

The caterpillar:

**Of fleshly existence; born of an egg; eating and growing.
Sustenance surrounds it. Gaining strength it must prepare the way for
fulfillment in life.**

Assuredly, the very hairs on a lowly caterpillar's back are numbered.

**Soon, at the appointed time, the caterpillar must obey its instinctive impulses and
utterly completely change the behavior and life it is living. This must be done if
transformation and true fulfillment in life is to occur, otherwise the metamorphosis
can never complete itself and a creature of the air can never
emerge from its previous state.**

**As our bodies grow, must we not also find nourishment, strength and fulfillment in
our lives? Must we not also heed the higher calling of a
“divine instinct” found within us all?**

**It is hoped the crucible of a chrysalis will transform and cause our inner spirit,
created in the image of God, to spread new wondrous wings, take flight and soar
unto the true fulfilling realms above.**

**By the Grace of the Father, we are outwardly born as but a germ within a cosmos of
temporal cause and effect existence.**

**But the inner reality of mankind is of a different kind. His being brings forth
expressions of harmony, literature and art.**

**Discernment, science and inner reflection results in awareness, understanding and
wonder as he peers into realms of subatomic quantum universes, a DNA sequence or
gazes upon immensities of intergalactic space.**

**Remember, without the lowly caterpillar, the heavenly butterfly could not exist!
Ponder this truth in your heart.**

Indeed, all forms have their function and meaning; could we but know it!

**So I ask,” Is not all of creation a showcase of evolutionary growth, development,
birth and death: an infinite panorama of cycles within cycles; reflecting the
awesome reality of inscrutable wisdom and design?**

A Personal Statement

To my dear Christian friends:

**Based on the above observations; along with a lifetime of reasoning, reflection and
personal experience; I cannot consider myself as simply a sinner, or product of sin
and sinning. Fashioning belief, world view and living around such traditional
derived theological theories as “being born into sin and thus utterly dependent on
some “ransom payment” does not seem to fit in with the greater world at large. To
embrace this notion requires one to disregard so much universal creative**

enlightenment, global appreciation and world enriching diversity in favor of parochial, singular Bible-based ancient, tradition-bound legends of old. These oral traditions, containing rich allegory and ancient wisdom, may well be valuable tools for life and relationships but can in no way be regarded as essential dictates by Jehovah-God that must be literally believed in and strictly followed to be granted the gift of salvation.

However, at the same time, do we not need to follow; heeding the call inborn within us all, becoming transformed into new life, governed by that for which we were created, rising above the mundane bonds of earth while sailing the vistas of eternal glory, acknowledging a central theme of our being; the archetypal covenant bequeathed to mankind from the Beyond to know and worship the Great Spirit of Truth? Only by following this divine instinct can we hope to successfully partake of the metamorphosis waiting to be released within our own selves.

We all make mistakes and continue to make mistakes. Through these mistakes, trials and difficulties we continue to grow, learn, evolve, develop, form relationships and bear fruit. No, we are not abject worthless sinners, as some may emphasize and preach, but rather, simply creatures of God interweaving a thread integrally part of a most sublime infinite tapestry upon whose loom is woven the pathway of life the All-Knowing has laid out for us all.

David.