

## Existence of God, part 3

- a) Living Things: There are 11 million species of them and the chance for even 1 to spontaneously exist is very, very low.
  - Variety
  - Efficiency
  - The chance of a one celled organism being formed from nothing (through chemical reaction or something similar) is 1 in  $10^{4000}$  ... remember how big 1 in  $10^{157}$  was?
- b) The Human Being: by far the most complicated thing in the universe.
  - The potential capacity of the human brain is about the same as 20,000,000 books ... we are complicated creations!
  - Amino Acids
  - DNA
- ii. Darwin and the human eye
  - a) In his book, there was also a section addresses problems with his theory
  - b) One thing he notes is the complexity of the human eye ... how it focuses, translates light to the brain, flips it upside-down, etc ... says that it is absurd that the human eye could evolve.
- iii. Evolutionists say with right materials, enough time, and enough energy, anything could happen (lack of information).
- iv. Psalm 139:14 — David says he is fearfully and wonderfully made.
- v. Romans 1:28 — men just don't want to believe in God ... this is why, even though it is easier to believe in God than evolution, that they never will.

### II. Moral Law

- A. There exists in every culture clear ideas of right and wrong.
  - i. As they compared all the different tribes, they found that they generally follow the ten Commandments of Exodus. (murder, adultery, stealing, lying, etc.)
  - ii. These laws do not describe the way things are but the way they should be! So where did the ideas come from? There is no natural explanation!
    - a) Scientists say that we create our own set of rules as we progress ... but the rules are still broken.
    - b) Romans 2:14-15 ... God had never expressly told the Gentiles His commands, but they still existed. The Bible teaches that God placed these laws in our hearts.

### III. Human Existence (Being)

- A. Man is distinctly different from animals. He can think about his existence and the purposes for it.
  - i. When was the last time a dog or cat wondered around thinking about their existence?
  - ii. Man thinks that there *should* be a meaning to life and is often searching for it. There is a point to life and existence.
  - iii. Intellectual Opposites:
    - a) Decartes - "I think therefore I am"
    - b) Augustine - "You have created us for yourself and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you."
- B. Because we have this awareness of our existence this causes us to sense there is a purpose for it. Man naturally feels that life is meant to be meaningful.
  - i. If we were built like dogs and cats, we wouldn't be troubled by these questions, but we were created to have a relationship with God and so we naturally search for this.

### Special Revelation

#### IV. God's Word

- A. In a court hearing, if you are having a dispute and want to prove your case, it is always good to have a written document supporting your claim.
- B. The Bible is that document ... a written record of God's dealings with man and the revelation of His plan and purpose for all humanity.
  - i. If someone has a problem with the Bible being proof ... In a court of law, the person providing the document isn't required to prove its authenticity, but the person against it is required to disprove it.
  - ii. Can they prove it wrong? No ... Historical Reliability, Harmony, Prophecy, Scientific Accuracy.
  - iii. John 20:31

#### V. Jesus Christ

- A. If someone says God doesn't exist ... Jesus was God appearing in human flesh and it has been proven that He lived.
  - i. Jesus revealed the Father to us.
  - ii. He split history in half (year naming convention)
- B. The Resurrection — evidence exists and it has been proven that Jesus has risen.
- C. God met man where he was at in a way he could understand ... he was God in the flesh (John 1:14)
  - i. No man has seen God, but we've seen as much as possible that could be placed inside a man's body. (John 1:18, Colossians 2:9)

#### VI. Changed Lives

- A. One of the most convincing things you can share with a person is your testimony! John 9:25!!
- B. Humanistic programs have shown that there is usually a 5-10% success rate
  - i. Godly programs who have people changed by the Holy Spirit have a 60% or so success rate!
- C. Testimony of Yura in Kagarlyk.
- D. No one can disprove what has happened to you.
  - i. We know the power of God personally.
  - ii. We know the joy, fullness, confidence ... because we have experienced it ourselves.