

THE CHALLENGE OF EVOLUTION  
(Genesis 1:1 - 2:4)

I. Problems for THEISTIC Evolution

- A. Day order precludes their being LONG PERIODS
- B. Day order had PROGRESSION wrong for evolutionary hypotheses
- C. Defies the PLAIN LANGUAGE of the text
- D. Makes NONSENSE of the biblical significance of the seven-day WEEK
- E. Theological issues
  - 1. Destroys significance of Adam and Eve as parents of ALL
  - 2. Destroys explanation for SIN and SUFFERING
  - 3. Destroys explanation for REDEMPTION

II. Problems for NATURALISTIC Evolution

- A. GEOLOGICAL evidence
  - 1. Instantaneous formation of GRANITE
  - 2. “FOSSIL RECORD” shows no evidence of evolution
- B. BIOLOGICAL evidence
  - 1. “Gradualism” DOESN’T WORK—slow changes in SINGLE STEPS
    - a. No INTERMEDIATE forms

- b. No CHANGES going on NOW
- c. “Irreducible complexity” on the MOLECULAR level
  - 1) Complex chemistry involved in SIGHT
  - 2) Cilium/flagellum STRUCTURES and MECHANICS
  - 3) Blood CLOTTING
  - 4) CELLULAR mechanics (aka, Vascular transport)
  - 5) IMMUNE systems mechanics
  - 6) Complexity of PROTEINS and METABOLISM