

## AN ATHEIST—NO VISIBLE MEANS OF SUPPORT!

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"The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God.' They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none who does good." {Psalm 14:1}

Personally, I've never had a discussion with a true atheist. The person who denies God's existence has many problems understanding the questions that surround life. I think the atheist's greatest problem concerns man's origin. Where did we come from?

**Origin—the beginning point.** "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters." {Genesis 1:1,2} Everything in the world, even life itself, begins with God—that's all there is to it. Wherever the atheist begins—the atom, matter, etc.—he still doesn't know the origin. The atheist's greatest dilemma is lack of a point of origin. How can a truly intellectual and rational person look at the order in the universe and conclude that it all just happened. Order cries out for intellect and design; those things come from God.

**Science is no help.** To be true, science must be repeatable and observable. We know that the evolution of human life, as depicted by those who deny creation, cannot be repeated or observed. The truth is, we all have the same evidence—just different ways of interpreting it. Christians believe in intelligent design; atheists begin with natural causes over time. In recent years, some have tried to combine the two positions; the result is known as theistic evolution—the belief that God created the universe by means of natural causes, over long periods of time. Foolishness!

Frankly, I don't have enough faith to be an atheist. Someone has said that those who believe in Creation also must believe in fairy tales. Ponder that thought for a moment. Man's beginning was with some "matter," later evolved and grew arms, legs, began to walk, grew a brain, a nervous system, etc. The "Big-Bang" theory explains we are here as part of random chance and nothing more. The beliefs of those in this camp that try to explain evolution—now that's a fairy tale! \*\*\*