

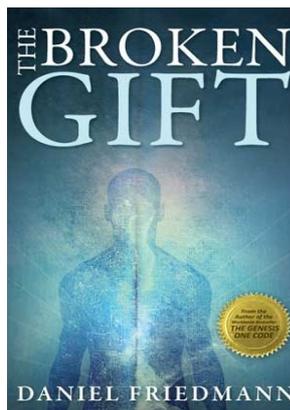
An Interview with Daniel Friedmann

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Born in Chile and raised in Canada, Dan Friedmann is currently CEO of Canada's leading aerospace company which built the Canadarms, and is involved in space exploration and the Hubble telescope. He is a professional engineer and holds a master's degree in engineering physics. He has 30 years' experience in the space industry, having worked on projects in fifteen countries while throughout the decades conducting extensive scientific research. He has published more than 20 peer-reviewed scientific papers on space industry topics and cosmology. He is also a long time student of religion and for the past 14 years has attended the Vancouver Kollel center for learning. His work on reconciling the biblical account with scientific observation utilizing his biblical clock formula has been reported in various newspapers, magazines and radio talk shows. He is passionate about helping young adults put science and the Bible in correct context.

An Interview with Dan Friedmann

1. Based on your biography, you are, and I quote, "a student of the origin of the universe and life on earth, both from the scientific and biblical perspectives." Please share with our readers which events in your life prompted you to start such studies.

After many years of studying physics I realized that although we had many answers as to how the universe developed we did not understand some very basic issues. I also noticed some similarities and differences with the Biblical creation account. In discussions with people from many different backgrounds I realized many of them had similar questions on our origins and the Biblical vs. scientific accounts.

2. What are your religious views? What is your definition of truth? Are you the prosecutor or the defender of the truth?

The key view is that the Bible is divine and therefore true and that God created the universe; thus understanding nature should also lead to the truth, although in a more limited fashion. I try to be the defender of truth.

3. How can you attest to the accuracy of your "Biblical Clock Formula"? Tell us about it from the moment of conception to its evolution today.

The Bible is a self-contained document so it must include all elements of creation and evolution, and in particular the scaling factor for correlating the creation account of 6 days to scientific time. As such I went searching for the Biblical Clock formula in Scriptures. When I found it it was magical - so simple and so accurate. As this point I researched the timing of various events (e.g. the creation of the sun) both from the biblical perspective and from peer reviewed science and kept finding that the two bodies of knowledge agreed on what happened and when it happened (although not on how it happened). Work on this topic continues as I dig deeper into biblical sources.

As to its accuracy, the results speak for themselves. Many events correlate. Only one major event dot not correlate, i.e. the formation of the planet earth. I am still working on resolving this.

4. All world religions have their own version of the creation of the world and the origin of humans. Why did you choose the Christian faith and the Holy Bible as your source of information from religion?

I worked with my background and therefore with the Genesis account – that's what I knew and believe in.

5. In your first book, "[The Genesis One Code](#)", you allegedly deciphered the Book of Genesis based on biblical and scientific research.

a) Tell us about your book.

The book works from the premise that the Bible and in particular the Genesis creation account is divine and accurate. At the same time the study of nature can arrive at some answers as to how the universe and life came to be. These two should correlate as to what happened and when it happened although by definition not as to how it happened (since science try to find naturalistic explanations)

b) Give us three reasons why our readers should be concerned about or thankful for its contents.

The so called creation evolution debate has been raging for 200 years, i.e. is the Bible correct or is science right? The debate permeates many sector of society from politics, to what should be taught in schools, and now rages in almost every country. We should be concerned **(1)** as adults – to understand the truth of the issue , **(2)** as parents - to able to guide our kids who are being taught (in TV programs, secular studies etc.) a scientific based creation "story" that on the surface completely disagrees with the Bible, and **(3)** as voters - to guide our decisions relating to this important issue.

c) Were you able to reconcile the "Big Bang Theory" with the Creation account in the Book of Genesis?

No. I was able to reconcile the key events in the development of the universe as understood from the Bible and science, i.e. what happened and when it happened. But the premise of the Big Bang theory is that we are an accident not Godly driven.

6. In its sequel, "*The Broken Gift*", you tackled the origin of man, their downfall, the Flood, and the emergence of modern languages post-Babel. The accuracy of some of these events has already been confirmed, while others are still a cause of great disagreement and arguments among leading scientists and theologians.

a) How have other evolutionists or truth seekers reacted to your formula, your findings, and your books?

In general there is a large majority of people that have a religious upbringing/understanding and also has some basic understanding of science. They by enlarge welcome the approach in my books. There is **(a)** a hard core atheist scientific group who won't entertain it or any form of religion derived answer and, **(b)** there are some religious people with little scientific knowledge who stick to a belief that science has the wrong answer.

b) How do their reactions contrast with those of Christians and religious leaders?

Most of the above reactions are from Christians- so they follow the same pattern.

7. Are we really descendants of chimpanzees, lemurs, and/or Sasquatch? In 2009, Mr. Jorn Hurum and his team claimed to have found the missing link between humans and lemurs with the findings of Ida. From a researcher's point of view, what is your position with respect to this discovery?

(<http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2009/05/090519-missing-link-found.html>)

The Bible (and I) are crystal clear we are not descendants of chimpanzees.... However, the Bible does say that human bodies were made in a similar fashion than animals and that in terms of physical needs (eat, sleep etc.).

We are similar to animals- so we should not be surprised that physically the animal kingdom shares many features with humans and that some animals are more similar to us than others. However, the Bible is also crystal clear that we possess a soul of life provided

directly by the creator nothing like anything any animal possesses (including all those extinct “human-like” creatures that are extinct) and this soul gives us our unique human abilities of speech, free choice, creativity etc. When science says they have found a missing link what they mean is that they can see a progression from a primitive body to our body that looks “natural” but that proves nothing - it could all have been created this way. My position is the Biblical position. Having said that we’d better be able to reconcile to the scientific facts- certain fossil at certain times existed. My book tries work through this.

8. How far are you planning to continue your quest? Once you find your Holy Grail, then what?

My focus was to try to answer many questions raised by scientific discoveries - I am still working on that but the main part is done. My focus now is to communicate and educate and in particular try to counter the large influence discovery and nature type programs are having on our youth by presenting only one side – the science side of the story.

9. Who is your targeted audience for the book and for live presentations?

Originally I wrote for 15 to 30 year olds who I thought were most interested. However, I’ve discovered that the public in general is interested so I reach out to all interested parties/groups/individuals.

10. Where can our readers buy your books? At my site <http://danielfriedmannbooks.com/>

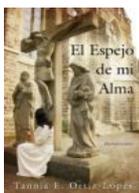
11. How can our readers contact you?

<http://www.danielfriedmannbooks.com/>

My website has a contact box on every page. I welcome questions and comments and try to answer them to the best of my ability. Please feel free to send me questions.

12. Before our ways part again, do you have some words of wisdom to truth seekers among us?

There are 2 great books out there; (1) The Bible, and (2) the science book still being written based upon observations of nature. We need to read and study both to really understand our origins- otherwise why did we get two books?



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