Session 5 Discussion

- 1. Why do some Christians accuse Evolution of not being science? Is this a legitimate claim?
- 2. If you do not consider yourself knowledgeable enough to deal with these pieces of evidence, you can still address evolution. Why? What topics would you feel confident addressing?
- Interested in more specific information about some of these pieces of evidence? The Lutheran Science Institute (<u>www.lutheranscience.org</u>) and Answers In Genesis (<u>https://answersingenesis.org</u>) are great sources of thought-provoking articles. You may want to select one that interests you or for further discussion.
- 4. If you are looking for more stories about biomolecules the Protein Data Bank Molecule of the Month is an awesome resource. (<u>https://pdb101.rcsb.org</u>)
- 5. Homologous structures are organs or structures that descended from an organ or structure belonging to a common ancestor. (See Slide 8 of the presentation.) Evolutionists will point out that there are "minor differences" in these structures and that common descent is perfectly logical. For example, an additional bone, a reversed bone, merging joints, are all "minor differences." An analogy that I have used with my Biology courses in conjunction with homologous structures is this: I have a blueprint for a house that I want built. I inform my contractor that I want to make one minor change: I want an additional bathroom on the first floor. My contractor rolls his eyes, does some math, and gives me an estimated cost of \$35,000. Why is this "minor" change not so minor? How does this analogy apply to the "minor differences" between homologous structures?
- 6. What other phenomena have well-meaning Christians ascribed to the Flood? Why must we be careful about relying on the Flood as our go-to explanation?