Fossils

Everybody loves to see fossils. The naturalist tells us that fossils are critters that die and are covered by sediment. Sometimes the critter is transported before burial, but most of the time they are not... According to naturalists. Let’s take a brief look at fossils and see what they really tell us.

On a visit to the Grand Canyon, you will find displays indicating that the layers mostly formed in shallow seas or along coastlines of the sea. The reason is because 95%

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Science Reporter Desperation

O, how badly reporters want to discredit the Bible. They often think that archeology is their friend in this endeavour, but so far have come up empty. The latest attempt was their most feeble. We have a link to a web page on our home page so you can see all the fake headlines from around the world. They proclaim the Bible is wrong because researchers found evidence of DNA from Canaanites dating after the Israeli conquest of Canaan. God told the Israelites to wipe out the Canaanites so the Bible is wrong because Israel did not wipe out the Canaanites. Had these “investigative reporters seeking to tell truth to their readers” read a little further to the beginning verses of the Book of Judges, they would have discovered that the Bible says the Israelis failed in this mission. The Bible once again is accurate and “reporters” are once again desperate.

Human Evolution

People sometimes ask me why I don’t talk
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Lizards Undergo Rapid Evolution After...

Introduction To A New Home. Evolutionists used to say that evolution would always happen slowly. Creationists have always said that creatures would evolve quickly after Noah’s Flood as they adapted to radically new environments. Time and time again creationists have been shown to be accurate in their prediction. In 1971 biologists moved five adult pairs of Pod Mrcarum lizards from one island to a different one with a significantly different environment. 36 years later they found huge differences including much larger heads and big changes in the digestive tract. The new island vegetation is much tougher than the original island, hence the changes. Evolutionists, still living in the theory of the 1980s, would say that mutations must actually happen much faster than previously thought. Wrong. The researchers compared the DNA and found it was unchanged! What happened is something most evolutionists are having a hard time coming to grips with: epigenetic changes. DNA Artificial Intelligence causes the genes to be expressed differently.

The Reason For God - 2

Pastor Timothy Keller does not consider himself an apologist (one who supports a viewpoint with logic). But he is actually one of the best apologists alive today for Jesus and the Bible. This is part 2 of a series of articles based on his book, The Reason for God - Belief in an Age of Skepticism. See our web site for previous parts.

“Fundamentalism Leads to Violence.” Indeed, fundamentalism can lead to violence. On the news every day are stories about violence being fostered by...
of all fossils are Marine Fossils. Marine means salt water. Since most layers of rock have marine fossils, it is thought that the layers were deposited in sea water... Oceans and seas.

Trilobites

One of the oldest creatures to live is the trilobite. Trilobites are found at the lowest levels in the strata. They are thought to be among the very first multi-celled life forms. But they don’t actually appear all that primitive. They have an exoskeleton (the skeleton is on the outside of the body, like a lobster) that is fully formed. Of the over 60 different eye types that have supposedly evolved independently, the trilobite is the most complex. I would expect there to be millions of changing fossils between a single-celled creature and a critter that has a skeleton and eyes such as a trilobite.

Nodosaur

This is an amazing fossil find. This dinosaur fossil is complete with scales, amour plating, internal details of ribs, tendons and stomach contents. Wow. The greatest dinosaur find ever.

The problem is that it was found in ocean sediments. How did he get in the ocean? The naturalist explanation is that the critter was swept away by a flooding river and was left floating in the ocean. After entrapped air (caused by decay) escaped the dead critter, it sank to the bottom where it was slowly covered by sediment.

So where do we find critters floating in rivers or oceans and sinking to the bottom and then covered with sediment? Do you know the answer? NOWHERE. Fish kills happen occasionally and we see photos of floating fish. After scavengers and bacteria devour part of the fish, it sinks to the bottom where it is quickly finished off by more bacteria and scavengers PLUS worms can now get their share of the carcass. How long would it take for the critter to be covered by sediment? Many, many years. How long can the remains remain? Well, a whale in similar circumstances will disappear completely in four to six months! How long could the details we see in the nodosaur fossil last?

Hours. Maybe a day or two. The nodosaur fossil could only exist if the critter was caught in a mud flow deep enough to keep out bacteria, oxygen and predators, yet shallow enough to not smash the fossil flat.

Dinosaur Fossil Finds

When we see photos of dinosaur bones it is usually of a dinosaur in a museum. We see a complete skeleton. Complete skeletons are unheard of. Sometimes a skeleton consisting of many bones is found. Using bones the skeletons have in common, complete skeletons can be determined. Skeletons in museums are almost all made of plastic because of the rareness of actual fossils.

Well then, when dinosaur bones are found, what does the “find” look like. First of all, almost all dino bones are found in rock that has clams all around the dino bone. At Dinosaur National Monument, there are freshwater clams. In a few cases, marine clams are found. Either type is found in abundance. The naturalists tell us that the dinos died in the environment where they lived. Then why all the clams? And why do we not find fossil plants? Dinos were eaters of tons of plants. But, we don’t find fossil plants.

How are dinosaur bones generally found? Here is a photo of scientists uncovering fossil bones at Dinosaur National Monument. The various bones are NOT from the same dino, but from many different dinos. Most of the time, a scientist finds bones rather far apart and from different dinos. This drawing below shows how dino bones have been found at Hanson Ranch in Wyoming. The bones are from between 5,000 and 10,000 different dinos! They are all mixed together. Bones from the same dino are not next to each other. Notice that larger bones are at the bottom with smaller and smaller bones as you go up. When there is a sediment flow, the sediment is sorted as it is deposited, with larger particle on the bottom and smaller particles on top, just like the bones at Hanson Ranch. The many thousands of dinos at Hanson Ranch were caught in a HUGE sediment flow and then deposited after the individual dinos were literally ripped to shreds.

Dinosaur graveyards are a testimony to Noah’s Flood. Only in such a huge flood could dinosaur fossils be left as we find them today. In summary, the fossils are found (1) in huge groups with (2) the skeletal bones ripped apart and fossils mixed together randomly (3) with fossils from...
about human fossils. The answer is simple. First is that the story is in constant change. A link on our home page will open a story about the most recent findings that falsify what had been said in the past. Fossils are all about interpretation and speculation. I concentrate on genetics. As we have shown in the past, genetics shows that humans are not related to chimps genetically.

New Paper on RNA

Remember Darwin’s “warm little pond” where life could begin? One of the big problems with life from non-life is answering the question: Where did RNA come from? There absolutely has to be a naturalist source for RNA (DNA too - that is an even BIGGER problem). A new paper shows that a “little warm pond” is a very hostile place for RNA to form. When the researcher says hostile he means the molecule will be chemically destroyed immediately upon forming. Of course, this isn’t really a big problem because the laws of chemistry clearly show that RNA could never occur naturally anyway. The solution: RNA arrived on meteorites. The problem is that if they made it into a warm little pond, RNA or the components of RNA, take your pick, would be destroyed instantly.

Paleontologist Günter Bechly Erased

Bechly is famous in paleontology for his work on dragon flies. But he was pushed out as a curator at the State Museum of Natural History in Stuttgart, Germany. Then his page on Wikipedia disappeared. Why? He followed the evidence and concluded life was intelligently designed.

You can’t beat ID in the research lab, so the only recourse is have ID supporters disappear from sight.

Correction from Last Issue

In the last issue we had an article on C-14 dating. There is an error in the text but the information is correct in the illustrations. Beta decay results in C-14 returning to nitrogen. Beta decay is one of two radiometric decay processes. It clearly shows that fossils formed in the very recent past, mostly during Noah’s Flood.

Design and Ignorance

As is typical of an evolutionist, they have been speaking from ignorance. For years they have been stating that people who think there is design in nature are ignorant of science. A study has been completed and published. Here is what was found: Rejection of, or uncertainty about, aspects of evolutionary science DOES NOT mean rejection of all science. Individuals who find it difficult to accept aspects of evolutionary science overwhelmingly see other sciences as reliable, showing similar trends in attitudes as other groups. Do you think evolutionists will start making statements based on this research?

Dinosaur Family Tree

The dinosaur family tree is certainly interesting in a couple of ways. There are two basic “types” of dinosaurs, those with hips like birds and those with hips that are nothing like bird hips. You would expect that evolutionists would say that birds evolved from the bird-hip-like dinosaurs. That makes since. But, there are modern looking birds found in strata below bird-like-hipped dinosaurs. So, the evolutionists say birds came from dinosaurs with the non-bird-like hips. The view that dinosaurs can be arranged into two basic groups, based on their hips, has been around since 1887. A new tree is being proposed.

The researchers looked at a list of over 450 traits and found that based on the 450 traits, the two hips styles are actually intermixed in the family tree. This shows how arbitrary critter family trees are. The public is generally just shown one trait and told that is the trait to build a family tree on. Other traits that work contrary to the “important” trait are ignored. Even in this new dinosaur family tree, the scientists had to determine the significance of each trait in order to determine what to use and what to ignore.

Human Family Tree

In human evolution, the hip is considered to be the important factor (unless it works against the current thinking). We’ll help you analyze human and ape fossils to see which family tree they should be on.

God, in the person of Jesus Christ, knew we would eventually need glasses, so He made provision.

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one group on another. But the rarest report is where fundamental Christians were attacking another group. That happened some in the past at abortion clinics, but that stopped happening. Today, it is usually political groups attacking each other. The thing to note is that EVERYONE is a fundamentalist, but only a small number engage in violence. We are sinful, self-centered creatures who think we are right and others are wrong... Fundamentalists.

Christians do differ from other fundamentalists. On a live recording made in the 1970s Stephen Stills reminded everyone that “Jesus Christ was the first nonviolent revolutionary.” That reminds us that there are violent people who call themselves Christians, but we are to follow Jesus’ example, which means Christians should always be loving and nonviolent. Though the media likes to point out those few violent Christians, they fail to mention such things as Christians working with the poor, regardless of their religion. Or, that during terrible plagues, it was Christians, at the expense of their own lives many times, who cared for those sick with the plague.

On the African continent today, many countries are experiencing significantly low crime rates. While the USA becomes less Christian and more violent, African countries are turning to Christ with the opposite effect.

How Could a Good God Allow Suffering? This is a question that has been asked since man rebelled against God. And, it is not tied only to Christianity. It might be asked of any religion that has a deity. Philosopher J. L. Mackie states it this way: *If a good and powerful God exists, he would not allow pointless evil, but because there is much unjustifiable, pointless evil in the world, the traditional good and powerful God could not exist.* I must confess that I see that problem with any religion that starts with the assumption that people are born good. How do good people degrade into such savagery? It would almost seem that God would have to be the source of the evil if people are born good.

Christianity has the logical answer to the problem. The Bible teaches that when Adam sinned against God in the Garden of Eden, he caused a fundamental change in all future mankind. Where Adam and Eve were created very good, sin resulted in man being born evil, basically purely self-centered. If your concern is only self-centered, you will not care what happens to others and you will do unto others whatever it takes to ensure you get what we want. You need only look at any aspect of the world from international conflicts to family fights to see the effect of sin.

God is the master of human behavior. He gives us free will to sin all we want, but he will use that sin for good. How can evil be used for good? It is a very good question. Most of the time we cannot figure it out. Philosophers have not figured it out, but since the early 1980s it has been the consensuses of Christian and non-Christian philosophers that we are in no position to determine that evil does not result in a greater good. Just because it appears pointless to us, does not automatically mean it is pointless. We cannot possibly comprehend the actions of an eternal, all-powerful God. To assume we know is to assume we know more than the Creator of the universe, you and me.

*Genesis* 37 to 45 tells the story of Joseph, who is sold into slavery, ends up in jail on false allegations of sexual assault and, in the end, savages the mid-east from starvation.

C. S. Lewis relates this story regarding his atheism before becoming a Christian: *My argument against God was that the universe seemed so cruel and unjust. But how had I got this idea of “just” and “unjust”? . . . What was I comparing this universe with when I called it unjust? . . . Of course I could have given up my idea of justice by saying it was nothing but a private idea of my own. But if I did that, then my argument against God collapsed too - for the argument depended on saying that the world was really unjust, not simply that it did not happen to please my private fancies . . . Consequently atheism turns out to be too simple. Basically, the problem is that atheism requires no God and no standard for right and wrong. As leading atheist Richard Dawkins has said, there is no good, no evil, no right and no wrong. Randomness has no standard. For the atheist to declare something truly wrong, the atheist must borrow from Christianity.

The Hero in this tale is Jesus Christ. God came to earth and experienced the evil we experience and then died a cruel death. He understands our complaint and died so we can live forever in a world with no evil or suffering! CRM

**QUOTE:**

The remaining 1,177 cases were declared to be orphans, because they lack orthology, paralogy, or homology to known genes and are not obvious artifacts... If the orphans represent valid human protein-coding genes, we would have to conclude that the vast majority of orphans were born after the divergence from chimpanzee. Such a model would require a *prodigious* rate of gene birth in mammalian lineages and a *ferocious* rate of gene death erasing the huge number of genes born before the divergence from chimpanzee. We reject such a model as wholly implausible. We thus conclude that the vast majority of orphans are simply randomly occurring ORFs that do not represent protein-coding genes. (Emphasis ours)


**POINT:**

Many genes share similarities across different kinds of creatures. Orphan genes (ORFs) are genes that are totally unique to a single kind of creature. Let’s dissect this quote. The first sentence acknowledges there are 1,177 human genes are totally unique. Nothing even slightly similar is found in other creatures. The function of many orphan genes has been determined. The function of many has not yet been determined but we know the code is being transcribed and therefore probably does something. The authors are stating that there is no way new orphan genes could come into being and unneeded orphan genes could disappear in the short time since humans diverged from chimpanzees. We agree! Their conclusion is that the orphan genes are not really genes at all. They state this in spite of the FACT that many orphan genes have been shown to be active, working genes. They are saying: Ignore the data gained from research. It couldn’t happen.