



# **Isaiah 8:11-20**

**v.11 – Walk a different way**

**v.12 – Talk a different talk**

**v.13 – Sanctify Yehovah – Make God your all – total - exclusive**

**v.16 – Torah and testimony**

**Torah is the talk – Teaching – Truth – God’s way**

**Testimony is the walk – Lifestyle – Evidence**

**v.17 – Wait on Yehovah**

**v.18 – Be living signs – that Yehovah’s ways are LIFE - Good**

**v.20 – Torah and testimony – OR – NO Light**

# **Deuteronomy 32:46-47 - ESV**

- 46. Take to heart all the words by which I am warning you today, that you may command them to your children, that they may be careful to do all the words of this Torah.**
- 47. For it is no empty word for you, but your very life, and by this word you shall live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to possess.**

# Richard Dawkins

1941 -

Evolutionary Biologist

Popular Author

**It is absolutely safe to say that if you meet somebody who claims not to believe in evolution, that person is ignorant, stupid, or insane (or wicked, but I'd rather not consider that).**



# Francis Crick

1916-2004

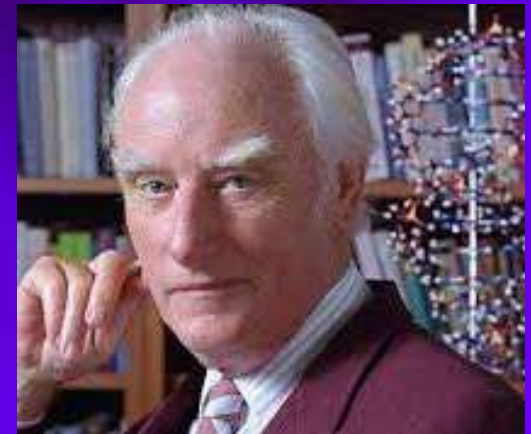
Molecular biologist, biophysicist

Co-discoverer of DNA

Nobel Prize in Medicine – 1962

One of the most frightening things in the Western world, and in this country in particular, is the number of people who believe in things that are scientifically false.

If someone tells me that the earth is less than 10,000 years old, in my opinion he should see a psychiatrist.



# **Colossians 2:8** VLT

**See that no one will be stripping-leading you away through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the elements of the cosmos, and not according to Christ.**



# Issues in Genesis 1-3

1. **God** - Origin – 1<sup>st</sup> Cause – vs. gods or chance – Idolatry
2. **Creation** – Intelligent design vs. Mindless accident
3. **Time** – Evening/Morning – Day – Week – “Moonth” – Year
4. **Adam** – Identity – Image of God vs. Evolved animal
5. **Dominion** – Environment – God’s world vs. Mother earth
6. **Gender** – Sexuality – Male & female – Human morality
7. **Reproduction** – Fruitful & multiply – Children – Value of Life
8. **Diet** – Body Temple – Health and Environment
9. **Sabbath** – Holy Time – Day of Worship
10. **Choice** – 2 Trees – Freedom – Love – vs. Determinism
11. **Death** – Nature of Adam – Mortal vs. Immortal
12. **Partner** – Helper Comparable – Life-saving same-opposite
13. **Family** – Leave & Cleave – Marriage – Social structure unit
14. **Fall** – Sin – Curse – Consequences – Cruelty in creation
15. **Flood** – Geology – Age of earth – Short vs. Long

# Science: Creation vs. Evolution

**Cosmology** – Origin of the “stuff”

Did the universe create itself from nothing?

**Biology** – Origin of LIFE

Did life self-generate from non-life?


**Geology** – History of the “stuff” and LIFE on earth  
as written in the “stuff” itself

What would earth look like if it had been flooded  
with water 4800 years ago?

## Moral-Social teachings of Torah



# Genesis 1: Creation

And it was evening,  
and it was morning, day 


God said	Light	It was light	Saw...good		1
God said	Air	It was so			2 <sup>nd</sup>
God said	Land-Seas	It was so	Saw...good		3 <sup>rd</sup>
God said	Vegetation	It was so	Saw...good		
God said	Sun-Moon-Stars	It was so	Saw...good		4 <sup>th</sup>
God said	Fish-birds		Saw...good	Blessed	5 <sup>th</sup>
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**Special Creation – Made in Image of God – not image of beast**

# Genesis 5:1-3

- 1 This is the book of the genealogy of Adam. In the day that God created Adam, He made him in the **likeness** of God.
- 2 He created them male and female, and blessed them and called them Adam in the day they were created.
- 3 And Adam lived one hundred and thirty years, and begot a son in his own **likeness**, after his **image**, and named him Seth.

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Given dominion – Absolute value**


# **Genesis 9:1-6**

- 1 So God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them: “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth.**
- 2 And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be on every beast of the earth, on every bird of the air, on all that move on the earth, and on all the fish of the sea. They are given into your hand.**
- 3 Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. I have given you all things, even as the green herbs.**
- 4 But you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood.**

# Genesis 9:1-6

- 5 Surely for your lifeblood I will demand a reckoning; from the hand of every beast I will require it, and from the hand of man. From the hand of every man's brother I will require the life of man.
- 6 "Whoever sheds man's blood,  
By man his blood shall be shed;  
For in the **image** of God He made man.

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Common Designer – Not common ancestor



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**Given Dominion – Absolute Value – Common Designer**
2. **Our Hearts were made IN Paradise – and FOR Paradise**  
**Not IN and FOR brutality – struggle – carnage – death**

Made for: Security  
Freedom  
Intimacy  
Innocence  
Abundance  
Beauty  
Comfort  
Joy



**LOVE**

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*They paved paradise - And put up a parking lot  
With a pink hotel, a boutique - And a swinging hot spot  
Don't it always seem to go  
That you don't know what you've got till it's gone  
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*Joni Mitchell – Big Yellow Taxi - 1968*

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- 4. We are all broken – from birth  
We inflict our brokenness on others thru broken living**
- 5. Any way our lives differ from Paradise reveals  
the ways we are broken and where we need healing**

# A helper comparable

Hebrew: **ezer ke-negdo**

**ezer** – helper

**ke-negdo** – prepositional phrase

**k** – “to” or “for”

**negdo** – compound word built from...

**neged** – in front of, opposite, corresponding to

**hu** – 3<sup>rd</sup> person pronoun – he, she, it

Literally: *A helper to-correspond-him*

# Exodus 25:12,14

## Word Study *tsela*

### Ark of the Covenant

- 12 You shall cast four rings of gold for it, and put them in its four corners; two rings shall be on one **side**, and two rings on the other **side**.
- 13 And you shall make poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold.
- 14 You shall put the poles into the rings on the **sides** of the ark, that the ark may be carried by them.

# Exodus 37:3,5

## Word Study *tsela*

### Ark of the Covenant

- 3 And he cast for it four rings of gold to be set in its four corners: two rings on one **side**, and two rings on the other **side** of it.
- 4 He made poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with gold.
- 5 And he put the poles into the rings at the **sides** of the ark, to bear the ark.



# Exodus 27:7

## Word Study *tsela*

### Bronze Altar of Sacrifice

- 7 The poles shall be put in the rings, and the poles shall be on the two **sides** of the altar to bear it.

# Exodus 38:7

## Word Study *tsela*

### Bronze Altar of Sacrifice

- 7 Then he put the poles into the rings on the **sides** of the altar, with which to bear it. He made the altar hollow with boards.

# Exodus 30:4

## Word Study *tsela*

### Golden Altar of Incense

- 4 Two gold rings you shall make for it, under the molding on both its **sides**. You shall place them on its two sides, and they will be holders for the poles with which to bear it.

# Exodus 37:27

## Word Study *tsela*

### Golden Altar of Incense

27 He made two golden rings for it under its molding, on its two **sides**—on opposite sides—as holders for poles with which to carry it.

# Exodus 26:35

## Word Study *tsela*

### Lampstand and the Table of Shewbread

35 You shall set the table outside the veil, and the lampstand across from the table on the **side** of the tabernacle toward the south; and you shall put the table on the north **side**.

# Exodus 26:20,26,27

## Word Study *tsela*

### Tabernacle Structure

- 20 And for the second **side** of the tabernacle, the north side, there shall be twenty boards
- 26 And you shall make bars of acacia wood: five for the boards on one **side** of the tabernacle,
- 27 five bars for the boards on the other **side** of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the **side** of the tabernacle, for the far side westward.



# Exodus 36:25,31,32

## Word Study *tsela*

### Tabernacle Structure

- 25 And for the other **side** of the tabernacle, the north **side**, he made twenty boards..
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# 1 Kings 6:5,8

## Word Study *tsela*

### Solomon's Temple

- 5 Against the wall of the house he built stories encompassing the walls of the house around both the nave and the inner sanctuary; thus he made **side chambers** all around.
- 8 The doorway for the lowest **side chamber** was on the right side of the house; and they would go up by winding stairs to the middle story, and from the middle to the third.

# 1 Kings 6:15,16

## Word Study *tsela*

### Solomon's Temple

- 15 Then he built the walls of the house on the inside with **boards** of cedar; from the floor of the house to the ceiling he overlaid the walls on the inside with wood, and he overlaid the floor of the house with **boards** of cypress.
- 16 He built twenty cubits on the rear part of the house with **boards** of cedar from the floor to the ceiling; he built them for it on the inside as an inner sanctuary, even as the most holy place.

# 1 Kings 6:33-34

## Word Study *tsela*

### Solomon's Temple

- 33 So for the door of the sanctuary he also made doorposts of olive wood, one-fourth of the wall.
- 34 And the two doors were of cypress wood; two **panels** (*tsela*) comprised one folding door, and two panels (*qela*) comprised the other folding door.

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- *qela* = curtain or hanging
  - The words are identical except for the first letter.
  - Appears to be a scribal error replacing צ (ts) with ק (q).
  - LXX translates both with the same Greek word.

# 1 Kings 7:2-3 NKJV

## Word Study *tsela*

### Solomon's Summer Palace

- 2 He also built the House of the Forest of Lebanon; its length was one hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits, with four rows of cedar pillars, and cedar beams on the pillars.
- 3 And it was paneled with cedar above the **beams** that were on forty-five pillars, fifteen to a row.

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NASB – It was paneled with cedar above the **side chambers** which were on the 45 pillars, 15 in each row.

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ESV – And it was covered with cedar above upon the **beams**, that lay on forty five pillars, fifteen in a row.

# Ezekiel 41:5,6,7,8,9,11,26

Word Study  
*tsela*

## Ezekiel's Temple

- 5 Then he measured the wall of the temple, six cubits; and the width of the **side chambers**, four cubits, all around about the house on every side.

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Verses 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 26 further refer to and describe these same “side chambers”



# 2 Samuel 16:13

## Word Study *tsela*

### David fleeing from Absalom

13 And as David and his men went along the road, Shimei went along the **side** of the hill opposite him and cursed as he went, threw stones at him and kicked up dust

# Job 18:12

## Word Study *tsela*

### Referring to the Wicked

12 His strength is famished,  
And calamity is ready at his **side**.

# Genesis 2:21,22

## Word Study *tsela*

### Referring to Adam

- 21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his **sides**, and closed up the flesh in its place.
- 22 Then the **side** which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man.



**Greater Strengths – Lesser Strengths – with no Weakness**

**Good – and Better – but no Worse or Bad**

**Strong Points – but no Short Comings**

**Levels of Sufficiency – but no Insufficiency**

**Varying Intensity – but no Impotency**

**Degrees of Competence – but no Incompetence**

**Greater Capabilities – with no Incapability**

**Superior – but no Inferior**

**Asset – without Deficit**

**Luster – without Lacking**

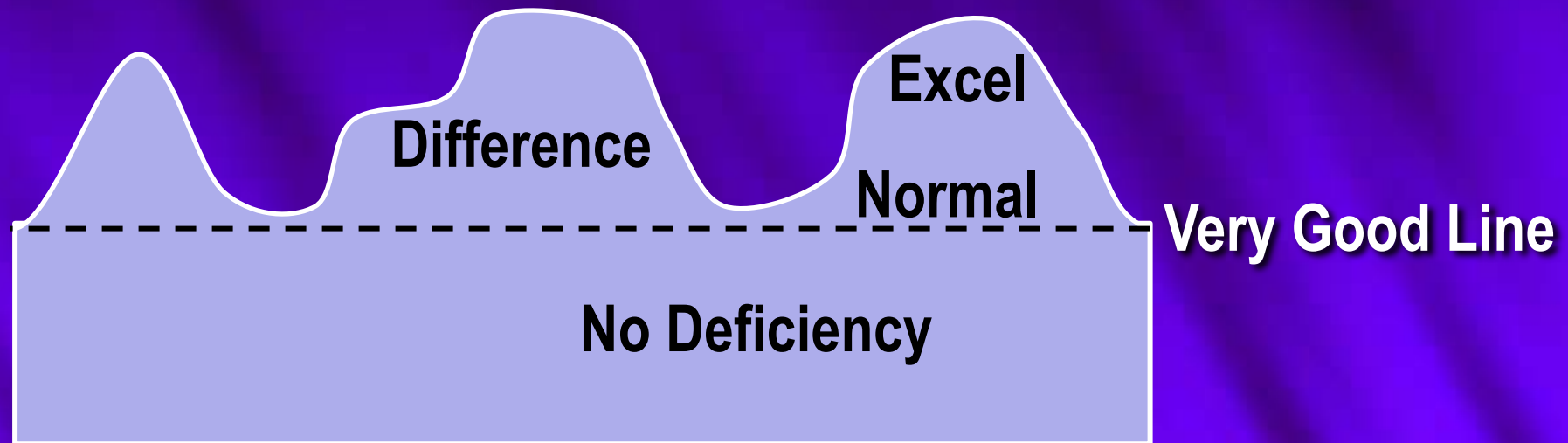
**Forte – but no Fault**

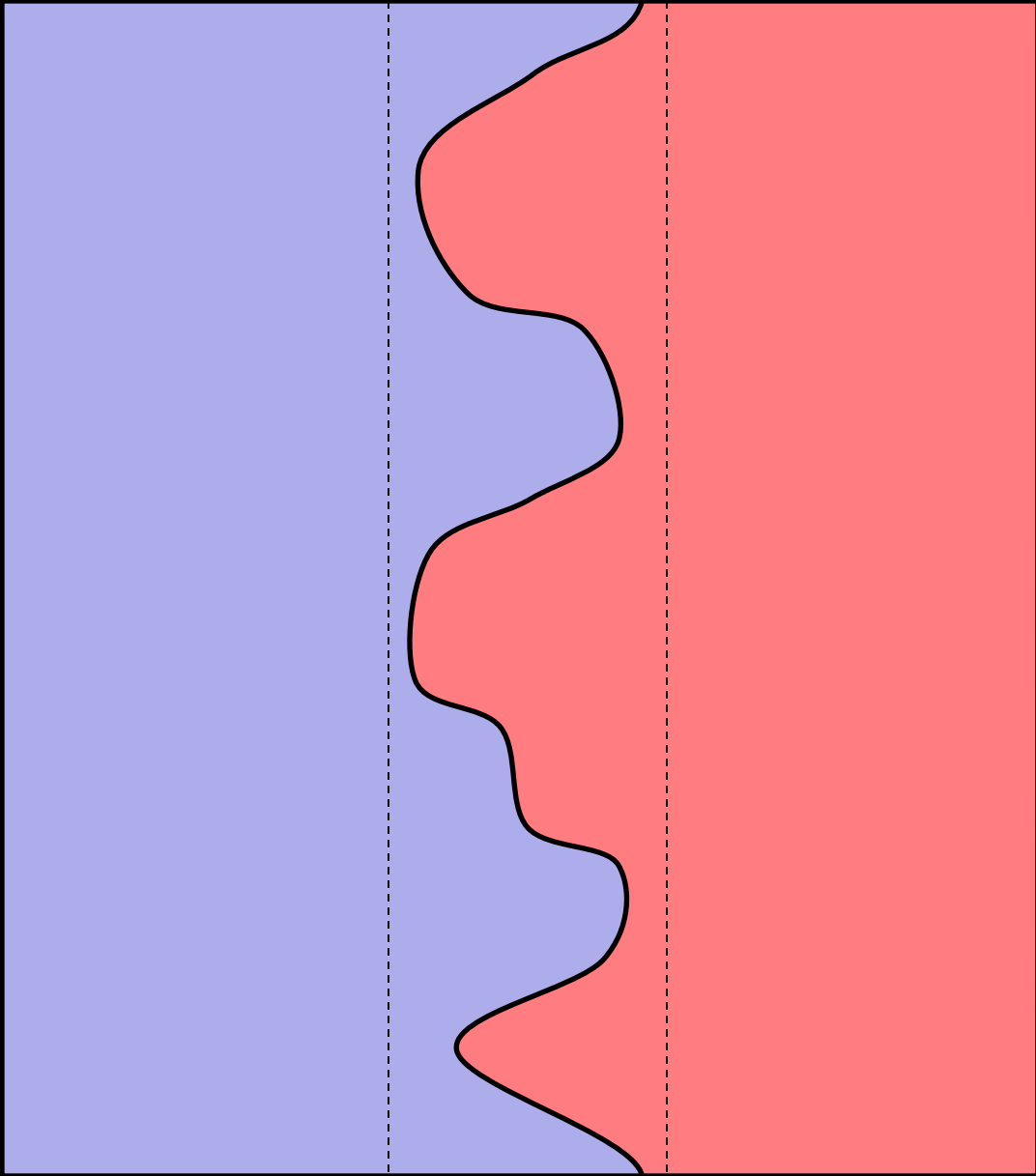
**Abundance – but no Absence**

**Richer – but no Poorer**

**Accented – but never Inadequate**

**Emphasis – without Inequity**







# She shall be called WOMAN

Genesis 1:26 thru 2:21 – “man” = *adam*

Mostly “the adam” = the human

1:27 – Adam is “male and female” - *za-kar* and *n<sup>e</sup>qe-bah*

2:22 – From the side of “the adam” God made *ish-shah*

2:23 – She shall be called *ish-shah* – woman-wife  
for she was taken out of *iysh* – man-husband

# Life and Love in Paradise

1. **Equality** Adam = Them – male and female
2. **Authority** Given to Them – over the rest of creation
3. **Community** Not good for Adam to be alone
4. **Necessity** Ezer = Helper – Lifesaver
5. **Complimentarity** Kenegdo = Perfect, exclusive fit
6. **Similarity** = Corresponding opposite
7. **Individuality** Single = Complete viable human being
8. **Unity** One Flesh = Complement - LOVE

**Completer together – without being less complete apart**