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## ETERNITY AT STAKE

Can Christians believe in some form of evolution and make it to heaven? Absolutely. However, I believe there will be regrets for compromising with the Word of God. If evolution (macroevolution) is a false idea, then believing it and teaching it is a definite departure and compromise from the revealed truth found in the Bible. The Bible—especially Genesis—is very clear on the subject of origins and creation: There is a Creator who created, and the false idea of evolution is not to be found anywhere in the Bible.

We live in days when the pressure and influence from the world around us is causing people (especially the young) to believe that the Bible is just an old-fashioned religious book that has little of no relevance for life in the 21st Century. The exact opposite is the truth!

This is why we believe God has raised up ministries such as CMOTO, Institute for Creation Research, Answers in Genesis, Creation Research Society, Creation Ministries International, Creation Studies Institute, Alpha Omega Institute and others to be engaged in doing what the Word of God tells us to be doing. We are told that there is a warfare taking place and as Christians we are supposed to be active participants:

**“For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ.”** (2 Corinthians 10:3-5)

The “**knowledge of God**” is found through exposure to the Bible which is God’s supernatural revelation to His creation. Neo-Darwinian evolution “**exalts itself against the knowledge of God.**” Christians who have been influenced to add to the Bible the false scientifically unproven ideas of evolution are treading on dangerous ground.

Why the title of this article, *Eternity at Stake*? Because those who confuse the unsaved by compromising with unproven evolutionary ideas, may in the end contribute to individuals rejecting the Gospel and being separated from God for all eternity. Therefore, biblical creationism should never be spoken of as a

side issue. Putting it simply, Christians should believe the Bible exactly as God has given it to us, and not add, subtract or reinterpret it based on the changing ideas of secular science. For those honest enough to study and evaluate the evidence, it can be clearly seen that *true verified empirically observed experimentally and repeatable science* has a consistent habit of confirming the absolute reliability and accuracy of the Bible.

At CMOTO our all-volunteer staff are committed to obeying the scripture quoted above. We would ask for your prayer support which is vital for this ministry to continue to be effective in establishing and strengthening young and old in the truth that leads to everlasting life. A special thanks to those of you who support this ministry. You are a vital part of it.

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# THE AMAZING GIFT OF OUR CREATED EYES



Were our eyes created, or did they evolve over long periods of time? Charles Darwin, 19th Century promoter of evolution wrote:

“To suppose that the eye with all its inimitable contrivances for adjusting the focus to different distances, for admitting different amounts of light, and for the correction of spherical and chromatic aberration, could have been formed by natural selection, seems I freely confess, absurd in the highest degree” (Charles Darwin. *The Origin of Species*, J.M. Dent & Sons Ltd, London, 1971 167).

However, as he continued writing he remained committed to the idea of the evolution of the eye in spite of what he had said and observed. Of course, Darwin was at a disadvantage in his day by not having the electron microscope, which if he could have had available, he might have seen the foolishness of postulating the gradual evolving of the eye. Following is a quote from an evolutionary supportive science magazine:

“Direct evidence has continued to be hard to come by...Still, biologists have recently made significant advances in tracing the origin of the eye—by studying how it forms in developing embryos and by comparing eye structure and genes across species to reconstruct when key traits arose. The results indicate that our kind of eye—the type common across vertebrates—took shape in less than 100 million years, evolving from a simple light sensor for circadian (daily) and seasonal rhythms around 600 million years ago to an optically and neurologically sophisticated organ by 500 million years ago. More than 150 years after Darwin published his groundbreaking theory, these findings PUT THE NAIL IN THE COFFIN OF IRREDUCIBLE COMPLEXITY AND BEAUTIFULLY SUPPORT DARWIN’S IDEA” (<http://www.scientificamerican.com/article/evolution-of-the-eye/Evolution> >> July 2011) (*emphasis mine*)

First of all, note that this quote from *Scientific American* is absolutely unprovable scientifically. The generally accepted scientific method for discovery and research relies on three main things: observation, experimentation, and repetition. The article says “these findings”, but they are referring to millions of years ago to which the scientific method cannot be applied. In other words, what the article is suggesting is based on faith in nothing but pure assumption and conjecture. So this is not real science at all. It does not “beautifully support Darwin’s idea.” However, I like the word *idea*, because that is what macroevolution is, just an idea without real scientific support. Now compare the above with a quote from Dr. Ming Wang, a world-renowned eye surgeon with his MD from Harvard and his PhD in laser physics from MIT. He has performed over fifty-five thousand eye surgeries and holds ten patents in this field:

“As a medical doctor and a scientist I can firmly attest to the fact that it is impossible for natural selection [evolutionary mutations] to explain the amazing intricacies of the eye.”

So what would be the most logical, scientific and common-sense explanation for the existence of human eyes? It takes faith to believe that they evolved over millions of years, and it also takes faith to believe that there is a Creator who created our eyes. The former belief is based on unscientific assumptions only, but the latter is supported by both the scientific evidence of the extreme complexity of eyes, and also by a reliable witness and written record—the Bible. Here’s what the Bible says:

**“The hearing ear and the seeing eye, the Lord has made both of them” (Proverbs 20:12).**

Of course, it was God himself who was witness to the forming of the eyes because He created them. And the Bible is the written record that has been shown to be accurate and trustworthy, because it was written by men who were supernaturally inspired by the Holy Spirit of God. What a treasure we can hold in our hands. Yes, it is a book printed on paper with ink, but so much more. Jesus said, **“The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life” (John 6:63).**

# Evolution: America's Pagan Classrooms

by Rod Butterworth

The news channels reported recently that authorities are trying to apprehend some young Americans attempting to leave America for Syria. It is believed they hope to join ISIS to participate in terrorist warfare. How could such a thing happen in Christian America? Well, is America still a Christian nation? We have been told by President Obama that America is not a Christian nation, so what is the truth? What is happening to our young people that they would be willing to join terrorist groups who vow the destroy America and the freedom she stands for?

Consider the scientific law of cause and effect. There has to be a cause to explain the effect seen in young Americans who are actually willing to take up arms against the country in which they were born, and from which they have received the benefits of education and work. Of course, there are also those who were not born here but have become naturalized citizens like myself. Some of these, unlike myself, have never really assimilated into American culture, and their political and cultural sympathies have remained with their ethnic background and birth country.

We could probably think of many possible reasons for the unrest and turmoil taking place in our country in this 21st Century, but I believe the main underlying cause is spiritual. Without a strong spiritual foundation there is bound to be moral, educational and political deterioration and confusion. The enemy of God is strategically clever by taking our educational institutions hostage in order to promote a humanistic evolutionary philosophy.

If I were Satan and I wanted to come up with a philosophy to influence people away from belief in the Bible and a Creator, especially the young, what better philosophy is there than evolution? What better philosophy than one that convinces people they evolved from a lower form of life such as apes. What better philosophy than one that says humans are products of unplanned random mutations, and therefore are not accountable to a Creator God.

Evolution provides no foundation for consideration of right and wrong values. Morality is a matter decided individually with no absolute guide. It frees people from any spiritual or moral constraint in their personal lives, and gives them liberty to do whatever they can get away with within the bounds of the culture in which they live. This is what colleges and universities are teaching based on evolution's atheistic philosophy. An alarming fact is that hundreds of humanistic college and university professors are purposely fostering hatred of America in the minds of their students, and we should realize that intellectual professors are very intimidating to the average 18-24-year-old. We should

also know that mere intellectualism in a particular discipline does not necessarily translate into wisdom for living and knowledge of the truth. I refer to such deceived intellectuals as *victims of their own intellect!*

We could well ask ourselves the question: What exactly does America stand for today? We know what it stood for from the beginning of this nation when the Constitution and the laws of this land were respected and based on biblical principles. But what about now? Are students in colleges and universities taught the history of America with respect for its Judeo Christian biblical foundation? This, I believe, would now be rare if at all.

A subject that is now considered politically incorrect would be for a professor or teacher to extol the virtues and value of America's biblical foundation. Liberal educators seem to take delight in ridiculing those who believe in God and especially those who accept the Genesis account of origins as real history. One student I know who attended a local college told me his teacher stated publicly before the class, "If there is anyone here who doesn't believe in evolution you are stupid."

Teachers like this are using their influence to plant seeds of doubt in the minds of millions of young people. They have a captive audience, and by continual repetition and apparent intellectual support for their liberal anti-God worldview, they are literally turning young Christian people (not to mention non-Christians) away from their Christian biblical heritage to an anti-American, anti-Bible, and anti-God worldview.

Contrary to the teacher who said anyone who doesn't believe in evolution is stupid, Dr. Gary Parker, biologist and geologist states: "Evolution is not science, never will be science, and never could be science. As a story about the past promoting human opinion above God's Word, evolution is really philosophic naturalism—'humanism dressed up in a lab coat'" (Gary Parker. *Building Blocks in Science*. Master Books: Green Forest AR. 2007 24).

In case my readers are not fully aware of current influences affecting our Christian youth in America, here is a fact discovered through professionally conducted surveys (See *Already Gone* by Ken Ham and Britt Beemer. Master Books. Green Forest AR. 2012): two-thirds of young people who have been raised in conservative evangelical Christian churches are dropping out of church attendance, and are walking away from their Christian faith when old enough to decide for themselves. Did the words you just read in the previous sentence really register with your understand-

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ing? This is something that has never been seen before in this fashion in American history—*two out of three college age young people are exiting church and leaving the Christian faith!* What is causing such an alarming exodus of young people from churches and their previously professed evangelical Christian faith? I would suggest it is mainly because they are not prepared for the onslaught of non-biblical evolutionary humanistic philosophy presented as fact—supposedly supported by real science.

A retired Christian university teacher I had a conversation with did not agree with me. He said it is because these young people are not truly born again Spirit-filled Christians, and that if they were they would not be deceived. I can see some truth in what he said, but I believe he was missing the obvious. Even the most spiritual of us could be deceived if we do not walk in the strength available for us in Christ. The Apostle Paul warned about the possibility of some straying from the truth, and the need for follow-

ers of Christ to be alert to the cunning deceptive ploys of Satan:

**"O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science [Greek= knowledge] falsely so called: which some professing have erred concerning the faith" (1 Timothy 6:20,21 KJV).**

**"Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles [schemings] of the devil" (Ephesians 6:10,11 NKJV).**

Yes, our young people need strength and encouragement to stay true to the Word of God in these increasingly difficult days. CMOTO along with other fine creation ministries is engaging in the battle. Let us pray and believe for many victories in Christ's name.

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