

# EVOLUTION: FACT or FICTION

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I am not trying to prove that there is a God. We believe that by faith. But there is an attack on the foundations of our faith. I do not think that science needs to be taught in the Church, but when science has been used to undermine the foundations of the faith, then perhaps we need to expose the error and arm those who are exposed to evolution with some information that they could use to combat it.

I am also persuaded that some of the things concerning the DNA code are God's secrets and perhaps man is treading in areas he ought not, and that because of his evil nature.

**Deu. 29:29** The secret [things belong] unto the LORD our God: but those [things which are] revealed [belong] unto us and to our children for ever, that [we] may do all the words of this law. (Gill says that these are things concerning nature also.)

One might argue that wonders in medicine could be obtained, and certainly this has taken place, but do we think that man is going to remove the curse that God has put on him. What about genetic manipulation; how far will evil men take this?

**Gen. 11:6** And the LORD said, Behold, the people [is] one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do. Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.

This information will not save one's soul. A person can believe there is a God and still be lost. It is only in Christ that we have any hope. Only those who have been regenerated and caused to see themselves lost, that sin is a serious problem, and have been given faith to trust in the Lord Jesus Christ as their saviour, have everlasting life. But, on the other hand, a man cannot be an atheist and have eternal life.

**Psa. 11:3** If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?

1) Being taught in our schools as fact.

a) We should be concerned with what our children are being taught. In this situation, we should be knowledgeable of the facts as much as possible, and knowledgeable about the Bible story of creation in order that we might teach our children at home the truth. If we are not knowledgeable concerning the Bible and some science and logic then we will be at a loss when trying to teach our children the truth. They want to know WHY!

b) Is evolution a scientific fact?

Just because a majority of scientist may believe it to be so, does not make it so, that is, a fact is not established by a vote. (Yet modern science is slowly disproving evolution.) A fact is established by proof. Something that has been objectively verified. Evolution is a THEORY and has always been a theory.

"The very heart of the 'scientific method' is the reproducibility of experiments. That is, if a certain process is observed and measured today, and then the experiment is conducted again the same way tomorrow, the same results should be obtained. In this way, by experimental repetition and verification, a scientific description of the process is eventually developed." (Scientific Creationism)

Thus, evolution cannot be proved through experimentation.

2) Evolution contradicts the Law of Increasing Entropy, which says that the entropy (that is, the disorder or disorganization) of every observable system in the universe tends to grow. Entropy: The measure of disorder in a system. (*American Heritage Dictionary.*)

Example: A pile of lumber does not become a house through any natural phenomenon. A tornado or hurricane may blow through but the pile of lumber only becomes more disorganized. According to science this is a provable fact in nature.

Someone might argue, What about crystals that are formed which have planer surfaces in similar triangular fashion. But these only reflect the order of the molecules that make up the substance. A diamond can be cut in a beautiful fashion because the carbon atom that makes up the diamond has 6 electrons, 6 protons, and 6 neutrons which gives it its triangular planes. It is the same with snowflakes, which all have 6 sides, showing the molecular structure of the H<sub>2</sub>O molecule. The order is in the atomic make-up.

There is order in the genetic code, in the DNA molecule, which scientists hold to be essential in life. Look at the order of the human body - two eyes, two arms, etc., nose in the center, how could evolution have placed everything in perfect order. Why not one ear lower than another, etc., if it could have developed an ear at all.

3) If evolution is an on-going thing then why are all living things divided into distinct classes. There are varieties of dogs, many through cross breeding, but all are dogs. Why are there not animals caught in between the different classes. Why do we not see an infinite number of species between the man animal and the ape animal, which he was supposed to come from? There

should be a smooth continual flow of variety in between the species. If dogs and cats came from the same source, and all of creation according to evolutionists has, then there would be an infinite variety of dogs that would begin gradually looking like a cat. In the fossil world there are still the dividing lines between the species.

4) The failure of the fossil record. Certainly, if evolution were true, then there would have been innumerable transition forms which would have existed and yet we do not find them in countless numbers in the fossil record. Darwin said, "If it could be demonstrated that any complex organ existed which could not possibly have been formed by numerous, successive, slight modifications, my theory would absolutely break down." There is no filling of the gaps of the species found in the fossil record.

5) The failure of Homology. Homology: The similarities of the bones or members in vertebrates, which suggests one common ancestor. The validity of this would have been greatly strengthened if embryological and genetic research could have shown that homologous structures had similar genes and followed similar development from the embryo. It has been proven that homologous structures are arrived at by different routes. Even something as simple as two species of frogs seems to disprove the theory. In the common frog, *Rana fusca*, if the optical cup is cut out of the embryo, then the lens does not develop at all; but in the case of the frog, *Rana esculenta*, if the optical cup is removed at the same place of development, the lens develops anyway. The lens of these two frogs are without a doubt homologous, yet they differ completely in the mechanism by which they are brought about.

The theory of evolution is even more damaged, perhaps, by the discovery that apparently homologous structures are specified by quite different genes in different species. It has been shown that non-homologous genes are involved to some extent in the

specification of homologous structures. An example of this is a gene in the domestic fowl, which controls the formation of the crest of feathers and causes a cerebral hernia with up-swelling of the skull in the form of a knob to accommodate it. It is difficult to believe that this gene has any homologue in vertebrate species lacking feathers, and yet it is involved in the development of the skull, a feature possessed by all vertebrate species. De Beer says, "Homologous structures need not be controlled by identical genes..." (Evolution: *A Theory in Crisis*, pg 151)

6) Other failures. Evolutionist say that birds evolved from reptiles, but the lung structure of birds is so different from that of reptiles, or any other creature, that it is impossible for a slow conversion of one to the other and still maintain life. A birds lungs have uni-directional flow through them. Remember what Darwin said about numerous, successive, and slight modifications. This is an important point when we come to the study of DNA, RNA, and Protein.

7) Mutations: It is believed by most evolutionist that this is the chief means by which evolution occurs, that it is the mechanism that drives it. These are sudden changes brought upon the genetic code by outside forces.

"The trouble with this idea is that practically all mutations (even leading evolutionists acknowledge this to be true of at least 99.9% of all known mutations) are harmful, rather than helpful, in the supposed struggle for existence. Mutant varieties thus almost always die out if left to themselves, or else revert back to ancestral types." (*Is evolution a scientific fact?*)

"The occurrence of genetic monstrosities by mutation is well substantiated but they are such evident freaks that these monsters can be designated only as "hopeless." They are so utterly unbalanced that they would not have the slightest chance of escaping

elimination through selection" Mayr. *The law of increased entropy demands it.*

8) How did evolution know that? How did evolution know that bees would pollinate plants? The bacterial flagellum has the only structure in the entire living kingdom which exhibits a true rotary motion, that is, it has a rotary motor. According to Howard Berg, in an article in Scientific American in 1975, the torque is generated by a translocation of ions through a disc mounted rigidly on the rod of the flagellum and free to rotate. Michael Denton, the author of "Evolution: A Theory in Crisis" said, "It is very hard to envisage a hypothetical evolutionary sequence of simpler rotors through which it might have evolved gradually."

The simplest organisms have complex structures, as we shall especially see when we examine DNA.

Evolutionist speak of the "ingenuity of nature." Nature thinks? Chance and matter think? How absurd! Ingenuity suggests intelligence. If there is any thing in nature that has intelligence, it is because someone that has intelligence has programmed it to be so.

9) Genetic code: The fact that there is a genetic code in which the make-up of a person or animal is stored, shows that intelligence is the founder.

a) All proteins, which form the mass of the cell, are made from amino acids. Protein molecules are the ultimate stuff of life. Each amino acid contains an amino (NH<sub>2</sub>) and a carboxyl acid (COOH) group LINKED by a carbon atom (atomic number 6, the number of man) which forms the backbone of the molecule, as well as a UNIQUE side chain. This is why life on this planet is said to be carbon based. Because of their side chains, each amino acid has different chemical properties.

1) 20 different amino acids are used in life with 2 others being a combination of 2 to give 22 letters that can be used to construct a word or sentence that forms a protein. The protein is a long molecule, called a polymer.

2) Most protein chains are 100 to 500 amino acids long. It is the sequence of amino acids with their different side chains that makes a particular protein. The side chains and the bonds that they form with each other gives the protein molecule its 3-D shape and function. Every different protein has its own unique SEQUENCE of amino acids. They all use the same amino acids, but it is the sequence that makes the difference. Proteins which form different functions have completely different overall 3-D structures and functional properties, which is determined by the sequence. Enzymes, which are proteins, have a special region in the molecule, which is cleft-like and extends from the surface of the molecule into its interior and into which fits PRECISELY the compound upon which the enzyme acts. How did evolution know what the molecule of the compound that it needed looked like, and also understand molecular structure and the bonds that atoms have with each other and then generate the proper sequence of amino acids that would form a molecule with a cavity that was the shape of the molecule that it needed?

b) DNA and RNA. There are two types of nucleic acids, DNA and RNA. If a cell were compared to a factory then the proteins would be the factory tools and the DNA would be likened to the central office where the master blueprints are located. RNA might be compared to copies of the master blueprints which are carried to various parts of the cell where a particular protein is being manufactured.



1) There are 4 (the number for the earth, in the Bible) different types of nucleotides, which are the building blocks or subunits of DNA molecules. Every 3 nucleic acids in the DNA chain represent a base 4 code for a particular amino acid that will occur in a particular protein. So then every 3 nucleic acids is the code for a particular letter, or punctuation mark in the protein sentence. With base 4 we have  $4 \times 4 \times 4 = 64$  possibilities, of which 61 are used to describe proteins and 3 for stop code. Since there are only 20 amino acids some of the codes represent the same amino acid.

**Gen. 2:7** And the LORD God formed man [of] the dust of the GROUND, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

**Gen. 2:19** And out of the GROUND the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought [them] unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that [was] the name thereof.

This shows to us also that the information is stored digitally and not analogical. For example in a computer there are several codes that are used. One of them is ASCII code and another is EBCDIC, etc. In these codes the computer examines every 8 bits (a 0 or a 1) so that there are 256 different possibilities. A computer uses binary (0 or 1) and DNA is one of 4 atoms in which every 3 are examined to come up with a code for an amino acid.

In an analogical environment a photocopy of a photocopy of a photocopy, etc. will end up with so much noise that it will eventually be unrecognizable. However a digital copy of a digital copy, etc.



remains the same throughout. You can copy a digital disk thousands of times and the last will be the same as the original.

Our features, such as eyes, nose, ears, hair, etc. are not fuzzy copies of the original eyes, ears, but they work as well as the originals, apart from the curse. Our brains are unique in that we are the only creatures on the earth that can reason and think, and our brains have not lost that ability since Adam was formed.

Nature may be able to cast the rays of the sun on an object and form a shadow, but it could never in a billion years turn an image of that object into digital information.

**Psa. 139:14\*** I will praise thee; for I am fearfully [and] wonderfully made: marvelous [are] thy works; and [that] my soul knoweth right well.

2) Genes are a series of coded messages in DNA or RNA that describes a particular protein, by being translated into a linear sequence of amino acids. During the process the DNA double helix is unwound and each gene of one strand is copied to a mRNA which is carried to a translator, which is a complex of proteins called "RNA polymerase." A special RNA molecule called a tRNA can recognize a particular TRIPLET in the mRNA string. The mRNA passes through the translator, called the ribosome, just as a magnetic tape is passed over a read head on a computer tape drive. The tRNA carries the amino acids and as the mRNA passes over the "read head" the appropriate amino acid, called out by the triplet, is assembled to the amino acid chain and the chain is slowly assembled, amino acid by amino acid until the stop code is reached, at which time the amino acid chain is detached and the chain then folds up into its prescribed 3-D shape. Now, how did evolution figure THAT out?

3) CATCH 22: The DNA contains the information for the construction of proteins, BUT it is the PROTEINS which extract and utilize that information at ALL stages as it flows through this intricate series of transformations.

DNA can be reproduced very easily, which is necessary for cell reproduction, however it takes proteins to perform it; but proteins are created from the code. Which came first? It is "catch 22" again. It's a 3 way link between DNA, RNA and Protein. It's a CLOSED circuit, logically! The whole functioning of the cell is dependent upon other interdependent functions within the cell. It takes a working cell to produce another working cell and there are NO intermediate steps. The thing had to be manufactured first and then "kick started" in order for it to ever work.

**Gen. 2:7** And the LORD God formed man [of] the dust of the ground, and BREATHED into his nostrils the breath of LIFE; and man became a living soul.

The evolutionist needs a number of intermediate steps between simple chemistry and the cell. Modern molecular biology has not bridged the gap, but instead has shown the enormity of the gap.

Michael Denton in his book "Evolution: A Theory in Crisis" said, "Between a living cell and the most highly ordered non-biological system, such as a crystal or a snowflake, there is a chasm as vast and absolute as it is possible to conceive."

The smallest bacterial cells are a relative factory, which is far more complicated than any machine or factory that has ever been built by man.

4) Mutations in the code: Evolutionist live off of chance. But any errors in the translator would avalanche into errors and lead to self-destruction. Sickle-cell anemia, a severe, and often fatal disease that afflicts some African and American blacks, has one wrong amino acid in the chain of the protein hemoglobin. (Blacks and Whites have the same sequence in normal cells.)

**Acts 17:26** And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, ...

What are the chances of having a working program on a computer, then while copying it to another disk get an error, and then end up with a better program. The law of "increase entropy" is against it. The only way that something can improve itself is that a creator with intelligence has programmed it into the system. It has been proven that when the mutation rate is very high, no living system can avoid the path to auto-destruction. Each cycle only increases the corrupted data and erases crucial data until destruction. Increased Entropy!

5) The wonder of it: The cell is a molecular machine made up of coding systems, of informational molecules, of catalytic devices and feedback control, so complex that it is without parallel. (*Evolution: A Theory in Crisis*) Michael Denton said, "Thousands of different sequences, protein and nucleic acid, have now been compared in hundreds of different species but never has any sequence been found to be in any sense the lineal descendent or ancestor of any other sequence."

6) Some scientist's conclusions: Henry Margenau, co-editor of *Cosmos, Bios, Theos*, believes that creation by an omnipotent, omniscient God is the "only...convincing answer" for the intricate laws of nature. *Cosmos, Bios, Theos*, was written by 60 top scientists, 20 of whom have received the Nobel Prize (Time, Dec. 28, 1992). I wonder why NBC or CBS doesn't run this on the evening news?

10) Should a Christian believe in evolution? If the term simply means change, in the example of a baby growing into adulthood then we can accept the term evolution. A man may design a machine and through testing and thought, that machine may evolve into a better machine. But this is not the teaching of evolution, as the explanation for our existence.

a) Some have tried to harmonize the teaching of evolution with the Bible's account of the creation. They have to take the position that the Biblical account is an allegory, figurative language of God's creating man through the process of evolution, thus they believe in "theistic evolution."

b) Some serious theological problems with this view.

1) It denies the Scripture where 10 times in the first Chapter it was said that the created plants and animals were to reproduce "after their kinds."

**Gen. 1:11** And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, [and] the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed [is] in itself, upon the earth: and it was so. 12 And the earth brought forth grass, [and] herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed [was] in itself, after his kind: and God saw that [it was] good.

2) A greater and far more damaging effect of this belief is that it destroys the foundation of federal headship. If evolution be true then the story of Adam is only figurative, in that there were many Adam's. There must have been, evolution demands it. Only when apes (plural) evolved up to a thinking man were they called Adam. It would be hard to say which one of these Adams or latter Adams our race came from.

But the Bible teaches that by ONE man, sin entered into the world.

**Rom. 5:12** Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: {for that: or, in whom (Translators' notes)}

**Rom. 5:16-18** And not as [it was] by one that sinned, [so is] the gift: for the judgment [was] by one to condemnation, but the free gift [is] of many offences unto justification. 17 For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.) 18 Therefore as by the offence of one [judgment came] upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one [the free gift came] upon all men unto justification of life.

Adam stood as the federal head of his seed, just as Christ stood as the federal head of His seed that were given him by the Father; therefore Jesus is called the second Adam.

**1Co. 15:45** And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam [was made] a quickening spirit.

3) Just as Christ did not evolve into a Son of God, neither did Adam. Jesus was conceived of the Holy Spirit and was born of a virgin and as a man (though being God) was the Son of God. If you will read the genealogy given in Luke's gospel going back from Jesus to Adam you will see that it gives the fathers of each man, "who was the son of," until you get to Adam.

**Luke 3:38** Which was [the son] of Enos, which was [the son] of Seth, which was [the son] of Adam, which was [the son] of God.

I am a son of God by adoption, but Adam was a son of God by creation, that is he had no earthly father, for God was his Father just as God was the Father of Jesus, the man.

**1Cor. 15:45** And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam [was made] a quickening spirit.

**Acts 17:26** And hath made of ONE blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;

4) All Bible doctrines have in their foundation, the book of Genesis. If the foundations be destroyed, then what?

**Psa. 11:3** If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?

11) Some questions.

a) What about the age of the earth? God created the earth with age built in. God created Adam as a full grown man, not a baby. According to some scientists, the speed of light is a constant only at a given moment in time. The speed of light has been proven, according to some scientists, to be slowing down. They say that if you take the rate of change and go backward to where light would near infinity then it would be about 6000 years ago. (NOTE: I have only heard this on a radio program and have never read it. Needs further research.)

b) How could Noah get all the different animals on the Ark? God is God! No problem for Him.

c) How did different animals reach remote locations of the globe after the flood? After the flood, the earth was divided. See Gen. 10:25.

d) What about the dinosaurs? They could have perished in the flood. Read Job 40:15 - 41:34. Others who hold the gap theory, believe that they existed during a time before Adam was created, and thus God recreated life during those six days. I do not believe this to be true, but many sound men hold that position. The problem is that death would have occurred before Adam had ever sinned and brought death into the world.

Besides, human footprints have been found alongside dinosaur footprints on the banks of the Paluxy River in Glenrose, Texas. Some of these prints were unearthed by digging between the layers of rock and beneath the river bank, so there was no way that someone could have come and carved them. It has been proven by research that the human prints were not carved and also that they were made within a very short time of each other.



e) What about fossils? Fossils are the very heart of the evolutionists' so-called proof. Yet how can fossils be formed unless some cataclysmic event have occurred in which these living organisms were sealed so that they could form fossils. Seems to me it proves the flood if anything.

1) What about Neanderthal Man, Java Man, Peking Man, Piltdown Man and Nebraska Man, etc.?

(Taken from a tract by Catholic Outreach of Louisiana) Catholic Outreach has shown that the present Pope has stated that evolution is true and that the Genesis account is but figurative and a myth.

a) Neanderthal Man: First identified, by Dr. Rudolf Virchow, the father of modern Pathology, as true humans who suffered from vitamin D deficiency (Rickets, which causes defective bone growth). But evolutionists persisted in claiming that they were ape-men, until medical researchers (Cave, Straus, and Ivanhoe) independently proved that Virchow was originally correct.

b) Java Man: Discovered by Dr. Eugene DuBois in Java along Solo River, 1891. He first claimed the bones were from the same creature, but he later admitted the leg bone was from a human and the skull cap was from a large gibbon or other ape. He also found human skulls 60 miles away in the same layer of rock, which he concealed to save his ape-man theory (since modern man and his 1 million year old ancestor could not live together at the same time in the same rock layer!)

c) Peking Man: Plaster of Paris models greatly differ from eyewitness descriptions. They were bits and pieces of skulls only found in Cho Ko Tien, China, in the 1930's, which were mixed

with animal bones. All of the skulls had been bashed in at the base, which the natives still do to this day when eating monkey brains, which is a delicacy. This explains why no other parts of the body were found, and why they were mixed with animal bones. Also found at the same sight were six fully human skeletons and evidence of a large mining industry (ash heap 23 ft. deep surrounded by heat-fused soil): which shows clearly a human presence with the so-called "ape-man". The conclusion drawn is that these skulls were man's meal and not man's ancestor.

d) Piltdown Man: Found to be a FAKE! In 1912, Charles Dawson "discovered" a skull and jaw bone in a gravel pit in Piltdown, England. The jaw was obviously ape-like, but with small teeth like human teeth. It was declared an ape-man and enshrined in the British Museum of Natural History. However, analysis in the 1950's proved that iron salts were used to stain bones to give a false appearance of very old age. Besides that, and even more implicating, an iron object was used to file down the teeth to make them appear small! A dental anatomist had revealed the fake in 1916, but his report was suppressed!

e) Nebraska Man: In 1922, Harold Cook found a single tooth on a Nebraska farm and declared it an ape-man. However, more evidence revealed that it was a tooth from a pig!

12) What belief in this theory leads to.

a) It destroys any confidence that we have in Christ's words.

Mat 19:4 And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made [them] at the beginning made them male and

female, 5 And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?

It makes the New Testament something other than the Word of God, since the genealogy quoted in Luke 3:38 would be in error if evolution were a fact.

b) It leads to the belief in extra-terrestrials. This is a very reasonable and very probable position for the true evolutionist. If life on this planet evolved from the proper chemicals, etc., then with all the other star systems in the universe, there are bound to be other planets with conditions similar to ours, where life has evolved; and maybe these life forms started the evolutionary process millions of years in advance of ours. This would lead one to suppose that these extra-terrestrials could be so advanced that their powers would be almost supernatural in nature. This is what we are seeing today in peoples' beliefs, which opens them up for the greatest delusion that world will ever see.

**Rev. 16:14** For they are the spirits of DEVILS, working miracles, [which] go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

c) It leads to open sin, because it has undermined God's word and its authority.

d) It could lead to racism. Some would love to say that the Black Man is lower than the White man on the evolutionary scale, and yet the Bible teaches that we are all from one blood. (We are all under the CURSE.) The problems we have in this world are not because we haven't evolved far enough, but because of the curse.

13) Evolutionism is Atheism, with Satan as its author.

a) "The evolutionary philosophy is the intellectual basis of all the anti-Christian and anti-God systems that have plagued mankind for centuries. It served Hitler as the rationale for Nazism and Marx as the supposed scientific basis for communism." (*Should a Christian believe in evolution?*)

14) **In conclusion:**

Understanding this will not save your soul. If you are lost this information should strike FEAR into your heart.

**Psa. 139:14** I will praise thee; for I am FEARfully [and] wonderfully made: ...

**Pro. 1:7** The FEAR of the LORD [is] the beginning of knowledge: [but] fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Why is a man lost? SIN! And it's SERIOUS!

What to do? Flee to Christ and hide there! Trust in Christ as your substitute and not in any works. If you are able to do this, then you should know that God has enabled you, that your faith and repentance are gifts from God and left to yourself you would have never come to Christ as a sinner in need, but would have continued to trust in yourself.

**Joh. 6:65** And he said, Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father.

**Psa. 119:114** Thou [art] my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word.

**Psa. 65:4** Blessed [is the man whom] thou choosest, and causest to approach [unto thee, that] he may dwell in thy courts: ...

Know this also. If you are truly saved, it is because God has saved you and not you yourself. What God starts, He finishes! If you started your salvation and you walk with Him, then you can stop it, but if He started it, he will perform it unto the end.

**Php. 1:6** Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform [it] until the day of Jesus Christ:

**Joh. 10:28** And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any [man] pluck them out of my hand.