

TTMCLS – Things That Make Christians Look Stupid – Mr. Hinton’s article on Tailbones

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One of the series of articles on Creation Science Evangelism website (the “Hovind” site) is creatively titled “Things that make evolutionists look stupid” (TTMELS for short). The subtitle then goes on to introduce the topic for the article. The article we shall consider in this commentary is "Tailbones".¹

Tailbones

Hinton resorts to humor in this article, listing some apparently amusing details concerning the human tailbone. He claims that the coccyx is a vestigial structure, and proceeds to list its uses. While scientists recognize its former uses (i.e. a tail), they recognize that it does serve a purpose, and is not completely vestigial. However, Hinton makes it appear that scientists have completely ignored its usage today. The key is that scientists claim that it no longer serves "major" functions (i.e. a tail), and now only serves as minor functions, which Hinton does list. This misleading by Hinton (misrepresenting the scientific facts) leads him on a young earth humor fit, as he pokes fun at the evolutionist. For a more balanced discussion on the tailbone, see the article below.²

How does Hinton characterize evolutionists in this article? Here is a quote:

- The persistence of this false belief is without excuse and must be seen for what it is, propaganda for Darwinistic religion, and another great piece of evidence of the stupidity of evolutionists.

This is a strange way to try and reach evolutionists with the gospel...by insulting them, calling them stupid.

Conclusion

Just like the other articles in this series, it calls evolutionists "stupid." If we are to love the unsaved, and win them for Christ, calling them "stupid" is not the proper way to do it. This will turn more away from the Gospel, and harden their hearts. Driving them away from the Gospel is working against Christ. Hinton appears to be working against Christ.

¹ www.drdino.com/articles.php?spec=74

² <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Coccyx>