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I hope that what I have said will be of help to you in your thinking. If further questions occur to you on which I might perhaps have ideas please let me know.

Again let me say I greatly regret any division among Christians over this matter. We must stand solidly against evolution, which is contrary to Biblical teaching, but the question of whether the world has been in existence a few thousand years or many millions or even billions of years, is one upon which the Bible does not speak.

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LAMECH IN GENESIS 4:23

The announcement of the book by A. H. Moose, *The Unauthorized or The True Text of the Bible* is interesting but hardly of value. Many men have felt that only they could tell the true text of the Bible and that all the great labors of Christian students and Christian interpreters through the ages have been utterly false.

The extreme dogmatism of the man and his insistence that all other interpreters are erroneous seem to me sufficient to prove his own ignorance. The discussion of Lamech which he gives is entirely without foundation. He reads into it all sorts of things for which there is no warrant whatever in Scripture while failing completely to see the true interpretation of Lamech's somewhat cryptic statement.

Then, in verse 23, he makes Lamech talk to "women" rather than "wives" and says that Lamech is courting these two women, utterly ignoring the fact that the previous three verses tell us of