

The Battle for the Beginning, Part 5

Who's the Moron in the Room?

1. The evolutionist/naturalist has a problem with his ...

A. Unanswered _____ [philosophy of explaining the fundamental of being] questions.

1. Is the material universe eternal?

a. If not, why hasn't it wound down?

2. The evolutionist has a vast array of problems that begin at the most basic level.

a. What was the first cause that caused everything else?

b. Where did matter come from?

c. Where did energy come from?

d. What holds everything together and what keeps it going?

e. How could life, self-consciousness, and rationality evolve from inanimate, inorganic matter?

f. Where did intelligence originate?

g. Are we to think of the universe as a massive perpetual motion apparatus with some sort of impersonal intelligence of its own?

3. The truth? Philosophical naturalism [evolution], because of its materialistic and antisupernatural presuppositions, is incapable of offering any answers to those questions.

a. His most basic dogma is that everything happens by natural processes, nothing is supernatural, and there can be no Creator.

b. That means there can be no design and no purpose for anything.

1b. Evolutionists can provide no basis for believing that human life is particularly valuable and significant.

• **Actually, if he is true to his principles, he must concede that humanity is nothing but a freak accident without any purpose or real importance.**

B. _____ [reasoning conducted according to strict principles of validity].

1. In the place of God the Creator, the evolutionist has substituted chance – sheer fortune, accident, happenstance, serendipity, coincidence, random events, and blind luck.

a. Chance is the engine that evolutionists believe drives the evolutionary process.

2. Essentially, evolution teaches that over time and out of sheer chaos, matter evolved into everything we see today by pure chance, and without any particular design.

a. he says that the evolution of our world with its intricate ecosystems and complex organisms is simply the result of a very large of indiscriminate but lucky accidents of nature.

• **In his mind, chance is elevated to the role of creator.**

b. Jacques Monod, 1965 Nobel Prize winner for his work in biochemistry, wrote a book, *Chance and Necessity*, in which he says, "Man is alone in the universe's

unfeeling immensity, out of which he emerged by chance ... Chance alone is at the source of every innovation, of all creation in the biosphere. Pure chance, absolutely free but blind, is at the very root of the stupendous edifice of evolution." [JMAC; The Battle for The Beginning/35]

- **Mathematical probability can only measure what actually happens.**
- **Chance is not the intellect that designs the pattern of mathematical probabilities.**
- **Chance cannot design the coin, create the atmosphere and gravity complement, build the surface it falls upon, nor even flip the coin.**
- **Chance is nothing.**

3. Simple thought reveals to us the truth that there are no uncaused events.

a. Every effect is determined by some cause; even the flip of a coin requires a cause.

PowerPoint: Common sense tells us that even whether the coin comes up heads or tails is caused by something.

- How hard the coin is flipped, from what height it falls, the wind motion that effects its rotation, the surface on which it bounces, and how many times it bounces, all determine whether or not it comes up tails or heads.
- Although we cannot control all of those forces, still those forces determine whether the coin comes up heads or tails.

- **What appears to be totally random and undetermined it nevertheless controlled by something.**

c. Another basic premise of evolutionary science is that everything evolved from pre-existing matter and energy and just, by chance, began to form into the complex entities we see in life today.

PowerPoint: Common sense logic informs us that every watch has a designer and a maker, every building has an architect and a builder, every automobile has a designer, an engineer, and a manufacturer.

- **Every arrangement has a designer and a plan.**

C. _____

1. The basic premise of evolution is that different species share common ancestors.

- **Show me one monkey that subsequently became a rabbit; show me one example of a cat that became a bird.**

D. _____

1. The evolutionist's formula for the universe is: nobody times nothing equals everything.

a. Everything we see simply evolved by chance from a total void; there is no Creator, no design, and no purpose.

2. The principles of all mathematics disagree - $__ \times __ = __$. $__ + __ = __$ $__ - __ = __$

E. _____

1. One of the oldest principles of philosophy is *ex nihilo nihil fit* – out of nothing, nothing comes.

a. When scientists attribute power to chance they have left the realm of reason, they have left the domain of science.

1a. They have tuned to pulling rabbits out of hats.

F. _____

1. What prompts someone to embrace such a view as this?

a. Why would someone opt for a worldview that eliminates all that is rational?

2. The evolutionist's motive is not discovery or even science, it is love of sin.

a. It is the desire to sin without fear of consequences.

b. Millions of people have opted for an irrational world view just so they can live in their sin without shame or guilt.

c. Who is driving evolution? Satan, the father of lies; he knows people all too well and he give them a philosophy that will insulate them in sinful rebellion toward God, knowing all the while that they will end up in his fiery hell when they die.

G. Fruit

- **Naturalism is a formula for futility; it erases the image of God from our race's self-image, deprecates the value of human life, undermines human dignity, and subverts morality.**

2. Who is the moron in the room?

A Let God answer the question.

- **But naturalists/evolutionists look at the universe and conclude that nothing designed it, nothing made it; it merely happened by accident, chance brought it about. That is absurd [wildly unreasonable, illogical, inappropriate] and moronic [foolish and stupid].**
- **The age-old religion of fools, pagan, godless; why do our schools and universities accept it without challenge?**

Ken Ham, Answers in Genesis [various]; Henry Morris: "The Genesis Record;" John MacArthur: "The Battle for the Beginning."