



**A personal
journey of
discovery...**

Module **02**

**Darwin: Brilliant scientist or
father with a broken heart?**

We examine if heartbreak shaped Darwins theory of Evolution, whether modern science still supports it and if recent discoveries in the human genome is supported in ancient texts that are over 2,000 years old. It's quite a ride!

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Together we'll challenge the clichés, put the spotlight on religion, and maybe rediscover the truth we were meant to share and why it really is good news!

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Behind Darwin's science lies a story rarely discussed.

He began as a Christian. Then tragedy struck and some say he never fully recovered.

Did this heartbreak play a role in his later stance against a benevolent Creator?

Recent research has also found shared but faulty genetic code between humanity and 4 species of Apes which at least on the face of it, supports Darwin's contention.

But underneath this science are original ancient texts in full, (not just the traditional Bible) that appear to talk about these discoveries with uncanny accuracy and offer a completely different spin on how they could be interpreted.

Darwin's Story – the man behind the genius

In 1851 Darwin's favourite and closest daughter; Annie died after a long illness with whooping cough – this was his private letter about that event:

“Our poor child, Annie, died on the 23rd of April at Malvern, aged just over 10 years and 2 months. She was a dreadful loss to us and was the joy of the household.

She was a most affectionate and sweet-tempered child, but so easy to manage.

We have lost the delight of our home. Her dear face, with a peculiar bright sparkle in her eyes, and her sweet manner of speaking will never be forgotten by us.

Her health failed in September, and from that time she never regained strength, though she had no severe symptoms until the last fortnight.

The last few days she was constantly wandering and talking. She often spoke of herself as being in heaven.

We have the comfort of believing that she was hardly ever sensible of her suffering. She was taken from us without a pang. Oh, that she could now know how deeply, how tenderly we do love her, and how her memory is engraven on our hearts.

My own poor dear wife bears up bravely, but it is a bitter grief.”

However, Darwin had begun working on his theory of evolution 2 or 3 years before Annie was born and even before her death, he had largely formulated his theory from the ground up, but it was not published or disseminated until 8 years after her death entitled: ‘On the Origin of Species’

Like so many people, Darwin struggled with the idea of a God designed world filled with suffering, but even as late as the 1840's he still believed that God had originally

‘set the rules’ and evolution merely followed those rules.

Against this theory we read In Genesis 1: 20-21 and 26-28: Then God said, *“Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens.” So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good...*

Then God said, *“Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.”*

At its simplest, Darwin's theory attempts to demonstrate that every living creature (including the plants) are descended through a series of ‘trees’ from each other, the exact opposite of individual creation. The problem that Christians face some 185 years later, is that ongoing scientific discoveries especially in the area of faulty DNA shared between us and the larger apes also appear to support his theory.

So the question we are asking tonight is:

What scriptural texts, references and/or narratives exist to explain this link - the answer is surprisingly, quite a lot, and the core source in its entirety has been preserved as part of an alternative and complete Canon of scriptures by the Ethiopian Church since 4 AD, but of course this is outside of the traditionally accepted main stream Bible most people read.

Between Genesis and the book of Enoch, the case for (genetic) corruption of all creation before the flood is fascinating and, if taken literally, starts to make the radical purging of the earth and all its life forms in the account of the flood, both logical and arguably essential to restore order and give all creation a chance to live a peaceful life.

The Scriptural Counterweight to the Theory of Evolution:

The case for (genetic) corruption of all creation before the flood which also strengthen the case for such a radical purging of the earth and all its life forms...

Main Biblical Canon:
Genesis 6: 1-4 Numbers 13: 32-33

Ethiopian Biblical Canon: 1
Enoch 6: 1 - 7, 1 Enoch 7: 1 - 6, 1
Enoch 8: 1 - 4 1 Enoch 9: 1 - 10