

Here is a picture here of one who knows the facts about God's greatness and goodness. Now everybody up to about 300 yrs. ago recognized these facts. Today people have put - many of them, particularly our educated people - something between to hide them from the Lord. They have put up an explanation of everything by second causes. They have put up an explanation that seems to them to explain everything. Actually it does not. It only goes a certain distance. Beyond that it stops. There is no explanation for the world except that there is a God who is everywhere, and who controls all things, who compasses our path, our lying down and in acquainted with all our ways.

Such knowledge is indeed too wonderful for us in our natural state. But as we know the Lord, it is something in which we rejoice, something for which we praise Him.

In this last 100 yrs. - a little more than 100 yrs. now - our world has been filled with the teaching of evolution. Chas. Darwin who was the first to present this teaching in a way that won wide acceptance differed from the many others who have presented ideas almost the same, and they have (had?) been widely distributed throughout England during the 15 yrs. before Darwin wrote. He differed from them only in this: that he thought he had found a way to explain evolution without the necessity of any directing mind of any purpose in it. It was purely natural development, purely accident as you would say that things happened this way, that way, and the other way, and today there are many who tell us that this world was covered with a slime for billions of years and eventually thousands of chemicals happened to come together in just such a way, and that a spark of life came. And the smallest, most simple type of life arose just through that accident of after billions of years this tremendously complex combination of chemicals happening to get together!

I don't quite believe that anybody can in his heart of hearts really believe that things happened in that way. Yet it is so widely spread that many thought that that was they believed. The evolutionary theory talks a great deal about how all life has developed from the very simple little one-celled organisms and then that simple little organism just by natural processes there has developed already a tremendous complexity. Well, they are studying those little one-celled organisms much more than they have ever been studied before. Within the last 20 yrs. it has been discovered that the amoeba and one celled animals, even simpler than the amoeba have within them, within that one cell, one hundred different enzymes working together as a system to synthesize the various chemical elements in order to produce the very complex compounds that life requires. That this simple amoeba, so called, ever came into existence purely by accident requires a stretch of imagination, a stretch of faith if you will, far beyond what it requires to take the word of the living God for the explanation of how the universe has come into existence.