The Venus Flytrap

The Venus Flytrap is one of a number of Carnivorous plants. The leaves, which have sensitive bristles on their edge, are hinged. Insects, attracted by the scent, enter the plant, and the toothed leaves snap shut in a tenth of a second, trapping the insect, which is then digested.

Scientists have used high-speed video cameras to discover how the Venus Flytrap works. They have found that the plant actually moves water to release stored elastic energy to make the jaws close. The trap is activated when the plant detects a biochemical signal from an insect. Scientists have likened the leaves to a tennis ball cut in half and turned inside out, but which flip back to their normal shape when an insect enters, preventing it from escaping.

Some scientists hope they may be able to copy this plant’s mechanism to control the flow of liquids or gases in hydraulic sensors or drug-delivery pumps.

If scientists are able to copy the mechanism of the Venus Flytrap, it will involve using their intelligence. So why do so many of them believe that the plant itself somehow evolved without intelligence? Traps made by humans didn’t evolve by chance. Charles Darwin described this plant as “one of the most wonderful in the world.” His theory of gradual evolution certainly can’t explain its origin. This plant, with its clever mechanism, has “design” stamped all over it! It must be the work of God, the great Designer.

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