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# Reasons to Believe: The Origins of Life

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1. Why Should Christians Care about the Origin of Life?

- a. Relates to questions about life's meaning and purpose
- b. Discriminates between a Christian worldview and an atheistic worldview
- c. Key part of the theory of evolution
- d. Impacts our children's education

2. Key scientific predictions for the evolutionary theory of life's origin reveal why it's a theory in crisis

- a. Prebiotic Soup in Geological Record
- b. Gradual Appearance of Life Over Long Periods of Time
- c. First Life is Simple
- d. Life in its Minimal Form is Simple

3. Approaches to the origin of life

- a. Natural history
- b. Bottom up
- c. Top down

4. The natural history of life's origin

- a. Early Earth and the origin of life
- b. Life's sudden and early appearance on Earth

- c. Earth's first life is complex
- d. Miller-Urey experiment is irrelevant
- e. No evidence exists for a prebiotic soup

5. The Top Down approach to life's origin

- a. Minimum genome size for independent life: 1300-2300 genes
- b. Probability to form a single gene
- c. Probability of forming minimum gene sets

6. Origin of life and the Bible

- a. The Creator's Fingerprint
  - 1) Sudden appearance
  - 2) First life's complexity
  - 3) Minimal and irreducible complexity of life
- b. Biblical texts
  - 1) Genesis 1:2
  - 2) Deuteronomy 32:9-12
  - 3) Psalm 104:30

7. Why did God create life so early?

# Resources:

## **Origins of Life**

By Dr. Hugh Ross and Fazale Rana

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