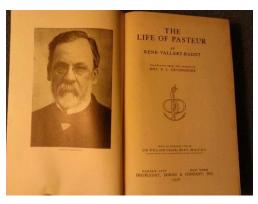
Pasteur Confessed Faith in Creator Christ

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On 1/23/2017, a man with initials ML wrote, "Paul overstates his case. Pasteur? creationist? based on what?" Based on the following six points:

1. Pasteur spoke certain words to a veterinarian named Biot, who had been very skeptical of Pasteur's germ theory. Pasteur said, "Well, allow me to remind you of the words of the Gospel: Joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons which need no repentance." René Vallery-Rado, son-in-law of Pasteur and perhaps the first to write his biography, reported the words. Here is a fuller context: "I then said to one of the veterinary surgeons who were present, 'Did I not read in a newspaper, signed by you, *a propos* of the virulent little organism of saliva, "There! one more microbe...."?' `It is true,' he



immediately answered, honestly. 'But I am a converted and repentant sinner. `Well,' I answered, `allow me to remind you of the words of the Gospel: Joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons which need no repentance.'" Louis Pasteur apparently was glad to be able to encourage his former critic with words from Creator Christ Himself. He did not believe, as the next point reveals, that life comes from non-life (an evolutionary construct) but did affirm words of Life's Originator (cf. Luke 15:7).

2. Let's now go even deeper into the biography where it reveals that Pasteur did not believe matter could organize itself. The entire book found here, <a href="https://archive.org/stream/lifeofpasteur00valluoft/lifeofpaste



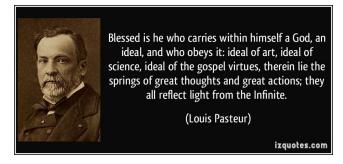
research, <u>he could not understand certain givers of easy explanations who affirm</u> that matter has organized itself, and who, considering as perfectly simple the spectacle of the Universe of which Earth is but an infinitesimal part, are in no wise moved by <u>the Infinite Power who created the worlds</u>."

3. On p301, we read that "Pasteur bowed before a Power greater than human power. He continued with the following words, worthy of being preserved for

ever, for they are of those which pass over humanity like a Divine breath: "Blessed is he who carries within

himself a God, an ideal, and who obeys it; ideal of art, ideal of science, ideal of the gospel virtues, therein lie the springs of great thoughts and great actions; they all reflect light from the Infinite."

4. On the same page, it seems he may have given an explicit reference to the God-Man, Creator Christ. We see these words attributed to Pasteur, "...uniting in one impulse and in one heart the twofold holiness which



forms the aureole of the Man-God, the one proceeding from devotion to humanity, the other emanating from ardent love for the Divinity."

5. On p302, we learn of Pasteur's "confession of faith in his Creator." Pasteur was received by his former master "in a little private study adjoining the fine drawing-room." He "drew a stool up to a table and began to read." After awhile, his master who had been listening "congratulated Pasteur" and called to mind

his own reception speech at the Academy when he had succeeded Guizot, and the fact that <u>he too had concluded by a confession of faith in his Creator</u>."

6. Finally, near the end of his life on earth, the biographer wrote (p402), "Pasteur, less preoccupied than Chappuis by philosophical discussions, soared without an effort into the domain of spiritual things. Absolute faith in God and in Eternity, and a conviction that the power for good given to us in this world will be continued beyond it, were feelings which pervaded his whole life; the virtues of the Gospel had ever been present to him."

