

Up to now various points have been raised to demonstrate the unreasonableness and the unscientific nature of the evolutionary theories of the origin of life. But if the theory of evolutionary origin is invalid, the only alternative is special creation by the Supreme Being we call God. So, what evidence is there to support the Bible's account of creation in the book of Genesis?

At a time when belief in the Bible is at an all-time low, it is fair to add another question - what evidence is there that the Bible is the word of God? Even if you are asking that question, please read on and consider the evidence fairly. After all, if the theory of evolution is full of holes, then life must have originated somehow.

The main lines of evidence for the divine inspiration of the Bible may be briefly stated as follows:

- The consistency of message throughout the book - Over the 1,500 years of its composition its basic teaching is unvarying, despite a varying climate of popular opinions over that time. More important, there is the development of a single theme, and this despite the fact that the writers of the individual sections were often separated by distance or time. This points to a single mind in control of its production.
- The unique character of the teaching of the book - It never mirrored the opinions and standards of the time it was written, as would be expected from a human author. This is of special relevance to the origin of life, as we hope to show shortly.
- Its prophecies of future events have come true - Especially significant are the long-term prophecies, some of which are now being fulfilled to the smallest detail 2,500 years after they were given.
- The evidence for the resurrection of Christ - The four gospel accounts depict the full acceptance by Jesus of the Scriptures as the inspired word of God. The powerful evidence provided in these same accounts for the resurrection serves as a proof that the Bible is from God.
- In the event therefore that the Bible can be shown by various lines of argument to be from God, it is logical to accept its statements as accurate, even when verification is not possible.

Throughout the Bible all natural phenomena are described as being the result of specific acts of creation by God. The account of creation in the book of Genesis was recorded by Moses about 3,500 years ago. If Moses had written a merely human account it would have reflected the then current opinions on the subject.

From archaeological discoveries dating from about that time we know what these opinions were, that creation occurred after a battle between the gods of the pagan pantheon. Here is an example of one of the Babylonian creation myths:

“Tiamat and Apsu existed, but after the other gods were born Apsu tried to do away with them because of their noise. One of the gods, Ea, the Sumerian Enki, killed Apsu: then Tiamat, bent on revenge, was herself killed by Ea's son Marduk, the god of Babylon in whose honour the poem was composed.

“Marduk used the two halves of Tiamat to create the firmament of heaven and earth. He then set in order the stars, sun and moon, and lastly, to free the gods from menial tasks, Marduk, with the help of Ea, created mankind from the clay mingled with the blood of Kingu, the rebel god who had led Tiamat's forces” - Enc. Britt.