God is beyond! August 10, 2025

I. Introduction-

A. In the beginning—

For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. Psalms 139:13

God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. Genesis 1:27

Then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature. Genesis 2:7

Life, in a biological sense, is characterized by the ability of a system to perform functions such as metabolism, growth, response to stimuli, repair and replace itself and to reproduce itself. It's the state of being that distinguishes living organisms from non-living matter

Miracle; an extraordinary event manifesting divine intervention in human affairs, are beyond the scope of scientific explanation and the laws of nature, supernatural

B. Only God, a supernatural being can overrule the natural laws of our creation and create new life

Now faith is the <u>assurance</u> of things hoped for, the <u>conviction</u> of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation. By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible. Without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards <u>those who seek him</u>. Hebrews 11:1 & <u>Assurance</u>; hypostasis put under, substructure, foundation, is firm

Conviction; elegchos, a proof, that by which a thing is proved or tested

Seek; ekzēteō, to seek out, i.e. investigate, scrutinize

Beyond; at a greater distance, out of the comprehension

C. The promise of objective truth and evidence-

"When God asks for faithfulness, He isn't seeking mere obedience, but a heart that trusts in Him and His promises, reflected in our actions and character. Trusting in Jesus doesn't require that you ditch your brains. Actually, it demands you use all of your intellect until you can say with confidence:

Josh McDowell, Evidence that demands a verdict, 1972

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." John 20:26

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z9nBFkzLuao

II. The creation of life is the foundation and evidence of our faith-

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen. Ephesians 3:14

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D. God challenges each of us to seek truth-

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you, declares the LORD. Jeremiah 29:11

Your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. Mathew 6:32

https://crossroads-ridgecrest.org/media/8kx7kwt/evidence-resources

The programming of life

https://www.windowview.org/sci/pgs2/dnainfovideo.html

James Tour-

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v36_v4hsB-Y&t=331s

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r4sP1E1Jd Y

Case for a Creator-

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zaWVbaGTvzw&t=7s

Creation research institute videos-

https://www.youtube.com/@icrscience

Search for the truth

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=bruce+malone+search+for+the+truth+ministries

Proof of the resurrection of Jesus Christ

• "Evidence of the Resurrection", William Lane Craig 33:58 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z8lkuuhVkOI • "The Resurrection Argument That Changed a Generation of Scholars", Gary Habermas at UCS

RNA Self-Replication: The Hidden Obstacles Science Can't Overcome #abiogenesis #evolution

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BzkKPzCydhA&t=15s

Evidence and proof given beyond a reasonable doubt-

III. Our response and application to a God who is beyond -

A. Know the truth-

Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. John 8:32

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. Il Timothy 3:16

Eternal: without beginning or end

Immutable; cannot be changed

Inerrant: completely accurate, without errors

Authoritative:, the power to command and to be obeyed.

whose will and commands must be submitted to and obeyed

B. Submit to the truth-

For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen. I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 11:36 & 12:1

Spiritual; logikos, following reason, reasonable, logical

Worship; latreia, a sacred services

Worldview; a comprehensive understanding of the world from a specific standpoint (Biblical or secular worldview)

C. Win the war over truth in our hearts, homes, schools and culture-

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. II Corinthians 4:3

Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word. You are of your father the devil. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. John 8:43

The law of biogenesis is a scientific principle stating that all living organisms originate from other living organisms, and that life does not spontaneously generate from non-living matter. In simpler terms, "life comes only from life". This law is well-established through scientific observation and experimentation, and it is a fundamental concept in biology.

Louis Pasteur and Rudolf Virchow, 1858

D. Preparing us for Jesus' return-

"For the Lord GOD does nothing without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets. Amos 3:7

You know how to interpret the appearance of the sky, but you cannot interpret the signs of the times. Mathew 16:3

He told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. Luke 21:29

D. When we see Jesus we will fully know as we have been fully known-

For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known. I Corinthians 13:10

His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant.[fn] You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master. Mathew 25:21