

“Evolutionists Demonstrating Faith... Again.”

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People often ask me why or who I write these articles for. Who is my audience? There are at least two answers for that. The first is to strengthen the faith of my fellow brothers and sisters who place their faith solely in the finished redemptive work that Jesus accomplished on the cross. The other is to share the evidence with the skeptical, but still open minded agnostic. It is these people who are seeking logical and defensible answers to life's big questions.

I haven't felt the need to write specifically to devoted atheists, because for the most part, they are already fully committed to their faith in evolution. What I find ignoble is that atheists think it admirable for a theist to abandon their faith in a Creator for seemingly logical and evidential reasons, but are unwilling to tolerate an atheist/agnostic abandoning their faith in evolution and embracing a theistic / Intelligent Design worldview similar reasons based on scientific evidence. This was my journey along with many others, but it is dismissed as us being ignorant atheists originally or that it was solely for some subjective spiritual fulfillment. For devoted atheists, under no circumstances is it acceptable for x-atheists to have been compelled by the evidence to embrace the fact of a creator. We as Christians are called to “always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with gentleness and respect” (1 Peter 3:15). For us, our reason follows the scientific evidence.

In honor of Darwin's 200th birthday, the “New Scientist” website recently published an article about a panel of 16 evolutionists that were asked to discuss the biggest gaps that remained in the theory of evolution. Even though the answers varied greatly and many of the scientists avoided the question altogether, it was evident that the details surrounding the alleged random generation of life from nonliving matter remains as one of the many glaring gaps that cannot be answered by Darwin's theory of evolution. This is the important point, because the laws of nature and empirical experiments have shown that life does not form randomly or “unguided” from non-life.

A recent article in the London Telegraph mentions that scientists from the USA believe they will be able to create extremely primitive artificial life within 5-10 years. Even if this does occur (which is problematic in that these initial organisms would need large scale life support in the lab) it actually provides evidence contrary to evolutionary theory. The basics are that evolutionists teach that “somehow” life evolved unguided or spontaneously. The fact that scientists (who in this case are intelligent designers behind the experiments) are “guiding” or “designing” all the very complex factors needed just to possibly produce primitive life shows clearly what the laws of nature prohibit, life from non-life “unguided”. Yet this is still believed by evolutionists. At the “New Scientist” website, Chris Wills, a professor of Biology of U of C, San Diego answered the question about gaps in evolution this way, “The biggest gap in evolutionary theory remains the origin of life itself. We now know that life began, probably near volcanically active zones, about 3.8 to 3.5 billion years ago, at a time when there was no free oxygen in the atmosphere. In the laboratory it has been possible to replicate such conditions and produce amino acids, primitive membrane-like structures and some of the building blocks of DNA and RNA. More recently, it has been found that, along with protein enzymes, RNA can catalyze chemical reactions, and it has even been possible to construct RNA molecules that can copy parts of themselves. But the gap between such a collection of molecules and even the most primitive cell remains enormous.” He claims that he “knows” that life began “probably” in volcanic zones. This “knowing” is nothing more than faith because he doesn't “know” for certain, but is instead expressing faith.

These enormous gaps are what are fueling the “intelligent design” movement. Scientists who are honest enough to admit that the laws of nature cannot account for the origin of life and the digital understanding of the genetic code are leading this movement. The Bible says it best. “For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities--his eternal power and divine nature--have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse. For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools” (Romans 1:20-22). I encourage you to follow the evidence and to recognize what the Bible has said all along, “In the beginning, God created” (Gen 1:1). Have a blessed week!