

Am I Just An Accident?

Life is full of irony, contradictions, and paradoxes. Most of them, if not all, are created by the way we think. There is no more peculiar trait among men than the way many of us think about life. Man likes to think of himself as extremely important; the center of the universe. And many men think of themselves as the center of humankind. The shelves of bookstores are filled with "self-help" books designed to move us to the head of the food chain; we are fanatical in championing "our rights," often at the expense of others'; so-called reality shows glamorize lying, cheating, and any kind of unethical behavior to win out over one's neighbors. We perceive man as the most important of all beings and too many see the unrestrained "I" as the most important of them all.

We recognize that this all takes place in a very complicated world within an elaborately structured universe. But, when it comes to considering our origins, we just happened by chance occurrence. Either we think that we are then so simple that we could actually have evolved by a blind, material accident or, if we truly perceive the complexity of our being, believe that by blind faith in nothing, we actually came into being against astronomical odds. In either event we deny or obscure the reality of our Creator.

Design, infinitely elaborate design, is another of the powerful arguments for the existence of God. Wherever one can determine design, there must be a designer. If we identify a useful arrangement of elements in something, we conclude that there is order. Useful order and arrangement suggests purpose. Purpose suggests intelligent design. The question is whether we can observe sufficient arrangement and order in the universe and in life to conclude that there is a Designer with a Purpose.

Evolutionist Dr. George Wald in a 1954 issue of Scientific American recognized that there are only two possibilities for the formation of life, spontaneous generation or special creation. Either we arose without design or purpose, or we were created; either we have no purpose or we were designed for a purpose. The question can be easily settled by any book on Christian evidences. Any of them will supply an abundance of data that unequivocally supports design in our world. Because of limited space we can supply only a couple of examples that support design in nature and, consequently, a Designer. Consider the following:

1. Recognizing the complicated structure of biochemical genetics, evolutionist C. P. Haskins recognized that evolutionary theory is unable to explain it. He writes that without evolutionary bias, "this puzzle would have been interpreted as the most powerful sort of evidence for special creation." (see Christian Evidences, Thompson and Jackson, p. 25)
2. Many of us may be familiar with the recently completed mapping of the human genome, a project funded by the U. S. Department of Energy. Among the project's stated goals were 1) identify all the approximately 30,000 genes in Human DNA and 2) identify the sequence of the 3 billion (3,000,000,000) chemical base pairs that make up human DNA. The \$450 million project, conducted in the finest laboratories of our most elite

universities and administered by some of our foremost scientists, took 13 years using the most powerful computers and the most advanced technology available to man. (see doegenomes.org)

Note that all of this was done to map the coded instructions found in human DNA. If there were no design, no mapping could be done. Nothing would be predictable. Any information gathered today would not be valid tomorrow. Not only does this point irrefutably to design in nature, specifically in humans in this example, it also illustrates the mind-boggling complexity with evident purpose, namely life. This is why the evolutionist Haskins says that only bias prevents the scientific community from recognizing that we exist by special creation. Make no mistake, we are not here by accident.