

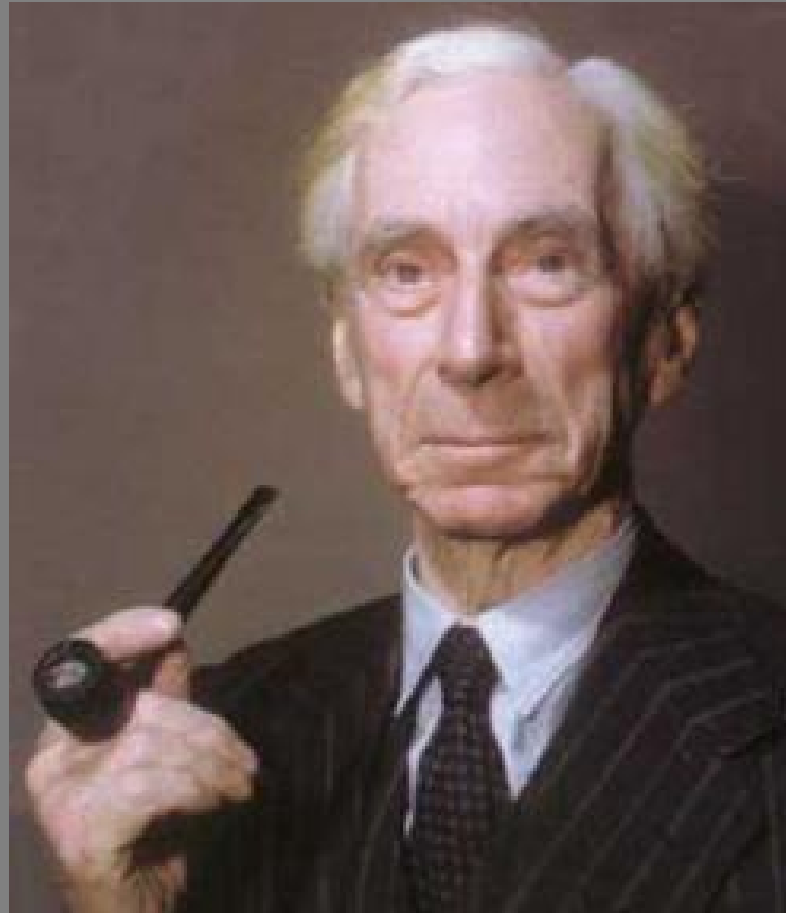
Creation Evolution: The Challenge of Complexity



Pastor Michael Walther, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Collinsville, Illinois 2008

1. Know Everything?

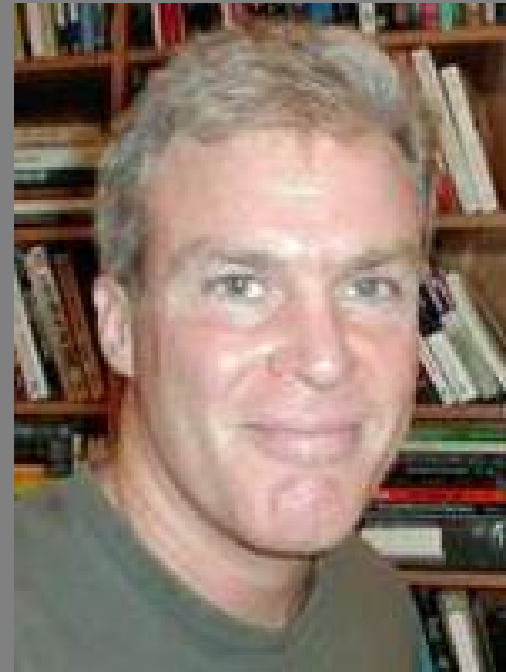
1. British Liberal Optimism – the belief that scientific advances have made life almost perfect and that there is nothing left to discover.
2. “Physical science is thus approaching the stage when it will be complete, and therefore uninteresting.” (*Why I Am Not a Christian*, p. 49).



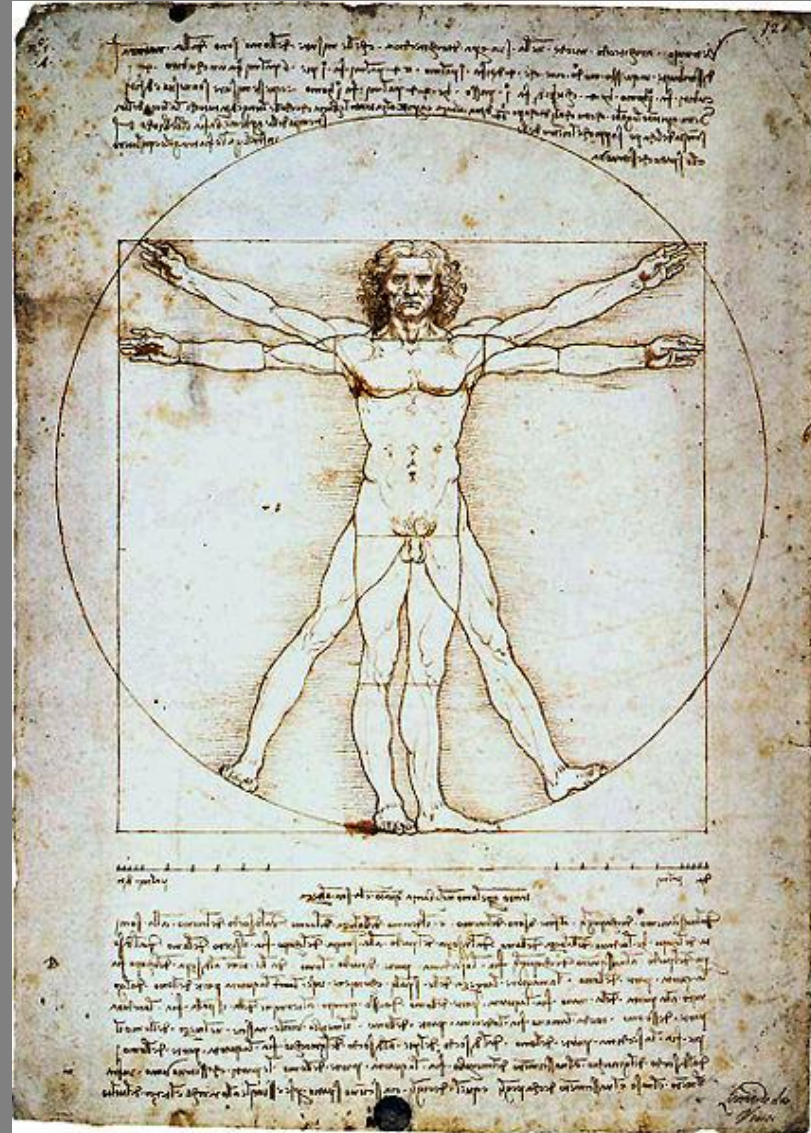
Bertrand Russell (1872-1970)

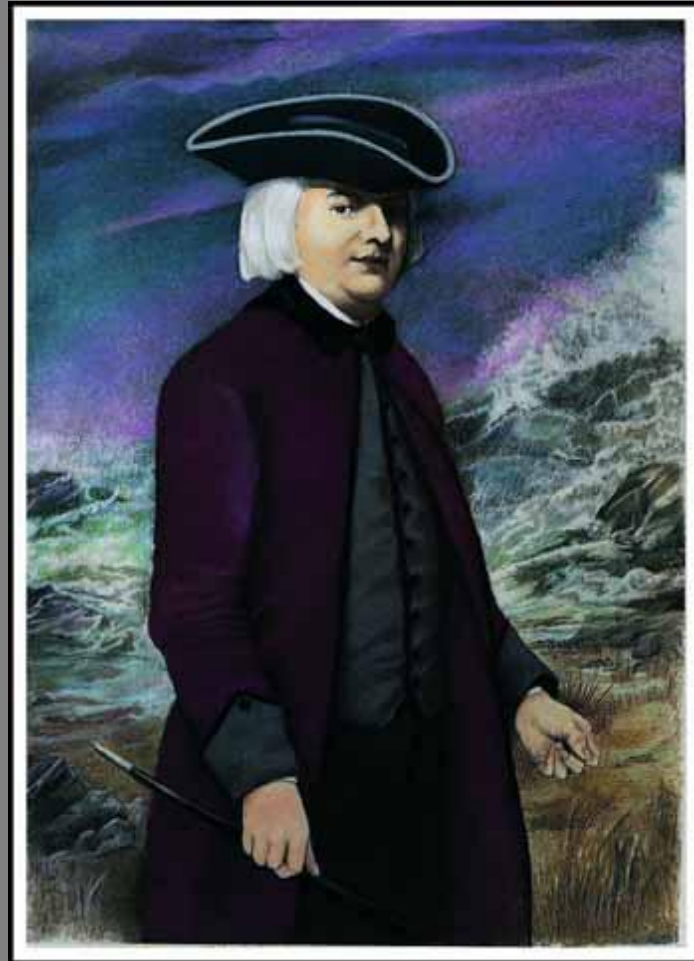
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3. John Horgan's book *The End of Science* (1996).



2. The more we know, the more we don't know.





William Paley

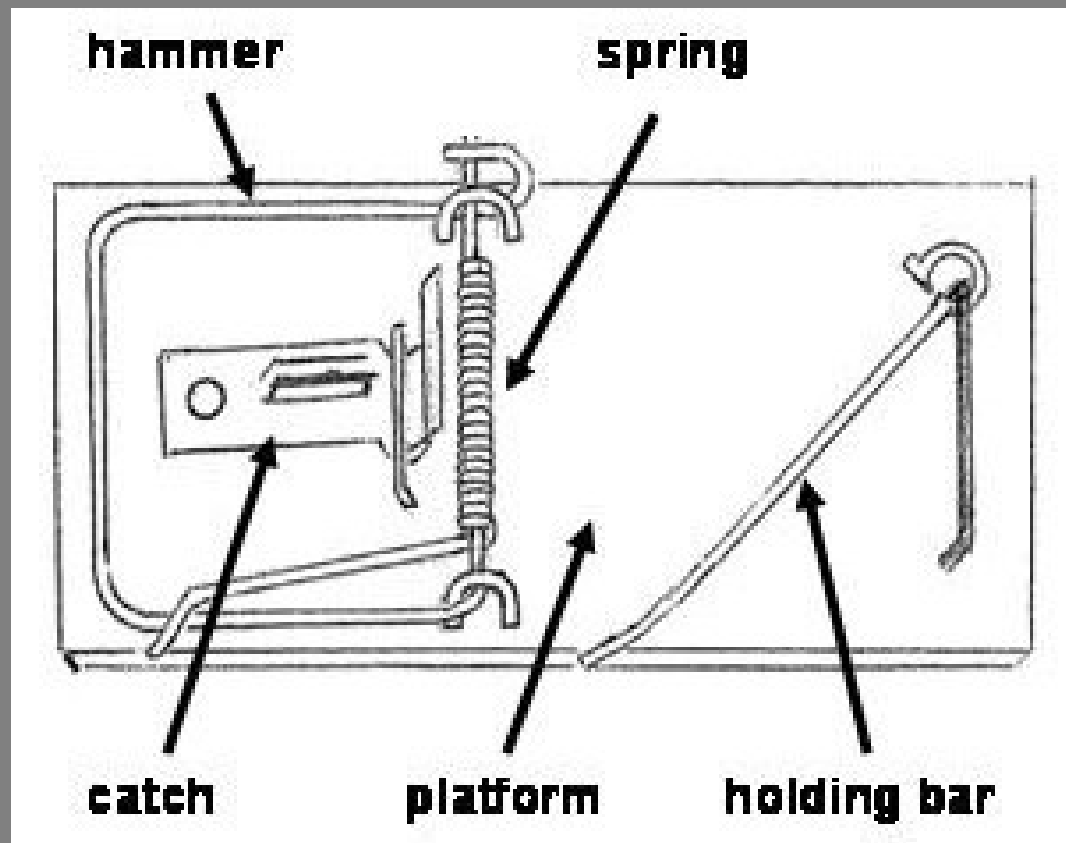


Paley's Argument

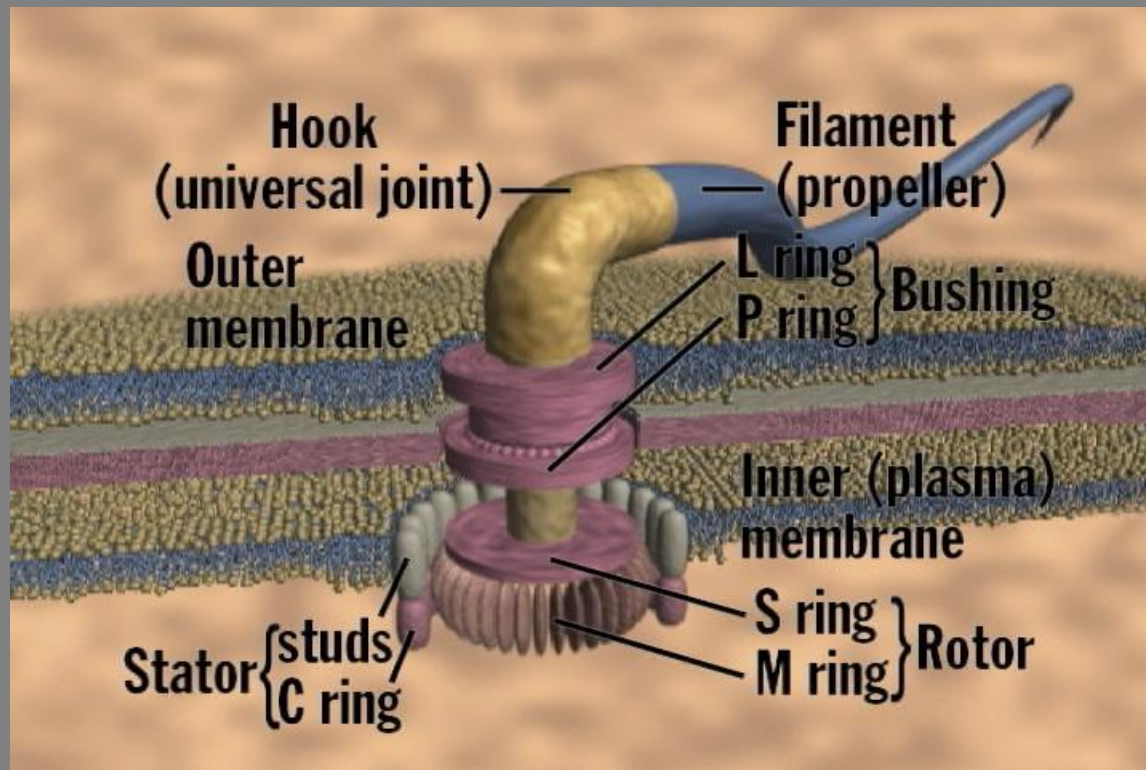
1. A watch is complex
2. A watch has an intelligent designer.
3. Life is complex.
4. Therefore, life also has an intelligent designer.



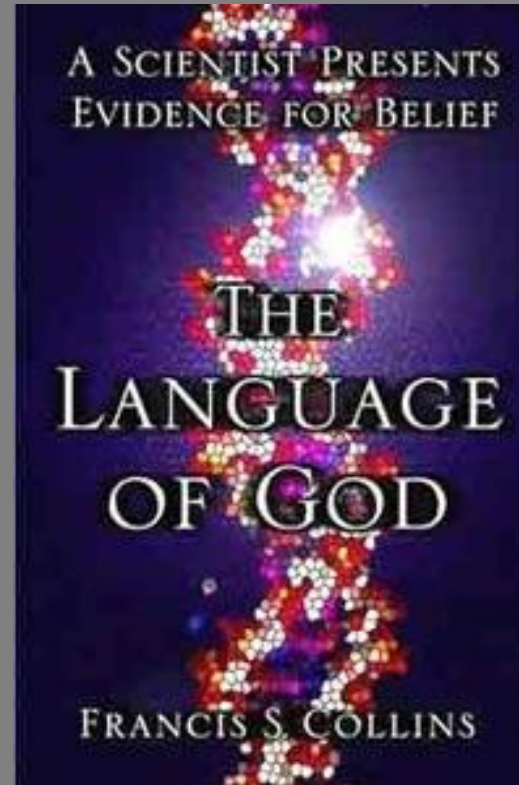
Michael Behe



Behe's Mousetrap Analogy



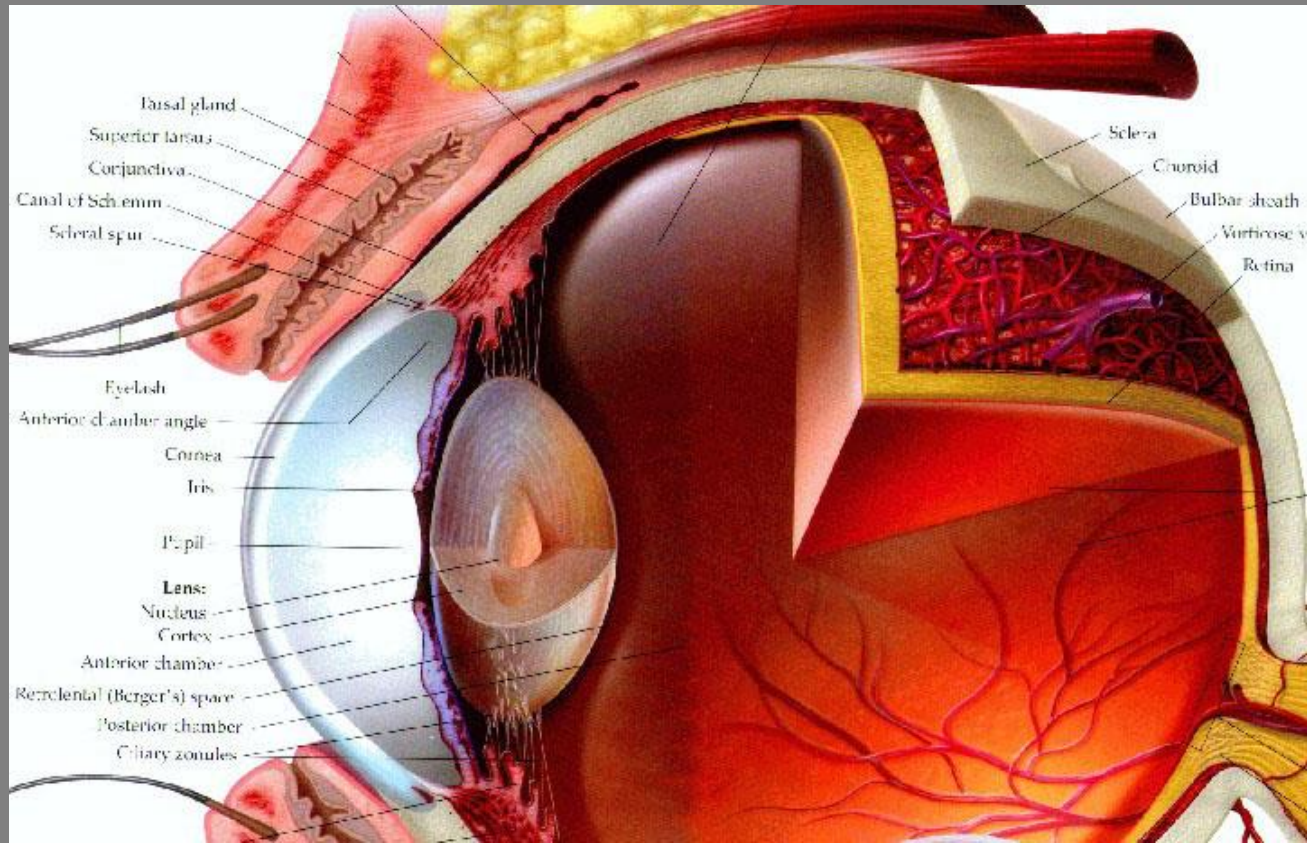
The Bacterial Flagellum



Francis Collins

Collins' Argument Against Design

1. Electric current in my house consists of the flow of electrons.
2. Electric current comes from the power company.
3. Lightning consists of the flow of electrons.
4. Therefore, lightning comes from the power company.



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