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Theistic Evolution Today

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The following are unedited statements from biologos.org.

- "First, Christians should study evolution because, like all the natural sciences, it is the study of God's creation."
- "One recent survey showed that a key factor in the evangelical church's loss of credibility among young people is its assertion of anti-evolutionary creation models that contradict virtually all of the evidence we find in nature."
- "We at BioLogos maintain that the scientific evidence from many branches of modern science would make little sense apart from common ancestry and evolution. We also believe that the cultural and theological contexts in which Scripture was written are key for determining the best interpretation of the creation accounts."
- "BioLogos in One Sentence" *January 29, 2014* | *By <u>Deborah Haarsma</u>*. Deborah Haarsma serves as the President of BioLogos, a position she has held since January 2013. Previously, she served as professor and chair in the Department of Physics and Astronomy at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan.
- Mission Statement: "BioLogos presents evolution as God's means of creation, so that the Church may celebrate and the world may see the harmony between science and biblical faith."

Theistic Evolution is false teaching by definition because it adds evolution to the Bible. As in the case of BioLogos, it adds Bio to Logos. Evolution directly contradicts the Bible. For example <u>if</u> <u>evolution is what God used for creation</u>, then animals do not reproduce *after their kind*, God's creating work was not *complete*, He did not form *man from dust*, there is no basis for the Sabbath commandment because God did not make *the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them in six days*, God did not create *them from the beginning* as *MALE AND FEMALE*, sin evolved as part of God's work, therefore, it is not true that *through one man sin entered into the world*, and it is not true that *what is seen was not made out of things which are visible*.

Why believe in a six-day creation? Oh, I don't know—how about because: Moses did, and David did, and the prophets did, and Jesus did, and the apostles did? How about because not one single author of the Bible assumed anything other than God speaking creation into existence in six, 24-hour days?

Why teach "Theistic Evolution" in our churches? Why not? We also have Theistic abortion, Theistic homosexuality, Theistic divorce, Theistic remarriage, Theistic infanticide, Theistic humanism, Theistic yoga, and Theistic feminism—in our churches. BioLogos revealed their hand when they said, "a key factor in the evangelical church's loss of credibility among young people is its assertion of anti-evolutionary creation models." That's the same argument I hear for making our churches as gay-friendly as the Bible allows. It's all about keeping worldly people, especially young people who have been brainwashed by the evolutionists, in our churches. The apostles did not do evangelism, or minister to believers, by adding the world's doctrines or trying to mesh them with the gospel. But that is exactly what the early cults did. They added views like Greek and Roman mythology, Gnosticism, Epicureanism, Hedonism, and Stoicism, and created the first "Christian" false teaching.

Evolution is religion, not science. Science is based on reason applied to repeatable observations. No one has ever observed anything evolve into anything. Period. Evolution bears no more scientific credibility than beliefs in alchemy, a flat earth, or bleeding people with leaches, all of which were "scientific" ideas.