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# Looking Outside the Fishbowl

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**S**tephen Hawking is a world famous physicist who often makes interesting and widely published comments, many of which are quite astute.

For instance, he recently raised a warning flag regarding the efforts some scientists are making at trying to discover intelligent life in space. He cautioned an alien species might turn out to have hostile intentions.

One might wonder though about some remarks he recently made which were printed in the September 12 Parade magazine. He was asked: What can a goldfish teach us about the nature of reality?

Hawking answered, "Because it lives in a round bowl of water, a goldfish sees a distorted picture of the outside world. It would have a different picture of reality than we do. But how do we know that we have the right picture? We might also be in some giant goldfish bowl. There is no unique picture of reality. The goldfish's view is as valid as our own."

This is, in my opinion, a very insightful answer. Unfortunately, evolutionists including Hawking himself often do not take such wisdom to heart.

The dogmatic statements made by Darwinists often conflict with the idea that we live in a fishbowl and that scientists may not really have a grasp on reality.

These secularists act like they *know* the universe began in a Big Bang some 13.7 billion years ago. They *know* all living things have descended from a original single-celled organism. They *know* natural selection and mutations can create new lifeforms, even if they can't explain how.

However, we regularly read about new discoveries overturning long-established "truths." Secular scientists including Hawkins himself should take his advice and be cautious when making claims about times long gone or places far away.

But there is One who can be dogmatic about places and times outside our "fishbowl" because He indeed lives outside our fishbowl and, in fact, He created the fishbowl in the first place. He is, of course, our Creator.

God has told us everything we need to know about the life beyond—a wonderful, perfect world called heaven, which will be ours when we come to faith in Jesus Christ as our Savior. LSI

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