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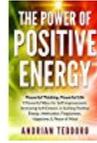


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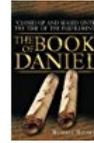
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This is a book that had to be written. It is a theologuemen - a theological opinion - that Catholics should believe Young-Earth Creationism. The argument is made forcefully and in a Catholic manner. Any Catholic interested in reading about the Creation-Evolution debate should read this book. For theology to be sound, it has to be true. And since scientific claims are made by evolutionists, Father Warkulwiz tackles those. But his focus is on the theology. He treats the scientific objections as theological objections to his argument in favor of a more figurative reading of Genesis. This theological approach gives the book great clarity.

This book has been criticized because Father Warkulwiz goes beyond the pronouncements of the hierarchy. In particular, he recommends that the latitude that Pius XII gave to evolution in Humani Generis should be revoked due to the fact that it is a principle of Catholic Biblical exegesis that the literal and obvious sense must be believed unless it is rationally untenable. As the evidence accumulates, Father Warkulwiz thinks evolution is increasingly untenable. As a result, he believes Catholic theology should go back to its default - the literal and obvious sense of the text.

Some people fail to recognize that a theological argument needs to be advanced for a magisterial pronouncement before the magisterium rules on a given issue. All theology is done this way. There were hundreds of arguments for the immaculate conception before the papal pronouncement. The level of trust that can be vested in Genesis 1 - 11 is a theologically open question. Theological argument on unresolved magisterial issues are healthy. So is this book. I promise any Catholic reading this book -- even one not convinced by it -- will feel far less elitist condescension to Evangelical Protestants, most of whom hold many of the views articulated in this book. Evangelical Protestants were the vanguard of challenging evolution. I think there is definitely a movement afoot among orthodox Catholic intellectuals to wonder if they were on the wrong side of the debate.

This book does not get into the philosophy involved. That is understandable. It is a fat book just dealing with the theological side of the ledger. Given the level of deference given to scientists, the philosophical analysis needs to be done before the theological argument is entertained. As a result, I recommend reading Evolution and Other Fairy Tales before reading this book.

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First, I'd like to recommend a perceptive review available by your googling "Victor Warkulwiz," then selecting the second entry, "Book of the Month," then scrolling down to the third book listed, which is Warkulwiz's.

Although I have a Ph.D. (English), I feel somewhat humble in reviewing Warkulwiz's book which is

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largely a product of his own doctorate in physics. To the best of my careful reading, I must conclude that it is a work of top-notch scholarship, the result of a man profoundly adept in both the sciences and theology. It is also very well written; Warkulwiz communicates. Anyone interested in the Creationism vs. Darwinism debate (but, really, much more that is involved in the book of GENESIS) will get a great deal from this carefully constructed work. I found it to be one of the most "intelligent" books I've had the pleasure of spending a lot of time with. Don't let the Publishing House (somewhat surprising) be a deterrent factor for you. This book stands above 98% of what is currently being published.

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I found it very interesting how he points out that even though statements by recent popes have leaned toward an acceptance of evolution, the church can NEVER officially adopt it because it is contrary to scripture and early fathers statements.

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Fr. Vict is a true scientist. He bases his points of view on the scientific method. Theories on evolution do not. They can't possibly prove evolution because you cannot apply the scientific method to something that happened millions of years ago. But you can apply genetic research to the theory of evolution and when you do, the theory of evolution does not compute. It is quite obvious to me that J. Bridges has not mastered the discipline of "reading". If you believe Fr. Vict is pushing his personal opinion, instead of the scientific method, it means you did not actually read this book. "Doctrines of Genesis" does an excellent job of suggesting a "Divine Designer" is behind the perfection that more and more genuine scientist agree exists in the universe and on our own planet. READ the book, and you will see this for yourself. btw, just because dozens or millions of people agree on a theory, does not make the theory valid. It simple means dozens or millions of people can be wrong, including top leaders who have not truthfully done the research on the topic. Again, the scientific method does not support evolution from one species to another. There is "adaptation within species", but not complete mutations to another. This is what genetic science is telling us about the theory of evolution, not blind faith in Darwinism established in 1851 when the electron microscope did not exist...

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