Equipping Believers with Answers - Bob and Lois Gillespie Gillespie Greetings - June 2015



From Ken Ham, CEO of Answers in Genesis:

Do you know what we need to do in response to the Supreme Court decision on Friday--which is really a symptom of a very sick culture that has shaken its fist at God, and a sad reflection of the state of much of the church that has not stood on God's Word as it should? For one, we need to build an Ark--a life-size Ark as a sign to the world that God's Word is true and the message of salvation is true...

We need to do more to contend for the faith, answer the skeptics who attack God's Word, preach the gospel, make disciples and do our best to win hearts and minds for the Lord. Hearts and minds change a culture--and the problem with America is a heart problem! We need to call church and culture back to the authority of the Word of God and preach the gospel with increasing fervor. I truly believe the life-size Ark project, which will open next year, will be one of the greatest Christian outreaches of our day. Other than the Cross (the greatest symbol of the gospel/salvation message), I believe the Ark is the greatest symbol of salvation--a reminder of one door through which one must go to be saved.

> Jesus said: "I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture." (John 10:9)

The recent Supreme Court ruling concerning marriage just underscores the need for light to shine in the darkness proclaiming the only source of truth, God's Word. The Ark is particularly a good reminder to the world that God has judged in the past with a global flood, yet he provided a way of Salvation. He is going to judge again and He once again has provided a way of salvation, this time through Jesus Christ.

But this world seems convinced that Science has proven the Bible is a myth. Even many Christians have fallen for this lie. It seems odd that the authority of Scripture is not only being attacked by the world, but also by much of the church today. What is strange about this is that believers have the inner witness of the Holy Spirit, assuring us that we can trust the Bible. Yet to many, the external witness of nature seems to contradict the Bible. This creates a strong tension in peoples' minds. If they are not sure about the first part of the Bible, doubt is cast on it all. We are reaping the consequences of this today. The trouble is most people don't know that real observational science confirms the Bible is true. This only makes sense; the events of scripture actually happened, so we would expect our observations of nature to confirm this history. There is no tension at all. The internal witness, the written word of God, and the external witness of nature all agree.



It is not only America that needs this message. The authority of scripture is being undermined all over the world. I have an opportunity to go to Togo, West Africa, in August. I will be taking these faith-affirming messages to the Christians in Lomé, the Capital city. I will be speaking at a family conference and at a pastors' conference. The money for this trip has only been trickling in. We trust that this support will continue to arrive. The airline ticket is about \$2000 and there is also food and housing expenses while I am there. Please consider being a part of this. I know God is in this, and I know that this message of the authority of scripture will continue to spread and take root all over Togo even after I am gone.

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