

- Intelligent life has important survival value and therefore quite naturally occurs under the doctrine of natural selection (given enough time and enough statistically probable accidents).

The second article of faith of evolutionism holds that reality includes only that which can be scientifically observed, quantified, tested, and measured, and the experiments to prove this reality must be repeatable.

A careful examination of the first article of faith of evolutionism exposes the lack of hard evidence to support these statements of our origin. Indeed, the latest scientific evidence supports the opposite view. In the recent book, *Are We Alone?*, physicist James Trefil examines the evidence for a similar scenario and states: "If I were a religious man, I would say that everything we have learned about life in the past twenty years shows that we are unique, and therefore special in God's sight."<sup>1</sup>

In addition to lacking hard evidence for the origin model of evolutionism, there is an even greater problem with its dogma. Given our present state of knowledge, the two central articles of faith of evolutionism are contradictory. Its second article of faith cannot be applied to its first. The origin of the Universe is non-repeatable. The major changes leading to intelligent life are largely non-repeatable, and even those that can conceivably be reproduced require initial starting materials, energy, and a creator (ourselves). Further, there are presently no other Universes, habitable planets, or intelligent life to study.

It therefore seems obvious that evolutionism is not only unscientific on all counts but must be classified as a system of faith. Those such as Carl Sagan who boldly proclaim that "evolution is a fact, not a theory"<sup>2</sup> would be well advised to carefully define their terms before making such dogmatic pronouncements.

In an effort to begin a meaningful dialogue on the present controversy, I have written two letters, one to the young-Earth creationists and the other to teachers of science.

To the Young-Earth Creationist:

Thank you for your unwavering commitment to Holy Scripture.

What time frame did God use in His magnificent plan of creation? I have presented in this book what seems correct to me, but I honestly don't know for certain. We know that God often performs sudden miracles. We also know that most transformations we attribute to