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## **THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT**

### The Bird You Must Hear to Believe



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Attenborough turned his cameras on them, lyrebirds achieved worldwide fame for their unique ability to mimic the calls of virtually anything they hear.

Citing the *Handbook of the Birds of the World*, Wikipedia noted that lyrebirds have been recorded mimicking human sounds such as a mill whistle, a cross-cut saw, chainsaws, car engines and car alarms. The birds are also able to duplicate the sound of fire alarms, rifle-shots, camera shutters, dogs barking, crying babies, music, mobile phone ring tones, and even the human voice.

Though lyrebirds sing all year long, the males save their best and most intense songs during the peak of breeding season from June through August. But you can hear their marvelous songs anytime you like. Simply do a web search on lyrebirds or look for lyrebird videos on YouTube.

Unlike the larynx of humans, the vocal organ of birds is called the syrinx. And the lyrebird's syrinx has more muscles than any other songbird. Still, evolutionists have no words to satisfactorily explain how such vocal abilities came about through natural means. But creationists have no difficulty in giving praise to God for this magnificent creature.

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