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"It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in men" Psalm 118:8

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"I'm a Christian Too"

The Greatest "Proof" of Evolution

by Tom Willis

A few years ago while in the opening minutes of my address to the Mensa¹ Convention, I was interrupted by a fellow who came to the front of the room, stood before the audience of several hundred and announced (paraphrase) "I'm a Christian too, but I believe in evolution, so you can be a Christian and believe in evolution. You don't have to believe what he is saying to be a Christian." Satisfied he had accomplished his important mission, he then sat down.

I have the typical "absent-minded professor" memory, but I typically do remember what I say in this type of encounter. However, in this case, I always draw a blank. I probably said something like, "You can sit in a garage and call yourself a car, but that doesn't make either what you call yourself or what you believe about cars true."

At the first public hearing on the Kansas Science Standards, a key member of the State Committee who had drafted the proposed science standards, privately, but in the hearing of others, informed a School Board member that he was offended by the testimony against evolution, because "I'm a Christian too."

An engineering professor informed the State School Board members that she was "an Evangelical Christian" who accepted evolution.

I've heard this assertion so often, I call it the **"I'm a Christian Too Proof"** of evolution. Let's examine it briefly:

The fact that someone claims to be a Christian does not prove his/her ideas are sound. In short, even if a Christian does believe in evolution, that is not an argument for the truth of

"Evolution is the backbone of biology"

by Tom Willis

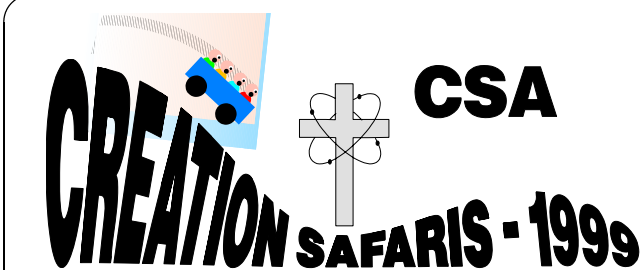
This *proof* of evolution takes several forms:

"The students need to understand biological evolution in order to do real science because that is the way researchers work."

"For heaven's sake, if students don't believe in evolution, they will never be able to do medical research. The AIDS virus is mutating so fast we can't keep up with it."

These arguments are all the same, with only the slant changed. In a debate at a "Christian" college, my opponent rose to announce *"I'm not an evolutionist, I'm a zoologist. But I'm surrounded by evolution in my work."* Whereupon he held up an array of magazines. In my response, I merely said, *"The discussion is about whether creation or evolution is true, not about whether lots of zoologists believe, or pretend to believe in evolution. You did not even discuss the truth of evolution. Your strongest argument boiled down to the fact that some people feel they must mention the word "evolution" to get their article published... And they are right, but that tells our audience nothing about the truth of evolution."* He claimed to be a Christian, so I reminded him that Christianity is about "the love of the truth" [2nd Thess 2:10] not about forcing ideas down students' throats merely because they are popular. After a couple hours of this he was virtually in tears. While I was sympathetic it was a needed cleansing. He couldn't come close to defending evolution as necessary for zoology or biology.

Let's try to find a way to analyze this claim that "evolution is the backbone," that it is "needed to do research," or "needed to do AIDS research." First, we need to remember that you can study the physiology, chemistry, circulatory system, nervous system,



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¹ Mensa - a fraternity of supposedly the top 2% of the World's most intelligent people.

evolution. It proves only that the person claims to be a Christian, and claims to believe in evolution. Evolution must stand or fall in science on the basis of evidence. Their Christianity must stand or fall on the basis of the criteria Jesus established. The claim is irrelevant.

Nor does such a claim tell you anything about the true compatibility of Christianity and evolution. First, the claim that the person is, in fact, a Christian must be weighed. You can sit in a garage all day and claim you are a car, but regardless of how fervently you claim it, your status as non-car will not change. Furthermore, only Jesus can define what a Christian is and he said "Ye must be born again." Only those who are born again by the Spirit of God are *Christians* in any meaningful sense.

There are many other evidences that not all who claim to be Christians are. Jesus said that: "Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? -MAT 7:16 Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? ... and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, **I never knew you: depart from me...** Matt 7:20-23 He also said: "By this shall ye know them, that they love one another." But the most extensive passage is in the prayer of Jesus for unity among believers. Central to this prayer is the passage: "Holy Father... Sanctify them through thy truth, **thy word is truth.**" Jesus makes it clear that his prayer applies to all followers through all time, and that Jesus wants all his followers to be sanctified (set apart) by **God's Word. But, virtually no "Christian evolutionist" defends his position from God's word, simply because it cannot be done.** Therefore, you can be certain that anyone claiming to be a Christian evolutionist is either immature in his walk, or a liar.

Mutations are clearly consistent with the "curse" the Bible says God placed on the entire creation. Paul calls it "the bondage to decay," which he says applies to the entire universe. Regarding adaptation, even man routinely builds automatic adaptation devices like the thermostat in your house and the Electronic Fuel Injection in your car. Thus, God who says His ways are much higher than ours can design automatic adaptation devices. Thus, mutations and adaptation are not only acceptable to Christianity, but are predicted by it. However, nowhere in God's Word can you find a hint of what some call Macro Evolution. There isn't one "Christian" evolutionist that can defend his stance for evolution on the basis of God's Word. They all do so on the basis of what they claim is science. It is my position that a "Christian" who believes in "progressive creation" or "macro evolution" does so in spite of the evidence of the Bible, **and** the evidence of science.

An even more powerful passage is Revelation 17 in which the behavior, nature and destruction of the "harlot, Mystery Babylon" are discussed in detail. There are some differences of opinion about who this refers to, but nearly every commentator agrees that it refers to the false church and that this group will attack (throughout modern history) the true church.

brain, respiratory system, skeletal system, etc., of animals all your life, never coming close to exhausting all the documented science (knowledge) about these subjects, and people have done just that for hundreds of years. Therefore, it is obvious you can learn a lot of biology without ever hearing anyone's theory about the origin of these animals.

But, can you truly "understand" them, or can you truly understand mutations without understanding (read: believing) evolution? Well, since we know evolution is not true, then the obvious answer is "Yes, emphatically yes!"

Consider this, 400 years of Origin of Life experiments have failed to confirm evolution theory about life, 6000 or so years of animal husbandry experiments confirm the Biblical idea of basic kinds of animals and plants, and refute "Macro Evolution" (as opposed to mutation and adaptation, which anybody can accept). It is important to note that **all observed "evolution", thus the only "evolution," that can possibly be of value to science, is mutation and adaptation, which, where it really happens, is consistent with the Bible and with virtually every theory or belief about creation. Therefore, it is absurd to argue that a researcher or student must "understand" or believe that fish sire reptiles or apes ("apelike creatures?") sire men in order to do medical or AIDS research!** The argument is vacuous.

Furthermore, since we know that even the simplest objects whose origins we have observed (say pocket combs) were created and did not evolve, and we know that more complex systems require more complex creation strategies, and since we know that the simplest life form is more complex than simple machines (like pocket combs) which never form by chance, then we can feel safe in asserting that requiring belief in, or understanding of "macro evolution" is very likely to retard science rather than enhance it.

Furthermore, nearly all recent biological research is pointing strongly at Creation. The June 25, 1999 issue of Science (pg. 2108) contained one example. E coli were subjected to environmental pressure for 24,000 generations. One hundred percent of the populations adapted to the pressure from the environment. The researcher cluttered his published articles with the word evolution, but the research itself screams that this result is not random. Furthermore, the resistance developed appears to have developed via different genetic paths. The researcher again claimed "random," but a creationist would see incredible redundant design, and would argue that evolution cannot begin to explain how different gene combinations produce the same effect, particularly if you are claiming that the different genes were derived randomly.

There are many other things that could be said about the notion that one must "understand" evolution to "do science." In some research areas, one must be willing to accept and learn to study "change." Change is science, but evolution is not just change. Evolution is the belief that life formed from chemicals, fish sire reptiles, reptiles sire birds, and apes or apelike creatures sire men. Evolution remains what it has always been, a religious myth, believed by many scientists and others, as many myths in history have been, but a myth.

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A more accurate description of "Christian evolutionists" is hard to find. They love to call Christians names like "fundamentalists," "extreme Biblical literalists," etc. And, wherever evolutionists have taken over "evolutionist Christians" have joined Hitler, Stalin, etc., in killing Christians. "Drunk with the blood of the saints," and rich from compromising ("fornicating") with governments, exactly as the Bible describes "Mystery Babylon." Finally, it clearly states that Christ's real enemies cooperate with this false church, but truly hate it, and eventually destroy it. I have ministered to atheist evolutionists for years. They are quite comfortable inviting a "Christian Theologian" to debate against creation, but they go to coffee with me. It is clear they fear me, but they respect me, and despise my opponent, because they know he is a traitor to his professed belief. This is clearly prophesied in Revelation 17 to anyone who has eyes to see.

Conclusion:

People who announce "I'm a Christian too" in Creation/Evolution discussions may be telling you something about **their** religion, but are telling you nothing about Christianity or the issue of whether evolution is good science.

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The Relevance of Creation

by: *Bob Farwell*

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by: *Cal Myers, Ph.D.*

Evolutionists, often while insisting their ideas are compatible with religion, pretend to explain not only the origin of every plant and animal as being from a "common ancestor," they also pretend to explain life itself. How well do these claims stack up against actual medical research? Cal does not speak as an outsider. He has been in medical research and medical physics activities all his adult life.

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**Short Lived Isotopes
and the Age of the Earth**

by: Glenn Kailer

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Patterns of Ocean Circulation Over
Continents During Noah's Flood**

by: J.R. Baumgardner & Daniel Barnette

Terra, John Baumgardner's internationally respected, global geophysical model predicts catastrophic, runaway subduction of the pre-flood ocean bottom, causing enormous tidal waves, sedimentation, and rock and fossil formation. Now, he and Barnette work on the pattern of water movement to assess its effects. This excellent presentation was scheduled in July, but interest in Science Standards session was so high, no one attended. [IC94T-040]

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by: Bob Farwell

Pop science teaches that man evolved from lower animals, beginning in a very primitive state. Yet the more we learn about ancient man, the more technology we find he had, thus indicating a very high level of dexterity, knowledge and reasoning ability. Is it really possible for evolutionism to explain such high technology by the earliest men?

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Guy Berthault

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Guy Berthault's avocation seems to be assembling teams of French scientists to study, experiment, and document key issues in origins. These experiments, and their field observations disprove key popular notions of sedimentary rock and fossil formation by proving that **horizontally moving water, i.e., tidal waves during The Flood, produces what we see in the rocks.** [IC94T-024]

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