

Can the Bible Stand the Test
Part 2: Darwin vs. the Bible
(Genesis 1:24-27)

"What we see is that the evidence from astronomy leads to a biblical view of the origin of the world . . . For the astronomer who has lived by his faith in the power of reason, the story ends like a bad dream. He has scaled the mountains of ignorance. He is about to conquer the highest peak, and as he pull himself over the final rock, he is greeted by a band of theologians who have been sitting there for centuries saying 'In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.'" Dr. Robert Jastrow (astronomer)

"So God created every living thing in the sea according to its kind and every winged bird according to its kind . . . Then God made the wild animals on the land according to their kind and the domesticated livestock according to their kind and all the other creatures that move along the ground according to their kind." Genesis 1:21-25

"According to its kind"
(Literally: "GENUS")

Genesis 1 declares that God placed absolute and insurmountable boundaries at the edge of every species of plant and animal on the earth, and that no amount of lightening, cosmic radiation, or gene mutation has ever successfully crossed that boundary.

"Then God said, 'Let Us make men in our image, in our likeness. And let mankind rule over every other creature on the earth.' So God created men in His own image. In the image of God, he created them: male and female God created them." Genesis 1:26-27

#1

"What about the fossil record?"

It certainly looks like there were creatures around once that aren't here anymore."

The issue is whether we can find evidence of any "transitional animals" in the fossil record.

"None of the museum officials (from the five greatest fossil museums) could offer a single example of a transitional series of fossilized organisms that would document a transformation of even one different type of animal to another.

Dr. Luther D. Sutherland, Darwin's Enigma "No one has ever produced a species by the mechanisms of evolution or natural selection. No one has ever gotten near it."

Dr. Colin Patterson (Senior Paleontologist at the British Museum)

Archaeoraptor Liaoningensis – title given to the dinobird

"When National Geographic published the first picture of a fossil creature that looked like a bird – dinosaur, it was hailed as a stunning coup for Darwinian evolution. National Geographic convened a press conference in October, 1999 heralding the fossil as a crucial missing link between dinosaurs and birds, the first truly transitional creature ever substantiated by the fossil record."

- Nancy Pearcey "The Missing Link that Wasn't"
Access Research Network Journal

"It turns out that the dinosaur tail was attached by a local Chinese Farmer to a bird fossil. Chinese farmers have grown adept at gluing fossils together in ways that increase their black market value, which is what happened in this case." Nancy Pearcey

"The missing link was forged by glue, not by evolution." Jeff Hecht, New Scientist

"National Geographic has reached an all-time low for engaging in sensationalistic, unsubstantiated, tabloid journalism. Storrs Olson, Smithsonian Institute

"In the months that the fake dinobird was proudly on display at National Geographic's Explorer's Hall in Washington, DC, some nine million school-children filed by to see it - - leaving with their imaginations filled with images of feathered dinosaurs that never existed. This is a disgrace, and a powerful reminder that scientists often see what they want to see, especially when it supports a theory, like evolution, that they cherish." Nancy Pearcey

"When our leading scientists have to resort to the sort of distortion that would land a stock promoter in jail, you know they are in trouble!" Dr. Phillip Johnson, Berkeley professor (Wall Street Journal)

"Evolution by natural selection would be established today beyond any reasonable doubt if it had been shown that divisions between species could at least theoretically be crossed, even by inventing a really convincing series of hypothetical and fully-functional transitional forms. However, this has never been achieved." Dr. Michael Denton, Evolution: A Theory in Crisis

#2

"What about DNA and all we're learning about the cell and it's genetic makeup?"

"If species have descended from other species by insensibly fine gradation, why do we not everywhere see innumerable transitional forms? Why is not all nature in confusion instead of the species being, as we see them, so well defined? Charles Darwin, The Origin of the Species

"The set of genetic instruction for humans is roughly 3 billion letters long." Geneticists Miroslav Radmar and Robert Wagner "The High Fidelity of DNA Duplication", Scientific American

If you wanted to spell "human being" using amino-acid letters, you would have a word that was 3 billion letters long.

*"The chance that a useful DNA molecule would develop without a designer is approximately zero!"
Dr. George Howe*

"To suppose that the first cell originated by chance is like believing that a tornado could sweep through a junkyard filled with airline parts and form a Boeing 747." Sir Fred Hoyle, Professor of Astronomy and Mathematics, Oxford University

"At the moment when the DNA/RNA system became understood, the debate between evolutionists and creationists should have come to a screeching halt. . . Mathematically speaking, based on probability concepts, there is no possibility that evolution was the mechanism that created the approximately 6 million species of plants and animals we recognize today." Dr. I. L. Cohen, Darwin Was Wrong - - A Study in Probabilities

Dr. Francis Crick in his book Life Itself suggests that the first living cells must have been brought to Earth by a spaceship from outside our solar system!

#3

"Never say never - I mean, anything can happen, right?"

2nd Law of Thermodynamics:

In a closed system, things will always go from being more orderly to being less orderly unless there is directive energy put into the system to maintain orderliness

"We have to work hard to straighten a room, but left to itself, it becomes a mess again very quickly. All we have to do is nothing, and everything deteriorates, collapses, breaks down, wears out all by itself - - this is what the 2nd Law is all about." Isaac Asimov

"There is no recorded experiment in the history of science that contradicts the 2nd Law or it's corollaries."
Dr.G. N. Haspoulous, Deductive Quantum Thermodynamics in a critical Review of Thermodynamics

"To suppose that the eye with its ability to adjust its focus, admit different amounts of light, and correct for chromatic aberrations, could have been formed by natural selection, seems, I freely confess, absurd in the highest degree." Charles Darwin, *The Origin of the Species*

"Life on earth is the product of intelligent activity . . . This conclusion of intelligent design flows naturally from the data itself, not from sacred books or sectarian beliefs. . . The result of investigating the cell is a loud, clear, piercing cry of 'design'. The result is so unambiguous and so significant that it must be ranked as one of the greatest achievements in the history of science, rivaling those of Newton and Einstein." Dr. Michael Behe, *Darwin's Black Box*

"Once we see that the probability of life originating at random is so utterly miniscule as to make it absurd, it becomes sensible to think that the favorable properties of physics, on which life depends, are deliberate. . . And that our intelligence must reflect a higher intelligence."
- Sir Fred Hoyle