

WHAT IS MAN (PART VII)

“Every house is built by someone... He who built all things is God” (Hebrews 4:3).

My Son-in-law Eric built his own house in Soldotna, Alaska. One day he showed me the original sketches and the blue prints that were responsible for its complex design. As I think about it, I haven't seen a single house in Alaska (or anywhere else) that didn't show proof of design. Not all houses are alike, but this I know, the greater the complexity the greater need for design. It never entered my mind that evolution could be responsible for the existence of any house I have ever seen, or any car, for that matter. As Dr. Simmons states, “First came the wheel, then the cart, the wagon, the unicycle, the bicycle, the Model-T Ford, a sedan a convertible, and then a Ferrari. It should be obvious to any passerby that this car was man-made, not derived from a series of mutations (accidents)...and yet many people believe that the human body...came about, in part, through a series of lucky genic accidents.” Simmons goes on to explain, “Everything that transpires within the body is controlled by the three billion base pairs that make up the 100,000 genes that form 23 paired chromosomes within the nucleus of nearly every cell. The amount of information stored within a single nucleus is equal to a library of 1,000 encyclopedias, each with 1,000 pages. Multiply that by the 35 billion cells in a brain, not to mention the ten or more trillion cells in a single body, and the amount of information moving about the body in each second becomes astronomical... How could a particle smaller than dust have enough knowledge to, as it were, multiply into a trillion-room skyscraper – and also the color, shape, and size of every room, every worker who would ever be employed in it, and every speck of furniture, wiring, and plumbing?”

David said, “I am fearfully and wonderfully made...My form was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skillfully wrought...” (Psalm. 139:14-15). Man did not come about through a series of mutations (accidents). The complexity of man requires a design, and design requires a Designer. The great challenge to evolution is whether repeated mutations can create changes in the correct order. Simmons points out that genes that control human eye color and shape must either reside close by each other or have a way of communicating. The gene specifying the texture of a person's hair would not function well if it were placed with the genes for the ear or for bladder function. The genetic structure of man requires minute complex design. The Bible says, “We are His workmanship...” (Ephesians 2:10).