



## Evolution and Religion... or religion and religion?

### Coal, Oil and Tar

Coal and oil are the product of huge amounts of dead things that have been squeezed and cooked by natural forces. It is estimated it takes 300-400 feet of dead plants to produce 30 feet of coal. Some coal beds are thousands of feet thick.

For a coal bed 1,000 feet deep and hundreds of feet long and wide it would require a staggering 10,000+ feet of dead plants for every square foot of the bed. But, coal is not found everywhere...only where we find huge plant graveyards. The same thing is true with dinosaur bones, they are found in huge animal graveyards. We will talk about dinosaurs later.

Coal is formed in layers called seams. Some coal beds have as many as 75 water-laid seams with thin water-laid layers with no plants between the seams. It is hard to imagine the enormous force that would cause enough destruction to cause one seam...let alone one seam after another 75 times.

Then we have the process of **squeezing and cooking**. It has been proven that coal can be produced in just a few years...under much less demanding conditions than the pressure of such a huge amount of dead plants.

The La Brea asphalt pit in California is a giant water-laid graveyard for animals, plants and people. It extends for about 450 miles and is 2,000 feet deep in places. Some people have suggested that all the animals just fell in, but it does not fit the facts. Untold numbers of animals, plants and humans died under violent conditions...twisted and smashed. Human bodies have been found under animals that were supposedly extinct long before the time humans appeared in the evolutionary time-table. Hmmm!!!!

It takes blind **faith** to believe a theory that tells us that things changed gradually and uniformly over millions of years. There was a time of radical, violent destruction that changed the face of the earth.

Regardless of what we call it, if a theory is based on **faith** instead of solid evidence, it is more than just a theory. It looks like we are dealing with **religion** and religion instead of **evolution** and religion.