



Creation Moments

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THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

A Six-Foot Bat



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Could the giant flying fox be a primate? Some scientists used to think they should be classified as primates. Since 1780, all 950 known species of

bats have been classified in their own category. Microbats have an average wingspan of less than a foot. Megabats are larger. The giant flying fox has a wingspan of six feet!

The evolutionary link between microbats and megabats is dissolving as scientists learn more about them. Although megabats and microbats are very clearly bats, they are constructed in importantly different ways. Microbats rely mainly on echolocation to navigate. Megabats have very large eyes, so that they can see like owls in low light. The nerves that connect the eyes of microbats to the brain cross. As a result, the image from the right eye goes to the left brain, and the left eye feeds its image to the right brain. However, megabats are wired with both eyes feeding into both sides of the brain. This arrangement is otherwise unique to primates!

If bats evolved, these findings mean that bats must have evolved at least twice! It also means that some bats evolved from monkey-like creatures! It makes far more sense to admire God's unlimited creativity. We can logically reason that God gave His larger bats eyesight like that of a monkey, because their needs are similar.

REF.: The eyes have it: megabats are primates. Discover. Image: Flying box (megabat) in Australia, Envato.

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