
Calvary Chronicle

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A Pillar and Ground of the Truth

Welcome:

The membership of Calvary Baptist Church would like to thank you for visiting with us today.

We are a church that is Baptist in doctrine, in other words, we take what we believe directly from the Bible, and we try to teach and preach only what the Bible declares. If you would like to learn more about us please ask or look up our church web-site: <http://idahobaptist.com>

Prayer Requests:

Bro. Asmundson – Leukemia, General health
Bro. Steve Kjeldgaard – Leukemia
Bro. & Sis. Nimmo – General health
Bro. Tim Parrow – Heart problems
Sis. Liz Kjeldgaard – Cancer
Sis. Debby Kjeldgaard’s family
Sis. Ethel Moore – Diabetes, General health
Sis. Rosemary Snedeger and son Raymond
Sis. Norma Johnson

Schedule:

Nursery Workers – Sis. Shelly & Hannah
Men’s Prayer Meeting – December 3, 6:30 a.m.
Fellowship Sunday – December 17th

There is nothing that will ...

make a person look to Christ alone, cling to Christ alone, rest in Christ alone, and love Christ alone than to realize that everything God is, everything God requires, and everything the sinner needs is in Christ alone. We are perfect in Him (Phil. 4:19; Col. 2:9-10)! He is perfect and our being in Him makes us perfect in God's sight.

– Henry Mahan

“Near, so near to God,
Nearer I cannot be;
For in the person of His Son,
I am as near as He!”

Services:

Sunday School – **Roman Catholicism**
Morning Service – 11:00 a.m. **“Yes, there is a God”**
Afternoon Service – 6:00 p.m. **“Just Another Happy Home”**
Wednesday Evening Service – 7:00 p.m. **“Studies in Proverbs”**

Some people today say ...

they are perplexed by the doctrine of God's sovereignty and election. I am amazed that anyone who believes in God should stumble at God's sovereignty and election. For if there is a God, a King, eternal, immortal, invisible, and almighty, He has to be sovereign, and He must do all things according to His will, and He must choose according to His purpose! Whom shall He consult? With whom shall He seek counsel and advice? One may dislike these doctrines; but you cannot get rid of them without denying altogether the existence of the infinite, wise, glorious God of heaven and earth. God would not be God were He not absolutely sovereign in His eternal pre-arrangements.

– H. Bonar

The abiding of the branch ...

in the Vine is a life of never-ceasing growth. The abiding, as the Master meant it, is within our reach, for He lives to give it us. Let us but be ready to count all things loss, and to say, 'Not as though I had already attained; I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which I also am apprehended of Christ Jesus.' Let us not be so much occupied with the abiding, as with *Him* to whom the abiding links us, and His fulness. Let it be *Him*, the whole Christ, in His obedience and humiliation, in His exaltation and power, in whom our soul moves and acts; He Himself will fulfil His promise in us.

– A. Murray

Why don't Poison Dart Frogs...

poison themselves?

Found in Central and South America, the poison dart frog uses its skin toxin for defense and its bright colors as a warning. Each tiny amphibian holds enough toxin in its skin to kill 10 people. Its popular name came from native hunters who very carefully dipped the tips of their hunting darts in the frog's poison. A new study revealed how the frogs survive their own poison, and the answer points to God.

Over 150 years ago, Charles Darwin asserted that nature could select enough traits over time to change one animal kind into another. Could natural processes have accidentally constructed poison dart frogs step by step? If nature's first step was to make the frog's toxin, then what would stop that first batch of toxin from immediately killing the frog, thus ending its imaginary evolution?

Perhaps the frog developed immunity to the toxin first, and its sophisticated biochemical toxin production facilities emerged later so that the toxin could evolve without killing the frog. Does this sound reasonable? Two big problems confront that idea.

First, natural processes do not anticipate future needs or desires. Nature never said, "Hmm, if I could just invent a toxin, it could be useful for future froggy defense." The second problem reaches into the newly discovered details of poison frog immunity. Its toxin works by docking with a specific module of a sodium gate protein found on the outer surfaces of nerve and muscle cells. The toxin targets a module that has 1,836 amino acids, each precisely in its place like so many miniature engine components. The docked toxin blocks the victim's sodium gates from sending vital signals. This freezes muscle cells, thereby stopping the heart. Only when scientists changed the 1,584th amino acid found in most animals (asparagine) to the amino acid that the poison frogs have at that spot (threonine) did the toxin fail to dock. Rats with the frog's version of this protein survived exposure to the toxin just fine.

What are the odds that natural processes would have somehow specified that exact amino acid swap at that exact position, then spread this new version across all poison dart frog ancestors, all before the toxin ever became a glimmer in Mother Nature's imaginary eye? In other words, which came first, the toxin or the frog's immunity to its own toxin?

A powerful Creator like the One the Bible describes would *not* have to build animals in steps.

He could have created each original animal all at once, like Genesis says He did, to avoid all the "which part came first" problems. Plus, a wise Creator could (and a good Creator would) equip creatures with suitable solutions to needs He actually anticipated.

One may ask why a good God would create harmful toxins at all. Well, in addition to protecting creatures, toxins can become medicines when used in measured doses and specific applications. The Lord's wisdom, "beside Him as a master craftsman" from the beginning, anticipated both our research and possible medical interests and these frogs' needs when He-not nature-designed their toxic skin.

– B. Thomas, Acts & Facts

That the theory of evolution ...

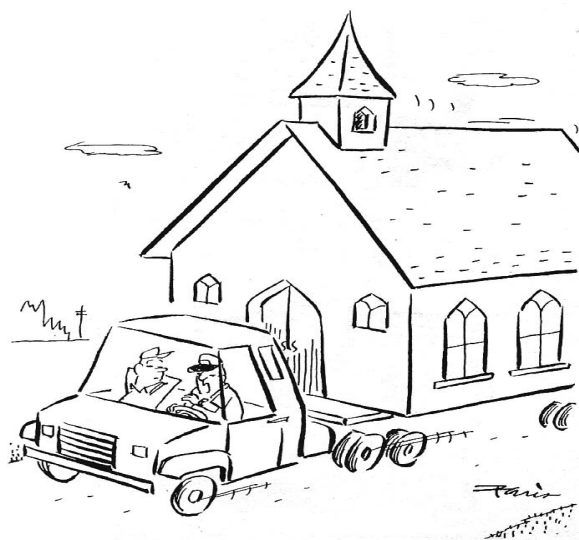
which is so utterly devoid of any legitimate scientific proof could have attained such universal power and prestige in the name of science is surely a remarkable commentary on human nature. ... It is the evidence of man's capacity to deceive himself. The simple fact is that evolutionary theory is both totally false and almost totally successful.

– H. Morris

Every Divine promise ...

is built upon four pillars: God's justice or holiness, which will not suffer Him to deceive; His grace or goodness, which will not suffer Him to forget; His truth, which will not suffer Him to change; and His power, which makes Him able to accomplish.

– T. Manton



“It reminds me that I can't go anywhere without people knowing I am a Christian.”

