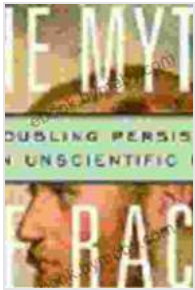


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Despite the overwhelming scientific consensus against creationism, it remains a popular belief. In the United States, for example, a 2019 Gallup poll found that 38% of Americans believe that God created humans in their present form within the last 10,000 years. This belief is not limited to the United States; it is also common in many other parts of the world.

There are a number of reasons for the persistence of creationism. One reason is that it is a very old idea. The concept of creationism has been around for thousands of years, and it is deeply ingrained in the cultures of many societies. Another reason for the persistence of creationism is that it is often taught in religious schools and churches. This gives it a veneer of legitimacy, and it can make it difficult for people to question it.

The persistence of creationism is a problem for a number of reasons. First, it can lead to the rejection of science. If people believe that the world was created by a supernatural being, they may be less likely to believe in the scientific explanations for the natural world. This can have a negative impact on science education, and it can make it difficult for people to make informed decisions about important issues such as climate change and evolution.

Second, the persistence of creationism can lead to discrimination. If people believe that certain groups of people are not descended from the same ancestors as other groups, they may be more likely to discriminate against those groups. This can have a negative impact on society, and it can make it difficult for people to live together in peace and harmony.

Third, the persistence of creationism can lead to bad public policy. If people believe that the world was created by a supernatural being, they may be more likely to support policies that are based on religious beliefs rather than on scientific evidence. This can have a negative impact on the environment, the economy, and public health.

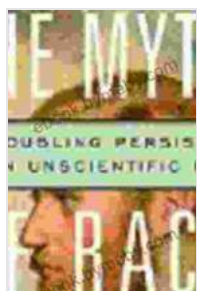
The persistence of creationism is a serious problem. It is a threat to science education, public policy, and social harmony. We need to do more to educate people about the scientific evidence against creationism, and we need to challenge the teaching of creationism in schools and churches.

### **What can you do to help?**

- Talk to your friends and family about the scientific evidence against creationism.

- Support organizations that are working to promote science education and combat creationism.
- Vote for candidates who support science education and evidence-based policymaking.

Together, we can make a difference. We can help to create a world where science is respected and where all people have access to the best possible education.



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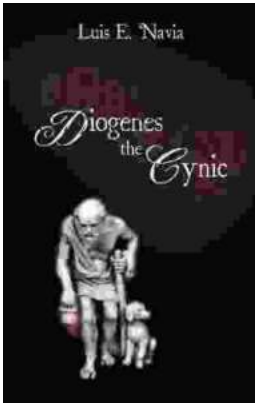
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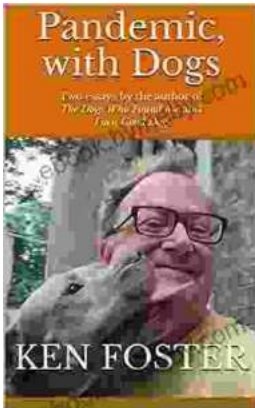
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