

Faith Science & Wonder

PSALM 139:14-16

¹⁴ I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.

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¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.



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To grasp the reality of life as it has been revealed by molecular biology, we must magnify a cell by a thousand million times until it is 20 kilometers in diameter and resembles a giant airship large enough to cover a great city like London or New York. What we would



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then see would be an object of unparalleled complexity and adaptive design.

On the surface of the cell we would see millions of openings, like the port holes of a vast space ship, opening and closing to allow



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a continual stream of materials to flow in and out. If we were to enter one of these openings we would find ourselves in a world of supreme technology and bewildering complexity ... It is the sheer universality of perfection, the fact that everywhere we look, to whatever depth



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we look, we find an elegance and ingenuity of an absolutely transcending quality, which so mitigates against the idea of chance.

Is it really credible that random processes could have constructed a reality, the smallest element



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of which—a functional protein or gene—is complex beyond our own creative capacities, a reality which is the very antithesis of chance, which excels in every sense anything produced by the intelligence of man?

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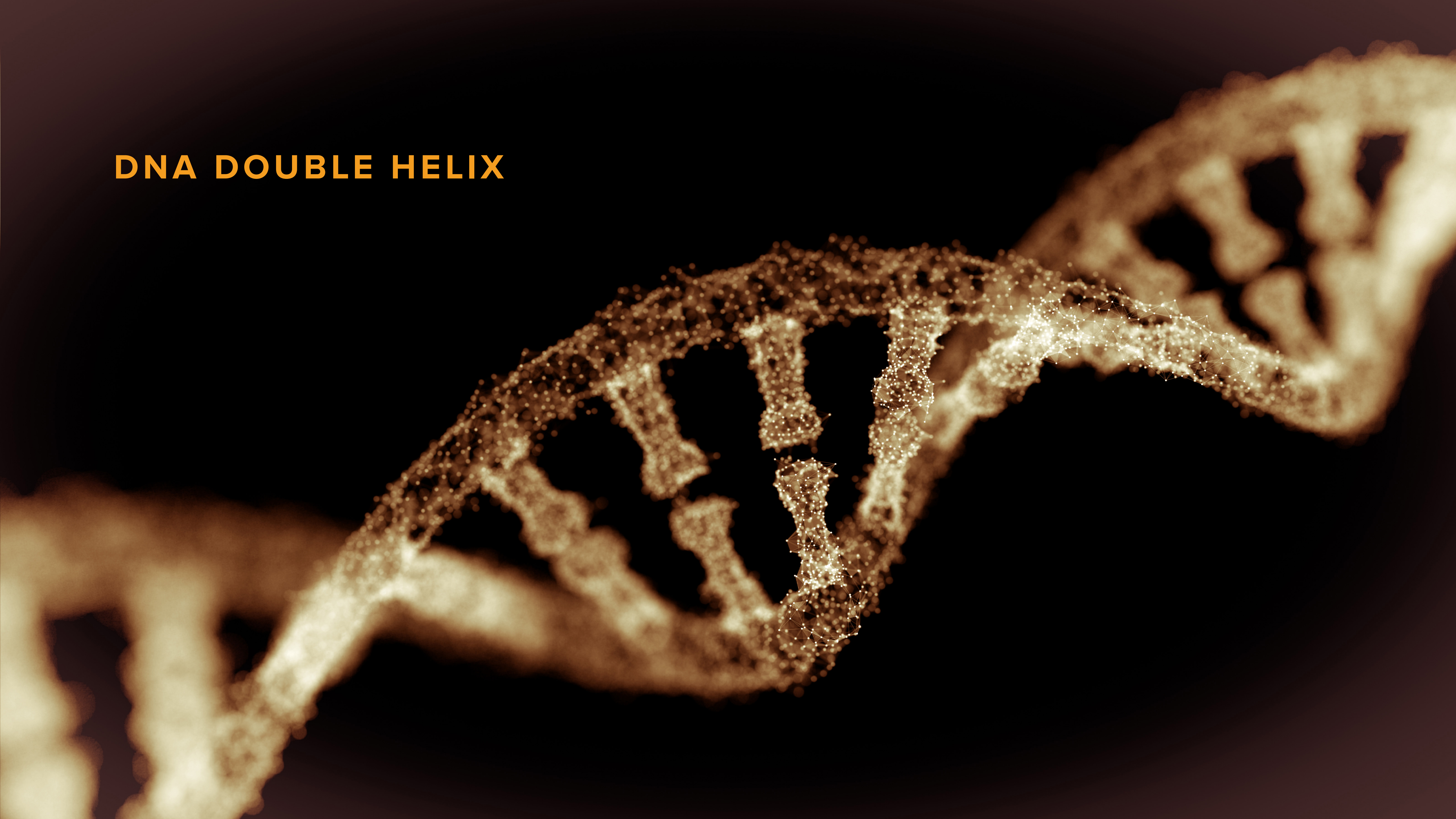
In each of the ten trillion cells in our body we humans possess a ‘word’ of mind-boggling length, the human genome. This ‘word’ is 3.5 billion ‘letters’ long, written in the four chemical ‘letters’ C,G,A,T. Francis Crick and James Watson's Nobel Prize-winning discovery of



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the double-helix structure of the DNA that carries this genetic information has given rise to the molecular biology revolution—the study of large, information-bearing macromolecule like DNA.

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In recent years information has come to be regarded as one of the fundamental concepts of science. One of the most intriguing things about it is that it is not physical. This information you are reading at the moment is carried on the physical medium of paper and

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ink (or a physical computer screen). But the information itself is not material. As I argue in detail elsewhere, the nonmateriality of information points to a nonmaterial source—a mind, the mind of God.

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Biology: Life is coded with information.

JOHN 1:1-3

In the beginning was the Word [Jesus], and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

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JOHN 1:14

...And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.

