

Greetings in Christ,

I was all prepared to wander down a path of time this month, examining it from a rational human space time continuum angle and reflecting that against the revealed nature of God which shows, that He functions outside of time as we know it. But then I was reading the Saturday issue of the Mountain Press on May the 17<sup>th</sup> and came across a letter to the editor that I had to respond to. This is further exacerbated by the fact that I had just finished my sermon preparation on one of my favorite topics the creation account. So being a good steward of my time and talents I decided to combine my work on that response with my monthly newsletter article, so what follows is my response to and article titled **“Science is not subject to bias”**. The paper restricts me to 500 words but this is the long version.

“True science is not subject to bias.” Are the words of the writer of a letter on 17 May that was a string of biased statements patched together, showing complete disregard for objective truths pertaining to religion and science. As a pastor and a life long student of science I am no expert in either, however I would like to refute on the basis of scientific fact and scriptural truth many of the statements the writer made. First let me admit my bias, something no humanist would ever do. I am unapologetically biased toward the clear revealed truths contained in the divinely inspired and inerrant word of God. This does not negate science as a matter of historical fact all sciences can trace their roots to theological endeavors. So when I am faced with contradictions I choose a bias that agrees with what the creator of the universe said in His revealed word not the theories of His fallible creatures.

The first bias that was clear was toward religion; He quoted Claude Bernard on doubting with regard to science then applied this doubt to faith. Bernard also said of theories and hypothesis, “they are never final, never to be absolutely believed.” The writer chooses science over religion when he uses phrases like; “religious superstition, setting in stone, and blindly accepting. He obviously believes as do many, that religion is man made and that those of faith are blind sheep. He also made it clear that those who oppose the faith of their childhood are the enlighten ones.

But his true bias came through in his description of the objectivity of science in a very subjective way. First to say our school system attacks evolution makes me think he must be from another reality and I think he should watch documentary movie “Expelled”. To say there is no evidence against evolution shows that he has either marginalized many know scientific facts or is ignorant of them. For example: Why dose a fossil record containing millions of fossils (evidence of a world wide flood) have no evidence of transitional species. Evolution responds with punctuated equilibrium (which says evolution came in short spurts) and millions and billions of years is the only way Macroevolution can even be “believed”. The evolutionary tree has become a bush because science does not substantiate the trunk most species just appear in the fossil record. Darwinian evolution is more of a philosophy than science, and to use microevolution (genetic adaptation with in a specie or mutation of a virus) shows a lack of regard for a number of scientific principals. First the law of thermodynamics “which fly’s in the face of macroevolution,” says; “over time all things break down.” This is an observable, repeatable scientific fact throughout all physical sciences. If all things brake down over time? How can any life form become more genetically complex over time? Secondly all mutations make a life form less viable; this is also an observable scientific fact.

To say that biology has its roots in evolution is laughable, but evolution has had negative affects on medicine & society, 134 organs once thought to be vestigial are all known now to serve very important purposes. Evolution was also widely used to support bigotry and racism in the late 1800’s seeing its full effect in Nazism. Margret Sanger was a racist who started Planned Parenthood to wipe out Americas black population through abortion. The survival of the fittest is still used today to kill off inconvenient people though abortion and assisted suicide.

It is clear from these historical facts that the writer is not a student of history or is selective in his historical endeavors seeking to support his bias. It is also clear that he is not interested in honest scientific endeavor, because this would include questioning all theories and testing all their claims, but evolution is a sacred cow of the enlightened scientific community that has voted it into fact status.

If we choose to explain away the mysteries of God we only cheat ourselves out of many opportunities to wonder in amazement at His glories handy work. Go out today and enjoy His awe inspiring creation.  
In Christ, Pastor Portier