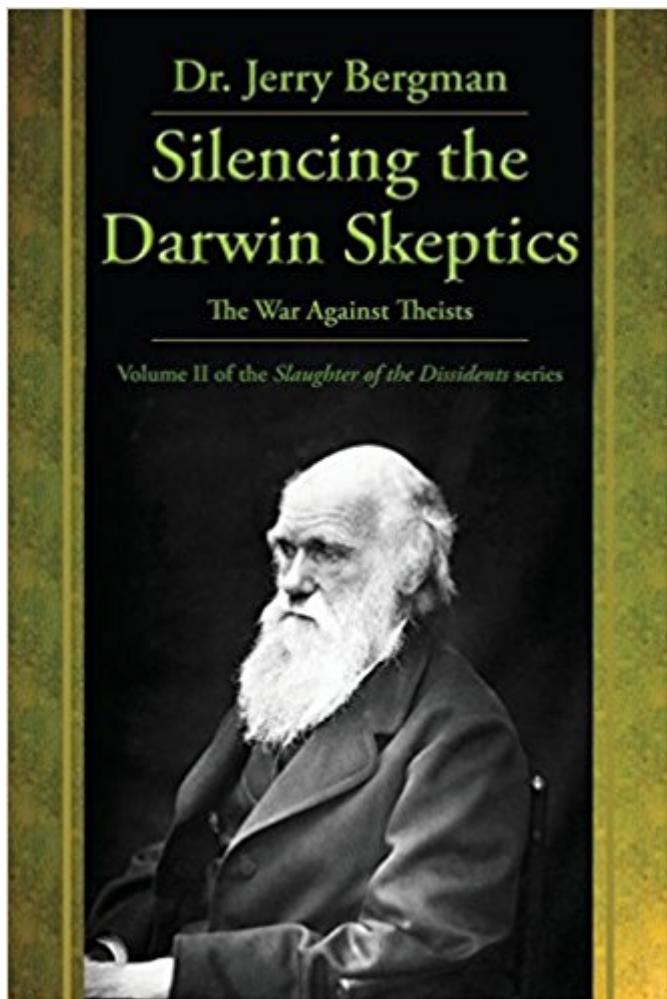


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Volume II in the "Slaughter of the Dissidents" series by Dr. Jerry Bergman continues to document discrimination case studies of Darwin dissidents. With research, editing, and writing contributions by Kevin H. Wirth. This volume provides additional depth to Dr. Bergman's claim that various forms of severe discrimination abound towards both educators and science professionals who challenge Darwinian assumptions.

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WeÃƒÂ¢Ã¢â€šÂ¬Ã¢â€šÂ½ve been hearing it for years: Evolution is fact, not theory, and all real scientists believe it. Set aside for the moment the reality that evolution is about as far from fact as east is from west; a little objective study of known scientific truths makes this clear. What I find most fascinating is the idea that the majority of the worldÃƒÂ¢Ã¢â€šÂ¬Ã¢â€šÂ½s scientists allegedly believe this unproven theory to be fact. How can that be? Dr. Jerry Bergman explained it all some years ago with the publication of *The Slaughter of the Dissidents: The Shocking Truth about Killing the Careers of Darwin Doubters* (Leafcutter Press, 2008). In that landmark volume, he showed how the scientific establishment, particularly in academia, systematically derails the career of scientists and Ph.D. candidates who dare to question the truth of Darwinian evolution. But Dr. Bergman did not call it a day when he released *Slaughter* for publication. He continued to amass evidence that these were far from isolated incidents. In the process, he collected many more stories of anti-creationist persecution, the most egregious of which he has presented in *Silencing the Darwin Skeptics: The War Against Theists* (Leafcutter Press, 2016). Volume II in this eye-opening series of exposÃƒÂ¢Ã¢â€šÂ¬Ã¢â€šÂ½s,

Silencing the Darwin Skeptics makes it clear that this is a problem that is not going away. One reason: the increasingly angry anti-creationist voices in the mass, specialized and social media. In Silencing the Darwin Skeptics, Dr. Bergman exposes some of the most damaging and subtle of these assaults. For instance, he shows how even prestigious periodicals such as Scientific American routinely classify Intelligent Design views as “religious” while calling evolutionary ideas “scientific.” While this, in spite of the fact that Darwinism by definition eschews the scientific method. Worse, the author demonstrates how many in the media openly mock creationists, sometimes using terms such as “dangerous” without any explanation the implication being that none is needed. Equally perplexing, many equate Intelligent Design with flat-earthism, a ridiculous charge, given the fact that the earth is a sphere was first revealed in the Bible (see Isaiah 40:22, written in the 7th century B.C.). But that’s just the start for readers of Silencing the Darwin Skeptics. Dr. Bergman also covers such topics as the failure of organizations from the ACLU to the AAUP to defend victims of anti-creationist discrimination, and the ongoing campaigns against Darwin skeptics conducted by various universities. He also describes a number of specific cases in riveting detail. For me, however, the most gripping section in this book is Dr. Bergman’s blow-by-blow comparison of the current persecution of Darwin doubters with the early stages of Nazi anti-Semitism. The intense dislike, ridicule, and contempt shown to Jews in Nazi Germany is well-documented and well-known, he writes. A very similar kind of scorn is currently being expressed against Darwin skeptics. He proceeds to outline the six major steps leading up to the Holocaust verbal attacks, propaganda, termination of careers, ghettoization, concentration camp internment and killing in the Holocaust and details how Darwin skeptics now find themselves in a variation on stage four, intellectual ghettoization. This is a warning that should be taken very seriously. Dr. Bergman is no newcomer to the subject; he has written extensively on Nazi Germany, particularly on the role that Darwinian thought played in the horrors of that era. (See, for example, his book Hitler and the Nazi Darwinian Worldview.) Silencing the Darwin Skeptics is a critically important book one that deserves serious study by anyone who is concerned about the future of this nation and its children. I recommend it highly.

Silencing the Darwin Skeptics by Dr. Jerry Bergman receives commendation from me because 1) I know of no other mere human who has sought to expose the dark-side of evolution in print more

thoroughly than this esteemed professor of biology. 2) The book is replete with detailed proofs of the often successful attempt to exterminate references to God (and intelligent design) in academia and “scientific” literature. 3) If one person can compile such a large amount of proofs on earth, then what evidence of pedagogical and/or “scientific” bias will be missed by the One with whom we all shall give an account. I was encouraged to read of Dr. Charles Thaxton’s significant reception by students and professors alike in Romania (p. 38) relative to his Intelligent Design views. Ironically, there is apparently much more acceptance of creation science there and also in Russia than among the dominant “scientific” elite in the USA. On p. 68, Dr. Bergman referred to Isaac Asimov’s bias. I received a personal correspondence from Dr. Asimov some years ago and displayed his letter at the 11.32 mark in my YouTube video titled, “Exponential Number, 10^18, PASSOVER, Isaac Asimov, Calculus, Haverford School Assembly.” On p. 116, Dr. Bergman referred to a Michigan science teacher who was fired shortly after donating books to the library supporting creation science. When the library staff at one school where I taught asked teachers to purge out “unworthy” books from their stacks, I made it a point (a day or so prior) temporarily to relocate perhaps 5-6 creation books I had previously encouraged the staff to get. In other words, a day or so before the event, I temporarily relocated them to the top of books (near the ceiling) in another part of the library. I was pretty sure one or more science teachers would come to prune, and at least one biology teacher was there at the science shelves, likely looking for “my” books, on the critical day. My guess is that he was a bit frustrated, for the books were not there. Sometime after the purging event, I found the books I had “hidden” still where I had put them and returned them to their proper places. One pornographic book, however, that another faculty peer and I had tried to have officially removed was eventually removed by me on that critical (“purging” day. The Lord tells us to be as wise as serpents. Dr. Bergman’s charts on pp. 314-5, dealing with the John Freshwater case, are quite dramatic. Freshwater had been a science teacher in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, and allegedly “burned a cross into” a student’s arm. This charge was not only false, but the charge was nonsense. Ten students who were in the classroom at the time the “burning” was supposed to have occurred testified that this never happened. Also, many other science teachers in the school where Freshwater taught had done the same static electricity experiment with a Tesla coil on other

students that Freshwater did. Freshwater and other science teachers undoubtedly were trying to increase student interest in science and to motivate students, very successfully I might add. The notion that Mr. Freshwater was trying to use the Tesla coil experiment to convert students to Christianity is absurd, but some Darwin worshippers do absurd things. Sadly, the courts also, for the most part, are blind in this area. Dr. Bergman's words on p. 346 encapsulate the core of his concern and serve me well in bringing this review to a close: "The Darwin Fundamentalists are determined to ensure that all biology teachers who question evolution either remain in the closet or are terminated, not only by firing Darwin Skeptic teachers such as John Freshwater, but also by denying college degrees, and also by refusing to hire teachers who are openly non-Darwinists. They also try to censor any and all information that openly questions the Darwinian Worldview, as happened in this case. Darwinists are thus, as this volume documents, using totalitarian tactics and thought control to achieve their goals of maintaining the supremacy of evolutionary ideas at all costs, and without permitting criticism or dissent." Good for Dr. Bergman for being a voice of "dissent" or even a voice crying in the wilderness.

As with many words, the term "evolution" has several similar but distinct meanings, which in some cases have, shall we say, evolved over time. We must recognize this fact when addressing the issues surrounding the debacle we call the origins debate. One doesn't have to be a theist or atheist to accept or deny the various methods by which it has been supposed we evolved from some lesser preexisting creature. The suppositions themselves are hypotheses and theories which honest scientific and logical inquiry may show to be valid or not. Many purely naturalistic processes have, in fact, been invalidated through reasonable study employed by theists and non-theists alike. Unfortunately, honest science has been detrimentally affected by the choking out of many brilliant modern minds that refuse to accept the ideology of an evolutionary origin at face value, and without question. This is particularly the case in publications and four year schools, though not always. Bergman illustrates the vast expansion of this vain philosophy throughout our society, and its perversion of the media, legal, and education systems to justify the controlling of propaganda, and routine silencing of doubters. He makes excellent work of revealing and documenting the truth of how the modern scientific community is not merely excluding results from researchers in the top of their fields, but scorning their very existence with open hostility- treatment which those who follow in the path of a Neo-Darwinian worldview would never accept for themselves.

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