

We See by Faith

As Christians, we believe by faith. But did you know that even evolutionary scientists believe by their own kind of faith? Scientists early in this century, like scientists today, had no evidence that humans had evolved from ape-like creatures.

In 1922 in Nebraska, a tooth was discovered that was said to have belonged to a missing link between human and ape. But what did this creature look like? As is done today, paleontologists began to "reconstruct" "Nebraska man." They reconstructed what the jaw bone around the tooth might have look like, and then the bone touching those bones, and—well, you know how the song goes: "The head bone's connected to the neck bone; the neck bone's connected to the back bone..."

Before long, they had constructed, from that one little tooth, not only what "Nebraska man" looked like, but also what his wife looked like. And they put this "proof" in museums and textbooks. Eventually, they discovered more parts of the animal from which the tooth had come. It turned out to be the tooth of an extinct pig! But even this was wrong—in 1972 living herds of this very pig turned up in Paraguay!

Anyone, including scientists, can make mistakes. But what this true story shows is how, by rejecting God's account of creation, a pig could be made into a human. You see, even the evolutionist's belief is not based on scientific fact but on his own faith in nature rather than in the Creator. We Christians should not be ashamed to admit that we believe by faith, because our faith is built on the solid statements of the uncontradicted Scriptures!

Hebrews 11:1

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

Prayer: Dear Father; I thank You that You have allowed me to hear Your Word and that You have given me faith in Your promises. Teach me, though Your Word, so that I am better able to identify false religious beliefs and carry Your witness. In Jesus' Name. Amen.