## New Relic Rules for an Old Idolatry

For Evangelicals who are convinced that the Vatican has changed since the 1962-65 Ecumenical Council II, recent news of "new rules for relics" should be a wake-up call. Because the internet has opened up a new way to trade in relics, the Pope needed to update the rules. That trading platform also allows relics to be obtained for satanic ceremonies.

For a "church" to even be involved in the "veneration" (worship) of parts of dead bodies should be a red flag for any who profess to be Bible believers. But this news item confirms that Roman Catholicism has only changed its spots, not its claws.

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Reliquary with small chip of bone from "Saint" John Neumann for sale on Ebay for a current bid of \$53. Ebay claims that the price is only for the reliquary (container) and does not violate the Vatican law that no relic can be sold.

## **How Evolutionists Plan to Save the World**

Satan's most recent deception is an extension of the lie of evolution. Peter Diamandis is an author, entrepreneur, and visionary on the cutting edge of futuristic thinking. In a recent email, entitled "Transformation of Humanity," he laid out a view of a human-designed speed-up of the mutational process.

As you know, false science, as the Apostle Paul called it, has imagined that there is evidence of man's beginning in a primordial pond. Through an inconceivable length of time, he "evolved" through stages of mysterious mutations to become the apex of modern animal life.

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### **New Relic Rules...**

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The whole relic business is difficult for a Bible believer to grasp. Catholicism divides relics into three categories: first, second and third class relics. The new rules only apply to the first class, the whole body or body parts of a person declared to be a "saint" or on the way to becoming one.

Second class is anything that was frequently used or worn by the saint. Third is anything that has come in contact with a first or second class item.

One super-relic is the famous shroud of Turin, a long cloth supposedly used to wrap the body of Jesus. It contains an imprint pattern consistent with someone who was crucified. Recent chemical testing was inconclusive.

Since it is not an actual body or body part of a saint, technically it is only a class two relic. However, if the stains are actually blood, then it would be a class one, provided they came from a bonafide "saint." Of course, the possibility of it being Jesus' blood makes it a sort of superrelic.

Another first class relic is on display in Goa, India. It is the body, or parts thereof, of "Saint" Francis Xavier, a co-founder of the Jesuit order in the 1500s and a Catholic missionary from Spain to India.



Parts of his body have been distributed as first class relics to various places in Europe and India. When his body was displayed for veneration soon after his death, the little toe of the right foot was bitten off by a Portuguese lady, Dona Isabel Carom and preserved as a personal relic. The toe, preserved over the centuries, is still on display for "veneration" in Goa. It was amputated while crowds were allowed to kiss the feet of the cadaver.

But relic worship is not some sideline fixation by Roman Catholics. Some type of relic is required to be part of the altar in



every one of their churches and cathedrals.

One of the new rules is that the family must give permission before a body can be used as a relic. The family of the late Archbishop Fulton Sheen is in a legal battle with the Archdiocese of New York. Sheen's body is currently under the high altar of St Patrick's Cathedral. The family wants to move it to his childhood home in Peoria. Illinois.

Another new rule deals with the proper steps in permitting a relic to go on "pilgrimage," or traveling exhibitions. Many who flock to these displays are hoping to obtain the saint's favor for some healing or other problem.

Most such Roman rituals are rooted in some baptized pagan idolatry. This "saint" worship can be traced to the heathen practice of multiple gods for various purposes. Can praying to Saint Gerard for fertility be any different than a Hindu petitioning Parvati?

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—D.M.

#### Remember:

CHICK TRACTS GET READ!

## Evolutionists Plan... from p. 1

With his newly acquired ability to think, the challenge now is: what next? Diamandis sees an acceleration of evolution by connecting modern computers to human brains creating what he calls "Meta-intelligence."

"It may actually give birth to a new species —reinventing humanity— over the next 30 years," he supposes.

These super brains would combine current brain power with cloud-based computing and would be tasked with solving all the world's problems of disease, aging, and poverty. Through the interconnections of cyberspace, everyone, by thinking together, would be able to successfully figure out how to "save the world."

"The rate of human evolution is accelerating as we transition from the slow and random process of 'Darwinian natural selection' to a hyper-accelerated and precisely directed period of "evolution by intelligent direction," Diamandis explains.

One of the major tools that evolutionist "scientists" plan to use is gene-editing techniques. One such method is called CRISPER-Cas9. The DNA molecule has been discovered to contain the blueprint for all flesh, both animal and human. Physical growth is the process of creating and assembling proteins, based on these blueprints.

Gene-editing is able to change these manufacturing plans to alter the result. Some genetic-based diseases and birth defects are caused by defects in the genetic blueprints. The FDA is just beginning to approve some cures based on our ability to "edit" genes.

Beyond the cures is the hope that the same process can be used to discover the cause of aging and death —and reverse it. A number of Silicon Valley billionaires are throwing buckets of money at this research hoping to avoid both death and

judgment.

Evolutionists such as Diamandis are beginning to infect their followers, (and professors their students), with this dream of heaven on earth. Eliminating God from the picture by a very effective negative PR campaign, makes this an attractive hope for the present generation of tech-savvy, impressionable young minds.

An even wider tragedy is the millions of students at every level of the education system who are brainwashed by this "delusion."

In 2 Thessalonians chapter 2, Paul describes the "man of sin" working the "mystery of iniquity." Followers who "received not the love of the truth," would be sent, by God, a "strong delusion, that they should believe a lie" and "be damned...."

What bigger lie is there than the theory of evolution, a foundation upon which is built so many of the other deceptions of the modern age? These, who are "ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth," are sheep without a shepherd.

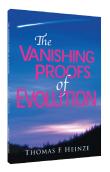
Chick tracts have a long track record of putting God's truth into sharp focus. God's judgment for refusing His love is mostly missing from today's sermons. The word "hell" is even left out of some modern Bibles.

The young people, who are trusting in evolution to bring heaven on earth, need to know it's all a lie. Only God can redeem fallen man and thus prepare him for heaven. But how can they know without a preacher? (Romans 10:14-16)

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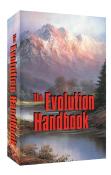
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## **University Looking for Ways to Teach** 'Happiness'

Yale University was recently surprised by the interest in a new class being offered dubbed by the students as a class on "happiness." Officially entitled "Psychology and the Good Life," nearly 1,200 students, one-fourth of the undergrads, enrolled. This made it the most popular class in the school's 316-year history.

Psychology professor Laurie Santos said that she "tries to teach students how to lead a happier, more satisfying life" in the twice weekly lectures. Assignments include a personal improvement project with the objective of increasing gratitude, social connections and less procrastination.

Yale leadership admits the need for help in the area since more than half of the undergraduates "sought mental health care from the university during their time at the school." They are hoping such a practical course might shift the campus culture since it is becoming common knowledge that happiness does not come from a high grade or a good-paying job.

Yale, along with many of the modern universities, began as a Bible-based college, training pastors and other leaders in the Biblical world view. Several decades ago, they began a switch to "secular," adopting the godless "theory" of evolution as the foundation of a humanist world view.

God has been declared dead, the Bible only another book of legends and myths, leaving the God-shaped vacuum in the human heart still vacant. But lining up at the mental health office doesn't seem to do it either. Focus is shifting back to "man's

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### Petrified Forest in Antarctica More Evidence of the Flood

Explorers in Antarctica have discovered what they call the "oldest polar forest on record in the southern polar region." It is a fossilized mix of evergreens, deciduous, and Gingkoes, that appeared to have died suddenly.

Evolutionists are scrambling to find evidence of the huge time periods necessary for random mutation to create modern man from the primordial soup. In the process, they have created an immensely complex history of the planet described in sometimes unpronounceable terms.

There is one phenomenon they call the "great dying," a sudden cataclysm that they place hundreds of millions of years ago, which supposedly destroyed about 90 percent of the plants, animals and fish.

Theories of the cause range from asteroid impact or volcanic eruption, to

"anoxia," (seawater depleted of oxygen.)
—or all of the above. Articles trying to explain the theories use lots of words like "maybe," "may have," "might have been," and "could have."

Like the theory of evolution, itself, speculations and assumptions make up most of the support for their ideas.

The *OneNewsNow* article reporting the finding of the "forest," quotes both the evolutionist and creationist views.

Erik Gulbranson and a team from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) made the discovery. He attempts to place the date of the trees some 250 million years ago, just prior to the event causing the "great extinction."

The article presents several other speculations about the cause of the sudden loss of so many species. A favorite one is that a large rock (asteroid) collided with

## A Testimony from Missionary Anthony Rietberg

By Anthony Rietberg, Missionary to Thailand

I'd like to extend my personal thanks and gratitude for all the free tracts you've given us over the years. I've now been in Thailand for 15 years. As far as I am aware, I am one of only two street preachers in the whole country who preach from the Authorized King James Version of the Holy Bible.

Back in 2003 an evangelist here called Brother Tony told me about thousands of Chick tracts called *The Tycoon* in the Thai tongue, that had been donated to some Baptists here, but they hid them under the stairs of the house fearing persecution.

But Praise God, the Lord had me accidently run into a young man in a Bible bookstore who knew who had the tracts, as we did not know his phone number or address. We got in contact with the missionary and received all the tracts and for months preached the Gospel at big bus stops around Bangkok whilst giving out those blessed tracts.

Back around 2005 or 2006, someone donated a heap of VCDs to Chiang Mai Thailand called *The Light of The World* in Thai. Thousands of them were donated. But, they fell into the hands of a certain fearful Thai Pastor who said the VCDs could not be distributed as it is illegal in Thailand to refer to a Buddhist statue as an idol. He feared they would offend Buddhists, so he stowed the VCDs away with a plan to burn them.

But, a certain missionary from America in Chiang Mai rescued them. And so over the course of time, we were blessed with these VCDs of *The Light of the World*, which we used in the ministry of the Word! And at the time I was working as a science teacher (on a nursing degree) at a couple of different schools, and would show the VCD to my students, and I have many testimonies to tell of students getting saved after watching *The Light of the World* in the Thai tongue.

Our town was packed. The streets were so crowded you could hardly walk. I saw a family walking down the street. The dad looked like a big man in his 40's, about 6' 3".

He was covered with tattoos from his shoulders to his chin. He had his daughter with him. She looked about 12 years old. I thought *Oh me, he'll probably punch my lights out, but I'm going to give him a tract anyway.* 

I said, "Can I give you a booklet?" He looked at it and said, "Oh, that's a Chick tract!" He smiled, and continued, "A Chick tract led me to the Lord several years ago. I'm a Christian now because of Chick tracts. I was a drug addict and a bad one." He then showed me his arms, which were all scarred from all of the drugs he had taken. He said he had been a



drug addict for most of his life, but he had been saved and clean now for 4 years.

It was a Chick tract called "This Was Your Life" that someone he did not even know had given to him. He said he just kept reading it over and over and over again. His whole family had been saved on that one tract.

His wife spoke up saying, "We love Chick tracts, do you have any more?" I gave them all I had with me and asked if I could pray for them. So, right there in the middle of the crowded street, we huddled together and prayed. He said, "Thank you brother, our family needed that prayer today."

B.P.—AR



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earth and so disrupted the atmosphere that life was extinguished.

Another blames ash from volcanoes and still another says shifting tectonic plates may have been at fault.

Dr. Timothy Clarey, affiliated with the Institute for Creation Research, points out that they are ignoring evidence that the fossils are less than 10,000 years old. The stumps of the trees found in Antarctica contained amino acids which decompose in a few thousand years, and are not able to survive millions.

Rapid burying was also evident by the plant cells being virtually mummified, "preserved down to the cellular level," Clarey observed. Dinosaur bones were also discovered in the south polar area. They contained DNA that would not have survived beyond 10,000 years.

Dr. Clarey concludes: "So, the fossil trees themselves tell a different and a far more recent story —one that fits the biblical account of a global flood just thousands of years ago. These trees were buried rapidly during the global flood described in Genesis. Temperate and tropical plants and animals were caught up and quickly buried in the ash, mud, and sand that engulfed them in this cataclysmic event. These fossils remind us that God's Word is true."

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Parents, teachers, pastors and other leaders must realize that evolutionary theory is foundational to most of what is wrong with the western world. Socialism and secularism is based on it. Humanism is based on it. Abortion is based on it. Homosexuals claim they are part of the evolutionary advancement.

Yet, modern technology increasingly demonstrates evolution's lie. Soul winners, we need to replace it with the Truth!

## Medical Personnel Now Free to Refuse to Assist Abortions

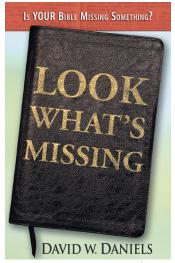
The new Health and Human Services leadership has reversed a previous policy that cost some medical workers their jobs. When a doctor or nurse objected on religious grounds to participating in abortions or euthanasia, little protection was provided against discrimination.

The states were subject to federal pressure if they intervened to protect the worker's freedom of religion. Even when

laws existed to protect the worker, lax enforcement left the worker in jeopardy.

In January, the U.S. Health and Human Services Department announced a new division tasked with ensuring religious freedom for medical personnel. Called the Conscience and Religious Freedom Division, it provides a website (https://www.hhs.gov/conscience) where a

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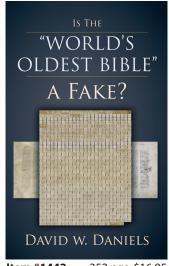
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#### Kenya

Joetta Smith wrote: "A new family came to church on Sunday. They are JWs and the father works a long way away in Eldoret, but the family lives here. The father got one of the Chick tracts and called them and told them to stop going to the JW and to come to our church! Praise God! My granddaughter called me all excited because at her ladies group at church they started talking about Chick tracts! She lives in Indiana.

"So many have come for tracts I can hardly believe it! Can't wait for the last shipment to arrive! Surely we are seeing the hand of God. The street evangelist came to see me today as he is preaching from Chick tracts now and Pastor Sablon interpreted and we talked about three hours!

"Pastor Sablon and I will be going to speak at a meeting in Buchifi in February for two days. That is the area where so many have gotten saved. Then we have our own two-day meeting a week after that, so we know lots and lots of tracts are going out in February. God is on the move."

This makes clear that the tracts are having a real impact.

#### Mexico

Missionary Mike Wallace wrote: "Last two days alone, my family and I passed out more than four thousand tracts! Last night my family and I went through our town plaza giving tracts to as many as would take them. In about 1.5 hours we gave out about 2500 tracts!"

#### Samoa

Missionary Terry Thrun wrote: "Today we had a Samoan lady trust the Lord after reading a Chick tract. We got a call from her. She said she received one of our tracts. We went to her house today and she was saved."

#### **Jewish Missions**

A Chick Missions Fund donor gave enough to purchase 250,000 Chick tracts for work among the Jewish people. They are still being used today. Because of the constant threat of persecution, we are unable to provide much detail, except for this encouraging message from one of the workers: "I used a Chick tract (Love the Jewish People) to draw M conversation that ultimately led him to ask the Lord to save him! We were at a thrift store where he had just bought his daughter a bicycle. He told me a year earlier he had been an alcoholic and was living an alcoholfree life through self reformation. Through long deliberation with him, M saw his need for salvation."

#### **Z**ambia

Missionary Mike Dobbins nearly ran out of tracts, until he discovered that more had arrived at the post office in Chingola. He reported that they led 18 people to Christ in 2 weeks! When given the tools, these missionaries know how to get to work! He is excited because a recent shipment of 10,000 "It's Your Life" (black characters) just arrived in Zambia. The work goes on!

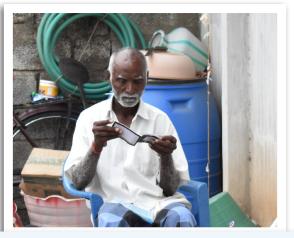
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## **Clergy Sex Abuse Still Haunts the Pope**

Several recent events have refocused the world on the Vatican's failure to deal with clergy child sex abuse. Earlier this year, Pope Francis visited Peru and Chile and proceeded to apologize to the victims there of a priest, Fernando Karadima, who made sex abuse of teenage boys part of his parish activities during the 1980s and 90s.

He was finally exposed and removed to a life of "prayer and penance" but escaped prosecution because of the statute of limitations. The situation was worsened recently by the appointment of Karadima's close associate, Juan Barros, as Bishop of a Chilean diocese. Victims claimed Barros was a direct witness to Karadima's crimes.

The Pope's visit did nothing to help the Chilean church. Before he left, he denied that there was evidence against Barros and accused the victims of slander. Where 74% of Chileans identified as Catholic in 1996, only 45% do so today.

In January, a Chilean court dismissed charges against another former bishop, Marco Ordenes for abusing an altar boy. The boy claimed that the abuse began when he was 15, but the priest said he did not meet him until he was 17 and the "relationship" began after he was no longer "underage."

Which highlights another set of facts discovered during the thousands of investigations of priest abuse world wide: Most are with teenage boys, the favorite for aggressive homosexuals; some studies have shown that homosexuality is common in the Roman priesthood; calls continue for the elimination of the celibacy requirements for priests.

In addition to permission to marry, elimination of the confessional is also the recommendation of a commission who conducted a years-long study of tens of thousands of child abuse cases in Australian institutions.

Although the study included many institutions, they identified the Catholic Church as the largest perpetrator. The commission recommended that laws be

changed to require church leaders to report suspected abuse to police.

This runs counter to the Vatican's procedure of secrecy of the confessional using penance and absolution to resolve the problem.

Two unbiblical, pagan practices are highlighted by these stories: celibacy and auricular confession. From ancient Egypt, "forbidding to marry" has been a standard practice of bondage by many heathen religions (Islam does go the other way and approves multiple wives.)

God made them male and female for a purpose. Any system that perverts this foundational relationship will encourage sinful alternatives.

And, as Charles Chiniquy points out in his book, *The Priest, the Woman and the Confessional*, the confessional only makes it worse. When a female (or male) "penitent" bares the deepest secrets of the soul to an unattached man, sex is too fundamental to be ignored.

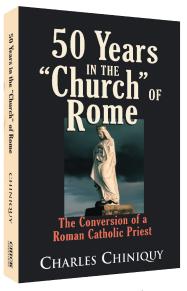
Those who have accepted Roman Catholicism as "just another worship style" are woefully uninformed of the many other practices contrary to scripture. Putting the Virgin Mary goddess in the place of Jesus as our advocate is just one of two pillars that support this unholy edifice.

The other is worship of the wafer-god, the Eucharist. To accept that any man has the power to change a simple wheat wafer into an object of worship is the most blatant idolatry. But then to claim that it becomes the very "body, blood and divinity" of Jesus is the rankest blasphemy.

No wonder "Christianity" is the laughingstock of the secular world. For the evangelical church to accept this counterfeit as part of the Kingdom of God makes us complicit in the damnation of all the one billion plus souls roped into the Pope's deception.

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search for meaning."

Satan's trickery here is most clever. How better to discredit God's truth, than make up a bunch of other counterfeit religions, lump Biblical Christianity in with the mess, and call them all just myths and legends.

He has convinced a whole generation that if there even is a God, He couldn't care less about us. We are on our own to figure it out for ourselves.

Most of these university students have grown up in the public schools. Many have had to take remedial courses in basic language and math to qualify for college entrance. Now, the colleges are also having to deal with "remedial" training in how to live

And "positive psychology" is not enough to fill the spiritual vacuum in these students. They have essentially "thrown the baby out with the bath water." Using evolutionary theory to eliminate the need for a Creator, they have lost contact with the one source of true happiness —Biblical Christianity.

By definition, a counterfeit requires a real one to copy. If all the other religions are

perverse imitations, what are they trying to imitate or supplant?

Psychology, the study of the "psyche," has overlooked the very "operating manual" for the human race, the book written by its Designer. It is sad that all the efforts of the university to deal with the unhappiness of the students will only direct them down the wrong path.

One of the appeals of the most popular Chick tract, *This Was Your Life*, is that it speaks to both sides: a life that refuses God's love and leads to a confusion and eternal fire —or "happiness" today and eternal joy available to the believer.

The Yale leadership is looking for a way to improve the culture of the campus. Surely, they are not alone. Students all have the same need regardless of where they are. Why not seed a few hundred copies of *This Was Your Life* into a college or university campus near you and see if might help?

Most schools have a Christian club that meets on campus. They might take up the challenge. If not, you only need a stack of tracts and a spot on the sidewalk near the entrance where they come and go.

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complaint can be filed by anyone who is being forced to violate their conscience.

Mat Staver, chairman of the Liberty Counsel calls the new division "a 180 turn from the past administration, which used the federal government to violate religious freedom and conscience rather than protecting them."

HHS also announced increased enforcement of existing laws protecting people from being forced to participate in procedures that they found objectionable because of deeply held religious beliefs. These include abortion, sterilization or assisted suicide. "Conscience protection is a civil right guaranteed by laws that too often haven't been enforced." said one

HHS official.

It is good to see that some of the attacks on religious freedom by past administrations are being rolled back. Hopefully these will also apply to witnessing and public ministry. As respect for the gospel has been decreasing in countries like Britain, Canada and Europe, soul winners working on the streets have even been arrested. The pattern of persecution was growing here. Now there is hope we have some more time to get the gospel out.

Soul winners, we need to saturate our communities with gospel tracts while we still have the freedom. That is still the best way to find out who in our neighborhoods might have hearts open to following Jesus.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

There's a tragedy in the world that we see every day.

We've all got friends, relatives or acquaintances who are hard-working, kind and devout in their religion. They've got a strong moral backbone and are loyal friends. They'd give you the shirt off their back, if it'd help. And yet, they don't know Christ.

What a tragedy. If they continue on their way, doing good works, but never getting their sins forgiven, all of those good works won't count.

We can't be saved by good works.

There are moral Mormons, Buddhists, even atheists. But they can't go to heaven by earning it and "being good." Roman Catholics can't burn it off in a Purgatory. And moral people who believe in karma and reincarnation can't "come back in another life" to take care of their sins.

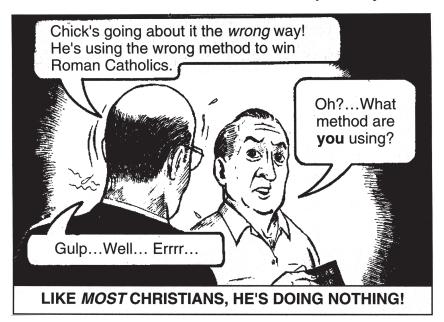
Sadly, there are entire churches and denominations that welcome "all faiths" and open the doors to precious Roman Catholics. But they don't offer them salvation. They pretend they are "brothers and sisters in Christ." How would Christians feel, if they knew they were making the unsaved believe they were saved "as they are"?

We come to Christ "as we are." But we will not remain "as we were." And Christ has the ultimate answer to life, the universe, and everything. God will forgive the sins of all who admit they're sinners, turn to God's Son in faith and receive His offer of eternal life.

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With that in mind, look at the new tract, Limited Time Offer. It's written to the average person, who is moral, and kind -but unsaved. I pray it'll encourage you to hand it to the "nice" unsaved people you know. It just might be what they need to lead them to Christ.

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