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MEMORY VERSE

And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that *it was good.*

Genesis 1: 21 (KJV)

WHY DON'T THEY SEE?

It was a rainy day and Susan sat on her bed watching the raindrops hit the window pane. She was feeling kind of down because she had argued with her best friend today. She had shouted at Tiffany and told her she couldn't be much of a Christian if she believed in that evolution stuff. Now Susan felt bad.

Susan and Tiffany had been given the assignment of dissecting a fish in biology class today. Looking inside the fish, at all the incredible organs and parts, was fascinating. They were asked to compare the parts of a fish to that of a reptile and to that of a man. Tiffany saw lots of similarities between the fish, reptile, and man. She saw that they all were air breathing in one form or another, and that they all had appendages. Tiffany also saw that they all had eyes and digestive systems, and they all reproduced. She thought they were very much alike, but Susan didn't. Susan didn't think that the fishes' method of breathing and man's were even remotely similar, and that differences between a hand and a fin were most obvious. If Tiffany thought laying eggs and having a baby were alike then she needed her head examined! One look into that fishes' eye, and she knew that she and Tiffany were both looking at God's creation through totally different eyes!

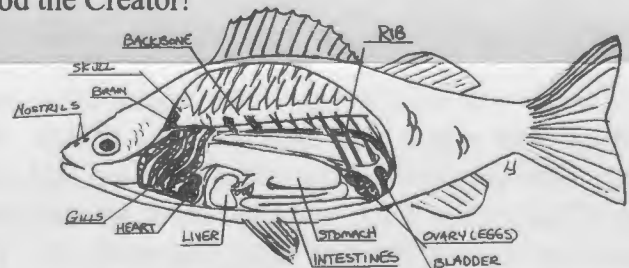
How could Tiffany believe that the fish could develop lungs from gills, or grow arms, legs, hands, and feet from fins, and somehow manage to lose a swim

bladder? Didn't she see how complex that tiny swim bladder was? Why couldn't Tiffany see how impossible the odds were that a delicate gill filament, designed to take oxygen out of water, could change into a sac designed to take oxygen out of air? Why couldn't Tiffany see that ALL the other organs would have had to change, AT THE SAME TIME, to make this new creature? It just blew Susan's mind how Tiffany could believe

that by chance and accidents, the many different, perfect kinds of plants and animals we see today could have evolved. Where was the fossil evidence to support these changes? Didn't she read her Bible? God made everything in six days. How could Tiffany be so in the dark?

Then Susan looked to the window. A bright ray of sun broke through the clouds and fell warm and reassuring on Susan's bed. The clouds parted and a brilliant rainbow filled the sky. Susan felt a warm feeling go through her body and realized that it wasn't Tiffany's fault that she hadn't seen the light. She had been told evolution was true long before she had become a Christian, and she was still growing... changing... "evolving".

Susan realized at that moment that she had to change her own attitude. Tiffany needed Susan's love and guidance, not her anger or scorn. Susan bowed her head and asked God to guide her in helping Tiffany see through the misinformation and truly see the light of God the Creator!



YOU TRY IT

With an adult, try dissecting a Yellow Perch. You can use any fish, but the organs might be a little different from the drawing above. Dissect (cut open) on a cutting board or in a shallow pan. Use a scalpel, sharp knife, or scissors to cut the skin of the belly open. Using a probe, long pin, or tweezers, see how many of the organs you can find. **EVEN IF YOU CAN'T IDENTIFY ALL THE PARTS, JUST LOOK HOW COMPLEX THE FISH IS.....WHAT DESIGN!!!!**

DID YOU KNOW?

For years the fish called Coelacanth (pronounced SEE-la-kanth) were known from fossils and believed to have become extinct 70 million years ago. Evolutionists believed that they were the "missing link" between fish and amphibians. But living coelacanths have been found since 1938. How could they have remained unchanged for 70 million years?

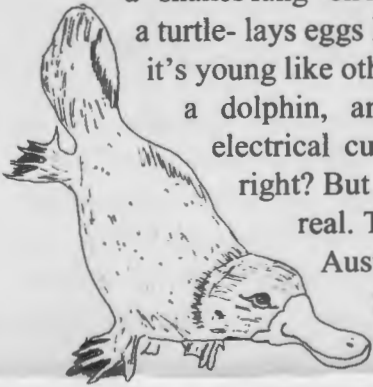


ASK EUGENE

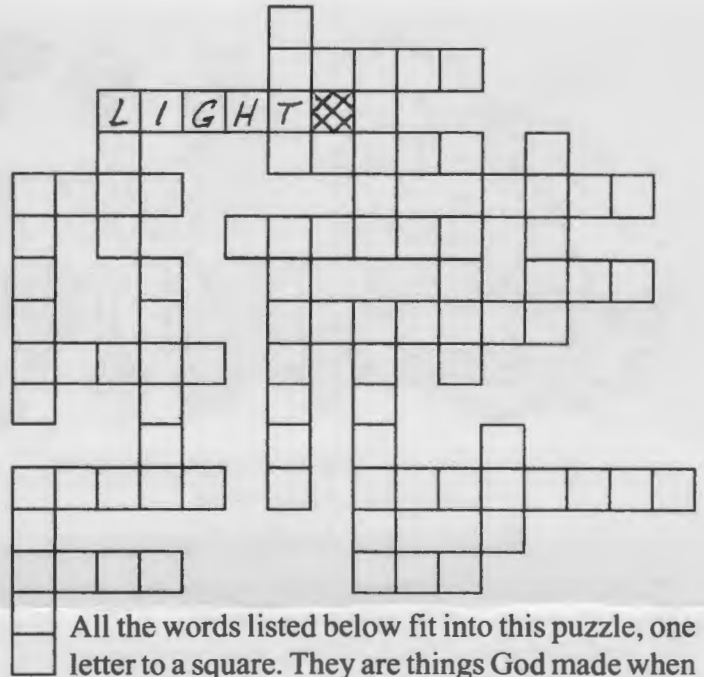
Dear Eugene: Why does a platypus look like so many different animals?
 Love, Brian Crone (Ky.)



Dear Brian: Hey Brian! Glad to hear from you again. The Platypus has to be one of the weirdest animals on the earth. The Platypus has a bill like a duck, a tail like a beaver, fur like an otter, a "snakes fang" on its back feet, webbed feet like a turtle- lays eggs like a reptile or bird, suckles it's young like other mammals- has sonar like a dolphin, and can detect very small electrical currents. Sounds like a joke, right? But the Platypus is no joke, it is real. The Platypus lives in eastern Australia. He is a strong swimmer, and has four webbed feet (the male Platypus has poison spines on its back feet which can inject poison). The female digs a nest underground near a river bank and lays EGGS (the Spiny Anteater is the only other mammal that lays eggs)!The babies hatch out after about ten days and suckle milk, just like all baby mammals do! The Platypus can detect extremely small electrical currents with it's duck-like bill. He (or she) finds small shrimp hiding in the mud with this specially designed bill. How does the Platypus fit in with the theory of evolution? **IT DOESN'T!** What on earth is it trying to evolve into anyway? A few fossils of Platypus have been found, but they show it has not changed. Once a Platypus, always a Platypus! *Maybe God created the Platypus the way it is to show us how foolish it is to believe in evolution.*



Love, Eugene



All the words listed below fit into this puzzle, one letter to a square. They are things God made when he created the world. You can read the story in the first book of the Bible, the Book of Genesis.

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| DAY | MOON | NIGHT | WHALES |
| MAN | ANTS | LIGHT | SNAKES |
| SUN | FISH | GRASS | ANIMALS |
| SEAS | BIRDS | WATER | INSECTS |
| SAND | EARTH | WOMAN | HEAVENS |
| LAND | STARS | CATTLE | CREATION |

What kind of fish do you find in a bird cage?
A perch.

What is the best way to get in touch with a fish?
Drop him a line.

Why are fish smart?
Because they swim in schools.

What fish has perfect pitch?
a piano tuna.

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