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- 1. The Bible's Witness (were you there? No, only God was!)
- 2. <u>Information</u> (DNA blueprint for life, information only comes from a mind)
- 3. Formation of First Life (spontaneous generation is impossible)
- 4. Design and Beauty of Living Things (explain metamorphosis!)
- 5. Second Law of Thermodynamics (things naturally deteriorate)
- 6. <u>Irreducible Complexity</u> (all parts of a complex system are needed)
- 7. Existence of the Universe (created itself from nothing? Really??)
- **8.** Fine-tuning of Physics (inter-related forces are finely balanced)
- 9. Fine-tuning of Earth for Life (right distance from the Sun, water)
- 10. Abrupt Appearance in the Fossil Record (oldest fully formed)
- 11. Human Consciousness and Language (mind is more than the brain)
- 12. Human Reasoning and Logic (just chemical reactions in the brain?)
- 13. Sexual Reproduction (matching male and female independently?)
- **Morality** (our sense of right and wrong)
- **Miracles** (violations of natural law by reliable witnesses)

#1: The Bible's Witness

The Bible is true. The history of the Bible is true. The words of the Bible concerning our origins were given to men to write down, by God, who was the only living being present. We were not there! God said He created the universe. God said He created all living things. We know that life is much more than chemicals. God put His life into Adam and that life has been transferred from generation to generation all the way down to us!

- The Bible does not try to prove that God exists, for this knowledge is written on our hearts
- Both the Bible and creation show us God
- Prophecies fulfilled attest to the truth of the Bible
- The martyrdom of the Apostles attests to the resurrection of Jesus

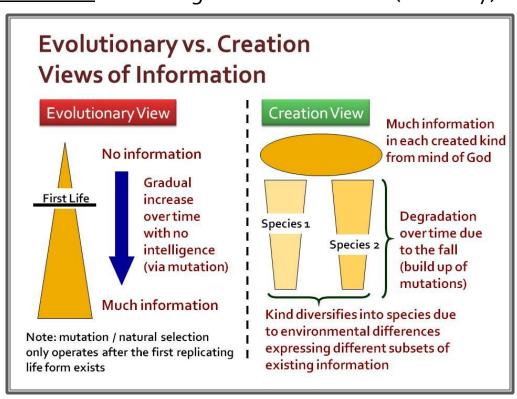
Romans 1:20-25

For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse. For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools ... They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator.

#2: Information

The instructions for how to build, operate, and repair living cells represent a vast amount of information (12 billion binary bits). Information is a mental, non-material concept. It can <u>never</u> arise from a natural process and is <u>always</u> the result of an intelligence. Just as a newspaper story transcends the ink on the paper, life's DNA (like the ink) is <u>not</u> the information, it is simply a <u>physical representation</u> or housing of the information (the story).

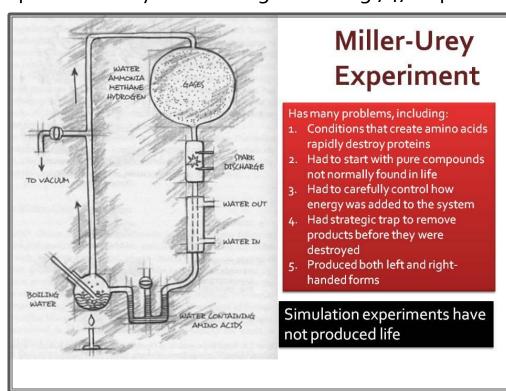
- Life is based on information
- Information <u>always</u>
 comes from a mind
- Information can <u>never</u> arise from a physical process alone (like evolution)
- The information for life (the DNA) came from the mind of God



#3: Formation of First Life

Dead chemicals cannot become alive on their own. The cell is a miniature factory with many active processes, not a simple blob of "protoplasm". Spontaneous generation has long been shown to be impossible (by Louis Pasteur in 1859). Numerous experiments to bring life from non-life have not succeeded. The probability of life forming by chance is like a tornado going through a junkyard and spontaneously assembling a working 747 airplane!

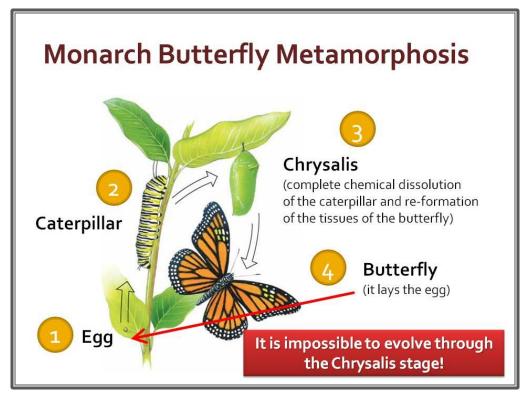
- Spontaneous generation is impossible
- The cell is a complex miniature factory not a simple blob of chemicals
- Numerous experiments to create life have all failed
- Even the simplest life requires tremendous information to be present



#4: Design and Beauty of Living Things

"If it could be demonstrated that any complex organ existed, which could not possibly have been formed by numerous, successive, slight modifications, my theory would absolutely break down." Charles Darwin, *The Origin of Species*. The Monarch Butterfly is a powerful example that proves Darwin wrong. Viruses and other hurtful things in nature are the result of the sin of Adam & Eve introducing decay, struggle and imperfection into our world.

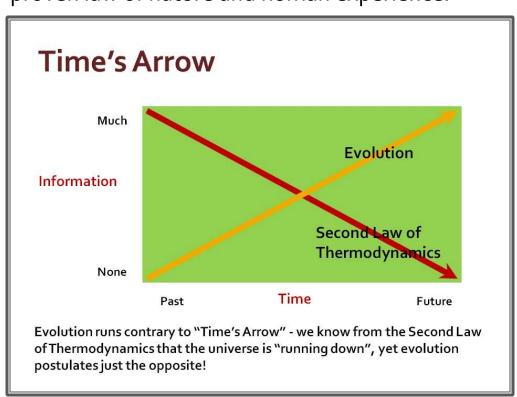
- The intricate design seen in nature demands a designer
- The example of the Monarch Butterfly life cycle proves Darwin wrong
- Beauty reflects God and is unexpected by evolution which is driven only by survival of the fittest



#5: Second Law of Thermodynamics

The Second Law of Thermodynamics refers to the universal tendency for things, on their own, to "mix" with their surrounding environment over time, becoming less ordered and eventually reaching a steady-state. However, the evolutionary scenario proposes the energy of a "Big Bang" structured itself into stars, galaxies, planets and living things, <u>all by itself</u>, contrary to possibly the most well-proven law of nature and human experience.

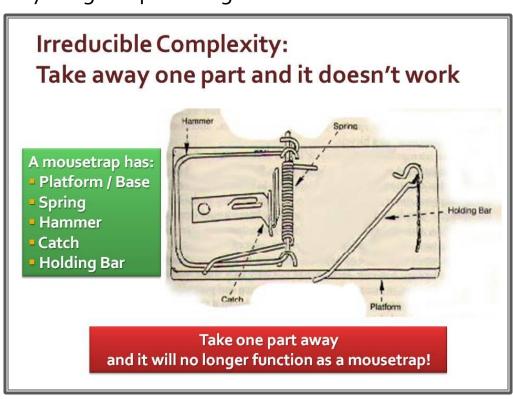
- Things naturally mix and decay over time
- Evolution proposes the opposite, increasing order and complexity over time
- Machinery is needed to overcome this law by harnessing and directing energy for a purpose evolution has no such machinery



#6: Irreducible Complexity

The idea that "nothing works until everything works." The classic example is a mousetrap, which is irreducibly complex in that if one of its several pieces is missing or not in the right place, it will not function as a mousetrap. Many systems, features, and processes of life are irreducibly complex. What good is a circulatory system without a heart? Natural selection has no foresight, and works to eliminate anything not providing an immediate benefit.

- Means "Nothing works until everything works"
- Biological structures in the cell exhibit irreducible complexity
- Evolution cannot produce complex structures in a single generation
- Evolution has no foresight and would select away partial useless structures



#7: Existence of the Universe

Einstein showed that if there is no space there is no time. Before the universe was created there was no space and therefore no concept of time, meaning that an eternal God is consistent with scientific laws. The question "who created God" is therefore an improper/invalid question, as it is a time-based question (concerning the point in time at which God came into existence) but God exists outside of time as the un-caused first cause.

- Something must be eternal as you cannot get the present "something" from a past "nothing"
- The universe had a beginning and is not eternal
- God is the eternal un-caused creator of the universe

The existence of the universe

- Fact 1: Nothing cannot produce something
- Fact 2: We have something (the universe)
- **Therefore:** Something is eternal, either:
 - 1) the universe, or
 - 2) something greater than the universe (God)
 - Otherwise there was a time when there was nothing, but nothing cannot produce something
- Fact 3: The universe has been shown to have a starting point (the Big Bang) and is therefore not eternal
- 6 Conclusion: An eternal God must exist!

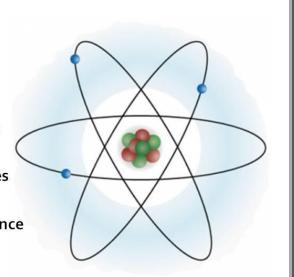
#8: Fine-tuning of Physics

The fine-tuning of the physical constants that control the physics of the universe - the settings of the basic force constants (strong nuclear, weak nuclear, gravitational and electromagnetic forces) are on a knife's edge. A minor change in these or any of dozens of other universal parameters would make life impossible. Some evolutionists say there are many universes, and we are just "lucky" but this idea is outside of science.

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Fine-tuned Physical Constants

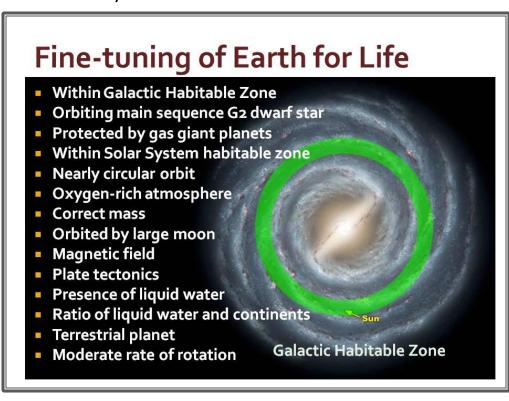
- Proton mass
- Electron mass
- Weak nuclear force
- Strong nuclear force
- Gravitational force
- Electromagnetic force
- Relative strengths of the fundamental forces
- Speed of light
- Carbon energy resonance
- Boltzmann's constant
- Planck's constant



#9: Fine-tuning of Earth for Life

Dozens of parameters are "just right" for life to exist on this planet. If the Earth were just a little closer to the Sun it would be too hot and the ocean's water would boil away, much further and it would be covered continually in ice. The presence of large amounts of water, with its amazing special properties, is also required. Water is the most universal "solvent" known, allowing for dissolving/mixing with the many different chemicals of life.

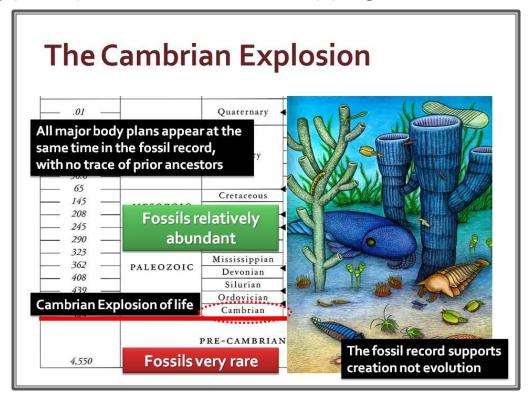
- The Earth is "just right" for life
- This is an impossibly small probability from an evolutionary, random process
- God created the Earth as a special place in the universe, to be inhabited by people He loves



#10: Abrupt Appearance in the Fossil Record

The oldest fossils for every animal or plant are already fully-formed and don't change much over time. Birds are said to have evolved from reptiles but no fossil has ever been found having a "half-scale/half-wing". The geologic column is explained by Noah's flood where smarter, more mobile animals escape the flood waters longer leading to burial from simpler forms to higher-level forms, now wrongly interpreted as an evolutionary progression.

- All major body plans appear in a "geological instant"
- Oldest fossils are already fully-formed and don't change much over time
- Fossil record is explained by Noah's flood, leaving dead things buried in rock layers all over the earth



#11: Human Consciousness and Language

A person is a unity of body + mind/soul, the mind/soul being the immaterial part of you that is the real inner you. Chemicals alone cannot explain self-awareness, creativity, reasoning, emotions of love and hate, sensations of pleasure and pain, possessing and remembering experiences, and free will. The gap between animals grunts and human language is huge and has no evolutionary explanation.

- Chemicals alone cannot explain self-awareness
- Free will is an illusion if the mind and your life is just a series of chemical reactions
- Language separates man from the animals
- The world's different languages are explained by the Tower of Babel

Why is there Evil and Suffering?

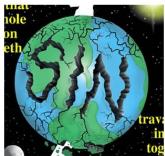
Reason 1

- We are not robots!
- God gave us free will
- Some will decide not to be good



Reason 2

- The sin of Adam and Eve
- Decay started, leading to death
- God cursed the earth, leading to physical calamities



#12: Human Reasoning and Logic

The laws of logic (rational thinking) are non-material in nature and therefore could not have arisen via material processes. Since God made our minds, it makes sense that our minds would have an ability to study and understand the universe. But if the brain is simply the result of mindless evolutionary processes that conveyed some sort of survival value in the past, why should we trust its conclusions?

- Reason cannot be relied upon if it is based just on blind neurological events
- The laws of logic are nonmaterial and unexpected from evolution
- Humans were given reasoning abilities so that we can choose to love God

What I am to do with my life?

Matthew 22:36-39

Which is the greatest commandment in the Law?

Jesus replied: Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment.

And the second is like it: <u>Love your neighbor</u> as yourself.

#13: Sexual Reproduction

Many creatures reproduce asexually. Why would animals abandon simpler asexual reproduction in favor of more costly and inefficient sexual reproduction? Sexual reproduction is a very complex process that is only useful if fully in place. For sexual reproduction to have evolved complimentary male and female sex organs, sperm and eggs, and all the associated machinery in tandem defies the imagination.

- Sexual reproduction is unexpected and unnecessary from evolution
- Gradual development of continually mutually compatible reproductive machinery is absurd
- God created them male and female and blessed them (Genesis 5:2)

Evolutionary Disadvantages of Sexual Reproduction

- Only half of the genes are passed on to an offspring
 - 50% chance of losing a beneficial mutation
- An optimal gene configuration can never be passed on in its entirety
- Biologically costly to maintain the sex organs
- It takes energy to find a mate
- If one sex is eliminated the species becomes extinct

"Sex will be powerfully selected against and rapidly eliminated wherever it appears. And yet this has not happened." (Graham Bell, evolutionist)

#14: Morality

What is the source of our moral values? Our sense of right and wrong? Our desire for justice and fair play? There is no morality in matter – it is simply there. Our morality points to the existence of a personal, moral Creator. The evolutionary idea of "survival of the fittest" is totally at odds with the God of the Bible, who "so <u>loved the world</u> that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life".

- Humans are born with a sense of right and wrong
- God's laws are written on our hearts
- There is no morality in matter – it is simply there
- Evolutionary "survival of the fittest" is not expected to produce morality and is the antithesis of Christian love

Romans 2:14 (The Message translation)

When outsiders who have never heard of God's law follow it more or less by instinct, they confirm its truth by their obedience. They show that God's law is not something alien, imposed on us from without, but

woven into the very fabric of our creation.

There is something deep within them that echoes God's yes and no, right and wrong. Their response to God's yes and no will become public knowledge on the day God makes his final decision about every man and woman.

#15: Miracles

Miracles are violations of natural law that require the presence of a supernatural force. Miracles have been claimed by many reliable people and have sometimes been validated by other reliable people – is it really possible that every last one of them was deluded or mistaken? Jesus performed many miracles such as turning water into wine and healing the sick. But the greatest miracle of all time is the resurrection of Jesus from the dead!

- Miracles require a supernatural cause
- The Bible records many miracles
- Jesus performed many miracles
- There are many accounts of modern-day miracles
- The resurrection of Jesus from the dead is the greatest miracle of all!

How to become a Christian The Gospel message = "Good News"!

- A = Admit (I am a sinner)
 - God demonstrates His own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5:8)
- B = Believe (that Jesus died for your sins He is the Savior)
 - To all who received Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God. (John 1:12)
- C = Confess (that Jesus is Lord)
 - If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. (Romans 10:9)