

God, the Master-Designer and Creator



The family was exploring the shoreline of a beautiful mountain lake. It was late in the summer and the water level was quite low so there were many things for the youngsters to discover that would ordinarily have been covered by water—empty snail shells, clam shells, rocks of various kinds, even some slabs of limestone covered with fossils.

Presently a unique little rock got Dad's attention and when he bent to pick it up, he couldn't help calling to the rest of the family, "Come here and see what I found." They all came scrambling over to where he was and saw in his hand a small stone, very symmetrically shaped like a triangle, with very sharp edges and small notches on one end. Dad winked at Mom and exclaimed excitedly, "Isn't it amazing what this lake can make!" The children responded with, "Dad! You know better than that! That's an Indian arrowhead and it was made by a person, not by the lake."

How did they know that that small piece of stone was not created by natural processes? They saw **design** in it. And **where there is design there is necessarily an intelligent designer**, even for something as simple as an arrowhead made by a Native American many years before.



The Bible tells us that in the beginning an all-intelligent and infinitely powerful Being created the universe. It describes how He carefully and methodically made all the components and orderly systems that make up the cosmos we live in. It tells us that He created our planet in six days.

The theory of evolution tries to convince us that before the beginning there was a super dense clump of "something" and that clump exploded. Then gravity, luck, long periods of time, and natural selection finally brought order from that total chaos.

It is said that a Rolex watch has somewhat more than 200 parts. If a box with all the correct parts were placed in front of a barnyard chicken, how long would it take for that bird to "assemble" a properly functioning watch? The number of combinations that are possible with 200 parts is 10^{375} (that is the number 10 followed by 375 zeros, which would fill more than four lines on this page), but there is only 1 combination that will work. If the bird pecked once each second and each peck of its beak placed one of those parts somewhere (other than

merely scattering them helter-skelter), how long would it have to peck to “get it right?” There are only 31,536,000 seconds in a year. Our poor chicken would have to spend multiplied billions of years to possibly get the right arrangement for a ticking Rolex. What if the bird had to first make all the parts??? Isn't that somewhat comparable to “natural selection” at work to “create” a complex object or system?



One single living cell needs to have many more than 200 parts and systems perfectly functioning all at the same time in order to live and survive, and those factors are multiplied if it is part of a larger organism. How can an explosion and chance and time bring it to life? It must have come from a highly intelligent Designer with awesome creative ability.

When we look around at the various parts of the natural world, we see abundant evidence of design—in the plants, birds, animals; in the marvelous and delicate balances and interdependencies of the whole ecosystem; and from the vast realms of stars and galaxies down to the minute electrons and quarks. Logic tells us that these are all the works of a Master Designer.

Why do so many intelligent people think that the complex world we live in is a random arrangement of miscellaneous gases and other elements that in some way came together properly and began to function with life and order? It would seem that the theory of unguided evolution could hardly fool a young child and yet it has been taught as “fact” in science textbooks for many years.

Some have tried to advance the theory that God did create the world, but not in six literal days as the Bible describes. They reason that He worked at it for long eons of time. Is it possible that the earth and its systems of life developed through hundreds of millions and even billions of years?

Consider this: Scientists have been able to calculate that the sun is shrinking at a rate of one tenth of one percent per century. They have been observing this phenomenon for the past 100 years. This would calculate out to a decrease in the sun's diameter of five feet per hour. That isn't much when you consider that the sun is nearly a million miles in diameter. Now if you believe that the earth is only 6000 years old, like Scripture says, that is no problem—only 6% shrink. But if you think the earth is millions or billions of years old, factor this into your theory: only twenty million years ago, the sun would have been so large that it would have been nearly touching the earth, and no life could have existed. The theories that include long ages for life to develop on the earth are not plausible.

What did God make on each of these days of creation?

1st day (Genesis 1:3-5)

2nd day (Genesis 1:6-8)

3rd day (Genesis 1:9, 10)

(Genesis 1:11-13)

4th day (Genesis 1:14-19)

5th day (Genesis 1:20-23)

6th day (Genesis 1:24, 25)

(Genesis 1:26-31)

7th day (Genesis 2:1-3)

Notice that God created the basic necessities for plant life (light, air, soil, water), then plants, then all the creatures that depend on those plants for their life. In this food chain, we again can see careful design.

When you purchase a new product, whether it is an appliance or a vehicle or some other machine, an Owner's Manual is almost always provided. It tells you how to get the best service from your new purchase—warnings, suggestions, and even legal requirements to maintain warranty coverage, etc. Since God is our Creator, He has also given us a Manual with warnings and requirements, etc. to guide us through life—the Bible. If we don't follow what it says, we will not only have problems in this life, we will forfeit any right to the eternal life that He has promised to those who accept Him as Ruler of their life and sincerely obey Him.

For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist. Colossians 1:16, 17



Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created. Revelation 4:11

Because God is the Master Designer and Creator of everything, He deserves our respect and worship.

What part of creation would you like to thank God for today?

What evidence shows you most convincingly that God is the Creator?