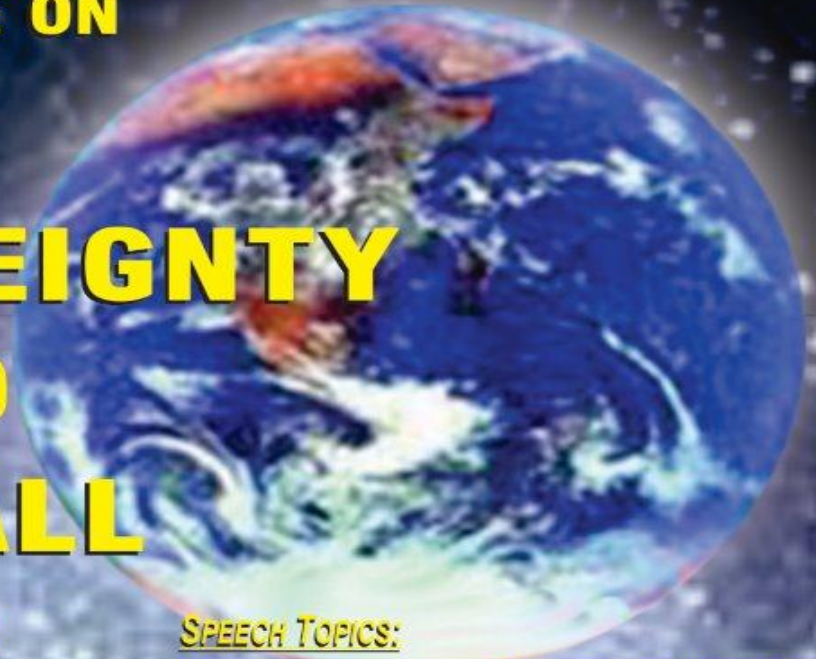


CONFERENCE ON THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD OVER ALL THINGS

**8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
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SPEECH TOPICS:

- The Sovereignty of God and the Creation of the Heaven and the Earth
- The Sovereignty of God and the Salvation of the Church
- The Sovereignty of God and the Divine Inspiration of the Scripture
- The Sovereignty of God and the Responsibility of Man

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DESCRIPTION OF THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD

- 1. God is and exercises absolute authority over His creatures.**
- 2. He is Lord, Ruler, Master, and King in His creation.**
- 3. There are 2 fundamental truths to the sovereignty of God.**
 - a. God is God alone.**
 - b. God is the Creator of all things.**

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DESCRIPTION OF THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD

4. **God's right to rule extends over everything.**
5. **The sovereignty of God is taught throughout the Three Forms of Unity. Examples:**
 - a. **Heidelberg Catechism: LD 9, 46, 47, and 52.**
 - b. **Belgic Confession: Article 12.**
 - c. **Canons of Dordrecht, III/IV: Article 12.**

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EVOLUTION'S MAIN TEACHINGS

- 1. There is no God.**
- 2. Time, space, matter, and laws of physics are eternal.**
- 3. The universe since "The Big Bang" is almost 20 billion years old.**
- 4. The living creatures today evolved through a long chain of uniform development over millions of years.**
- 5. The teaching is based upon scientific observation (fossil records, speed and distance light travels).**
- 6. Man evolved from apes millions of years ago.**
- 7. The hope of mankind is evolution into a higher state by survival of the fittest.**

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EVOLUTION'S DENIAL OF THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD

- 1. It denies God because it teaches that the only things eternal and sovereign are time, space, matter, and laws of physics are eternal, which govern the universe and our everyday life.**
- 2. It maintains that the creature is god and sovereign in the creation.**
 - a. Man in his evolution determined by his will and power that he would evolve from an ape to a human.**
 - b. Man has the authority to declare what the origin of the universe and himself is, and he has his own will and wisdom to discover that truth.**

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OUR RESPONSE

1. Living creatures did not evolve from other living creatures. Hebrews 11:3
2. The creation has not developed and changed at a uniform rate and speed, similar to what is scientifically observed today. II Peter 3:5-7
3. Man is not the offspring of animals and made in their image. Gen 1:26-28 & 2:7, Luke 3:38
4. Time, space, matter, and laws of physics have not existed forever. Genesis 1:1, Romans 4:17
5. The creature has not the ability to will and to do on his own what he pleases. Acts 17:28

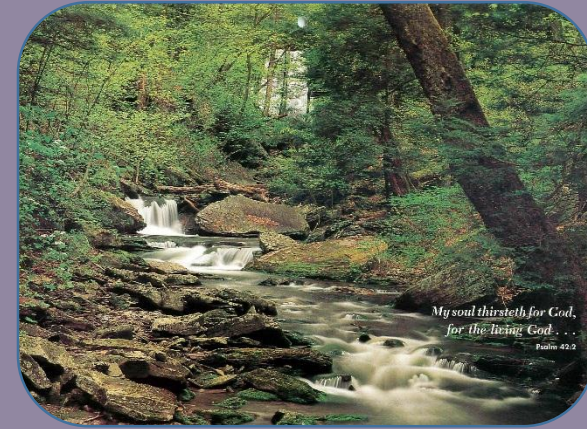
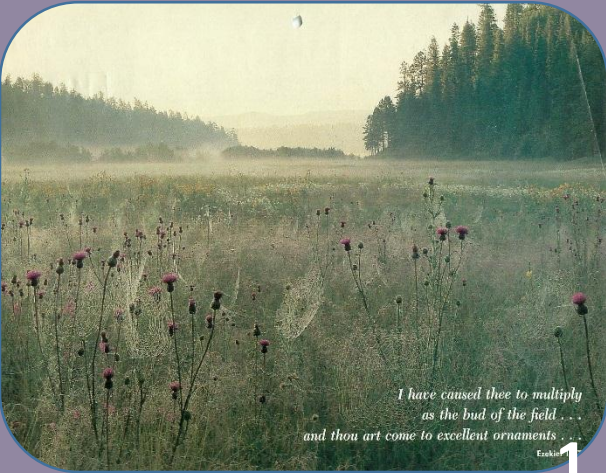


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Theistic Evolution Denies the Sovereignty of God

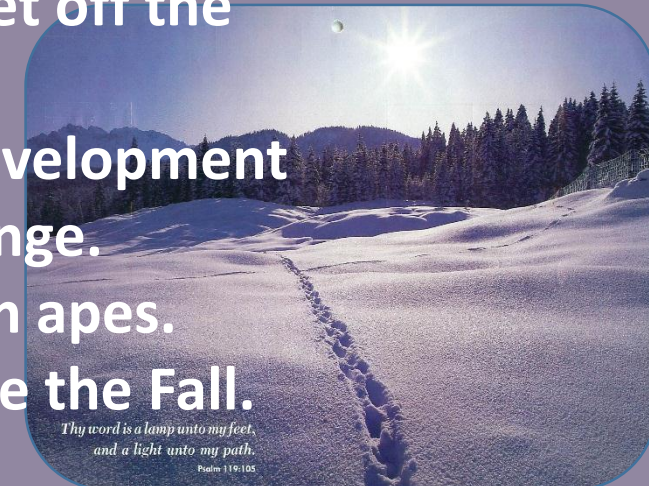
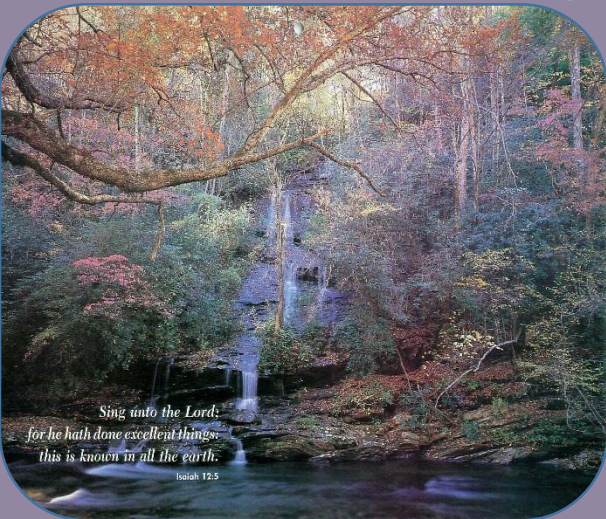
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2. **What is our response to T.E. in regards to the sovereignty of God?**

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THEISTIC EVOLUTION

1. It has appeared in different forms: gap theory, restitution theory, creationomic view, progressive creationism.
2. It tries to synthesize evolution and Biblical creation.
3. It maintains:
 - a. God made the basic stuff of creation and set off the "Big Bang."
 - b. God created everything by evolutionary development over long periods of time with gradual change.
 - c. God made man by means of evolution from apes.
 - d. Death existed since the Big Bang and before the Fall.



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OUR RESPONSE TO THEISTIC EVOLUTION

1. The Bible is very clear about how long the work of creation lasted.
 - a. "Day" in Genesis 1 means "24 hours."
 - b. The 4th commandment with its reference to creation is based on a week of 7, 24 hour days. (Exodus 20:8-11)
 - c. The length of time to make all things was very rapid. (Psalm 33:6,9)
 - d. The time for the miracle of creation to take place is similar to the length of time for the rest of God's miracles in history.
 - e. According to the Word of God, the age of universe is only 6,000-7,000 years old.

OUR RESPONSE TO THEISTIC EVOLUTION

2. It teaches a very subtle denial of the sovereignty of God.
 - a. The authoritative record of the Word of God is denied, and it is replaced by the authority of the church or the individual member of the church to determine and declare how the universe and man came into being.
 - b. Man was created by God through man's evolution, by man's own will and desire, from male and female apes to male and female humans. This ascribes to man's will and power the work of his creation, and that is a denial of the sovereignty of God in man's creation.

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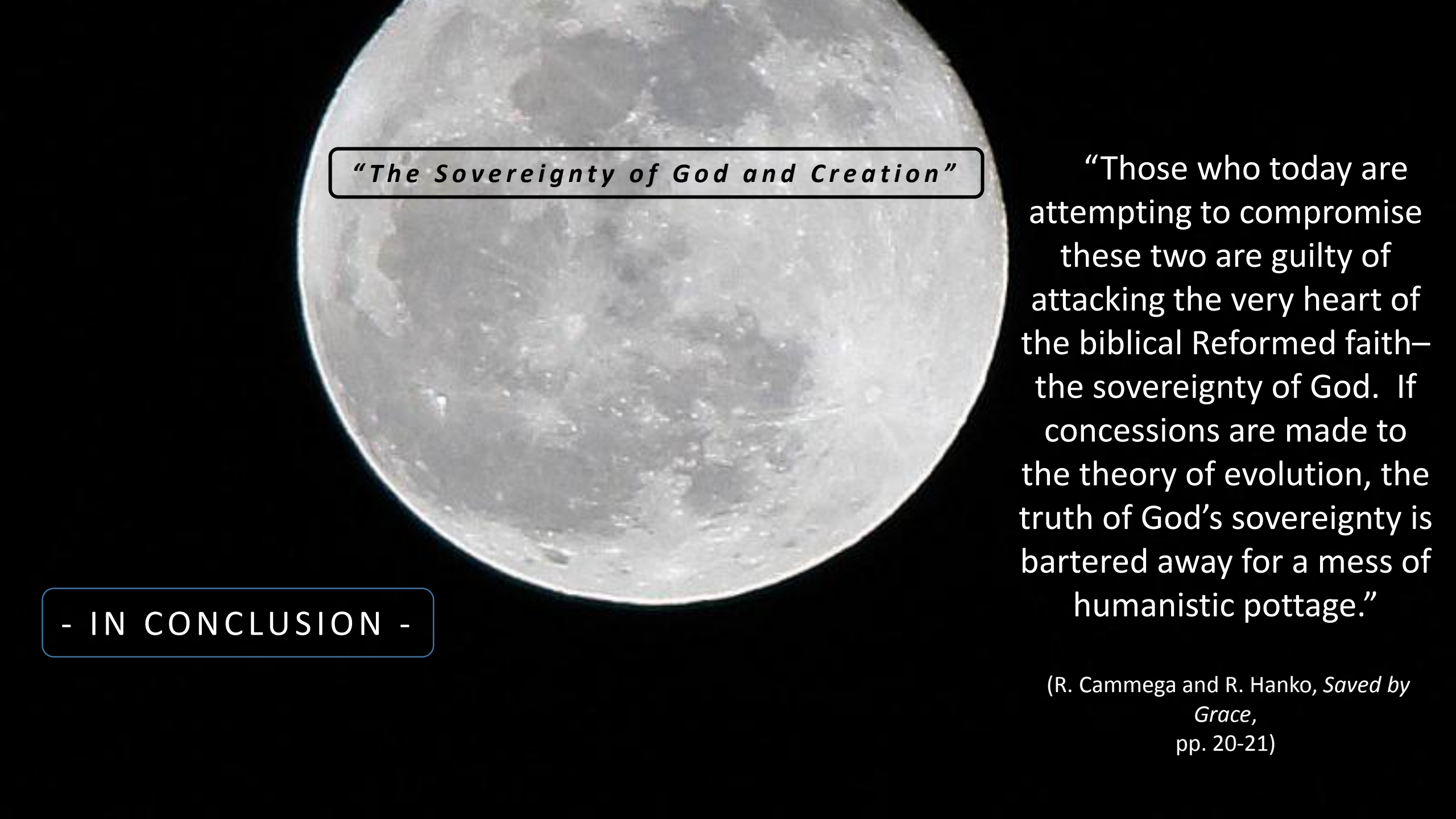
1. **God is absolutely sovereign. Psalm 135:5-6, I Timothy 1:17 & 6:15-16**
2. **God exercised His absolute sovereignty in the creation of all things, particularly man. Genesis 1:26, Genesis 2:21-22**
3. **God in His sovereignty did not use any creaturely means or agents in the creation of all things in the first week of history. Psalm 33:6,9**

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4. Because He is the sovereign Creator, God remains sovereign in His government of His creation. Daniel 2:47, 4:37, & 6:26
5. In His sovereignty, He made the universe for His glory. Prov 16:4, Rev 4:11



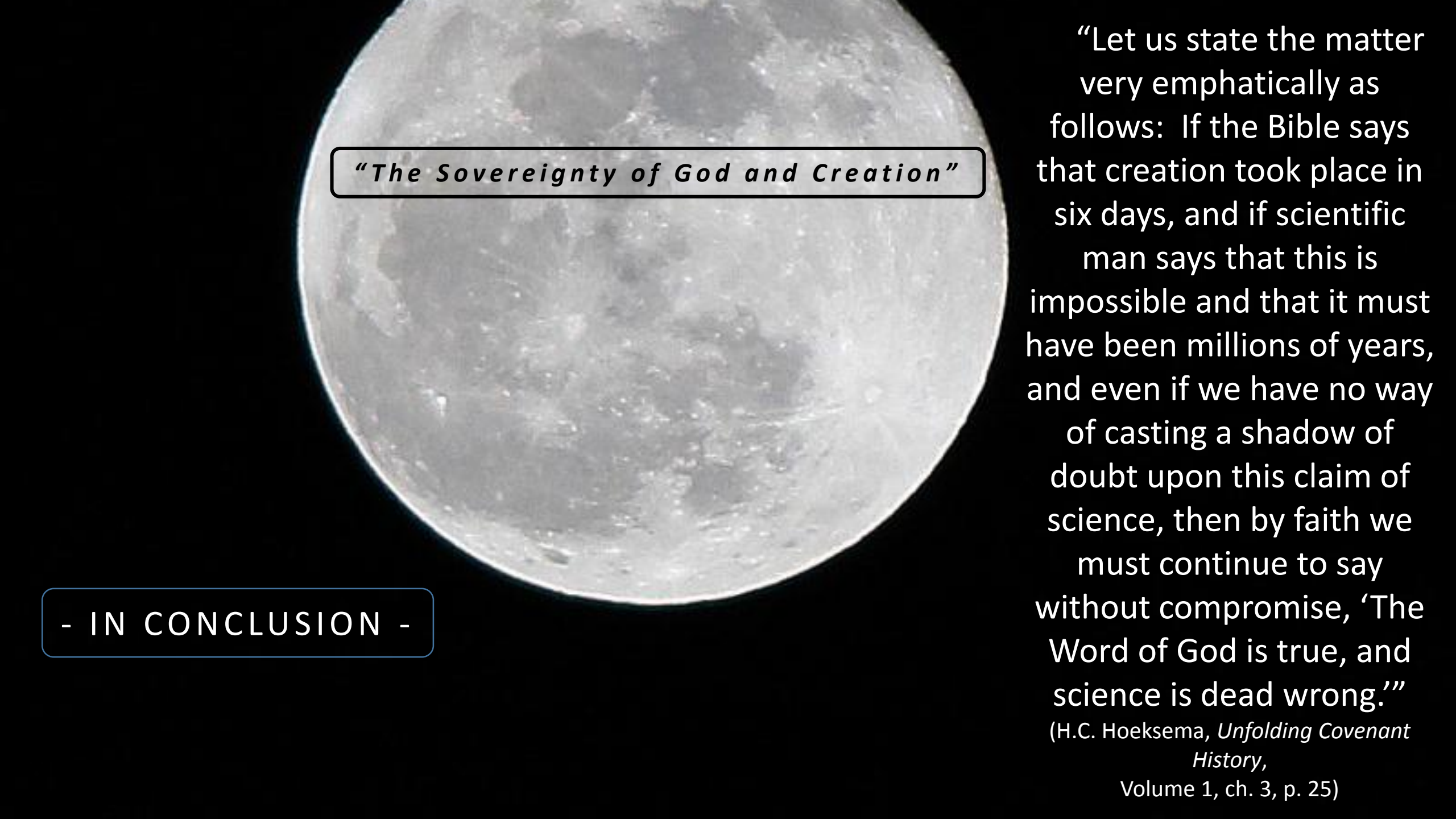


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- IN CONCLUSION -

"Those who today are attempting to compromise these two are guilty of attacking the very heart of the biblical Reformed faith—the sovereignty of God. If concessions are made to the theory of evolution, the truth of God's sovereignty is bartered away for a mess of humanistic pottage."

(R. Cammega and R. Hanko, *Saved by Grace*, pp. 20-21)



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"Let us state the matter very emphatically as follows: If the Bible says that creation took place in six days, and if scientific man says that this is impossible and that it must have been millions of years, and even if we have no way of casting a shadow of doubt upon this claim of science, then by faith we must continue to say without compromise, 'The Word of God is true, and science is dead wrong.'"

(H.C. Hoeksema, *Unfolding Covenant History*,
Volume 1, ch. 3, p. 25)

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And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great. And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

- Revelation 19:5-6 -