A Story of Faith!

By Robert Moak, President of CRSEF

When I was in the seventh grade I read a book that was very interesting. However, the information confused me. So, I went to my teacher and asked her some questions about this information. She was upset by my questions and told me she was disappointed by my acceptance of this information. She told me not to believe this story as it is not true, and I should have known it is a false teaching.

I was very troubled by what she said, but even more, troubled by the information contained in this book. The reason this story troubled me was that this information seemed to make a lot of sense, and it seemed to disagree with the information we had been studying from the Bible. The name of this book has long since been forgotten, but the troubling situations that followed this brief encounter changed my life for many years. That day was the beginning of several encounters between the teacher, the parish Priest, and me.

The next day, still not satisfied with the lack of an answer from my teacher, I asked her some more questions about the information from the book. I told her why it confused me. She became very angry and told me I was a terrible person for believing such information and questioning the Bible. This made me feel very sad and alone, as I wanted to believe the Bible stories, but this information seemed to make more sense. These differences caused me to continue to ask her questions. The stories in this book were based on the theories of evolution as proposed by Darwin. It was written in a form that the author believed that evolution was a scientific fact and not even questionable.

Sometime later the Priest was on the playground during recess. He called me over and told me the Nun who was my teacher had told him about my questions. He told me he was very disappointed about me questioning the Bible. He then grabbed me and held me between his legs and called the other children and told them to spank me for being such a bad person. The hits didn’t really hurt me, but the situation hurt me a lot!

Arriving home from school a couple of days later my mother met me at the door. She said, “We need to talk right now!” She told me the Priest called and told her I slapped the Nun and caused a big disruption at my school.

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Origin of Life, Part IV

A simple scientific explanation of why evolution is impossible.

Eric Jesse Norman, Ph.D. (biochemistry)

While deciding a topic for the newsletter, my wife Claudia suggested emphasizing that the formation of life is impossible in the presence of water. She commented years ago when I explained my experience with chemical synthesis of DNA, that even if I left my flask open to the room air, the moisture in the air could stop the reaction. She said that concept is such a simple, conclusive explanation it should be used but you seldom hear that view.

I said this past Sunday I gave that explanation in Sunday school class and a senior lady named Asberry said, "water stops the reaction so evolution is impossible". I have previously explained my experience in Origin of Life, part 2 noting I had published a pertinent paper in the Journal of Medical Chemistry, 17. 473(1974).

Similarly, more details are given in the following article: Evolution 'unscientific' Interview with biochemical researcher Dr. Eric Norman published in Creation 17(3): 28-30, June 1995. A portion of that interview is given below:

"Dr. Norman, didn't you work on DNA for your Master's degree?

Yes, I did chemical synthesis on parts of the DNA molecule. These sub-units, the nucleotides and nucleosides, have bases out the side that act like 'letters' carrying genetic information. I worked many long months connecting just three of these bases.

But everyone is told that this complex molecule needed for life, with millions of bases in the proper order, just 'happened.'

Actually, I found that to connect these DNA 'letters' together, a protective group must be attached on parts of the molecule to prevent wrong connections. A catalyst is also needed as a condensing agent, and the chemical reaction must take place in a completely water-free environment. If the flask is left open even momentarily, the humidity in the air would prevent the reaction. So, I thought, I am connecting only three bases together. How could DNA randomly form out in an ocean or pond? What about all the proteins, sugars, and lipids also needed for life? The DNA in a 'simple' bacterium carries so many 'letters' in sequence that, if you typed it out, it would fill 2,000 ordinary pages. One human cell would take about a million pages."

In my research, the chemicals to form the DNA were first dissolved in a solvent called pyridine. To insure there were no traces of water in the pyridine, 'molecular sieves' were added to the pyridine to absorb any moisture. There were two post-doctoral fellows working in the Lab who would also first double distill the pyridine to ensure no water was present.
By Bob Bernet

The mysterious miracle of birth is that you are a unique spirit or consciousness that comes into a body. Your individual consciousness manifests itself into reality through your body.

YOU are the intersection of nature and spirit. We “live off the land”. You are in the land and the land is in you. You use the same air and the same water as the plants. We eat the plants from the land, and we eat animals that eat plants from the same land. Those plants become us. Physically we are made from the same stuff as plants. You are what you eat. You eat nature so you are nature.

John 1:1 says in the beginning was the Word and the Word was God. One translation of Word is Logos or Consciousness. Words are one way the spirit manifests itself into nature or the physical world. Word was the best way John could describe the spirit coming into the physical world. Word was the best description those who translated the phrase into English could find to describe the indescribable union of spiritual consciousness and physical nature. Our existence is the ultimate paradox. The combination of nature and spirit, the physical and the invisible, the subject and the object.

Jesus was the beginning of consciousness at creation and His Spirit, or His Consciousness, became flesh in Bethlehem. God is the Creator, and we are the created. We have no ability to understand something so awesome that it could create us and the Universe around us. Jesus is the best way to describe the image of God in a way we can understand.

Our consciousness is an offspring of Jesus/God which is the original consciousness. Our bodies are part of a natural order, our spirits are part of a spiritual order. Our individual consciousness is the offspring of Jesus or God or the original Consciousness. Just like our bodies are the offspring of the original humans. We are all offspring of a common source spiritually and physically.

We are spirits/or consciousness that are miraculously born into a body that develops a mind. Hopefully that mind becomes self-aware and realizes it is spiritual in nature which means we are related to God and to others and to all of nature spiritually just like we are all related physically. When we ingest food our physical body is nourished. When our mind ingests spiritual understanding, our spirit is nourished and grows stronger.

When Adam and Eve ate the “fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil”, they did not just touch it, they ingested it, which means it became part of their being. By doing what God told them not to do they separated themselves from God’s perfect order and that separation became part of their life, or their being.

Jesus said, “Man cannot live on bread alone”. Jesus, who is the beginning of consciousness, and consciousness made flesh said, I have suffered all the physical abuses known to humanity. I was tortured to death, my body was killed, but I am living to show you that the world is more than the physical world alone. You are more than just a physical being. Jesus was saying the spiritual world transcends the physical world you are caught up in. Jesus said If you ingest My Spirit and My Spirit becomes part of your being, you will take the next step after this physical life to transition to spiritual understanding and spiritual existence for eternity.
Creators and Their Creations

By Terry Ivers

Throughout human history, mankind has advanced through the creation of many new technological creations. Late in the 20th Century, the information age as it is now called brought about many of these technological advances. In 1989 in Geneva, Switzerland, Tim Bernes-Lee and Robert Cailliau co-created the World Wide Web known also as the Web. Within the next three to four years general public use of the Web became popular as more and more websites became available to view.

The World Wide Web was made even more useful because of the development of packet switching and research which was commissioned by the United States Department of Defense in the 1960s and created the Internet protocol suite known as TCP/IP making it possible for interconnected computer networks and devices to communicate together. This system which is now known as the Internet has revolutionized the information transfer of mankind on a global scale and it is used virtually in every aspect of modern life.

In the early 21st Century, Apple Computer Company which was created on April Fool's Day 1976 by Steve Jobs, Steve Wozniak, and Ron Wayne brought the world iOS 1 in 2008 which is an operating system for mobile devices. March 6th, 2008 iOS 1 was used in the iPhone 3G which quickly became one of the most popular mobile telephones. Anyone born during the last decade cannot comprehend life without an iPhone or some other mobile phone.

Today, we now have the iPhone 13 which runs on the iOS 15 operating system. All cell phones must have an operating system installed on the phone to make them operate correctly, and must periodically be updated. How useful would an iPhone be if it randomly dialed a phone number when you were attempting to make a call, or just brought up a random website when searching the Internet? Obviously, this would make the phone very aggravating if not useless. So in other words without the creator (Apple Computer Company), the creation (iPhone 13), the operating system (iOS 15), the Internet and, the World Wide Web, you wouldn't buy an iPhone. Keeping all these creators and creations in mind let's look at what should be considered the most important Creator and one of His most important creations.

In the present technological and information-saturated society in which we live, it is easy to forget where this all started, and that it is probably not important to your life anyway. The origin of mankind is by far the weightiest question that a person should ever ask themselves, if you find this irrelevant to your everyday life, you have completely missed the point of your existence. Please be patient with me, while I explain myself in the remainder of this article.
March for me is an exciting time of the year, even though the effects of winter are still present we can look ahead to spring. This is what our Christian faith should look like, even though the world appears to be headed for complete chaos, we can be assured as believers that God is in control and faithfully trust in Romans 8:28 which says:  

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28 We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.
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As you watch and read the news of all the evil, destruction and, pain in the world today we hope that you will find comfort and solace in this latest edition of the World by Design Newsletter so that you can become more informed and bolder in your gospel apologetics. In the current culture that we live in today, we must have logical, understandable, and truthful answers for all the confusion and chaos that is being reported by all forms of media that is thrust upon us daily.

Our apologetic answers are needed not only for our friends, neighbors, co-workers but most importantly we need to be training our children with these apologetic answers because most of our children are being educated in public schools. Public education is no friend of God and is especially hostile to Christian beliefs. If we are not addressing enough helpful issues for you to accomplish these goals please let us know. If we don't train our children then the next generation will be lost to the gospel, and once that happens nothing else will matter!

We welcome your questions and concerns and ask that you send us information and articles that you would want us to share in upcoming issues of the World By Design Newsletter. Thank you for your interest and involvement in CRSEF and we look forward to hearing from you, we may be contacted at editor_wbdnewsletter@twc.com or rlmoak@fuse.net.
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CRSEF Monthly Program for March
Thursday, March 17th 2022

Thursday, 03/17/2022 - From 7-7:45 PM followed by a 15 minute, Q&A time

The Heavens Declare is a 12-part documentary showcasing compelling evidence for a universe created by God just a few thousand years ago. Experts in astronomy, astrophysics, and cosmology build their case for a biblical worldview.

The Heavens Declare “The Space Race” - Episode 11

This episode explores how space exploration furthered our understanding of God’s incredible universe.

Our experts will explore:
• How has space exploration impacted humanity?
• How has evolution impacted space missions?
• Can other planets support life? Why is earth unique?
• How can space exploration glorify God?

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CRSEF Monthly Program for April
Thursday, April 21st 2022

Thursday, 04/21/2022 - From 7-7:45 PM followed by a 15 minute, Q&A time

The Heavens Declare is a 12-part documentary showcasing compelling evidence for a universe created by God just a few thousand years ago. Experts in astronomy, astrophysics, and cosmology build their case for a biblical worldview.

The Heavens Declare “Searching for Alien Life” - Episode 12

This episode explores how humans are searching for aliens to try and find the meaning of life and where we came from.

Our experts will explore:
• Why all the interest in aliens?
• Did God create intelligent life elsewhere in the universe?
• What is SETI and the Fermi Paradox? What are UFOs?
• Are aliens real? What is the real answer from a Biblical worldview?

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CRSEF Monthly Program for May  
Thursday, May 19th 2022

Thursday, 05/19/2022 - From 7-7:45 PM followed by a 15 minute, Q&A time

A video will be shown entitled, “Replacing Darwin” featuring Dr. Nathaniel T. Jeanson of Answers in Genesis.

The New Origin of Species: Science has come a long way since Darwin made his claims in the 1800s. Several remarkable discoveries shed new light on the earth’s origin. In addition, much of the data Darwin presented for his idea no longer seems like clear evidence for evolution. Dr. Nathaniel Jeanson effectively and authoritatively documents the newest scientific discoveries, refutes Darwin’s claims, and presents evidence that supports a compelling alternative explanation for the origin of species.

Follow this link for information and preview.  
Replacing Darwin DVD (DVD) | Answers in Genesis

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CRSEF Monthly Program for June
Thursday, June 16th 2022

Thursday, 06/16/2022 - From 7-7:45 PM followed by a 15 minute, Q&A time

A video will be shown entitled, “What the Rocks Reveal” featuring Dr. John Whitmore of Cedarville University and David Rives.

The JOURNEY of a GEOLOGY PROFESSOR:
Dr. John Whitmore was told long ago that the earth was millions of years old. He no longer believes that, but what convinced him to change his mind?

What The Rocks Reveal - The Journey of a Geology Professor What can the rocks tell us about our planet's distant past? Learn why this geology professor believes the Earth is young. Dr. John Whitmore was told long ago that the Earth was millions of years old. He no longer believes that, but what convinced him to change his mind? Learn more in What The Rocks Reveal - The Journey of a Geology Professor DVD Dr. John Whitmore received his PhD in biology from Loma Linda University and teaches geology at Cedarville University. His publications include many GSA abstract, journal articles, book chapters and popular articles. He speaks internationally on the topics of creation, geology, and Noah's flood and has led many research trips in the Grand Canyon.

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CRSEF Monthly Program for July
Thursday, July 21st 2022

Thursday, 06/21/2022 - From 7-7:45 PM followed by a 15 minute, Q&A time

A video will be shown entitled, “COCONINO: The Origin of Canyon’s Sand Dunes” featuring Dr. John Whitmore of Cedarville University and David Rives.

Does the Coconino Sandstone in the Grand Canyon signify deposition in a desert or a marine environment? Secular geologist point to the Coconino as an indication of desert sand dunes. Dr. John Whitmore, however, believes it contains strong evidence for deposition in a marine underwater environment. Dr. John Whitmore received his PhD in biology from Loma Linda University and teaches geology at Cedarville University. His publications include many GSA abstract, journal articles, book chapters and popular articles. He speaks internationally on the topics of creation, geology, and Noah’s flood and has led many research trips in the Grand Canyon.

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Brecon United Methodist Church
7388 E Kemper Rd
Cincinnati, OH 45249-1033
(513) 489-7021

Driving Directions:
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Take the REED HARTMAN HIGHWAY exit- EXIT 47
Turn LEFT onto REED HARTMAN HWY
Turn LEFT onto ramp (To KEMPER ROAD)
Turn RIGHT onto E KEMPER RD
Proceed on Kemper Road about ½ mile, the church is on the left side of the road.

From I-75
Merge onto I-275 E toward I-71
Take the REED HARTMAN HIGHWAY exit- EXIT 47
Stay to the left and then from the right lane
Turn RIGHT onto REED HARTMAN HWY
Turn LEFT onto the ramp (To KEMPER ROAD)
Turn RIGHT onto E KEMPER RD
Proceed on Kemper Road about ½ mile, the church is on the left side of the road.

Enter the church from the parking lot through the back door; then proceed to the sanctuary, see the lighted sanctuary sign, just slightly to the left of the entry door.
Remember your Creator in the days of your youth!
Part 1

Do you believe the impossible? Well, it all depends on whose definition of "impossible" we're talking about. To be a Christian, you have to believe many things that, to known scientific laws, are impossible.

For example, it is impossible for someone to be born of a woman, but not also of a man. According to biological laws, there can be no such thing as a “virgin birth”. Yet the Bible teaches that there was! And furthermore, it is an essential element that identifies the one and only Messiah, the Anointed One, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God. Do you believe this?

Likewise, it is also impossible to die (verifiably so!) and then come back to life. Yet the Bible teaches that this is exactly what happened to Jesus, and through God’s power, it also happened to Lazarus. Do you believe this?

What about Jesus’ ability to heal the sick – instantaneously! Or to walk on water, and pay His taxes from money He took out of the mouth of a fish. Feeding thousands of people with virtually nothing is equally impossible. The direct implication of this account is that He was able to keep immediately multiplying the food. Impossible, too. Equally so was His ability to walk through a wall, or to instantly calm the raging seas. Do you believe that these things were all true of Jesus?

These absolutely impossible scenarios are not limited to Jesus, though. The Old Testament documents many events that simply “could not happen”. On the day Moses was introduced to God’s amazing power, he saw a bush that was on fire, yet it didn’t burn up. Later on, through God's power, sticks turned into snakes, Red Sea water was pushed aside, allowing the entire nation of Israel to cross on dry land! People bitten by snakes simply had to look at a special pole and be healed. Water came pouring out of various places in the dry desert --- enough for everyone and their livestock. Manna appeared every morning in the desert – that special food that provided all of the essential nutrients for humans to live by (remember that there are no fruits and vegetables available in the desert!). Then there was a pillar of fire in the sky at night, and a special cloud by day that would lead them. All impossible.

What about later on? What about the impossibility of a fleece wet with dew while the surrounding ground was dry? How about the impossibility of the opposite the next night? Furthermore, the laws of physics prevent an old man from being able to run faster than a chariot. Similarly, the act of throwing a man overboard into the sea cannot possibly calm a storm raging in it.

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Part 2

Do you believe the impossible? Last week, we considered a few events from scripture that, humanly and reasonably speaking, are all impossible. They could not have happened. But, the Bible records them as actual truth! Let's go on a bit more, because to be a Christian, you have to believe many things that, to known scientific laws, are impossible.

By laws of biology a man cannot be swallowed by a large fish and stay alive for three days. It is not possible for a human to lift the gates of a city off their foundation and carry them away on his shoulders. Besides, the length of a person's hair cannot possibly have anything to do with his strength.

Shall we mention Peter coming out of a heavily-guarded prison - unnoticed?! Impossible. Or water being turned into wine? Surely that breaks some law of chemistry! Do we believe these things?

I could go on and on. Many other impossible events like these have been recorded in the Bible. And most Christians do believe that they happened. Literally! But, why? Why would Christians believe this? It is not because they’ve seen these events with their own eyes, or tested the events in the science laboratory. No, Christians believe because we accept the Bible as the God-inspired, infallible Word of God.

If all of these "impossible" events are believed by Christians to be fact as plainly written, why then do many Christians struggle with the origins issues found in Genesis? Why do many of them believe that God did not create everything in just six, literal days, or that the earth’s age could not possibly be only six to ten thousand years, or that the flood could not have been a global event, etc.?

The main reason is simple. There are three areas of the Bible that are mocked the most, especially by the current education establishment (our schools and colleges). Those areas are 1) the creation itself, and 2) original sin, and 3) the global flood. Of all the “ridiculous & impossible” things that Christians believe, these are the worst, so they think. Why? Again, a simple answer. Those issues and their implications lie squarely in the path of the accepted norm of naturalism, the theory of evolution.

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Part 2 (Continued)

Therefore, Christians who are educated in the world’s schools will receive the world’s education. That education won’t spend unnecessary time ridiculing the account of a donkey that spoke, or an axe head that floated, or a lone hand that wrote on a wall. But it will invest time and energy into the core issues relating to the origins and purpose for life. That education will, in fact, include a random, purposeless origin for everything that exists. That education will provide the foundation for believing anything you want, and living the same way!

So, we have many Christians in the world today who will believe all of the many, awesome, amazing, “impossible” facts found in the Bible, but will stumble on the simple, straightforward ones found in Genesis. If a person stumbles over these truths at the beginning of the bible, what will keep that person from stumbling over other difficult passages? It's either all true and trustworthy, or none of it is.

I wonder --- Who or what is their source of authority?

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Evolution Is Dead! Take That, Nietzsche!

-by David Rives, Posted on February 2, 2022

We have never been able to create life from non-life in the lab, despite millions upon millions of tests in the most favorable conditions possible.

We have never observed one basic kind of animal turn into another kind, much less a human. Animals adapt… they change… this is observable.

But a dinosaur has never turned into a bird any more than a giraffe could ever turn into a hippopotamus! That is a belief based purely on faith — not on the fossil record.

Charles Darwin was not a scientist. He was an explorer and author with a vivid imagination and no formal scientific credentials. He lived in the 1800’s during a time when cholera was thought to be caused by polluted air and doctors took pride in performing surgery with filthy operating gowns. A time long before the genome was mapped, or the complexity of the cell was discovered.

Why is it that the inane ramblings of a 19th century author have continued to be so pervasive in today’s culture? Science has made thousands of new discoveries since that time, and the majority of new discoveries reveal increased complexity and design.

While God’s glory is being revealed through modern science, philosophers like Nietzsche, Hume, and Darwin are all…dead. With discoveries in contemporary science consistently pointing to the Creator of the Bible, there’s only one thing left to say:

Evolution is dead!

I’m David Rives, Truly, the Heavens Declare the Glory of God!

https://davidrivesministries.org/
A Story of Faith! (Continued)

She asked me if what the priest said was true. I asked her if she believed I could do such a thing. She merely told me to look her in the eyes and tell the truth. I told her the story but left out the part about the priest holding me to be spanked by the other children. This part of the story seemed to be too unbelievable for even me, so she would have a hard time believing it. This conversation resolved the issue with my mother because she believed my story. She called the school and talked to both the Nun and the Priest, and the whole issue was dropped.

This situation hit me very hard because at that time I had planned to become a Catholic Priest. From that time forward I believed all Christians were hypocrites, or had blind faith, or were being misled or brainwashed. This situation haunted me for over twenty-five years. Eventually, my disbelief led me to become an agnostic, and almost pushed me to claim to be an atheist.

Then one Easter some friends invited my family to attend Church with them. We accepted their invitation, because we wanted our son who was two years old, to have an opportunity to hear for himself what these blinded Christians had to say. We continued attending regularly, because this church had a good softball team, and I wanted to play on the team.

We regularly attended this church and little by little my faith began to be restored, as we worshipped with these people. Their honesty and sincerity became clear, but there was still much doubt about the Bible. It seemed most of them believed the stories in Genesis were nice stories but may not be entirely accurate. So, my belief in evolution seemed to fit in just fine with the Bible account about the Creation theory. This went on for many years, and everything seemed fine. I had become a theistic evolutionist, believing God likely used evolution as His method of creation.

Then one day my son, who was now a grown man, told me the timelines did not match. Therefore, no one could believe in both evolution and creation. So, I started reading Genesis and trying to discover how these issues could somehow both be true. But was unable to resolve this dilemma!

Then one Sunday I found a brochure in the back of our church, which some ministry group claiming they had answers to my questions. This brochure gave some questions that the conference would answer. Some of those were the questions I had asked, but no one could or would answer. This conference was being presented by some group called Answers in Genesis. Just reading the information in the brochure, I knew I had to attend this conference.

During this conference it became clear that my problem was caused by who or what I had chosen to believe. I demanded the religious people to prove how the Bible could be true since it didn’t match up to what some person named Darwin espoused. These “facts” that Darwin had presented were in fact, not facts, but merely a theory that had not been proven. The book had presented this information as a fact not a theory, and I believed it. Unfortunately, the religious teachers from my school may have believed this information to be factual too and did not see how the Bible could be true.
But they had taken a vow to believe it anyway! Hence their faith was blind, because they did not have the right information to support their belief system.

At a break in this conference there was a room with books and videos for sale about these Young Earth ideas, and I purchased several items. In this room was an unmanned card table with a yellow pad on it. A sign was on the table, which said if you want to join a Young Earth Creation group in Cincinnati, please give us your name and address information, and we will contact you about meetings. No one was sitting at this table to talk to, but I decided to sign up to receive the information.

After attending that AiG conference it seemed my Bible had somehow changed, as it seemed to make more sense that it ever had before. Of course, my Bible had not changed, my thought process had changed. Now when I read my Bible the stories were believable as written, I did not need to try to interpret what the meaning was, it became clear that this was truly God’s Word, as I had relearned in that conference. It was correct and authoritative from the very first verse!

Every month I received a postcard from Paul McDorman (the man who placed the table at that conference), inviting me to join this group and attend their monthly meetings. I finally attended a meeting of this group called Creation Research Science Education Foundation (CRSEF). I signed up that first night to become a member of CRSEF. As this seemed to fit my plan to learn more of the facts supporting the Young Earth Biblical account of creation.

And I have learned that true scientific facts support this belief system more than the Darwinian evolution theories. My plan has now become to use this information to help other Christians who now struggle with the biblical account of creation, because they are being brainwashed by the false “facts” of evolution. Many Christians are looking first at man’s account of evolution as fact, and then they try to make the Biblical account of creation fit into that belief system.

The only absolute truth is found in God’s Book because only He knows everything! Mankind’s books may or may not be correct, because no person knows everything! If the knowledge of all human beings was combined, we would still not know everything! Are you troubled by believing the stories of men, and thus have trouble believing the Bible accounts?

If so, remember the following:

The Bible is guided by the mind of God and is therefore correct and true. However, since it is directed by God, we may not be able to understand all of it, for He knows everything. So, some of the Bible may be over our heads, therefore, we need to study the Bible and worship with other believers to learn as much as possible about God’s Word.
The theory of evolution and other theories of mankind are flawed, as none of us knows everything. Some of these theories are from brilliant people, and therefore, may be over the heads of lesser human beings. We must learn to identify actual scientific information, and not be confused by theories presented as facts.

God gave us a free will and a brain so we can decide what facts to consider, but we must decide what we will believe by faith. Many members of mankind do not want there to be a God, as that would require them to have to admit that they do not know everything, and such belief would limit their actions. Without a God to require their worship they would be free to make the rules, and not be worried or held back by submitting their lives to God’s laws. The rule of law would be established by mankind and could thus be modified by whoever is in power at the time.

In this world most of what we believe cannot be proven, thus faith is required for us to allow us freedom of thought. True freedom is not limitless in this cursed world, as mankind seems to be in charge, and often controls the freedom we have. In truth mankind is not in control of this earth, as Satan holds that position of power. Evil people who believe they are in charge are in truth being possessed and controlled by Satan. Their faith is limited to this world, and thus, they are unknowingly allowing Satan to control them.

Only through salvation can any of us be protected from Satan’s control in this world. Paul wrote about how being saved allows you (us) to be able to avoid Satan’s demonic control in this cursed world.

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our sinful nature and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature objects of wrath.

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no-one can boast. (Ephesians 2:1-9).

Paul describes Jesus Christ coming into this world as a gift, and of course, that gift is His offer of salvation to everyone who claims it by faith! Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! (2 Corinthians 9:15). Has your faith saved your immortal soul? If you are not sure, you could pray this simple prayer.

Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner, and I ask for Your forgiveness. I believe You died for my sins and rose from the dead. I turn from my sins and invite You to come into my heart and life. I want to trust and follow You as my Lord and Savior.

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So, the next time the topic of evolution comes up you can politely, and confidentially state evolution is impossible. The DNA chemicals cannot form and connect in the presence of water. Only God can create life.

And only the Lord Jesus Christ can give you eternal life. "If you confess with your lips Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that Jesus raised Him from the dead, you will be saved" Romans 10:9.
You are what You Eat (Continued)

The natural world is perfectly ordered and balanced. The spiritual world has a super-natural perfect order that we struggle to comprehend. Most humans do not understand the spiritual world and they are lost in the physical world because they do not understand the real rules of the game. It is like playing English football according to American football rules. Both sports are called football, both are played on green grass with white stripes, but if you play American football by English football rules you cannot win, you will be penalized and very frustrated. If you try to live in the physical world without understanding the spiritual rules that also apply, you will be frustrated, and you will never enjoy the beauty of the game.

Love is the gravity of the spiritual world. All physical life is interdependent and bound together by gravity. The same spiritual world was created by, and is bound together by, a super-natural Love we have difficult time understanding. Ultimately Jesus refined all His teaching to one sentence, “Love one another as I have loved you”. He allowed Himself to be tortured and killed physically to show us True Love transcends physical reality, and that the spiritual world is the most important part of what we call the real world.

To recap, your spirit or consciousness is born into a body through a miracle we do not understand. You learn to walk and talk and think. You are motivated to act and think by prioritizing what you believe is important. When you realize the spiritual world precedes and transcends the physical world then you begin to act according to spiritual laws as well as natural laws. When you do that, you prepare to transition to the next stage of life when your spirit leaves your body. It is a worthwhile process to consider.

You are what you eat. If you eat the right “natural” food you will live a long time. If you eat the right spiritual food you will live forever. Choose wisely.

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Before 1859 the Biblical account of Creation and the beginning of man was generally excepted by the majority of the world. After the book "On the Origin of Species by Means of Natural Selection, or the Preservation of Favoured Races in the Struggle for Life" in 1859 by Charles Darwin, the origin issue became very confusing. Darwin did not create the argument, the origin question has been around since the fall of man into sin as described in Genesis 3.

6 The woman saw that the tree was good for food and delightful to look at, and that it was desirable for obtaining wisdom. So she took some of its fruit and ate it; she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. Genesis 3:6-7 CSB

If you are familiar with target shooting or the game of darts, you know that your target is divided into rings, with the center being the bullseye, and that the object of both exercises is to get it as close to the bullseye as possible. When it comes to the question about the origin of man, the bullseye would be considered the correct answer while any other answer would be missing the target. To make matters worse, let's say that you are trying to hit a moving target, your aim at getting the correct answer just got exponentially harder. This is what I believe Charles Darwin did when he published his book, not only did he make the target area a lot larger but he, in essence, made the bullseye smaller and harder to hit, not only did it get easier to miss now you have a moving target. Darwin's theories which were eventually adopted as mainstream science are constantly moving, whereas the Biblical explanation is a constant because it comes from the inspiration of God through the Scripture.

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

In the very first verse of the Bible God gives us the Creator and the creation. This must be very important as it is the first revelation given in Scripture. Unlike Darwin's moving target, God is very clear and precise in Genesis 1:1 and God's word always remains the same.

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever. Isaiah 40:8 CSB

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Hebrews 13:8 CSB

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 All things were created through him, and apart from him not one thing was created that has been created. John 1:1-3 CSB

But you are the same, and your years will never end. Psalm 102:27
Creators and Their Creations (Continued)

Hopefully, by now you see that the Biblical answer to the origin of mankind is fixed in Scripture, but Scripture also gives us the origin of man and women later in the same chapter.

So God created man
in his own image;
he created him in the image of God;
he created them male and female.  Genesis 1:27 CSB

In closing let me refer you back to my reference in which I compared the iPhone 13 and the iOS 15 operating system, to the question of the importance of mankind's origin in light of Genesis 1:1.  If we don't take Genesis 1:1 seriously and understand that the creator of a created thing controls its usefulness and readiness, then we as children of God will prove to be just as useless as the iPhone without the operating system.  You see God's revelation through the Scriptures are the operating system that God has intended to make mankind useful and ready to glorify Him.

In our current world, there is a moving target because of Darwin and Evolution, which has caused many church pastors to not preach Biblical Creation or the Book of Genesis because they are afraid of the questions and hurt feelings that will come from their congregations.  I pray that God will raise bold pastors and leaders in this next generation that will not only train and teach pastors but will also encourage Christians to become Biologists, Archaeologists, Geneticists and, leaders in all the other sciences.  We in the Christian Church have done a really poor job during the last century and a half of following God's commands to train up the next generation in the Lord. This is of utmost importance to Christians and the Church because we need dedicated Christian scientists, doctors, nurses, and professors to help in our apologetics work for the Kingdom.

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