

Moral Consciousness: Why You Should Believe in Creation—and Not Evolution

Why should you believe in creation and not evolution? I mean, scientifically speaking, haven't we proven that evolution is a fact?

Well, the word "evolution" can mean a lot of different things today. One way it is frequently used is to describe the supposed process by which a single-celled organism slowly, over millions of years, turned into every living thing we see today. This is probably what most people think of when they hear "evolution."

Now if this idea is true, then *everything* had to have evolved at some point, including immaterial things such as human moral consciousness. But this poses a question. You see, evolution is supposedly a naturalistic process that works on material such as DNA. How does a completely naturalistic process evolve moral consciousness—something that is completely immaterial?

This question is a puzzle for many evolutionists. William Provine, an evolutionist and biology professor at Cornell University, once said that one of the implications of evolution is that "No ultimate foundations for ethics exist, no ultimate meaning in life exists, and free will is merely a human myth."

If humans are just the product of evolution, we are nothing more than highly evolved animals, and our brains are nothing more than chemical reactions. So how can anyone hold someone accountable for simply behaving according to chemical reactions in their brains?

But human experience clearly shows us that we should be held

accountable for our actions. Most evolutionists would agree that if someone murders another person, he should be punished. But the question is why? If man is nothing more than another animal, how can we be held accountable? After all, no one punishes a lion for killing a gazelle – or an eagle for snatching a trout from a stream. What makes humans so different?

Some evolutionists will argue that society defines morality. For example, as an American society, we've decided that murder is wrong, so it is wrong. But this can't be right. Other societies, such as Nazi Germany or radical Islamic groups today, believe that murder is perfectly acceptable if it accomplishes their purpose. To be consistent with the idea that ethics are decided by a society, an evolutionist would have to admit that murder is okay for these societies but just not for ours. But we intrinsically know that murdering millions of people in death camps or detonating bombs and killing civilians is morally wrong. Morality simply can't be decided by what a society thinks.

A consistent evolutionist would have to admit that there is *no* such thing as a universal moral ethic in his ideology. And yet most evolutionists certainly would not admit to this. They are being inconsistent with their worldviews.

But the creation worldview does not have this problem. The Bible, the Word of our Creator, Yeshua of Nazareth, provides a foundation for morality. We were created in the image of God. We are *not* animals. As our Creator, only God has the right to set the rules, and He holds us accountable to them. In the book of Romans, we read that God has put His law in our hearts. In other words, we have moral consciousness because God's law is in our hearts.

The Bible also explains why no one can live a perfectly moral life and why we see death and suffering. In the book of Genesis, we read that God created a perfect world but the

first people, Adam and Eve, rebelled against God. They introduced sin into the world, and now we all sin and fail to live up to God's law. But Jesus Christ, our Messiah, stepped into history, living a perfect, sinless life and died on the cross, taking the penalty for our sin upon Himself. He then rose from the dead and offers forgiveness and eternal life to all who will believe.

The evolutionary, naturalistic worldview cannot account for the existence of morality. But creation, as we find in the Bible, explains why we have a moral conscience, why it is broken and why we can have hope—and where we can find forgiveness.

Just one more scientific reason that you shouldn't believe in molecules-to-man evolution: It takes a lot of faith.

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