

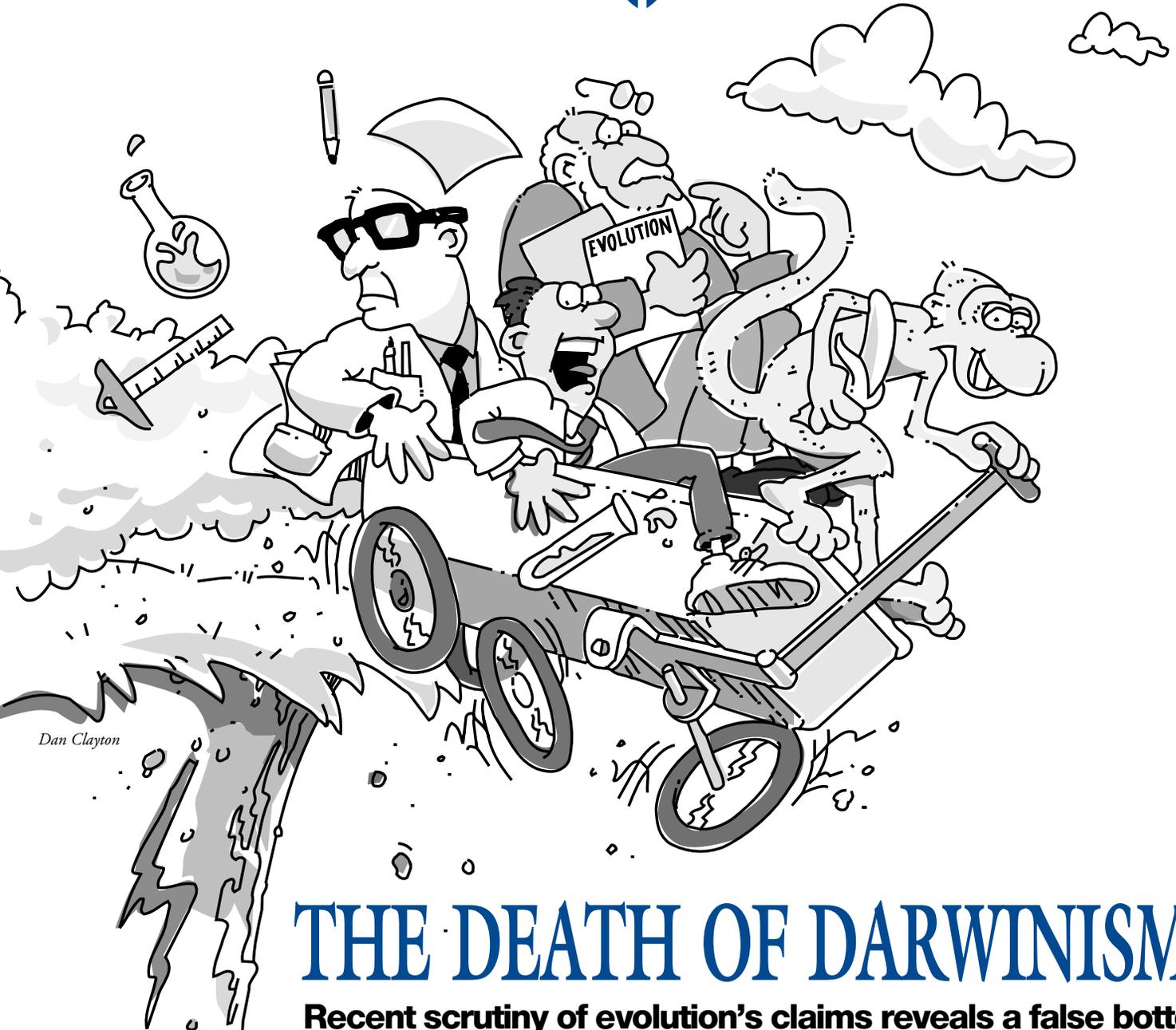
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## THE DEATH OF DARWINISM?

**Recent scrutiny of evolution's claims reveals a false bottom**

The audience sat in stunned silence. All eyes were on the speaker at the front.

The speaker leaned forward on the podium, grinned at the audience, and spoke:

"State of shock?" he asked.

The speaker was Dr. Michael Ruse, celebrated evolutionist, and the occasion was a national meeting

of the members of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

As the keynote speaker, Ruse had just completed his speech in which he was asked to specifically debunk the "New Creationists."

And members of the A.A.A.S. did get a shock. Instead of criticizing the opposing side, Ruse stated

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# REAL LIFE CAMPAIGN WILL EXPOSE 3 MILLION TO GOSPEL

## New and returning students focus of CLM's Every Student's Choice kickoff

What do incoming freshman students face on the college campus today?

During freshman orientation, when administrators prepare students for college life, thousands of students will be given "safer sex kits" which include condoms, lubricants, and visually graphic pamphlets.

They will also be told they need to practice tolerance of every sexual orientation. At some schools, new students are told that to request a roommate reassignment because one roommate is discovered to be homosexual would be considered discrimination; the request would be denied and disciplinary action taken (such as sensitivity training.)

When school begins, freshmen will be faced with professors who insist that Christianity is based on a myth. Some professors will declare that Jesus was a homosexual magician. From other faculty, they will hear the freshmen women referred to as "potential survivors" and the young men as "potential rapists."

Many freshmen will be told on their first day of class that God is dead and Darwinian evolution, with its "hard facts," is the only absolute truth.

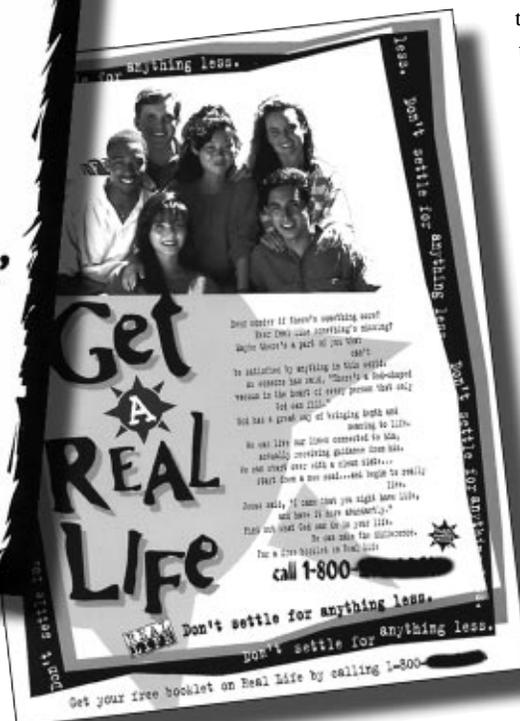
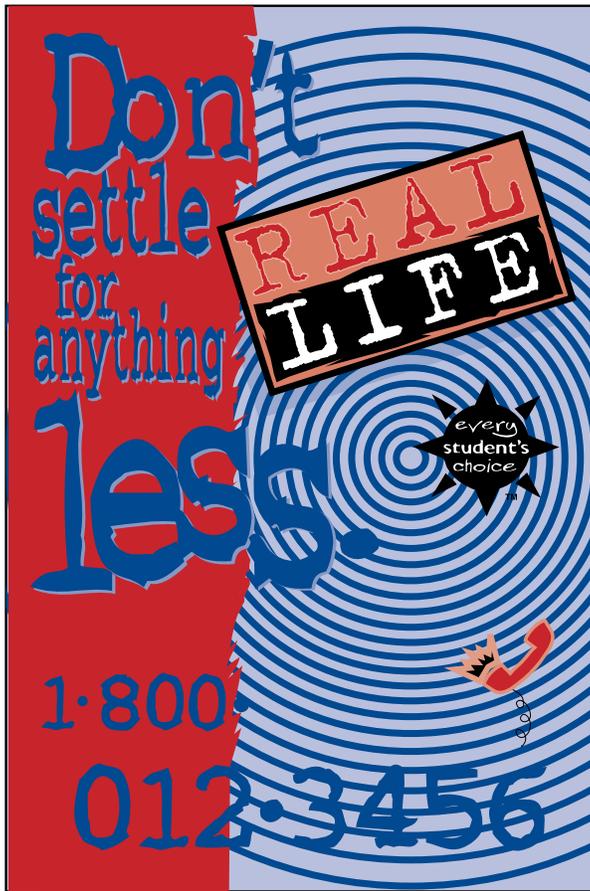
What if things were different? What if, when students arrive on campus, the first choice they face is the possibility of experiencing real life through Jesus Christ—before all the lies and confusion clamor for their attention?

What if Jesus Christ was first in line to capture the attention of new and returning students?

Christian Leadership has a plan to do just that with the Every Student's Choice campaign kickoff this year. The slogan "*REAL LIFE—Don't Settle for Anything Less!*" on posters, ads, T-shirts, flyers, booklets and banners will greet new and returning students on over 200 campuses in the first weeks of school.

After the excitement of the first few days of campus life wears off and the reality of schoolwork, empty relationships and the daily grind sets in, students will be looking for something to fill the void in their lives. They could turn to alcohol, parties, sex, political radicalism, or they could find *Real Life*. The *Real Life* campaign offers students an opportunity to find real purpose and fulfillment in life. Its purpose is to offer students the abundant life that only Christ can offer.

Christian students, professors, and Campus Crusade staff on participating campuses are trained and standing ready to creatively use the specially designed follow-up material, media and resources CLM has provided for the *Real Life* campaign to lead people to Christ. Once again, an 800 number will be featured to make it easy for students to obtain information. 



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publicly for the first time that he now essentially agrees with the main point of the new creationists: the theory of evolution as it is now understood lies more in the realm of philosophy, not science.

Ruse's confession was all the more surprising when his background is considered. As the expert witness for evolution in the famous Arkansas Creation Trial, Ruse swayed the judge to rule that creationism could not be taught in schools. Ruse's central argument was that creationism required certain philosophical assumptions, and therefore could never be considered a science.

"Did Michael Ruse Give Away the Store?" was the title of an article by a fellow evolutionist in *the NCSE Reports* magazine after Ruse's recent public admission. Ruse's colleague berated him for going public with the trade secret: the modern champions of evolution are quietly looking for a new theory to replace Darwin's.

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Dr. Dean Kenyon literally wrote the book on the chemical evolution of life. He was one of the first who developed a theory on how life began in the thick primordial soup of early earth.

He also became the book's greatest critic.

After years of applying the best minds and equipment around the world in pristine laboratory conditions, Kenyon observed, scientists were no closer to recreating that first living cell than when he first put forth his theory.

Kenyon reasoned that if the best human minds could not replicate that first random cell, then chance and natural selection couldn't do it either. The only possibility left standing, he decided, is creation by some higher intelligence.

Once he came to this conclusion, Kenyon continued to teach from the evolutionary textbook in his introductory biology class, but he would also explain how research led him to believe in another possibility for the origins of life.

Kenyon paid a price for his "indiscretion," however. His biology department formed a kangaroo court of sorts and removed Kenyon from teaching his course. His crime? Suggesting that an intelligent creator is an acceptable alternative to evolution.

After a long and involved process of appeals, Kenyon's administrators reluctantly reinstated him as a professor of introductory biology.

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Ruse and Kenyon are only two examples of scientists and scholars around the world who are uncovering a secret the evolutionists have kept carefully hidden: after decades of assembling fossils and conducting

experiments, there is still too little hard evidence to support a theory of Darwinian evolution, or *naturalism*, as it is often called—and that fact places evolution in the realm of philosophy and religion, not science.

Moreover, top scholars are arguing that this religion in disguise is much to blame for the decay of ethics, morals and values in western society.

Key evolutionists, or *naturalists*, agree among themselves that what is taught now in schools and colleges as the theory of evolution is defunct, but they must let it continue being taught without debate until they develop a new theory.

After all, they reason, left without a "scientific" theory for human origins, the public might turn to religion for answers.

Darwin's theory of evolution is a "sacred cow" among evolutionary scientists, claims Dr. Phillip Johnson, professor of law at the University of California, Berkeley; naturalists won't allow anyone to tamper with or criticize their theory, as all their work is based on it. All the shortcomings of evolution—the lack of any fossil evidence, numerous circular arguments, failed laboratory experiments—have little affect on the faith of evolutionists in their primary cause: there is no God, except that which man has created. Instead of admitting the faults of evolution, the Darwinists point the finger at creationists, or theists, and accuse them of meddling in affairs they don't understand.

The concerted efforts of Darwinists have resulted in evolution becoming, as professor Johnson put it, "the established religious philosophy of America."

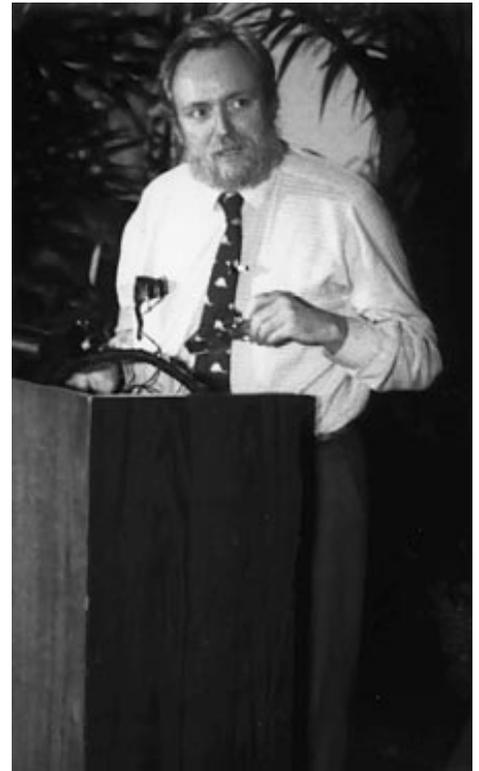
From our courts to our schools, Darwinian evolution is held as the one true religion, because it claims to be the only theory with a basis in "fact."

"It's the scientific equivalent of political correctness," explained Dr. Walter Bradley, a mechanical engineering professor at Texas A&M University. Bradley has written extensively on the evolution/creation controversy, and he has taken his talk, "Scientific Evidence for the Existence of God" around the country.

As the dominant belief shaping our society, naturalism has a serious flaw: it allows no room for a belief in God.

The meaning of evolution is that "man is the result of a purposeless and natural process that did not have him in mind," stated George Gaylord Simpson, the most famous modern Darwinist.

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Dr. Michael Ruse (above) is a zoologist and philosopher of science at the University of Guelph, Canada. He recently agreed with creationists that evolution should be viewed more as a philosophy than pure science.

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# DEFENDING THE FAITH ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD IN LESS THAN 5 MINUTES

**Christian Leadership's new Internet site enables students to defend their faith and chat with the experts**

As a freshman in her first few weeks of college, Amy is a little nervous about her new world, but she's also full of expectations. As a Christian, Amy is ready to tackle this so-called fortress of humanism, and she's prepared to persuade her fellow classmates to consider Christ.

Although Amy was a leader in her high school Christian group, she is about to discover that State U. will present far greater challenges to her faith and biblical knowledge than she has ever experienced before.

"Today we will begin to examine the origins of life," states the professor in Amy's Biology 101 class.

"So you see," her professor concludes at the lecture's end, "what God can do, man can do. And what man can do, nature can do . . . given enough time.

"So what need is there for a God?"

As Amy leaves the class a little dazed, one of her classmates, Peter, exclaims, "Isn't it neat that scientists have recreated that first living cell in their labs?"

"But I believe only God can create life," she responds unsteadily.

"Hey, you heard the prof.," Peter replies. "God is an outdated idea. If people can create that first living cell, why do we need a God?"

Without replying, Amy turns away, dejected and confused, and resolves to stay clear of the classmate with hard questions . . .

Suddenly she remembers something and turns back.

"Wait a minute!" Amy calls out to Peter as she runs back to join him.

"About your question . . . if you meet me in the student union this afternoon, I'll have an answer for you."

Peter agrees and they set a time to meet.

What Amy remembers is an Internet address another Christian student had written down for her on notebook paper.

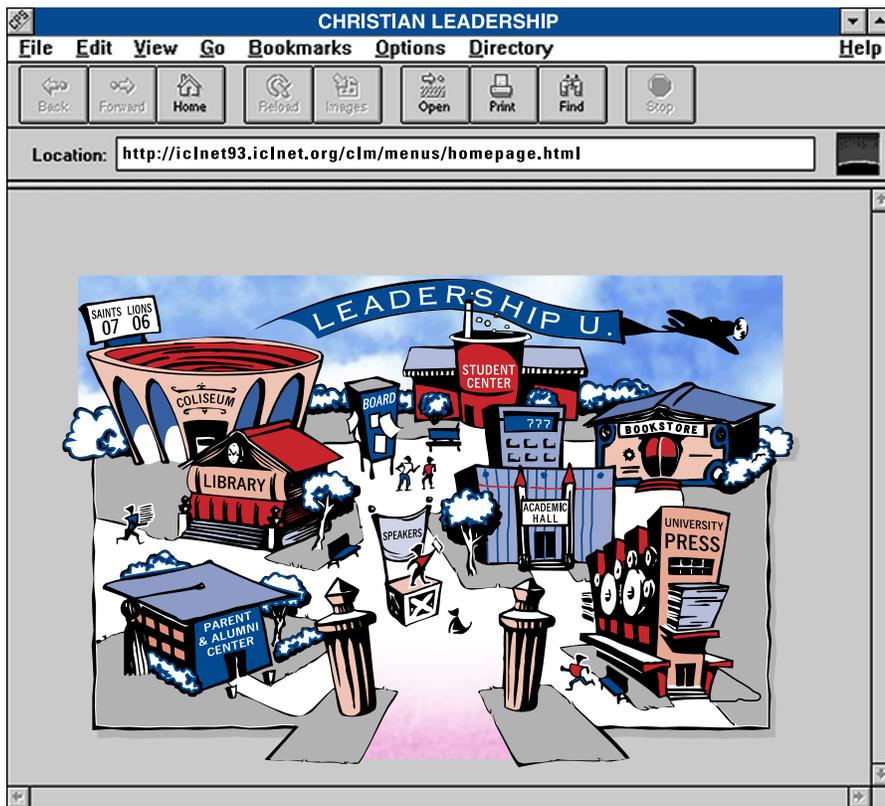
She recalls it had something to do with "Leadership U."

"If you're ever faced with a question you can't answer, or you need material for a term paper, or if you want some facts or professional opinions to defend the Christian perspective," the friend informed her, "dial up this number on the Internet. It's a "virtual campus" on computer; within it you can find articles on a variety of topics written by Christian professors who are experts in their

field of study."

Amy hurries to the school computer lab, finds an open computer, and links up to the Worldwide Web on the Internet. In seconds her screen is filled with the picture of a campus with the banner "Leadership U." flying over it.

Amy uses her computer mouse to click on a building labeled "Academic Building" and an overhead view of a building without a roof appears. Inside



"Now I know many of you have come here with preconceived notions about our beginnings being linked to some kind of a creator-being," he continues, "but I hope that by the end of this semester you will come to understand that evolution has replaced the need for any belief in God."

Later during the class the professor explains how research scientists in laboratories have recreated the "first cell" in the long line of evolution.

# LEADERSHIP U.



**What is “The Internet?”** Leadership U. is located on the Worldwide Web, which is part of the Internet. The Internet is a continuously flowing source of international communication linked by computers through phone lines and other media. Its access is usually free or inexpensive to students using university connections.

**What is a “Virtual Campus?”** Leadership U. is a “virtual campus” on the Internet. While it graphically looks like a campus, it is also topically divided into disciplines and resources like a campus so that access to information is easily accessible and the format easily understood by students.

**Why use the Internet?** Almost any student in the world has access to the Internet. In just five minutes, a student in Australia, for instance, can connect to Leadership U., find the information they are looking for, make a copy to store in their computer, print the information and send a copy to someone else. Even many junior colleges have courses in which students must produce material on the Internet in order to complete the class.

**What is at Leadership U.?** The virtual campus houses dozens of articles by Christian professors on many topics. These articles can be easily “downloaded” to any computer and printed—complete with a picture of the author, author’s quotes, footnotes and other features the article includes.

Leadership U. also contains a bookstore where books and other material can be purchased, and an Alumni Center where parents and alumni can obtain information about universities or make contributions to a local Campus Crusade ministry.

Future plans for CLM’s Internet site include the inclusion of 100,000 articles by Christian professors and other experts, and 10,000 annotated bibliographies of books.

**How do I get to Leadership U.?** Any person can gain entry to Leadership U. through an online service like CompuServe, America Online, Prodigy, etc., or a direct Internet connection such as through a university or other Internet provider. Just go to the location <http://www.iclnet.org/clm/menus/homepage.html>. Use the instructions on screen to access information.

the building are four rooms, one labeled “Sciences.” She clicks on this room and the building is replaced by a picture of three books leaning together; one is entitled “Life Sciences.”

Once inside the Life Sciences section, Amy finds an article about a scientist who was one of the first to develop a theory about the random formation of the first living cell. The scientist, she reads, came to believe that there must be a supernatural intelligent designer who created life, since years of experiments failed to recreate this “first cell.”

Later, Amy finds another helpful article entitled “Scientific Evidence for the Existence of God” by an engineering professor, who, she discovers, also co-authored a book about the search for, and failure to recreate, the first cell.

Quickly, she prints the articles on a printer in the lab and records the book reference. Amy also sends copies of the articles to Peter and her biology professor through the Internet email system.

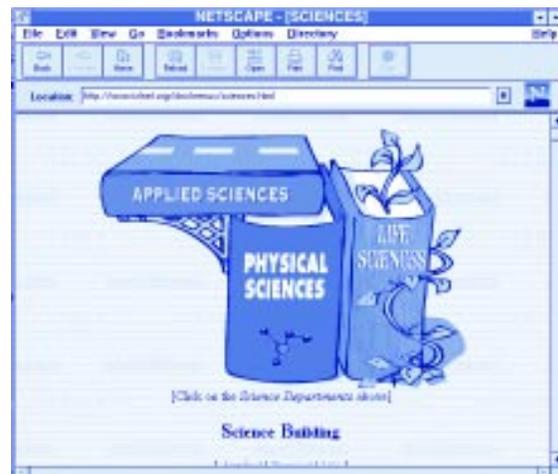
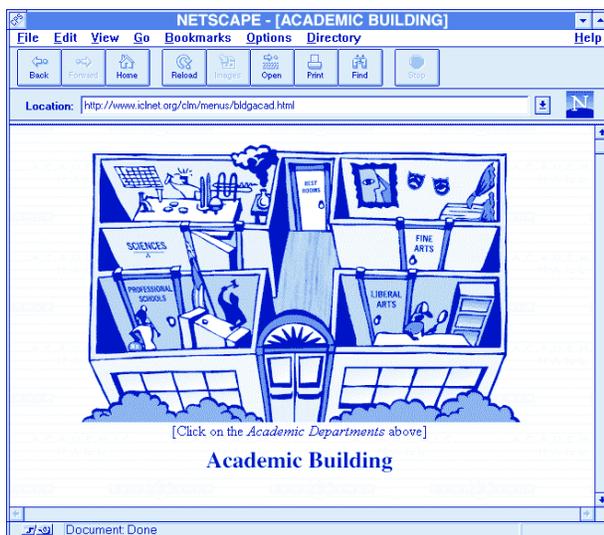
As she browses Leadership U., Amy discovers the Internet address of the book’s author. She

quickly taps out a note to the author and asks some specific questions about origins and first cells. The author responds specifically to Amy at her Internet address.

By the time Amy meets with Peter, she has read the articles, printed copies to hand to Peter, checked out the book from the library and skimmed the book’s contents.

Peter is amazed by the information Amy brings with her to the student union. As they talk, their conversation eventually leads to Amy’s relationship with Christ, and she is able to share the gospel with Peter.

This time it’s Peter’s turn to walk away a little dazed, but also curiously sure he is on the track of something that will change his life. 



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It's for this reason that Christian Leadership Ministries views the evolution/creation controversy as one of the most critical debates to undertake.

If we are just the by-products of uncaring naturalistic processes as the evolutionists insist, then what

veteran professor of law at Berkeley, Johnson observed the arguments and evidence evolutionists put forth to support their theory. He decided that the arguments of the Darwinists would never hold up if they were forced to defend them in a court of law.

Instead of bringing the evolutionists to court,

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## “[Evolution is] the established religious philosophy of America.”

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basis is there for absolute truth, morals, and ethics? Where would one find purpose in life?

The result has been, as some scholars assert, a disregard for human dignity (abortion, euthanasia, racial genocide, suicide), a disrespect for values (same-sex marriages, children out of wedlock) and a general antagonism toward God (keeping God out of the classroom, religious discrimination).

However, this could change. A few experts have stepped forward recently who have argued so intelligently and persuasively about naturalism's faults that evolutionists can not avoid having to address them.

One such man is Phillip Johnson. As a 20-year

Johnson brought the court to evolutionists. He wrote a book entitled *Darwin On Trial* which details his case against the claims of evolution. The book has received attention from every major proponent of Darwinism.

Christian Leadership Ministries saw great potential in joining forces with Johnson. CLM Director Stan Oakes envisioned a battering ram of Johnson's reasoning joined with CLM's platform on the university that could break down the doors of the ivory tower. It has proven to be a powerful partnership for both CLM and Johnson. The union delivers a triple-punch: Johnson gains a platform for his ideas on major universities through the efforts of CLM professors; Johnson delivers lectures to thousands of students and faculty; and CLM professors and staff and other Christians follow-up those interested in knowing more about the issues, which leads to discussions about Christ.

Johnson's arguments are so persuasive that evolutionist Michael Ruse himself admitted that Johnson was a key influence in helping him modify his views about evolution.

Dr. Walter Bradley of Texas A&M also speaks for Christian Leadership throughout the country. Bradley's talk entitled "Scientific Evidence for the Existence of God" typically draws hundreds—even thousands—of students and professors on a campus. The popularity of such lectures shows that even in the university setting there is a general lack of confidence in the answers that science offers to life.

Using argument, research and wit, Johnson, Bradley, and others like them present an intelligent and hopeful alternative to random, undirected life, and force naturalists and other scientists to publicly defend their views.

For too long now, the Darwinists have forced the burden of proof onto those who believe in God. But now with Christian scholars like Phil Johnson and Walter Bradley, the burden of proof has been put back on the shoulders of evolutionists, and it's left them stuttering. 



Phillip Johnson (right) and Michael Ruse met for the first time at a scientific symposium at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. The symposium brought evolutionist and creationist scholars together to discuss Johnson's argument that evolution is a philosophy. Later, Ruse admitted his changing views were due in large part to meeting Johnson and the other Christian professors at the symposium. "I find it a lot easier to hate [creationists] in print than I do in person," he said.

# THOUSANDS WILL JOIN IN PRAYER AND FASTING FOR SPIRITUAL REVIVAL

Hundreds of Christian leaders and thousands of others from virtually every denomination will gather in Los Angeles to fast and pray for three days in November. The host committee, which includes Bill Bright, Charles Colson, Shirley Dobson, Luis Palau, Pat Robertson and 36 other leaders, are calling Americans to gather together to fast and pray for revival and spiritual awakening in the United States.

Stan Oakes, director of Christian Leadership Ministries, is among the co-sponsors on the invitation committee.

"The campus in the U.S. desperately needs a spiritual awakening," Stan said. "I'm asking Christians around the country to join me and thousands of others

to pray for the campus and our country. We're in a position now to do a great work for God, and we need to ask Him to enable us to reach the campus and expose every student to the gospel."

The Fasting and Prayer '95 conference will take place in the Los Angeles convention center from November 16 to 18. Registration fees and accommodation availability and rates are listed in the official brochure which is available by calling Christian Leadership Ministries at (214) 713-7130.

"This [was] the greatest experience of my life; I will never be the same," said Chuck Colson, Chairman of the Board, Prison Fellowship Ministries, about a similar event in December of 1994. 

## THE PHIL JOHNSON WORLD TOUR—BE THERE!

Dr. Phillip Johnson, author of the bestselling *Darwin On Trial* and recent *Reason in the Balance*, is taking his gloves off against evolution as he takes a national speaking tour to students and scholars at universities around the U.S. this fall, organized and sponsored by Christian Leadership Ministries.

Johnson, professor of law for over 20 years at the University of California, Berkeley, began his skirmishes with Darwinian evolution eight years ago. Pouring over books by prominent evolutionists, Johnson found that the authors' arguments were weak and their evidence would never hold up in a court of law.

Johnson decided to publicly expose Darwin's theory for what it really is: a religious philosophy that most modern evolutionists don't even have faith in themselves.

His first book, *Darwin On Trial*, laid the premise of his argument against evolution. Johnson's second, and recently-released, book, *Reason in the Balance*, tells what the consequences have been and will be from the wholesale acceptance of evolution by western society.

The time is now, Johnson declares, to show the world that it's been duped.

The secret is out: evolution is defunct; scientists are looking for a new theory; and the real goal of evolutionists is to promote the belief that there is no God.

Call (214) 713-7130 to find out where Johnson is speaking at the locations below:

### SEPTEMBER

**September 18-22: Indiana**

18 The University of Notre Dame

19-20 Purdue University

21-22 Iowa University

**September 25-29: Michigan**

25 Central Michigan University

26 Alma

27-29 Michigan State

### OCTOBER

**October 2-6: New York and Pennsylvania**

2 Grove City College, PA

3 Houghton College, NY

4-6 Cornell University, NY

**October 9-13 Michigan and Ohio**

9 University of Michigan

10-13 Ohio State University and area schools

**October 16-20 Texas**

16-17 University of Texas and Southwest Texas State

18-20 Southern Methodist University, University of Texas, Arlington, and area schools

**October 24-27 Madrid, Spain**

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### NOVEMBER

**November 6-9 University of Georgia and area schools**

**November 10-12 Naples, Florida (tentative)**

**November 13-17 New Jersey Area**

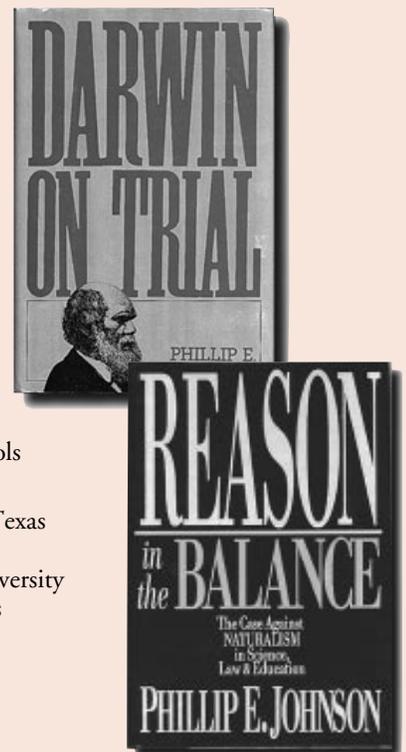
13 University of Delaware, Newark

14 University of Pennsylvania

15 Villanova University (Philadelphia)

16 Princeton University, NJ

17 Rutgers University, NJ



# CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP MINISTRIES



## *A Word From Stan Oakes*

Dear partner in reaching and changing the campus,

We *are* changing the campus. And it's not because campus radicals have taken a vacation, but we are now getting to the point where they can't ignore us. For the first time, they are having to respond to what we are doing on the campus instead of just us responding to what they are doing.

Of course, you know that the best defense is always a good offense, and so we are redoubling our efforts to proclaim the message. And this is the way it should be. If we can lovingly share with students and professors—even the militants—how wonderful Jesus Christ is and how He can change their lives, they are going to respond. These transformed radicals will then help change the campus and give us back this generation of future leaders.

By now you know that we are simultaneously kicking off two of our biggest campaigns ever to reach professors and students with the gospel. The National Evolution-Creation University Tour with professor Phillip Johnson will make it to at least 25 major campuses. While on campus, Berkeley law professor Johnson will lecture and debate biology and chemistry professors, challenge law school students and speak to large evening audiences of thousands of searching students and professors. And what he shares at these key schools will trickle down to all others on the campus.

Space does not allow for me to explain all the other reasons why this campaign is absolutely critical, but you should know that the moral confusion in America that is robbing us of our national character is due in large part to evolution taking over our schools and universities.

The second campaign is also a blockbuster. We are taking our best message yet to the campus: *“REAL LIFE. Don't settle for anything less.”* We are blanketing the campus from the first day new and returning students arrive. *Real Life* in Jesus Christ is going to be the first thing they see. The newspaper ads, along with banners, flyers, table tents, posters *and* the thousands of students and professors giving out tens of thousands of articles are literally changing the campus. We have our partnership with you to thank for this significant progress. Please, please, please stay with us—now more than ever.

I have never been more excited than I am today. I am beyond “excited.” I am humbled by what God is doing, but we need to trust Him to do *even more*. That's why I am co-sponsoring the Fasting and Prayer '95 conference with Bill Bright, Chuck Colson and others. We need a great spiritual awakening on the campus, even greater than ones in the past which swept the campus and brought about the conversions of so many of the brightest students and most brilliant professors . . .

And only God can accomplish this.

I want you to consider coming to Los Angeles from November 16-18 to join me in person as well as thousands of other Christians for this historic event. For three days, we'll fast and pray for the campus; we'll fast and pray for the world; and we'll meet with God together.

Please call my office and ask us to send you a brochure. I don't think that there is anything better that we can do with those three days than to humble ourselves before God and ask him to heal our land. We hope to see you there. Call (214) 713-7130; or Internet: [prayer95@clm.org](mailto:prayer95@clm.org). Thanks again for your faithful prayers and support.

Warmly in Christ,

Stan Oakes

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