

Creation Truths

The FOSSILS Speak Out!

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Most people in the Western world “know” that evolution is true. School and college textbooks, newspaper articles and TV programmes, all assure us that evolution is A FACT. The evidence is apparently all around us.

Everybody it seems knows that FOSSILS are PROOF POSITIVE that evolution has taken place. A visit to any museum of science and natural history will reveal a collection of fossils, charts and diagrams that show clear evidence (we are told) that evolution is how the world came to be.

But let’s put the fossil evidence TO THE TEST.

Does the fossil evidence show that *evolution* has taken place — or does the fossil evidence show that the world’s creatures were CREATED?

The Two TESTS

There is a simple test we can apply to the fossil record, to find out what happened in the past.

Evolution teaches that life began “somehow” and then GRADUALLY DEVELOPED over millions of years until we see all the myriad creatures on the earth today. Life began as some sort of “simple cell” (although in fact there is no such thing as a SIMPLE cell!), and went through millions of tiny changes or mutations. Slug-like creatures changed over millions of years into lizards, fish transformed into eagles, tiny rodents developed into horses and, of course, some early ape-type creatures evolved into man.

If this did indeed happen, what should we find in the fossil evidence? The fossil evidence would clearly show us endless examples of the CHANGES. There should be literally millions of examples of one sort of creature changing —or evolving — into another. The fossil record of fish, birds, insects, mammals, even flowers and trees, should show almost endless illustrations of *transitional forms*. It should be easy to

identify many, many LINKS between one type of creature and those others that it allegedly evolved into.

On the other hand, IF God made the fish “after their kind”, and the birds “after their kind”, and the animals “after their kind” — then the fossil evidence would NOT SHOW any *transitional forms*. Dogs would always be dogs, cats would remain cats, frogs would stay as frogs and mosquitoes would forever be mosquitoes. There would be a *complete absence* of any links.

The two tests are fairly simple to understand and apply. So when we look at the fossil evidence, *what do we see?*

The MISSING Links

Charles Darwin, who did much to popularise evolution with his book *The Origin of Species* in 1859, stated:



Fossils arouse great interest and excitement ... But do they actually prove that evolution has occurred — or the exact opposite!

But as by this theory innumerable transitional forms must have existed, WHY DO WE NOT FIND THEM imbedded in countless numbers in the crust of the earth? ... this, perhaps, is the most obvious and serious objection which can be urged against the theory [of evolution].

How did Darwin explain away the ABSENCE of all the transitional forms and links? He simply theorised that fossil-hunters hadn't yet found them! Back in the early 1800's, the study of fossils was just beginning in earnest, and Darwin assumed that over future years a multitude of transitional forms would be found.

Well, nearly 150 years have now passed. Fossil hunting is big business these days. Have the *missing links* now been located? Has evolution passed THE TEST?

The Dean of the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago has noted,

Well, we are now about 120 years after Darwin and the knowledge of the fossil record has been greatly expanded. We now have a quarter of a million fossil species but the situation hasn't changed much. The record of evolution is still surprisingly jerky and, ironically, we have EVEN FEWER examples of evolutionary transition than we had in Darwin's time!

One very well known and ardent evolutionist, Stephen Jay Gould, writes:

All palaeontologists (students of fossils) know that the fossil record contains precious little in the way of intermediate forms; transitions between major groups are characteristically ABRUPT. The extreme rarity of transitional forms in the fossil record persists as the TRADE SECRET of palaeontology.

New species almost always appeared SUDDENLY in the fossil record with NO INTERMEDIATE LINKS to ancestors in older rocks of the same region.

Dr. Niles Eldridge of the American Museum of Natural History admits:

But the smooth transition from one form of life to another which is implied in the theory is ... NOT BORNE OUT BY THE FACTS. The search for "missing links" between various living creatures ... is probably fruitless ... because they probably NEVER EXISTED as distinct transitional types ... no one has yet found ANY EVIDENCE of such transitional creatures. If it is not the fossil record which is incomplete then it MUST BE THE THEORY.

A professor in the School of Geology and Geophysics at the University of Oklahoma writes:

Despite the bright promise that palaeontology provides a means of "seeing" evolution, it has presented some nasty difficulties for evolutionists the MOST NOTORIOUS of which is the presence of "GAPS" in the fossil record.

Evolution REQUIRES intermediate forms between species, and palaeontology (the fossil record) DOES NOT PROVIDE THEM.

And we could continue to quote many more such statements from well-known and respected scientists. Very rarely will such admissions appear in school or college textbooks. Scientists prefer to keep these rather embarrassing details to themselves!

The Fossils SPEAK OUT!

So when we look at the fossils, what do they tell us? What is their MESSAGE to those who have an unprejudiced mind?

The fossils DO NOT CONTAIN the "innumerable transitional forms" that would be necessary if evolution had happened. They are missing links — and they will stay missing — because they NEVER EXISTED!

The fossils show living creatures whose appearance is ABRUPT! They appear SUDDENLY! There are GAPS everywhere! Dogs have always been dogs, and crocodiles have always been crocodiles!

This is EXACTLY as we would expect from what the Bible tells us in the Genesis 1:24-25:

And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature AFTER HIS KIND, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth AFTER HIS KIND: and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth AFTER HIS KIND, and cattle AFTER THEIR KIND, and everything that creepeth upon the earth AFTER HIS KIND .

The only EVIDENCE, or historical PROOF, of evolution would be the fossil record. And the fossil record shouts out ... **EVOLUTION? NO WAY!!!**