ent upon a real female ovum and real male sperm. While a great deal is known about life, the secret of life is still a mystery.

**2 Corinthians 5:17** Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

If we have chosen Jesus Christ, we are new creatures. God's creative power is at work when we have been converted, just as it was when Adam was formed.

#### Conclusion

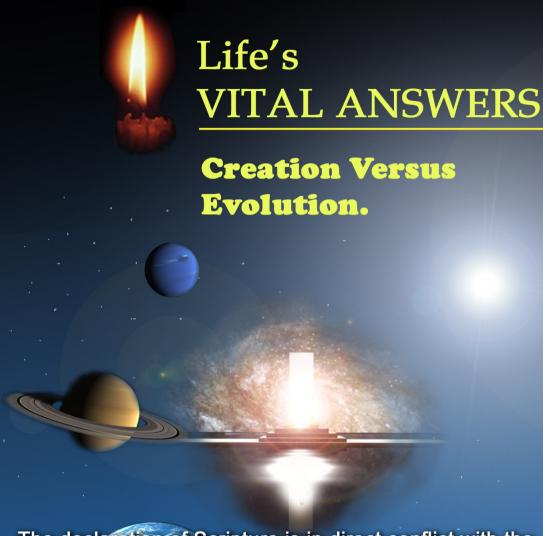
The theory of evolution is an effort to get rid of God. The hypothesis of natural evolution places God in obscurity – in fact makes Him unnecessary. It also degrades humanity to the lowest forms of life and makes us a descendant of the animals, instead of a creature formed in the image of God. If it were true that we came from animals, there should be evidence of it everywhere. All about us would be signs of life in transition from one stage to another. This transition is found nowhere.

The Bible is the sure word of God, and those who build their faith upon it will never be confounded. God's truth will go on forever. It has weathered the storms and criticisms of countless generations, yet it shines brighter today than ever before. Those who believe God's word will never be moved. They have built their house upon a solid rock.

**Luke 3:38** . . . the son of Enosh, the son of Seth, the son of Adam, the son of God.

We are not only mere dust of the earth. We are of royal descent. We are kin to God. We are greater than the creatures of the field over which we were originally given dominion. We are God's masterpiece in creation. We are God's kind. Is it any wonder that God values us so highly. This is why Jesus was prepared to pay the highest price – His life – that we might be saved. He created us, and He redeemed us. Now He wants to mould us that He might one day glorify us.

Do you believe in creation as taught in the Bible?



The declaration of Scripture is in direct conflict with the present day theory of evolution. The Bible says that Humanity was created perfect by God, but evolution claims that life originated in the distant past, and over a period of millions of years, we have progressed to our present state. The Bible shows how humanity has degenerated because of sin, while evolution claims we are evolving into more advanced creatures

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Genesis 1:26,27 Then God said, "

, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground." So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

Genesis 2:7 ... the LORD God formed the man from the dust of the

ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

Here is the noble origin of mankind created in the image of God - made from the dust of the ground.

## The Theory Of Evolution

Where does the evolutionist begin? Having discarded the Bible record, it is not easy for evolutionists, for they must



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rely on presumption and speculation. The evolutionists theory, (it is only a theory, for evolution cannot be proved) speculates that life began in the remote ages of the past when matter and force existed together, and by chance, life began. It is worth questioning where the force and matter came from. Who made the matter? Who released the force in the universe? Without God, the finite mind finds no satisfactory explanation of life and nature.

Let us suppose that matter and force did act upon one another in the distant past - what chance would there be of single cell life being formed? To illustrate the possibilities of such a coincidence, let us suppose that we have ten marbles, all numbered from 1 to 10. We place them in a hat and pick one out. The chances of taking number 1 out first is 1 in 10. The chance of taking number 2 out next is 1 in 100. The chance of taking number 3 out next is 1 in 1000. The chances of taking marbles out in sequence from 1 to 10 without looking, is 1 in 10 billion. For life to have begun by chance, first of all, the basic substances of a living cell must be present. This is unlikely for there is no evidence of such existing naturally in the world today. But we are assuming that it is so. Next, the right force must be present, which would

God did not need millions of years to create this world. His work was completed in 6 days and He rested on the seventh.

Genesis 1:5.8,13 God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day. God called the expanse "sky." And there was evening, and there was morning—the second day. And there was evening, and there was morning—the third day.

The evening is the dark part of the day (night), and the morning is the light part of the day (day). This is a 24 hour period. God created the world in 6 literal days.

bath day and made it holy.

Exodus 20:11. For \_\_\_\_\_ the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sab-

Very plainly, God Himself says that He made the earth in six days and rested on the seventh. Now He commands His people in the 4th com-

mandment, to do the same. Six days work and one day rest.

### The Creative Power of God

Create in me a pure Psalm 51:10 heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

God is still able to create. He created life in the beginning and today He can make us new if we come to Him. He will give us a clean heart. When we come to the cross of Jesus Christ we will be "born again".



God is all powerful and the source of all life

Only God can create life. Some publicity has been given to the statement that scientists have created single cell life in the laboratory. This is not true. They have taken the materials from living cells and put them together, but are dependent upon living cells for basic material. This cannot be said to be creating life. Test tube babies are dependLesson 11—Creation Vs Evolution 6 Life's Vital Answers

qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.

God's existence is obvious when we observe His created works. In creation we see beauty, order and design – evidence of a Creator. The Creator has revealed Himself to us in the Bible.

Matthew 19:4-6 "Haven't you read," he replied, "

a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate."

Jesus Christ Himself believed in creation. Here He refers to the creation of Adam and Eve.

Some feel that the carbon-14 method of measuring the age of fossils etc. is most accurate. In some cases this is so, but it has not been reliable in a number of instances. One example of this is when a living mollusc was tested by carbon-14, and found to be dead for 3000 years. "Creation Research Society Journal". Obviously the Carbon-14 method was wrong in this case. It is generally conceded that it takes millions years to pro-



Jesus taught and believed in creation.

duce oil in the earth, but scientists working in a laboratory produced a barrel of oil from one ton of garbage in 20 minutes. "Machine Design". Many things, assumed to take millions of years, could have been done in a relatively short time. When scientists mention millions of years, they are only guessing.

#### **Creation Week**

Genesis 2:1-3 Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array.
\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. And God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.

also be miraculous. The chances of such an occurrence: to create single cell life – the lowest form of life – would be 1 in a number too great to write down. Then to think how the human body is so complex in its structure – not just single cell life – the thought of life just happening, is absurd. The Psalmist said, We are "fearfully and wonderfully made". Psalm 139:14. Only a Creator could have designed the intricate human body. Each part of the body works in co-operation with every other part – not by adaptation, but by design. Surely it would take more faith to believe in evolution than creation.

There is another form of evolution called, "Theistic Evolution," which tries to marry the Bible story of creation with modern evolution. The thought being that God created original matter, and life has continued to evolve. It is impossible to believe this theory and the Bible too, as

they are in conflict. The Bible story is that God created all things in perfection; there is no room for progressive evolution.

## The Missing Link

The theory of evolution supposes that life started in its lower forms and gradually ascended to animal life, then finally became human. The evolutionist concedes that there is a long gap between the ape and mankind. For



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We are made by design, not by chance.

generations he has been frantically searching for something to fill the gap in an effort to prove the theory. Various finds have given some hope, but always failed to measure up to the missing link. When the Piltdown man was discovered, it was felt that this was the evolutionist's answer. However, it was found to be a man made hoax when tested by modern equipment some years later.

#### After His Kind

Genesis 1:21,24,25 So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living and moving thing with which the water teems, and every

winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And God said, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: livestock, creatures that move along the ground, and wild ani-

mals, each according to its kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.

The Bible teaches that the different kinds of plants and animals, reproduce after their own kind. As we examine nature we can see that this is so. By cross breeding, different shapes, sizes and colours can be developed, but they remain the same basic types of plants or animals. Interbreeding is possible between dogs and wolves for example, but they are still in the dog family. Interbreeding is not possible outside family groups. eg. Horse and Cow. A Christian will readily admit that certain changes do take place, caused



God created the family groups for every creature – you can't crossbreed across groups (eg cross a bird with a dog).

by diet, environment, mutation and other factors, but the changes do not make another kind. Certainly there is no evidence of a change from ape to man. The renowned zoologist, Professor Fleischmann said, "The Darwinian theory of descent has not a single fact to confirm it in the realm of nature. It is not the result of scientific research, but purely the product of imagination." This imagination factor is demonstrated when reading or listening to an evolutionist's explanations. The words "perhaps", "probably", "mysteriously", "may have," "for some unknown cause", "about", "gradually", are frequently used, showing how they are playing a guessing game.

# The Evolution of Humanity

To illustrate the thinking of evolution these are some of the facts that are used to give weight to the theory.

- 1. The Heidelberg man This was built from a jawbone that was conceded by many to be human.
- 2. The Nebraska man Was scientifically built up from one tooth and later found to be the tooth of an extinct pig.
- 3. The Piltdown man The jawbone turned out to belong to a

female ape after the hoax was discovered.

- 4. The Peking man All evidence has disappeared.
- 5. The Neanderthal man Dr. A.J.F. Cave said that his examination of the Neanderthal skeleton found in France previously is that of an old man who suffered from Arthritis.

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- 6. The New Guinea man Dates back to 1970. This species has been found in the region just north of Australia.
- 7. The Cro-Magnon man One of the best established fossils, equal in physique and brain capacity of modern man so there is really no difference.
- 8. Modern People Believe we came from monkeys.

## Romans 1:22 Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools

Perhaps this text describes the wisdom of people in our modern day who have chosen to disbelieve the Word of God.

# Creation Hebrews 11:3 By faith we understand that \_\_\_\_\_\_, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

It is true, that creation cannot be proved, as well as evolution. The Christian accepts the Bible's explanation by faith. However, it is not a blind faith, for in previous studies we have seen how the Bible is a proved book. The evidence has shown it to be true in fulfilled prophecy and in archaeology finds. If it is so accurate in everything that can be tested, we can have the assurance that it reveals the truth concerning humanities origin.

**Genesis 1:1** In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

This is the simple truth taught in the Bible. God is the Creator.

Psalm 33:6,9
their starry host by the breath of his mouth. For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.

Romans 1:20 For since the creation of the world God's invisible