

## **Creation Versus Evolution** by Dr. Jay L. Wile, Ph.D.

### **Qualifications**

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### **Christian Attempts to “Incorporate” Evolution**

1. Theistic Evolution – God created BY evolution
2. Progressive Creation – The Lord created some species, let them “play” for a while, then created new species, etc., over billions of year.

While theistic evolution follows the evolution story and thus is stuck with its scientific weaknesses, progressive creation gets rid of some of the fossil record issues.

- ☞ Both say Genesis 1 is not a historical account, because the order is wrong. Plants are created *before* aquatic animals, which is not the progression supposedly shown by the fossils
- ☞ Both require the Flood to be local, but “The water prevailed more and more upon the earth, so that all the high mountains everywhere under the heavens were covered” (Gen 7:19)

#### 3. The Gap Theory

Genesis 1:1-2a “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was formless and void...” (The Hebrew word could mean “became.”)

What fills in the “gap”?

Isaiah 14:12-14

“How you have fallen from heaven, O star of the morning, son of the dawn...But you said in your heart, ‘I will ascend to heaven...I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.’”

- ☞ Inconsistent with Exodus 20:11, “For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day.”
- ☞ It demands a lot from a “gap” that most Hebrew scholars indicate is not there. The Hebrew word *hayethah* can mean “became,” but ONLY in the right context. There is no context to suggest that we should view the word that way.

## Are These Views HERETICAL?

Absolutely NOT! The issue is INTERPRETATION

Matthew 5:29 - If your right eye makes you stumble, **tear it out and throw it from you**; for it is better for you to lose one of the parts of your body, than for your whole body to be thrown into hell.

Matthew 24:34: Truly I say to you, this **generation** will not pass away until all these things take place.

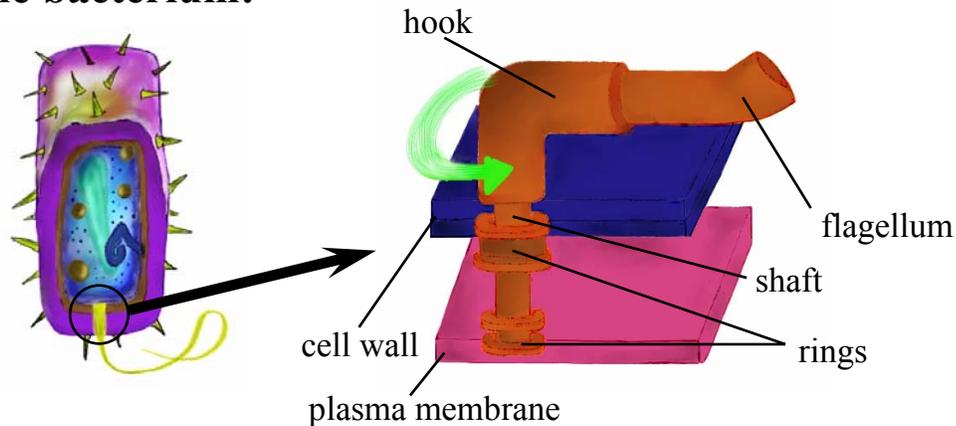
## The Evidence for Creation: DESIGN

Did a computer:

- Form via an earthquake at Radio Shack?
- Have a designer?

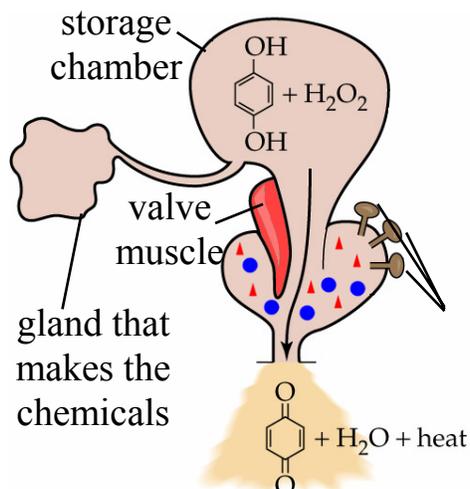
## Organisms That Possess Advanced Engineering

### The bacterium:



This flagellum twirls around and around in a circle. It rarely stops for any extended amount of time, and it never breaks down.

### The Bombardier Beetle Has An Amazing Defense Mechanism



It has a fully-functional chemical weapon. Human science didn't come up with such weapons until World War I!

The clownfish and the sea anemone:

The sea anemone's sting paralyzes fish, EXCEPT for the clownfish. These stingers work with a sophisticated chemical detection system. Since the clownfish masks the one amino acid detected by the stingers, it can swim freely in them. This provides protection for the clownfish and lures other fish into the sea anemone for food.

Crematogaster Ants and the Acacia Tree:

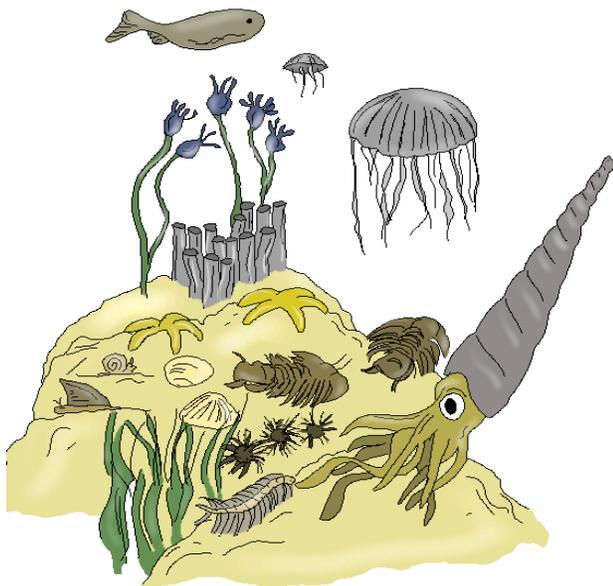
*Crematogaster* ants live on *Acacia* trees. The trees provide them with food and shelter, and the soldier ants attack any intruders. The tree's flowers release ANT REPELLANT so the tree can still reproduce.

When humans tried to "protect" *Acacia* trees from large herbivores, the trees became SICKLY because they stopped putting resources into this relationship.

### The Words of Sir Frederick Hoyle

"...A common sense interpretation of the facts suggests that a superintellect has monkeyed with physics, as well as with chemistry and biology, and that there are no blind forces worth speaking about in nature. The numbers one calculates from the facts seem to me so overwhelming as to put this conclusion almost beyond question."

### The Evidence Against Evolution: The Fossil Record



Evolution Assumes That Life is ALWAYS Changing

but...

That's not what we see in the Fossil Record

This drawing represents some of the "oldest" fossils that paleontology has found (Cambrian fossils). With the exception of the trilobites pictured here, these same creatures exist today, essentially unchanged. The fossil record shows EXTINCTION, but NOT CHANGE.

## **If evolution really happened, you would expect to see transitional life forms in the fossil record**

“Geological research... has done scarcely anything in breaking the distinction between species, by connecting them together by numerous, fine, intermediate varieties; and this not having been affected, is probably the gravest and most obvious of all the many objections which can be raised against my views.”

**-Charles Darwin**

## **It was bad for evolution in Darwin’s Time, but it’s WORSE now!**

“Well, we are now about 120 years after Darwin, and knowledge of the fossil record has been greatly expanded...ironically, we have *even fewer examples* of evolutionary transition than we had in Darwin’s time. By this I mean that some of the classic cases of Darwinian change in the fossil record, such as the evolution of the horse in North America, have had to be discarded or modified as the result of more detailed information.” -Dr. David Raup

“...according to Darwin...the fossil record should be rife with examples of transitional forms leading from the less to more evolved...Instead of filling the gaps in the fossil record with so-called missing links, most paleontologists found themselves facing a situation in which there were only gaps in the fossil record, with no evidence of transformational intermediates between documented fossil species.”

- Jeffrey H. Schwartz

“Major transitions in biological evolution show...sudden emergence of diverse forms at a new level of complexity. The relationships between major groups... do not seem to fit the tree pattern that...remains the dominant description of biological evolution...In each of these pivotal nexuses in life’s history, the principal ‘types’ seem to appear rapidly and fully equipped with the signature features of the respective new level of biological organization. No intermediate ‘grades’ or intermediate forms between different types are detectable.” -Eugene V. Koonin

## **The Geological Column Used to be considered Great Evidence for Evolution, but...**

Charles Walcott’s discovery of *every basic body plan* in Cambrian rock has shown that this is a construct of human imagination, not the data!

Walcott’s Fossils, **60,000 in all**, demonstrate what evolutionists call the “Cambrian Explosion.” It is a mystery in evolution. Walcott had uncovered data that was **REVOLUTIONARY**. The fossils demonstrated that invertebrates DID NOT evolve into vertebrates over a period of hundreds of millions of years. They show that the bottom five layers of the geological column are **demonstrably false**.

What did he do with the data? He hid it in his lab for almost 80 years until it was rediscovered by a graduate student!

“Authors of high school textbooks and even introductory courses in biology still ignore these data. In the college classes I teach, I regularly encounter students who are being taught the tale of invertebrates gradually evolving into vertebrates. At \$15,000 per year tuition, that’s an expensive error.”

**-Dr. Gerald L. Schroeder**

## **Other Problems with the Geological Column**

The reasoning evolutionists use when looking at fossils is that if an organism's fossils don't appear after a certain layer of rock, then the organism must have gone extinct before the new rocks were formed. Thus, they assume that dinosaurs were extinct before man appeared on earth, because dinosaur fossils are not found after Cretaceous rock, which is far lower than the Quaternary rock in which human fossils are found. However:

**The Coelacanth's fossils are not found above Cretaceous rock, but it lives today.**

**The Wollemi pine's fossils and the tuatara's fossils are not found above Jurassic rock (which is lower than Cretaceous rock), but they both live today as well.**