

Why do Christians believe in a creator?

The brief explanation below is not meant to be an in-depth thesis on creationism vs. evolution. It is simply a short answer on how two minds look at similar things with very different points of view. Volumes and volumes of books have been published on these subjects with each side both declaring victories, yet people in the middle, searching for answers seeing what amounts to a stalemate. And most people, who are looking for answers have already decided at least in part what they think. But even with that said, the question is, what causes two people to look at the same thing and to have completely opposite points of view about it?

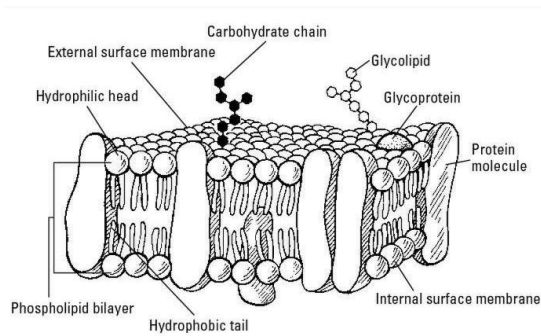
One person may look at the universe, solar system, Earth, nature, and life, and explain them in very simple terms without giving it much more thought. An existence that doesn't require a master designer, but one that through time and happenstance create itself. That may be how you perceive things as well. But let's look at a different perspective. There are some people who look at all those things and think of unlimited and unfathomable depths creation. Science and art interwoven in a tapestry that only something or someone with an unparalleled amount of knowledge and creativity could create.

Instead of jumping into points that are typically debated with little resolution and resorting to baseless conjecture about something none of us will ever truly know the exact answers to in this lifetime, let's imagine something else first. Close your eyes and think about the most peaceful recent memory you had. Maybe you were outside, perfect weather, sun shining, slight breeze. Perhaps no one else around you. Everything is serene, calm, still peaceful. OK, now how did all of this happen to come together? Let's look at what is actually happening, a culmination of things that are hard to even comprehend:

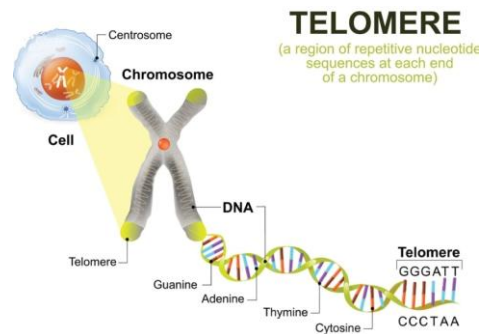
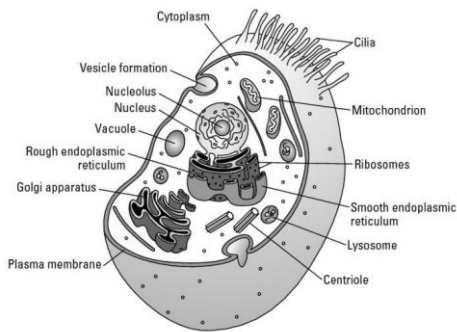
The Earth is actually not so calm, it is rotating at 1000 miles per hour, but thanks to gravity you don't feel it. Every second, deadly solar storms, X-rays, Gamma rays, and other radiation are repelled by the atmosphere and magnetic forces of the Earth. These are both only possible because of the perfect balance of elements in the core of the Earth, the atmosphere, and the perfect amount of rotation. The atmosphere has to be the right makeup and balance of gases for anything to survive here. The tilt of the Earth has to be perfect otherwise it would become too hot or too cold in most areas for life to live. If we were slightly closer or further from the sun, again it would spell disaster. And then, the Earth isn't just spinning, it is hurtling around the sun at 67000 MPH. And the sun and the Earth are hurtling around the Milky way galaxy at 200,000 MPH. And the Milky Way is hurtling through space at 450,000 MPH. And if any of this is off, no life.

Then we get to life itself, and how complex can one cell really be? Well, just to get one cell you need about a trillion atoms of organic substances. To put that in perspective a trillion one-dollar bills stacked on top of each other would reach 67,866 miles high. Let me repeat that 67,000 miles high, which would stretch around the earth 2.5 times. And cells have to feed on other organic substances that had to have come from somewhere. To date, there have been zero scientists able to create organic substances from inorganic material. But even outside of that, here are the different elements that make up just one cell.

Cell walls:



Parts of a cell:



There are at least 200 different types of cells and about 1 trillion cells in your body. Your DNA encodes a message about how your cells form, start stop, reproduce, control temperature, digestion, memory, etc. And each cell has a unique function encoded into it. If you stretched out your DNA from end to end it would stretch around the solar system ~60 billion Miles. It took the Voyager 1 space craft 35 years to leave the solar system traveling at 38,000 MPH. And then, our brain, yes our brain can record an estimated 2.5 petabytes of data. That is 2,500,000 Gigabytes. Then somehow all of this combines into consciousness, self-awareness, feeling, touch taste, smell, sight, emotions, memory, heating, cooling, sweating, etc.. Too amazing to ever fully comprehend or grasp.

The true difference is that some people chose to look at this question from one perspective and some chose another. Most people have already made up their mind based on what they were taught or what they observed from others around them who influenced their decision-making processes. But why do some people chose to believe that all of this is evidence of a creator regardless of if you believe in a specific religion besides who raised you and influenced your decision? I think it is because at some point, the facts of how all these incredibly complex things in life align is so unlikely and so improbable that to them, to me, it is undeniable. The heavens shout the proof of His existence as the Bible and believers in God say. His fingerprint is already everywhere without Him having to ask your opinion or prove Himself.

Other resources: [Signature in the Cell | By Stephen C. Meyer](#), [Darwin's Doubt](#), [Purpose & Desire | Discovery Institute](#)