

The need of the hour: A Chinese Creation Science Association!

Around 1000 BC, there was a group of men in Israel who knew what the need of the hour was:

And of the sons of Issachar, men who understood the times, with knowledge of what Israel should do, their chiefs were two hundred; and all their kinsmen were at their command. [1 Chronicles 12:32]

These leaders pooled their strength to support King David, God's anointed, as he extended his rule to the entire nation. They knew the need of the hour was to gather to David at Hebron and enthrone him as king over all Israel.

3,000 years later, what is the need of our time as we serve King Jesus? What is the greatest hindrance to sharing His gospel among hundreds of millions of Chinese? What is perhaps the greatest hinderance to His kingdom, the Church, at this moment in history? One word: Evolution.

When you share the gospel with a mainland Chinese, the first stumbling block is almost always the same thing. Whether it's Ph.D. scientists, or unskilled laborers from poor provinces who didn't even graduate from middle school, atheism, or at least skeptical uncertainty about God's existence, is their default worldview. When we point to the evidence for a Creator from His creation, the inevitable reply is: "But scientists have proven everything has natural causes, proven that human beings evolved from apes by a long, natural process. We learned it in our history textbooks, our biology textbooks, and on T.V. programs. It's a fact."

And this more than anything else makes them indifferent to the gospel. Who needs salvation from a God who probably doesn't exist?

We know people who went to church for years, often to please a spouse and make social contacts. All the kindness shown by Christians didn't bring them to Christ, until finally they read some scientific creationist materials—then the block was removed. For the first time it seemed logical to believe, logical to think that it could all be real. Then they came to Christ.

If we do not refute evolution for Chinese society, so many will not have ears to hear the gospel.

Turn from the unsaved world to the Church. Earnest parents, first generation Christians, long for the salvation of their children. But these children are bombarded with messages from the 'authorities' of the world telling them evolution is true, no 'gods' exist. The teachers say so, the schoolbooks and web articles assume it to be true, the scientists in white lab coats on T.V. preach it with 3-D graphics and there is no higher 'authority' in their minds than a scientist!





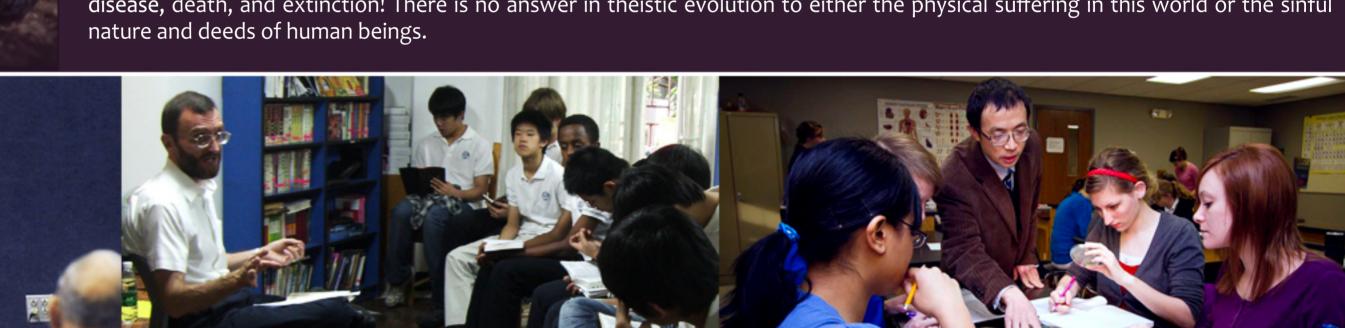
Sometime in their teen years, with minds and bodies maturing and the rebelliousness of their sinful nature able to assert itself more fully, they abandon their profession of faith. They might not say it openly at first; it might wait until their 20's until they stop going to church altogether. But their faith, which never really had a rational basis, is swept away by Satan's lies.

But it doesn't have to be that way. We have seen a teenage boy going to the public schools in mainland China. His mother had become a Christian. The most effective thing she ever did for him was take him to a series of studies on creation/evolution. There he at last gained a basis for understanding that God is objectively real and the Bible is true right from the first page. This enabled him to begin to establish faith in the one true God.

If we do not refute evolution for the Chinese church, we will lose the next generation.

Believers and unbelievers ask: "If there's a good, all-powerful God, why is there so much evil and suffering in the world?" It's an honest question which demands an answer. The unbiblical compromise position of long ages and theistic evolution mumbles an answer about 'natural evil' and 'the best possible world.' The compromise answer might satisfy some and work for a little while. But try using it with an unbeliever grieving over the death of their young child! What a ridiculous, cruel, capricious 'god' the evolutionary compromise presents to the world, a 'god' who can only 'create' through a long, random process of trial and error, of pain, disease, death, and extinction! There is no answer in theistic evolution to either the physical suffering in this world or the sinful



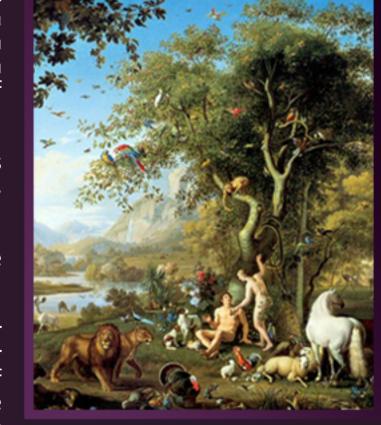


The first three pages of the Bible give the real answer: human beings have fallen into sin, and the world has been cursed because of sin. What we see now is not the original state of the universe that God created and called "very good." And the Bible gives the real hope: God became a Man, Jesus, to redeem us from the consequences of sin and the curse. One day He will recreate the universe without pain or suffering. When Christians try to combine the Bible with evolution, these essential doctrines are compromised and eventually lost. Not only that, but belief in the Bible as true history begins to be eroded, and the inerrancy of scripture is undermined. What comes next is liberal theology and the loss of the gospel.

The past 200 years of Western history shows clearly that when the Church compromises with evolution, it undercuts evangelism, undermines faith in the scriptures, and snuffs out the one light that can shine in a darkened society. Then the following generations are lost to the world. This is the root of the present, terrifying moral decay in the West.

If we do not refute long ages and theistic evolutionary compromises in the Chinese church, Chinese people will lose the Bible's answer to the most painful questions in human life.

Are you already convinced of these things, brother, sister? I thank God that you understand! Perhaps you will ask, "Why do we need another creationist organization? We already have several excellent ones?" Yes, and we thank God for them! But we don't have one in Chinese for over a billion Chinese people! At best, materials are translated from English. At worst, questions remain unanswered and the slow acting poison of compromise begins to spread in the Chinese Church. We need a clear voice in the Chinese church to uphold Biblical creationism. Meanwhile the vital resource of thousands of Christian Chinese scientists is underutilized. Chinese believers so far have not made a contribution to creation science commensurate with their numbers far from it!



Do you feel the need, brother, sister? Are you willing to help, for the glory of God, for the advance of His kingdom, for the health and growth of the Chinese Church? The Chinese Creation Science Association (CCSA, 中華創造科學協會) has recently been founded to address this need. We're starting in North America, but our goal is to spread to mainland China as soon as possible.

Our goals are:

- 1. Dissemination: Dissemination among the Chinese speaking world of existing creation science materials in Chinese or other languages via website and other means.
- 2. Translation: Translation of existing creation science materials into Chinese.
- 3. Teaching: Provision of qualified Chinese language speakers on creationism.
- 4. Production: Production of original creation science materials in Chinese for lay and technical audiences.
- 5. Research: Publication of original, peer reviewed creation science research in Chinese, including the establishment of a periodic journal. Sponsorship of creation science research initiatives.

Have you "understood the times" we are living in? Do you have "knowledge of what" the Church should do now? Then come and join us! Non-Chinese are needed, as well, to pray for and encourage this ministry. The next step is simple: contact us to show your interest, either via our website:

www.chuangzaokexue.com

www.chinesecreationscience.com

or, to obtain further information or learn how to support financially, by calling, texting or emailing one of our board members:

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Stand up and be counted for Jesus! Jesus is your Creator [John 1:3]—not cruel, blind chance. And He did it in six days, not five billion years. The real facts, real science, are on our side. Let's make that truth known throughout the Chinese Church and among Chinese people all over the world!

"If I profess with the loudest voice and clearest exposition every portion of the truth of God except precisely that point which the world and the devil are at that moment attacking, then I am not confessing Christ, how-ever boldly I may be professing Him. Where the battle rages, there the loyalty of the soldier is proved; and to be steady on all the battlefront besides is merely flight and disgrace if he flinches at that point." [Elizabeth Rundle Charles]