

Science and Scripture...

ments, and other factual data. Historical evidence, not scientific evidence, is used to support Christianity (Luke 1:1-4; Acts 1:3; 1 Corinthians 15:1-8). But, no scientific evidence or historical evidence has been produced to prove the big bang.

Is it God's creation or general evolution? Which is it? The Christian stands here: "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth..." (Genesis 1:1; see also Psalm 33:6,9; 148:4-6; John 1:1-3; Colossians 1:17; Hebrews 11:3).

The study of valid science is not a threat to the Christian's faith. The more we discover with science the creation around us, the more we appreciate our Creator (Psalm 8:3-9). - Chris Reeves

"When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; What is man, that thou art mindful of him? And the son of man, that thou visitest him? For thou hast made him but little lower than God, and crowns him with glory and honor. Thou makest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet: All sheep and oxen, Yea, and the beasts of the field, the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatsoever passes through the paths of the seas. O Jehovah, our Lord, How excellent is thy name in all the earth!" - Psalm 8:3-9

Sentence Sermons

- Our life should not be on the rocks, but on the Rock.
- If Jesus is kept outside your life, there's something wrong inside your life.
- Are you a like the dead fish that flows downstream with the current or the live fish that swims upstream against the current?
- Love one another from the heart fervently.

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For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.
- 2 Corinthians 10:3-4 -

Is There A Conflict Between Science and Scripture? - Part 3

As we conclude this series of articles, I want to briefly answer two objections that often come up when discussing the subject of science and scripture.

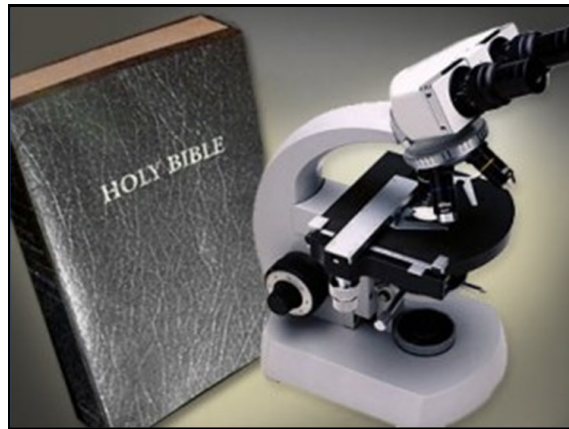
First, some people will object that scripture contains scientific errors and inaccuracies. In Part 2, I began to answer this objection by looking at the many places in scripture where Bible writers in fact spoke accurately about matters of science. Additionally, when reading the Bible you need to consider the type of language that it is using.

Yes, scripture is scientifically accurate, and often the Bible speaks with phenomenological language. This is language that describes nature as it appears; language of everyday speech. The Bible sometimes uses popular language, rather than strict literalism.

For example, the Bible speaks of the sun “rising” and “going down” (Ecclesiastes 1:5). Bible writers did not believe that the sun literally rises and goes down. They were merely speaking from the standpoint of how the sun appears to move in the sky from the standpoint of mankind. Bible writers also speak of the “four corners of the earth” (Isaiah 11:12) and how the mustard seed is “less than all the seeds” (Matthew 13:32). Again, this is language of how nature appears and is

not to be taken literally.

Did you know that we still use this kind of language today and no one objects to it as being “unscientific”. We (including scientists) speak of “sunrise” and “sunset” regularly, but we all understand that it is non-literal language. Why can’t we let the Bible do the same?



Scripture often uses words that can be mistranslated and made to mean something that appears to be unscientific.

For example, the Bible speaks of the “firmament” (Heb. *raqia*) in the KJV. This word means “an expanse” and does not mean a solid sky (Gen. 1:6). The Bible speaks of the “unicorn” (Heb. *re'em*) in the KJV. This word means a “wild ox”, not a one-horned white horse (Num. 23:22).

Second, some people object that the big

bang and general evolution disprove the Bible. But remember, science can neither prove nor disprove the Bible because the Bible’s account of creation (and that of science) is non-observable, non-measurable, and non-reproducible. The creation account from a biblical standpoint is miraculous and science does not deal with the miraculous.

When someone says, “Science has disproved the Bible and religion,” your reply needs to be: “Which science? Which discovery? By whom? When? What is the proof of it? Which religion? Which Bible doctrine?”

Before the big bang and general evolution theories can disprove the Bible they must first be proved themselves. Remember, the big bang and general evolution are scientific theories, but not scientific (observable) facts. The big bang and general evolution have never been observed, measured, or repeated by today’s scientists.

There are two types of evidence and general evolution has never been established by either of these types. First, there is scientific evidence. This is evidence derived from the scientific method (observing, measuring, repeating, etc.). Second, there is historical and legal evidence. This is evidence derived from eyewitness testimony, written docu-