

Who is fooling who?

The National Association of Biology Teachers, a significantly large and well funded secular educational organization, has recently changed its policy statement on teaching evolution in public schools. The new statement, while it does not actually say it, allows for the possibility that a god (what god, I do not know) directed evolution.

The former statement was written as follows:

"The diversity of life on earth is the outcome of evolution: an unsupervised, impersonal, unpredictable and natural process. 1"

The new statement reads the same except the words "unsupervised" and "impersonal" were left out. The NABT changed their published policy in 1997 "to avoid taking a religious position" that could offend believers, Wayne Carley, the NABT's executive director, told The New York Times.² However, this same teacher's group still believes there "is no evidence of any creator having a hand in the origin of any species." ³

I ask, "Who is fooling who?" I certainly pray that the portion of the Christian community that has chosen to send their children to the public school don't think that this is some kind of major break through or bent toward a more appropriate Biblical faith in the public school! The first policy statement is definitely offensive to Biblical truth, but the second statement is even more so! As a matter of fact, it smacks of new age thinking more than ever.

In the first place, nothing on earth is here (animate nor inanimate) as the result of an evolutionary process. The fact that the most "prestigious" biological group in North America supports this view certainly does not give scientific validity to the statement because you simply do not achieve scientific knowledge by majority rule. It simply proves that biologists are people too! People who have beliefs and religious views, and this statement proves it without a doubt, because it is certainly not scientific.

I think, it is interesting to look at the honest views of other evolutionists in the same matter. When do we recognize the immense disparity that exists among them, and we further understand the true religious nature of evolution. Consider the following quotes in light of the NABT statement and revision:

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Quote 1: In accepting evolution as a fact, how many biologists pause to reflect that science is built upon theories that have been proved by experiment to be correct, or remember that the theory of animal evolution has never been thus proved ?...

The fact of evolution is the backbone of biology, and biology is thus in the peculiar position of being a science founded on an unproved theory - is it then a science or a faith? Belief in the theory of evolution is thus exactly parallel to belief in special creation - both are concepts which believers know to be true but neither up to the

present, has been capable of proof. 4 (emphasis mine)

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Quote 2: In fact, evolution became in a sense a scientific religion; almost all scientists have accepted it and many are prepared to "bend" their observations to fit in with it. 5

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Quote 3: I have faith and belief myself. I believe that the universe is comprehensible within the bounds of natural law and that the human brain can discover those natural laws and comprehend the universe. I believe that nothing beyond those natural laws is needed. I have no evidence for this. It is simply what I have faith in and what I believe. 6

The reader should note that the third quote was written by Isaac Asimov, the most prolific evolutionary writer in the 20th century (compiling over 300 books of science). Asimov was a biochemist the University of Boston and at the time of his death was the president of the American Humanist Association. If anyone ought to have known, he should have. I wonder what he would say now?

The point is: Evolution is a religion in every way creation is, and all honest observers are willing to admit it. Just being politically correct is absolutely not a test of truth! In the final analysis, one will have to believe either in eternal matter or in an eternal God - origins are a matter of faith not science!

But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. (Hebrews 11:6)

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