

A LAMP Talk

# “Evolution and Faith: What Is at Stake?”

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Darwinian theory seems to challenge religious trust in a providential God who purposefully creates, influences and eternally cares for the world. Traditional Christian thought had no knowledge of biological evolution, although theologians were certainly aware of the suffering of humans and other living beings. Evolutionary science vastly extends the story of life and life's suffering (and creativity as well) beyond those of traditional theological awareness. After Darwin can we come to an understanding of God that is both consistent with biblical faith and at the same time fully open to the findings of evolutionary biology?

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Distinguished Research Professor, Theology Department, Georgetown University, where he was formerly Professor and Chair. His area of specialization is systematic theology, with a particular interest in issues pertaining to science, cosmology, evolution, ecology, and religion. He has authored 20 books and numerous articles and reviews. He lectures internationally on many issues related to science and religion.

In 2002 he was the winner of the Owen Garrigan Award in Science and Religion and in 2004 the Sophia Award for Theological Excellence. He testified for the plaintiffs in the Harrisburg, PA “Intelligent Design” trial (Kitzmiller et al. vs. Dover Board of Education) and in 2008 received a “Friend of Darwin Award” from the National Center for Science Education. In April 2009, in recognition of his work on science and religion, he received an honorary doctorate from Louvain University in Belgium. He and his wife Evelyn have two sons and live in Falls Church, VA.

