Subject: Deception, Using Creation Teaching Posted by james on Sat, 11 Jul 2009 15:27:17 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

A couple of weeks ago The Lord gave me a reminder from Colossians chapter 2, verses 6-8, that I posted on the Bulletin Board. Verse 8 says,

" Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ."

Thursday night I was channel surfing and saw on TBN a guy teaching on creation verses evolution. His name was Dr.Hugh Ross PhD. He was coming against the evolution teachings, saying that Genesis was right and that God had created everything.

Here's the way the deception was being set up...He was first, being given a platform to speak, on what most who watch believe to be a 'christian' station, thereby giving the impression that what he was teaching was true. Second, he started out by saying that he believed in the account given in The Bible of Creation by God. So those watching (including the Crouchs' son, who was doing the one-on-one interview) assumed him to be speaking the truth, given his credentials and confession of being a believing christian. But it didn't take long for him to start inserting his scientific, wisdom of man philosophy.(I believe it's known as progressive creation)

He stated that the earth was about 3 Billion years old, and that man was created by God about 50,000 years ago(give or take 20,000 years). He didn't think the Bible was meaning that a day was a literal day, but a very long period of time. I didn't watch the entire broadcast, but the genealogy given in Genesis of Adam to Noah was explained away with an air of authority as he had a degree and the esteem of the scientific community. He also said he believed the flood was just a localized flood. He was saying something about the 'Neanderthal Man' existed before God made Adam with a soul, but I missed part of that segment. He stated that life began with a 'Big Bang'...it was just God doing the 'banging'. Of course he used all the 'proof text' ways of determining all this info, such as carbon dating and other methods used by the 'experts', and built by man to PROVE that man is right...instead of just taking God at His Word. He had books he had written that the viewer could order that proved what he was saying...(how's that for proof, "let me quote the facts from MY book, to prove my point")

What I believe The Lord would have us learn from this is, be discerning; just because someone says the name of Jesus and is on a 'Christian TV station'(I don't think TBN is 'Christian') and uses catch phrases that Christians use or quotes a scripture or two; doesn't mean they're speaking the TRUTH.

How do we avoid these deceptions? Verse 6&7...

" As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus The Lord, so walk ye in Him:

Rooted and built up in Him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving."

And by being AWARE....of the vain deceit and philosophy of men being used by the enemy, Satan.