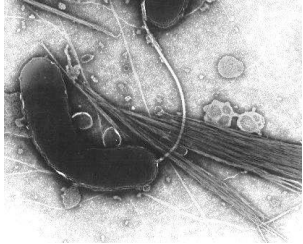


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He found that the active ingredient in the berry, maesanin, does act as a powerful antibiotic. Yet, it doesn't cause the body to produce antibodies as do other antibiotics, nor does it fight bacteria in the same way as other antibiotics. This means that maesanin may be effective for people who are sensitive to other antibiotics. The chemist concluded, "Nature is still the best chemist."

Well, it was the God Who created the bush and the berries that offers what appears to be an antibiotic that may well be superior to any before discovered. And He freely gave it to us just as He freely gave us His Son.

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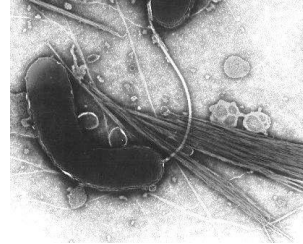
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