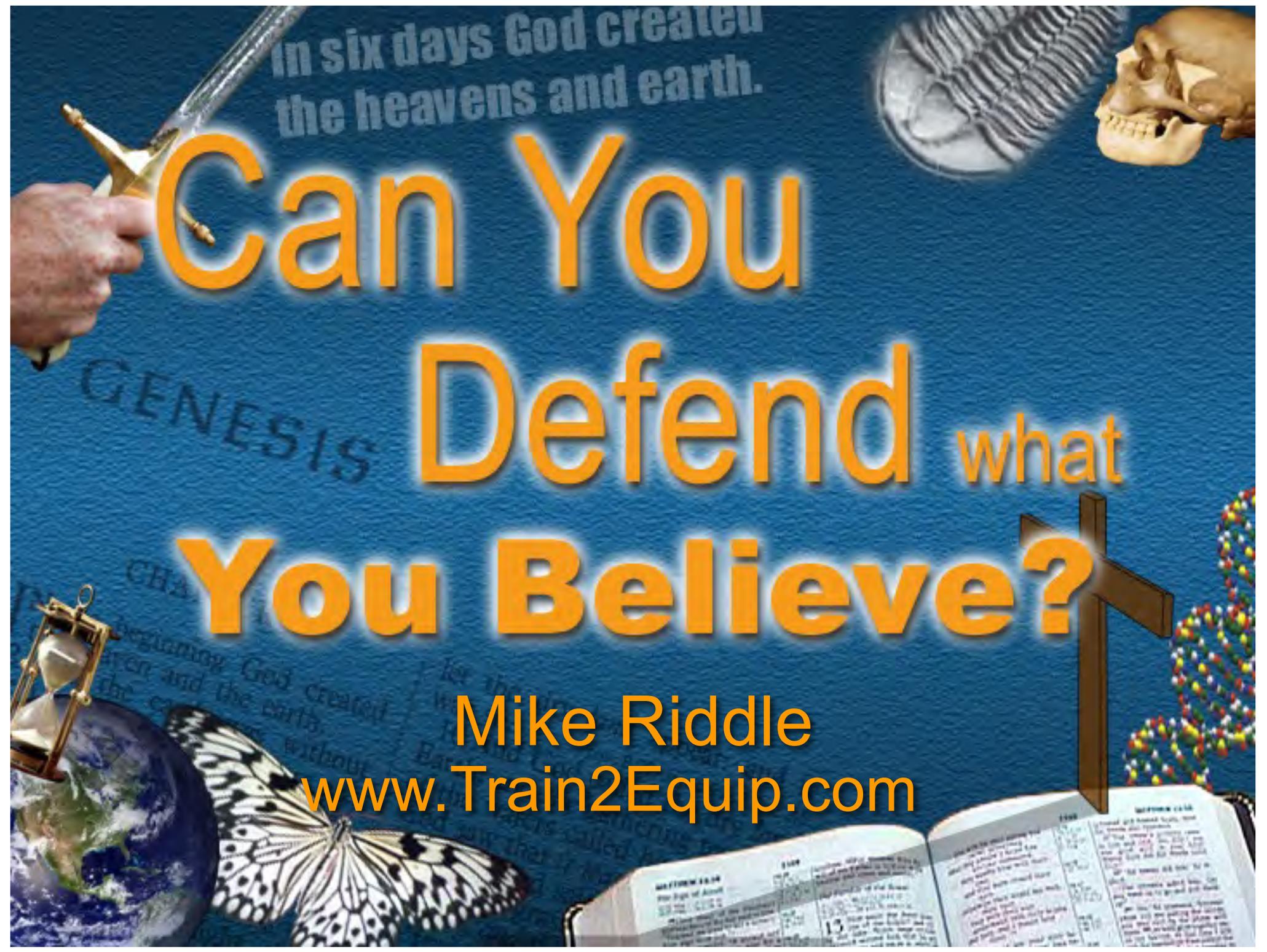


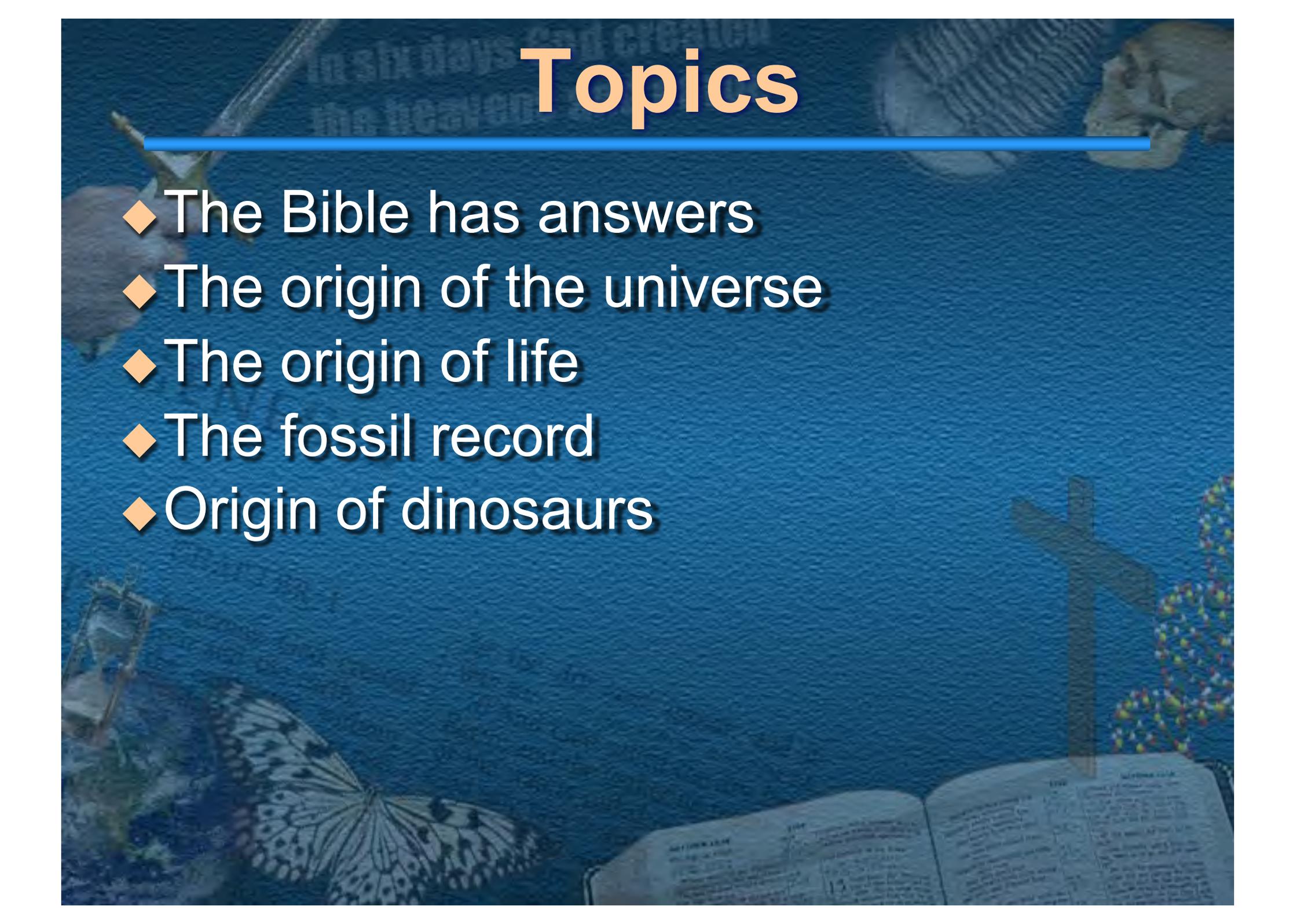
In six days God created
the heavens and earth.

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Topics



- ◆ The Bible has answers
- ◆ The origin of the universe
- ◆ The origin of life
- ◆ The fossil record
- ◆ Origin of dinosaurs

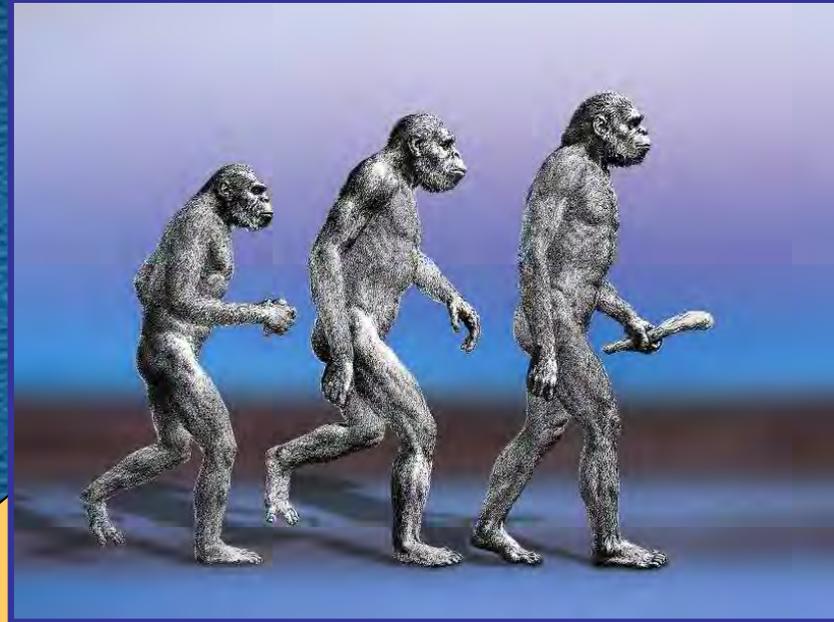
The Bible Has Answers

1. Who created? → God
2. What was created? → All things
3. How was it created? → By His power
4. When was it created? → In the beginning
5. How long did it take to create? → 6 days

The Days of Creation

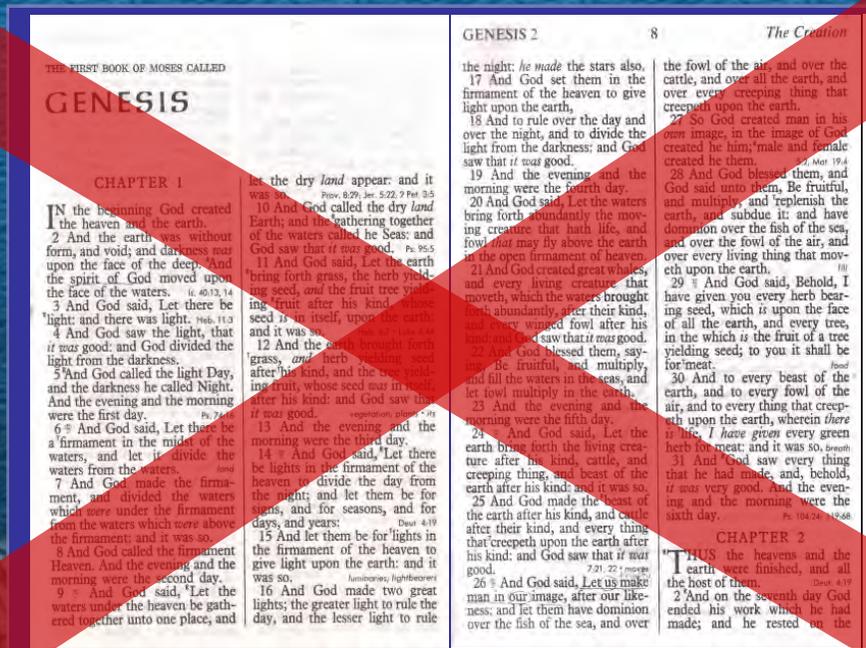
- ◆ Danny Faulkner Ph.D. Astronomy
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- ◆ Tom Greene Ph.D. Astronomy
- ◆ James Dire Ph.D. Astrophysics
- ◆ Dave Harrison Ph.D. Astrophysics
- ◆ Steven Boyd Ph.D. Hebraic and Cognitive Studies
- ◆ Floyd Nolen Jones Th.D., Ph.D. Author of *Chronology of the Old Testament*
- ◆ Herb Hirt Ph.D. Biblical Exposition
- ◆ Robert Cole Ph.D. Semitic languages
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- ◆ Holladay's Hebrew-English Lexicon
- ◆ God - The Ten Commandments (Exodus 20:11)

What Is Evolution?



Evolution

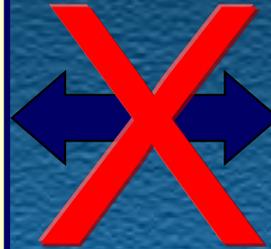
- ◆ Evolution is based on materialism
- ◆ Evolution is the ideology there is no Creator God



Two Worldviews in Conflict

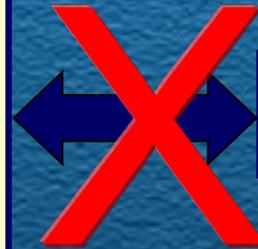
Evolution

The universe exploded into existence out of nothing



In the beginning God created

Life evolved from a pool of chemicals by natural processes

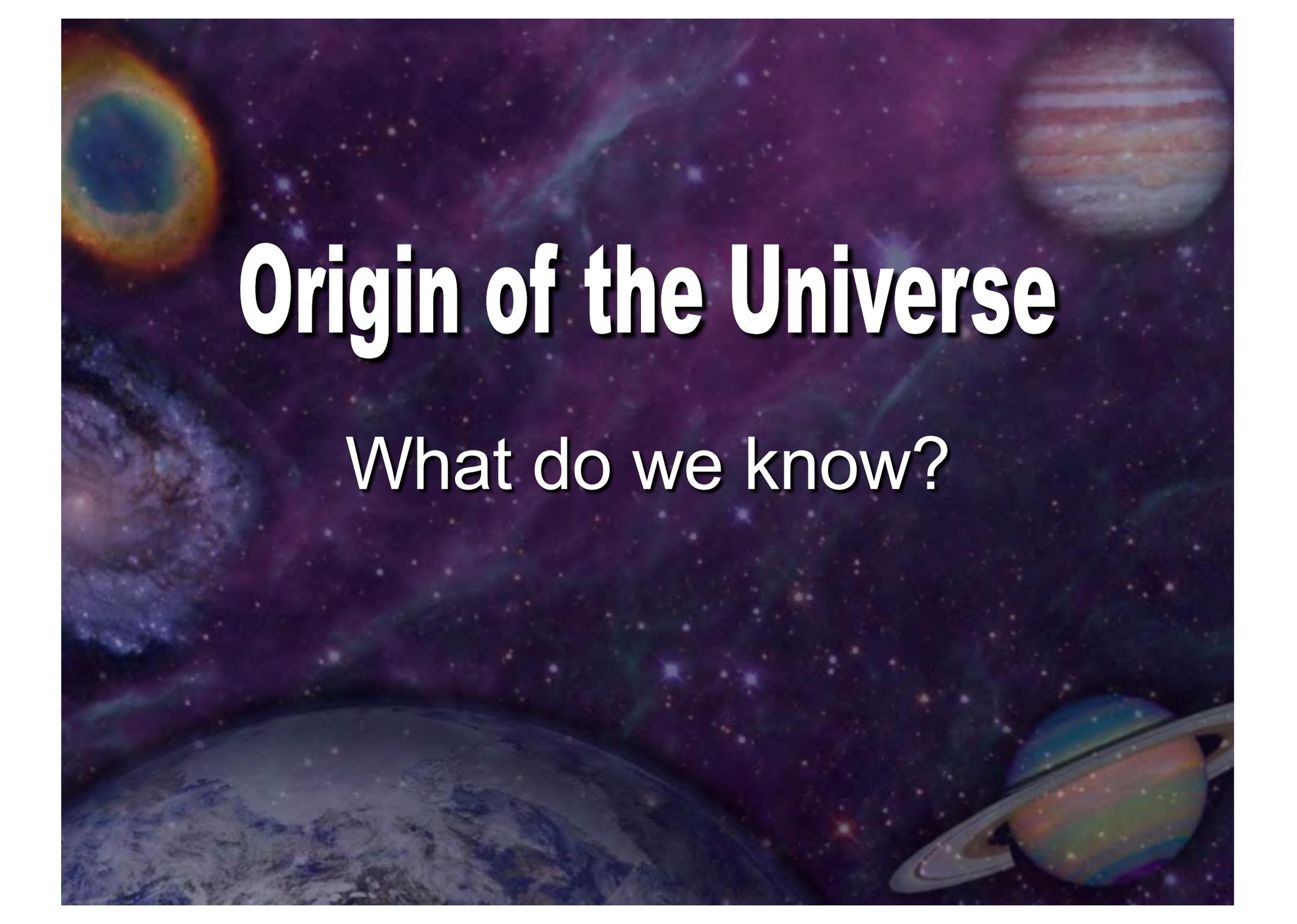


God created all life

Different life forms evolved from a common ancestor over millions of years



God created all life after its kind



Origin of the Universe

What do we know?

The Big Bang

13-15 billion years ago a big bang, or explosion, occurred, creating the universe. The universe began as an infinitely dense, hot fireball, a scrambling of space and time.

Where did the matter come from that created the fireball?



From Nothing to the Big Bang

- ◆ In order to have a big bang, we need something (matter/energy) to go bang.
- ◆ Where and how did this original matter/energy originate?
- ◆ To dismiss or ignore this question means you have a story with no foundation (= FAITH)

Evolution is based on materialism

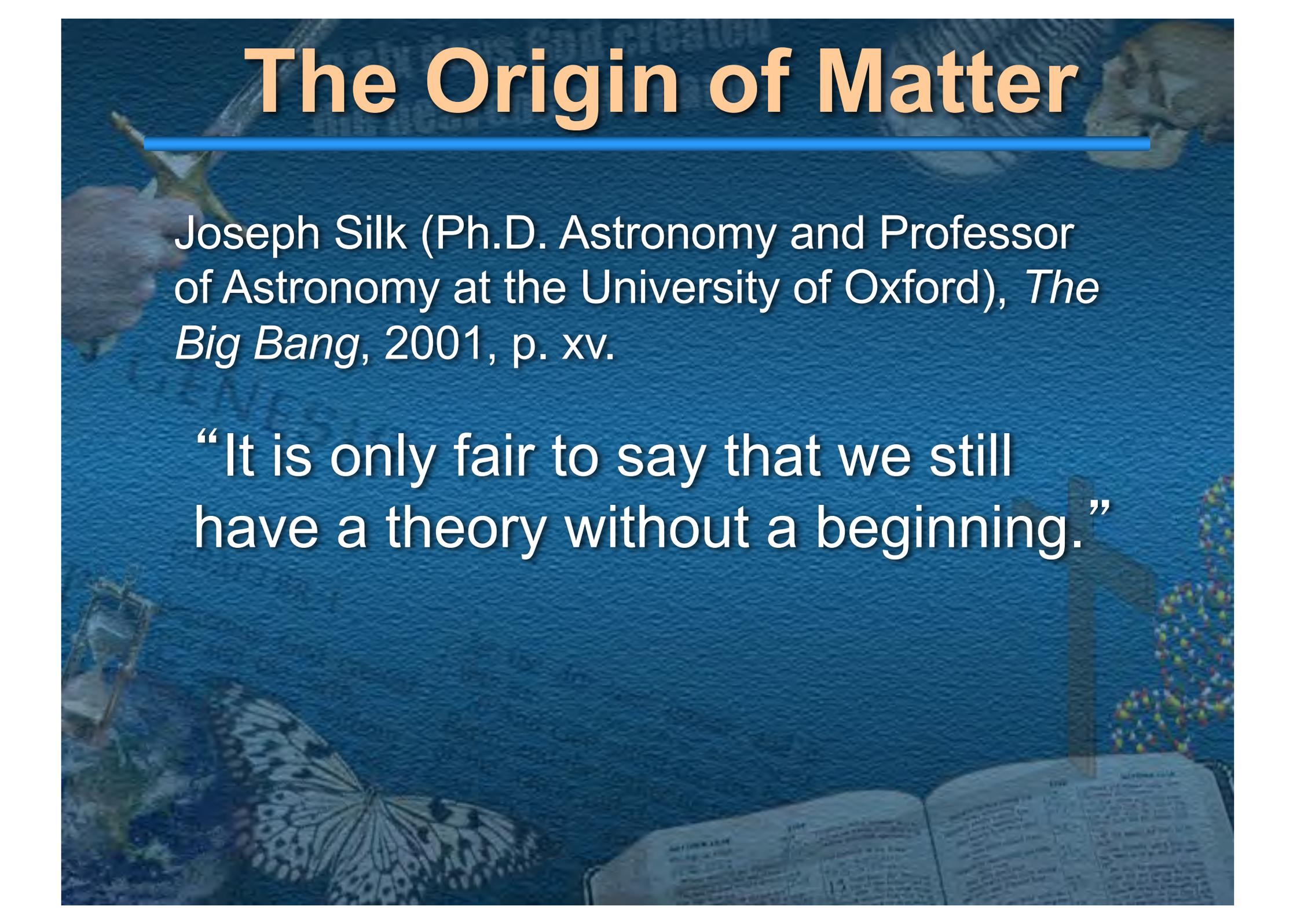
The Origin of the Universe

Where and how did matter and energy originate?

Paul Davies, physicist and evolutionist,
The Edge of Infinity

“[The big bang] represents the instantaneous suspension of physical laws, the sudden abrupt flash of lawlessness that allowed something to come out of nothing. It represents a true miracle...”

The Origin of Matter



Joseph Silk (Ph.D. Astronomy and Professor of Astronomy at the University of Oxford), *The Big Bang*, 2001, p. xv.

“It is only fair to say that we still have a theory without a beginning.”

The Origin of Matter

Sten Odenwald, (Ph.D. Astrophysics and Chief Scientist with Raytheon STX Corp at the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center), *The Astronomy Café*, 1998, p. 120.

“I was happy to announce that astronomers have not the slightest evidence for the supposed quantum production of the universe out of a primordial nothingness.”

Origin of the Universe

If evolution is unable to explain the origin of matter and energy through naturalistic means, then it is without a foundation.

Why should I accept evolution when you cannot produce the evidence? I already have a faith. Tell me about your faith and I will tell you about my faith.

Therefore 

Logical Deduction

It is rational (reasonable) to believe that God, not unknown magical events, created matter and energy.



Evidence: Evolution or the Bible

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How Did Life Start?

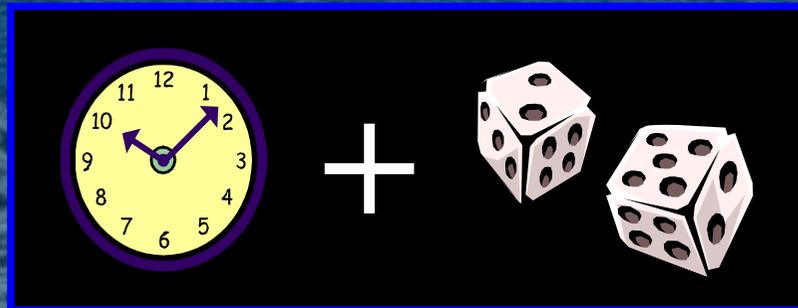
Two possible origins for life

1. Life evolved by natural processes
2. Life was created



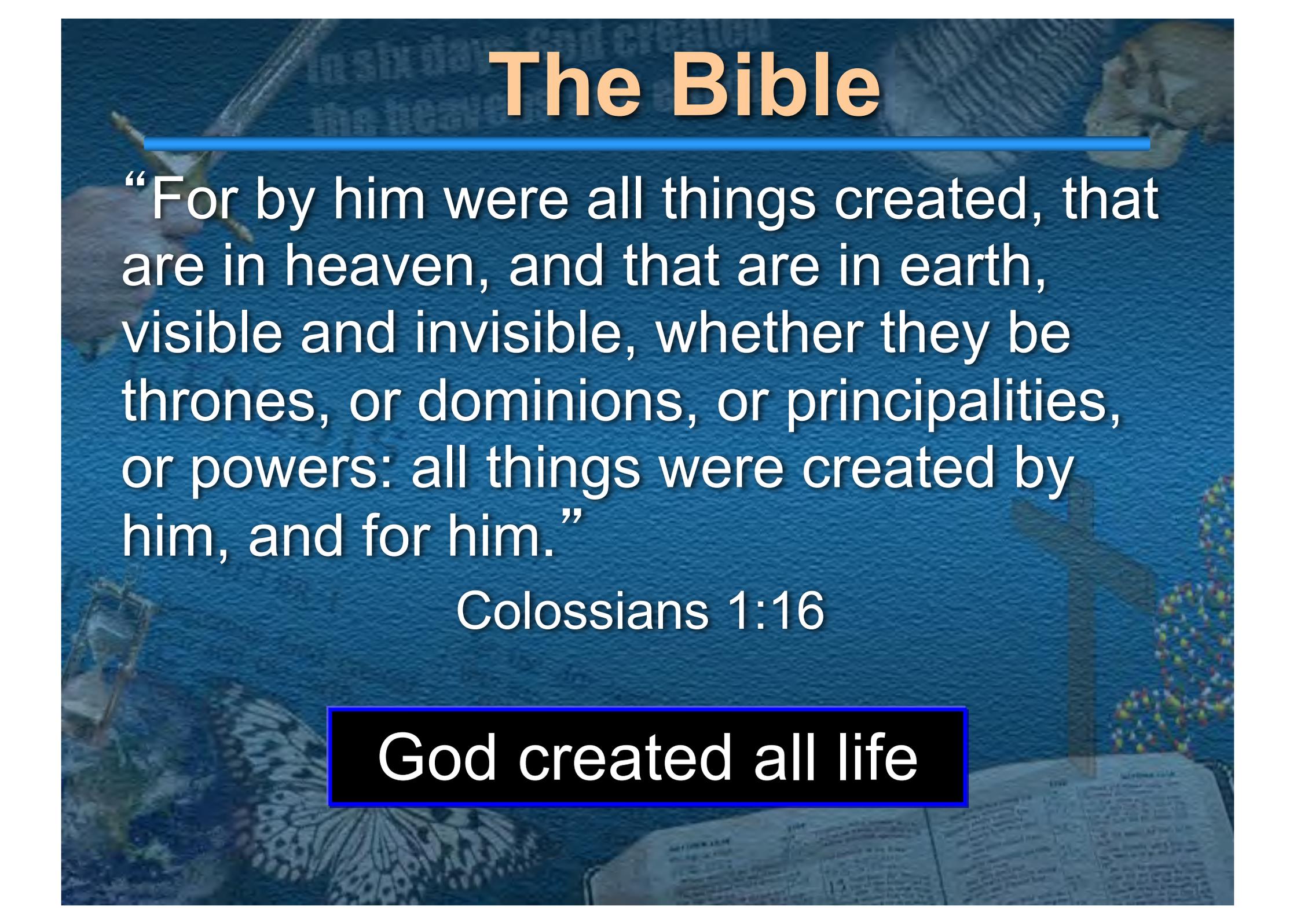
The Model of Evolution

- ◆ About 4.6 billion years ago the earth formed
- ◆ Chemicals formed in the “primordial soup”
- ◆ Chemicals bonded together to form molecules
- ◆ Molecules bonded together to make a living cell



= Life?

The Bible



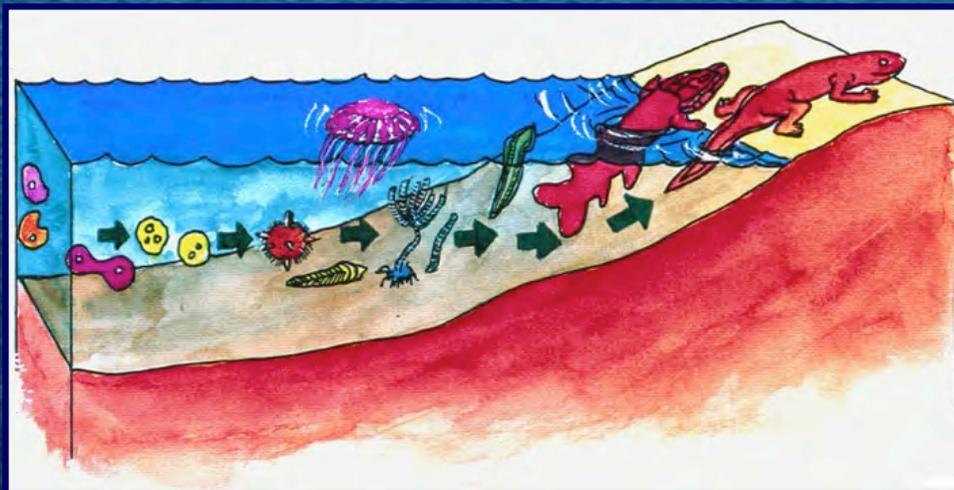
“For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him.”

Colossians 1:16

God created all life

Origin of Life

- ◆ Life cannot start with oxygen
- ◆ Life cannot start without oxygen
- ◆ Did life start in the oceans?



Hydrolysis

Terminology

◆ **Atoms**

The basic unit of matter

◆ **Molecules**

Specific arrangement of atoms (H₂O)

◆ **Amino Acids**

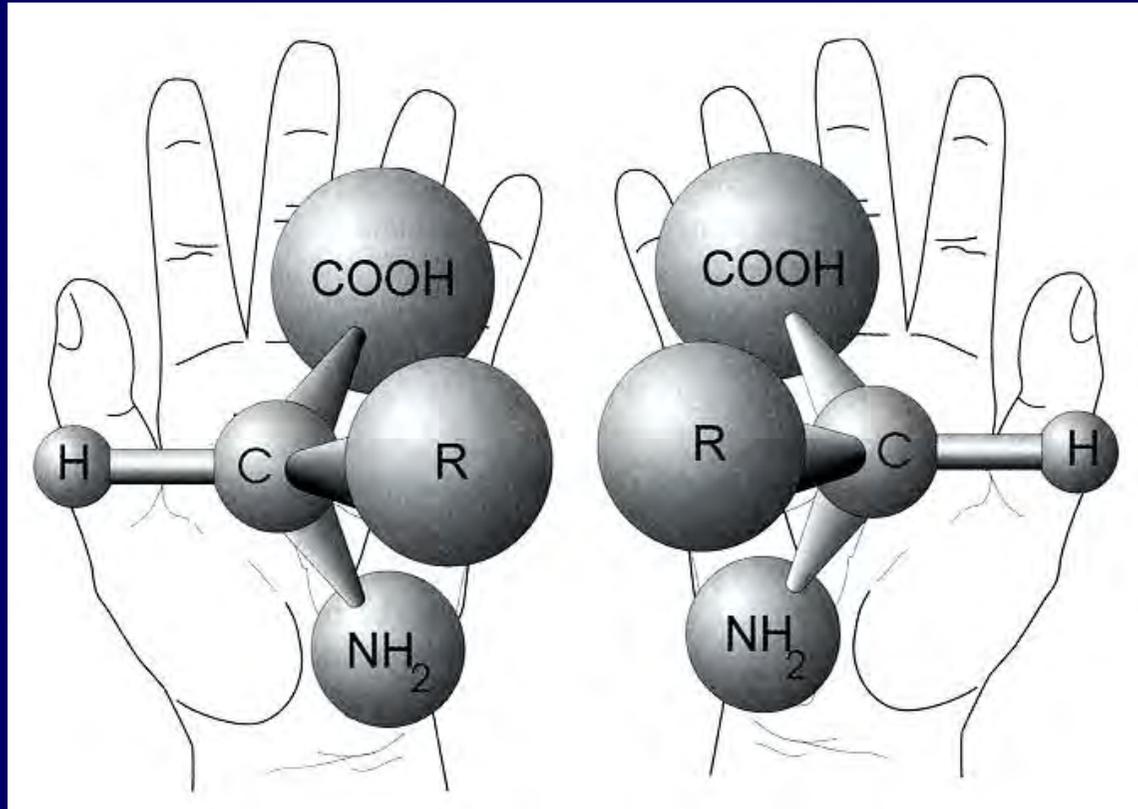
Specific arrangement of molecules

◆ **Proteins**

Specific arrangement of amino acids

Amino Acids

Over 2,000 types of amino acids
Only 20 are used in life



Counter Argument

Given enough time it can happen

Two Questions



1. Is this a valid statement?
2. Is this a scientific statement?

Law of Probability 10^{-50}

Probability

Origin of a protein 10^{191}

Origin of a cell $10^{40,000}$

Probability and Life

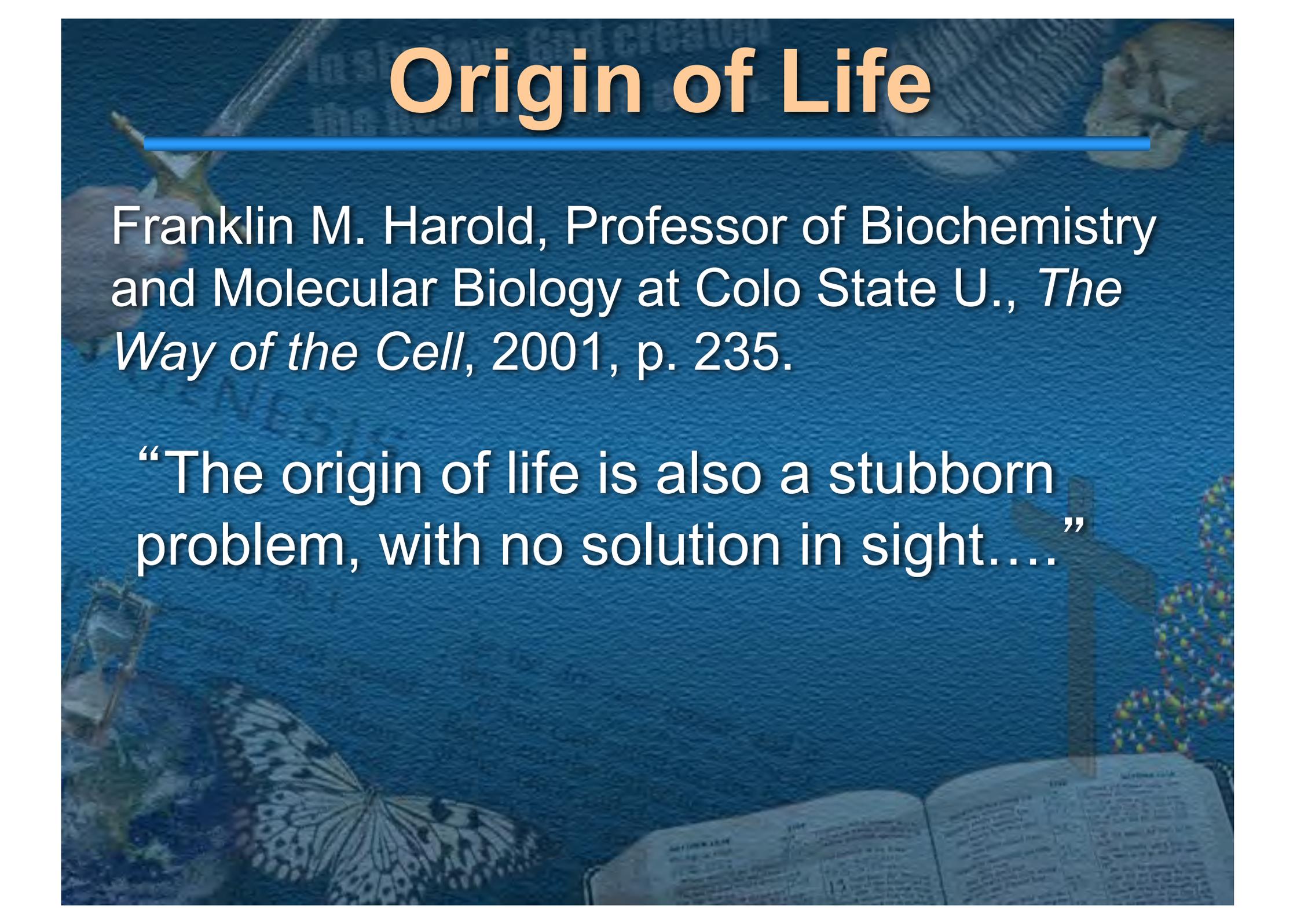
- ◆ Bernard Lovell (Ph.D. Astronomy), *In the Centre of Immensities* – “effectively zero”
- ◆ Francis Crick, *Life Itself: Its Origin and Nature* – “can never have been synthesized at all, at any time”
- ◆ Robert Gange, Ph.D. (research in the field of cryophysics and information systems.), *Origins and Destiny* – “Zero”

Origin of Life

Johnjoe McFadden (Evolutionist & Professor of Molecular Biology and Quantum Physics), *Quantum Evolution*, 2000, p. 85.

“The simplest living cell could not have arisen by chance.”

Origin of Life

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Franklin M. Harold, Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at Colo State U., *The Way of the Cell*, 2001, p. 235.

“The origin of life is also a stubborn problem, with no solution in sight....”

Origin of Life

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Fossil Record

Cenozoic

Mesozoic

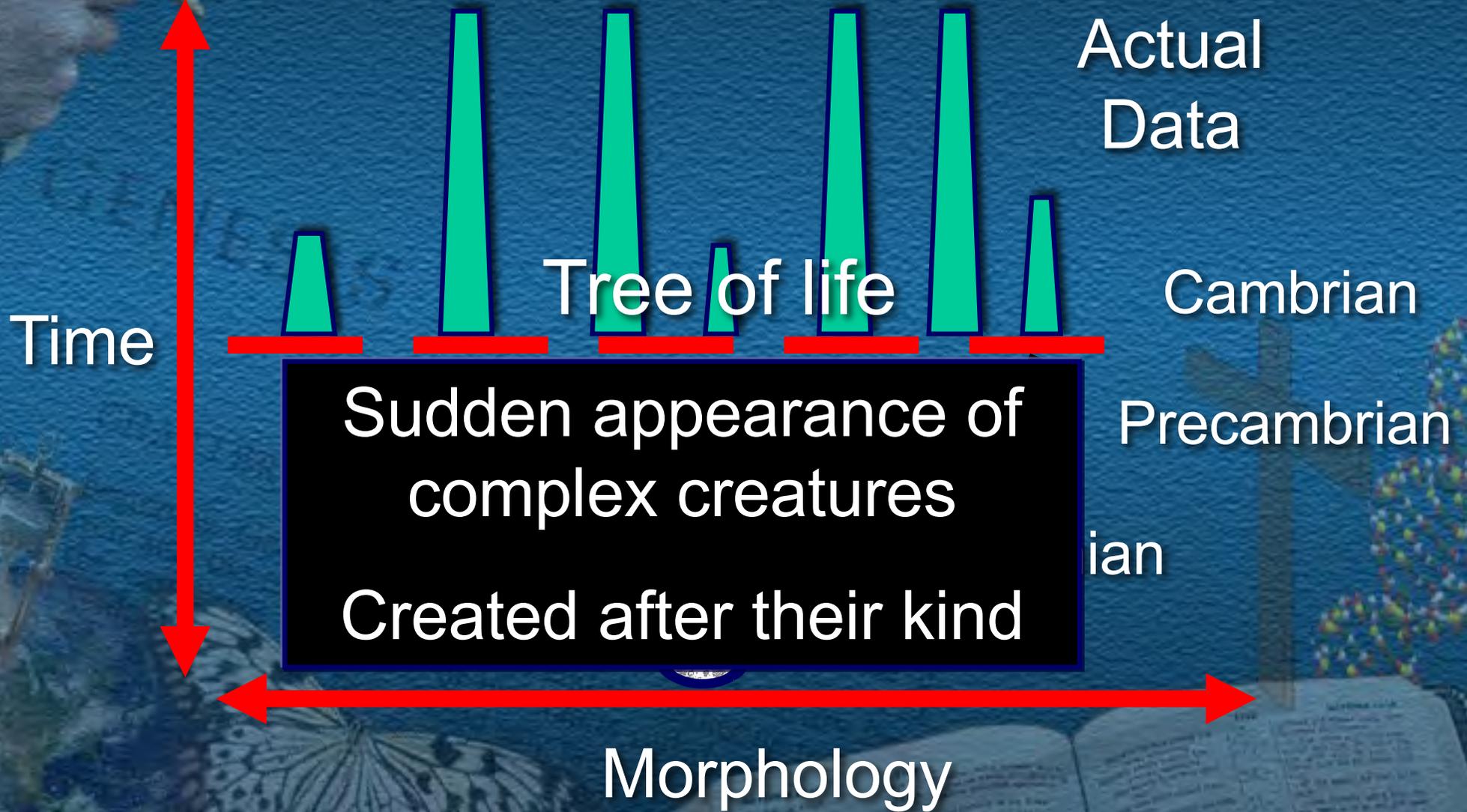
Paleozoic

The foundation



Era	Period	Time (mil)
Cenozoic	Quarternary	1.8 – present
	Teritary	6.5 – 1.8
Mesozoic	Cretaceous	14.5 – 6.5
	Jurassic	208 – 14.5
	Triassic	245 – 208
Paleozoic	Permian	290 – 245
	Carboniferous	363 – 290
	Devonian	410 – 363
	Silurian	440 – 410
	Ordovician	505 – 440
	Cambrian	544 - 505
	Precambrian	650 - 544

Examining the Evidence

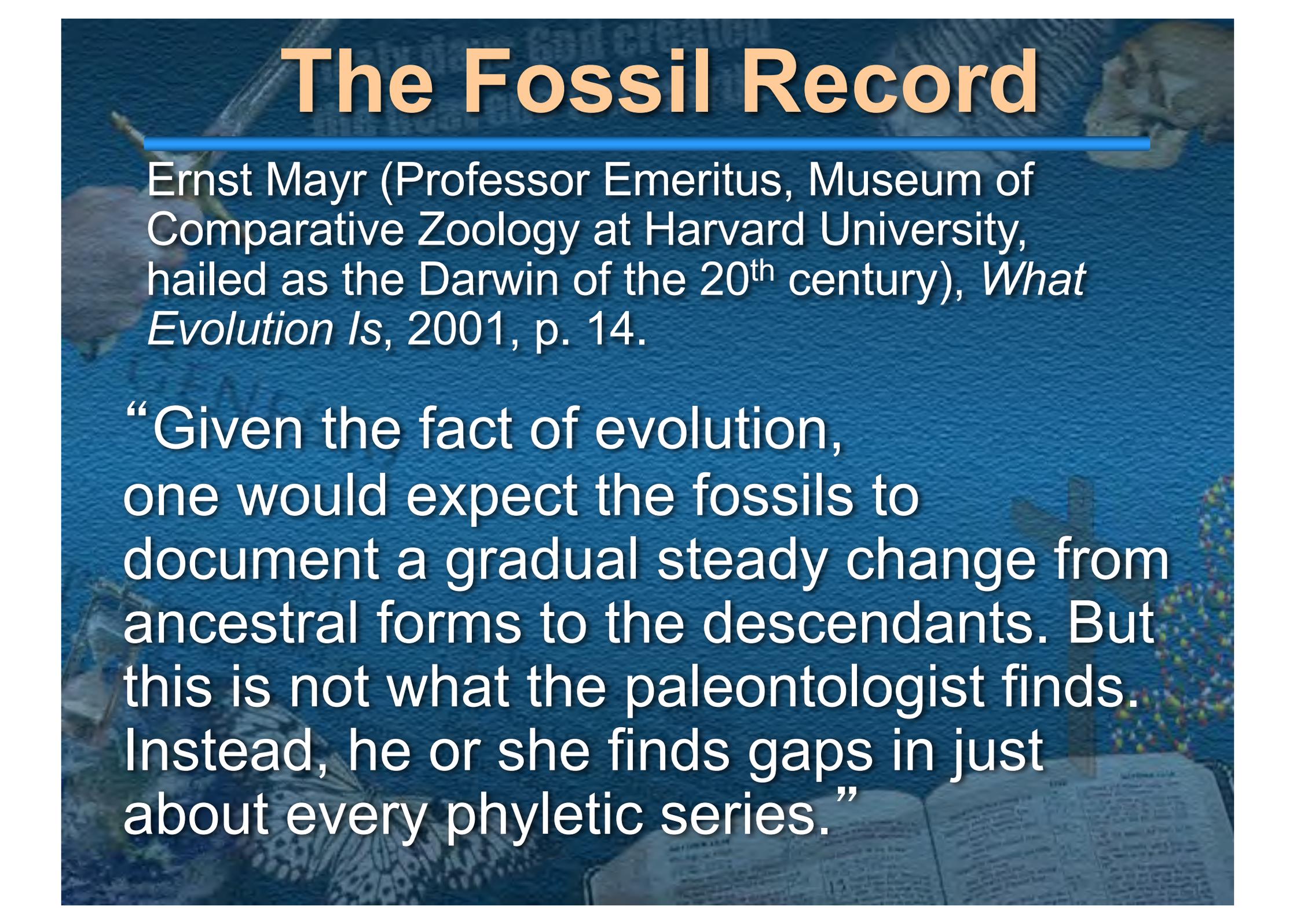


Cambrian Explosion

Ariel Roth (Ph.D. Zoology), *Origins*, 1998, p. 184.

“The Cambrian explosion is not just a case of all the major animal phyla appearing at about the same place in the geologic column. It is also a situation of no ancestors to suggest how they might have evolved.”

The Fossil Record



Ernst Mayr (Professor Emeritus, Museum of Comparative Zoology at Harvard University, hailed as the Darwin of the 20th century), *What Evolution Is*, 2001, p. 14.

“Given the fact of evolution, one would expect the fossils to document a gradual steady change from ancestral forms to the descendants. But this is not what the paleontologist finds. Instead, he or she finds gaps in just about every phyletic series.”

Fossil Record

Based on the evolution model, the entire foundation for Darwinian evolution (the fossil record) is missing

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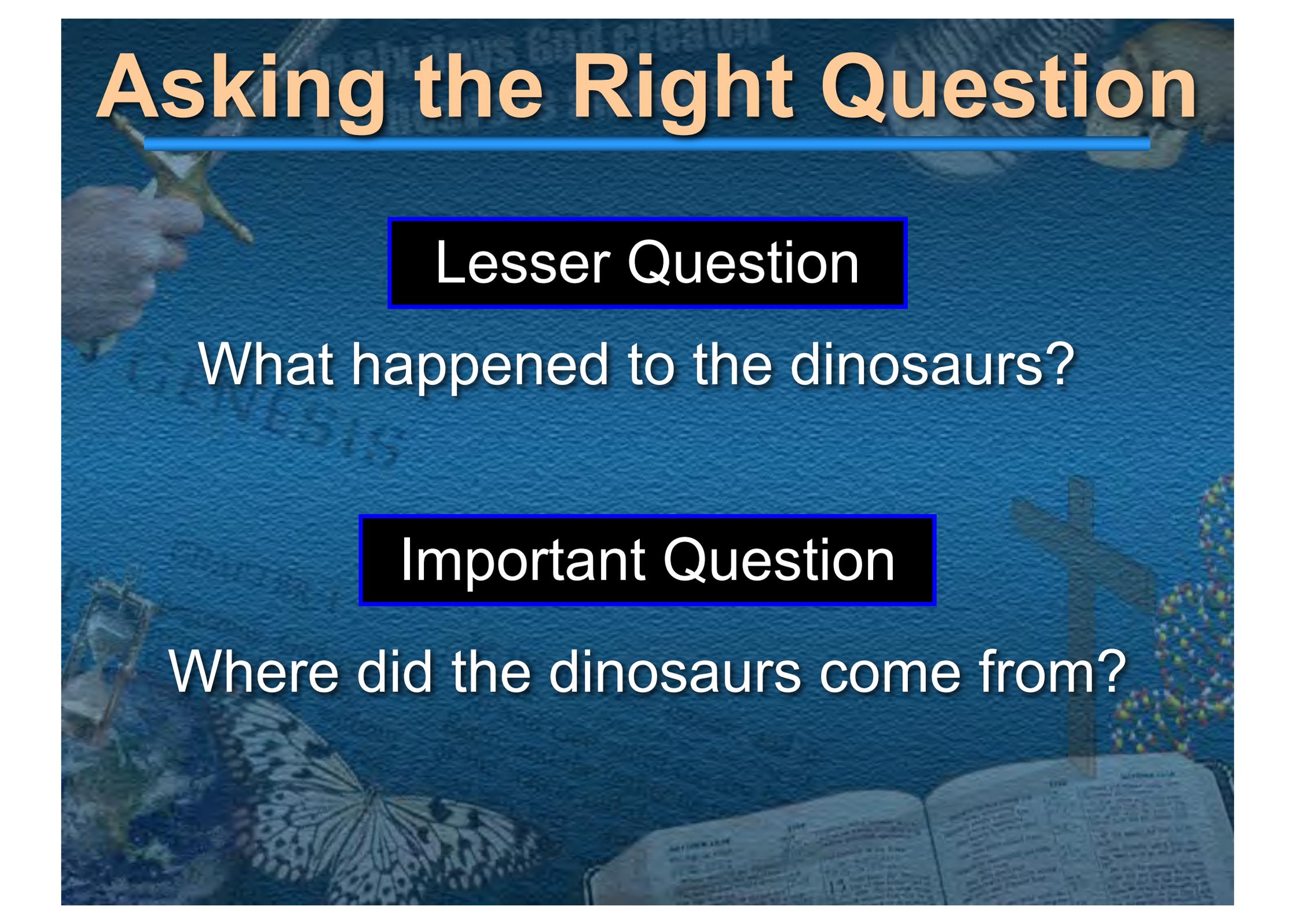
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Asking the Right Question

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Lesser Question

What happened to the dinosaurs?

Important Question

Where did the dinosaurs come from?

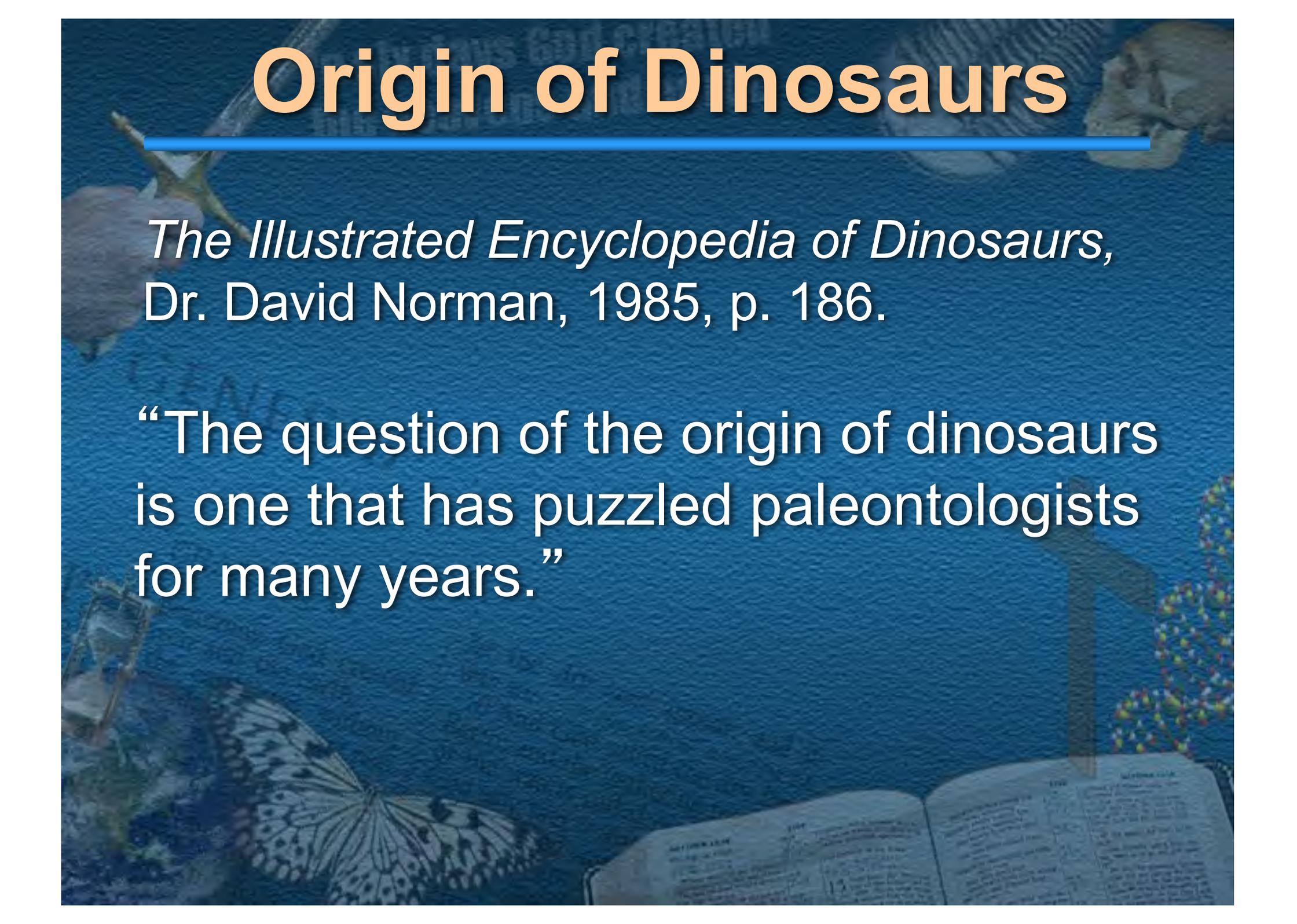
Origin of Dinosaurs?

The Standard Story

Dinosaurs evolved 220 million
years ago



Origin of Dinosaurs



The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Dinosaurs,
Dr. David Norman, 1985, p. 186.

“The question of the origin of dinosaurs is one that has puzzled paleontologists for many years.”

Origin of Dinosaurs

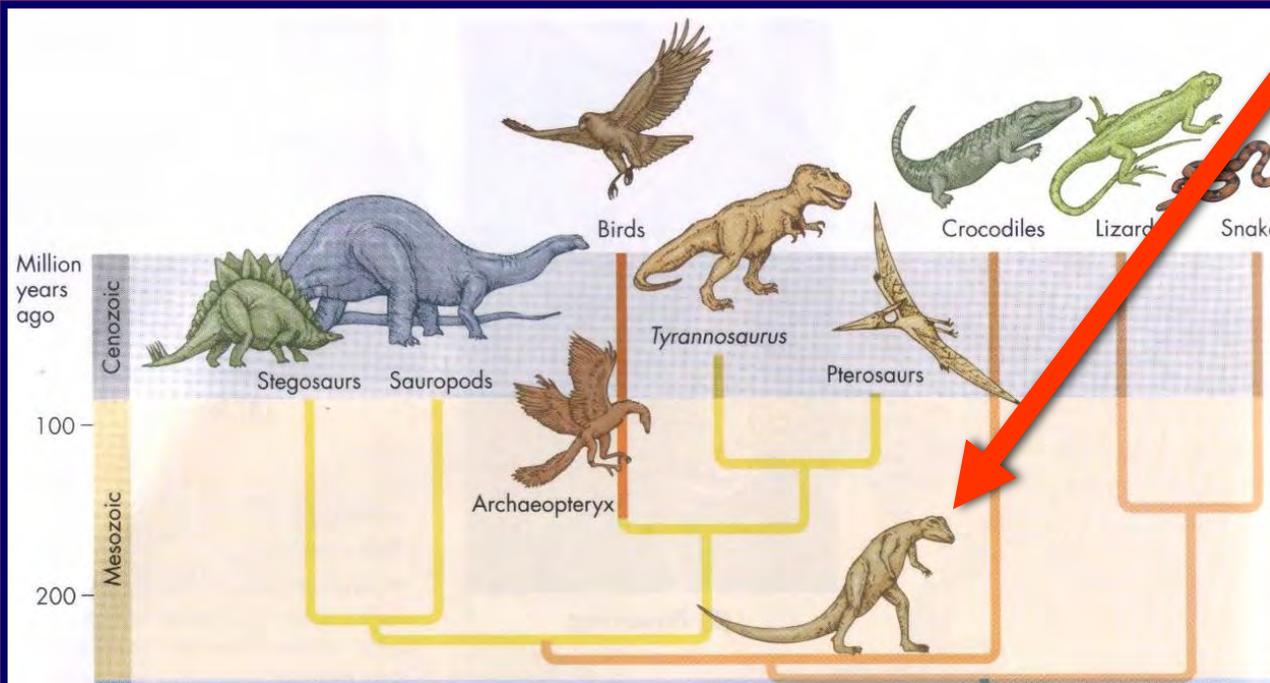
The Natural History Museum Book of Dinosaurs, 1998, p. 12.

“Where did dinosaurs come from? That apparently simple question has been the subject of intense debate amongst scientists for over 150 years,…”

Evolution and Evidence

The Origin of Dinosaurs

Thecondonts



“Small lizards that ran on two legs and gave rise to the giant reptiles collectively known as the dinosaurs”

The only evidence presented in any major biology textbook

The Nature of Life, 1995

Critical thinking →

Evolution and Critical Thinking

- ◆ How could a small reptile evolve into a large dinosaur?
- ◆ Shouldn't there be thousands (millions) of intermediate fossils?
- ◆ Why don't we see intermediate dinosaur forms in museums?

Great claims require **REAL**
evidence

Origin of Dinosaurs

Biblical Model

And God made the beast of the earth **after his kind**, and cattle after their kind, and everything that creepth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good. . . .

And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

Genesis 1:25, 31



Origin of Dinosaurs

If evolution is unable to provide the thousands of transitions for the origin of dinosaurs then it is without a foundation

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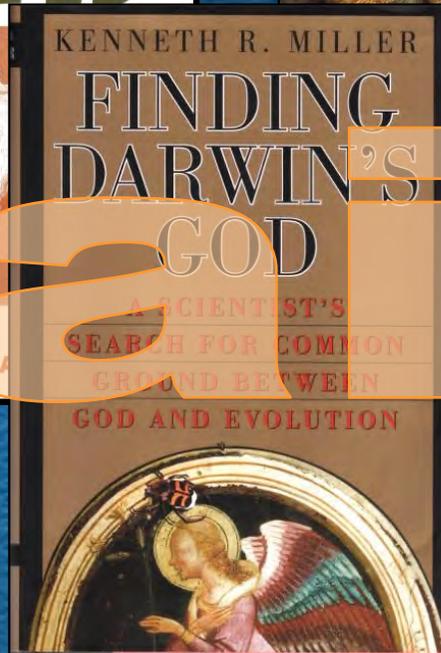
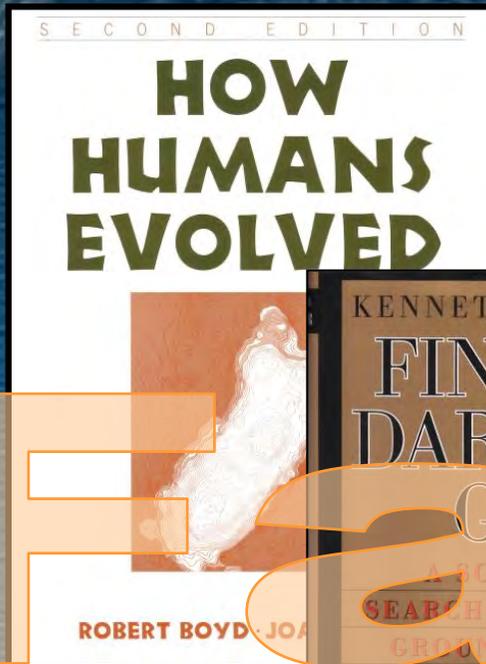


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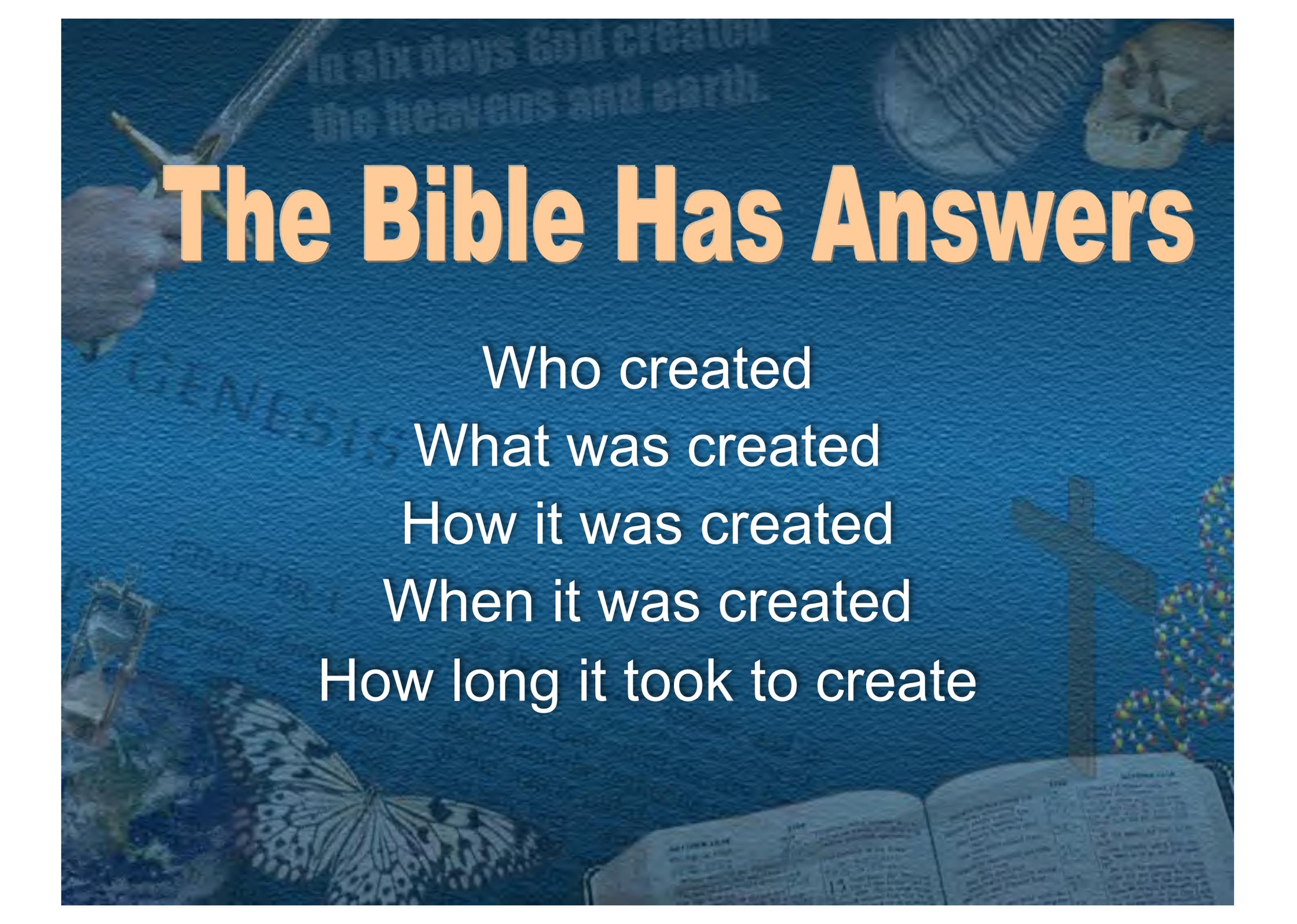
What is evolution?





False

Evolution is a religious belief system
It must be accepted by faith



The Bible Has Answers

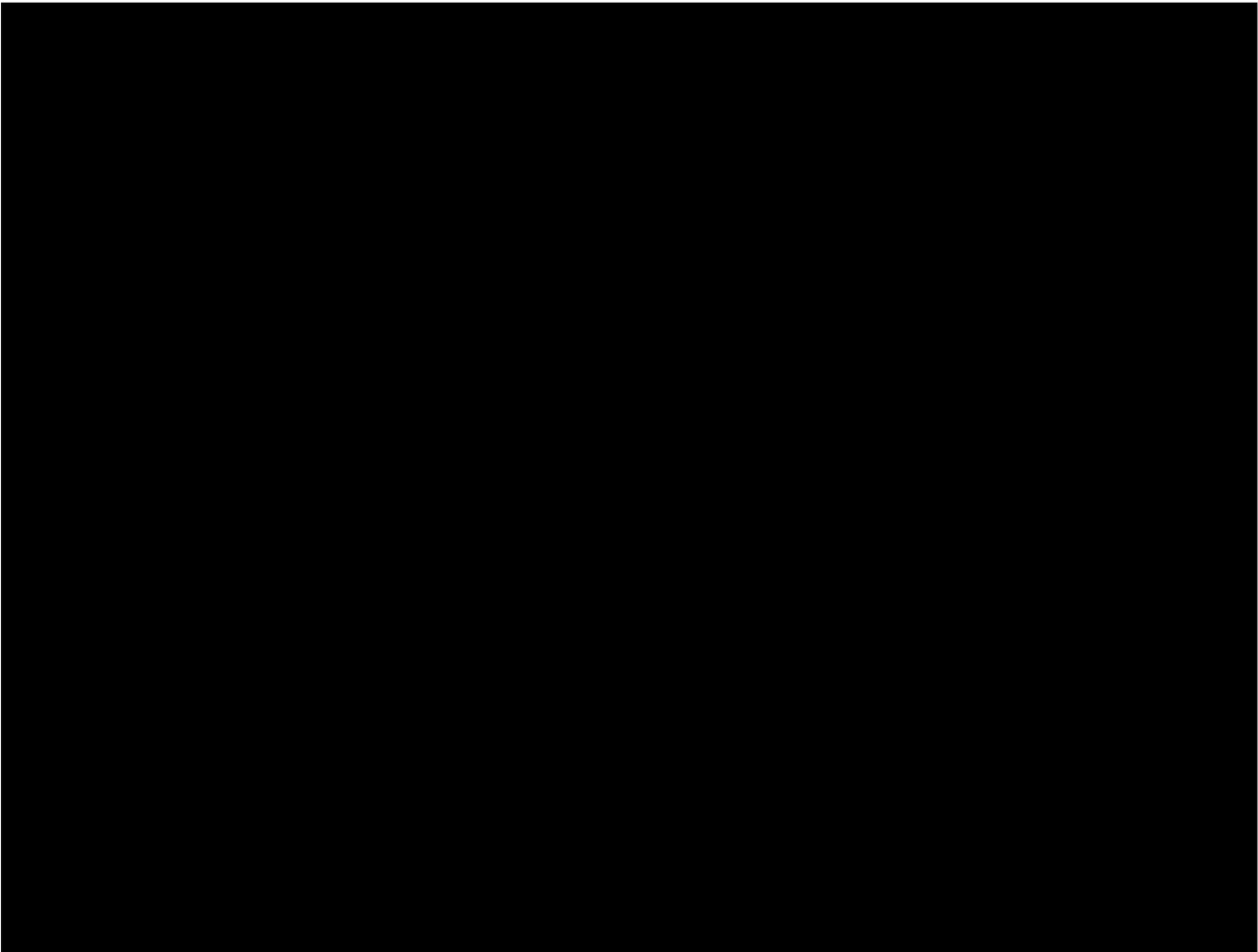
Who created
What was created
How it was created
When it was created
How long it took to create

The Starting Point

- ◆ Scripture is true (John 17:17)
- ◆ All Scripture is inspired (God-breathed) (2 Timothy 3:16)
- ◆ God's Word is understandable

Starting Point





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