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Man has always had a fascination for the world in which he finds himself living and indeed there is much to wonder at, whether through the telescope, microscope or naked eye. It is generally accepted today that the origins of the universe and the existence and complexity of life can be accredited to processes such as the so called “big bang”, spontaneous generation and evolution which are openly taught as fact in schools and given high regard in society as a whole. And yet why are such irrational ideas so readily accepted by the masses? Is it because many do not give second thought to what they hear or very more probably because such ideas provide a comfort to their consciences, an alternative to creation? There is abounding and undeniable evidence for the latter. Just open your eyes and mind for a time of reflection.

Consider our Planet:

The earth is the only life sustaining planet in our solar system and entire universe but an extremely fine line exists between this being possible and not. Its position relative to the sun is crucial; a little closer and we would burn; a little further and we would freeze. Consider the mechanism that provides us with our days, years and seasons, all due to the rotational speed of the earth and its orientation relative to the sun. If the days were longer or shorter as on other planets we would again suffer extremes of temperature or if the earth rotated faster, surface wind speeds would be intolerable making life impossible on both counts.

And what about tidal patterns, the rain cycle or the physical laws of gravity etc? How vital the air is we breath and water we drink, and vegetation, all missing on other planets. Surely in considering these facts and the skies above we can exclaim as one did centuries ago that ***“The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament (sky) showeth His handiwork”*** (Psalm 19:1).

Consider our Own Bodies:

We do not need to be medical experts to wonder at our bodies. Overall rigidity is provided by the skeleton with its self lubricating joints and associated muscles for ease and control of movement. To this is attached various organs and tissue that constitute the remainder of the body and what a marvel it is. Contemplate the alimentary canal and associated digestive system or the respiratory system with its elaborate lungs. Then consider the circulatory system with its unique pump, the heart. It regulates both the pressure and flow rate of the blood as it passes through the miles of arteries and veins and often functions non-stop for 70-80 years without a murmur.

Give further thought to the capability of the reproductive system with its ability to produce life; not overlooking the nervous system and brain which together are far more complex than any mere computer devised by man will ever be. Reflect finally upon the wonder of sight, speech, taste, smell, feeling and our capacity to think, innovate and make intelligent decisions. Surely we can only exclaim ***“I am fearfully and wonderfully made”*** (Psalm 139:14).

Further Considerations:

In contrast to evolutionary thinking, the Bible declares that man does not owe his ancestry to some ape like creature but was made specifically in the image and likeness of God his Creator and is solely responsible to Him for his actions. Marriage is an instituted relationship given by God within which men and women were to enjoy each other and raise children. The disruption which permeates the world today is a direct result of man’s purposeful disobedience to God, the consequence being the introduction of sin, separation and death into the world. It is concerning this latter issue that the main thrust of the Bible’s teaching is directed.

God's greatest work is not seen in the creation or sustaining of the physical world around us but through the sacrificial death on the Cross and bodily resurrection of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ at Jerusalem 2000 years ago. It is His will that we be reconciled to Himself; that we become new creatures in Christ by appropriating His sacrifice for sin to ourselves by faith. Only this can give purpose in this life and the certain prospect of being part of the one to come where there will be no more sin, separation or death. Hence ***"If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away: behold all things are become new"*** (2Corinthians 5:17). The opportunity to repent and believe in the Lord Jesus is today, while we still have breath in our lungs.

You are urged not to be complacent or cynical toward such vital matters. Sin is rampant, Hell is real: The ***Living and True God*** is a ***Longsuffering God*** but His forthcoming Judgment upon the wicked inhabitants of this fallen and censured world is unquestionable: ***"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;"*** (Romans 1:18).

"For by Him (Christ) 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: And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist" (Colossians 1:16,17).

"But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men" (2Peter 3:7).

"And He that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new ... Write: for these words are true and faithful" (Revelation 21:5).