



Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

The Umbrella Bird



Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. – 1 Thessalonians 5:5

The best fishermen not only know where the fish are biting, but exactly what type of bait or lure is needed to catch the big ones. That's why we say that the best fisherman of all is not a man but a bird.

The black heron knows exactly where and when the fish are biting. He goes fishing for his food by wading into shallow lakes and ponds. But there's a problem. Fish avoid the water's surface to avoid the bright rays of the sun. Even if a fish does come close to the surface, the black heron is unable to see it because he is blinded by the sun's reflection.

But as we noted above, this bird is a master fisherman. What he does is shape his wings into a large black umbrella. He then crouches down until his wings are almost touching the water, effectively turning daylight into darkness, and attracting fish to the shade. Under cover of his umbrella, the black heron pokes his head into the water and comes out with a squirming fish in his beak.

This kind of fishing is known as canopy feeding. How did the black heron learn to fish like this? Creationists know, but evolutionists have no reasonable answer. They only have a term. Yes, evolutionists are good at coming up with terms like "canopy feeding", but when it comes to explaining how such a thing originated in the first place, they are still very much in the dark.

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