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## Genesis One Versus Evolution

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The evolutionary theory, which is in reality a religious view, contradicts the Bible, and specifically the Genesis account of creation in a number of ways. I wish to note herein only three such areas.

**First, The Fixity of the Species.** While the biblical word “kind” may not be exactly equivalent to the modern term “species,” it does indeed connote that the “producer begets what is essentially the same as itself.” In other words, there are natural boundaries over which species do not and cannot cross. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of creation the plant world began to reproduce, each “after its own kind” (Genesis 1:11-12). The fish and birds also “produced after its own kind” (1:20-21); likewise also, the animals of the field regenerated “each after its own kind” (v 24-25). However, Darwin’s theory denies the Bible by its unfounded speculation that “the difference between man and the higher animals is one of *degree and NOT kind*” (Letter of Charles Darwin, 1860). Delos McKown, evolutionist and one-time head of the philosophy department and Auburn University, said of man, “a little higher than the animals, but *of their kind* is more like it!”

**Second, Man Created in the Image of God.** Moses wrote, “God created man *in his own image*” (Genesis 1:26-27). This distinguishes us from animals and plants. Al Gore, no less, in his book *Earth in the Balance* (1993) flatly denies this inspired statement. Instead, Gore tells us, all the earth is made in God’s image, and man simply shares this image with all of creation!! “It is my own belief that the image of God can be seen in every corner of creation, even in us, but only faintly ... I believe that the ‘image of the Creator’ is *present in its entirety* [all of the Earth]” (p. 265). Gore and fellow environmentalists, who rely upon evolutionary thinking, deny the uniqueness of man.

**Third, Man Was Placed Over Creation and Is to Utilize It.** Genesis 1:26-29 instructs man to “have dominion over” the animals, the earth and to “subdue” the earth itself. That is, manage it. However, the current environmental views decry such a view. Instead, environmental activist Lynn White, Jr. observed, “We shall continue to have a worsening ecological crisis until we *reject the Christian axiom* that nature has no reason for existence save to serve man.” This is the current “biocentric worldview” that instructs us, “every tree, cockroach and rattlesnake” has “the same right to life that a human enjoys.” “All life forms are equal” No wonder Charles Darwin called evolution, “The Devil’s Gospel!”