

## WHAT IS MAN (PART VI)

Dr. Geoffrey Simmons once asked Carl Sagan why he thought humans could have developed into such complex beings through mere evolution. His answer was, "six billion years." In other words, approximately six billion years ago, lightning may have struck a primordial soup. I have a few questions: (1) Where did the lightning come from. (2) Where did the soup come from? (3) If lightning did strike the soup, where did the complexity of humans come from? I was just wondering! Or, perhaps an asteroid loaded with organic compounds from another planet crashed into earth's surface and began sprouting seeds. Sorry! Am I missing something? Where did the organic compounds come from, not to say anything about the asteroid. Anyway, as millions of years passed, the compounds might have combined and recombined to form complex organisms that began competing, reproducing, mutating and improving, until humans arrived about a hundred thousand years ago.

There is really a more logical and simpler way to explain man's existence on earth. The earliest philosophers believed the earth was eternal, and man somehow appeared along the way. The answer to the existence of earth and man is really quite simple if we aren't too proud to believe it. "In the beginning God..." Where did God come from? The Bible says God always was, always will be, and will always remain the same. I know I'm not supposed to say that, because it enters into the realm of faith. Yet it requires faith to explain that something happened six million years ago that accidentally caused matter leading to humanity and complexity. That takes more faith than it does to believe "In the beginning God..." The truth is, we all believe what we want. I believe God created man. Evolutionists believe in a six-billion-year process leading to man. It is OK to believe that, but call it what it is. It is faith, no matter how you cut it. Creationism and evolution both fit into the category of faith, because both believe in an unseen cause. I can choose to believe Carl Sagan, who has too much faith for me. Or, I can believe in God who gives the faith to believe.