Just Thinking Apologetics

Five years ago, one of the foremost atheistic thinkers became a theist or believer in God. His name is Anthony Flew. The argument that drove Flew to theism was the design argument. Flew stated in a2004 interview that, "more than fifty years of DNA research have provided materials for a new and enormously powerful argument to design." Again, Flew says, "I think that the most impressive arguments for God's existence are those that are supported by recent scientific discoveries. I think the argument to Intelligent Design is enormously stronger than it was when I first met it."

During these past weeks, we have looked at the special properties that exist in the universe, galaxy, solar system, moon and atmosphere of the earth. The question that needs to be asked is, Are the unique features of the earth the result of a blind, purposeless accident or is there evidence of Divine design? Flew was willing to follow the evidence wherever it lead and he became scientifically convinced that there is a God behind it all.

Astronomer, Hugh Ross, has considered some 66 properties of fine-tuning that must be precise in order for life to exist on earth. He concludes, "the probability of finding, without divine intervention, a single planet capable of supporting physical life is much less than one in a trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion, trillion. The odds actually are higher that the reader will be killed by a sudden reversal in the second law of thermodynamics."

The next apologetic talk (6:00 PM at First Southern Baptist) on Sunday deals with "Irreducible complexity: An argument for an Intelligent Designer." On a side note, it is good to see Jess McWilliams back in town, please continue to pray for him.