THE BULWARK

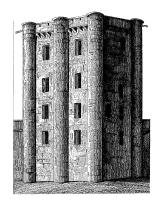
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"Mark well her bulwarks, consider her palaces, that you may tell it to the generation following" Psalms 48:13

APPLIED LOGIC

Jim Bishop, who authored over twenty books, wrote an interesting article that first appeared in the Miami Herald in 1966. The title of the article, "There Is No God?". Herein is a condensed version of said article that recently made the rounds on the Internet.

"There is no God. All the wonders around us are accidental. No almighty hand made a thousand-billion stars. They made themselves. No power keeps them on their steady course. The earth spins itself to keep the oceans from falling off toward the sun.

Infants teach themselves how to cry when they are hungry or hurt. A small flower invented itself so that we could extract digitalis for sick hearts.

The earth gave itself day and night, tilted itself so that we get seasons. Without the magnetic poles man would be unable to navigate the trackless oceans of water and air, but they just grew there.

How about the sugar thermostat in the pancreas? It maintains a level of sugar in the blood sufficient for energy. Without it, all of us would fall into a coma and die.

Why does snow sit on mountaintops waiting for the warm spring sun to melt it at just the right time for the young crops in farms below to drink? A very lovely accident.

The human heart will beat for seventy or eighty years without faltering. How does it get sufficient rest between beats? A kidney will filter poison from the blood, and leave good things alone. How does it know one from the other?

Who gave the human tongue flexibility to form words, and a brain to understand them, but denied it to all other animals?

Who showed a womb how to take the love of two persons, and keep splitting a tiny ovum until, in time, a baby would have the proper number of fingers, eyes and ears and hair in the right places, and come into the world when it is strong enough to sustain life?

There is no God?"

While Jim Bishop does not come out and say it, he is appealing for people to use common logic. Be a critical thinker. "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." (Genesis 1:1) A statement of fact, inasmuch as something cannot create itself out of nothing. Spontaneous generation is what is touted by those who hold that creation happened as an "accident". The fact we exist, shouts out loud and clear that God exists. "Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." (Hebrews 11:1 see also verse 3, 6) (wbb)