

indicates that God made different basic kinds of beings and that all existing plants and animals are not descended from a common ancestor.

"It is particularly important to know what one believes about man. I believe that God created Adam as a real person and as the first man. Genesis says that God created man out of the dust of the earth. Dust man is and to dust he shall return. I think the reason dust is mentioned is to show man's connection with earthly things. Scripture next says 'God breathed into man the breath of life, and he became a living soul.' 'Living souls' is a phrase translated earlier in Genesis as 'living creatures.' So 'God breathed into man the breath of life' says that God made man a physiological being with lungs and a circulatory system and all the other necessary organs.

"I am convinced that man has fallen. One's knowledge of his own nature and that of people about him indicates that there is sin in all with which only God can deal. Therefore, I trust in Jesus Christ as my Savior from sin and from sins knowing that as He finishes the good work which He has begun He will perfect His own into the image of Himself.

"In summary let me say that I do not believe either in organic evolution or in theistic evolution as previously defined. On the contrary, I believe in creation of different kinds of animals and plants, particularly in the special creation of one kind, namely man. I believe that the Bible tells us Who created and why He created.

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