

REPENT AUSTRALIA

"If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land."

2 Chronicles 7:14

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MAKING MONKEYS OF US ALL

The recent discovery of the seven million-year-old skull of a so-called ape-man named Toumai in Chad has again thrown the theory of evolution into the spotlight. Not that it is ever very far from view as practically every television program and magazine article on nature goes to great pains to emphasise the theory that human beings are the end product of a long line of mutations evolved from primeval slime to minute amoeba through the fishes, amphibians, reptiles and mammals — from goo to you by way of the zoo. However, the assertion that the evolutionary chain evolves upwards from the lowest to the highest forms of life flies in the face of the proven scientific principle that all changes in the earth's elements are always downwards. Time produces decay not improvement. It is an enemy not a friend of evolution. To believe in evolution, one must stop their ears to the truth and turn to fables. (2 Tim. 4:4).

A Gigantic Leap

First of all there is the gigantic leap from inanimate matter to a living cell – more complex than a modern computer – to be considered. And the human brain contains at least 10 billion of these cells! Then, we must ask, why did the single cell develop into something more complex? Moreover, as there are still countless single-celled organisms in the world today why did some develop and others not? Why should a simple life form develop say an eye when it has no idea what an eye can do? Besides, an eye is such a complex organ itself, comprising cornea, pupil, iris, retina, optic nerves, muscles and veins. If these did not all come as a package deal they would be useless. Another problem arises in the reproductive process. If the asexual reproduction of an amoeba were satisfactory why develop sexual organs? Further, of what use would the partially developed sexual organs be until fully completed? And how was reproduction carried on during this transitional period? The processes of biological reproduction are an intricate and marvellous process and can only be created by a Master Designer and never by innate evolutionary processes.

The Fossil Record

Well, what about the fossil record evolutionists claim is proof of their theory? If it were true there should be some evidence of the development of various forms of life in the fossilised bones that have been unearthed According to the evolutionists life began in the Pre-Cambrian era about 3 billion years ago yet the fossil evidence from this period is blank. However, from the following era, the Cambrian, there is an abundance of fossilised animal life as distinct groups suddenly appear on the scene - testament to the Genesis record that the creatures were made according to their kinds. There were no transitional links between the major groups of animals in the fossil records, neither are there any today. This is the problem in a nutshell: where are the links, the half-fish/half-reptile, half-bird/half-ape or half-ape/half man creatures that are basic to the whole chain of evolution? Evolutionists claim that the so-called "prehistoric men" such as Toumai are one of those links. That is why generation after generation of schoolchildren are constantly presented with drawings in literature and plaster-cast figures of a line of brutish, beastly cave men in various stages of development leading up to modern man. Yet these models and artwork are merely the creations of the imaginations of the sculptors and artists from a collection of broken bones, skull fragments and teeth from far-flung places around the globe. Nevertheless, evolutionists continue to maintain that man descended from an ancestor common to gorillas, chimpanzees and human-like creatures called humanoids. And it all just happened by chance!

The DNA Factor

There must be a better explanation. The Genesis account of creation states, "God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps upon the ground according to its kind. Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness." Scientists today know what makes this Genesis law valid. It is DNA, which allows no alterations in cells except by accidents, which produce mutations - almost always harmful. DNA, however, does permit variations within a kind, which is why dogs come in many shapes and forms as do horses, cattle etc – and humans. It also allows for adaptation to climate and environment, something quite different from creatures evolving into some other animal entirely

A Vast Chasm

Because man was made in the image of God – and he alone – there is a vast chasm between him and other creatures. If he were just an improved ape how did he come to possess memory, self-consciousness and imagination? Or why is he alone capable of accumulating knowledge and building on it through the generations? Or why can he alone write, compose symphonies, make fire and paint pictures? Or why is he alone a moral creature able to discern right and wrong and to appreciate what is good, beautiful and true?

Fantastic Claims

The evidence for the evolution of man is not based on scientific principle at all but on a series of unsubstantiated, often fantastic, claims and speculations. So why is it so widely accepted? The main reason is that students have been exposed to it for years in such subjects as biology, science, history, philosophy and so on. Evolutionists write most textbooks and most teachers believe it. Secondly, a literal interpretation of the Bible has been rejected by the majority of people including many of the clergy who deny the Genesis account and assert that God Himself initiated the evolutionary process. This of course implies that God allowed random chance to control His creation. But this is unthinkable. The third reason is that evolution denies the existence of God and therefore man's responsibility and accountability to his Creator; that if life has no eternal purpose moral values are only relative and man is not answerable for his behaviour. Consequently, modern humanistic man has made a god of nature, giving it the glory for its creation and denying the One who created the world and everything in it by the power of His Living Word. Surely they are trying to make monkeys of us all!

PRAYER

Omniscient Father, Almighty God of the universe, who laid the earth's foundations and set the heavens in place, hallowed be Your name. O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is Your name in all the earth! The heavens declare Your glory and the earth proclaims the work of Your hands. Abba Father, we come with contrite hearts to thank You for Your amazing grace in sending Your only begotten Son, **JESUS CHRIST** to bear the sins of all mankind when He died on the Cross of Calvary and rose to reconcile us to Yourself by Your Spirit. Lord God, we thank You for the power of Jesus' royal blood to defeat Satan and expose him as the father of lies, manipulating minds into all forms of deception, unbelief, pride, greed, hatred, rebellion, death, witchcraft and false gods. In the name of **Jesus Christ** and through His blood we bind all demonic strongholds and release Your Spirit of life, light and love to open spiritually blind eyes and draw the lost into Your kingdom of love and peace.

Dear Father, as Your covenant children, we acknowledge that You are a God of purpose and operate Your kingdom through spiritual principles. JESUS, Son of the Most High God, is King of this Kingdom. The administrator is the Holy Spirit. Its constitution is the inerrant WORD OF GOD, which declares that the Lord Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation and in Him we have redemption through His precious blood - the forgiveness of our sins in accordance with the riches of Your grace. Dear Lord and Father of mankind, we pray You will forgive the foolishness of all who accept the theory of evolution, which denies You as the Creator Redeemer of the world and all that is in it and puts everything down to blind chance. Open their eyes, dear Lord, to the reality of Your hand in all Your works, especially Your highest creation — man, whom You have made in Your image to have fellowship with You. For Your divine Word assures us that You have crowned us with glory and honour and put all things under our charge — the sheep and oxen, the birds of the air and the fish of the sea. Finally, we join the blessed Holy Spirit in gaining the victory You have for us so that Your kingdom may come and Your Will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Come, LORD JESUS, come. We fervently pray this in Jesus' name. Amen and glory to God

R.A: Led by our Lord Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit to glorify God with the Brotherhood of Man and in love and faithfulness to bring the honour due to His Holy Name. Amen.