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Creation – Science, History or Belief?

Science, history or belief?

- The Scientific Method has to be observable and reproducible in the present.



Questions:

- Who observed the formation of the Earth?
- Who can reproduce it?

Answers:

- No one can reproduce it.
- We were not there.
- Evolutionists were not there.
- But we know the One who was there.
- His word is reliable.

- The Creation account is not science.
- The theory of evolution is not science.

The Creation account is history (HIS story)

- The theory of evolution is *not* history (no evidence)

- The theory of evolution is based on belief (that there is no God)
- The Creation account is based on belief (in the true God)



or



How old is the earth?

Who came up with the idea that the earth is millions of years old?

Answer:

Those who wanted to ignore God and please themselves.



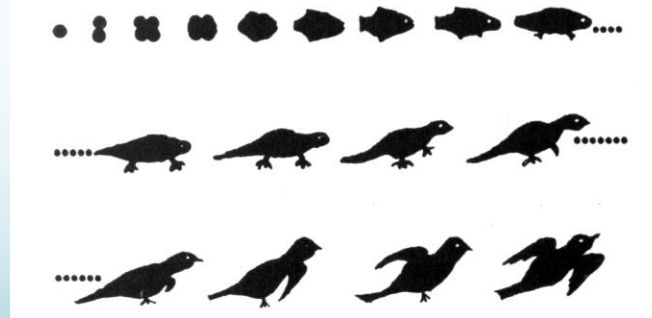
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Evolution states that a living thing was created out of nothing.

Then it developed and changed and developed and changed...

Until we have the living things in our world today.



- **The problem for evolutionists...**
- We don't see living things changing

- **Their solution...**
- Millions of years!
- If the changes took that long, we wouldn't see them in a human lifetime.

But there's still a problem...

- Living things only make genetic changes through mutations.
- Mutations are *mistakes* in the genetic code.
- These mistakes are a *loss* of information, not a gain.
- So how could pond scum develop into a bird?
- How could the beautiful animals in our world be developed from mistakes?



This is not an improvement!
Mutations only create living things with problems.

Where did mutations originate?

The Fall

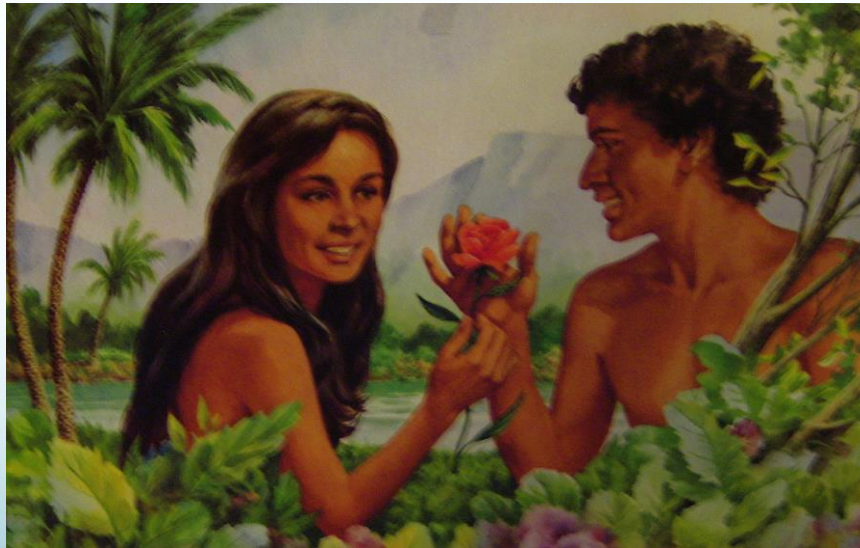
Until the Fall, God's creation was perfect.

God looked at everything He had made, and it was very good (Genesis 1: 31)



Was Adam a real person?

- If we add up the genealogies in the Bible, starting from Adam, we can calculate the age of the earth - just 6,150 years old.
- If Adam was not a real person, was his son Cain a real person? And so on.



- Where do the mythical persons stop and the actual people start?
- Sin came into the world through one man (Adam) and sin has been defeated by one man (Jesus).
- This only makes sense if both Adam and Jesus are actual men.

Why couldn't we say that God's perfect world came about by evolution?

Some people say:

“Couldn't God have created the first living cell and under His supernatural guidance, more complex life developed over millions of years?”

- **Problem:**
- This contradicts the Bible
- God says He created in six 24-hour days.
- God said His creation was *good*.

- If animals evolved into other animals, and then finally man came along after millions of years, there would have been much death and suffering *before* man came along.



Order of events according to the Bible:

- God creates a perfect world – no death, no pain
- Man sins and the perfect world is cursed.
- Jesus has to come to earth to redeem us from the
- effects of the Fall.
- A new heaven and earth, and the perfect creation will be restored.

Order of events according to belief in long ages:

- God created the world which included only one living organism.
- The organism evolved into different species, involving millions of years of death and struggle.
- Man evolved and was born into a world of death and pain.
- The Fall is just a story because there was already sin and death in the world.

What about dinosaurs?

Aren't they millions of years old?

- Dinosaurs were created on day six of creation along with the other land animals.
- They are just an extinct species.
- Their bones are falsely dated to support belief in evolution.



“Hey, the sign says that this dinosaur is 150, 000, 000 years old and lived before humans!”

“That’s funny, I read in the Bible how Job described a dinosaur. He must have seen one.”

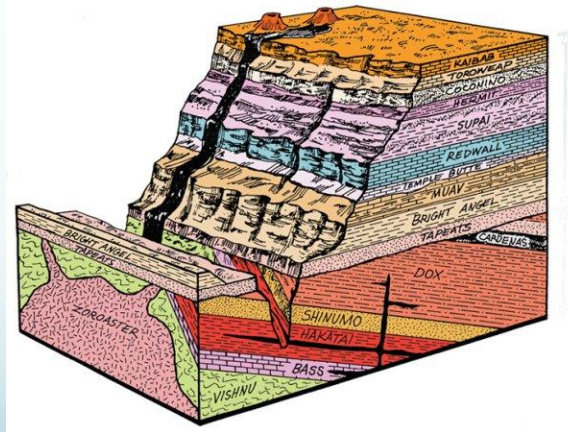
(Job 40:15-24 & Job 41:1-34)

The Great Flood

- Evolutionists have misinterpreted evidence of the Great Flood.
- Fossils were buried quickly in a short space of time.
- Evolutionists want long ages so make out that the fossils
- were deposited over millions of years.



- The Grand Canyon was not formed over millions of years, but quickly
- (a product of the Great Flood.)
- Dating methods have a base line of guesswork.
- The Great Flood accounts for the land forms we see today.



Why do many Christians want to believe in millions of years?

- The text books are written this way. (biased)
- TV nature documentaries sound convincing.
- Tourist signs tell us this is so.
- “Surely all these people can’t be wrong!!!”
- It feels better to try and agree with the world.



Why does it matter?

Biology – ‘after their own kind’

Geology – The Great Flood explains rocks and land formations

Paleontology – dinosaurs lived at the same time as man and are just an extinct species

Botany – Plants were created on day 3 and the sun on day 4.

Astronomy – Our special planet has just the right conditions for life.

- **Feeling loved, valued and accepted** – we are not the product of pond scum (Psalm 139)
- **Salvation** – Jesus came to restore the consequences of the Fall, which took place *after* the creation of a perfect world.

