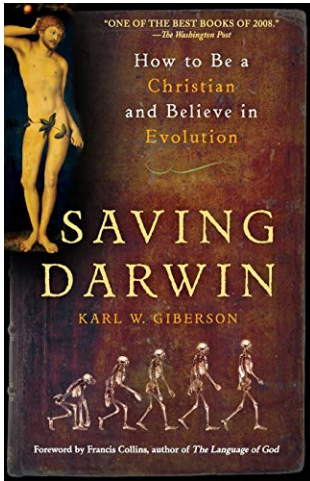


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Description:

From Publishers Weekly Drawing on his fundamentalist upbringing and experience teaching physics at an evangelical college, Giberson has a native understanding of how conservative Christians feel and think about evolution. As a Christian evolutionist, he finds himself occupying a frequently misunderstood middle ground in the midst of a culture war, fought with culture-war weapons by culture warriors. Behind the culture war, Giberson sketches an engaging historical narrative including Darwin's background in intelligent design, what really happened at the Scopes monkey trial and how catastrophist geology derived from Seventh Day Adventism found an audience among the evangelical mainstream in the post-Sputnik era. By tackling the debate in cultural as well as scientific terms, Giberson does greater justice to the motivations of

Christians who reject evolution. Yet he does not conceal his frustration—on theological as well as scientific grounds—with the rubbish of scientific creationism, which has climbed onto the radar screens of American intellectual culture only as a bad joke. Giberson's sarcasm, however honestly come by, may cause the book to alienate an evangelical audience it might otherwise engage. *(June)*

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Review “Sensitively written and convincingly argued. . . . [A] truly courageous work.” (Library Journal)

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“A much-needed book . . . a powerful contribution.” (Francis S. Collins, M.D., Ph.D.)

“Giberson has a native understanding of how conservative Christians feel and think about evolution . . . he sketches an engaging historical narrative. (Publishers Weekly)

Giberson possesses a boundless inquisitiveness typical of many scientists, but also displays the wry wit of a seasoned polemicist. He seems to know how to counteract your best arguments before you have even made them. (Salon.com)

“An intensely personal account of [Giberson’s] intellectual journey from creationism to the acceptance of evolution . . . By situating his own story in the context of larger social and scientific developments, Giberson’s book can serve as a guide for other Christians on a similar trek.” (Edward J. Larson, author of the Pulitzer Prize winning *Summer for the Gods: The Scopes Trial and the American Controversy over Creation and Evolution.*)

“A poignant account of [Giberson’s] Christian pilgrimage from Creationist to Evolutionist. He offers a sympathetic historical analysis laced with trenchant criticism of both misguided intelligent design advocates and hard core atheists.” (Kenneth R. Miller, Professor of Biology, Brown University, and author of *Finding Darwin's God*)

“Giberson makes the case, persuasively and with considerable wit, that there’s no irreconcilable conflict between robust Christian faith and evolutionary biology, rightly understood. This is a wonderfully readable book: humane, modest, and wise.” (John Wilson, Editor, *Books & Culture*)

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Giberson attacks the conundrum [of evolution] with eloquence and clarity.
(Washington Post)

“One of the best books of 2008” (The Washington Post Book World, 2008 Holiday Guide)

“Giberson . . . provides an edifying summary of the tenets and the flaws of modern creationism . . . and raises a valuable alarm about the dangers facing American science and culture.” (New Republic)

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In *Saving Darwin*, Giberson paints a clear picture of the creation/evolution controversy and explores its intricate history, from Darwin to the current culture wars, carefully showing why—and how—it is possible to believe in God and evolution at the same time. ...more. [Get A Copy. Amazon.](#) It never really lived up to the promise of its subtitle, "How to be a Christian and Believe in Evolution." It was closer to being an historical survey of the development of the evolution vs. creationism controversy. It has some captivating things to say about Darwin and the history of this controversy, but he spends his time on arguing how *not* to be a "scientific creationist" instead of on how to be a Christian evolutionist. Certainly, his This book was equal parts interesting and frustrating. *Saving Darwin* explores the history of the controversy that swirls around evolution science, from Darwin to current challenges, and shows why—and how—it is possible to believe in God and evolution at the same time. [Read More.](#) Chapter 5 The Emperor's New Science. Chapter 6 Creationism Evolves into Intelligent Design. Chapter 7 How to be Stupid, Wicked, and Insane. Chapter 8 Evolution and Physics Envy. Conclusion Pilgrim's Progress. *Saving Darwin* was not what I expected. I thought that it would be an attempt to reconcile the theology of the Bible with evolution (for example, to reinterpret the concept of the Fall in light of evolution). This is because I knew that Karl Giberson is a colleague of Francis Collins at Biologos, a Christian initiative to reconcile Christianity and evolution. However, the book was more to do with defending the idea of evolution from creationism and intelligent design (ID). Giberson wastes no time engaging with the individual arguments put forward in favour of creationism or intelligent design;