

A Primer on Creation Science

I've been studying, thinking about, writing on and teaching Creation Science since 1968, and I am pleased to say that it's loads of fun. Fun? Yes, because I get to put to use to serve Jesus what I know about science from all my secular education, and I get to puncture holes in what the rest of Modernism supposes to be truth. Following are a few thoughts on what I see as the highlights of the field.

Creation Science is a branch of Christian apologetics. It reinforces faith in the truthfulness of Scripture's creation account in Genesis. It has a limited, though often needed role in pre-evangelism. And it serves to refute efforts by intellectuals in the Church to compromise the authority of Scripture.

Creation scientists take the very same empirical evidences that Darwinists use to develop their notions of origins and show how they've been mis-interpreted; and that if properly interpreted those evidences point instead to a recent, fiat young-earth creation. And they develop new evidence that not only support recent creation but demand it. Creationists also use Scripture and epistemology to develop a tight case for a young-earth creation. It's impossible here to engage all these ways Creation Science has advanced, but I'll let these few examples of how creationists show that evolution has failed to explain origins suffice to introduce the field.

- The so-called Big Bang is a big bust. Only science popularizers still believe in it; physicists don't, and they have no agreed-upon replacement for it. The naturalistic origin of the universe is a field for fantasy-lovers.
- It is now acknowledged that life, even the simplest forms of life, is so exceedingly complex that no one has a clue how it could have formed abiogenetically. That life spontaneously appeared is a delusion.
- Geologists supposed that uniformity was the key to understanding the rocks and the so-called geologic column. No more. Almost all honest geologists now acknowledge the necessary role of catastrophe, but they will not admit to one gigantic catastrophe (the Flood).
- The "Cambrian explosion" has been an embarrassment to paleontologists for decades. The sudden presence of all phyla in the earliest Cambrian rocks is evident to all, but no one can explain their appearance there using Darwinist ideas. Also, a few honest paleontologists are now acknowledging the absence in the rocks of the transitional fossils that are needed to establish evolutionary descent.
- Evolutionists now grudgingly admit that natural selection and mutations have no creative properties. For decades, creationists have been pointing out that mutations are so harmful that they can only lead to deterioration of the gene pool over time, and not to new structures or functions. Darwinists now acknowledge that that's true. Evolutionists are left with no mechanism to account for evolution.

Now, here are some examples of ways that Creation Science has refuted (absolutely) evolution:

- The earth's magnetic field has been shown to be rapidly deteriorating. Extrapolating back in time, the magnetic field would have been so strong 60,000 years ago that life would have been impossible. So much for millions and billions of years!
- Soft tissue has been repeatedly found in dinosaur bones. There's no way soft tissue could have been preserved structurally intact for millions of years. The supposed age of the dinosaurs never existed.
- Radiocarbon (^{14}C) has been found repeatedly in oil, coal and even in diamonds. Because of its short half-life (5700 years), radiocarbon should not be present in these specimens if they are millions of years old, but there it is!
- Polystrate fossils and warped strata are found in rock layers all over the world. There's no way the supposed mechanism of rock layering can account for these findings. They powerfully, compellingly point instead to a global deluge such as narrated in Genesis, and NOT slow erosion and deposition over millions of years.

Creationists have repeatedly shown by linguistic and discourse analyses that Genesis 1 is historical narrative, written in lofty style, and not Hebrew poetry or other non-literal genre. They have shown from the genealogies in Genesis that creation had to have been recent, within the time-span of those listed. Creationists have shown that

the Genesis Flood has left behind evidence in the rocks that cannot be interpreted in any other way than a global flood.

The so-called “problem” of distant starlight has had a couple of good explanations by creationist physicist. The apparent great age of rocks claimed by radionuclide dating techniques also has been confronted by creation scientists, and it too has been explained. The so-called “poor design” of human anatomy and physiology likewise has been refuted. Every claim made by scientists to ridicule the Bible’s fiat creation has been refuted, and evidence has been adduced to refute evolution and its concomitant (necessary) deep time.

Creationists have revealed the extensive use evolutionists have made of fraud to promote their belief. Computer “models” are programmed to give the results desired. Radiometric dating of rocks as well. The supposed development of proteins from amino acids or nucleotides from components has been shown to be based on cheating. The so-called high similarity of chimp and human DNA is based on faulty analysis, and when corrected by creation geneticists the similarity vanishes. The supposed evolution of hominids to humans is based on supposition and fantasy.

Creationists have demonstrated that all of evolutionary science is based on presuppositions and speculations. Evidence (data) is not dispositive. Evidence is never self-evident, rather, it must be interpreted. And naturalistic scientists (consciously or not) interpret evidence based on their naturalistic (atheistic) presuppositions. Their presuppositions take control and determine the conclusions that are reached. This is not rational. It’s a con game. And a close reading of the scenarios that evolutionists propose shows that they are all speculative. Speculation is not truth, of course, but most people don’t realize that. Their use of massive amounts of scientific jargon so overwhelms most readers that people fail to realize that what’s actually on offer is only speculation.

Epistemology is the science that deals with knowing how or whether what we think to be true is really true. Or not. Most scientists and theologians have had no training in epistemology. This absence of critical analysis of ideas means it’s too easy for people to assume something to be true when in fact it isn’t. Creation scientists recognize the absence of critical thinking and deploy it to good effect in showing that billions of years and Darwinian evolution is nonsense.

An entire field of creation science has been especially effective in showing naturalistic origins to be phony, that of informatics. All existence is based on information. Life is only life because of encoded information. Where did information come from? It’s absurd to suppose that random, natural processes can produce information. Only a personal super-intelligent designer can create information.

Especially problematic in the field of Creation Science is the tsunami of evangelical leaders (pastors and theologians) who have abandoned a young-earth, fiat creation in favor of evolution and/or belief in billions of years of earth history. It’s not that they can’t evaluate scientific claims, but that they seem to not even want to do that. And it’s not Groupthink either, because evangelicals know that they’re responsible individually to Jesus. It is an astounding abandonment of the authority of Scripture. Authority means we’re required to believe and adopt as our own what Scripture says. We are not at liberty to reject Genesis 1 in favor of what naturalistic scientists allege. They do it under cover of “It’s my interpretation.” That’s bogus. The “interpretation” of Genesis 1 only suddenly became a compromise with evolution and billions of years since Darwin and the 20th century. Theistic evolution is madness in the church.

The Intelligent Design movement, by the way, is not Creation Science. Those people are doing outstanding work showing evolution to be false, but they don’t take a stand on billions of years, and they refuse to acknowledge the God of the Bible as Creator. Except for a few individuals, most of them don’t *want* a Creator or, if they do, they keep it to themselves. Sad.

A caveat to keep in mind: No one will be convinced that God exists because of Creation Science. The noetic effect of sin blocks us from thinking positively about God regardless how much evidence is adduced to His existence. People who refuse to believe in God will refuse to believe in Him no matter how much Creation Science is presented. And evolutionists will not abandon evolution no matter what creationists show to be true. They will go

to all lengths to try to refute with more of their "science" whatever creationists state. They hate God, and they depend on science to protect their conscience.

Let's conclude now with a deep perspective. We dwell in a world filled with invisible wicked supernatural beings. I refer of course to Satan and his horde of gods and demons. For millennia, these evil creatures carried out an attack on God and His people by tempting them to disobey God, to ignore God's demands. "Yea, hath God said? ...You will not die!" Satan is skilled at getting humanity to deny God's authority. But the Reformation brought a fresh challenge to Satan, and he met it with a radical new strategy: Deny God's Being altogether. The Enlightenment project has been in essence an attack on the very existence of God. "He's not there at all. You're free!" Using intellectually gifted individuals as his agents, Satan and his minions have concocted a ghastly stew of rationalism, naturalism, scientism, Gnosticism, and humanism to convince moderns that the God of Israel isn't really there. There's no heaven, no life after death, no judgment, no anything, just randomness, matter and energy, and natural laws. Until recently, the Church has pathetically tried to respond with compromise. And that response tragically is on-going. It is as heinous as Baal worship was in ancient Israel. But now, Creation Science has rescued the Church from having to compromise or capitulate. It has used Science's own methodologies to debunk Satan's great anti-theistic project and instead to rest securely in the truth of Scripture and the revelation of a recent, fiat creation.

Finally, this: Countless books are now available on Creation Science, many written for those who don't have a science background. Well done DVD's are available showing evidences that support creation. There are also dozens of terrific websites promoting creation science. It's a field most Christians should be familiar with.