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This booklet is an uncompromising, point-blank challenge. The one reason for its publication is to confront every teacher or professor in our High Schools and Universities, in whose mind and teaching there still lingers the outworn, out-of-date, unscientific notions of atheistic evolution, with the discoveries and conclusions of modern scientists, and to thoroughly inform the students in our schools of the position to which the irresistible logic of new discovery has led the most brilliant minds of our day. For some years it has been freely taught that the great thinkers, especially in the realms of the sciences, have supported the theories of atheistic evolution, and have thus discredited the Bible. That was never true. Although there have always been the scientists who were atheists, many of the world's greatest men of science have been, and are today, sincere

believers in God. And of those, many are earnest Christians, trusting the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.

Our purpose in this writing is to bring this matter vividly, clearly, unmistakably, indisputably up-to-date. What do the scientists of TODAY believe about God? The answer will astound and confound the cynic, the atheist, the agnostic, the evolutionist with its overwhelming evidence!

First, here is the background for the information we shall present. Howard Whitman, an able and impartial reporter, recently interviewed a number of the most eminent scientists engaged in active work today, to discover what each one has personally DISCOVERED about God, what these men THINK about God, and how they FEEL about God. His report was published in Collier's Magazine of August 11th, 1951.

How many times we have heard it boldly and aggressively stated by the protagonist of atheistic evolution: "All the prominent scientists believe in it." Do they? Here is the answer that will lay that lie in the dust!

The Scope of the Enquiry

It extended from the macrocosm of the heavens to the microcosm of the

atom. The astronomers, in their scarcely comprehensible excursions, spoke of our sun as being just one of 100,000,000,000 suns in our galaxy alone, and there are at least 1,000,000,000,000 such galaxies. The nuclear physicists are examining the opposite end of the material universe, the microscopic. They try to visualize the size of the hydrogen atom by speaking of an inch divided into hundredths. Then they ask us to mentally divide the hundredths into hundredths again. Then divide by a hundred once again, and then by two, and there is the diameter of the hydrogen atom! But even that is still comparatively large, for scientists are now probing within the atom. If the nucleus of that tiny hydrogen atom could be represented by a baseball, the one electron which speeds around it would be approximately eight city blocks away! Now, what do these men think about God?

Dr. Paul Francis Kerr

The laboratory of this outstanding mineralogist is at Columbia University, and his work is, of course, in the nature of examining not only the earth itself, but also those stray fragments of meteorites that fall upon this

earth from the heavens. Here is his statement: "I believe that the facts of science cannot be mere accidents. The more we study the earth, the more sense it makes. Our findings give us more of a background for faith. I do not believe as some do, that our faith is becoming vague. What I have learned about the earth has made me no less a believer in a Supreme Power, but actually more so. You see, some of the early philosophers simply guessed there was a God. All they could say was 'God is'. But we have much more evidence to go on. We have seen so much more of His handiwork. We can say, 'GOD MUST BE'."

Dr. Jason John Nassau

This scientist speaks to the sky, not to the earth, through the giant telescope in the observatory of the Case Institute of Technology at Cleveland. He said this: "It makes me marvel, not so much at the bigness of the universe, but at the ability of man's mind to comprehend it. The mystery is that this little creature, wandering around on the face of the earth has a machine in him - a MIND - which can reach out to the universe. I think the essence of our faith is in the relationship of this human mind to

the universe. Simply studying the universe alone does not bring you to a belief in God. The universe is physical. God is spiritual. But if you DO believe in God, then the study of the universe, its bigness and its complexities, are sure to make your belief richer and strengthen it. It has for me."

Dr. Jan Schilt

An expert on "star systems", Dr. Schilt is head of the astronomy department at Columbia, and makes a special study of the scheme and pattern of the cosmos. When asked for his opinion as to why the heavens are so arranged, he replied: "The hope and faith of astronomers is that eventually we will find that is so because it couldn't be otherwise. The greatest shock would be to find that it all just happened by chance."

Dr. Schilt was asked where man comes into the scheme of these immeasurable heavens and innumerable star systems. Do not these discoveries make man entirely insignificant? What does it matter whether man, this tiny mite crawling around on a minute satellite of one of billions of suns, exists or not? Dr. Schilt replied: "No, it does not make man insignificant. Finding

all these star systems, these patterns, is just a game. The thing we really have to account for is the OBSERVER - man. Without the observer one can make a universe on paper. Now, if the earth is the only place where there is an observer, then it certainly is the centre of the universe. It is conceivable that there are other planetary systems, revolving around other suns. But it is also conceivable that there is no other planetary system outside our own. Likewise it is conceivable that there may be life on other planets - - and equally conceivable that no life exists except on our own earth. It makes more sense to me that man IS the centre of the universe, that he is the sole observer. I don't see any sense in all this being duplicated. I don't think other astronomers are looking at US."

This statement by Dr. Schilt carries tremendous implications. It makes man of infinite concern and importance, the sole inhabitant and inheritor of the material universe! All those billions of suns are simply the scintillating lights in his sky, to delight his vision, and to call forth his curious investigation and to excite his wonder and admiration; most of all to arouse his worship for the Almighty, Infinite Creator of it all.

Dr. Benjamin Minge Duggar

At Lederle Laboratories, in Pearl River, New York, lives this great biologist. He is the discoverer of one of the latest wonder drugs, Aureomycin, and here is a man qualified even above his eminent associates, for as a biologist he has wrestled with the greatest problem of all science: What is life? In fact, through countless experiments, Dr. Duggar has actually tried to create life. At the University of Wisconsin he spent five years in an attempt to produce living matter from nonliving substances. His method was to take a combination of all the necessary ingredients of living matter, the salts, the carbon, the nitrogen etc. in a sterile state, and seal them into various flasks. These flasks were then put into incubators at various temperatures, or into a room where they were subjected to normal conditions. From time to time Dr. Duggar "harvested" the flasks to determine if there had been any production of life. Over the five-year period, he varied the conditions in dozens of ways, trying new variations and new methods. At the end of that time he said: "We were not able to establish any change even to give us the hope of living material."

This has been the "dead-end" of all such scientific attempts for centuries. Life only comes from antecedent life of that same kind. This is the universal law. And yet atheistic "evolution" tries to teach the EXACT CONTRARY TO THE FINDINGS OF SCIENCE, namely that somehow life did begin of itself out of a sterile, nonliving mass!

When asked why he made allowance in his thinking for the existence of God, Dr. Duggar made this significant, wholly scientific reply: "I CAN'T conceive of nothing. I CAN conceive of something. Something can't come out of nothing."

Dr. George Lechler

Anthropologists have been the hope of the evolutionist for many years, but here is one of the most prominent in this branch of science, working at Wayne University, Detroit, whose investigations have led him in the opposite direction. After discussing the two THEORIES of how life began, Heterogenesis -- that inorganic matter at some time began to live, and the Theory of Innoculation -- that organic matter fell to this earth from other planets, he turned with some impatience and blurted out: "All this begs the question. The real question is how to

explain the spiritual and the material. What is behind the origin of life? What is life? So many fall back on the explanation -- 'the law of chance'. But even this presupposes a 'law'. Whose law? For me, I prefer the belief in a creator, divine, supernatural. I cannot accept chaos."

Read that carefully, young people! That's dynamite! That is real, live ammunition against the utterly false notion that scientists support evolution.

Dr. J. B. Rhine

Dr. Rhine works in the parapsychology laboratory of Duke University at Durham, North Carolina. He is a specialist and pioneer in extrasensory perception, and he goes further still. His investigation into the human personality has led him to assert that he can prove a spiritual concept by laboratory methods. After two decades of research into such nonphysical potentialities of the mind as precognition, clairvoyance, telepathy and psychokinesis, Dr. Rhine feels he can prove man has a soul. He said: "The question of the human soul boils down to this: Is there anything extraphysical or spiritual in human personality? We have proved in our laboratory that there

is. We now have experimental evidence that such an extraphysical factor exists in man. In the sense that we have found evidence of nonphysical properties of the mind, we have sustained the soul theory of man by experimental research!

Think what these statements mean! This is exactly what the Lord Jesus told us in Luke 16:19-31. Not only is man the only intelligent, material observer of the universe, but he also has a soul that lives on after death, apart from the material body. There is a spiritual universe as well as a material one!

John J. Floyd

What about the men working at the atomic piles, probing into the minute mysteries of that new microscopic world? Floyd is the reactor research coordinator at Brookhaven's atomic pile on Long Island. When asked if he saw any place for God in the mighty machinations going on there, he replied: "Sure, as I work at the atomic pile I feel God is there, I have faith that in the long run atomic energy will be beneficial." Another engineer added: "If man developed a bomb capable of destroying the world, I don't think God would suddenly appear and stop it. No more than God stops forest fires.

Atomic energy is man's baby. Man is responsible for what he does with it." Asked if he thought a scientist could account for God scientifically, he replied: "Certainly -- by the physical laws of mass and energy. Up in the pile we see mass disappearing and becoming energy, but nowhere can we add to or subtract from the total of mass and energy. Where did the mass and energy come from? We know we can't make it. Yet it must come from somewhere. There must be Higher Power who CAN make it."

Dr. Charles W. Creaser

This professor of Zoology at Wayne University, in speaking of Mendel's law of genetics as applied to the mutations of frogs, made this important point: "We call it Mendel's law. Mendel discovered it. Who wrote it? Who decided that frogs should have spots it the first place?"

Dr. Katherine M. Chamberlain

This professor of physics at Wayne University recalled that Newton spoke of himself as a child playing by the seashore while the great ocean of truth lay before him, undiscovered. "We are still on the seashore," Dr.

Chamberlain said. "What we KNOW is just the tiniest fragment. For the whole we depend upon faith."

Dr. Robert A. Millikan

This man, dean of American scientists, and Nobel prize winner, said recently: "Just how we fit into the plans of the Great Architect and how much He has assigned us to do, we do not know... but fit in we certainly do somehow, else we would not have a sense of our own responsibility."

Many more quotations could be here-- in printed, but these are enough to show the mood and thought of present-day scientists. You may ask if this investigation discovered any who did not believe in God. Yes, it did. There were a few who claimed to be agnostic in position, and one who claimed to be an atheist, but who gave only his personal philosophical prejudices as a reason. NOT ONE OF THESE OFFERED THE SLIGHTEST SHRED OF SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE TO DISCREDIT THE EXISTENCE OF GOD! And day after day new evidence is discovered that discredits the atheistic concept of evolution more and more fully. Last April, in Iran an anthropologist from the University of Pennsylvania dug up human bones that date back to the last Ice Age, evidence that modern

man apparently lived at the same time as some of the supposed sub-human ancestors such as the Neanderthal man. This rocks the whole evolutionary theory to pieces! Last December, Dr. Edwin F. Carpenter even upset the theory of an evolving universe. He declared that he had discovered new evidence that the whole universe had been condensed out of some primeval gas in ONE SINGLE ACT!

Today, scientific discovery is leading men to an awareness of God, and ever away from atheistic evolution. The elder scientists especially have a deep spiritual awareness. Many of them have gone through some phase of agnosticism and moved on. One elderly geneticist said: "When we think we know a lot we're agnostic. When we learn how insignificant our knowledge is -- we return to God."

The young scientist, full of his new knowledge is apt to say: "How clever and wonderful I am! See what I've discovered in the atom." The mature man is more likely to say: "Isn't our God wonderful! See what He put into the atom!"

What Then Must We Conclude ?

Science today is pointing men to God, to the Great Eternal Almighty Creator

who made all things, with plan and purpose, crowning all His Creation with man himself, the intelligent, morally responsible being that is found on this earth alone. Science declares that man has a soul. Now what do we conclude?

If God has made man, as part of His plan, then He must certainly seek his fellowship and worship. He must instruct man by some means of revelation. And in all the world there is only one such perfect, scientifically accurate, inerrant revelation worthy of such a God, the BIBLE! This book claims to be exactly that necessary revelation. Then how carefully we humans ought to heed its precepts, and believe its word! When it tells of our sin, and points us to the One Saviour, The Lord Jesus Christ, how we should obey its commands, and commit ourselves to the saving power and redeeming love of the Man of Calvary!

Friend, have you claimed the promise of Acts 16:31? God says: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." That is the Word of God Himself to the creatures He made. God help you, dear reader to believe it, to trust the Saviour, to accept Him as YOUR Saviour, even as you read these words.

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