Beginnings – ORIGIN (Where did we come from?)

- Only Two Choices
- Realize the Significance
- Is it Faith or Science?
 - o LAB Lookable, Accessible, Breakable
- **G**uess at the Evidence
- Inspect the Evidence
 - O Universe = "Decay"
 - Age of the Earth = "Can't Say"
 - Origin of Life by Chance = "No Way"
 - Evolution of Species and Man = "Lacks Genes and Tweens"
- No Compromise

DON'T - \underline{D} eath, \underline{O} rder of Creation, \underline{N} ames in genealogies, \underline{T} en Commandments refer to seven-day week

Intent of Life - LIFE (Why are we here?)

- Love GOD and MAN
- Increase GROW
- Faithfulness Time, Talent, Treasure
- Eternity Past, Present, Future

<u>Authority – POWER</u> (Who's in charge?) A God Who is:

- Personal and Loving
- Omnipotent
- Wise and All-Knowing
- Everywhere and Eternal
- Righteous and Reliable

Standards – RULES (What are the rules?) God's rules are:

- Revealed supernaturally, not derived by reason
- Universal and apply to everyone, everywhere, all the time
- Loving
- Enforced
- Steadfast

Man from animals

One of the standard ideas taught in public schools is that men evolved from apes or that men and apes had a common ancestor.

Creationist Expectation		Evolutionist Expectation	
1.	Man was created fully formed by God.	1.	Man is simply another complex animal which
2.	Man should appear in the fossil record at the		evolved from less complex animals.
	same time as other life forms, although not	2.	There should be many millions of years of
	in the same abundance. There were fewer		fossil record before man appears in the
	men and they lived longer at first.		record.
3.	There should be no evidence of man	3.	There should be evidence of transitional
	"evolving" from any other type of animal.		forms linking man to earlier similar animals.

Evidence

Evolutionists assume that evolution is an ongoing process. There is no evidence today that man is changing into another species.

The genetic/information evidence for man is the same as for simple to complex creatures in the previous section. **There is no known natural source for the genetic information found in humans.** Even the reports proclaiming the similarity of human DNA with chimpanzee DNA is simply another fact that is interpreted based on bias. A creationist sees "same Designer" while an evolutionist sees "same ancestor". An evolutionist's claim that there is "only a 4% DNA difference between chimps and humans" would still represent over 40 million distinct mutations since the "common ancestor", a number way too large for even the evolutionary timeframe.

Gish's book again does an excellent job of outlining the human fossil evidence from the past. **There is no real evidence that man has ever been anything but a man.** Here is a summary:

- 1. There are no transitional fossils linking the so-called Primate order (which includes monkeys, apes, and men) with any non-Primates. Primates just suddenly appear in the fossil record.
- 2. There are no transitional fossils which link the "primitive" primates such as lemurs with other primates.
- 3. There have been only a few supposed primate transitional forms found in the fossil record. Some have been shown to be frauds. Some have been identified as apes after closer examination. Some have been identified as men after closer examination. The major indication that any of these forms is a "link" is the supposed age of the fossils. The aging techniques have

problems which were discussed earlier. In fact, some of the fossil discoveries later found evidence of man in rock layers **underneath** the supposed ancestors of man.

Examples:

- Nebraska man turned out to be a pig's tooth
- Piltdown man turned out to be a hoax
- Peking man the fossils were lost before they were examined by objective scientists
- Java man turned out to be a combination of bones from a man and a gibbon (monkey)
- Neanderthal man a man with rickets
- Cro Magnon man simply a very intelligent man
- "Lucy" almost identical to the modern pygmy chimpanzee

What Does the Evidence Indicate?

The conclusion here is the same as for complex animals from simple – "LACKS GENES and TWEENS".

Creationist Interpretation

Nothing in the fossil record indicates that it is "unscientific" to believe in God's special creation of man.

Evolutionist Interpretation

Evolutionists again believe in the evolution of man despite no clear supporting evidence. There is no evidence in the present or the past that man has ever been anything but man. However, since creation is unacceptable to men who reject the idea of God, evolutionists simply believe that man evolved without leaving any fossil traces of the steps of the transformation (Gish pg 222). It certainly seems to be a stretch to call this a scientific theory!

Summary of the Inspection

Here is an easily-memorized summary of what we found in the evidence:

- Nature of the Universe DECAY
- Age of the Earth CAN'T SAY
- Life from Non-Life NO WAY
- Animals and Man from simpler life forms LACKS GENES AND 'TWEENS