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“... How beautiful are the feet of those who bring glad tidings of good things!” Romans 10:15

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The Myth of Evolution

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Evolution is often presented as a proven scientific fact. But in fact, evolution has never been proven, never will be proven and cannot be scientifically proven. Many well know scientists, highly respected in their field have openly and candidly admitted that evolution has never been scientifically proven and never will be. The following testimony of well known and highly recognized scientists is good information for the Christian to have on hand in defending the faith of the Bible. Most of these scientists would be considered “hostile witnesses”, i.e. enemies of Biblical teaching, yet what they write only serves to strengthen faith in Biblical teaching.

The Fossil Record: Evolution or Creation?

“Despite the bright promise that paleontology provides a means of seeing evolution, it has presented some nasty difficulties for evolutionists the most notorious of which is the presence of gaps in the fossil record. **Evolution requires intermediate forms between species and paleontology does not provide them ...**” (David B. Kitts, *Evolution*, 1974, Vol. 28, p. 467)

“Certainly the record is poor, but the jerkiness you see is not the result of gaps, it is the consequence of the jerky mode of evolutionary change.” (Stephen Gould, as quoted in ‘*Evolutionary Theory Under Fire*’, *Science*, Nov. 21, 1980, Vol. 210, p. 883-887).

“The pattern that we were told to find for the last 120 years does not exist.” (Niles Eldridge, as quoted in article, “*Biologist’s Disputes Shed Light On Beginnings*”, *The Wichita Eagle-Beacon*, Sunday, November 9, 1980, p. 1B).

“Practically all orders or families known appear suddenly and without any apparent transitions.” (R.B. Goldschmidt, *American Scientist*, Vol. 40, p. 97)

“I take a dim view of the fossil record as a source of data.” (Everett Olson, as quoted in ‘*Evolutionary Theory Under Fire*’, *Science*, Nov. 21, 1980, Vol. 210, p. 883).

“The more one studies paleontology, the more certain one becomes that evolution is based on faith alone; exactly the same sort of faith which is necessary to have when one encounters the great mysteries of religion ... The only alternative is the doctrine of special creation, which may be true, but is irrational.” (Dr. Patterson, quoted by R.L. Wysong, *The Creation-Evolution Controversy*, p. 31)

“The theory of evolution is so plausible that we accept it as though it were a proven fact. It forms a satisfactory faith on which to base our interpretation of nature. Evolution is a faith, a belief, a dogma.” (L. Matthews, *Introduction to the Origin of Species*, p. XII)

Much support for the general theory (of evolution) is religious. The late Sir Julian Huxley provides a prominent example, in his advocacy of the “religion of evolutionary humanism,” and the “Religious Humanism” movement provides another. (Yale Law Journal, Vol. 87, No. 3, January 1978, p. 517)

“In accepting evolution as **fact**, how many biologists pause to reflect that science is built upon theories that have not been proved by experiment to be correct, or remember that the theory of animal evolution has never been thus provided.” (Mathews L. Harrison, Introduction to **The Origin of the Species** by Charles Darwin, p. 12, 1971)

“It is easy enough to make up stories of how one form gave rise to another, and to find reasons why the stages should be favored by natural selection. But such stories are not part of science, for there is no way of putting them to the test.” (*Dr. Patterson, senior paleontologist at British Museum of Natural History*)

Experimentally Impossible

“These evolutionary happenings are unique, unrepeatable, and irreversible ... The applicability of the experimental method to the study of such unique historical processes is severely restricted before all else by the time intervals involved, which far exceed the lifetime of any human experimenter. As yet it is just such **impossibility** that is demanded by antievolutionists when they ask for proofs of evolution ...”

(T. Dobzhansky, **American Scientist**, Vol. 45, p. 388, 1957).

The Fossil Record: Best Explained by Creation

“... I still think, to the unprejudiced mind, the fossil record of plants is in favor of special creation.” (*E.J.H. Corner, Contemporary Botanical Thought, p. 97*)

“Creationists would predict that the fossil record will show the absence of transitional forms between each of the older, independently created forms. So far creationism fully agrees with the evidence, whereas evolutionists have to have faith in the original existence of the missing transitional forms.” (*E.C. Lucas, Science, 1980, 179:953*).

“Part of the fascination ... stems from the apparent necessity to believe in events which happened only once - tantamount to acts of special creation ...” (*Hans Gaffron, “The Origin of Life”, in Evolution After Darwin, 1960, p. 51*).

Regarding so-called links, Charles Darwin stated:

“Why, if species have descended from other species by fine gradations, do we not everywhere see innumerable transitional forms? Why is not all nature in confusion, instead of the species being, as we see them, well defined?”

“But, as by this [evolution] theory innumerable transitional forms must have existed, why do we not find them embedded in countless numbers in the crust of the earth?”

“Geological research ... does not yield the infinitely many fine gradations between past and present species required.”⁶⁹

How did Darwin explain this lack of links? He declared: “I believe the answer lies in the record being incomparably less perfect than is generally supposed.” (**Origin of the Species**, p. 178-179)

Genesis 1, 2 - Account of Creation

1. In a short period (6 days) God brought into existence all the different kinds of living things - plants, animals, man, etc.
2. Each kind of living thing reproduces after its own kind, yet it possesses natural variation so it can adapt to its environment. (Gen. 1:11, 21, 24, ff)
3. Man is unique from the animal for he was created in God's image. (Gen. 1:26)
4. Man's original condition was much better than it is now. In time he and the environment regressed. - Sin -

Is the Creation Account Literally True?

I Timothy 2:13-14, “For Adam was first formed, then Eve. And Adam was not deceived, but the woman, being deceived, fell into transgression.”

Mark 10:6-7, “But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife.”

I Corinthians 11:8, “For the man is not of the woman but the woman of the man. Neither was the man created for the woman, but the woman for the man.”

Romans 5:14, “Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them who sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression.”

Jude 14, “Enoch also, the seventh from Adam ...”

107 verses refer back to Genesis 1-11