

# Have Scientists Created Life?

"But now, O Lord, You are our Father; we are the clay, and You our potter; and all we are the work of Your hand." Isaiah 64:8 (New King James Version)

Has \_\_\_\_\_ accomplished what we claim only \_\_\_\_\_ can?

## The "Creation" Of Synthetic Life Briefly Examined

A. In May of this year J. Craig Venter claimed to produce "a \_\_\_\_\_ cell powered by \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ DNA." He claimed to do it with computer-generated DNA and \_\_\_\_\_ bottles of \_\_\_\_\_.

B. Looking more closely at Venter's work:

1. He \_\_\_\_\_ DNA and implanted it in an \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ cell of *mycoplasma mycoides*.
2. His work was stalled by a "\_\_\_\_\_". "It shows how \_\_\_\_\_ it has to be," he said.
3. DeWeese: "... the cell [into which Venter implanted DNA] was not \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_". All Venter did was to implant new \_\_\_\_\_ (the DNA).

## Have Scientific Discoveries Nullified The Bible's Claims?

A. The Bible claims that God is the Creator of all things:

1. Genesis 1:1 - It was God who created the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_, "in the \_\_\_\_\_".
2. Hebrews 11:3 - By \_\_\_\_\_ we know this to be true.
3. Doesn't evolution also rely on "faith"?
  - a. Was there a \_\_\_\_\_ atom the size of an \_\_\_\_\_?!
  - b. Hebrews 3:4 - Did disorganized matter somehow \_\_\_\_\_ itself into \_\_\_\_\_ life forms without aid?
4. Isaiah 45:12 - \_\_\_\_\_ claims to have \_\_\_\_\_ all things.

B. Why do people want to believe the unbelievable?

1. Romans 1:28 - Some don't want to \_\_\_\_\_ God in their \_\_\_\_\_; they want to do things which are not \_\_\_\_\_.
2. 2 Peter 3:3-5 - Some \_\_\_\_\_ forget that God created the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Isaiah 29:15,16 - Should the \_\_\_\_\_ say to the \_\_\_\_\_, "He did not \_\_\_\_\_ me"?

C. Will we put God "in the \_\_\_\_\_" (per C.S. Lewis)?

Isaiah 64:8 - We are the \_\_\_\_\_; God is our \_\_\_\_\_.

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