# CONSIDER YOURSELF FOOLED!



Would you be surprised to find out that this is not a venomous snake but the underside of a harmless caterpillar?



Have you ever heard of a harmless caterpillar that can make itself look and act just like a deadly snake?

If you live in Costa Rica, Belize, Mexico or Guatemala, one of the most unusual creatures you will ever come across is the *Hemeroplanes* 

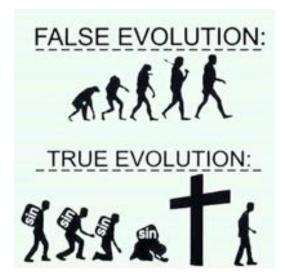
triptolemus moth while it's a caterpillar. Though it looks pretty ordinary, when it is threatened by a predator it expands and raises its body while twisting it upside-down, revealing what looks like a fearsome snake's head! Not only does the caterpillar look like a snake, it even acts like one, harmlessly striking at predators as if it could kill. Even its shiny eye spots are menacing!

Evolution, of course, will tell you that these unusual markings and snakelike behavior are the result of millions of years of chance mutations. But what would give molecules the idea and power to organize themselves into a very masterful disguise as a snake?

And if it was all by chance mutations, why wouldn't the many intermediate low quality disguises in the evolutionary process get wiped out before they had a chance to take hold? To anyone who hasn't been fooled by such explanations, it is obvious that this caterpillar was designed.

That's why it's so important to think things through and not be fooled. Trickery and deception are common throughout the animal kingdom. They are common throughout this world system. And one of the most deceptive creatures of all is man!

Think about it: How could the caterpillar stage of the moth evolve a disguise that's so convincing, it can fool predators and even humans?



Like all other animals, these caterpillars were designed. They are not a product of millions of years of beneficial mutations, as evolutionists would have you believe.

Would you like to have a personal relationship with the God who designed you?

Here's what you need to know, based on words from the Creator's own book, the Bible:

## God's original design for mankind was disrupted by sin.

For all have sinned [disobeyed God], and come short of the glory [beautiful perfection] of God; (Romans 3:23)

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. (Romans 6:23)

But God commends his love toward us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5:8)

# "Okay, so I'm a sinner. How can Jesus help me?"

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, indeed being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the Spirit. (1 Peter 3:18)

# "But isn't Jesus just one of many ways I can be saved?"

And there is salvation in no other One; for there is no other name under Heaven given among men by which we must be saved. (Acts 4:12) Jesus said to him, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life; no one comes to the Father, but by me. (John 14:6)

# "Can't I get to heaven by obeying God's commandments as best as I can?"

Therefore by the deeds of the Law none of all flesh will be justified in His sight: for through the Law is the knowledge of sin. (Romans 3:20)

# "So what does the Bible say about how to be saved?"

The Bible says that the power to save us from this evil age lies with God. Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us (Titus 3:5). For by grace you are saved through faith [trust]. (Ephesians 2:8)

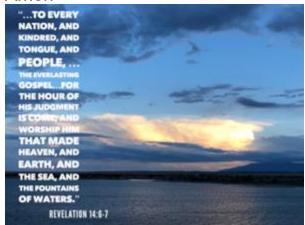
# "You mean just like I trust the chairs I sit in?"

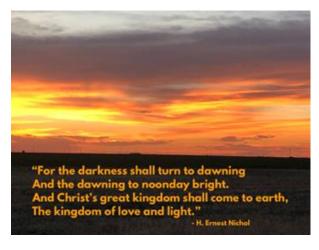
Yes! You trust (believe) without a full understanding that they, like Jesus Christ, will hold you up!

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you shall be saved (Acts 16:31). The word is near you, even in your mouth and in your heart; that is the word of faith... Because if you confess the Lord Jesus, and believe in your heart that God has raised him from the dead, you shall be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth one confesses unto salvation. (Romans 10:8-10).

**PRAY AND CONFESS:** Thank You, Jesus, for living a sinless life and then becoming the sacrifice for my sins with Your death on the cross. Thank You also for giving me faith that lets me recognize my own unrighteousness and lets me know that You died on my behalf to wipe away my sins. Thank You that You rose from the dead, and that I can escape Your judgment of this present evil age, and look forward to spending eternity with You in heaven.

### Amen





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