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IS ORGANIC EVOLUTION A FACT?

In most circles in our society the Darwinian “theory of organic evolution” is widely accepted as fact. It is taught in public schools as a fact. It is held to be a fact by most institutions of higher learning. It is stated as a fact in the media. Those who reject organic evolution are viewed as either religious fanatics or an ignorant, unenlightened “fundamentalist minority.”

Is the theory of organic evolution a fact? The very definition of a theory suggests that which is speculative and conjectural. If there is sufficient evidence to prove a theory, then it ceases to be a theory. Some have theorized that earth is being visited by aliens from another planet. Yet, merely advancing such a theory does not make it a fact no matter how many people may believe it. Such is the case with the theory of organic evolution. Where is the evidence that takes it from the realm of theory to fact?

Consider this, there is no scientific evidence that life has or can be produced from non-life by purely natural means. Yet, this is a necessary tenet in the theory of evolution. Evolutionists assume that life created itself by a process known as biogenesis or spontaneous generation. In essence this process involved a dead rock which begin to ooze non-living “primeval, prebiotic, organic soup” which was then struck by lightning and the soup came to life. This is, of course, a non-provable assumption. Where is the evidence that such occurred? Since biogenesis is unprovable so is the theory of evolution for biogenesis is required for organic evolution to be a reality.

The Bible identifies the origin of life. “And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.” (Genesis 2:7). “Nor is He worshiped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things” (Acts 17:25). Which is more reasonable to believe - that life created itself by a mere chance occurrence from non-living material, or that an intelligent, all powerful, eternal God produced all life by His creative power? The Psalmist wrote, “The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork” (Psalm 19:1). The intricate design of this material universe is evidence, not only of the existence of God, but that He is responsible for its origin. The placement of the sun and the moon relative to the earth allows life to exist. Is this a mere chance occurrence or by divine design? The existence of gravity which prevents us from floating off into space – is it merely a chance occurrence or is it by divine design?

The theory of evolution is unproven and unprovable. On the other hand, there is abundant evidence that “God created the heavens and the earth.” (Genesis 1:1).