

Did God Create or Did We Evolve?

<u>Isaiah 45:18</u>: (NASB) For thus says the Lord, who created the heavens (He is the God who formed the earth and made it, He established it and did not create it a waste place, but formed it to be inhabited)...



Special Guest: David Stein

Since the introduction of the philosophy of evolution by Charles Darwin in 1859, there has been a raging debate on the origin of life. Darwinian evolution has become entrenched both as a scientific and social precept. Those who subscribe to the belief that God designed and created this universe are painted as superstitious deniers of reality. Even more concerning, radical scientists are advocating social restrictions on Christians in particular to prevent their "delusion" from spreading to others,

even their children! Is there reason to believe what used to be accepted by most scientists - that God really did create our world? Are Christians truly out of touch with reality? Did God create or did we evolve?

What does the Bible say about this question?

God is the creative force in this universe!

<u>Genesis 1:1</u>:(NASB) In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Not much ambiguity in this text! Genesis continues, but does not provide a lot of scientific detail. Although the Bible was not intended to be a textbook of science, nevertheless we value true science and would expect that the truth that we find from the Bible would be reflected in the truth of science.

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• The current controversy of evolution vs. creationism is one in which you have a segment of the American population who, for religious reasons, has never been able to accommodate modern science and even most aspects of the modern world. They reject specifically evolution and they are really trying to work to bring the country back to what they regard as its properly religious foundation. They are using politics to advance what is essentially a religous goal. That is the heart of the evolution vs. creationism issue.

We personally don't agree with these statements, although we acknowledge that this may be true of some Christians. There is such cutting edge science going on now to call into question the theory of evolution. We *embrace* science to *prove* creation.



Quick detour! How long is a creative day?



This is a relevant question since one of the things scientists ridicule Christians about is the idea that God did all of this in one 24-hour day!

Day: Strongs #3117 - yom, a day (as the warm hours), whether literal (from sunrise to sunset, or from one sunset to the next), or figurative (a space of time defined by an associated term)



So the Hebrew word simply defines a specific period of time, the length of which is variable.

The following report discusses the Creation Museum in Kentucky that opened in 2005, so we know that some Christians interpret "day" to mean a 24-hour day.

(I))Children with dinosaur pets, BBC Report on Creationist Museum

• Perhaps the most startling display shows children playing next to dinosaurs, something mainstream science says is impossible since they died out millions of years before humans...

However, we note the use of this word in other places:

<u>Genesis 2:4</u>: (NASB) This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day <3117> that the Lord God made earth and heaven.

This encompassed all six creative days.

We use the term as in, "In my grandfather's day..." referring to a long period of time.

<u>2 Peter 3:8</u>: (NASB) But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day <3117> is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day.

<u>Matthew 10:15</u>: (NASB) Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day <3117> of judgment, than for that city.

What is the key reason to believe in creation? As Christians, we believe in the Biblical doctrine of atonement, where Jesus died to atone for the sin of Adam. If you don't believe in Adam (or believe he was a series of apes that evolved), Jesus dying for the salvation of man can't be true.

Jesus believed in the creation account of Adam and Eve:

<u>Matthew 19:4-6</u>: (NASB) ⁴And he answered and said, Have you not read that He who created them from the beginning made them male and female, ⁵and said, For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh? ⁶So they are no longer two, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let no man separate.

So did the Apostle Paul:

<u>1 Corinthians 15:45</u>: (NASB) So also it is written, The first man, Adam, became a living soul. The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.

So what we've seen from this last set of scriptures is that both Jesus and the Apostle Paul believed in God's creation of Adam and Eve. And it is in the existence of Adam, the breaking of God's Law and the judgment of God that we have need for a Redeemer. Jesus kept God's law and took our place so that man could be redeemed. This doctrine *requires* belief in the first man Adam. If we don't accept that, then we need not accept anything else respecting the life and work of Jesus.



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<u>1 Corinthians 15:22</u>: As in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Consequently, Christians cannot believe in human evolution and in the redeeming power of Jesus at the same time. Will man just evolve his way back to perfection?

So not only does the Bible teach that God is the Creator, but also that Jesus died as a ransom price for the life of the first man Adam.

Some speculative questions include: How long were the creative days? Many students of the Bible say 7,000 years. Were all of the creative days the same length? The definition of "day" allows for variation, stating only that something happened that affected the earth on that particular creative day.

The Bible gives an introduction of preparation of the world, but it really describes those as preparation for the creation of man. The Bible "clock," so to speak, really starts with the 6,000 years of mankind. This would mean that dinosaurs, who lived prior to that, would not be on the earth concurrently.

Ds Evolution an established scientific fact?

Yes!"

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There is a serious difference of opinion on the veracity of Darwinian Evolution.

Most of his works were on natural selection, which is a law of biology that produces changes over time. Creationists do not object to this.

He suggested, however, that these changes go from one species into another. Creationists don't agree with this.

It is true that most biologists embrace evolution, and that a small but growing group of biologists embrace some form of creationism. However, creationist scientists have raised very Definition: "Neo-Darwinian Evolution" The philosophy of change over time put forward by Charles Darwin citing natural selection as the force of change and biologic mutations are the source of new biological characteristics.

thought-provoking and unanswerable questions for evolutionists, such as:

The origin of life: Evolution is based on the concept of natural selection after reproduction. Without life, there cannot be reproduction. So how does life get started?

(researcher and college professor, an Intelligent Design creationist)

• Scientists who were discussing the origin of life, real leaders in the field, were very candid about the fact that we had no evolutionary explanation for how life first began. It was a question Darwin didn't address; we had scientists trying to address over the ensuing decades and no satisfactory answer was forthcoming. That is still the case.

You have to have life in order for any evolutionary process to happen. It is a fact that no one in the evolutionary community has come up with any theory or suggestion about how life can come from non-life without the guidance of some intelligence.

The appearance of design

(I))The appearance of design, Dr. Fazale Rana, a microbiologist who in his book, The Cell's Design, talked about this difficulty for evolutionists.

- Fundamental question right off the bat: Do biochemical systems appear to be designed?
- The fact of the matter is no one disputes that statement, whether one is a skeptic, a Christian, a believer or non-believer. They all agree that life appears to be designed. For example, the athiest Richard Dawkins in his book, <u>The Blind Watchmaker</u>, said that biology is the study of complicated things that give the appearance of having been designed for a purpose. The late Francis Crick, who won the Nobel Prize for being a co-discoverer of the structure of DNA, said in his autobiography, <u>What Mad Pursuit</u>, "biologists must constantly keep in mind that what they see was not designed but rather evolved."



• These are two statements that really reflect the fact that even as athiests, they see the evidence for design.

The scientific evidence is overwhelming that as we get into the smallness of life, it looks like it was finely designed. The problem for evolutionists is that by using the term "design," it takes away from the theory of natural selection.

There is a deeper level philosophy that is now influencing how evidence is interpreted. When we see design, we say, that is evidence of a designer. An evolutionist sees design and they say, it looks that way, but we already know it couldn't have been designed.



Dr. Michael Denton is a scientist who lives in Australia. He wrote a book in 1985 called, *Evolution: a Theory in Crisis*.

(I)) Universe fitted for carbon-based life, Dr. Michael Denton

• The evidence of science is that the universe is fit for carbonbased life, and as I've argued in my book, fit for beings of biology very similar to ourselves. The universe looks as if it is fit uniquely for carbon-based life and beings like ourselves. The design inference is something that the individual must make on the evidence. The evidence is pretty extraordinary and clearly...the appearance of design is overwhelming. The actual science shows that it is fit for it.

"Fitness" here is in the scientific sense that all of the elements of the useful have set properties that uniquely make them perfect for carbon-based life. We would say "designed" because the Creator had the creation of man in mind from the beginning.

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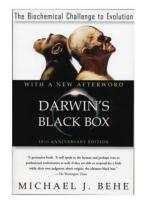


Psalm 8:3-6: (NASB) ³When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, The moon and the stars, which You have ordained; ⁴What is man that You take thought of him, And the son of man that You care for him? ⁵Yet You have made him a little lower than God, And You crown him with glory and majesty! ⁶You make him to rule over the works of Your hands; You have put all things under his feet...

So the fact is that we get a very consistent picture of design from the scope of the universe to the microbiology of life. It is consistent with the testimony of Scripture and the purpose of God. To set it aside simply as "appearance" seems to be as much a religious statement as does the belief in God!

Can evolutionary theory be truly challenged by looking at what is too small to see?

Dr. Michael Behe is another scientist who has made a big impact in the realm of creation science. Behe believed in Darwinian evolution, never having heard of its very serious deficiencies until he read Dr. Denton's book, *Evolution: A Theory in Crisis*. He began his own scientific investigation in his specialty, microbiology, and realized that the theory had some impossibilities. That brings us to our next fact:



At the biochemical level, certain subunits of life cannot come into existence gradually

Dr. Behe introduced the concept of "irreducible complexity" in his bestselling book, *Darwin's Black Box*. This book was one of the factors in the development of the science of Intelligent Design.



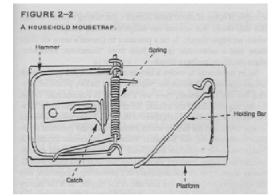
If you have a machine, you can remove a certain number of parts and it will still run. For example, a car will still run if you remove the trim. Take out the seats and it will still run. Eventually you get to a point where you can't take one more part away without affecting the functionality.

Dr. Behe used the example of a mousetrap: There are different ways to build a mousetrap, but for a mousetrap to work, it needs a minimal number of operating parts. It can have more bells and whistles, but if it does not have the minimum number of parts, it simply won't work!

So what is that minimum?

Platform -Spring - Hammer -Catch/Trigger -Holding Bar

Take any part away and the mousetrap won't work. This is the concept of irreducible complexity. Within microbiology, our bodies are filled with these little tiny machines within the cell. In order for them to function, they had to have a minimal number of parts. Those parts couldn't arrive one at a time over a period of evolution.

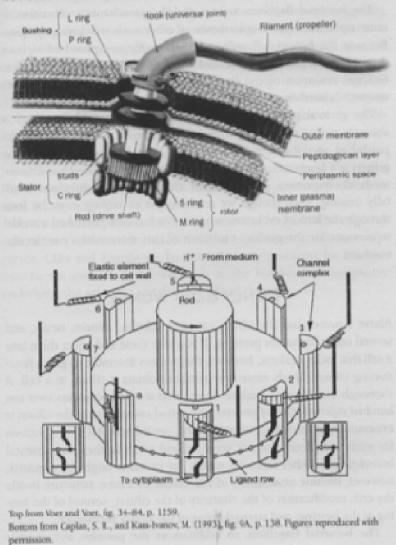




Darwinian Evolution teaches that every feature of life came into existence by the slow, methodical process of natural selection working on random mutations. In other words, a mutation in the genetic code produces something different and if that difference produces the positive effect of enhancing the fitness, survivability and reproductive capacity of the creature, then that change would be "selected" and passed on to offspring.

FIGURE 3-3

(TOP) DRAWING OF A BACTERIAL FLAGELLUM SHOWING THE FILAMENT, HOOK, AND THE MOTOR IMBEDDED IN THE INNER AND OUTER CELL NEMBRANES AND THE CELL WALL (BOTTOM) ONE PROPOSED NODEL FOR THE FUNCTIONING OF THE ACID-DRIVEN, ROTARY MOTOR. THE DRAWING SHOWS THE INTERNAL COMPLEXITY OF THE MOTOR, WHICH IS NOT DISCUSSED IN THE TEXT.



You can see the sequential nature of this process. The mutation is a single mutation and by definition random and not related to any other mutation that may occur in that creature. So with this in mind how do you explain the existence of a microbiological motor that runs the flagellum of a bacteria?

You heard it right! There is a bacterium that has a tail called a flagellum that permits the bacteria to move in its environment. And this flagellum is hooked up to a fully functional bioelectric motor. It has a stator which produces a charge, a rotor which rotates the flagellum and a bushing which holds the whole assembly together.

So how could this have evolved? If a rotor somehow spontaneously comes into existence it would have been no use at all without the bushings and stator. Same with any other part. The motor will work ONLY with all of the parts. Evolutionists are starkly unable to explain the presence of this machine through natural processes. This is only one example of hundreds or more.



hristian ())God should be fired, Evolution vs. Creation, Listen to the Scientists, youtube.com

• The application of Intelligent Design is that God is a very, very bad engineer. Any engineer that would design the optic nerve to run along the retina would be fired. The engineer that designed the human jaw would be fired...would God make such obvious mistakes...

Evolution is a frame of reference. Scientific evidence is reviewed within that frame. We use the Bible as a frame of reference.

Psalm 115:15: (NASB) May you be blessed of the Lord, maker of heaven and earth.

<u>Psalm 96:5</u>: (NASB) For all the gods of the peoples are idols, But the Lord made the heavens.

Psalm 134:3: (NASB) May the Lord bless you from Zion, He who made heaven and earth

God is the Centerpiece of all of this; He is the Author and the Designer.

<u>Proverbs 20:12</u>:(NASB) The hearing ear and the seeing eye, The Lord has made both of them.



Charles Darwin saw early on that the complexity of the eye was a challenge to his theory:

(Source: Charles Darwin, Chapter 6, Origin of the Species) "To suppose that the eye, with all its inimitable contrivances for adjusting the focus to different distances, for admitting different amounts of light, and for the correction of spherical and chromatic aberration, could have been formed by natural selection, seems, I freely confess, absurd in the highest possible degree."

Evolutionists today seek to blunt the complexity of the eye by criticizing it as a design of God.

(i))Critique of the eye by evolutionists, Intelligent Design for the Future podcast, Casey Luskin

- Miller maintains that the vertebrate eye is not intelligently designed because the optic nerve extends over the retina instead of going out the back of the eye, an alleged design flaw. Accordingly to Miller, "Visual quality is degraded because light scatters as it passes through several layers of cellular wiring before reaching the retina."
- Similarly, Richard Dawkins contends that the retina is "wired in backwards" because light-sensitive cells move away from the incoming light, which is partly blocked by the optic nerve. In Dawkins' ever humble opinion, the vertebrate eye is "the design of an complete idiot."

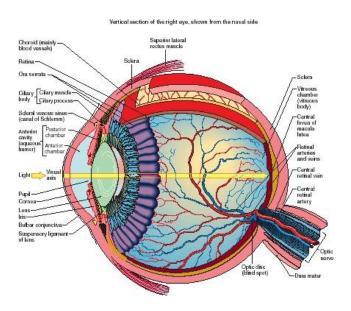
They are saying it is a bad design because it produces a blind spot. However, that blind spot, when the field from both eyes is meshed together, is not discernible. Functionally there is no problem with that blind spot.

It is amazing how biased a philosophy can make you. Let's take the alleged "defective design" and look at it again.



hristian ())God's design vindicated, Casey Luskin

But the overall design of the eye actually optimizes visual acuity. To achieve the high quality vision vertebrates need, retinal cells require a large blood supply. By facing the photoreceptor cells towards the back of the retina, and extending the optic nerve out over them, the cells are able to plug directly into blood vessels that feed the eye, maximizing access to blood.



To rewire the optic nerve as the critics suggest would put blood vessels over the optical receptors and reduce vision quality. The design is OPTIMIZED!

Nearly all criticisms of specific design found in life can be explained by optimization. In engineering and life, you can't get everything you would like. You have to make design choices mandated or limited by reality. Thus you select the design features that will optimize the function of the design. Every engineer knows this!

Which came first, the chicken or the egg?

This is a great old philosophical question, but very relevant in our evolution debate.

Every cell in our body is made up of proteins. These are very important molecules that form virtually all of the structures in a cell and carry out the cells' activities. Where do they come from? The DNA, the inherited material that is a coded sequence of atoms, allows you to make proteins. Each part of the DNA allows you to make a different type of protein. They make molecular motors that operate like machines. Their production is a chicken and egg system.



(\neg, γ) Chicken and egg proteins, Dr. Fazal Rana

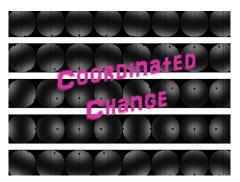
• You need proteins in order to make proteins...to get proteins to fold, you have to have proteins that are already properly folded and they in turn need proteins to properly fold them. So you have this chicken and egg system in a sense that can't be really be explained through evolutionary processes. That system has to have come into place all at once and there's got to be a mind that is essentially establishing those mutual interdependencies so that the system operates properly from the get go.



The proteins form a specific geometrical arrangement of atoms by folding. The shape of a protein dictates how the protein will operate. The shape itself is part of the amazing design.

We definitely believe that adaptations in nature are scriptural. God has allows species to adapt to changing circumstances - these allowances are within the genome. Any change that can take place is only based on what is already coded. If there isn't a chromosome for that characteristic, it can't reproduce otherwise. God set for things to be created "within their own kind." Nature's evolutionary changes are around us and of course are harmonious with the Bible.

Did all of these come into existence in a coordinated manner so that they would work together? "Coordinated change" is two or more changes that complement each other. By definition, mutation is random. So for two or more random mutations to work together toward a common function is vanishingly improbable.



Examples of coordinated change:

- Gender How did male/female reproduction come into existence? How did they change together to have this functionality together?
- Mammals How did mother's milk come into existence? The baby wanted milk so suddenly it was available? The whole purpose of milk production was to feed the baby.



 Bees and flowers - Flowers evolved to be just exactly what bees needed and bees evolved exactly to be what flowers needed at exactly the same time without design?



These are unrelated events but have to be in place for the other to exist. It doesn't work without simultaneous coordination. The Scriptures do not contradict science in its purest form.

So does it really matter what we believe?

What you believe influences how you think and what you think influences how you will act. If truth is important to you, it matters what you believe. Even more sobering is the fact that a belief in an atheistic, random, evolutionary philosophy will tend to cultivate a world view that is harmful to character. And that world view is materialism.

Materialism teaches that men are just the puppets of great, blind forces and their lives and deaths are meaningless in eternity. There is no such thing as the 'greater good,' and what anyone does or doesn't do has absolutely no effect in the long run. Of course such a materialistic philosophy removes any moral or ethical restraints and all individual responsibility.



Implications of the Darwinian Evolution Theory:

- No God
- No accountability to God
- No higher purpose in life
- No guiding forces in the universe nothing makes sense or has to
- No moral standards
- No ethical standards
- No universal right and wrong
- No absolutes (everything is relative to the individual)
- No obligations to anyone
- No universal direction
- Man becomes his own god

Man becomes his own god:

<u>Psalm 100:3</u>:(NASB) Know that the Lord Himself is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

What are the social implications of Darwinism?

(1) This creature became human, The Ape That Got Lucky

- Forests all over the world were replaced by grassland. A vast, adaptive radiation began creating a host of new species who could survive in open plains, not forests.
- One of these was a breed of apes that had a chance mutation apes that could walk on two legs. These two-legged apes multiplied, as did all the other creatures over many years into inter-related species.
- By the time of Lucy three million years ago, there were perhaps half a dozen two-legged animals of this kind. Just one of these species would have been our ancestor. For some reason, probably just by chance, they survived when all of the other two-legged creatures died out. This animal, and we do not yet know what it was, eventually became human.

A caller suggested:

Job 38:4: Where were you when I founded the earth? Tell me if you have understanding.

The Christian uses his God-given intellect to understand the science of the moment but lives in faith.

Psalms 19:2: The heavens declare the glory of God, the sky proclaims its builder's craft.

There has always been Godlessness in the world. Whenever there is Godlessness, there is activity and behavior that is hurtful to other people. The moral and ethical standard - the laws of God - that He gave first to the nation of Israel and then through the teachings of Jesus, allow us to live together in peace and harmony if we implement them.

When the laws are ignored, problems happen. We are living in what the Bible describes as the last days and we see the breakdown of God's law. The



atheistic or agnostic doctrine of evolution contributes to this. We see moral standards being thrown out the window. If there is no God, why can't I do whatever is best for me?

These ideas are quite at odds with Christian Biblical teachings. Now you might think we are overstating the implications. But we have seen historic, cultural and social developments under 'Scientific Materialism' which reveal a fruitage that validates these implications.

- Moral standards relaxed free love, spread of venereal disease, broken hearts, violent reactions due to jealousy, unfaithfulness
- Lack of respect for others coarse treating of others, verbal abuse, not respecting property rights, antagonistic attitudes
- Abortion gestational life not worth valuing
- Mercy killing, geriatric killing no value anymore to human defectives or the elderly (we saw this in Nazi Germany in the 30s and 40s!)
 - Peter Singer, a professor of bioethics at Princeton, argued that human beings with severe physical disabilities should no longer be viewed as worthy of life!
 - "If we compare a severely defective human infant with a nonhuman animal, a dog or a pig...we will often find that non-human to have superior capacities...Only the fact that the defective infant is a member of the species *Homo sapiens* leads it to be treated differently from the dog or pig. Species membership alone, however, is not morally relevant."
- Lawlessness man asserting his personal liberty to the point of licentiousness i.e. license to do whatever you want.
- Governmental abuse, "greater good" overshadowing personal rights and liberties.
- Abandonment of personal responsibility

<u>2 Timothy 3:1-5</u>: (NASB) ¹But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come. ²For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, revilers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, brutal, haters of good, ⁴treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, ⁵holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power; Avoid such men as these.

We learn creation from the study of science and see that it beautifully fits with the scriptural concepts. The Bible is not a scientific textbook but it shows us how it fits into scientific principles.

Neo-Darwinian theory is a materialist theory. It is a theory that is based upon reinterpretation of evidence to a philosophy and a conclusion that evolutionists



already have - that God didn't exist and wasn't responsible, therefore evolution has to be true. It has social implications for us all.

The greatness of God is shown through science and proves the existence of the Creator.

<u>Psalm 104:24</u>: (NASB) O Lord, how many are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all.

Did God create or did we evolve? For Jonathan and Rick and Christian Questions, Think about it...!

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Darwinist and Materialists alike understand the implications of Intelligent Design. If there is a designer, then the designer has designs. If this designer is God, as we believe, then there could well be accountability. And if there is accountability, then you cannot do whatever you want! Liberty cancelled! And they find that absolutely unacceptable.

This is why the debate is not simply an academic exercise. It is why evolutionists are so rabid when it comes to the debate. This is why we see scientists, who we would expect to be cool, logical and fair in their treatment of the facts, writing very sarcastic, judgmental and hateful things about any who do not accept their Darwinian interpretation of life. The dogmatism many have develop borders on religious fanaticism. Notice some of the following quotes from a few Darwinists:

Richard Dawkins, an Oxford biologist: It is absolutely safe to say that if you meet somebody who claims not to believe in evolution, that person is ignorant, stupid, or insane (or wicked, but I'd rather not consider that).

Paul Ewald, biologist: Darwin only had a couple of basic tenets....You have heritable variation, and you've got difference in survival and reproduction among the variants. That's the beauty of it. It has to be true - it's like arithmetic.

Richard Lewontin, Harvard geneticist: Our willingness to accept scientific claims that are against common sense is the key to an understanding of the real struggle between science and the supernatural....we are forced by our prior adherence to material causes to create an apparatus of investigation and a set of concepts that produce material explanations, no matter how counterintuitive, no matter how mystifying to the uninitiated. Moreover, that Materialism is absolute; we cannot allow a Divine Foot in the door.



As Christians, we concern ourselves primarily with the preaching of the Gospel and the "putting on" of Christ. But we watch carefully the events on the world stage. This development of Intelligent Design is most exciting. We accept the truth from God's Word whether it is popular or not - that is our faith. But where scientific truth rises, we rejoice because truth on any and all subjects is always consistent with itself. And a scientific study which illustrates the wisdom of God in Creation is a most delightful development. It can contribute to the wiping away of error from the earth and a restoration of the right perspective of God and neighbor.



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Genesis 1:1: In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Mark 10:6: But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female.

Psalms 53:1: The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God...

<u>Genesis 1:11</u>: And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit <u>after his kind</u>, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.

<u>Romans 1:20</u>: For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

<u>Jude 10</u>: But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves.

<u>1 Corinthians 14:33</u>: (Weymouth) For God is not a God of disorder, but of peace, as He is in all the Churches of His people.

<u>Job 38:4-7</u>: Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding. Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line upon it? Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof; When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

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<u>Psalm 134:3</u>: (NASB) May the Lord bless you from Zion, He who made heaven and earth.

<u>Proverbs 20:12</u>: (NASB) The hearing ear and the seeing eye, The Lord has made both of them.

<u>Psalm 100:3</u>: (NASB) Know that the Lord Himself is God; It is <u>He who has made us</u>, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

<u>2 Timothy 3:1-5</u>: (NASB) ¹But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come. ²For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, revilers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, brutal, haters of good, ⁴treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, ⁵holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power; Avoid such men as these.

<u>Psalm 104:24</u>:(NASB) O Lord, how many are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all;

Consider this...is God fooling us? The size of the universe is measured in light years! What we see when we look out in the heavens are things that happen in the past! If God created everything in six, 24-hour days, then He had to create a fiction! He had to create the light on the way to the universe to show us something that did not exist in the distant past. Would God create a fiction for us to accept as reality?