

earlier stages, and it has a complicated system of endings. Then those endings get dropped off, and ~~f~~ dropped off; and the languages becomes simplified as time goes on; it loses these complicated grammatical forms; it loses the endings. English had a great many of them at one time, most of which have ~~been~~ ~~lost~~ been lost. It simplifies. It loses things. ~~Why that man~~ Why that man said to me, "That can't be true," he said, "that would contradict the theory of evolution." Well, he had a theory which embraced the universe and meant that everything must go a certain way. And facts didn't fit his theory. But people will sometimes think that if they show you some development somewhere, then you must jump to the conclusion that what is called the "theory of evolution" as an explanatory theory of the whole universe is therefore true. And that is a tremendous jump. Evolution in this sense, the 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 natural, purely natural, processes. And that theory, which says that starting in with the very simplest possible thing, everything has developed out of it, and starting in with the simplest possible type of life, 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 which would have to be proved to prove such a theory. How would you ever prove such a theory? You see they push us into the situation where some of our young people get the idea that if you can show them one type of bird has developed into a type a little bit different; that proves evolution. It doesn't at all. There may be ~~lost~~ 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. And, as a matter of fact, that's what we have. We two systems of faith: we have the faith that believes that there is a God who created the universe, and He created it in such ways as He chose; some things