

axis at a tremendous rate and going around the sun this great tremendous distance once a year. And that the sun is moving around the center of this galaxy and that the galaxy is moving more than 1000 mph in space. Tremendous action. Movement. It is the picture science gives us of the world of the universe, and there's nothing contradicting that in the Bible. So let's be careful how we use the word.

What is it we object to that the word evolution is often used to mean? I was talking with a man one time. I told him how I'd done considerable study of languages. I told him how languages degenerate. You take almost any language in its earlier stages and its got a complicated system of endings. Then those endings get dropped off and dropped off and the language becomes simplified as times goes on. It looses these complicated grammatical forms. It looses these. English had a great many of them at one time. Most of them have been lost. It's simplified. It looses things. That man said to me, "That can't be true. That would contradict the theory of evolution!" He had a theory that embraced the universe. It meant that everything must go a certain way, and facts didn't fit his theory. But people will think that if they show you some kind of development somewhere, then you must jump to the conclusion that what is called the theory of evolution has an explanatory theory of the whole universe and is therefore true. That's a tremendous jump.

Evolution in this sense, in which it directly contradicts the Bible is the idea that everything in the universe has developed and is developing from simple beginnings into more complicated forms by purely natural processes. That theory which says it starts in with the very simplest thing and everything has developed out of it, and starting in ~~xxx~~ with the simplest type of life, everything -- every bit of life has developed out of it by natural processes is such a complex and complicated idea that it's perfectly silly to talk about a missing link. There would be thousands and thousands of missing links that would have to be proven to prove the theory.

How would you ever prove such a theory? You see they push us into the situation so that some of our young people get the idea that if you can show that one type of bird has developed into a type a little bit different, that proves ~~x~~ evolution! It doesn't at all. They may be ~~xxx~~ lots of development in the world, but to prove that everything has developed from one little simple source you've got all these missing links all along the way, millions of them which would have to be shown. In other words to prove the theory of evolution in that sense would be an absolutely impossible thing. It has to be taken on faith. As a matter of fact that's what we have. We have two systems of faith. We have the faith that believes God created the universe, and He created it in such ways as He chose. Some think by sudden immediate action. Others by gradual process. Such means as he chose to bring the universe into the form that it is in now, but God did it, God was active in it, God is active today and controlling it. That is one system we take by faith, because we know God, the God of the Bible, we know what He says is true and that's what He tells us in the Word.

The other system of faith says, No, there either isn't any God or if there is he's away off there and doesn't have anything much to do with us, but there is a natural process to explain everything and we cannot allow any supernatural intervention into it. There == These are the two opposite views. One is theism; the other is evolution. When some people talk about theistic evolution,