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Dear Friends,

Recently in a Bible Class I heard strange statements on Genesis and the origin of man. How they did try to explain away the clear teachings of God's Word! The thought came that Chinese teachings could "go them one better," and you'd like to hear the Chinese creation story.

The male and female principles, "yang" and "yin," gave birth to Pan-Ku, the first man, how none know. Faith must accept that. He had two horns and was a short stubby fellow; but endowed with the ability to grow. He proceeded to grow. He grew six feet every day and as he lived 18,000 years, you can see how big he got. He, in some way, got possession of an ax and with that he managed to "k'ai-p'ia t'ien di," hew out the universe. This was seemingly out of nothing or at least out of chaos. He was eighteen thousand years doing the work, and in order to complete it all he had to die. His head is said to have become "the mountains, his breath the winds and clouds, his voice the thunder, his limbs the four quarters of the earth, his blood the rivers, his flesh the soil, his beard the constellations, his skin and hair the herbs and trees; his teeth, bones and marrow became the metals, rocks and precious stones, his sweat the rain," and, (most suggestive of all to evolutionists!) "the insects creeping over his body became human beings!" I hope we are proud of our ancestry! Chinese speak of three kinds of insects that delight in man's "fellowship," the "crawlers, the jumpers, and the smellers." I asked a Chinese to which race he belonged. He said he did not know but that the "foreigners must belong to the crawlers for they are white!" The picture I send shows Pan-Ku and his apron of leaves and his ax. In his hands he holds up the sun (red) and moon. He failed to put them in their proper places and they went away into the Han [sea] and the people were left in darkness. A messenger was sent to ask them to go into the sky and give light. They refused. Pan-Ku was called and at Buddha's direction wrote the character "sun," sun, in one hand and "yueh," moon, in the other and going to the sea, he stretched out his hands and called the sun and moon repeating a charm devoutly seven times, when they ascended into the sky and gave light day and night. There are many more things told of Pan-Ku; but I cannot tell all in one letter. In the creation he made 51 stories. Of these 33 were for heaven and 18 were for hell below the earth. The heavens were graded for good men and the floors below the earth were for bad men. If one is the very best of all he can go to the 33rd heaven and be worshiped as god. If one be very bad he'll go down to the 18th hell.

These are some of the teachings of Chinese Doctors to boys in the schools. We teach, not these myths, but the dear old infallible Bible to our little Brownies and it saves their souls through faith in Christ.

Before I close I would like to fulfill a promise I have made to our Eurasian Sunday School people. They are enthusiastic warm-hearted people calling themselves "Eteavorers." They are working hard to build a Sunday School building for themselves instead of renting rooms. They have already saved toward it a little over \$6000.00 in U.S. Money. They need about \$35,000 more; but it is too big a proposition for them. I promised that I would ask you to help a little toward it. The officers, teachers and whole Sunday School will be very grateful indeed and the Treasurer will send you a receipt. Make Draft, etc., payable to the "Treasurer of the Eteavorers' Sunday School, Shanghai, China," and send to me and I will hand it to him to be cashed and acknowledged. You can send money safely by Draft, personal check, Domestic Money Order payable in N. Y., by International M. O. or in U. S. Notes in Registered letter. With best wishes, and kindest regards,

Yours in Christ's glad service,

(Rev.) H. G. G. Halloway.

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Dear Friend,

Recently in a Bible Class I heard strange statements on Jesus and the origin of man. The story told was that Chinese legends would teach us that God's Word, and you'd like to hear the Chinese version story. The main and basic principles, "young" and "old" gave birth to Pan-Ku, the first man, who was made. He had many sons, but he had two sons and was a short stubby fellow; but he was with the ability to grow. He grew six feet every day and he lived 18,000 years. You can see how big he got. He is now with the possession of an ax and with that he managed to "cut" his way out of the universe. This was something out of nothing or at least out of chaos. He was eighteen thousand years doing the work, and in order to complete it all he had to die. His head is said to have become "the mountains, the present the winds and clouds, his water the rivers, his limbs the four quarters of the earth, his blood the soil, his breath the atmosphere, his skin and hair the birds and trees; his sweat bones and marrow became the veins, rocks and precious stones, his tears the rain," and (most suggestive of all is what follows!) "the legends circulating over his body became human beings." I hope we are proud of our successful Chinese quest of these kinds of legends that delight in man's "abilities," the "answers," the "answers," and the smiles." I asked a Chinese in which race he belonged. He said he did not know but that the "legends" were "belonging to the legends for they are written." The picture I had seen Pan-Ku and his quest of heaven and his ax in his hands he holds up the sun (red) and moon. He failed to put them in their proper places and they went away into the sea (and the people were left in darkness). A messenger was sent to call them in into the sky and give light. They refused. Pan-Ku was called and at last his lightning bolts went to the center "and," and in one hand and "youth," moon, in the other and going to the center "and" and called the sun and moon requesting a more brightly seven times, when they ascended into the sky and gave light day and night. There are many more things told of Pan-Ku, but I cannot tell all in one letter. In the question he asks if there are 33 ways to heaven and 18 ways for hell below the earth. The heavens were created for good men and the floors below the earth were for bad men. If one is the very best of all he can go to the 33rd heaven and be worshiped as God. If one is very bad he'll go down to the 18th hell.

These are some of the legends of Chinese legends to have in the schools. We teach, and these often, but the old legends Bible to our little Chinese and it saves their souls through faith in Christ. Before I close I would like to tell you a promise I have made to our Christian Sunday School people. They are enthusiastic and hearty people willing to do anything. They are working hard to build a Sunday School building for themselves (instead of renting rooms). They have already saved toward it a little over \$2000.00 in U.S. money. They need about \$25,000 more; but it is the big proposition for them. I promised that I would see you to help a little toward it. The officers and staff of the Sunday School will be very grateful indeed and the Treasurer will send you a receipt. Mrs. Wang, etc., payable to the Treasurer of the Mission, Sunday School, Shanghai, China, and send me and I will send it to him to be raised and acknowledged. You can send money easily by bank, government bank, Bank of China, or by parcel post, by International M. O. or by U. S. Notes in Registered letter. With best wishes, and kindest regards,

Yours in Christ's kind service,
 (Rev.) H. D. Williams