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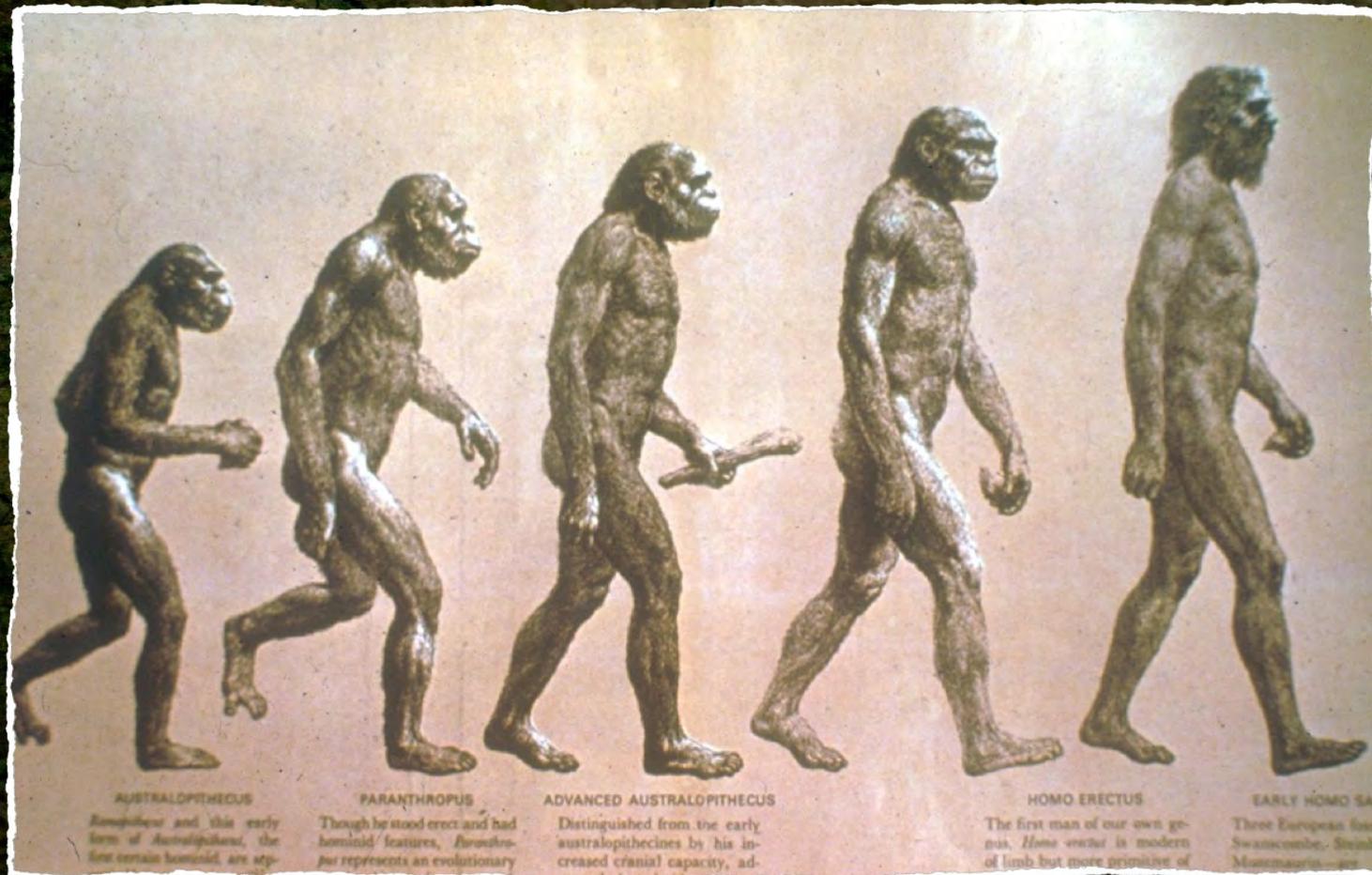
Creation Museum, Petersburg, KY



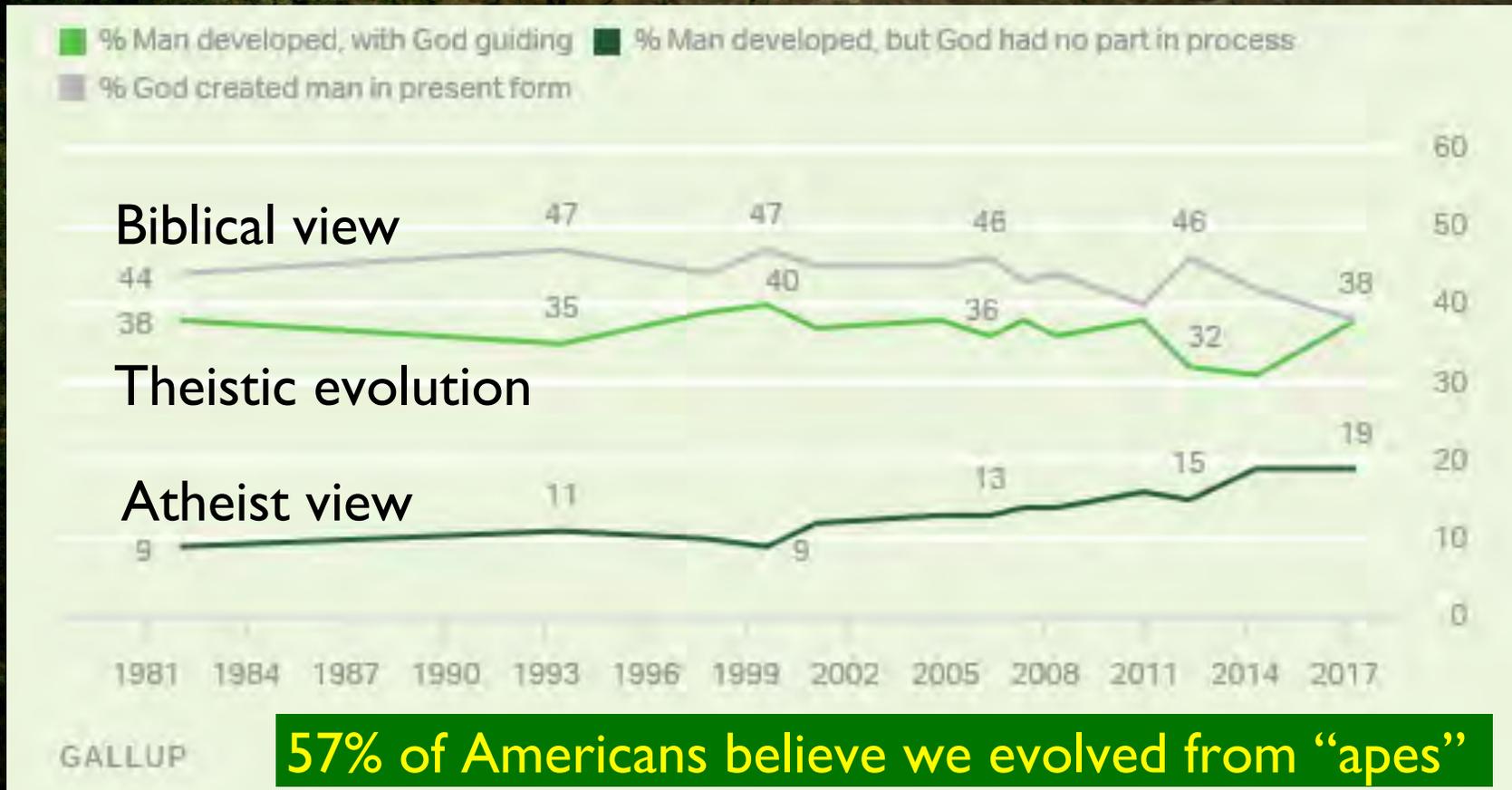
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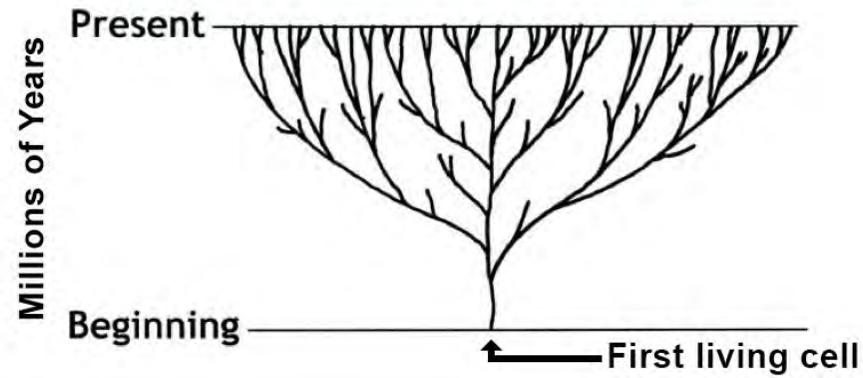
Evolution of Man?



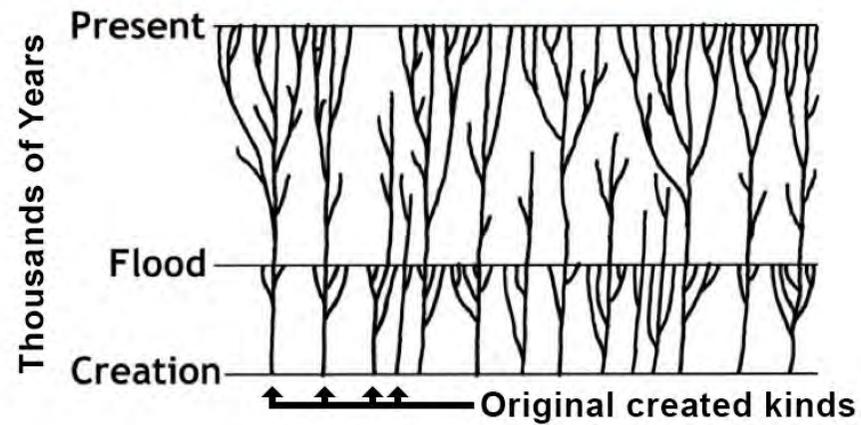
American Views on Human Origins (Gallup Poll, May 2017)



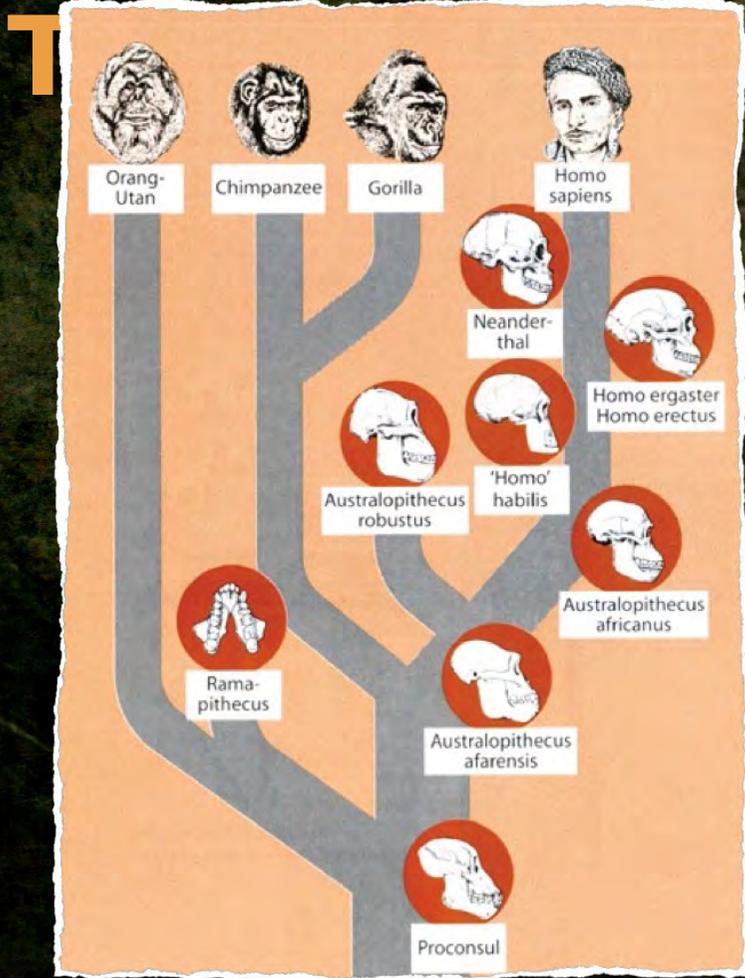
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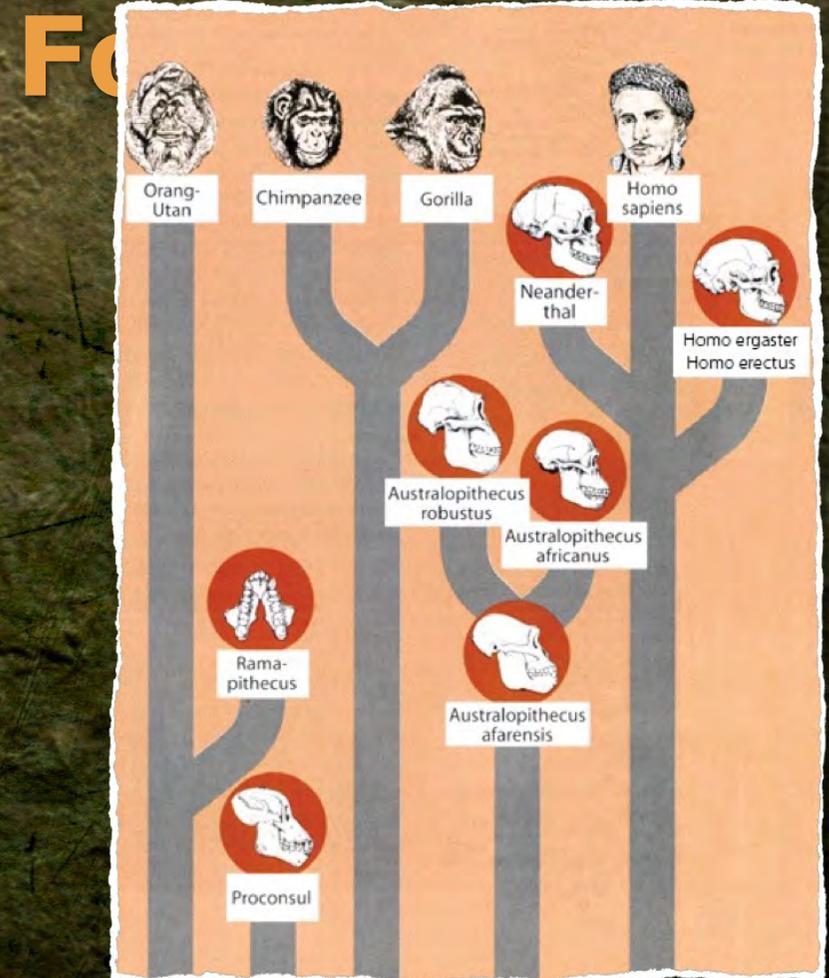
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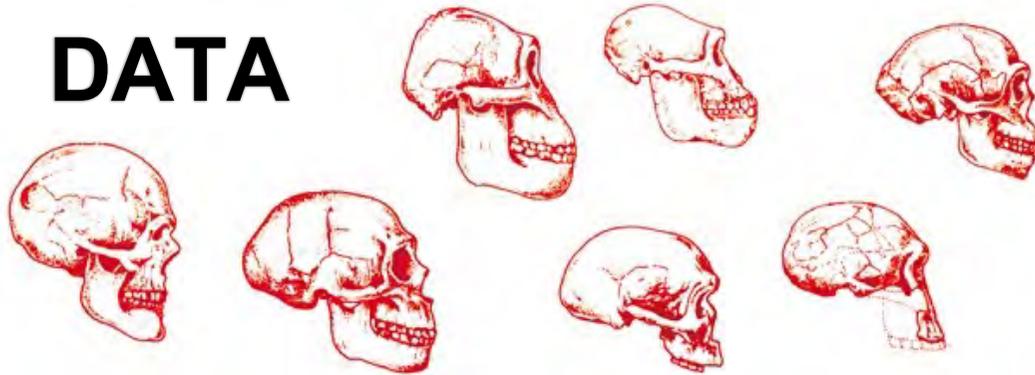
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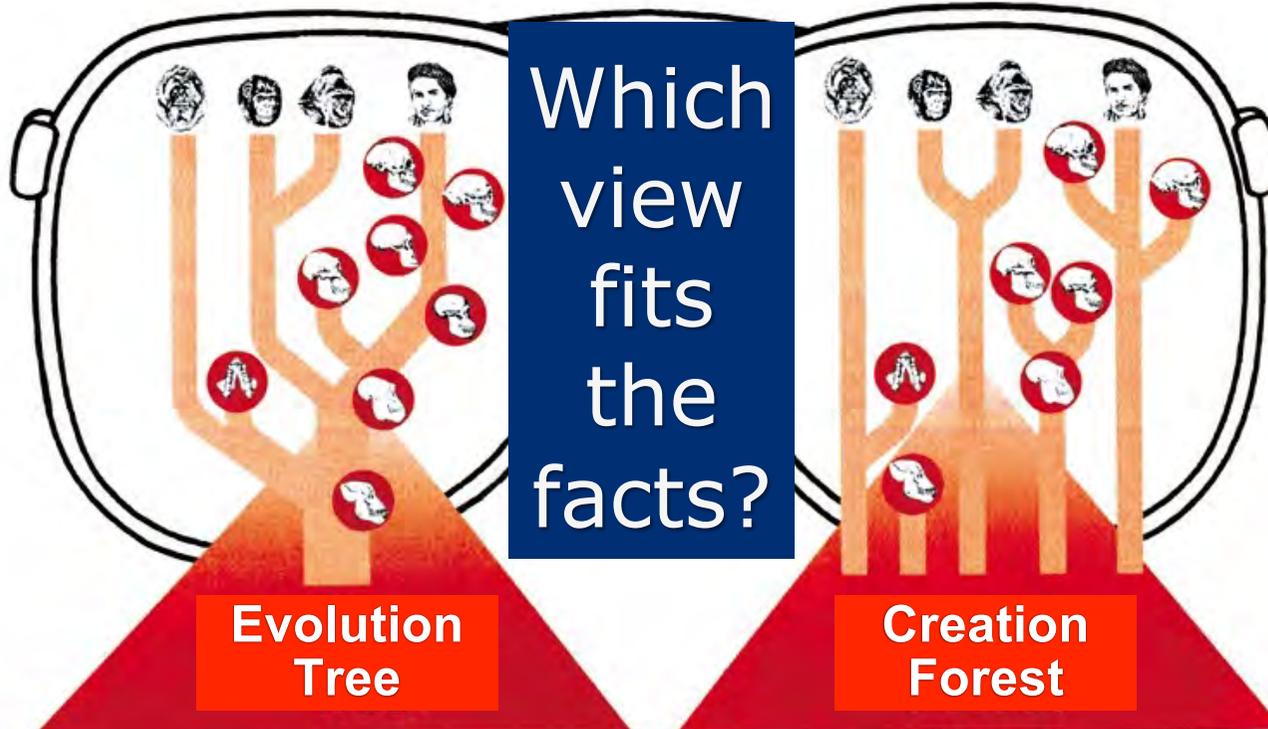
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Which
view
fits
the
facts?



**Evolution
Tree**

**Creation
Forest**

Australopithecus

“southern ape”

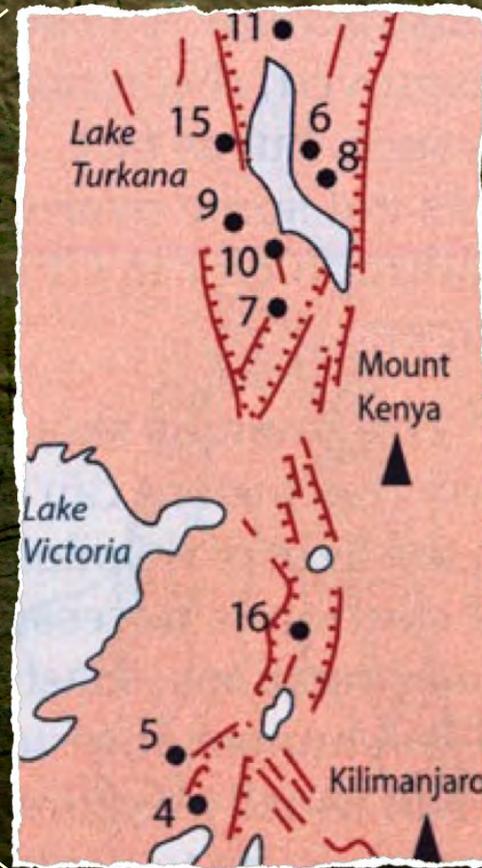
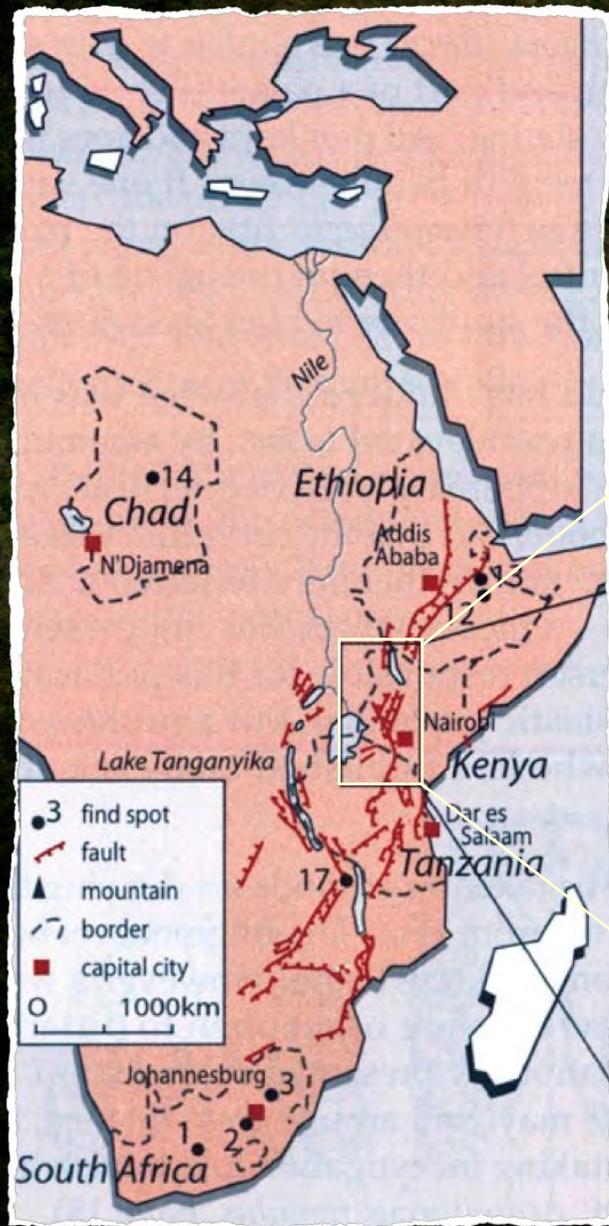
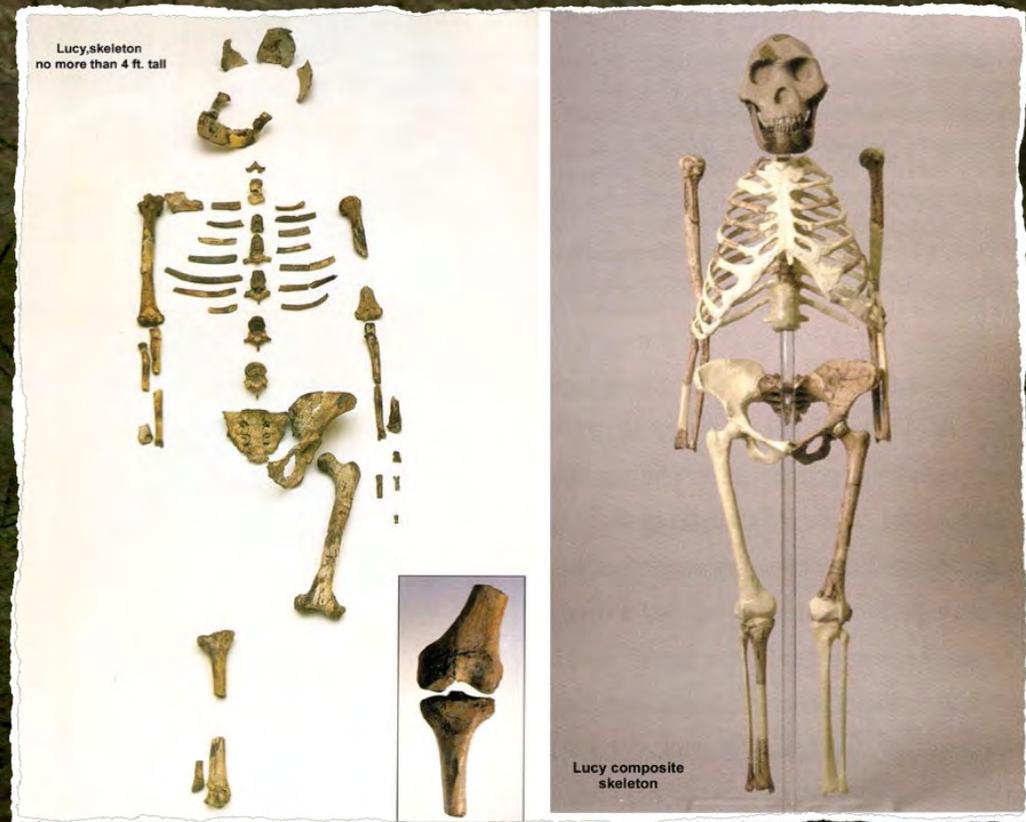


Figure 15. Locations of some important *Australopithecus* finds.

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Taung | 9 Turkwel |
| 2 Kromdraai, Sterkfontein, Swartkrans | 10 Lothagam |
| 3 Makapansgat | 11 Omo |
| 4 Laetoli | 12 Middle Awash |
| 5 Olduvai | 13 Hadar |
| 6 Koobi Fora | 14 Bahr el Ghazal |
| 7 Kanapoi | 15 Lomekwi |
| 8 Allia Bay | 16 Tugen Hill |
| | 17 Uhara/Malawi |

“Lucy” found in Ethiopia

(1974)
Australopithecus
afarensis



Notice

- ▶ Human hands and feet
- ▶ Upright posture
- ▶ Ape-like face

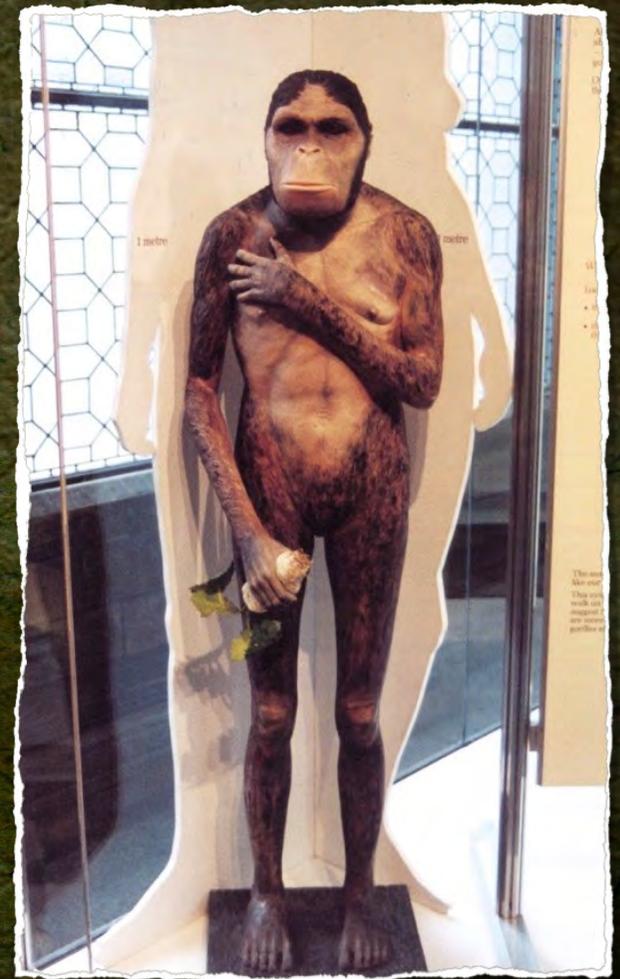
Truth

Knuckle-walker, similar to a bonobo or gorilla





St. Louis Zoo



London NHM

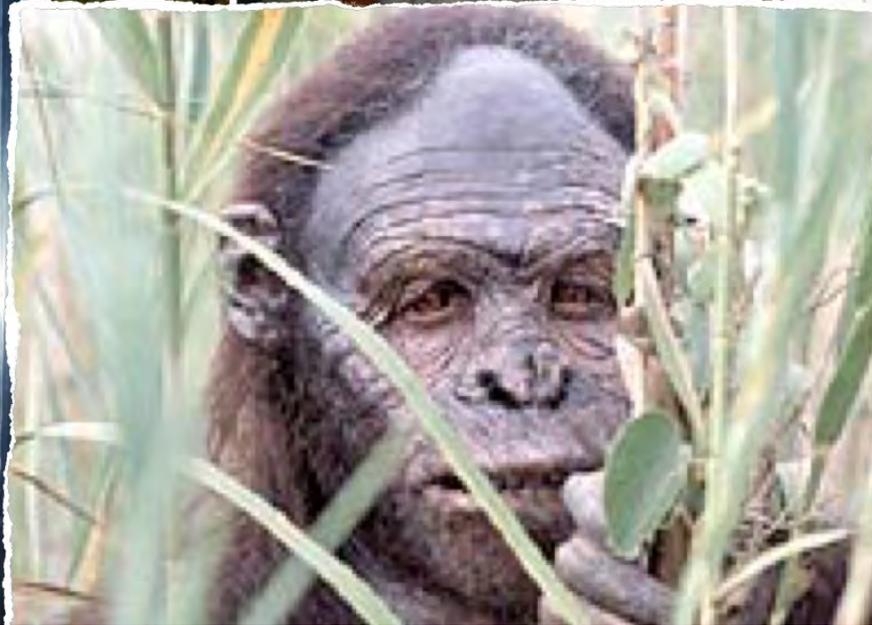




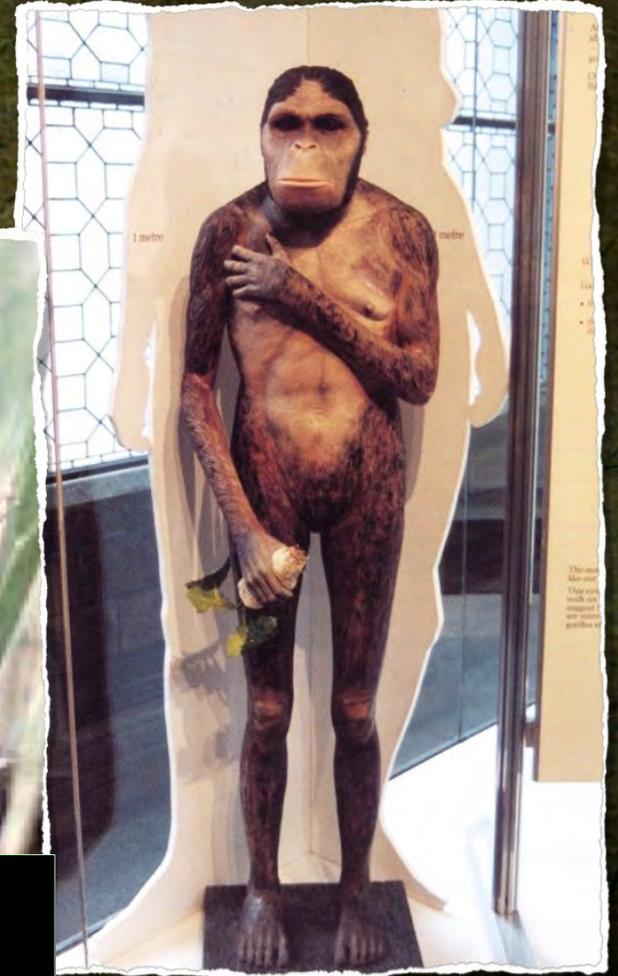
St. Louis Zoo



Chicago FM



BBC, 2006



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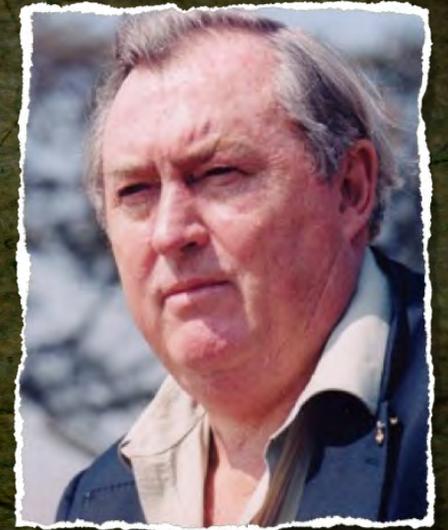


Smithsonian, 2012



Science, 2013

In 1981: “We can now say that the australopithecines **definitely** walked upright.”



Richard Leakey (Director, Kenya National Museums), *The Making of Mankind* (New York: E. P. Dutton, 1981), p. 71.

But in 1982 . . .

“And Leakey points out that paleontologists **do not know** whether Australopithecus walked upright. ‘**Nobody** has yet found an associated skeleton with a skull,’ he says.”

Anonymous, “Leakey changes his mind about man’s age,” *New Scientist*, March 1982, p. 695.

“‘I am staggered to believe that as little as a year ago I made the statements that I made.’ So said Richard Leakey, before the elegant audience of a **Royal Institution** evening discourse last Friday. He had come to reveal that the conventional wisdom, which he had so recently espoused in his **BBC television** series *The Making of Mankind*, was **‘probably wrong in a**

number of crucial areas’.

Anonymous, “Leakey changes his mind about man’s age,” *New Scientist*, March 1982, p. 695.

“In particular, he now sees man’s oldest ancestor as being **considerably younger than the 15–20 million years** he plumped for on television. Leakey says that the basis on which palaeontologists classify fossil apes and humans is **misleading**, and he would like to see an entirely fresh episode of classifying.”

1982

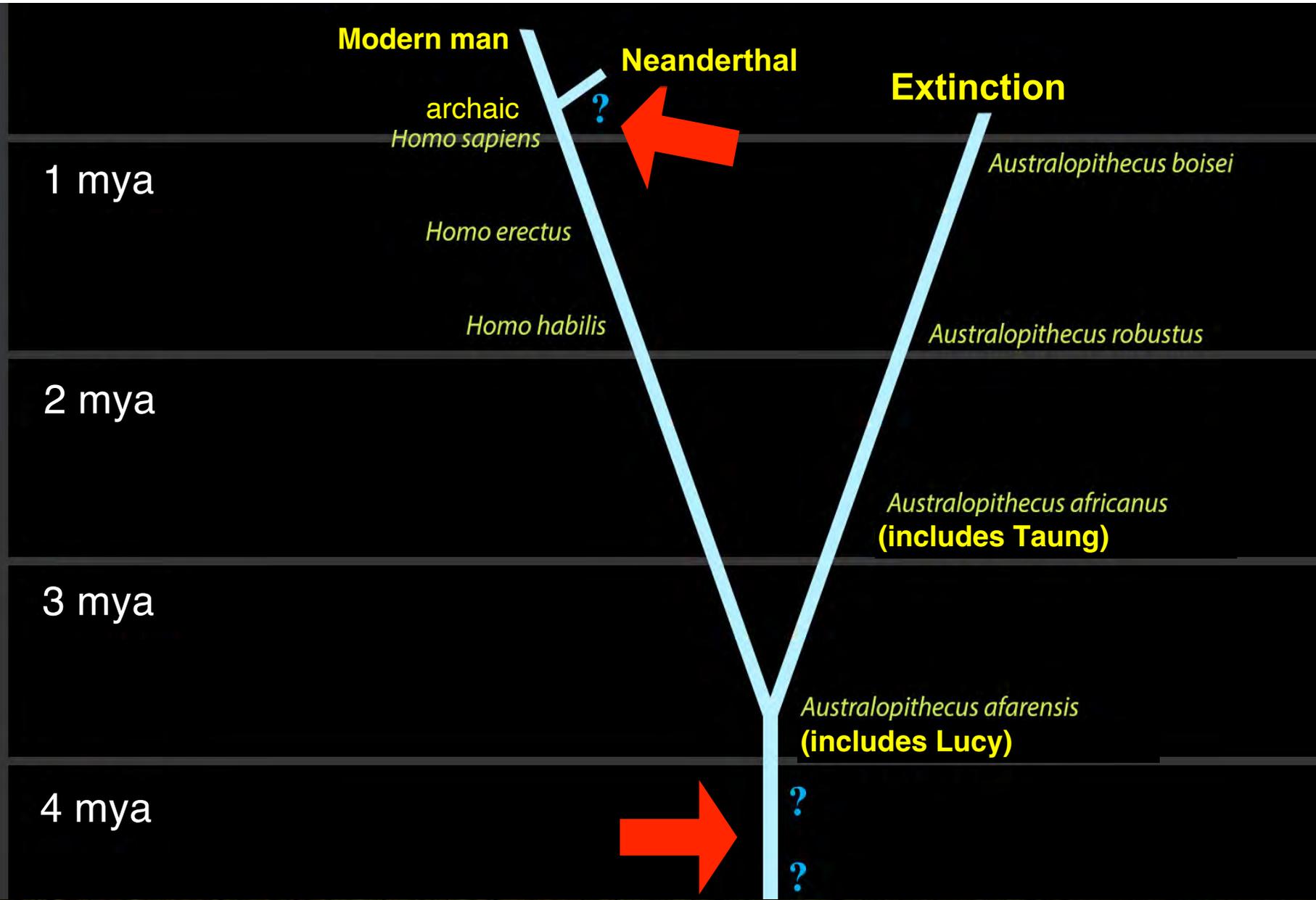
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1986 article on Australopithecines begins:
"An extraordinary 2.5 million-year-old skull found in Kenya has **overturned all previous notions** of the course of early hominid evolution. We no longer know **who gave rise to whom—perhaps not even how, or when,** we came into being."

Pat Shipman (paleontologist, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine), "Baffling limb on the family tree," *Discover*, September 1986, cover & p. 89.

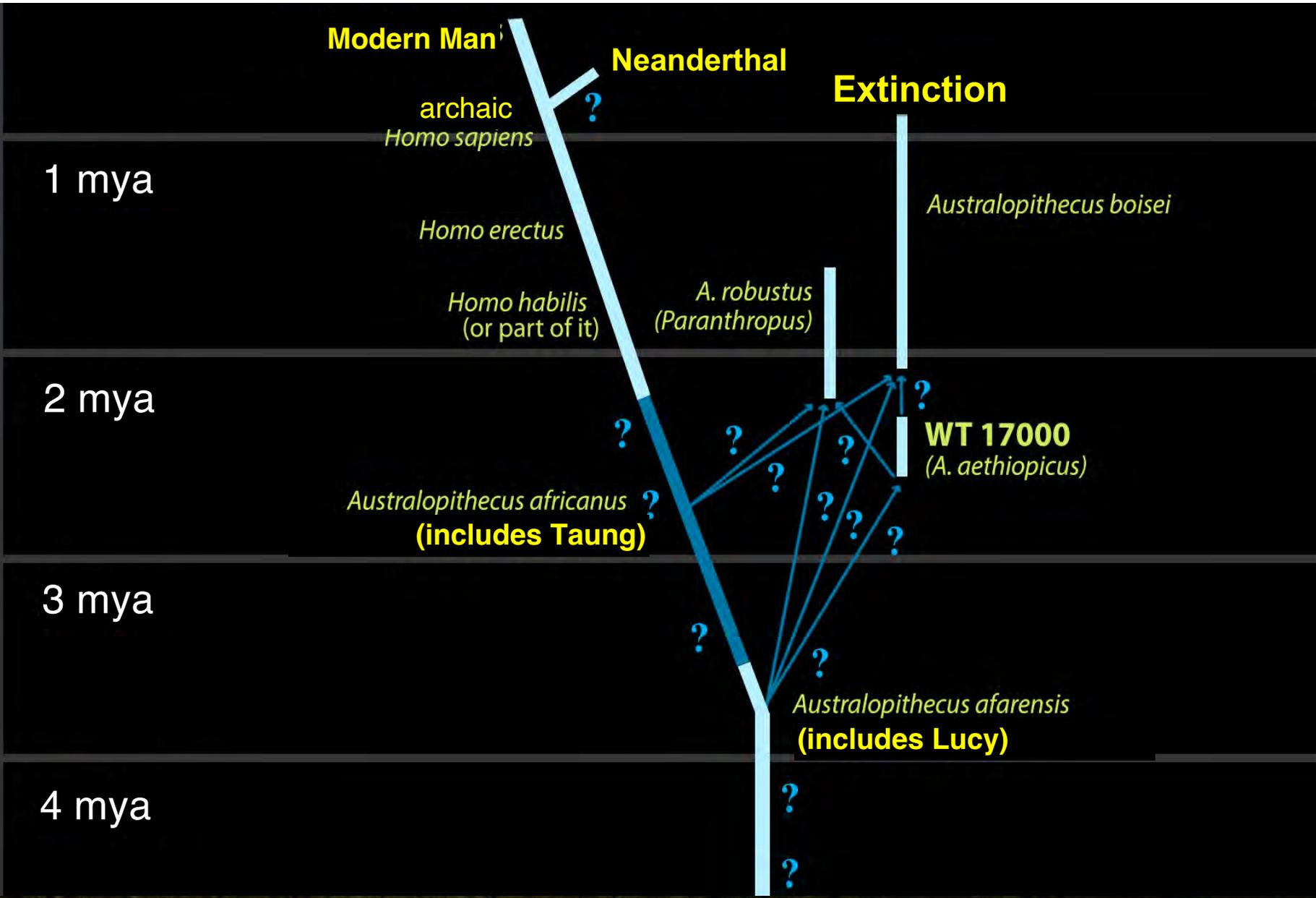
Evolution of Man 1979–1986

(after Johanson und White)



Evolution of Man after 1986

(after Johanson und White)



The article ends:

“The bottom line of all this is that a great deal of work needs to be done. It’s a new era in paleoanthropology. **The things we thought we understood reasonably well, we don’t...** No better argument can be made to support the time, trouble and cost of field work than this new skull. Like an earthquake, the new skull has reduced our nicely organized constructs to **a rubble of** awkward, sharp-edged new **hypotheses**. It’s a sure sign of scientific **progress**.”

Shipman, September 1986, p. 93.

Neanderthal Man



1856



1983

Changing Faces of Neanderthal

Time,
March 1994

CNN 2006

Newsweek,
March 2007



1953 In *The Neanderthal Man* actor Robert Shayne indulges in Stone Age courtship.

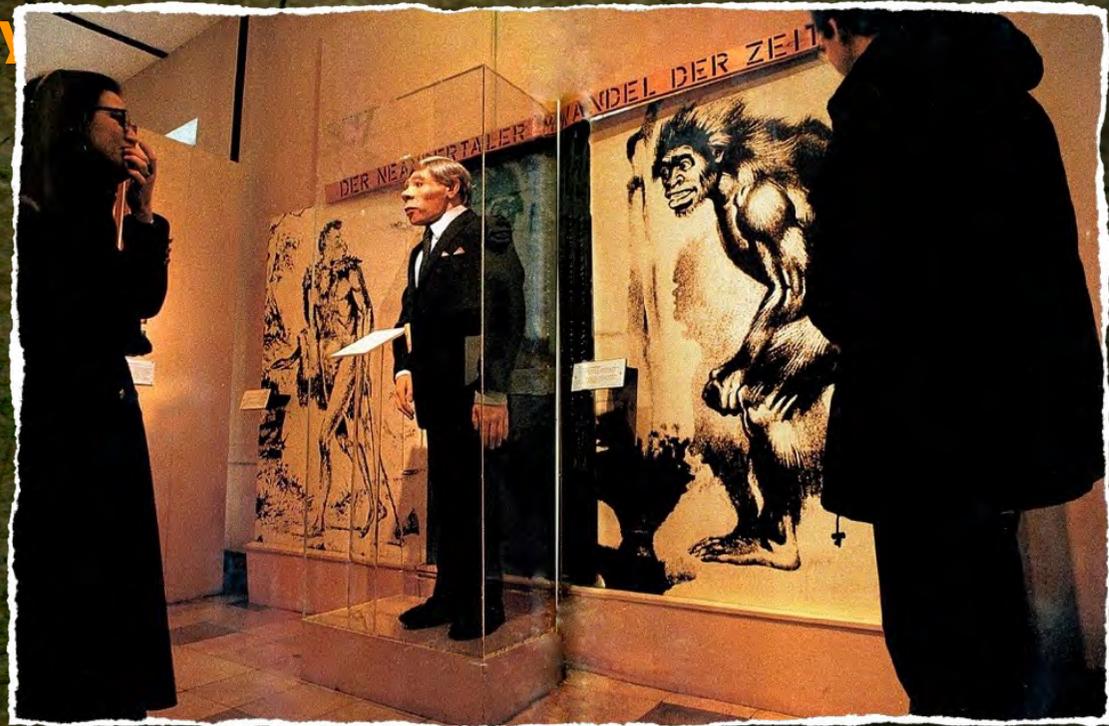
ScienceDaily.com
August 2008

1984 John Lone, starring in the film *Iceman*, contemplates a prehistoric gourmet's delight.

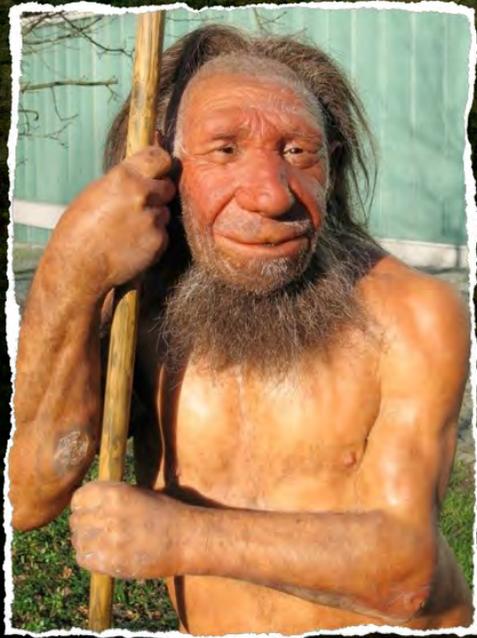


1988 A modern view of a toothy male Neanderthal and three companions is depicted by artist John Gurche, who called his work *Is He Speaking?*

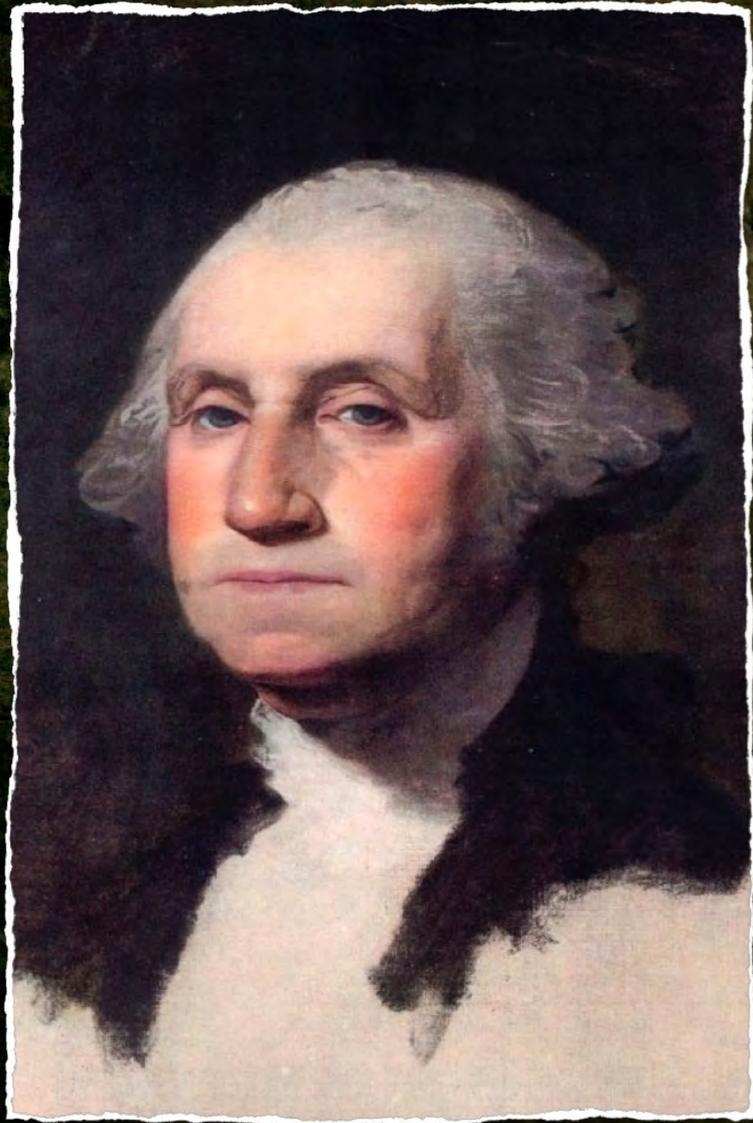
Neanderthal Museum, Erkrath, Germany



“From his bestial 19th-century persona to just another guy in a suit, Neanderthals have been pigeonholed according to the times.”



**Neanderthal Museum
2010**







Essene caves where
the Dead Sea
Scrolls were found.

1947

Hebrews 11:38

. . . men of whom the world was not worthy, wandering in deserts and mountains and **caves** and holes in the ground.

Sarah, Jacob, Lazarus, Jesus, etc.: **Buried** in a cave
Elijah, David: **Lived** in a cave

Osama bin Laden



Archaeological evidence that Neanderthals were 100% human

- ▶ Made sophisticated spears, needles, & stone tools
- ▶ Used make-up & made seashell jewelry
- ▶ Hunted dolphins & seals
- ▶ Used fire to cook food & made glue
- ▶ Built homes from animal skins
- ▶ Made flutes from bear femurs & head-dresses from feathers
- ▶ Cared for sick, did surgery & ceremonially buried their dead
- ▶ Made & sailed boats
- ▶ Possessed the hyoid bone (in the voice-box) "almost identical" to modern humans, had the speech-

More Problematic
“missing links”

Piltdown Man, 1912

The evidence:

- ▶ A piece of jaw
- ▶ Two molar teeth & a canine tooth

The confident interpretation:

A piece of skull



1953:

Exposed as a deliberate HOAX,
involving leading British scientists

Nebraska Man

1922: Confident interpretation
ape-man →
The evidence → a single tooth

The *real* Nebraska Man



1927: Re-interp. → extinct species of

“The study of human origins seems to be a field in which each discovery raises the debate to a **more sophisticated level of uncertainty**. ... True to the tradition of the field the arguments swirl around the questions of the correct classification of the fossils and of the presumed relationships between the species of humans and pre-humans.”



Chris Stringer, Book review of *Origins Reconsidered: In Search Of What Makes Us Human*, by Richard Leakey (Doubleday, 1992), *Scientific American* (May 1993), p. 88 (emphasis mine).

“It’s hard to find someone who can draw a realistic-looking early hominid. That’s why the Geographic’s art department conducted a search for new talent. Four artists were picked to receive casts of **two-million-year-old female** Homo habilis fossils (right). From these **bits of evidence** they were to sketch—in skeletal and fleshed-out form—the hominid to whom the bones belonged.”



“Behind the Scenes,” National Geographic, March 2000

“Each artist had **two weeks** with the bones before they were sent on to the next persons,’ says coordinator Kris Hannah. ‘Research was completely up to the individual. That’s why their work looks so different. **There’s no one way to draw her.**’

Paleoanthropologists reviewed the results. Intrigued with all four entries, the art department has invited the artists to paint finished versions based on input from the **consultants.**”



Behind the Scenes, National Geographic, March 2000

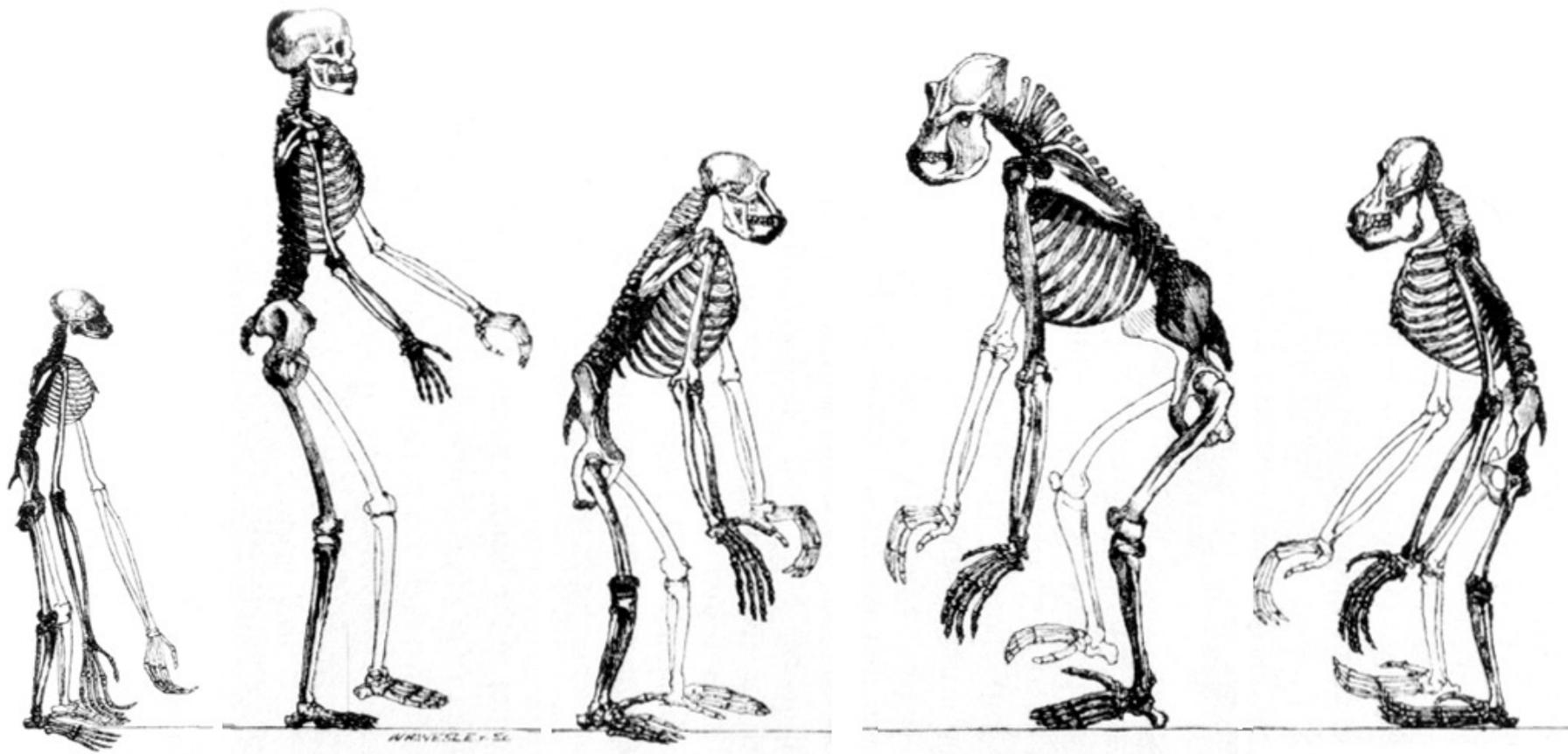


MARK THIESSEN, NGS (TOP); ART BY (LEFT TO RIGHT) PORTIA SLOJ
JOHN DAUGHERTY, KAZUHIKO SAND, MAURICIO ANTON

MARCH 2000



"Behind the Scenes," National Geographic, March 2000



Gibbon

Human

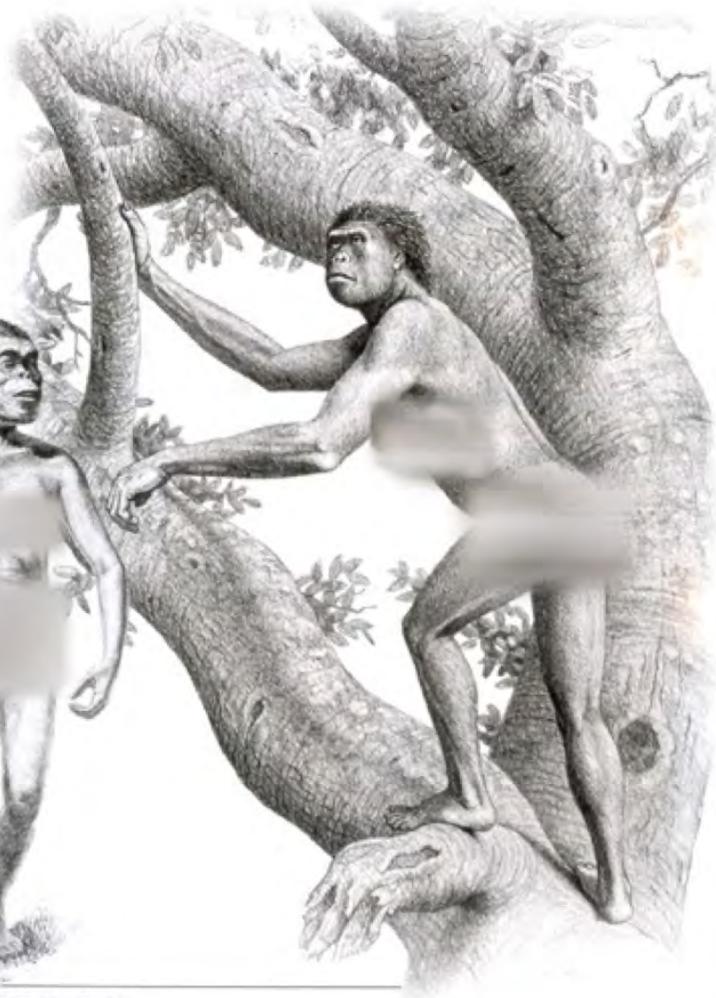
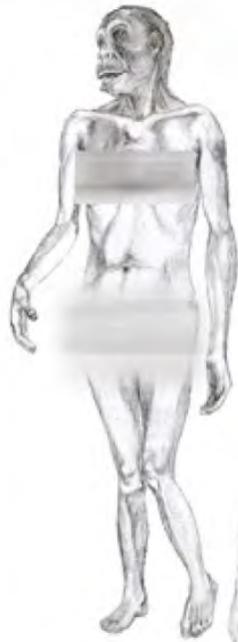
Chimpanzee

Gorilla

Orangutan



MARK THIESSEN, NGS (TOP); ART BY (LEFT TO RIGHT) PORTI
JOHN DAUGHERTY, KAZUHIKO SANO, MAURICIO ANTON



MARK THIESSEN, NGS (TOP); ART BY (LEFT TO RIGHT) PORTIA SLOAN,
JOHN DAUGHERTY, KAZUHIKO SANO, MAURICIO ANTON

MARCH 2000

How to make an ape-man?

1. A few human bones + **imagination** = ape-man
2. A few ape (?) bones + **imagination** = ape-man
3. A few ape bones + a few human bones + **imagination** = ape-man
4. Grind or file the ape or human bones + **imagination** = ape-man

Debunked Ape-men

Neanderthals — fully human

Eanthropus (Piltdown Man) — hoax

Hesperopithecus (Nebraska Man) — pig

Australopithecines — apes

**There
is NO EVIDENCE
that man
evolved!**

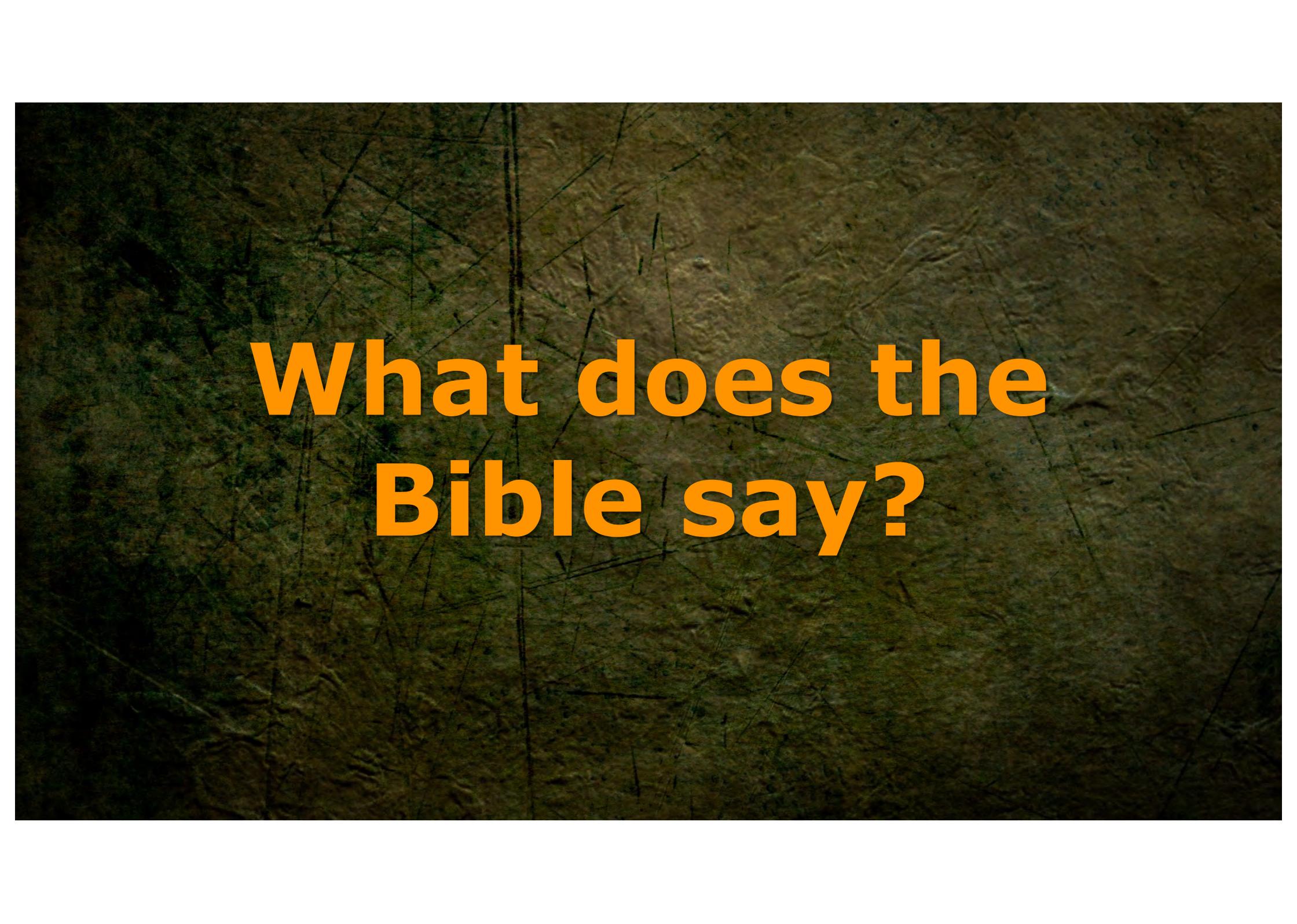
Imagination
and **Art**

**are the
keys!**

Over time,

Evolutionists

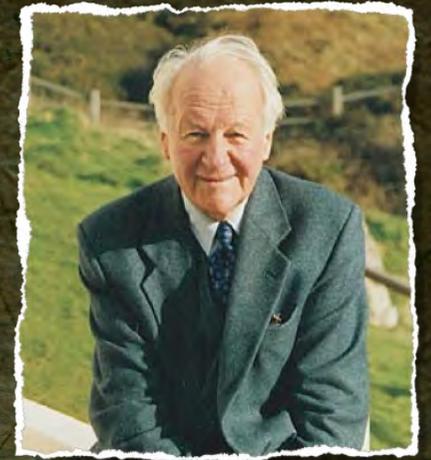
**are getting more
confused!**



**What does the
Bible say?**

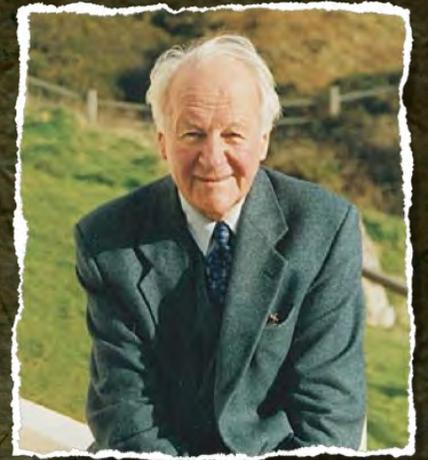
**Adam and Eve were created
supernaturally and were
unique from all other
creatures.**

“It seems perfectly possible to reconcile the historicity of Adam with at least some (theistic) evolutionary theory. Many biblical Christians in fact do so, believing them to be not entirely incompatible.



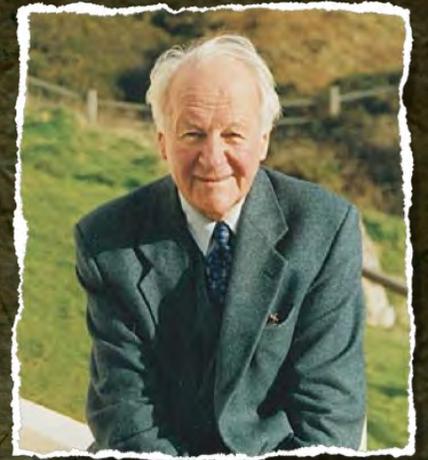
John Stott, quoted in Colin Chapman, *The Case for Christianity* (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 1981), p. 130.

“To assert the historicity of an original pair who sinned through disobedience is one thing; it is quite another to deny all evolution and assert the separate and special creation of everything, including both subhuman creatures and Adam’s body.”



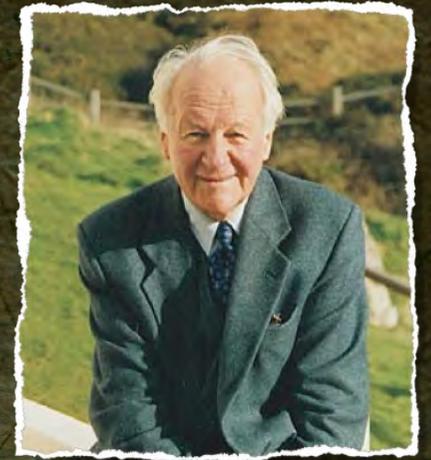
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“The suggestion (for it is no more than this) does not seem to me to be against Scripture and therefore impossible that when God made man in His own image, what He did was to stamp His own likeness on one of the many ‘hominids’ which appear to have been living at the time.”



John Stott, quoted in Colin Chapman, *The Case for Christianity* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1981), p. 130.

“Speaking hesitatingly as a non-scientist,” Stott goes on to indicate that he leans toward the idea of pre-Adamite hominids who were anatomically indistinguishable from modern man but who did not bear the image of God.



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Genesis 1:27

God created man in His own image, **in the image of God** He created him; male and female He created them.

Genesis 2:7

And the Lord God formed the man of **dust of the ground**, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a **living being (ESV: creature, KJV: soul)**.

The Bible

man + Divine breath = **living creature**

Hebrew: *nephesh chayyah*
(also Gen. 1:20-21, 24; 2:19,
9:10)

1 Corinthians 15:45a

“the first **man**, Adam, became **a living soul**”

Theistic Evolution

WRONG!

living creature + Divine breath = **man**

*nephesh
chayyah*

Genesis 3:19

In the sweat of your face you will eat bread,

till you return to the ground, for **out of it** you were taken. For dust you are, and **to dust you shall return.**

Genesis 2:20

So Adam gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for Adam **there was not found a helper comparable to him.**

**There were no other humans
for Adam to relate to.**

Genesis 2:22

Then the rib which the Lord God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man.

Genesis 3:20

Now the man called his wife's name **Eve**, because she was **the mother of all the living**.

1 Corinthians 15:45

And so also it is written, "**The first man, Adam**, became a living being."



Acts 17:24, 26

²⁴ The God who made the world and all things in it . . .

²⁶ and He made **from one man (blood)** **every nation of mankind** to live on all the face of the earth ...

Biblical View



Adam & Eve¹ 1 Corinthians 15:45
Genesis 3:20



Sons & Daughters Genesis 5:4



Noah & Sons Genesis 9:17–19

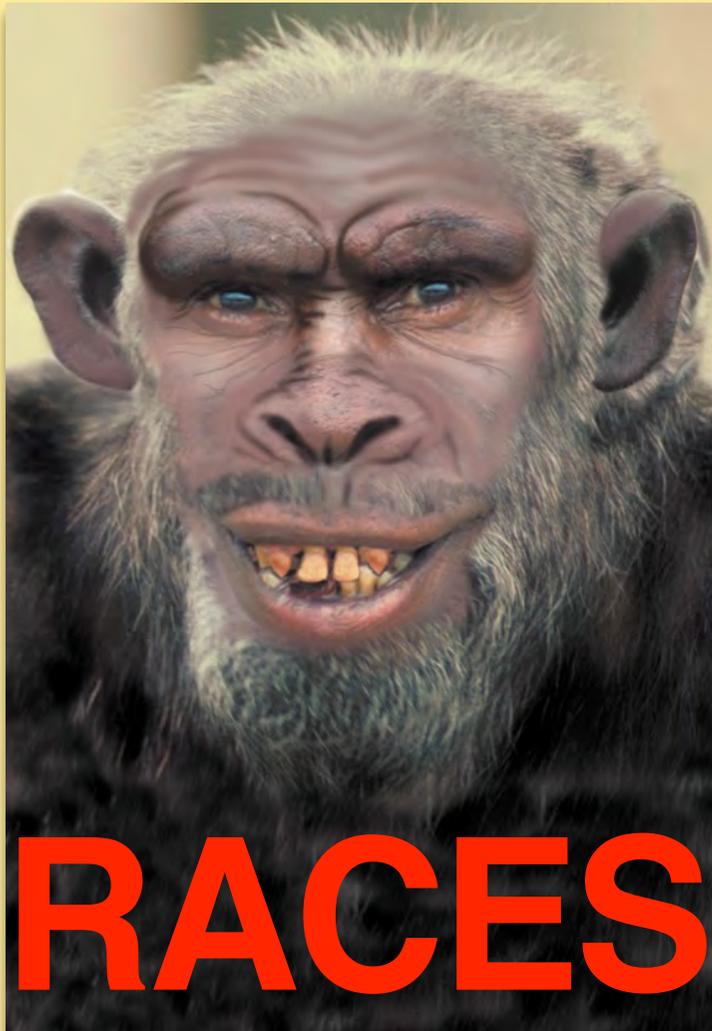


People at the
Tower of Babel Genesis 11:8–9
Acts 17:26

Different People Groups/Cultures



Biological fact:
ALL humans belong to ONE “race”.



RACES

Australoid



Negroid



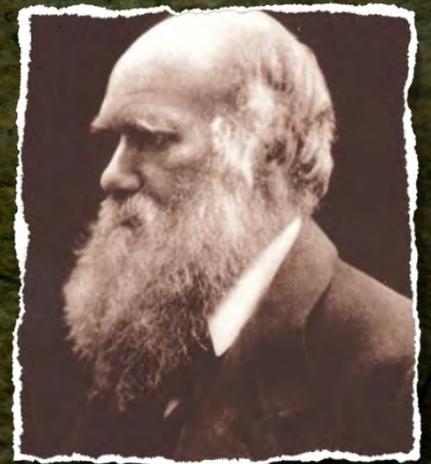
Mongoloid



Caucasoid

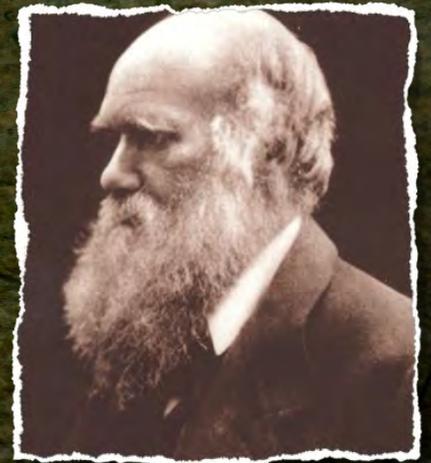


“At some future period, not very distant as measured by centuries, the civilized races of man will almost certainly exterminate and replace the savage races throughout the world. At the same time the anthropomorphous apes . . . will no doubt be exterminated.”



Charles Darwin, *The Descent of Man*, 2nd ed. (New York: A.L. Burt, 1874), p. 178.

“The break between man and his nearest allies will then be wider, for it will intervene between man in a more civilized state, as we may hope, even than the Caucasian, and some ape as low as a baboon, instead of as now between the negro or Australian [aborigine] and the gorilla.”

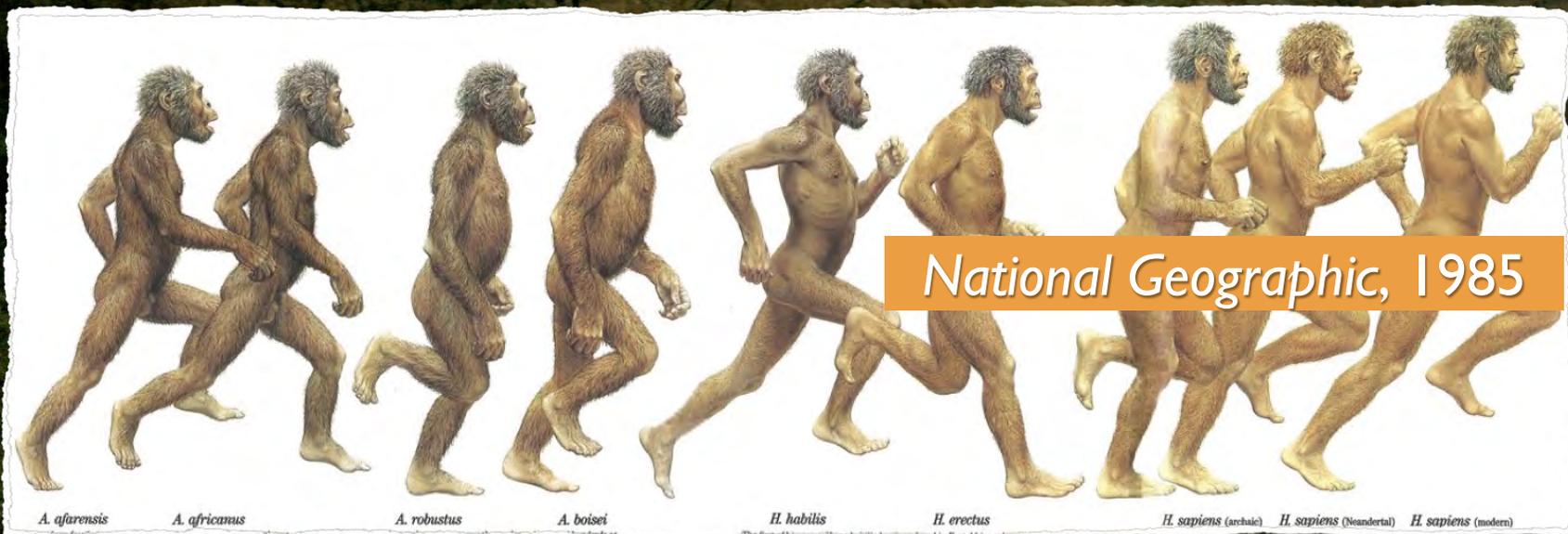


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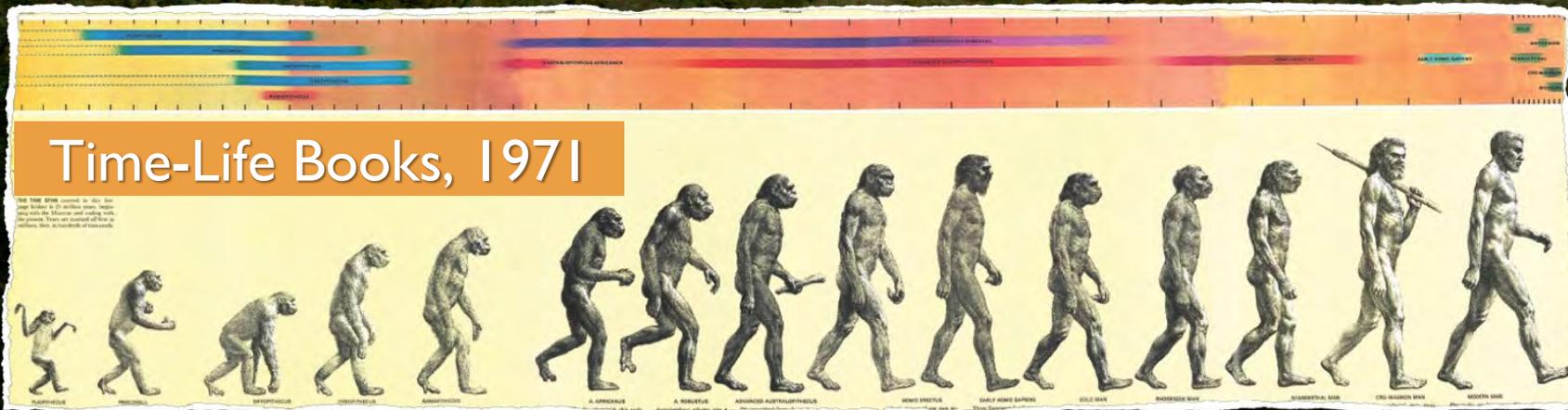
“Biological arguments for racism may have been common before 1850, but they increased by orders of magnitude following the acceptance of evolutionary theory.”



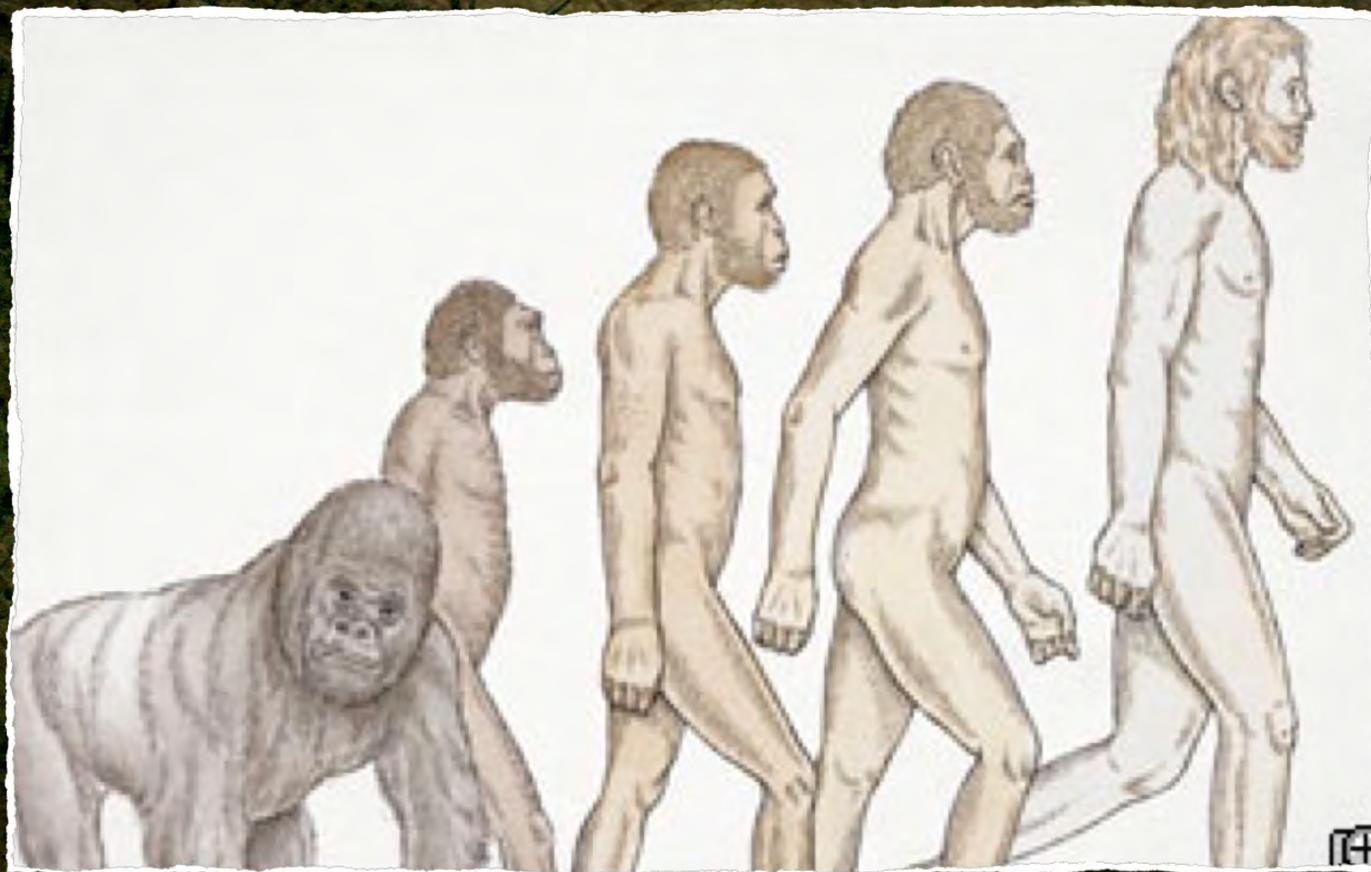
Stephen Jay Gould, *Ontogeny and Phylogeny* (Cambridge, MA: Belknap-Harvard Press, 1977), pp. 127–128.



National Geographic, 1985



Time-Life Books, 1971



Discovery Channel web site, 11 Dec. 2007

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Different People Groups/Cultures





“Researchers found that 15 different genes make major contributions to skin color.”

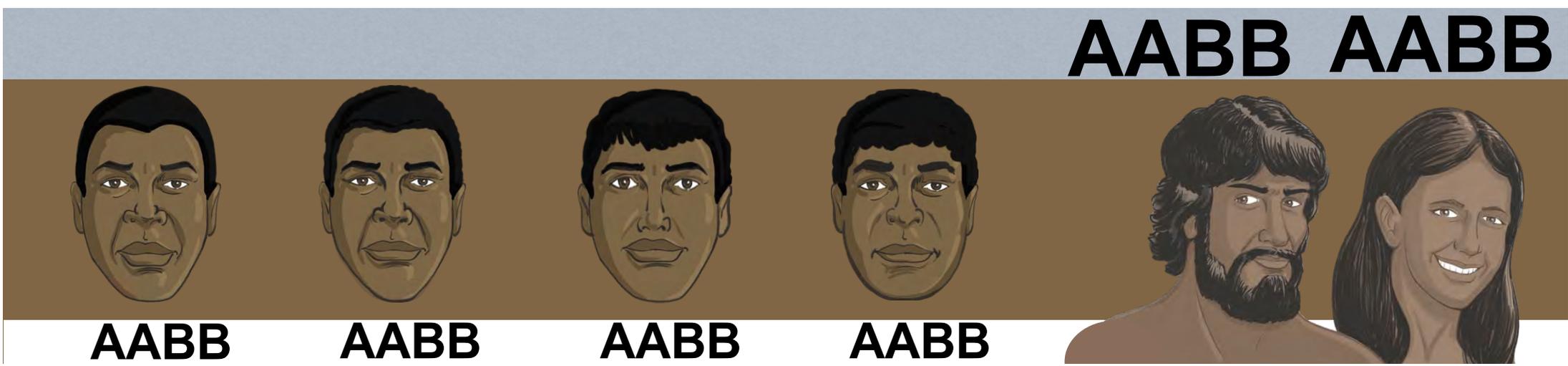
Jeffrey P. Tomkins, "Human Traits Not So Simple After All" *Acts & Facts*, 47:2 (2018), p. 15, <http://www.icr.org/article/human-traits-not-so-simple-after-all>.

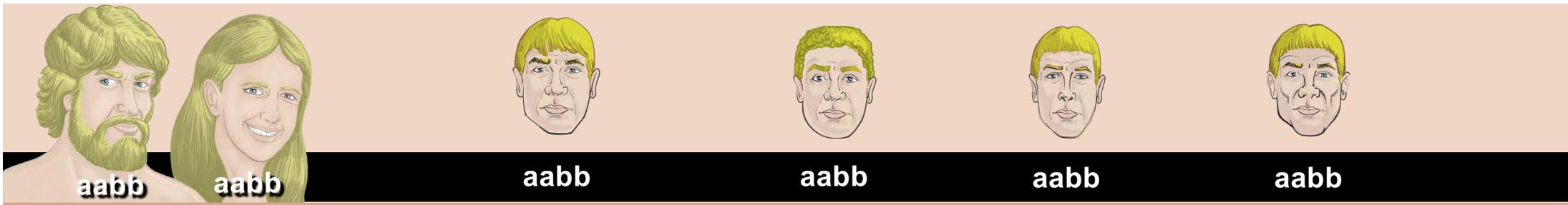
What “Color” was Adam & Eve’s Skin?





Lack of Genetic Variation





AaBb AaBb



Lots of Genetic Variation

AaBb

AaBb

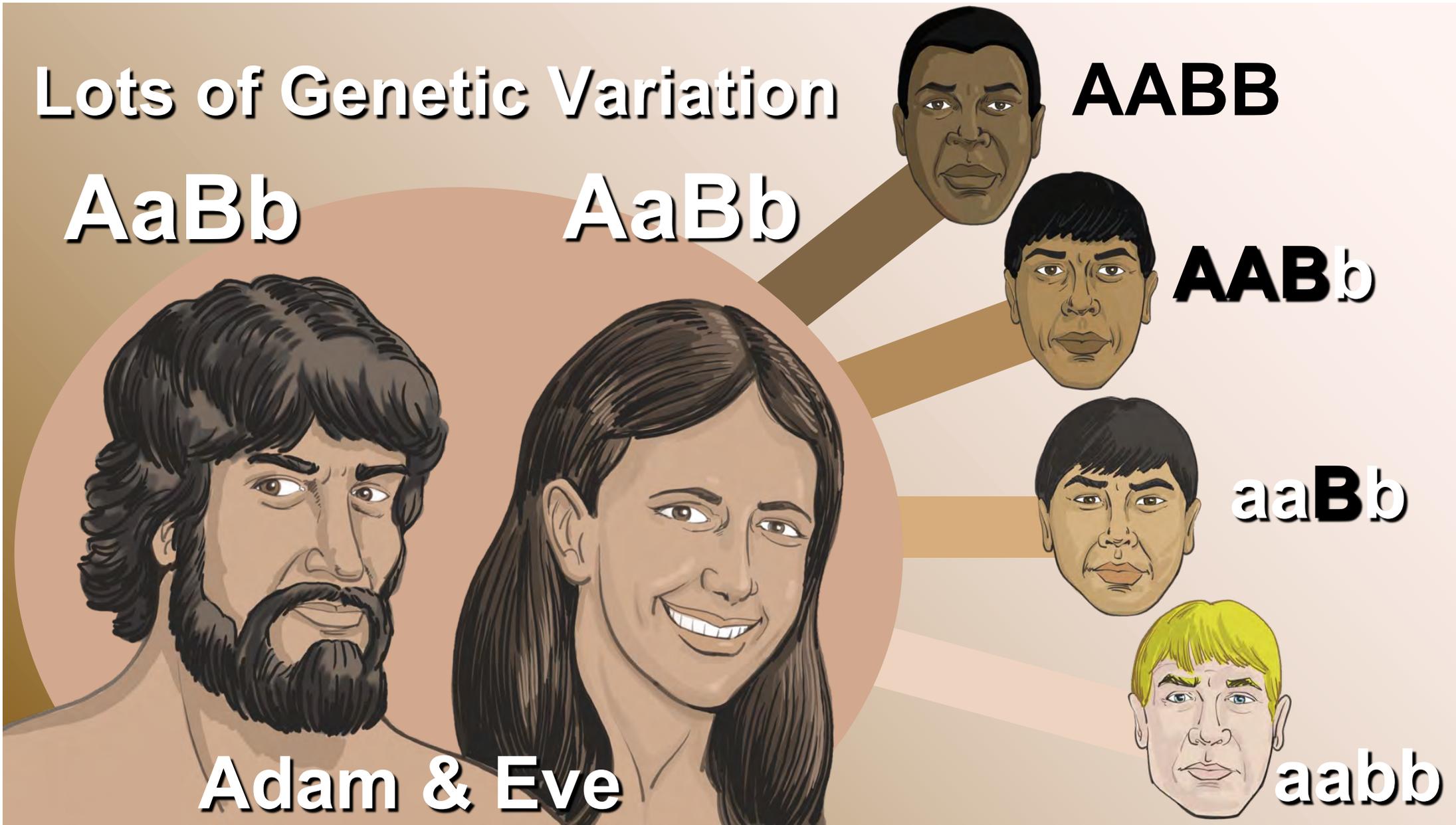
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Adam & Eve

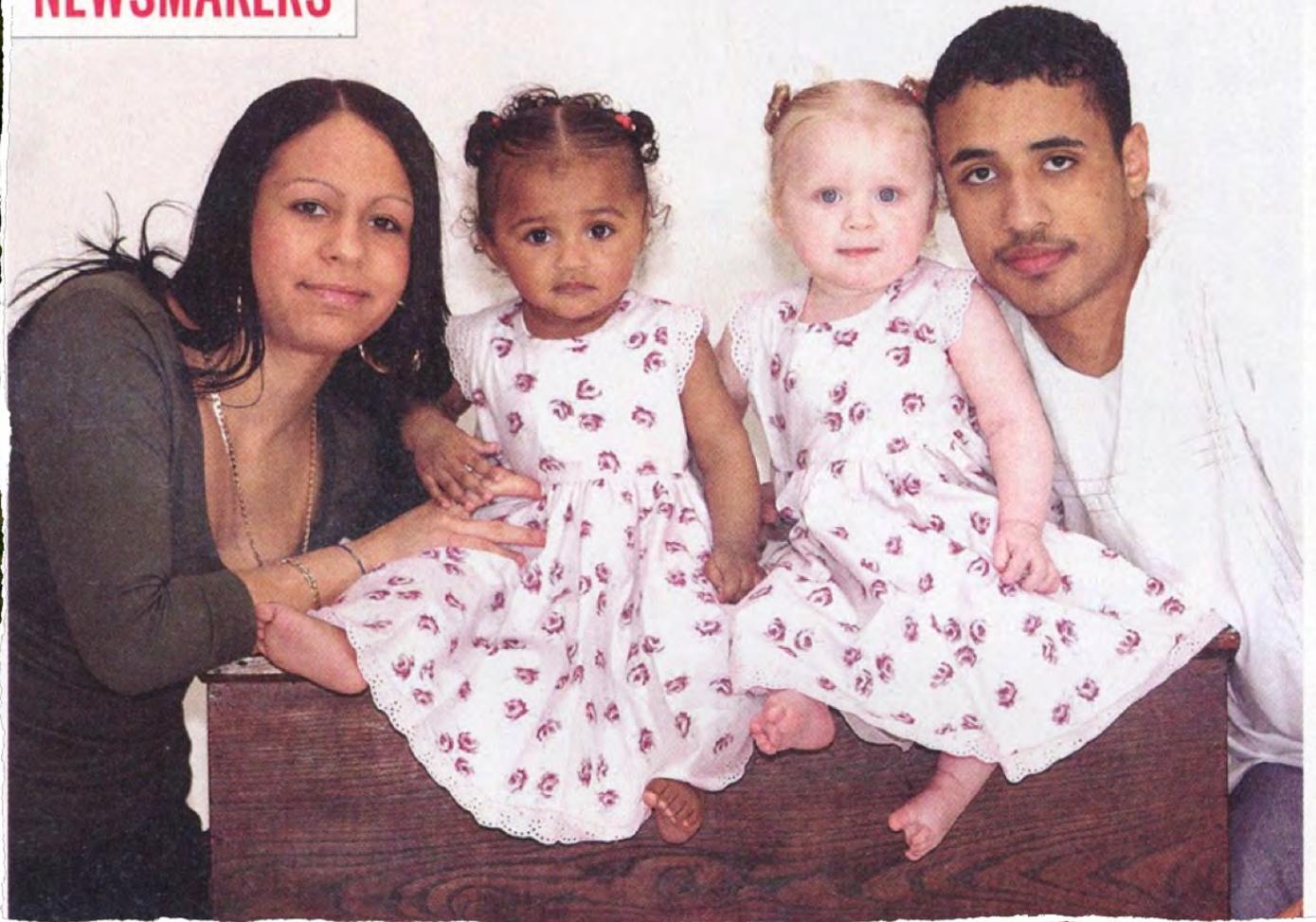




Ghana

Germany

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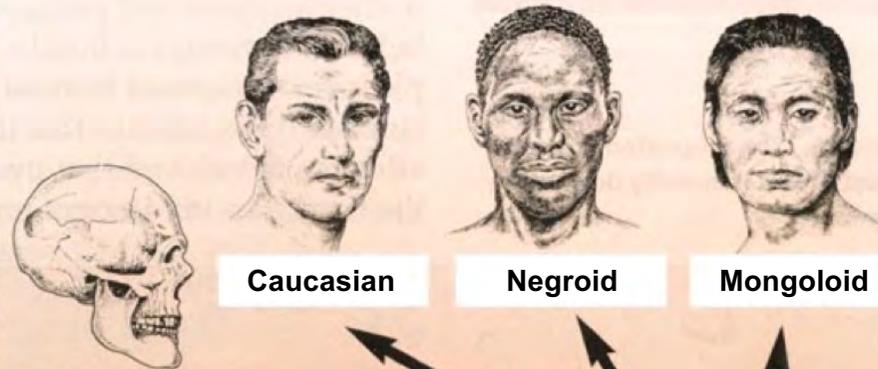


Are they
black &
white
twins?



No, they
are dark
brown &
light brown
twins!

Human Variation



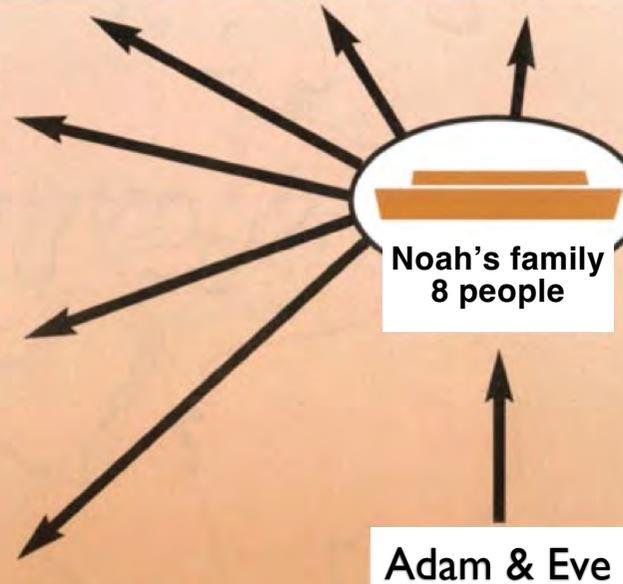
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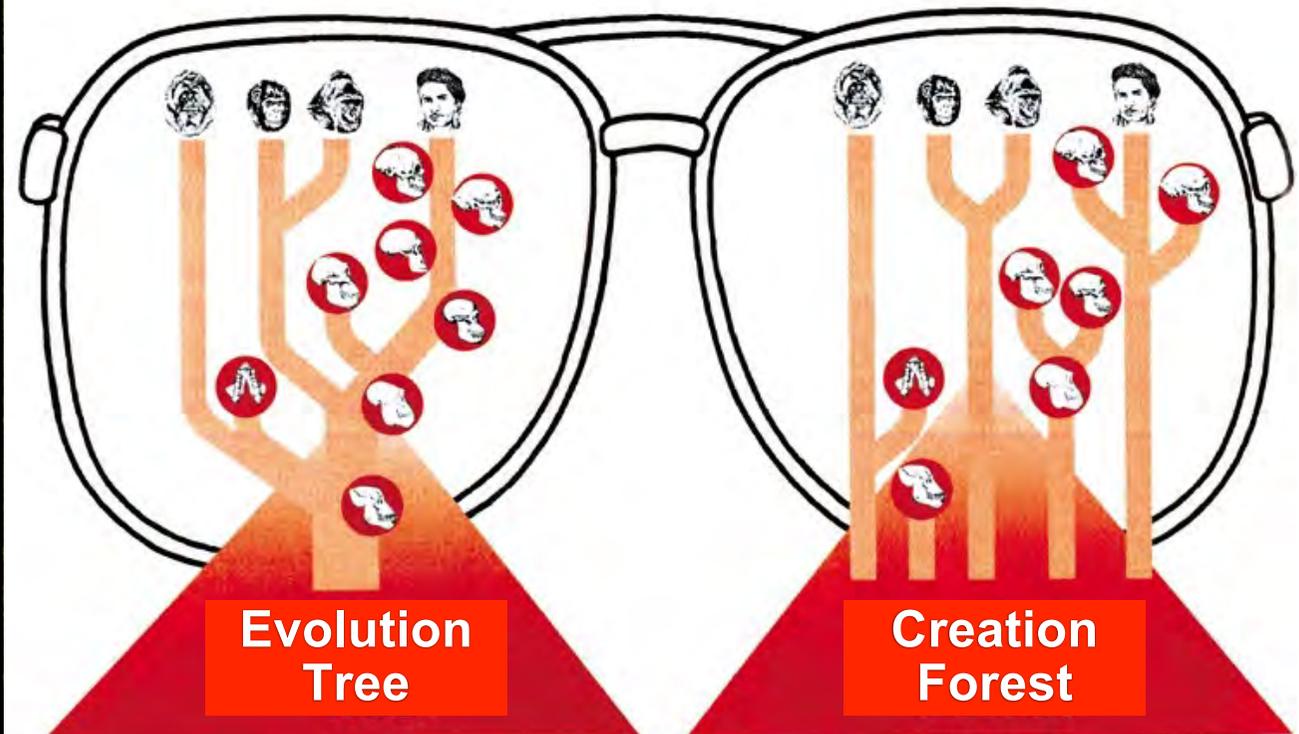
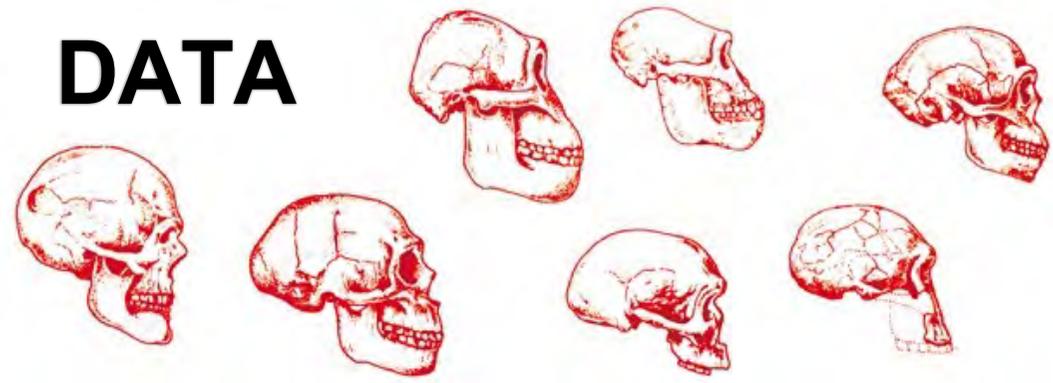
Homo erectus



Neanderthal



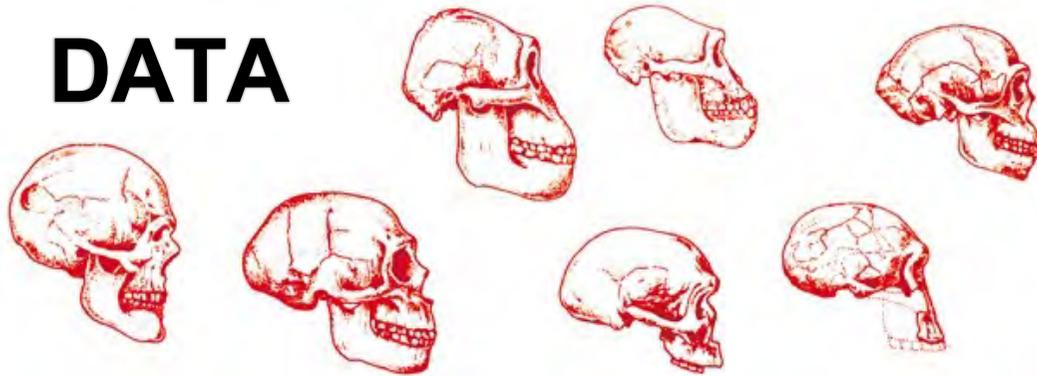
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Evolution Tree

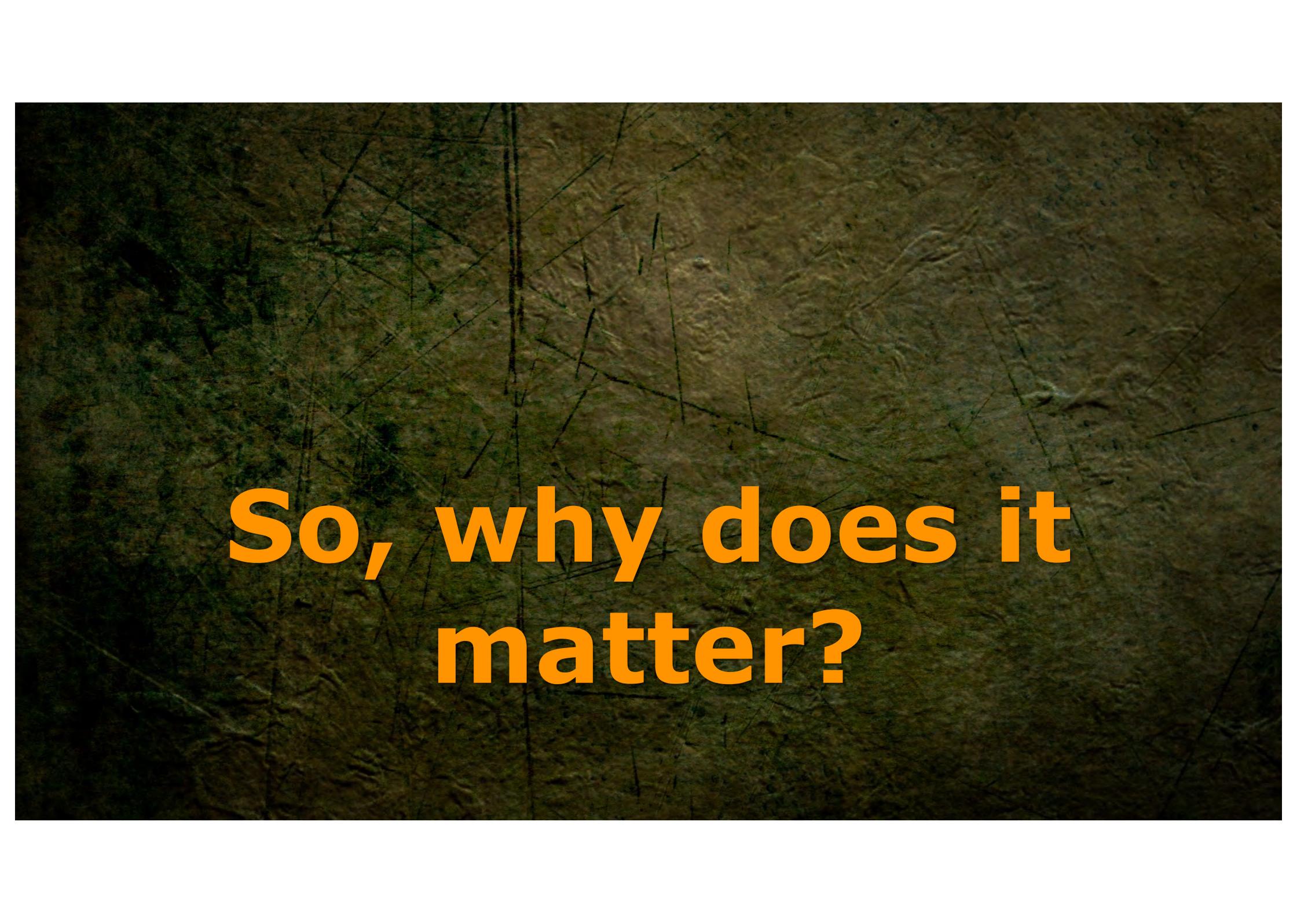
Creation Forest

DATA



**Evolution
Tree**

**Creation
Forest**



**So, why does it
matter?**

**London Zoo
spokeswoman
Polly Wills says,**

“Seeing people in a
different environment,
among other animals
... teaches members
of the public that the
human is just another
primate.”



OTA BENGA:

The man who was put on display in the zoo!



One of the most fascinating stories about the effects of evolution on human relations is the story of Ota Benga, a pygmy who was put on display in a zoo as an example of an evolutionarily inferior race. The incident clearly reveals the racism of evolutionary theory and the extent to which the theory gripped the hearts and minds of scientists.

Jerry Bergman, Ph.D.

THE man who was put on display in a zoo was brought from the Belgian Congo in 1904 by noted African explorer Samuel Verner. The man, a pygmy named Ota Benga (or "Ot"), which means "friend" in his language, was soon "presented" by Verner to the Bronx Zoo director, William Hornaday.

The pygmy was born in 1881 in Africa. When put in the zoo, he was 150 centimeters (4 feet 11 inches) tall, about 23 years old, and weighed a mere 47 kilos (103 pounds). Often referred to as a boy, he had been actually married twice — his first wife had been kidnapped by a hostile tribe, and his second had died from a poisonous snake bite.

He was displayed in the monkey house along with other "primitive" races in the same way as the gorilla and the chimpanzee. In 1906, the Bronx Zoo director, William Hornaday, wrote:



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Caged & displayed in
the monkey house,
New York Bronx Zoo
Sept 1904 - late 1906



ADAM IN YOUR
PAST

GOD IS
AUTHORITY

GOD
SETS
THE
RULES

APE IN YOUR
PAST



Ooh!
Ooh!
Aah!

Relative
Morality

Man sets
the rules

Mark 10:6

But from the **beginning of the creation**,
God `made them male and female.'

**If Genesis isn't literal history,
then Jesus was wrong.**

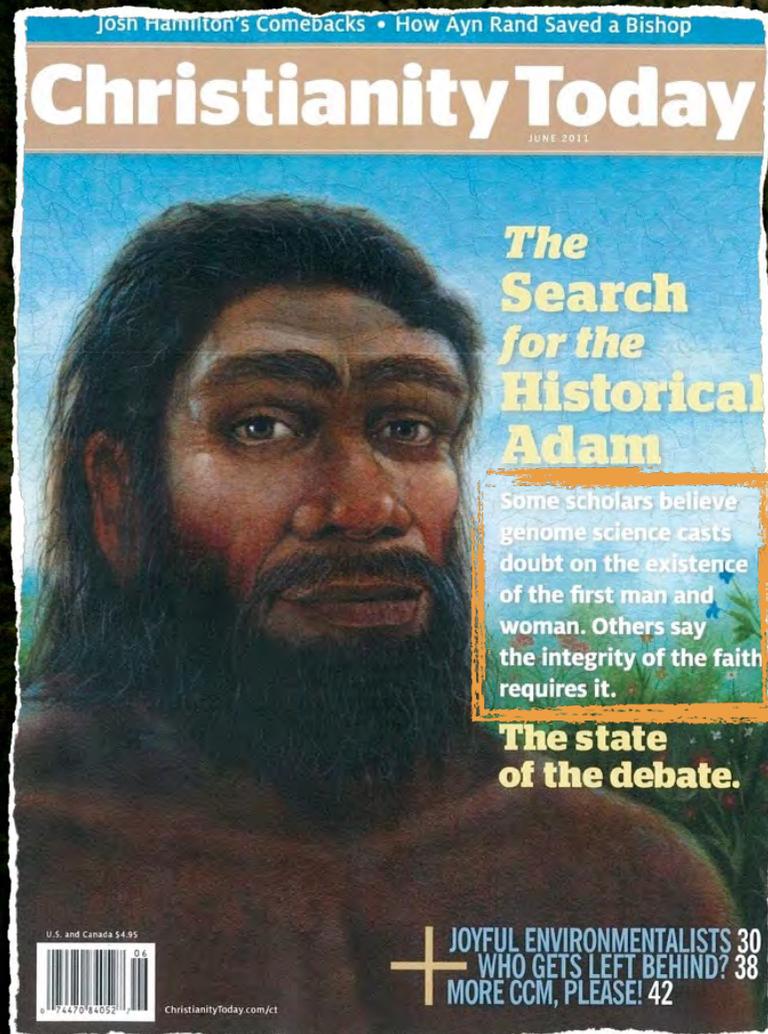
1 Corinthians 15:21-22

For since by a **man**, came death, by a **man** also came the resurrection of the dead. For as in **Adam** all die, so also in **Christ** all will be made alive.

**If Genesis isn't literal history,
then Paul was wrong and the
gospel is false.**

“No Adam and Eve means no need for a savior. It also means that the Bible cannot be trusted as a source of unambiguous, literal truth. It is completely unreliable, because it all begins with a myth, and builds on that as a basis. No fall of man means no need for atonement and no need for a redeemer.”

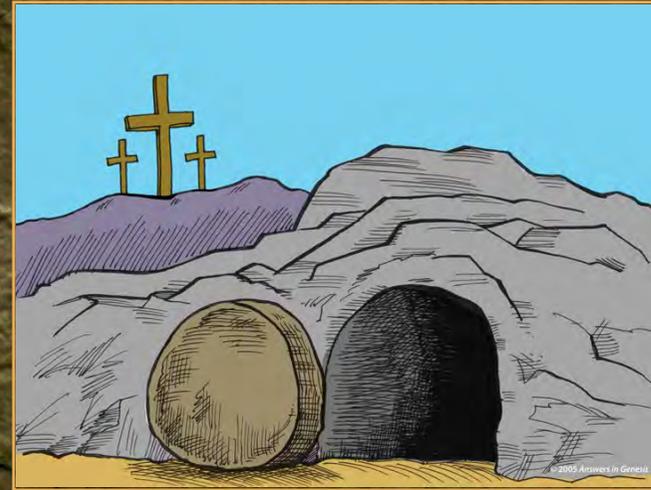
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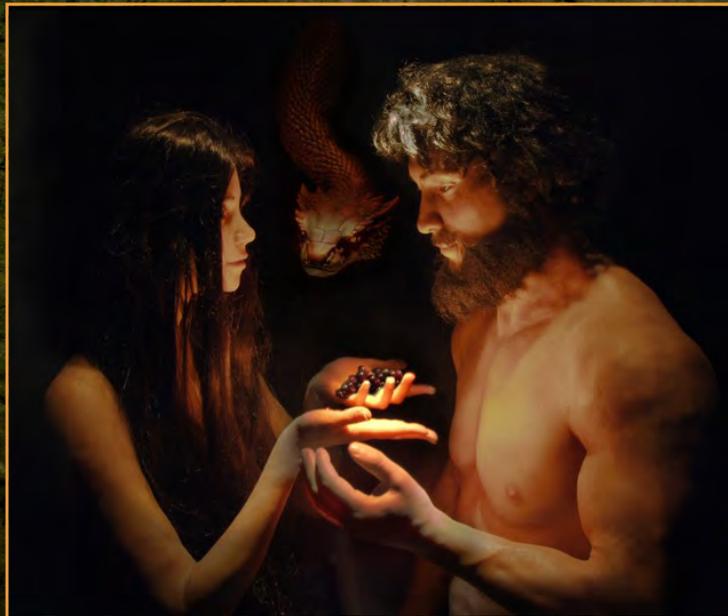
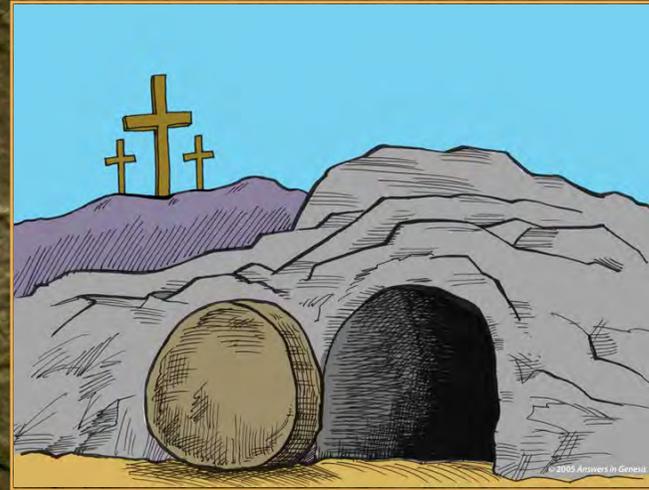


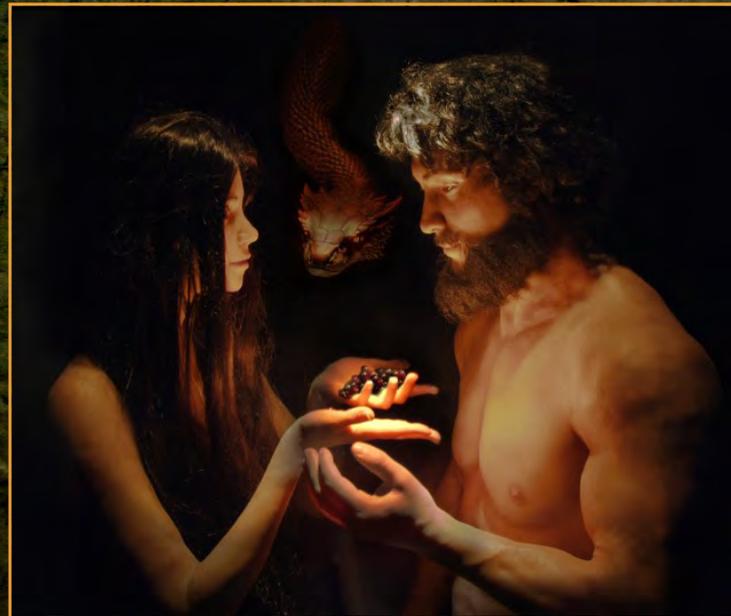
The Search for the Historical Adam

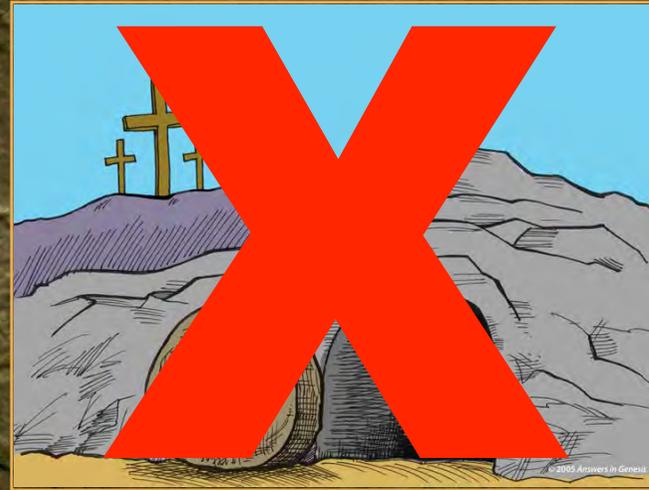
Some scholars believe genome science casts doubt on the existence of the first man and woman. **Others say the integrity of the faith requires it.**

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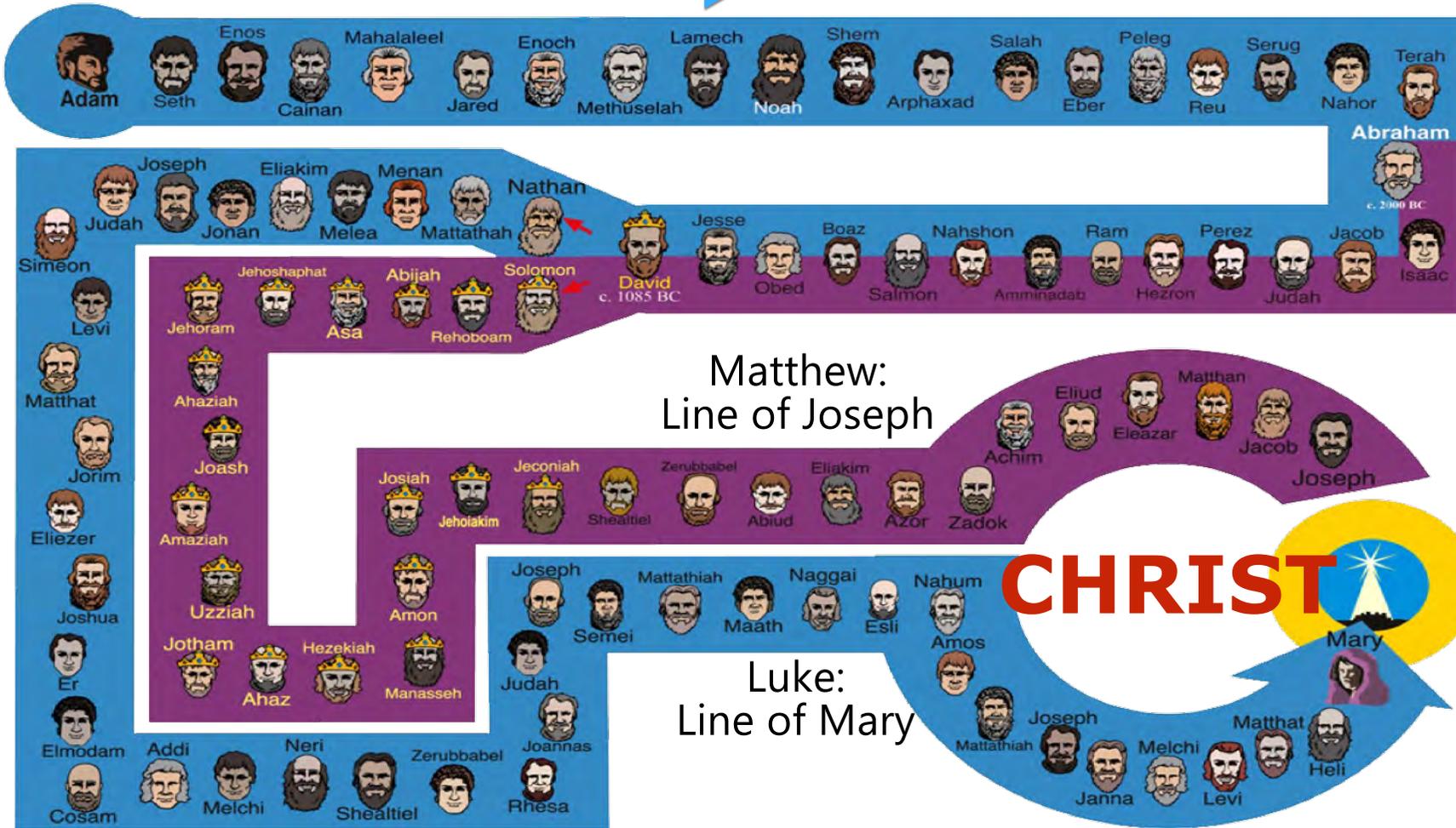




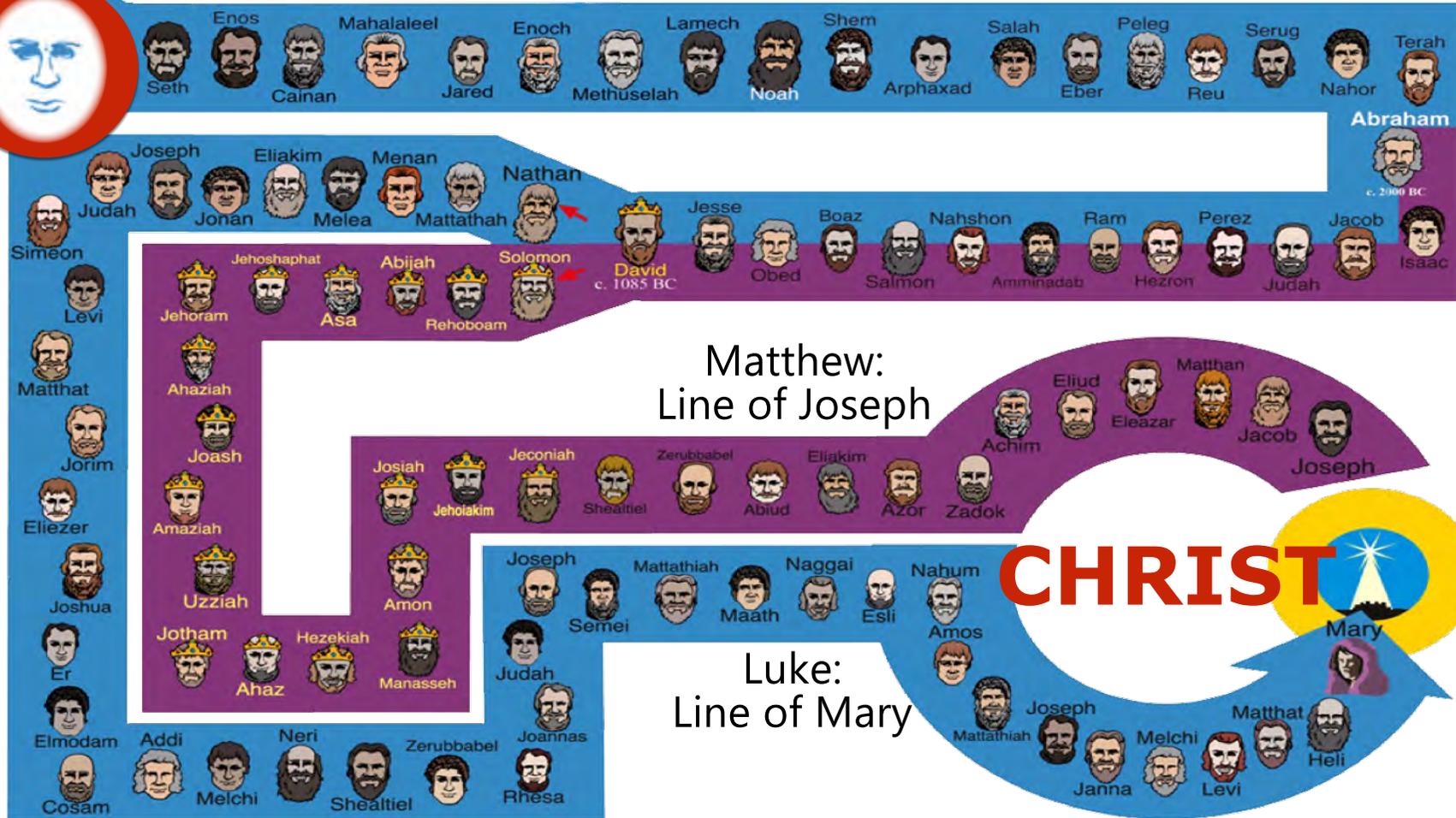




FROM ADAM TO CHRIST



FROM METAPHOR TO CHRIST



Matthew:
Line of Joseph

Luke:
Line of Mary

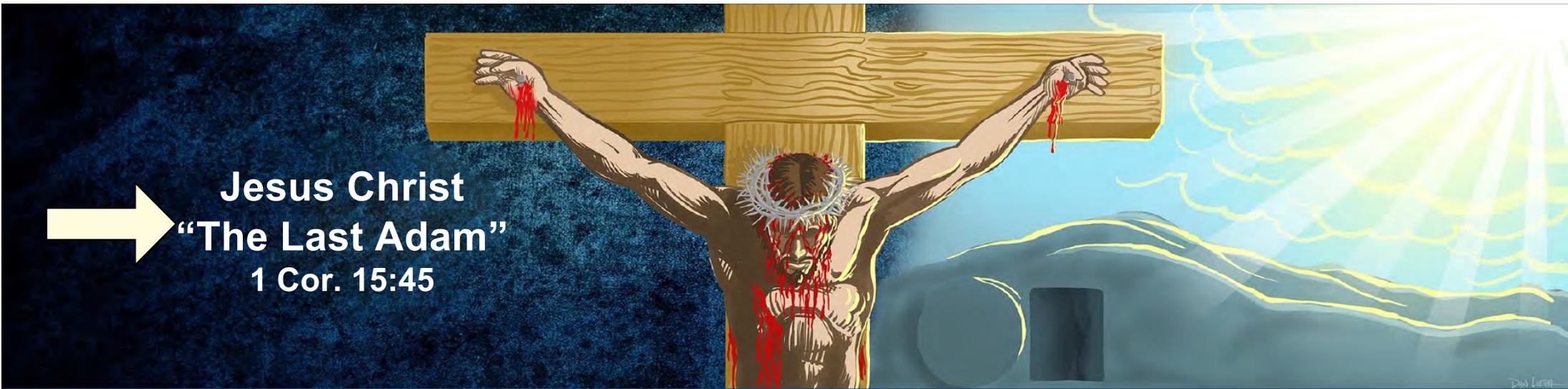
CHRIST

Mary



Joseph

Matthew
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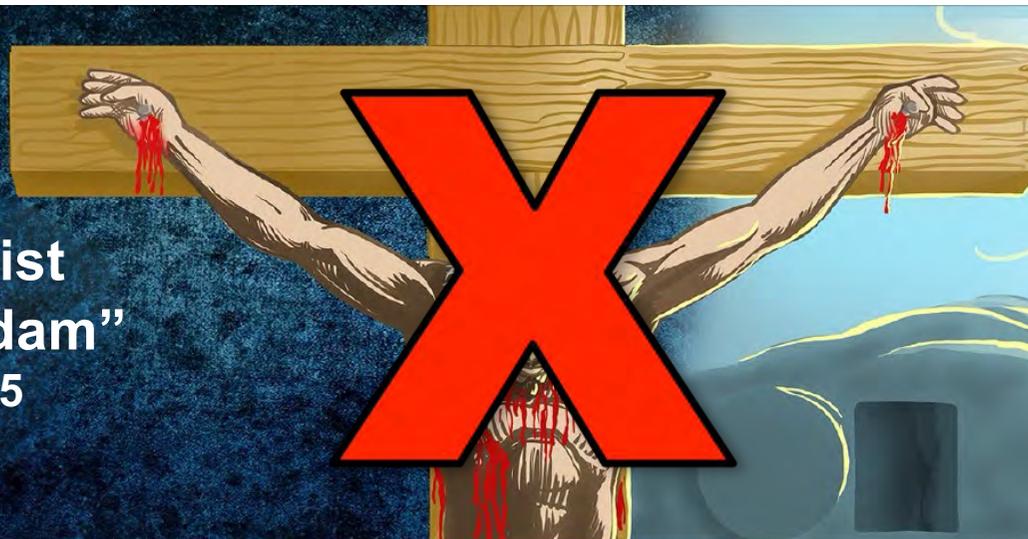


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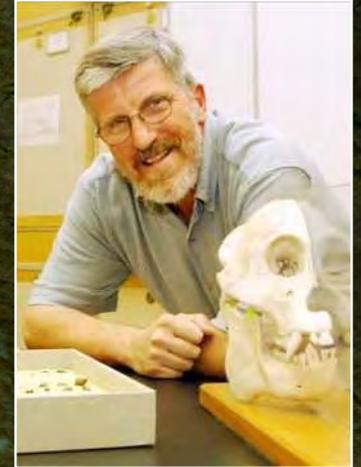
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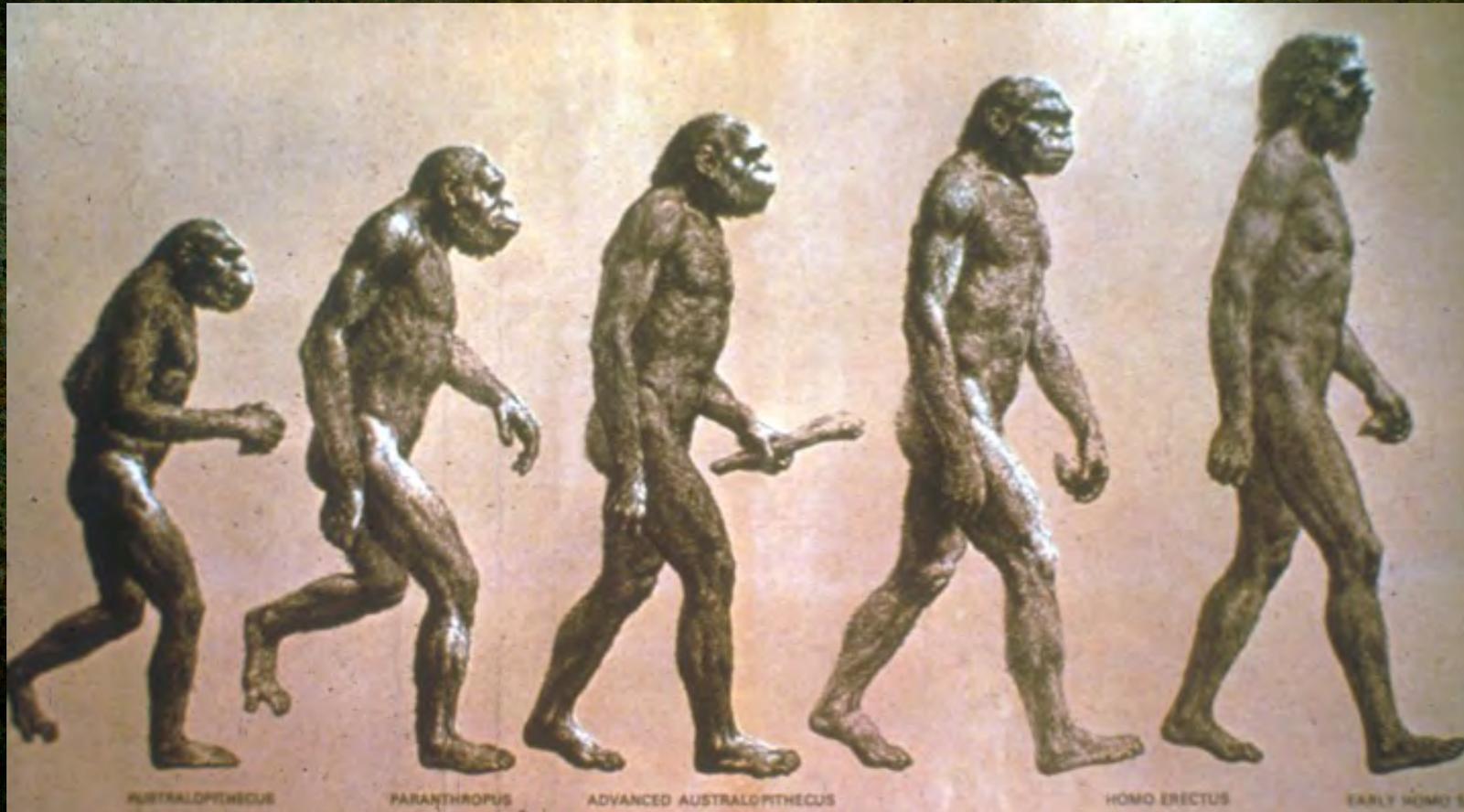
“There is a popular image of human evolution that you’ll find all over the place ... On the left of the picture there’s an ape ... On the right, a man ... Between the two is a succession of figures that become ever more like humans ... Our progress from ape to human looks so smooth, so tidy. It’s such a beguiling image that even the experts are loath to let it go.



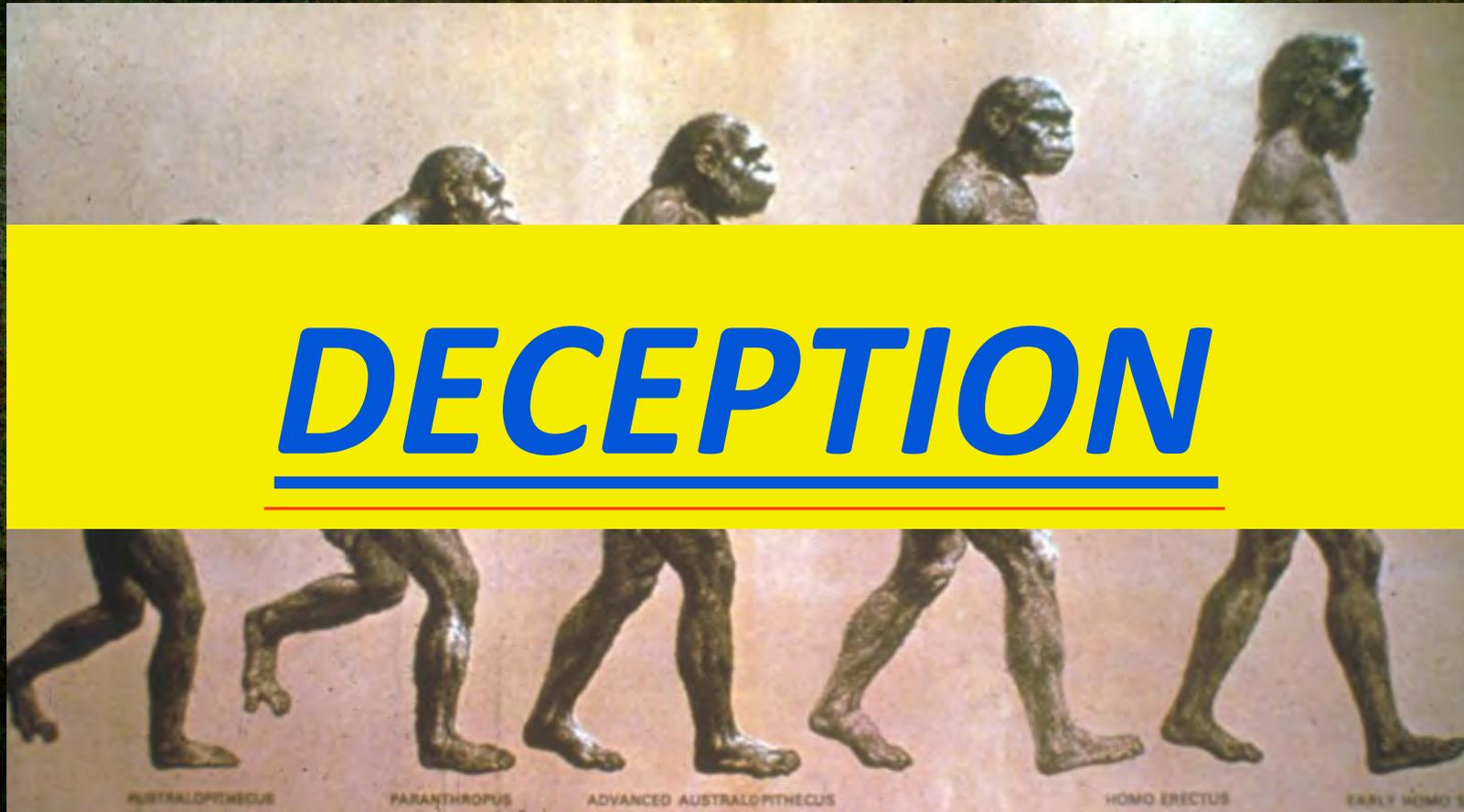
But it is an illusion.”

Bernard Wood (prof. of human origins, George Washington Univ.), “Who are We?”
New Scientist, 2366 (26 Oct. 2002), p. 44.

Evolution of Man



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Acts 17:30-31

^{30.} Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all people everywhere should repent,

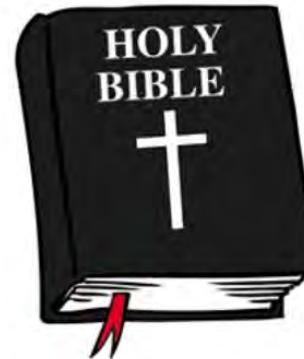
^{31.} because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead.



John Stott
and other
Christian
Leaders
and
Scholars

I created
Adam and Eve
supernaturally.
Take My Word
for it!

**Confirmed
by real
science**

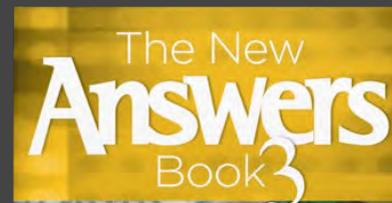
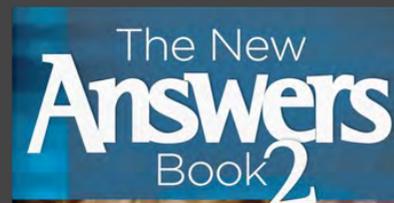
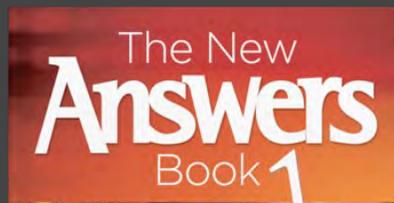




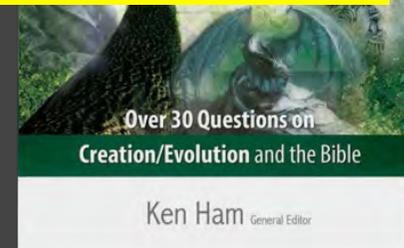
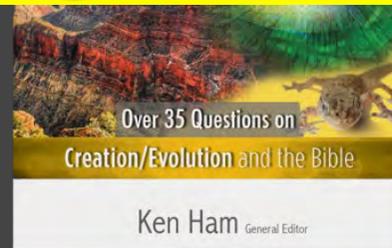
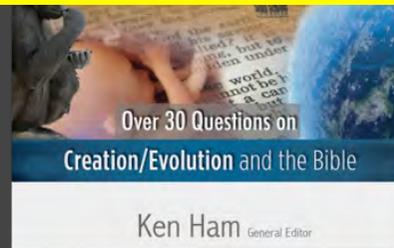
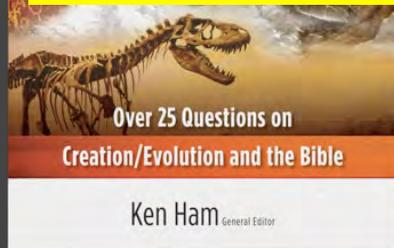
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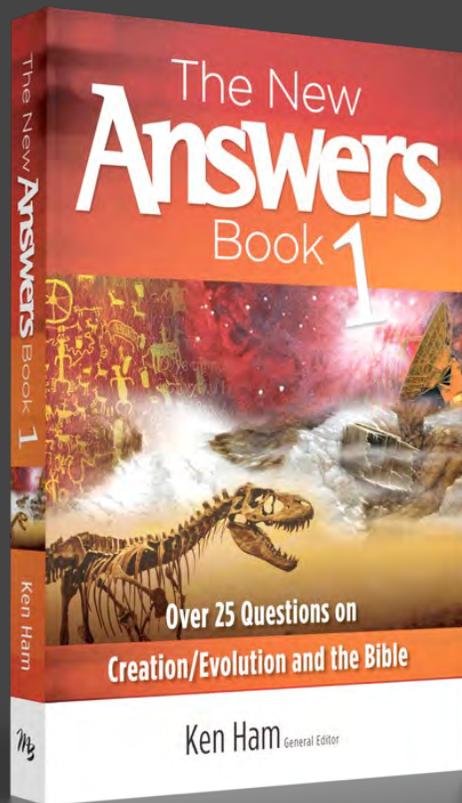


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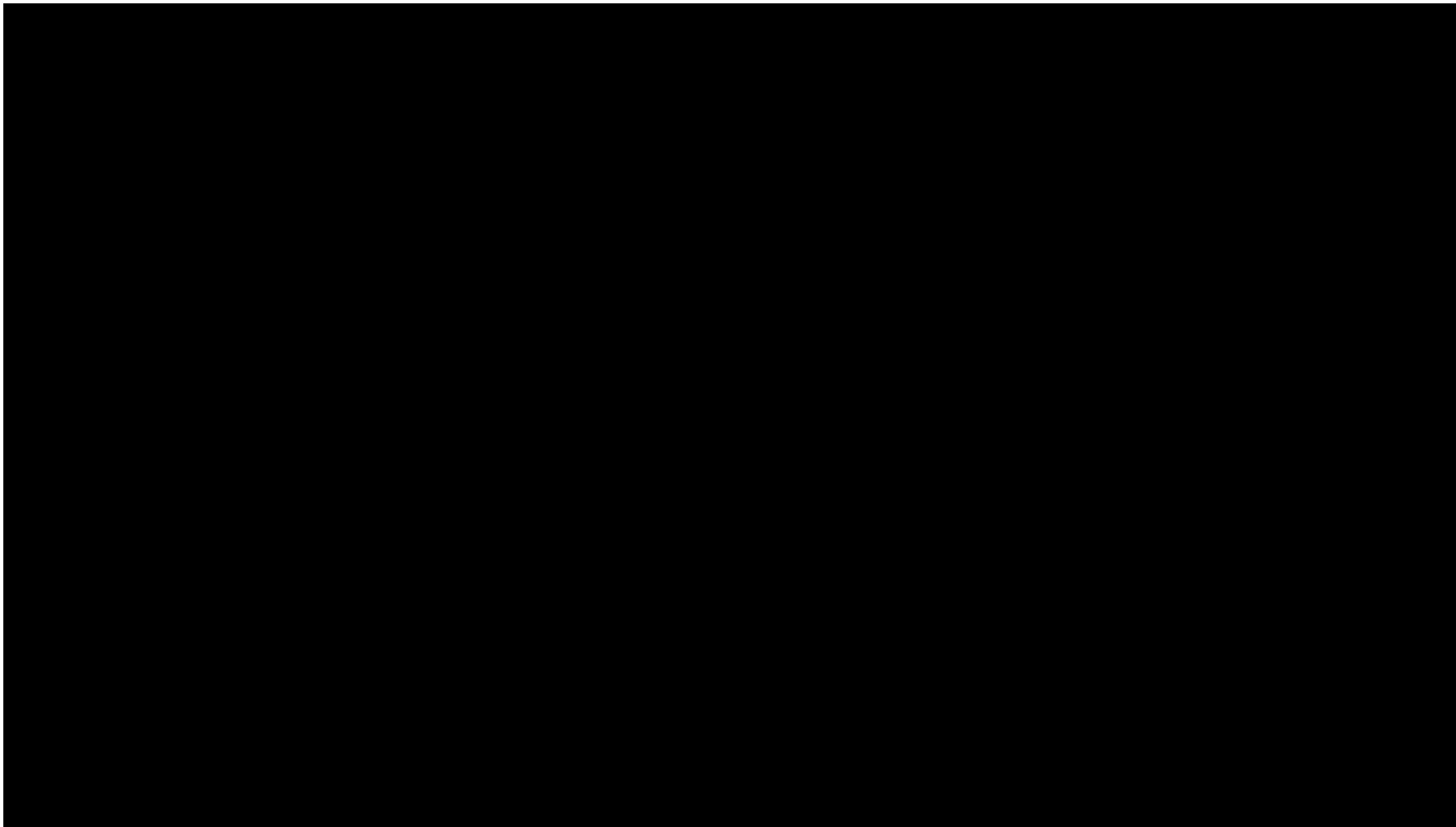
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