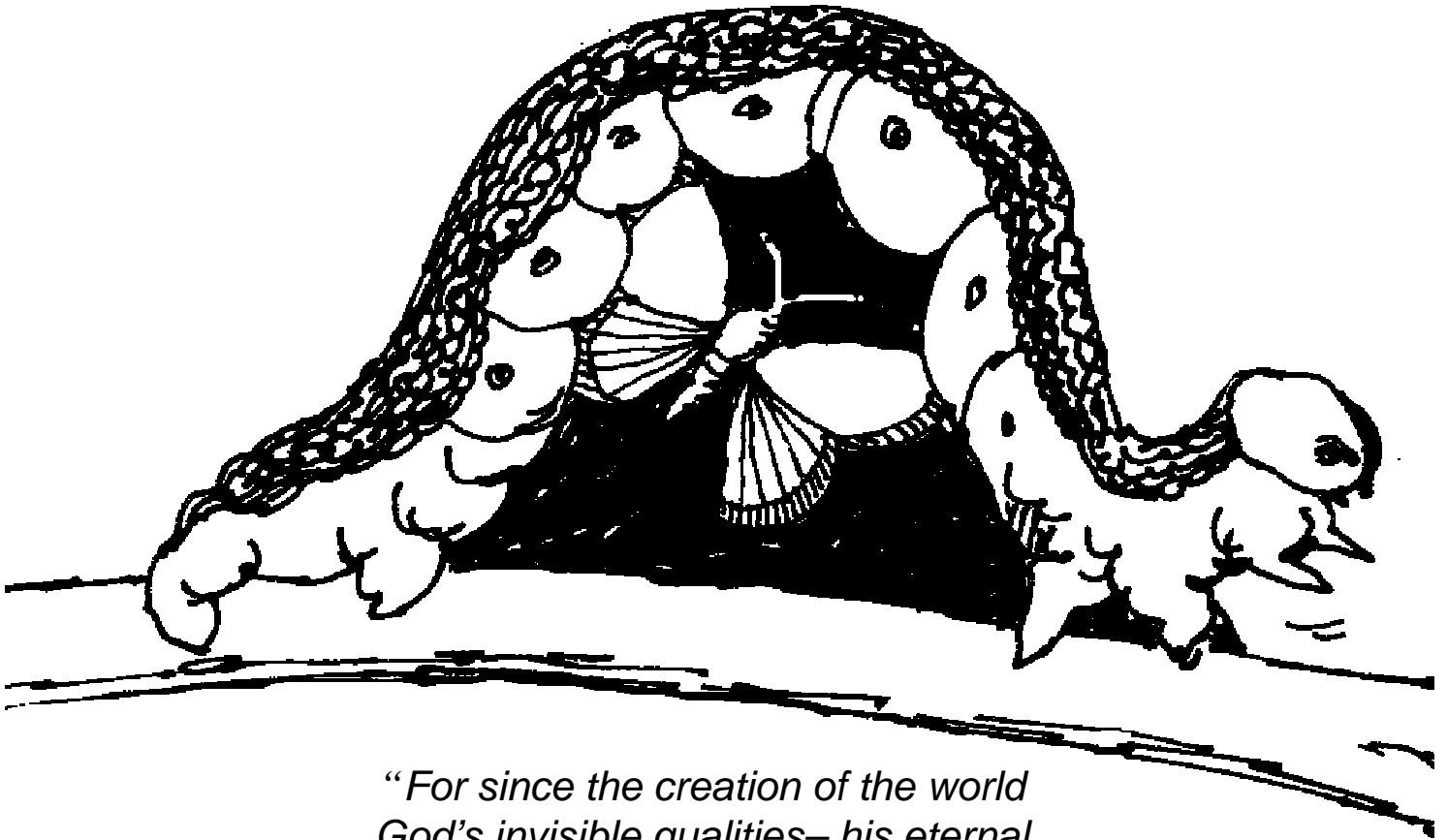


Inchworm or Measuring Worm

This incredible, colorful moth caterpillar is not like any other caterpillar. It travels by looping its body like it is measuring the branch on which it is crawling. These caterpillars are about one inch long, so they move one inch at a time. The Inchworm has three pairs of legs in front, and two or three pairs in back.

It moves its hind legs forward while holding on with its front legs. This gives them their looping action. At times they stand erect and motionless on their back legs when disturbed...imitating twigs.

It is uncertain whether this unique looping action has anything to do with protection, and it has no known advantage in eating. *It looks like God made the Inchworm so we can just marvel at this creative genius.*



*“For since the creation of the world
God’s invisible qualities— his eternal
power and divine nature— have been clearly
seen, being understood from what has been
made, so that men are without excuse.”*

(Romans 1:20)