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Saying Yes! to both religion and science

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Michael Dowd's description of The Advent of Evolutionary Christianity's mission:

"Are you frustrated with how the mainstream media portray the science and religion issue? It's as if the only two games in town were science-rejecting creationism and faith-rejecting atheism. But for the millions of us in the middle who see no conflict between faith and reason, heart and head, Jesus and Darwin, we know that's a false choice. Religious faith and practice can be positively strengthened by what God is revealing through science!

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Evolutionary Christianity points to those who value evidence as divine communication. Whatever our

differences, we all have deep-time eyes and a global heart ? that is, we're all committed to a just and healthy future for humanity and the larger body of life."

?Studying evolution is like following cosmic breadcrumbs home to God. Only by looking through evolutionary eyes can we see our way out of the current global integrity crisis that is destroying economies and ecosystems around the world.?

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