

Neighbor to Neighbor



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Begin at the Beginning cont.



When looking at spontaneous generation and the possibility of the formation of life from inanimate matter with no cause bringing about the effect; maybe we should consider the thoughts of George Sim Johnson (**"Did Darwin Get It Right?" published in the Wall Street Journal, October 15, 1999**): *"Human DNA contains more organized information than the Encyclopedia Britannica. If the full text of the encyclopedia were to arrive in computer code from outer space, most people would regard this as proof of the existence of extraterrestrial intelligence. But when seen in nature, it is explained as the workings of random forces."*

Sir Fred Hoyle, a highly respected British astronomer and mathematician made this statement, *"The likelihood of the formation of life from inanimate matter is one to a number with 40,000 nought's after it...It is big enough to bury Darwin and the whole theory of Evolution. There was no primeval soup, neither on this planet nor on any other, and if the beginnings of life were not random, they must therefore have been the product of pur-*

poseful intelligence."

Evolutionist who understand the impossibility of spontaneous generation still advocate Darwin's theory. Why do scientist desperately cling to the debunked theory of abiogenesis? Abiogenesis has been proven scientifically false over and over. Dr. George Wald has provided an answer to this question. The late Dr. Wald, who was no scientific "light

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weight," was a professor of neurobiology at Harvard and received the Nobel Prize in Physiology for work in the neurophysiology of vision. Dr. Wald in an article (**"Origin, Live and Evolution" published in the Scientific American, 1978**) wrote:

"There are only two possible explanations as to how life arose; one is spontaneous generation arising to evolution, the other is a supernatural creative action of God, there is no third possibility. Spontaneous generation that life arose from non-

living matter was scientifically disproved 120 years ago by Louis Pasteur and others. That leaves us with only one possible conclusion, that life arose as a creative act of God. I will not accept that philosophically because I do not want to believe in God, therefore I choose to believe in that which I know is scientifically impossible, spontaneous generation arising to evolution."

With these thoughts in mind, maybe we should ask the question: "Are evolutionist being unscientific or just plain deceptive?"

There is no doubt that proven science and the Bible are compatible, but the fanciful theories of man have never been compatible with proven science or the Bible. Truly, the Psalmist was correct even in the light of science when he wrote in Psalms 19:1, *"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handy-work."* - Paul Cantrell

"Lift your eyes up to heaven and see

who created all these—

the one who leads out their vast array of stars by number,

calling them all by name—

because of his great might

and his powerful strength—

and not one is missing." Isaiah 40:26

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HAPPY NEW YEAR 2017

Being neighbors, we certainly desire a Happy New Year for you and those you care most about.

In a personal letter to a family member in Christ, the apostle John wrote a powerful sentiment. He said, "I pray that in all things you may prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers."

Our soul may do well in our relationship with the Lord even if we are not doing so well in health or financially. It is most certainly desired to feel well and to prosper beyond our basic needs. But isn't it nice to know that God does not rate our relationship with Him based on those factors? Yet for our personal comfort, it is our desire that we all would be doing well physically and fiscally. And that our soul may even more abundantly prosper above those things.

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BUILDING A HOUSE is not the same as BUILDING A HOME

On July 21, 1983, 288 construction workers were waiting for the sound of the gun that would mark the beginning of construction on a house in Palmer, Alaska.

They were going to be timed to see how fast they could build a house. They were encouraged by a crowd of 6,000 spectators and a country band. The record they set was incredible. In just 3 hours, 53 minutes, and 59.49 seconds the lucky couple, Rocky and Pat Weldon of Anchorage, stood on the steps of their brand new house. The two-bedroom house cost \$80,000.

To top things off, a furniture company then furnished the house in less than four minutes.

"Instant houses" are possible, but not instant homes. Homes take time to build. They are not built out of brick and mortar, but out of love, hope, patience, and trust. There will be no band playing, no crowd of spectators to watch, not much fanfare. It takes perseverance and commitment. There is never a time when you can sit down and say, "It's finished." There is always need for consideration, tenderness, and thoughtfulness.

But there is a real joy that comes from the building. Seeing your children grow up into fine Christians is a great thrill. Watching your mate mature and grow is exciting. With love as the foundation and a Christian home as your goal – building can be one of life's greatest pleasures. – Dick Mercear