and complexity, magnificence and beauty we find in the creation point by intuition to a great Designer/Creator. This is the reason for the titles of evolutionary biologist, ardent anti-creationist, and crusading atheist Richard Dawkins' books, *The God Delusion* and *The Blind Watchmaker* – a reference to William Paley's famous pocket-watch analogy testifying to the power of a design-inference as pointing to God the Grand Designer. Dawkins writes, "Biology is the study of complicated things that give the appearance of having been designed for a purpose." But he tries to argue, as do other evolutionists, that since some science can be counter-intuitive, we must ignore the "mistaken intuition" of design and purpose. We must ignore the "appearance of design". Natural selection, they claim, is the "blind watchmaker".

Here we again have a "cunningly devised fable", not "eyewitness" testimony. After admitting the logical intuitiveness of creation, the whole argument becomes, essentially, that because some science may be counterintuitive, we should not trust <u>logical intuition!</u> Instead, we should trust Dawkins and other evolutionary biologists who have learned the proper way to think about life! What they wish to pass on is a terrible logic fallacy. Some science may be counter-intuitive, but science itself is not defined as counter-intuitive knowledge about our world! Science is simply all knowledge about our physical world, most of which comes from the confirmation by testing of hypotheses which grow out of logical intuition!

When we study the creation in all honesty, we are forced to the conclusion that an awesome Creator exists. The creation has the "appearance of design" because it has indeed been designed by the mind of God. "God is **evident**...being understood through what has been made (created), so that they are without excuse", Romans 1:19-20.

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Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

## Tracts of Evidence

## **Check Before You Wreck**

Louis Pasteur proved the principle of Biogenesis in 1861. He demonstrated evidence that any appearance of "spontaneous" life in nonliving solutions can be attributed to microbes that already exist in the air or in the fluids themselves. When milk is "pasteurized" it is free of contaminating microbes.

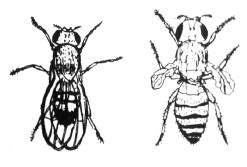


What is the standard for **true evidence**? All <u>evidence is fundamentally based on eyewitness observation</u> — either scientific observation during experimentation and testing of scientific hypotheses (as with Louis Pasteur) or eyewitness testimony as in a court of law.

No one has actually observed or witnessed evolution, yet evolution is dogmatically taught as fact. Attempts to study evolution have in fact failed to observe any real evidence in spite of multiple efforts. Adaptations of living things from "natural selection" are always within species groups, not between species groups. And mutations do not improve species or add new genetic information.

For example, random mutations in living things have been studied experimentally in fruit fly mutation studies that have been taking place since 1909. At that time, Dr. Thomas Hunt Morgan reared and mated fruit flies at Columbia University in small glass bottles for the

purpose of discovering genetic mutants which could compete successfully through natural selection. With bananas or other food in the bottom of the jars, the flies could mate and lay eggs which became larva and pupa and finally adults in only ten days. The fittest individuals would be those that survived and left the most offspring. So pregnant mutant female flies were compared with pregnant normal female flies and competing adult offspring were counted and observed for advantage in the mutated groups. By the 1920s. Morgan and his students were using X-rays to speed up the rate of mutations thousands of times. This type of research, creating mutated genes with X-rays and testing them to see if they were beneficial, became very popular.



**Normal** Mutant

T.H. Morgan's doctoral students and others like them were in demand to establish fruit fly genetics labs in universities all over the world. And they did. Each lab might run 50 bottle tests at a frequency of once every ten days in a small room. From the 1930s to the 1960s, hundreds of thousands of generations of mutant genes were tested in around 100 working fruit fly genetics labs in the United States alone. In other words, evolution was theoretically accelerated in millions of attempts to induce beneficial mutations which could then be "naturally selected" for, leading to some observed evolution.

And what was the result of all these studies? Mutant genes were not better, some were neutral, and the vast majority were harmful. "Mutation appears to be a destructive rather than a constructive process." So said Dr. T. Dobzhansky, who succeeded Morgan at Columbia University (Dobzhansky et al, *Evolution*, W.H Freeman, San Francisco, pg 67, 1977).

Yet the evolutionists hold out hope that somehow millions of beneficial mutations have occurred over "millions" of years and have been transmitted by natural selection through the process of the evolution of species. And they devise explanations and rhetoric to try to validate the hypothesis in spite of the lack of observation – the lack of eyewitness testimony. As with other pseudo-sciences, a grand deception is perpetrated under the guise of science.

The Bible juxtaposes "cunningly devised fables" with the observation of "eyewitnesses" (2 Peter 1:16, "For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty,"). In contrast to evolution's lack of a witness of evidence, the Bible very often reports its history on the basis of what judicial courts describe as "corroborating testimony". This is testimony from independent "corroborating witnesses" – multiple reports of the same events, which complement each other by their individual emphases and detail while not contradicting each other. It is the kind of evidence which is powerful to decide the truth in a court of law. For example, "corroborating testimony" is what the four different gospel writers – Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John – present about Jesus Christ (L. Strobel, The Case for Christ, Zondervan, 1998; R. Baukham, Jesus and the Eyewitnesses, Eerdmans, 2006).

Many of the events the gospel writers record in the life and ministry of Jesus overlap, yet do so without contradiction, and not identically as if there was collaboration – simply more or less information and detail reported for the corresponding events. It is what you would expect from truthful



eyewitness testimony about historical events. This gives the Bible superior reliability. Many other religious texts are the dictations of only one individual — e.g., the Koran, the Book of Mormon, the Bhagavad Gita — so you must accept that the one is not making things up. With multiple witnesses telling about the same things in different ways that do not contradict, you have the ring of truth, which is unbeatable in a court of law.

**Evolutionary scientists**, gurus of our secular scientific age, tell us we should discard logical intuition and simply accept their counter-intuitive proclamations. They **admit that there is "the appearance of design"** – that's the eyewitness evidence – the order