

August 17, 1973

Dear Dr. Hoeh,

Just a few brief items in line with your limited available time.

Sorry for those evesdroppers on our phone call. They were not East Texans by accent. Probably some bored long distance operators. If so they have heard far more interesting conversations. Yet I do not like the fact that we mentioned ~~the~~ names. Will have to go back to the old practice of Mr. A., Mr. D. and Dr. T.

The fact that they did not know the part of the country I called from was a relief as it meant that any reference to problems and people here was pretty well Greek to them. Would imagine any 50 minute call might get attention. Or instead of operators, were these a legitimate couple of women that somehow or other were interrupted by a failure in our electronic switchboards? In that case I hope they were ignorant of the names we mentioned.

I received the Dinosaur manuscript from Mr. Knowles yesterday, read it very carefully and see that Mr. Ginskey has done an excellent job of helping to hold the line on unprovable and sometimes rather wild ideas. He is a top man for that kind of ~~work~~ editing.

Enclosed is a copy of my return letter to Mr. Knowles. I also ~~had~~ phoned you last night but finding you unavailable left a message with Annaliesa that I was very pleased with the Dinosaur booklet with Mr. Ginskey's deletions and that it was now a fine article.

Really this is the geology I've taught for the past ten years. It is sound and agrees with Scripture. And it is conservative. Also in class the students were shown a whole series of geology problems and possible solutions, but as for dogmatic geology, this material in the booklet is pretty close to what I've always been teaching.

The missing section is the question of whether there was a mammal-~~like~~ angiosperm world in existence for thousands of years prior to Adam. And whether that world lived through in part into "Creation Week". If so, then C-14's ancient dates have an easy explanation.

Also left out is the geology of what happened during Creation Week. And what happened during Cain's sin. (Really is there any dependable information on Cain's sin. No one has ever sent me any factual material on it.) ~~But~~ Nor is the problem of where the Flood fits into the Pleistocene.

A measure of teamwork could solve some of these problems. So much of my energy this last year has been spent countering the false geologic concepts that are being pushed among us.

Will send you half a dozen ideas for articles in a few days.

Wie Immer,

Ken Herrmann