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Do Evolutionists Have a Leg to Stand On?

Creation vs. Evolution

6th Sunday after Pentecost / 5th Sunday after Trinity – 2012 Sunday, July 8 → 8:00 & 10:45 ◆ Monday, July 9 → 7:00

Introduction: Dear friends in Christ, whether you know it or not, we are in the midst of a war! The spoils are not land or possessions, but the hearts and souls of people! The innocent participant is the Bible, while the aggressors are evolutionists – people who deny the existence of God and deny the truth of the Bible!

- 1. The HUGE Difference: Evolutionists embrace the teaching that the universe came into being by random chance over a period of billions of years. The Bible teaches that God created all things from nothing in six ordinary days about six thousand years ago.
- 2. Someone is NOT being Honest: The candidates are God, who moved men by the Holy Spirit to write down His very words, OR atheistic scientists, who are trying to explain our existence apart from any Divine intervention. Those who hold to evolution speak of it as fact even though, in reality, it is a HUGE assumption with virtually no evidence.

- 3. Evolutionists are NOT Consistent with Science: Let me explain: Evolutionists emphasize time! In other words, if you have enough time like tens of billions of years, anything could happen. But consider the following:
 - a. <u>Probability</u> (likelihood, chance): Scientists agree that something with a probability of 10^{50} (or 10 followed by 50 zeros) will never occur. Those who disagree are making a faith statement *because* no one has ever observed something actually happening that had that high of a probability!
 - b. A single protein: That is a building block of life, since thousands of proteins are needed to make a single cell. So what is the probability of a single protein coming into existence by random chance? 10¹⁹¹ (or 10 followed by 191 zeros) which is WAY BEYOND the law of probability (10⁵⁰).
 - c. A single cell: What is the probability of a single cell coming into existence by random chance? $10^{40,000}$ (or 10 followed by 40,000 zeros).¹

 Nevertheless, many scientists still hold to evolution. Why? Because they are willing to make up anything to try to convince themselves that there is no God (see Romans 1:18-23).
 - d. A human body: Our bodies have cells a lot of them! Estimates range from 10 trillion to 100 trillion!² As the Psalmist declared: We are "fearfully and wonderfully made." (Ps. 139:14 ESV)

¹ The information in sections a-c is from the DVD: 4 Power Questions to Ask an Evolutionist, produced by Answers in Genesis—USA, 2008.

² http://ask.yahoo.com/20020625.html/

- 4. Intelligent Design Scientists are Different: They approach the topic of our existence without any preconceived ideas about evolution or creation, they simply follow the evidence. That evidence has led them to see the need for an intelligent designer (see these two movies for more information: The Privileged Planet; Expelled). Scientists who believe the Bible and trust in Jesus Christ as Savior know the Intelligent Designer is the Triune God of the Bible!³
- 5. GOD has Told Us the Truth through the Bible: Why should we know the Bible is true? Because of the last two sermons: *Prophecy in general* and *prophecy about Jesus!* Over 2,000 times in the Bible, God said it would happen; then it did! How? Because God knows the end from the beginning! Therefore, let us know these words about His work of creation are true:
 - a. ESV **Genesis 1:1** In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.
 - b. NIV **Hebrews 11:3** By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command...
 - c. NAS Colossians 1:16 For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities-- all things have been created by Him and for Him.
 - d. ESV Isaiah 40:26 Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these 'stars? He who brings out

³ For more *scientific* information, which *disproves evolution* and *proves the Bible*, go to: www.answersingenesis.com

- their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might...
- e. ESV Isaiah 42:5 Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it...
- f. Jesus, when tested by the Pharisees, replied:

 ESV Matthew 19:4 "Have you not read that he
 who created 'people? from the beginning made
 them male and female..." Thus people were
 made "from the beginning" of time!
- g. ESV Revelation 4:11 "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."
- 6. What is the Danger of Believing the Evolutionists? A single step in their direction is a single step toward doubting the Bible to be God's Word of Truth! That step will lead to doubts about ◆right and wrong, ◆God's plan for marriage, ◆our helplessness to save ourselves, ◆Jesus being God in the flesh − OUR ONLY SAVIOR, ◆God having a plan for each of our lives, ◆the certainty of eternity, and ◆so much more!

Conclusion: Even though many educated people hold to evolution as fact, I advise you and warn you to know the Bible is true and cling to Jesus Christ alone as your Savior! Amen!