

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

## Do animals really fit the evolution mold?

Anableps is the amazing **four-retinaed** fish. It swims just below the surface of the water and can see below and above water at the same time. It has a retina on the upper part of each eye and the lower part of each eye.

Things above the surface are focused through the lower retina, and things below the surface are focus through the upper retina. The Anableps has no way to keep its eyes wet, so it has to lower its eyes into the water often.

Scientist have been unable to link this unusual phenomenon to protection or feeding, so we do not know why Anableps has such unusual eyes. Why would the Anableps need to change, when there is no apparent reason for the change and none of the other fish had a need for change?

How could a fish with such a sophisticated design evolve through random changes. Somewhere a fish with an already amazing eye would have to somehow grow an extra retina in each eye for no apparent reason...in one fish lifetime. Then, our fish would have to learn the long and difficult process of learning to swim just below the surface of the water for the new retinas to be useful. Our fish would be in great danger because it could no longer see normally. And to complicate the problem, this amazing superfish would have to learn to dip its eyes into the water to

complete this dangerous and unnecessary process.

If this superfish happened to have a family, none of his offspring would have the additional retinas or the training to use them. And, if this superfish happened to become a meal for any number of predators, all would be lost and the process would have to start all over again.

This seems like a silly story...but it would have to happen something like this. Does it take more faith to believe Anableps happened through random chance or that he was created an Anableps. Since faith is a spiritual matter, it seems like we are talking religion/religion instead of evolution/religion. Uncle Noah

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