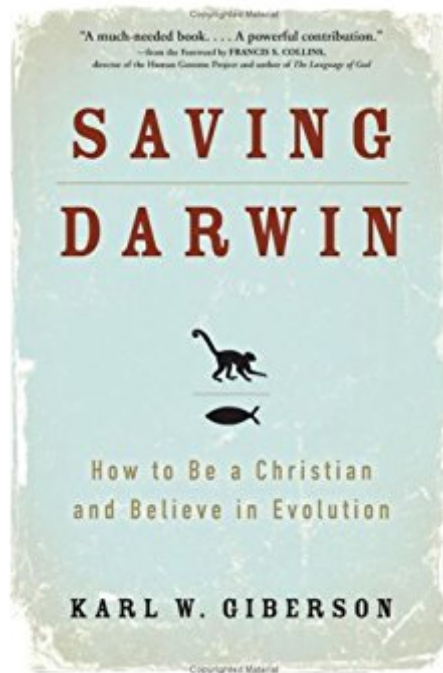




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Customer Reviews

I like Karl Giberson, and want to like this book but it does not do what it purports to do, which is to show Christians how to believe in evolution. In fact, it doesn't come close! It barely went into evidence for evolution, and barely addressed the author's claim that the Genesis story isn't a fundamental tenet of Christianity. This book is little more than a detailed account of the long public battle between creationists and evolutionists. I bought the book so I could better understand a colleague's belief in creation, and find some tools to show him how he can believe in a Christian god as well as accept evolution as fact. This book didn't help at all.

Giberson gives an interesting background on evolution and the past/current relationship evolution

and creationism/ID have with society and each other, but he never really argues in depth how one can be a Christian and believe in evolution. As a matter of fact, if I was told Giberson was actually a Deist and not necessarily a bible believing Christian, I probably would not have trouble believing that. All that said, you do gain a lot of information about how society viewed/reacted to the theory of evolution, throughout history. In short, the book should have been titled something else. All in all, I'd probably rate it a 3.5/5.

bought for a friend - he liked it

Karl Giberson's book is a very enjoyable history of the "Darwin wars," particularly in America. Near the end of the book, he makes a short but convincing case for the theory of biological evolution, summarizing the evidence from the fossil record, biogeography, comparative anatomy, developmental similarities and genetics. However, he does not address the theological implications of biological evolution. He is, after all, a scientist, not a theologian. He provides some interesting observations on Darwin's personal religious views, the Scopes trial, the Arkansas trial, the Dover trial, the background of Whitcomb & Morris's book "The Genesis Flood," and the culture war between Richard Dawkins & co. and Phillip Johnson & co. He makes a number of very blunt negative observations about Young Earth Creationism [YEC], e.g., " 'The Genesis Flood' was intellectually disastrous on two fronts," and "There is no reason for anyone, Christian or otherwise, to take these [YEC] claims seriously." I highly recommend this book to Christians who want a relatively brief and very readable introduction to how we got to the point where half of America's Christians do not accept the theory of biological evolution and to Young Earth Creationists who are having doubts about their position on this issue.

I got the book in the mail very quickly. It was just the book, with paper wrapping. No box or anything crazy. I started reading the book previously, so I knew that I liked it as far as that goes. The only thing, is that the cover is NOT the same as the version their pictures show..

An excellent, insightful work on the REAL Darwin, not the Darwin that atheist and evolutionist would have us believe. Well documented. About 2/3 of the way through it begins to become a little tedious, but not enough to lose the readers interest completely.

Committed Christians who call Jesus the Lord and atheists and agnostics who are convinced there

is no God should both read this book.

Karl does a great job of looking at both sides of this multifaceted issue...which is a daunting task. It provides a common ground for conversations.

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