

Rise Up And Build

"So They said, 'Let us rise up and build,' Then they set their hands to do this good work," Neh. 2:18

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Thinking About Brains

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I receive emails that inform me about interesting facts. One recently was titled “The human brain runs on less power than a 60-watt lightbulb.” I thought that was interesting, so I read on and this was what I learned:

*Some 500 million years ago, an ancient fish-like creature produced at least one offspring with a curious mutation — twice the number of genes. These excess genes began developing in new directions, eventually creating more and more complex brains. Some 150 million years later, human ancestors roamed the land, and their brains continued to grow in complexity. About 2.5 millions years ago, hominid brains started growing especially large, although scientists aren't exactly sure what led to that sudden burst. Yet after millions of yeas of evolutionary experimentation, the human brain is a biological wonder many times more efficient than any artificial equivalent — in fact, it's even more efficient than a 60-watt lightbulb (**interesting facts. Com.** April 8, 2022).*

What an interesting story! Incredible as it may seem, we are expected to believe that mindless and random processes over millions of years produced the efficient and complex biological wonder known as the human brain. I do wonder why mindless and random natural process didn't also evolve that 60-watt lightbulb mentioned at the end, since it is less efficient and not as complex. It's strange that an **intelligent designer** was necessary to invent a lightbulb, but mindless matter could somehow evolve a highly complex human brain. How ridiculous!

If you can't wrap your brain around that nonsense, neither can I. But that's the fairy tale of the general theory of evolution we are supposed to believe is true because it's called “science.” Actual scientific thinking and common sense has nothing to do with such foolishness. The complex design and function of our brains is evidence of a supreme Designer Who made man in His image (Gen. 1:26-27; 2:7). The one true God is revealed in the Bible and His handiwork is seen throughout His creation today (Psa. 19; Rom.

1:20). Sadly, those who refuse to see the truth of the wonderful design of God's creation are not using the brains God gave them, and their thoughts have been dimmed by error. Sadly, they are *walking "in the futility of their mind, having their understanding darkened"* (Eph. 4:17-18).

The Human Brain

The human brain simultaneously processes an amazing amount of information. Your brain takes in all the colors and objects you see, the temperature around you, the pressure of your feet against the floor, the sounds around you, the dryness of your mouth, even the texture of your keyboard. Your brain weighs the importance of all this data, filtering out the relatively unimportant. This screening function is what allows you to focus and operate effectively in your world. A brain that deals with more than a million pieces of information every second, while evaluating its importance and allowing you to act on the most pertinent information...did it come about just by chance? Was it merely biological causes, perfectly forming the right tissue, blood, neurons, structure? The brain functions differently than other organs. There is **an intelligence** to it, the ability to reason, to produce feelings, to dream and plan, to take action, and relate to other people. How does one explain the Human brain? ****