

I am  
Fearfully  
and  
Wonderfully  
Made

**M**an has always had a fascination for the world in which he finds himself living and indeed there is much to wonder at, whether through the telescope, microscope or naked eye. It is generally accepted today that the origins of the universe and the existence and complexity of life can be accredited to processes such as the so called “big bang”, spontaneous generation and evolution which are openly taught as fact in schools and given high regard in society as a whole. And yet why are such groundless ideas so readily accepted by the masses? Is it because many do not give second thought to what they hear or very more probably because such ideas provide a comfort to their consciences, an alternative to creation? There is however abounding and undeniable evidence for the latter. Just open your eyes and mind for a time of reflection.

## **Consider our Planet:**

The earth is the only life sustaining planet in our solar system and entire universe but an extremely fine line exists to make this possible. Its mass, composition and distance relative to the sun are all crucial. If we were a little closer we would burn; a little further, we would freeze. Consider the mechanism that provides us with our days, years and seasons, all due to the rotational speed of the earth and its orientation relative to the sun. If our days were of different durations as on other planets we would again suffer temperature extremes with intolerable surface wind speeds if spin rates were higher, making life impossible on both counts.

And what about tidal patterns, the rain cycle or the physical laws of gravity etc? How vital the air is that we breathe, the water we drink, and vegetation we eat, all missing on other planets. Surely in considering these facts and the skies above we should exclaim as one did centuries ago that, ***“The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament (sky) showeth His handiwork”*** (Psalm 19:1).

## Consider our Own Bodies:

We do not need to be medical experts to wonder at our incredible bodies. Overall rigidity is provided by the skeleton with its self lubricating joints and associated muscles for ease and control of movement. To this is attached or encased for protection, various organs and tissue that constitute the remainder of the body, and what a marvel it is. Contemplate the alimentary canal with its associated digestive system or the respiratory system with its elaborate lungs. Then consider the circulatory system with its unique pump, the heart. It regulates both the pressure and flow rate of the blood as it passes through miles of arteries and veins and often functions non-stop for 70-80 years without a murmur!

Give further thought to the reproductive system with its potential to produce life and ability to develop a child in the womb; not overlooking the nervous system and our incredible brain which together are far more complex than any mere computer will ever be. Finally, reflect upon the wonder of sight, speech, taste, smell, feeling and our capacity to think, innovate and make intelligent decisions. Of a truth, we should glorify God and exclaim, ***“I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made”*** (Psalm 139:14).

## Further Considerations:

Contrary to evolutionary ideas, the Bible states man was created distinctly by God, invested with headship and intelligent qualities, and is solely responsible to God for his conduct: ***“So God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him; male and female created He them”*** (Genesis 1:27). The marriage union was founded by God for a man and woman’s enjoyment of each other and to raise children: ***“be fruitful, and multiply”*** (Genesis 1:28). The disruption which permeates the world today is a direct result of man’s purposeful disobedience to God, the consequence being the

introduction of sin, separation and death: ***“So death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned”*** (Romans 5:12). It is concerning this latter issue that the main thrust of the Bible’s teaching is directed. sin, separation and death into the world.

God’s greatest work is not seen in the creation or sustaining of the physical world around us but through the sacrificial death on the Cross and bodily resurrection of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ at Jerusalem 2000 years ago. It is His will that we be reconciled to Himself; that we become new creatures in Christ by appropriating His sacrifice for sin to ourselves by faith. Only this can give purpose in this life and the certain prospect of being part of the one to come where there will be no more sin, separation or death. Hence ***“If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away: behold all things are become new”*** (2Corinthians 5:17). The opportunity to repent and forsake our sinful ways and believe in the Lord Jesus is today, while we still have breath in our lungs.

**Y**ou are urged not to be complacent or cynical toward such vital matters. Sin is rampant, Hell is real: The ***Living and True God*** is a ***Longsuffering God*** but His forthcoming Judgment upon the ungodly and unrepentant inhabitants of this groaning world is unquestionable: ***“For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;”*** (Romans 1:18).

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***“But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men”*** (2Peter 3:7).

***“And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away”*** (Revelation 21:1).

***“And He that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new ... Write: for these words are true and faithful”*** (Revelation 21:5).