

EVOLUTIONISTS HAVE SWITCHED BOATS

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For many years promoters of evolution claimed that during multiplied millions of years life on earth evolved through small, intermediate stages. This is the way evolution has been presented in the textbooks. And, of course, if evolution occurred, evidence of this should be found in the fossil record. There should be millions of examples of transitional forms showing how life gradually evolved. This is what evolutionists expected to find, and this is why for over 120 years they searched the fossil record for instances of gradual evolution. However, none have been found, not a single one!

As time passed the lack of such transitional fossils became more and more obvious and embarrassing to the followers of Charles Darwin. Since intermediate forms could not be found, many correctly assumed that evolution could not have happened gradually. In the 1940s the renowned paleontologist, G.G. Simpson, stated: "...continuous transitional sequences are not merely rare, but are virtually absent ... their absence is so nearly universal that it cannot offhand be imputed to chance, and does require some attempt at special explanation, as has been felt by most paleontologists" (*Tempo And Mode In Evolution*, New York: Columbia University Press, 1944, p. 105).

So, what did evolutionists do? Did they give up? No! They continued to paddle upstream! But they switched boats! They began to invent another, even more absurd, theory. As the old, slow Darwinian concept was being abandoned, they turned to the idea of a *rapid* type evolution. Here is how Simpson explained it: "It is thus possible to claim that such transitions are not recorded because they did not exist, that the changes were not by transition but by *sudden leaps* in evolution" (*The Meaning Of Evolution*, New York: Mentor, 1956, pp. 102,103). In the 1950s the well known geneticist, Richard Goldschmidt, made the same claim. His view was labeled the "Hopeful Monster" theory.

What? Evolution by "leaps"? "Hopeful monsters"? What nonsense is this? As silly as it sounds, this view has now become the accepted theory. By the 1970s and 1980s leaders in evolution were calling it "explosive" evolution; that is, new forms of life just "exploded" on the scene! Derek Ager of the British Geological Association wrote: "The point emerges that if we examine the fossil record in detail, we find, over and over again, not gradual evolution, but the *sudden explosion* of one group at the expense of another" ("*The Nature Of The Fossil Record*," British Geological Association, Presidential Address, Vol. 87, No. 2, p.133).

While this new theory conveniently "explains away" the problem of the lack of fossils, it creates an even *greater problem*. We are asked to believe that changes from one form to another came about abruptly by drastic, *radical* changes! What does this mean? It means - we are being asked to believe that animals gave birth to entirely *different kinds of animals!* WOW! Can you imagine? Why, this is harder to believe than the old, slow theory! No wonder Goldschmidt's idea was labeled the "Hopeful Monster" theory! Yes, evolutionists have switched boats, but this one has more holes in it than the first!

All this ought to tell us something! It tells us that evolution is nothing but guesswork. As Henry Morris expressed it: "Its nature is coming more plainly into focus and can be discerned as that of a vast framework of deductions built upon the foundation of a false premise" (*The Twilight Of Evolution*, Grand Rapids, Michigan, Baker Publishing, p. 3 5).

Editor's Note. The Psalmist says, "You made (man) a little lower than the angels" (Psa. 8:4), but the American educational system, unbelieving scientists and the media tell young people you are the product of millions of years of dumb blind evolutionary forces and are only a little higher than the anthropoid apes or chimpanzees. With this as a basic philosophy in our culture is it any wonder that young men shoot their fellow students who are praying? Warn your child against the insidiousness of Darwinism. Williams, who has for over thirty years preached at LaVergne, TN has written a wonderful little book called *The Other Side of Evolution*. You can have a copy for only \$5 each, post paid. Write him at the above address.

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