

Biblical Creationist/Darwinian Evolutionist

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Skits 1-6

Biblical Creationist/Darwinian Evolutionist (Bic and Darv) Done in the style of the once popular Mac/PC commercials from Apple for samples see <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0eEG5LVXdKo>

Biblical Creationist (Bic): Dressed casually, carries a Bible

Darwinian Evolutionist (Darv): Dressed very formally

Cheerleader: Peppy, Has pom pom and cell phone

1 - Introduction

For the first and some other segments, Darv is holding an armful of books and magazines.

Bic: Hello, I am a biblical creationist.

Darv: And I am a Darwinian evolutionist.

Bic: I believe that God is the creator of the universe and everything in it, and that the Bible (*Holds Bible out*) is a clear, accurate account of how everything came into being, including us.

Darv: (*Slightly arrogant*) I believe that science shows us that the universe began with a big bang, and that man is simply the result of evolution, based on a theory suggested by that great man Charles Darwin.

Bic: So, Darv, what have you got there?

Darv: (*clearly struggling with the load of books he's holding*) Well, Bic, I am holding just a SMALL selection of the hundreds of books and journals I have read that PROVE there is no God, and that everything that exists today is simply the result of random processes and accidents. Very scientific, I doubt you would understand.

Bic: Wow, that's a lot of books. I guess they all pretty much agree on everything, huh.

Darv: (*Still struggling*) Well, not exactly. This one here has one idea of how the Earth was formed, but this journal shows a different theory. This book down here (*Struggling increases*) says that birds came from dinosaurs, but this one up here (*Trying to keep from dropping the books*) says that the evidence shows something else....

Bic: Well, it seems that you're having a problem trying to hang onto all those ideas at the same time.

Darv: I suppose YOU have a BETTER grasp on things than all of these experts when it comes to analyzing the scientific evidence.

Bic: I just start with the Bible before I look at the evidence, and then everything kind of falls into place.

Darv: *(suddenly loses control and drops all of the books he's holding)* Oh, my... I wish you hadn't said fall *(Bends over to pick up the books)* *(A little flustered)* I could use a little help here.

Bic: *(Just looking on)* I'll say....

2-The Cosmic Egg

Bic: Hello, I am a biblical creationist.

Darv: And I am a Darwinian evolutionist.

Bic: I believe the universe was created by God in seven days.

Darv: *(looks at Bic in a very patronizing way)* That's quaint. The dominant scientific theory about the origin of the universe is the Big Bang Theory. The universe was created sometime between 10 & 20 billion years ago from a cosmic explosion that hurled matter in all directions. Distant galaxies are still moving away from us.

Bic: So there was something before the Big Bang?

Darv: *(Fumbling a minute)* Well, um... *(Changing the subject in a self assured voice)* Edwin Hubble found experimental evidence to back up the theory. Edwin Hubble. You know... the Hubble telescope. It's a big deal.

Bic: Sure, I've heard of the Hubble telescope. I've seen pictures taken by it. Really nice. I have one as a screensaver.

Darv: Ok. In the beginning, the entire mass of the universe was compressed into a volume about thirty times the size of our sun; we scientists call it "The cosmic egg".

Bic: The cosmic egg.

Darv: Right, the cosmic egg. The cosmic egg expanded to its current state during the Big Bang.

Bic: So you're putting your cosmic egg into this one basket? Then where did the Cosmic Egg come from?

Darv: *(Stumped)* Um... Well... I'll get back to you on that one.

3 - Compromise

Bic: Hello, I am a biblical creationist

Darv: And I am a Darwinian evolutionist.

Cheerleader: (*Smiley, big grin, very "cheerful, peppy"*) And I'm a theistic evolutionist.

Darv: I thought she could you, know, reconcile our two opinions. Mediate.

Cheerleader: Yea! Rah! Let's start with you, Bic. You believe God created the universe, right?

Bic: Yes, I believe the Biblical account of creation. In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth, in six days.

Cheerleader: And, you, Darv, believe the universe was created when a cosmic egg went BANG!

Darv: Yes, the universe was created 10-20 billion years ago. Big Bang theory.

Cheerleader: So maybe God used the Big Bang to create the universe, in let's say... 12 -14 billion years ago. Couldn't we all just agree on that and be friends?

Bic: The Bible says it happened in 6 days. You can't "mediate" the truth

Cheerleader: Well, maybe the Bible didn't mean six actual days. It could have been longer, you know... (*Looking pouty*) I think you're being difficult, Bic.

Darv: Come on. Truth is relative. You just have to compromise a little and we'll all get along.

Cheerleader: (*sincerely*) Without compromise how would people get along with each other?

Bic: The Bible says to "Love your neighbor as yourself."

Cheerleader: Neighbor – like the people next door who don't mow their lawn? Who is "my neighbor?"

Bic: (*Smiling like maybe she's gotten through*) That's the same thing they asked Jesus. It's right here (*Starts thumbing through the Bible to find the place*). Jesus told the parable of the Good Samaritan to show how we are all neighbors.

(*Cut away to Darv, who realizes that he's been left out of the conversation*)

Cheerleader: Ohhhh, that's really make sense. (*Suddenly distracted*) Oh, hang on. (*Takes out her cell phone, looks at the text message*) One of my "neighbors" Gotta go... (*Exits*)

Darv: (Looks around, at a loss for what to do) Yeah, me too. (*Exits*)

BIC: Bye, neighbors

4 - Dinosaurs

Bic is holding Bible, Darv has more books

Bic: Hello, I'm a biblical creationist...

Darv: And I am a Darwinian Evolutionist.

Bic: Wow, Darv, you've got a lot more books, I see...

Darv: That's right; I have even more scientific facts. New stuff. The world of science changes so fast you pretty much have to read magazines to stay current. Science books, even textbooks have to change every 2-3 years to keep up. Unlike your old stale Bible.

Bic: The Bible doesn't need to change. It's God's word. It even says that it's unchanging.

Darv: *(manages to reach into his stack of books and pull out a Bible)* Well, I've been looking through it. You do know, the Bible doesn't have the word dinosaur in it.

Bic: Sure, I know that...

Darv: So despite all the fossil evidence, you "creationists" don't believe there were dinosaurs, because they're not in the Bible...

Bic: The **word** "dinosaur" is not in the Bible, because the word "dinosaur" wasn't invented until 1842 by Sir Richard Owen. A scientist, by the way, and he didn't even believe in evolution

Darv: *(Acting a little rattled, but still holding the Bible)*. Well, there isn't anything in here about dinosaurs, is there?

Bic: *(Flipping through his Bible)* Actually, Job chapter 40 talks about "Behemoth" a creature whose tail swings like a cedar, has bones like tubes of bronze and rods of iron. Right here. *(Shows the page, pointing to the verse and Darv looks at it)* "He ranks first among the works of God." Sounds like a dinosaur to me.

Darv: *(Not sarcastically, but still a little disbelieving)* So, now you're going to tell me the Bible is a science textbook?

Bic: No, if it was it would have to change every 2-3 years.

5 –Noah, part 1

Bic: Hello, I'm a Biblical Creationist

Darv: And I'm a Darwinian Evolutionist. I believe in science, not a bunch of fairy tales.

Bic: I believe the Bible is accurate word of God.

Darv: You believe things happened just the way they were written in the Bible?

Bic: I do

Darv: Like Noah and the flood and all those animals on board the ark during the flood?

Bic: Yup.

Darv: How did they all fit? What did they eat? They were (*sarcastically*) “supposedly” in there for months.

Bic: You know during World War II, the USS Santa Maria held 1,791 men plus their supplies and weapons. The Santa Maria was only 9 feet longer than the ark. And Navy ships are equipped to go out for weeks and months at a time.

Darv: (*Confused*) Are you sure of those figures?

Bic: You can look it up on the navy website

Darv: Let me check this out. Somewhere in all these scientific materials I have something.... (*Drops everything*)

Bic: Didn't mean to rock your boat, there.

6 – Noah, part 2

BIC: Hello, I'm a Biblical Creationist, and believe that the Bible is true, word for word

Darv: And I am a Darwinian Evolutionist, and I think it's hard to swallow this story of Noah's ark. I mean, come on. Thousands of animals cooped up on a large wooden boat for months during a flood? I would have hated to clean up that mess...

Bic: The animals on the ark could have hibernated or even estivated.

Darv: Estivated? What's estivation?

It's almost like hibernation, but can happen during summer months. Scientists call it cyto-biosis. There are several kinds of animals that can estivate to avoid predators, or when food and water are scarce. Very scientific. Still following me?

Darv: Yes, but...

Bic: It was observed in certain types of frogs...

Darv: Okay, yeah, frogs...

Bic: And North American desert tortoises, crocodiles, salamanders, and lungfishes. The lungfish estivates by burying itself in mud formed at the surface of a dried up lake. In this state, the lungfish can survive for many years.

Darv: *(Conceding a tiny bit)* Ok, reptiles and amphibians....

Bic: And insects. From National Geographic - Very SCIENTIFIC - Cicadas can spend 2-9 years buried underground on a diet of almost pure water then emerge as adults. The North American species does so on a 17 year cycle.

Darv: Yeah, but no mammals.

Bic: Chipmunks and squirrels estivate. According to the 2004 issue of Nature, another science magazine, the Madagascan fat-tailed dwarf lemur hibernates or estivates in a small cricket hollow for seven months of the year... *(Hands magazine to Darv)* You can keep it.

Darv: *(Sarcastically)* Thanks. *(Tries to take it and not drop books and magazines. Does anyway).*

Bic: I guess you're just stuck cleaning up THAT mess...