

WHAT IS MAN (PART I)

There is the 1st heaven which is the expanse between earth and outer space. There is the 2nd heaven which is the outer space of more than 350,000,000,000 galaxies. There's the 3rd heaven called Paradise which is where the Creator dwells. Then there is earth which was created for man. Which brings us to the Psalmist's question: "What is man..."(Psalm 8:4)? Theologically we may answer that man is the imager of God. Spiritually man is soul and spirit. Psychologically he is mind and feelings. Biologically man is a body, a structure made up of billions of smaller structures of cells, tissues, organs, and systems. Furthermore that body is made of 65% oxygen, 18.5% carbon, 9.5% hydrogen, and 3.3% nitrogen. At least that makes up about 96 percent of the body. By the way, the human body contains about 1 billion, billion, billion, atoms. The cells in the body contain water molecules in the cells made up of carbon, oxygen, and hydrogen. These elements possess energy; hence we can say that humans are made of energy. If that sounds complex, it is because it is. Is it too naive to ask, "Where did that energy come from?" My first thought is, not bad for evolving from non-energy, from a lifeless single cell. My second thought is, the human body only makes sense if it has an intelligent Designer.

Geoffrey Simmons, M. D. parallels Darwinian evolution to the Salem witch trials, by referencing Arthur Miller's play "The Crucible." At the start of the play, the evidence for Salem being a hotbed of witchcraft is not good. But as the play unfolds, it becomes clear to the judges overseeing the witch trials that the evidence was utterly fabricated and bogus. Unfortunately, by this time several people have already been executed for witchcraft. What are the judges to do? At a key point in the play, the judges decide that they had better keep the executions going since otherwise their credibility will be shot. That, my friends, is a description of the state of Darwinian evolution which never did have much going for it. With advances in contemporary science Darwinism has become utterly unsupportable, but the beat goes on. The truth is, the more we get into science the more the need for intelligent design advances. Whatever man is, he is not the effect of an explosion, and he certainly is not an accident.