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"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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EVOLUTION OR CREATION?

"We all sprang from monkeys, but you forgot to spring." This was an old jibe popular among schoolboys quite a long time ago. But, did we all spring from monkeys? The evolutionist says yes; the creationist says no. Who is right? Today evolutionary philosophy is constantly hammered home in every television and radio program or magazine article on nature. David Attenborough and others go to great pains to stress this theory that man evolved from an amoeba through the fishes, amphibians, reptiles and mammals. Taking off like a rocket following the publication of Charles Darwin's "On the Origin of Species" in 1859, evolutionary theory is now firmly established as to how life came to be. Apparently the world was waiting for a scientific treatise to render the Bible and God obsolete, so people immediately jumped on the Darwinian bandwagon. In fact, a great many churchmen also climbed aboard at that time, and many others have done so since, compromising their faith so as to be scientifically respectable rather than thought ignorant and backward. Why not try to harmonise the Bible with modern science? Yet, herein lies a great danger. To deny the validity of the Scriptures is to assert one's supremacy over them. Whose word is authoritative and final? God's or man's?

War with God

Since God created all things, however, nothing can be understood apart from Him. When evolutionists give an atheistic interpretation to the facts of life, it's because they are spiritually bankrupt and at war with God. That is, they want to dispense with Him and any divine accountability for their actions. Moreover, if God's creative work is denied, so are His influence and His redemption. Wherever creationism is set aside, the vital nerve of Christianity is severed---to be replaced by humanistic and empirical reasoning. So we find that the problem of mankind is not material but *spiritual*. Technology has given us more comfort and material wealth than ever before, yet we still live in a chronic state of anxiety. In effect, what the doctrine of evolution has done is to destroy man, not God. How?

A Meaningless Cog

Man is no longer seen as someone created in the image of God. He is now viewed as a product of the environment rather than as one who ultimately will rule over it with Christ. Instead of ruling over nature, man is reduced to nothing more than a meaningless cog in the purposelessness of evolutionary existence. Consequently, as a product of nature his lifestyle is determined by that belief and nature dictates the way he lives. In reality, however, the evolutionary concept produces slavery and so was welcomed by Karl Marx as the necessary foundation of socialism. When men set aside God as Creator, they then set themselves up as man's re-creators, as the new gods over man and the universe. Such a state characterised man before the Great Flood of Noah's day when "the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually". However, when man recognises that he is created by God, his actions are not governed by his natural instincts but by His Creator through His Word and Spirit. He is then free from nature, not a slave to it, fulfilling his divine calling to exercise dominion under God to control and develop the natural world.

Responsibility

Evolution also gives man a new view of his responsibility. According to Scripture, man has a responsibility to serve and glorify God; failing to do this, he is seen as a sinner in his Maker's sight, and sentenced to pay its wages---death. On the other hand, with evolutionary belief he is only a product of his environment. As a result, man is not responsible: he is not a sinner but a victim. The solution, then, is not renewing his mind by God's Holy Spirit but changing his environment. We have to be trained, like any animal, by conditioning---by education that, in reality, becomes brainwashing. After all, it is not the young delinquent's fault, it's his upbringing. As the theory holds that we are products of our environment, there needs to be a means to control us and ensure our own welfare, which requires some form of totalitarianism. That is, the education of people indoctrinated in evolutionary theory will also include teaching socialism or communism. By putting their faith in evolution, men will then look to socialist planners for salvation rather than to Jesus Christ, God's Son.

A New Religion

Undoubtedly evolutionary thinking has given man a new religion, and that new religion is science. With God removed from the throne, scientists are now in the position of priest as they possess its secrets and wonders that others find puzzling or strange. *And what of morality?* Whereas the Bible declares the sovereign authority of God and establishes His clear-cut commandments for men to follow and obey, the theory of evolution has no moral absolutes; it represents not unqualified truth but only social mores and customs. Well, what is the result? Today we are witnessing a moral and social breakdown as seen in the flagrant crime, lawlessness, corruption and depravity besetting many nations.

Moral Capital of Christendom

Modern men and women, scientists and ordinary believers in evolution alike are parasites. Whether they realise it or not they are living off the unearned blessings of our Christian heritage. Consequently, the moral culture of Christendom is fast disappearing. Furthermore as it does, our civilisation will ebb and fall even as Rome did following its loss of morality. The only antidote to this catastrophe is a return to the God of the Bible. This, of course, means a return to creationism and renouncing the false doctrine of evolution or any other philosophy that requires a denial of God and His wonderful works. We need to throw out all the evolutionary nonsense that has been taught in schools, colleges and universities for generations. Surely we must realise that our present adherence to the humanistic, God-rejecting concept of evolution is reaping a harvest of rebellious youth with no faith to guide them through the perilous waters of a world lost in sin and wallowing in the shifting sands of relativity and hopelessness. We *must* get back to biblical Christianity, to believe that God, the Mastermind behind Intelligent Design, created this world and all that is in it. In other words, it's high time to return to the faith that is defined in the Book of Hebrews: "Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the Word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which are visible". Yes, believe that "in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth"; moreover, He also made every creature *after its kind*---there was no evolutionary process! It's imperative we believe *that!*

PRAYER

Almighty Father, the Alpha and Omega, hallowed be Your name. Dear Lord, thank You for sending Your Son, JESUS CHRIST, to be our Lord and Saviour---He who is the Truth and the Life and the only Way to the Father. Heavenly Father, we seek Your spiritual wisdom, guidance and direction for *all* Australians who have been beguiled by the godless, purposelessness of evolutionary belief. We know that Your Word says, "Woe to those who call evil good", but that is just what we have done. We have rewarded laziness and called it welfare. We have killed our unborn and called it choice. We have neglected to discipline our children and called it building self-esteem. We have polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it freedom of expression. We have ridiculed the time-honoured values of our forefathers and called it enlightenment. Forgive us, O God. Search our hearts and cleanse us of our sins with the precious blood of Jesus, setting us free to enthrone Him King of kings and Lord of lords of Your creation. This we pray in the matchless name of Christ the Lord. Amen.

R.A: Led by our Lord Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit to glorify the Fatherhood of God with the Brotherhood of Man; in love and in faithfulness to bring glory and honour to His holy name.

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