

## *The Scourge of Evolution (Rom. 1:18-23)*

*“Evolution is a kind of dogma which its own priests no longer believe, but which they uphold for the people.”—Paul Lemoine, Director of the National Museum of Natural History, atheist, critic of evolution.*

In his recent book *Lord of All*, Dr. D. James Kennedy states, “The root of the problem of most of the great ills that have afflicted society and do afflict it today are caused by the teaching of evolution.” Extending far beyond the limits of biological science, the dogma of evolution has produced a plethora of secularist doctrines—anti-Biblical to the core—that have enjoyed ready acceptance the world over.

- I. Evolution: Religion of the Modern Secularist
  - A. Evolution—the doctrine that the entire universe is comprised of nothing but matter. Three fundamental principles—matter, time, and \_\_\_\_\_—have conspired to bring all things into existence.
  - B. Neither creationism nor evolution meets the demands of science. For something to be scientific, it must be (1) observable, (2) testable, (3) repeatable, and (4) falsifiable.
  - C. Evolution is based upon “the belief in the reality of the \_\_\_\_\_—belief in fossils that cannot be produced, belief in embryological evidence that does not exist, and belief in breeding experiments that refuse to come off.” [Kennedy, p. 37]
  - D. Charles Darwin referred to “natural selection” as deity: “I speak of natural selection as an active power or Deity.” [*On the Origin of the Species*]
- II. Evolution: It’s Attraction to Sinful Society
  - A. Darwin wrote the book, but a man named Thomas Huxley popularized and promoted Darwin’s theories. Huxley’s grandson, Sir Julian Huxley, was one of the world’s foremost evolutionists. When asked in an interview why he thought evolution met with such enthusiastic acceptance he stated that the reason “we all jumped at the *Origin* was because the idea of God interfered with our \_\_\_\_\_ mores.”
  - B. Aldous Huxley, Sir Julian’s brother and author of *Brave New World*, echoed his brother stating, “We objected to the morality, because it interfered with our sexual \_\_\_\_\_.”
  - C. Evolution made atheism respectable. In denying the existence of God, atheists ultimately deny the legitimacy of all moral standards. Eliminate moral accountability—judgment day—and men are free to live any way they please.
- III. Evolution: The 20<sup>th</sup> Century’s Disastrous Experiment
  - A. Adolph Hitler was an evolutionist who gave his troops copies of Darwin’s book. He said: “... this planet once moved through the ether for millions of years without human beings and it can do so again some day if men forget that they owe their higher existence, not to the ideas of a few crazy ideologists, but to the knowledge and ruthless application of Nature’s stern and rigid \_\_\_\_\_.”

- B. Carl Marx believed the doctrine of evolution to be a perfect fit for his Godless theory of Communism. He wanted to dedicate his book *Das Kapital* to Charles Darwin, but Darwin's \_\_\_\_\_ wouldn't permit it. Communism has killed 135 million people since its inception.
  - C. Six of the nine U. S. Supreme Court justices are evolutionists. They have succeeded in banning prayer, the Bible, and the Ten Commandments from schools. They also forbid the balanced treatment of creationism and evolution in the schools.
- IV. Evolution: The Missing Links Are Still Missing
- A. Piltdown Man: discovered in 1912, hailed as the "missing link," and discredited as a hoax in 1953. For three crucial decades a proven hoax influenced men to believe in evolution.
  - B. Darwin's "Tree of Life:" presented frequently as a chart showing the branching pattern one would find if all life descended from a common ancestor. Author of the book, *Icons of Evolution*, Dr. Jonathan Wells states, "You would expect, as Darwin himself said, thousands of intermediate forms—thousands—and yet *we have none*. Every one of these lines [referring to Darwin's chart] are just his theory, but it's presented as if it were fact."
  - C. Michael Denton, author of *Evolution: A Theory in Crisis*, wrote:

...the universal experience of paleontology...while the rocks have continually yielded new and exciting and even bizarre forms of life...what they have never yielded is any of Darwin's myriads of transitional forms. Despite the tremendous increase in geological activity in every corner of the globe and despite the discovery of many strange and hitherto unknown forms, the infinitude of connecting links has still not been discovered and the fossil record is about as discontinuous as it was when Darwin was writing *Origins*. The intermediates have remained as elusive as ever and their absence remains, a century later, one of the most striking characteristics of the fossil record.

- D. Dr. Stephen Jay Gould of Harvard, an atheist scientist who rejects evolution stated, "Everybody knows the fossil record doesn't provide much evidence for gradualism; it is full of gaps and discontinuities....The fossil record shows one thing which cannot be attributed to it's [the record's] imperfection; most species don't \_\_\_\_\_."
- E. The "Cambrian Explosion"—Evolutionary scientists contend that life "exploded" on earth during the Cambrian period (some 500,000,000 years ago, assuming old-age earth theory). The Cambrian fossil record shows both organisms and animals fully formed with \_\_\_\_\_ transition between species. Dr. Stephen Meyer of the Discovery Institute comments on the Cambrian Explosion:

At that time, there was a sudden appearance of the majority of what are called the animal body plans, the new animal designs, the ways of organizing body parts, and you get all these brand new kinds of animals that come into the fossil record, very suddenly, without any discernable connection to the much simpler forms that existed before.