

Thoughts on Darwinism

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“... what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse.” [Romans 1:19-20]

For almost 200 years Western thought, dominated by scientific discovery and explanation, has been shaped by naturalism. When Charles Darwin introduced his evolutionary theory of the development of life, he “didn’t want to murder God, as he once put it. But he did” (*Time Magazine*, 12/31/99). Flush with the excitement of discovery, freed from stifling, ignorant religious tyranny, science aggressively pressed its advantage in asserting a worldview that it held to be completely incompatible with the existence of God.

Scientific knowledge was trumpeted as “real” truth, the *only* real truth. Religious perspective was propagandized as being hostile to science, a collection of myths and superstitions exploded by the newfound intellect that declared that all living things were of “accidental”; i.e., undirected origin. Given enough time and the chance of random mutations being “selected” by natural process, everything we see and know was produced wholly by natural forces. No God needed – or wanted.

But Darwinism came with some heavy baggage. As enumerated by William Provine of Cornell University:

- 1) There is no evidence for God.
- 2) There is no life after death.
- 3) There is no absolute foundation for right and wrong.
- 4) There is no ultimate meaning for life.
- 5) People don’t really have free will.

(from *The Case for a Creator*, Lee Strobel, p. 16)

However, these consequences were not considered liabilities but acceptable, perhaps even welcome tradeoffs, to be free from accountability to an authoritarian Creator.

In spite of the aura of “unbiased factuality,” the scientific superstructure built on the foundation of Darwinian naturalism is corrupt.

#1: Evolutionists possess a strong favorable bias toward their own philosophy. Far from being “open minded,” the scientific community tolerates no dissent and not only ridicules but marginalizes those who venture to suggest that design is apparent in the world. This has resulted in a stranglehold on the public school classroom and several generations of Americans who have swallowed the totally naturalistic interpretation of life’s origin.

#2: This bias is pathetically manifested in the bogus “evidence” that has been taught in public schools for decades. From creative drawings of primitive life forms predicated on a few teeth and bones to depicting a geological column that doesn’t actually exist, from fake fossils to Stanley Miller’s “stacked deck” creation of amino acids from the primordial atmosphere, from Ernst Haeckel’s fictional drawings of embryonic similarity to the claim of a “gill phase” in human development – and many other illustrations – evolutionists have constructed their worldview via smoke and mirrors.

All of this, I assert, has been done with one overriding motive: “*they did not like to retain God in their knowledge*” (Rom 1:28). If we admit a Creator, then we have to explain why we have ignored Him.