Atheist Debate ("Highlight" key words)

I'm sure that we all agree that there is a big difference between the word "Black" and what we commonly call "The 'N' word."

One describes an ethnic group, the other has extremely negative connotations.

In the same way, there is a big difference between the word "Christian" and the word "religious."

History shows that religion has been accompanied by ignorance, intolerance, and superstition.

Religion has fought the progress of science, and has been responsible to more wars than any thing else in history.

I say that because I am not here representing Roman Catholicism, or the traditional Protestant church.

They would no doubt distance themselves from me and my beliefs, as quickly as you would distance yourself from a skunk with severe halitosis.

"Religious" Webster's Dictionary: "Pertaining to or connected with a monastic or religious order."

I am neither a monk, nor am I part of any religious order.

At the risk of causing you to roll your eyes in expectation of what you may consider

"the usual nauseating arguments for God's existence," I am going to give you my three point outline, in which I will present my case:

- The Evidence of Creation.
- The Evidence of The Bible.
- The Evidence of Conscience.

Then I will speak briefly on the subject of evolution and make known to you details of the \$250,000 offer for anyone who can offer any scientific evidence for evolution.

1. The Evidence of Creation.

Theory--Coke can, banana (ridges/groves, non-slip, outward indicators, tab, bio-degradable perforated, point at top, right shape, curved).

Leaves. Car--no maker? Order in creation.

Sir Isaac Newton said, "This most beautiful system of the sun, planets, and comets, could only proceed from the counsel and dominion of an intelligent and powerful Being."

But how do you scientifically prove God's existence? The English word "scientific"--from the Latin words: "to make" and "knowledge."

Building builder. Painting painter.

Exactly same applies to the existence of God: "For the invisible things of Him..." (Romans 1:20)

Scientist Stephen Hawking is his book, A Brief History of Time said,

"It would be very difficult to explain why the universe should have begun in just this way, *except* as the act of a God who intended to create beings like us."

Albert Einstein didn't believe in the God of the Bible, *but he wasn't a fool*. He knew that there was a Creator.

He said, "God does not play dice [with the universe]."

"Everyone who is seriously involved in the pursuit of science becomes convinced that a spirit is manifest in the laws of the Universe--a spirit vastly superior to that of man, and one in the face of which our modest powers must feel humble." (*The Quotable Einstein*, p. 152).

God's existence is axiomatic.

Arguing about the existence of a Creator is intellectually demeaning.

It is like arguing with "The Sun is Not Hot Club," about whether or not the sun is hot.

That's why the Bible says, "The fool has said in his heart, There is no God."

"The Atheist Test."

Two questions: Hawaii, Tibetan yak. Some things we don't know.

Thomas Edison "We do not know one-millionth of one percent about anything."

The statement, "There is no God" is an absolute statement.

Absolute knowledge "No gold in China."

Don't need absolute knowledge to know that there is gold in China.

This circle represents all the knowledge in the universe. It is possible, in the 99% of the knowledge you haven't yet come across, that there is ample evidence to prove that God exists?

If you are reasonable, you will be forced to say, "Yes, it is possible...so I really don't know."

Therefore must say, "With the limited knowledge I have at present I've come to the conclusion that there is no God, but I really don't know."

2. The Evidence of the Bible.

If we have problems with parts of the Bible, we should listen to Mark Twain, who wisely said,

"Most people are bothered by those passages of Scriptures they don't understand, but for me, I have always noticed that the passages that bother me are those I do understand."

He was right. It's not things that men can't understand that make them hate the Bible. It's the things they *can* understand.

The Bible is full scientific and medical facts, written thousands of years before man discovered the. See "Science Confirms the Bible" tract, and *Scientific Facts in the Bible* book.

The facts, plus its many 100% accurate prophecies prove that the Bible is supernatural in origin.

3. The Evidence of Conscience

I am now going to move from addressing your intellect and speak directly to your conscience.

This is because the word con-science means with knowledge.

If your conscience is allowed to do its duty, it will speak to you of God's existence.

But if you deny that inner knowledge, according to the Bible your conscience is "seared." Deadened.

So I am going to speak directly to it, in an effort to resurrect it.

To do this, I will use a few of the Ten Commandments--what the Bible calls the Law of God. God's Law is like a mirror.

Not a pretty sight (this isn't pleasant, but it won't take long).

This is most necessary for me to present my case for the existence of God, so please bear with me.

Would you consider yourself to be a "good' person?

Here's the test to see if you are morally clean: Have you kept the Ten Commandments?

Have you ever told a lie? Have you ever stolen something? Jesus said, "Whoever...lust..."

Then, by your own admission, you are a lying, thieving, adulterer at heart

and you have to face God on Judgment day, whether you believe in Him or not.

If He were to judge you...Heaven or Hell?

I don't believe in Hell! If I stand on a freeway and say, "I don't believe in trucks."

The good news is that God doesn't want any of us to go to Hell.

He provided a way for us to be forgiven: The Cross.

Finally, I would like to speak for a moment about EVOLUTION

Let me make it clear that I do believe in variations within species. Some dogs appear to have evolved from large to small (or small to large), but no "evolution" has actually taken place.

They are still dogs.

So I do believe in something called "microevolution"--variation within a species.

However, there is no evidence for man evolving from primates, commonly known as "the theory of evolution."

Professor Louis Bounoure, Director of Research, National Center of Scientific Research so rightly stated:

"Evolution is a fairy tale for grown-ups. This theory has helped nothing in the progress of science. It is useless."

Sir Arthur Keith (Sir Arthur Keith wrote the foreword to the 100th edition of *Origin of the Species*) said, "Evolution is unproved and unprovable."

Malcolm Muggeridge, the famous British journalist and philosopher said,

"I myself am convinced that the theory of evolution, especially the extent to which it's been applied, will be one of the great jokes in history books of the future." (The End of Christendom, Eerdmans, Grand Rapids, Mich., 1980, page 59).

Dr. T. N. Tah-misian of the Atomic Energy Commission said,

"Scientists who go about teaching that evolution is a fact of life are great con-men, and the story they are telling may be the greatest hoax ever."

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"Paleontologists have discovered a new skeleton in the closet of human ancestry that is likely to force science to revise, *if not scrap*, current theories of human origins."

Reuters reported that the discovery left "scientists of human evolution...*confused*," saying, "Lucy may not even be a direct human ancestor after all."

The phrase "scientists of human evolution" is an oxymoron.

Evolution isn't "scientific." It's a theory.

If you go to <u>www.raycomfort.com</u> to will see an offer of \$250,000. Dr. Kent Hovind \$250,000 "to anyone who can offer any scientific evidence that evolution is true."

Take him to court. Become famous. Make this another Scopes trial.

But you won't, because you can't. All you have is faith in a theory.

Evolution is actually a religion.

Dictionary: "Religion": "A set of beliefs concerned with explaining the origins and purposes of the universe..."

The belief of evolution even has its own religious language:

"We believe, perhaps, maybe, probably, could've, possibly."

The founding father of the faith is Charles Darwin.

The god of the religion of Darwinism is referred to by the faithful as "Mother Nature."

She is the one who is responsible for everything we can see in creation.

What's more, she's very attractive to sinful men. They gravitate to her like a moth to a flame.

Why? Because she's deaf, blind, and mute.

Mother Nature doesn't hear anything, she doesn't see anything, and what's most important--she doesn't *say* anything.

Mother Nature doesn't have any moral dictates.

So, if you make her your creator, YOU CAN DO ANYTHING YOU WANT

... every sinful pleasure can be enjoyed with no qualms of conscience.

That's why evolution is so appealing.

Such a belief system is called "idolatry" (making up a non-existent god to suit yourself) It is a transgression of the First and Second of the Ten Commandments.

To believe in the theory of evolution takes a great leap of bind faith.

Like little children, they believe without the need of a thread of evidence.

The theory doesn't disprove the existence of God.

It just reveals that those who believe it are truly capable of faith in the invisible...

and confirms Napoleon's great observation:

"Man will believe anything, as long as it's not in the Bible."

Thank you for listening. Please feel free to avail yourselves of the literature on the table.

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