OLD EARTH LAODICEAN COMPROMISE DVD WORKSHEET

1) “In the beginning, God created the heaven and the earth” (Gen 1:1). Give a New Testament verse where Jesus tells us when “the beginning” was?

2) What New Testament verse shows that Adam was the first man, not some apeman?

3) Jacque Monod, a Nobel Prize winner in biology when commenting on theistic evolution stated that: “Natural selection is the ________ and most cruel way of evolving new species, and more and more complex and refined organisms... The struggle for life and elimination of the weakest is a ________ process, against which our whole modern ethics revolts. An ideal society is a non-selective society, one where the weak is protected; which is exactly the reverse of the so-called natural law.” I am surprised that a ________ would defend the idea that this is the process which God more or less set up in order to have evolution.” Jacques Monrod, “The Secret of Life,” Interview with Laurie John, Australian Broadcasting Co., June 10, 1976.

4) “He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he” (Deut 32:4). What does this verse say about God?

5) Ultimately, why do we believe the earth is young? (Give the verse).

6) How long did creation take? Give a verse outside of Genesis to support this.

7) Is God still creating? What verse shows this?

8) Nature must be interpreted, it isn’t the Word of God but it speaks of God: Rom 1:18-20 “The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness, since what may be ________ about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. For since the creation of the world God's ________ ________-his ________
and have been clearly, being understood from what has been, so that men are without excuse.”

9) Context is important: In Ps 93:1 we read “The world is firmly established; it cannot be moved (mot). (Geocentrism-Earth center of Universe?) Ps 16:8 says, “I have set the LORD always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken (mot). Is the Psalmist saying he won’t be moved from one spot or that the earth doesn’t move? What is he saying?

10) Was Galileo, a young earth creationist, convicted of heresy because of going against a flat earth idea?

11) How many times does the word “yom” appear outside of Genesis chapter 1 with a number attached? With evening and morning attached? With evening or morning attached? With night and day attached? What does “yom” mean in all of these cases?

12) How does the context of Hebrew Grammar show a day is 24 hours?

13) In Genesis 1:5,8,13,19,31 how long is a “day”? What words indicate this?

14) What supposed inconsistency does Dr. Dobson try to point out when asking, “But the sun was not created until the fourth day; so was the first ‘day’ really a day? I don’t know.” James Dobson, response from Tessa Camp, Focus on the Family correspondence dept, Nov. 11, 1997.

15) How would you answer Dr. Dobson?

16) What are five usages of yom? Which one applies to Genesis one and two?

17) Give a sentence using the word “day” with three different meanings of the word day, yet where the context tells us what each one means.

18) Why is “day” in Genesis 2:4 only 24 hours when it seems that it is six days, “These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens.”?

19) We read in Genesis 2:17, “For in the day (yom) that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.” Since Adam lived to be 930, how can “yom” mean 24 hours?

20) The 7th day of creation doesn’t say evening and morning so did this day ever end or could it be a long period we are still living in today?

21) John 5:17-18 says, "My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I, too, am working.” Could God still be creating through evolution?
22) Since the Day/Night cycles were there on the first three days of creation before the sun was made could those days have been different than those after the sun was made?

23) Some say the sun was created already on day one but clouds were covering it. On day four the clouds were removed. What is wrong with this unbiblical explanation?

24) Can we measure the heavens?

25) What would you say to someone who says you are not open-minded to long periods?

26) 2 Peter 3:8-9 says, “But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.” Could a day of creation be 1000 years then?

27) Wouldn’t there be too much for Adam to do on day six? Genesis 2 says God planted a garden, the trees grew, Adam was created, all animals were made, Adam was put to sleep, and Eve was made. How could this be done in 24 hours?

28) How could Adam name all the animals in 24 hours? Be specific.

29) When Eve was created Adam says “at last” (happa’am). Why would Adam say that if he just had less than a days wait to have a woman created for him?

30) If the Hebrew word Toledoth means “Many generations” or long periods of time why does Genesis 2:4 say, “These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created?”

31) List five problems with the Gap theory.

32) Didn’t God create a world then destroy it and make another one that he put Adam and Eve on? After all Gen 1:28 says “And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

33) List other problems with the idea that God recreated the earth after destroying the first one.

34) Genesis says, “And God saw all that He had made and behold, it was very good.” Why didn’t God use the word for ‘perfect’ (tamim) if the world really had no death in it?

35) Rom 5:12-13 says, “Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, (not animals?) because all sinned-“ Could the curse have only come upon men so that animal death could occur before the curse?
36) Could the death that came by sin only be spiritual rather than a physical death?

37) Wasn’t sin already there before Adam because Satan sinned? Therefore wouldn’t this mean death could exist before Adam?

38) Adam was created to work before the fall. How can this be in a very good world?

39) Gen 1:28 commanded Adam to “Replenish the earth and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea” To subdue (kabash) and have dominion (radah) have negative connotations. So why use these in a perfect world?

40) Gen 3:16 says “I will greatly increase your pains in childbearing; with pain you will give birth to children.” How can there be pain in a good world to increase?

41) If there was no death before the fall why did plants die? Why would a spider have a web?

42) How does the fact that a lion eats straw in the new earth in Revelation (Isa 11:7) affect death before the fall?

43) Could it be that only man was cursed at the time of the fall and not the animals, allowing for animals to die before Adam sinned?

44) How can you have cell death, which is needed in growth, before the fall?

45) If there was no more creating after the sixth day, why do we have germs today?

46) When did the 2nd law of thermodynamics come into existence? Why?

47) Was Noah’s flood only a local flood? Give five reasons why or why not?

48) Fill in Gen 7:18-23 “_____ the _____ mountains under the ______ _________ were covered. The waters rose and _____ the mountains to a depth of more than twenty feet. _____ living thing that moved on the earth perished — birds, livestock, wild animals, _____the creatures that swarm over the earth, and _____ mankind. _______on dry land that had the breath of life in its nostrils died. _____ living thing on the face of the earth was wiped out” (think He is trying to tell us something?) (kol – all, every is emphasized)

49) Could the word all in Genesis 7 not really mean everything because Luke 2:1 says “There went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed?” Certainly the whole world wasn’t taxed.

50) Could Noah just have been describing from his point of view what he saw in the Flood so that for him “everything” did die and was covered with water?
51) Genesis 7:19 says, “And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered (kasah)” The word Kasah means 1) residing upon, 2) running over, or 3) falling upon. Therefore couldn’t the waters simply have ran over or fell upon the mountains and not literally “cover” them?

52) How is the Geography of Mesopotamia a problem for a local flood?

53) Was Noah’s Ark too big to be built? Why or why not?

54) How could plants survive in salt water for a year during the flood?

55) Are there Gaps in the Biblical chronology? Why or why not?

56) Hab 3:6 says, “The ancient mountains crumbled and the age-old hills collapsed.” 2 Peter 3:5 “But they deliberately forget that long ago (palai) by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed.” Doesn’t “ancient” “age-old” and “long ago” mean millions of years?

57) Give other verses that use “palai” as not millions of years.
1) And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female. Mat 19:4 (when He made man).
2) And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. 1 Cor 15:45 (There were no people before Adam).
3) Blindest, horrible, Christian.
4) God doesn’t make mistakes or trial runs.
5) “Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear” Heb 11:3.
6) “For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them...and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it” Ex 20:11.
7) No. Heb 4 3 “For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.”
8) Known, invisible qualities, eternal power, divine nature, seen, made.
9) NO! Simply put, the earth won’t move from its orbital pattern.
10) No, only “suspicion” of heresy. He was guilty not of going against science, but rather against the Papal decree.
11) 410 times day and number. 38 times evening and morning without day. 23 times evening OR morning with day and 52 times night with day.
12) Attaching a number, evening or morning to it.
13) 24 hours. Evening, morning, number.
14) The sun isn’t created until day four so how can you have evening and morning on the first three days.
15) Only a light source and a rotating earth are needed for a 24 hour day. The light source was Jesus. This only means God put the earth in rotation on the first day.
16) 1) light time 2) 24 hours 3) vague concept of time 4) specific period of time 5) period of a year. 24 hours applies to Genesis 1-2.
17) In my father’s day it took us ten days to travel across the Australian outback in the day.
18) Word yom is translated as “when” if preposition b’ is added. In Genesis 2:4 it isn’t yom, but b’yom that is used. Also, it is the RSV Bible that uses day. Almost all other Bibles say, “when” just as the Hebrew language suggests.
19) Context makes it obvious what the meaning is just as in 1 Kings 2:37 where it says, “On the day thou goest out, and passest over the brook Kidron, thou shalt know for certain that thou shalt surely die: thy blood shall be upon thine own head.” This man didn’t die until three days later but his death sentence was pronounced the day he left Jerusalem. Likewise, the very day Adam ate of the tree he began to die as a tree branch that is cut off and laid on the sidewalk is alive but dying. Finally, the Hebrew actually reads, “dying you shall die.” That is what happened to Adam.
20) Yes, it ended. First we see it is called the 7th day so a number is attached. Secondly, we need to be consistent, if it didn’t end, did it really begin since “morning” wasn’t used either? Third, the context of the other six days is a clue to the context of this day.

21) NO! In context we see he refers to his redemptive work but his creation work is finished). Hebrews 4 “Rest” that is often pointed out is the kingdom of God. Also, Gen 2:2 says, “And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made [creative work]; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.”

22) “Day” means movement of the celestial sphere. Regardless of the sun, the earth's rotation regulates the time, not the sun. Jesus is the light and the earth began rotating then on day one.

23) The firmament was not made until day two so there would be no place to put the sun until at least day three (but it was made on day four). If anything this supports the divine inspiration. If the Bible was written by man, he surely would have corrected the problem of having light before the sun was made on day four.


25) Ask them if they open to a young earth? Is truth open to all ideas or is there absolute truth?

26) No. First it says, “like” not “is.” Second, context is obvious just as we read in Ps 90:4 “For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a watch in the night.” Is the night 1000 years too? Third, if a day is a 1000 years it is cancelled out when it says a 1000 years is like a day.

27) No. The earth was created mature with fruit already on the trees. If God can create the world in six days, a woman wouldn’t take any longer than a spoken word so Adam must have only had a cat-nap.

28) Adam was more intelligent so naming the animals was easier and Adam:
   - Only named, livestock, birds of the air, and beasts of the field. Gen 2:20 omits creeping things. No marine animals, insects or arachnids named. Kinds not species. This limits the number greatly.
   - Of the 2 million known species 98% are invertebrates. Remaining 2% consist of 40,000 vertebrates. Remove 25,000 marine vertebrates and 4000 amphibians leaving 11,000 species (NOT kinds which would reduce that number greatly).
   - Even 2500 animals (generous) could be named in less than 4 hours with one name every 5 seconds and 5 minute breaks at the end of every hour.

29) Happa’am means “this time” with definite article. Simply NOT TRUE that it means “at last.” In any major translation KJV, NIV, NASB, NJKV it isn’t translated as “at last.” See Judges 6:39, Gen 18:32.

30) Even the lexicon quoted says this word only means what is brought into being by someone and in Gen 2:4 it means the events that followed the creation of heaven and earth. NIV correctly states, “This is the account of”

31) 1. Invented 1814 by a Scottish theologian (and Masonic Lodge member) named Thomas Chalmers - not historical position of church. 2. Violates scriptures Gen. 1:5; 2:2-3, Ex. 20:11; Heb. 4:4. 3. Puts death before Adam’s sin- violates Rom. 5:12, I Cor 15:21 4. Has Satan fall before day 7- violates Gen. 1:31; 2:8; Ezek. 28:12-15 5. It accuses God of creating a world with suffering and calling it good.
32) In 1611 replenish meant nothing but “fill” any dictionary will tell you that.

33) A flood between Genesis 1 and 2 with God “recreating” has many problems:
   - Uniformity doesn’t allow a global flood at any time.
   - Satan fell and death existed in a “very good” world before the “second creation” then.
   - Contradicts Exodus 20:8 “In six days God created and rested on the seventh”
   - And contradicts Revelation “And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.”

34) Very good is still perfect. Noah was *tamim* (perfect) and yet Noah also got drunk. If God used that word our critics would be saying if Noah got drunk the creation wasn’t perfect. I guess we can’t win with our critics when words can have different meanings. Also, Adam was created with the ability not to sin. After the fall, no ability not to sin and in heaven there will be no ability to sin.

35) No. 1 Cor 15:26 says Death is the last ENEMY to be destroyed. An enemy would not be in a “very good” world. Secondly, this means physical death has no meaning or purpose so Christ’s physical death would be meaningless too. This would go against Heb 9:22.

36) There can’t be death before man or else death is natural and purposeless. If death is without purpose Christ death is without purpose. The Bible says death was a curse of sin (so man had to be there when physical death entered the world) but Jesus’ death was the cure. We read in 1 Cor 15:20-23 “But now is Christ risen from the dead, . . . For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.” (Here a connection to the physical death in Genesis is made to the physical resurrection of Jesus and of the future. To say death was spiritual would mean that Jesus only rose spiritually. Finally, Genesis 3:19 says “you are dust and to dust you shall return.” (Sounds physical to me).

37) Yes sin was there in satan but God questions Adam, then Eve, then Satan, about each of their sins. God then curses in the order that they fell into sin - Satan, Eve and then Adam who receives death. Satan’s sin is dealt with differently than man’s as we see there is no death connected with the angelic hosts. They have no hope of redemption as we do. This also shows that the curse was physical death because the angelic host could not die physically. Physical death is the curse of man’s sin, not satan’s.

38) Work is a blessing with the right attitude. Work was pleasurable before the fall. Even today, I have hardly worked a day in many years because I love what I do.

39) True that those words can be negative but many times not. We need to use the context. Example: Solomon’s dominion (*radah*) resulted in peace and safety (1 Kings 4:24-25). That is a good thing.

40) Zero to some is an increase and at low thresholds pain can be enjoyable. Example: Runners, weight lifters.

41) Plants don’t have a brain to have pain. Hebrew is *nephesh chayyah* for the “living” things that perished in the flood. This word is never applied to plants or invertebrates. Living things have blood because the life is in the blood. As for spiders and insects, the different atmosphere could make snakes non-venomous and spiders do not have *nephesh chayyah*. Insects have a different blood and would not have been classified
as “living.” Also, some spiders today actually catch pollen to eat. Perhaps that is what they did before the fall as well.

42) If there was death before the fall of Adam in the very good garden paradise then in Revelation the paradise there should have death too since Eden parallels heaven. We should see the same situation in the garden that is in Eden restored.

43) No. Rom 8:20-21 says, “For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the glorious freedom of the children of God.” Also, Acts 3:21 says, “He must remain in heaven until the time comes for God to restore everything.”

44) Cell death is called Apoptosis and causes development, a good thing. Necrosis is seen in cancer cells etc. 2 different things medically today. Therefore cell death can be an okay thing.

45) Even today’s deadly germs have a mild variant that is harmless. Some have symbiotic relationships so only the mutants have become harmful.

46) At the time of creation before the fall. The second law is good because without it the sun couldn’t give off heat (transfer from hot to cold). It is needed for walking (friction and losing energy), Breathing (high pressure to low pressure), and digestion. God probably withdrew some of His sustaining power (Col 1:17) after the fall. Before the fall it was probably like the Israelite’s shoes not wearing out. Also must consider the burning bush and Shadrach, Meshach etc. That goes against entropy today but not against God’s supernatural sustaining power.

47) No, Why did Noah build an ark? Wouldn’t God just say, MOVE. God lied with the rainbow if the flood was local. Why take birds on the boat? Why such a big boat? How could waters go above the mountains when water seeks its own level? 2 Peter 3:3-7 and Matt 24:37 use this as symbol of end times judgment. Then that would only be localized too. Mabbul or kataklusmos are words unique just for Noah’s flood. Could use sheteph, nahar, nachal, zaram for local floods, but didn’t.

48) All, high, entire heavens, covered, every, all, all, everything, every.

49) Answer: Greek oikoumene refers only to Roman empire, not the whole earth. Caesar did take a census of all the oikoumene. Context is also very clear in Genesis. You can’t take a word from one book of the Bible and apply to all the other books without looking at context.

50) No. Text reveals things Noah could NOT have seen: (Gen 8:2 fountains of the deep closed; Gen 7:21 All birds and land animals died). This is God’s perspective.

51) Yes, Kasah has three meanings, but in the Flood account it is combined with the verb gabar meaning to “prevail” or “rise” giving no other meaning than “cover up” Plus you must again take the context of the rest of the verses that make it clear that it was a global flood.

52) How could waters of a local flood rise 600 feet to get the Ark to Ararat? 2 Peter 3:5-6 reminds us that “But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water. By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed.”
53) No. *Leontifera* described by Ussher says there was a boat with 1600 rowers (800 each side) and 1200 fighting men that was 400-500 feet long. Athenaeus tells of Ptolemy Philopator’s (244 BC) ship being 420 feet long, 57 feet wide and 72 feet high. Also, NO documentation of any shipyard shows they ever tried to build a boat over the 350 foot mark. Besides, Korean Naval architects have confirmed it would be safe to do so. (This reasoning may suggest the pyramids don’t exist either if there is no record of them being built).

54) Even Darwin showed seeds sprouted after 42 days in salt water but the waters weren’t as salty before the Flood. They would have been very close to fresh water. Fish can and have adapted to saltier water.

55) No. Hebrew *ab* means father or grandfather and *ben* means son, grandson or descendant. None of the gap examples mention the age of the father at birth. Also, Matthew intended to be an incomplete record to have three groups of 14 names. There is always an accusative particle (*et*) marking the direct object of the verb “begat” when *ab* means “father” not “grandfather.” In addition, Jude 14 confirms “Enoch was seventh from Adam.” Finally, to add even 10,000 yrs you need 250 missing generations.

56) Those are relative terms compared to man’s lifespan. My grandfather lived long ago to me. These same words are used for only a few hundred to thousand years in the other verses.

57) Heb 1:1 “In the past (*palai*) God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets.” Also, Matt 11:21, “If the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented *long ago* (*palai*)”