

Already Gone?

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Common Confusion

Why are people my age leaving the church?

Do the Old and New Testament really relate/connect?



The Threat of Present-Day Education

- Biblical **WORLDVIEW**?
- The validity of the Bible is on trial
- Science and history disproves the Bible?
- “As the first woman, according to the **biblical story**, Eve represents all women. Sure, she is a mother—“the mother of all living,” as she is called in the biblical [narrative](#)”
- Many early [interpreters](#) of the Bible believed that Adam was androgynous. This idea is also found in Plato (*Symposium* 189c-193e) and was discussed in [rabbinic](#) circles (*Gen. Rab.* 8:1; *b. Meg* 9a). Recent studies of gender across the sciences and humanities reveal its formidable complexity, so we should not be surprised by the complexity and ambiguity of the biblical presentation of **adam**.



What does Ken Ham say?

- $\frac{2}{3}$ or 61% of twenty something year olds/young adults are leaving the church
- 39.8% had doubts in middle school, 43.7% had doubts in high school



Sunday School vs. Public School

- Bible **STORIES** in Sunday school?
- Carbon dating? Ape men? How did Noah fit all the animals? Dinosaurs?
- Church answers: “Because the Bible says so”
- Education System Answers: “Science and history prove”
- 44% of young people who left the church do **NOT** believe that Bible accounts are true



Answers in Genesis

- Main Problem: The Authority of the Bible
- Common Misconception: The Gospel isn't true because Genesis isn't true
- Genesis contains the truth!
- “Did God REALLY say?”-Satan
- The making of man: Male and Female
- History and Science disprove evolution and favor Creation



So What Now?

- The Bible IS a historical and scientific account!
- The Old and New Testament DO relate and serve to explain each other
- Christians need to be prepared to defend Genesis and teach these truths to their children
- The World is NOT with us
- Simon Peter says “Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have”