



“I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE!”

John Chapter 14

~ **Let us observe three FACTS:**

- > **FACT #1 - JESUS IS THE WAY! (v1-4)**
- > **FACT #2 - JESUS IS THE TRUTH! (v5-26)**
- > **FACT #3 - JESUS IS THE LIFE! (v27-31)**

> **FACT #1 - JESUS IS THE WAY! (v1-4)**

(v1) **As a believer let not your HEART be troubled** in regard to life and eternity, as we believe in God—we believe in Jesus!

(v2) **As a believer we have an eternal HOME!** - Two interesting words - *MANY* – Gk. – *polus* - "*much, many, great.*" Also, *MANSIONS* Gk.- *mone* - primarily "*a staying, abiding, abode.*"

Jesus used the term *many* to let us know that heaven is limitless and is not restricted to just a few. This truth reveals the falseness of the Jehovah's Witness' teaching, which wants people to believe that heaven is reserved for a select group known as the 144,000.

(v3-4) **As a believer we have an eternal HOPE!** - After Jesus death, resurrection, and ascension we find Him located at the right hand of the Father in Heaven (Mt. 26:64; Lk. 22:69; Acts 2:33; 5:31).

- **What happens when a believer dies? He or she goes to heaven according:**

(1) **To Stephen, the first martyr of the church** - Acts 7:55-60 - *But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, and said, "Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" Then they cried out with a loud voice, stopped their ears, and ran at him with one accord; and they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their clothes at the feet of a young man named Saul. And they stoned Stephen as he was calling on God and saying, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not charge them with this sin." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.*

(2) **To the definition of the resurrection** - 1 Corinthians 15:20-23, 35-50

(3) To Paul we will be present with the Lord in heaven, receive a new body, and be rewarded - 2 Corinthians 5:1-10

(4) To Paul's personal experience - 2 Corinthians 12:1-4 - *It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago — whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows — such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man — whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows — how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter.*

(5) To the rapture of the church - 1 Corinthians 15:51-58 - *Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed — in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." "O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?" The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.*

- 1 Thessalonians 1:9-10 - *For they themselves declare concerning us what manner of entry we had to you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.*

- 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 - *But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.*

- 1 Thessalonians 5:9-10 - For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,

- Revelation 3:7-13 - *"And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write, 'These things says He who is holy, He who is true, "He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens": "I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, have kept My word, and have not denied My name. Indeed I will make those of the synagogue of Satan, who say they are Jews and are not, but lie — indeed I will make them come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have loved you. Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth. Behold, I am coming quickly! Hold fast what you have, that no one may take your crown. He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And I will write on him My new name. "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."*

> **FACT #2 - JESUS IS THE TRUTH! (v5-26)**

(v5-6) Jesus declares Himself to be *"the way, the truth, and the life,"* either He is, or He isn't. He did not say that He is one of many ways to God; He is saying that He is the only way, the only truth, and the only life!

Since Jesus is the only One then all others and their religions are false! Jesus said in Matthew 24:4-5, 11 - *"Take heed that no one deceives you. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many."* Also, *"Then many false prophets will rise up deceive many."*

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Not:

Muhammad (Islam): Death: Muhammad, the founder of Islam, passed away on June 8, 632 CE in Medina, Hejaz, Arabia¹.

Details: He died at the age of 61–62 and is buried under the Green Dome at the Prophet's Mosque in Medina¹. (NO RESURRECTION!)

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The Buddha, also known as Siddhartha Gautama, passed away at the age of 80. After 45 years of teaching, he was surrounded by a large group of his disciples when he reached the end of his earthly journey. This event is referred to as the parinirvana, which signifies the death of someone who has attained nirvana (enlightenment) during their lifetime

and will not be reborn again. In other words, the Buddha was freed from the cycle of birth and death and all the suffering that accompanies it!

The precise cause of the Buddha's death is a topic of discussion. According to traditional accounts, he died after ingesting a tainted piece of either mushroom or pork. His body was cremated, and his remains were distributed among groups of his followers². (NO RESURRECTION!)

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Not: Confucius (born 551, Qufu, state of Lu [now in Shandong province, China]—died 479 BCE, Lu) China's most famous teacher, philosopher, and political theorist, whose ideas have profoundly influenced the civilizations of China and other East Asian countries. (NO RESURRECTION!)

- Understanding TRUTH (Nelson's Bible Dictionary) - Conformity to fact or actuality; faithfulness to an original or to a standard. In the Old and New Testaments, truth is a fundamental moral and personal quality of God. God proclaimed that He is "merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abounding in goodness and truth" (Ex 34:6). He is a "God of truth...without injustice" (Deut 32:4). Furthermore, all of His paths are "mercy and truth" (Ps 25:10). Frequently in the psalms, God's mercy and His truth are joined together (Ps 57:3; 89:14; 115:1). All of God's works, precepts, and judgments are done in righteousness and truth (Ps 96:13; 111:8).

Truth is a moral and personal characteristic of God: He is "the God of truth" (Isa 65:16). The psalmist declared, "Your law is truth" (119:142), "all Your commandments are truth" (119:151), and "the entirety of Your word is truth" (119:160). Because of His perfect nature and will, God has to speak and act in truth; He cannot lie (1 Sam 15:29; Heb 6:18; James 1:17-18).

Jesus is the Word of God who became flesh, "the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14). All Jesus said was true, because He told the truth which He heard from God (John 8:40). He promised His disciples that He would send "the Spirit of truth" (John 14:17; 15:26; 16:13) - a Helper who would abide in Christians forever (John 14:16), testify about Jesus (John 15:26), guide Christians into all truth (John 16:13), and glorify Jesus (John 16:14).

God is truth; the Spirit is truth; and Jesus is truth. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6). Jesus and the revelation which the Spirit of truth gave through His apostles are the final, ultimate revelation and definition of truth about God, man, redemption, history, and the world. "The law

was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ" (John 1:17).

- The TRUTH is JESUS CREATED ALL THINGS, with the FATHER, and the HOLY SPIRIT; listen to Colossians 1:15-17 - He (Jesus) is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn (means preeminent one) over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.

- So, let us bring TRUTH to Satan's deception of evolution:

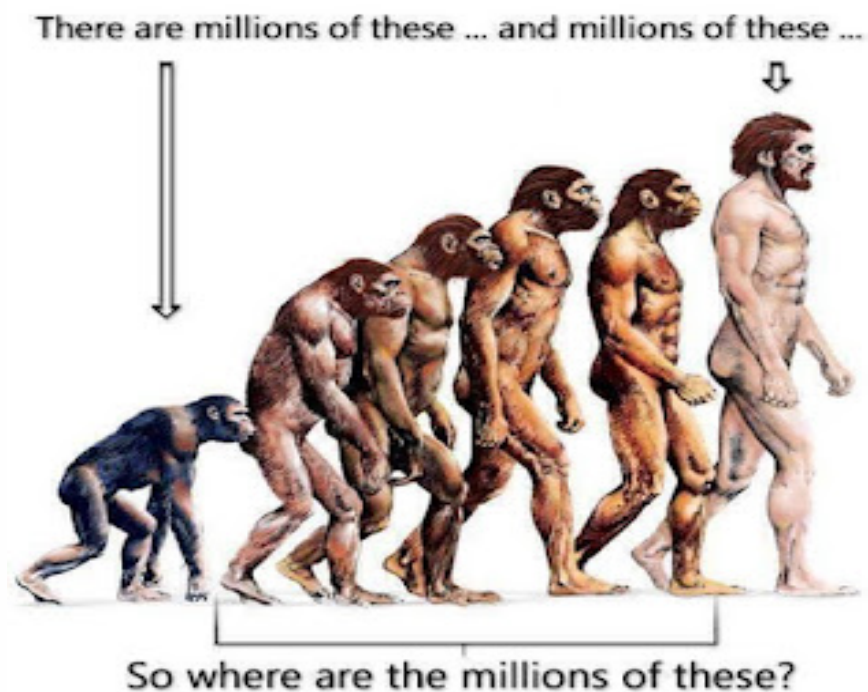
10 Scientific Facts disproving Charles Darwin's Theory of Evolution

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1. The human body systems prove evolution wrong. There are 10 interdependent systems that exist. All of which cannot work unless the other 9 are already functioning. So which ones evolved first and why and in what order? And how would any of them function or even exist until the others evolved?

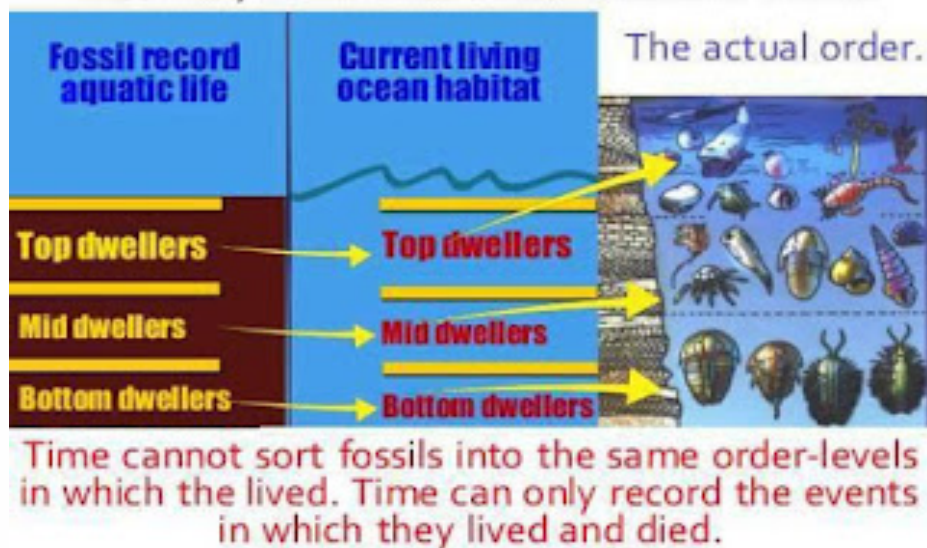
2. No one has ever observed evolution, there are no transitional fossils at all, Evolution either has to be drawn, illustrated, or animated, which means evolution is only true in a virtual world, or someone's imagination.



3. In a global flood, the majority of aquatic life would not have to reach the surface of the water to get air. They would be expected to get buried in the same order level in the water in which they lived - which is exactly what we observe. It's funny how evolution supposedly evolved aquatic life in the exact same order the flood would have buried it...

What we would expect if the flood created the fossil record.

Aquatic life *already live in the water*. So they would not be drowning during a flood. So they would get buried in the same order and level in which they lived in the ocean as shown below.



4. Why do evolutionists have a population problem? Well, let us start in the beginning with one male and one female, and assume that they

5. The Coelacanth fish was touted to be a transitional form with half-formed legs and primitive lungs, ready to transition onto land.

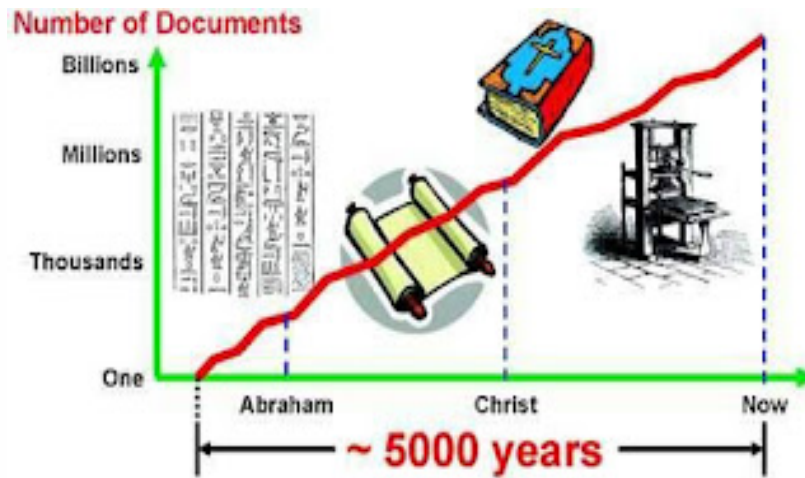


This myth was exploded in December 1938 when a live Coelacanth was caught in a fisherman's net off the eastern coast of South Africa. It is now known that the natives of the Comoro Islands had been catching and eating the fish for years. It did not have half-formed legs or primitive lungs. It was simply a regular fish that people thought was extinct.

Evolutionists claimed the 350-million-year-old Coelacanth evolved into animals with legs, feet, and lungs. The Coelacanth is a star witness against the false theory of evolution. After 350 million years, the fish still doesn't have a leg to stand on.

6. The universe is slowing down to a lower state, not higher. The genes of plants, insects, animals, and humans are continually becoming defective, not improving. Species are becoming extinct, not evolving. Order will always move naturally towards disorder or chaos. The second law of thermodynamics proves that organization cannot flow from chaos. Complex live organisms cannot rearrange themselves into an organism of a higher form as claimed by evolutionists. This is scientifically backwards according to the second law of thermodynamics, which has never been proven wrong.

7. The usual evolutionary picture has men existing as hunters and gatherers for 185,000 years during the Stone Age before discovering agriculture less than 10,000 years ago. Yet the archaeological evidence shows that Stone Age men were as intelligent as we are. It is very improbable that none of the eight billion people should discover that plants grow from seeds.



8. According to evolutionists, Stone Age Homo sapiens existed for 190,000 years before beginning to make written records about 4,000 to 5,000 years ago. Prehistoric man built megalithic monuments, made beautiful cave paintings, and kept records of lunar phases. Why would he wait two thousand centuries before using the same skills to record history?

9. Evolutionists say that Homo sapiens existed for at least 185,000 years before agriculture began, when the world population was roughly between one and ten million. All that time they were burying their dead, often with artifacts. By that scenario, they would have buried at least eight billion bodies. If the evolutionary time scale is correct, buried bones should be able to last for much longer than 200,000 years, so many of the supposed eight billion stone age skeletons should still be around (and certainly the buried artifacts). Yet only a few thousand have been found...



10. Earth Age Inconsistency:

- **Back in 1770 they taught the earth was 70,000 years old.**
- **In 1905 they said it's 2 billion years old.**
- **By 1969, they went to the moon, they brought back moon rocks and said: "Oh, they're 3.5 billion years old." That was the official age; 3.5 billion.**

- Today they say it's 4.6 billion years old.



The reason evolutionists cannot accept the truth, despite the obvious lack of evidence for evolution, can be explained by a famous quote from zoologist and evolutionist, D.M.S Watson: *Evolution is a theory universally accepted not because it can be proved by logically coherent evidence to be true, but because the only alternative, special creation, is clearly incredible.* - D.M.S Watson

This, of course, is an admission that the foundation of evolution is not science, but a rejection of the supernatural. Evolution then is simply the best alternative anyone has been able to come up with. This also means that evolution is the only field in science where one decides on the answer first, and then looks for evidence to support that predetermined answer.

~ Observe the Seven-fold TRUTH of CHRIST:

- Truth #1 – The WORKS of Jesus approve the WORDS of Jesus; Jesus is the Son of God! (v7-11)
- Truth #2 – Believers will Do the works of Jesus, even greater, meaning salvation throughout the whole world, to those who believe! (v12)
- Truth #3 – Prayers will be answered as we ask in HIS NAME! (v13-14)
- Truth #4 – Jesus will send the SPIRIT OF TRUTH into the believer's life!
(v15-18)
- Truth #5 – Jesus will RESURRECT from the dead! (v19-20)

- Truth #6 – True believers will KEEP His commandments (Mt. 22:37-40; Jn. 13:34-35), LOVE Jesus, and experience God's love in return. (v21-24)

- Truth #7 – The HELPER, the Holy Spirit sent in Jesus' name will TEACH believers all things and bring to REMEMBRANCE all things Jesus has said.

(v25-26)

> FACT #3 - JESUS IS THE LIFE! (v27-31)

- His life brings PEACE! (v27a)
- His life brings NO FEAR! (v27b)
- His life brings REJOICING! (v28)
- His life brings HOPE! (v29)
- His life brings VICTORY! (v30)
- His life brings LOVE! (v31)

ONE SOLITARY LIFE

He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in another village, where he worked in a carpenter shop until he was thirty. Then for three years he was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never traveled two hundred miles from the place where he was born. He did none of the things one usually associates with greatness.

He was only thirty-three when the tide of public opinion turned against him. He was turned over to his enemies and went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. When he was dead, he was laid in a borrowed grave.

Nineteen centuries have come and gone, and today he is the central figure of the human race and the leader of mankind's progress. All the armies that ever marched, all the navies that ever sailed, all the kings that ever reigned have not affected the life of man as much as that One Solitary Life.