

REGISTRATION

\$25 EARLY BIRD by October 14.

\$30 per person beginning October 15.

\$10 for students WITH ID

**Includes dinner and brunch with
vegetarian selections**

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TOTAL \$ _____

Registrants _____



Dr. Philip Clayton

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University; Professor of Theol-
ogy, Claremont School of The-
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Author

Transforming Christian Theology
for Church and Society;

Adventures in the Spirit:
God, World, Divine Action;

God and Contemporary Science;

The Problem of God in Modern Thought;

The Re-Emergence of Emergence
(with Paul Davies);

Editor

The Oxford Handbook of Religion
and Science.

Forum Purposes

- 1) Think through the implications of evolution for Christian faith, its challenges to traditional views of God, and its gifts to our understanding of God today.
- 2) Consider how an integration of evolution and theology might inform our theology, our mission, and our concern for the world and all its people.



2011 Donohoe Forum

God After Darwin: Evolution, Christian Faith, and Spirituality

November 4-5, 2011

Church of the Beatitudes

555 W. Glendale Ave., Phoenix 85021

"I have no fear of any success in science. I share the excitement of each new advance...Our quest is for nothing less than the full integration of science and religion, the full harmony between the two without the reduction of the one to the other." **Philip Clayton**

Forum Overview

In the popular media, evolution and religion are portrayed as engaged in a war to the death; one must die so that the other can be pronounced the victor. But is there really no place for God after Darwin? In this series of lectures, roundtable discussions, and dialogues with the audience, Philip Clayton explores the compatibility of Christianity and evolution, offering a vision of an “evolutionary spirituality” that draws from the best of science and the deepest wells of the religious traditions.

Our goal is to think together about the implications of today’s science for views of God, Christian mission, and a vibrant spiritual life.

Darwin’s biology and Christian teaching are not identical, and people of faith need to wrestle with the areas of tension. But once we leave behind both religious fundamentalism and scientific fundamentalism, an exciting new world of dialogue and mutual learning opens up.

Four Sessions

Friday - 4:00 PM

The History of the Universe in 27 Minutes:

What Evolution Teaches Us about the Cosmos, Consciousness, and Religion

Quick whirlwind tour of the evolution of the cosmos from the Big Bang to consciousness. Consider options for religion. Are the “new atheists” right, that evolution eliminates religion? Are “young earth” creationists right, that Christianity excludes evolution? If both are wrong, what cross-fertilization becomes possible between science and spirituality?

Friday - 7:00 PM

Christians Who Embrace Evolution: How To Synthesize Your Faith with the Best That Science Has to Offer

What are the core commitments of Christianity, and what claims represent later additions added on by later cultures and historical periods? What do Christians most need to affirm, and what conclusions do we most want to resist?

Saturday - 9:00 AM

Who Are We, Apes with Big Brains? Deeper Insights into Human Nature (or Are We Smart Enough to Overcome War and Avert a Global Climate Crisis?)

What do the biological sciences tell us about the relationship of humans to other animals?

How are we similar / different?

Are we so violent that there will always be wars?

Are we smart enough to recognize the signs of a global climate crisis and to take the steps necessary to avoid it?

Saturday - 11:30 AM

Evolutionary Spirituality: Using Evolution (and Other Religions) to Build a Vibrant Spiritual Life

Can we use evolutionary thought to deepen our own spirituality — our connection with one another and with the world around us? Spiritual insights that lie beneath the surface of the scientific texts. Christian responses and interfaith meditations that open windows onto a deeper and more integrative spirituality for an ecological age.

Responders

Dr. Thomas Lindell,

Biologist, U of A

Rev. Nick Knisely,

Dean, Trinity Cathedral, Phoenix

Lucas Mix,

Campus Pastor, U of A

Tex Sample,

Author, culture, social theory, ethics

Dr. Hava Tirosh-Samuels,

Director of Jewish Studies, ASU

Dr. Eugene Clay,

Professor of Religious Studies, ASU