a jury, and a forensic expert provides DNA evidence against the defendant, noting that the chances of the DNA being someone else's is less than one out of 10 billion ( $10^{10}$ ), for most, most likely that's enough evidence to convict the man. The numbers are too strong against him.  $1/(10^{10})$  essentially is equal to zero (as discussed earlier), meaning there's a zero chance that the DNA could be someone else's.  $10^{10}$  is a really big number, more than the number of people on earth.

The same thinking goes into believing life exists elsewhere. Some scientists have calculated that in the entire universe, there must be at least  $10^{20}$  planets that can harbor life. As a reminder, that's a 1 followed by 20 zeros, an

obvious astronomical number (especially when you consider that those same scientists believe there are about  $10^{80}$  atoms in the entire universe—another astronomical number). With so many such planets, the thinking is that life just has to be on at least one of them, the numbers are again too strong. However, when it comes to life, both of those numbers are minuscule, puny and outright microscopic.

We're told that life came about in a puddle of primordial soup containing trillions upon trillions of amino acids, the building blocks of life. (The 1952 Miller-Urey experiment sought to prove such a puddle could have existed billions of years ago and even produced amino acids.) All life as we know it is made up of proteins (thousands of different kinds), the next "subassemblies" made from those amino acid "building blocks", and all proteins are made from just 20 different amino acids, but they have to be assembled in an exact order. If just one amino acid is not in the right order, the protein won't fold correctly to form the required three-dimensional structure it must be to function properly.

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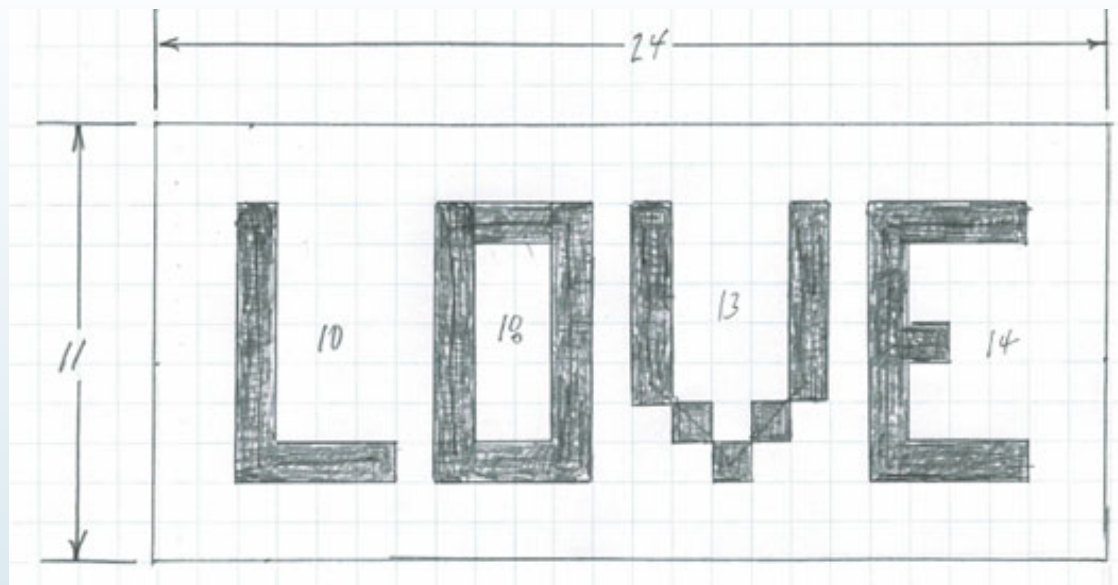
Now let's take a relatively small protein consisting of "only" 200 amino acids. The chances of it assembling in its required exact order through random forces are one out of  $20^{200}$ , a number greater than  $10^{260}$ , which is a number beyond astronomical. And that's just one "simple" protein, forget something like an average-sized 500-amino acid protein, and especially a multi-billion atom DNA molecule (whose atoms also must be in an exact order to do their job right, since it provides the code for forming those proteins). Based on the numbers, if one is consistent when it comes to statistics and probabilities, they should be totally shocked life is even here on just one planet, forget somewhere else. So, with those numbers to compare against, one out of  $10^{20}$  is basically nothing, zero (and a whole lot less than one out of  $10^{10}$ ), meaning there's a zero chance that a simple protein ever came about from random forces, forget an organelle which consists of thousands of different proteins.

Therefore, believing in aliens from other planets requires a big disconnect when it comes to numbers-based evidence. The numbers are just beyond astronomically against it. Or put another way, the only logical explanation for

such zero probabilities is that there is an intelligence behind the creation of life, including the DNA code used to create the proteins which are used to make things like brains for us to use and realize that there must be a super intelligence in the universe to explain everything around us.

(Note, even if you were the smartest chemist in the world, and from scratch created a multi-billion-atom DNA molecule, if you didn't program it correctly, that is, position the nucleotides in a certain precise order, it would be useless. And yes, I intentionally used the word "created".)

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## IMPOSSIBLE FOR EVOLUTION #138 - MAGNETORECEPTION

We all have a good feel for gravity. We can probably all develop our ability to navigate by sound reflection or echolocation. Blind people certainly do. This ability is enhanced by the fact that there is actually an echo coming back to us from the object being tracked. Something is happening we have a sensitivity to, and we learn how to use the resource better.

That is not the case for magnetoreception or guiding off the earth's magnetic field. The earth's magnetic field is passing through us at all times, but we have no way to sense it. The way we normally harness its guidance potential is to use a compass.

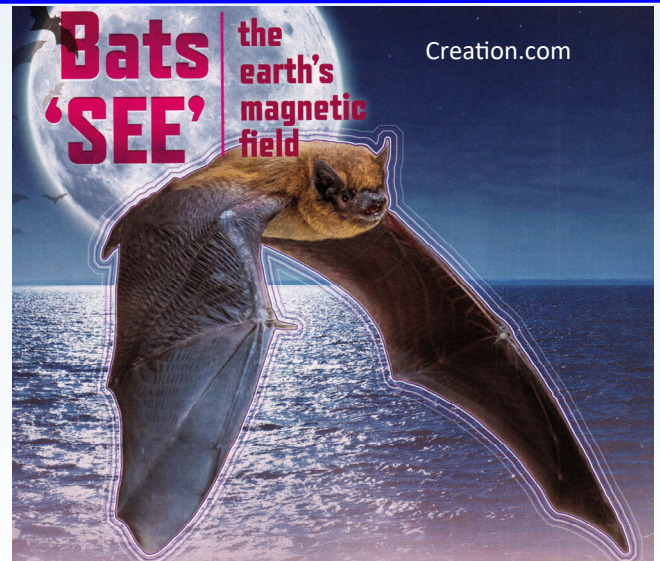
Although God did not give us this capability, He did give it to a number of His creations such as bats, birds, sharks, trout, turtles and honeybees.

Imagine a bird or bat flying across the Gulf of Mexico at night, or a Plover flying from Alaska to the Hawaiian Islands, and actually finding a destination. Most of us would simply fly in circles.

Evolutionists would suggest that magnetoreception is so simple that it can be developed by evolutionary accidents, but they don't actually even know how animals perceive magnetic fields. Magnetoreceptors (whatever they are) might plausibly be located almost anywhere inside an animal's body; potential magnetoreceptors might be tiny and dispersed throughout a large volume of tissue.

Several mechanisms have been proposed that might underlie magnetic-field detection. Most recent research has focused on three main ideas: electromagnetic induction (a current produced because of voltage production (electromotive force) due to a changing magnetic field; magnetite (crystals of the mineral magnetite ( $Fe_3O_4$ ) providing the physical basis for magnetoreception); and chemical magnetoreception (a set of unusual biochemical reactions that are influenced by Earth's magnetic field). All big words that say: scientists have no idea how it happens.

We have experienced what is likely magnetoreception. We are in the southward fall migration pattern of Hum-



**ALL THE BIG WORDS ADD UP TO SCIENTISTS PRESENTLY HAVE NO IDEA HOW IT HAPPENS.**

mingbirds, with a northward facing garage. On two different occasions a Hummingbird has flown into our open garage door and couldn't get out. In each case they

spent two days in the garage with the door on the north side wide open (getting very hungry). In each case we had to launch them out of the garage door with a badminton racket where they could find the southern direction, and they took off.

Imagine the complexity of developing an organ in your body that is sensitive to the earth's magnetic field, having the organ figure out how to transmit data to your brain, and then learning how to interpret the resulting data to guide your travels.



That would not be an accident of evolution, it would be the acts of an intelligent designer.

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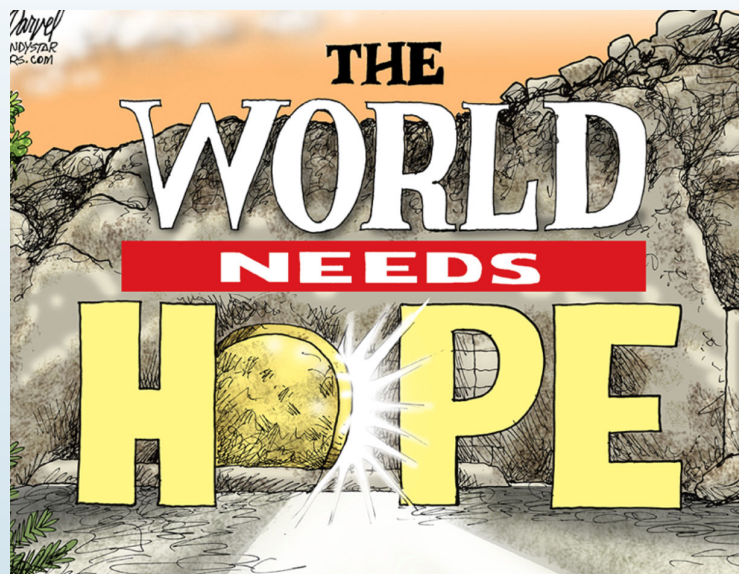
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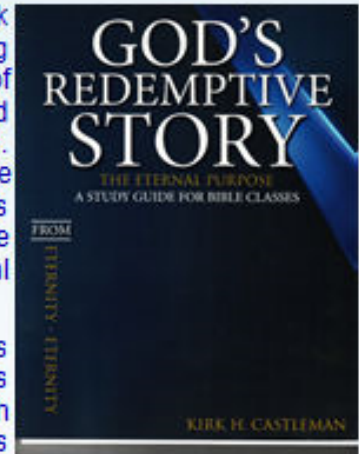
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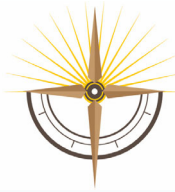
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