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Questions:

1. Does the use of nanotechnologies in modern medicine to affect gene or cell function raise moral or ethical questions? If so, what are some of those questions?

2. How does our genetic similarity to all life on Earth affect your ideas about what it means to be human? How does it affect your ideas about God?

3. What might the difficulties experienced by scientists from different disciplines trying to communicate inform us about the challenges in the dialog between science and religion? What can we do to better facilitate that discussion?

EPISODE TITLE: "Ethics and Evolution"

Evolving Universe Evolving Faith, Episode 6

Featured Guest: Gayle Woloschak

Gayle E. Woloschak is associate director of the Zygon Center for Religion and Science. She coordinates an annual religion and science course called "Epic of Creation: Scientific, Biblical and Theological Perspectives on our Origins". Woloschak is also professor in the Department of Radiation Oncology, Department of Radiology, and Department of Cell and Molecular Biology at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine. She holds a Ph.D. in medical sciences (microbiology) from the Medical College of Toledo, Ohio, and was a postdoctoral research fellow in the Department of Immunology and Department of Cell Biology at the Mayo Clinic. Woloschak is an active leader in the Orthodox Church and serves on many church boards, commissions, and societies, including the Metropolitan Council of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, the Orthodox Theological Society of America, and the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese Commission for Science and Technology. She is the author of hundreds of scientific articles and three books on the Orthodox faith, including Challenge Questions on Orthodoxy and Beauty and Unity in Creation. Woloschak is deeply devoted to the religion-science dialogue and to the partnership of theologians and scientists in addressing critical issues in society.

Pneuma Divina Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:1-7

1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want
you to be uninformed. 2You know that when you were pagans, you
were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. 3Therefore I
want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever
says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except
by the Holy Spirit.4 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same
Spirit; 5and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; 6and
there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all
of them in everyone.7To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit
for the common good.

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