

# FINGERPRINTS of GOD!



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# Fingerprints of God

*Are Faith and Science  
Compatible?*



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# WHY?



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# ***Are Faith and Science Compatible?***

**I. Fingerprints of God in Science**

**II. Fingerprints of God in Nature**

**III. Fingerprints of God in Archaeology**



# *Are Faith and Science Compatible?*

## **I. Fingerprints of God in Science**

- **Are faith and science even compatible?**
- **What is the relationship historically?**
- **Why do some scientific voices speak so aggressively?**
- **How do I live out my faith in a secular context?**



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***“Science must destroy religion.  
Faith, being belief in absence of evidence,  
is a stain on the human intellect.”***

**Sam Harris**



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***“Religion is not only wrong—it’s dangerous. It teaches people to be satisfied with not understanding.”***

**Lawrence Krauss**



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***“Faith can be very very dangerous, and deliberately to implant it into the vulnerable mind of an innocent child is a grievous wrong.”***

**Richard Dawkins**



**"For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse."**

**Romans 1:20**



**"So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. 23 For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, To the unknown god. What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. 24 The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, 25 nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. 26 And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, 27 that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us."**

**Acts 17:22-27**



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# ***Are Faith and Science Compatible?***

**I. A Historical perspective**

**II. A Present perspective**

**III. A Personal perspective**



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**Romans 1:20**

**Created things point to a creator.**

**Design points to a designer.**



**Hey, look what a  
dust storm made!**





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**“It was monotheism that launched the coming of physical science, for it premised an intelligible world, sacred but disenchanting, a world with a blueprint, which was therefore open to the searches of the scientists. The great pioneers in physics—Newton, Galileo, Kepler, Copernicus—devoutly believed themselves called to find evidences of God in the physical world.”**

**Holmes Rolston III**



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**Galileo Galilei**  
**Mathematics**



**Sir Isaac Newton**  
**Gravity**



**Robert Boyle**  
**Chemistry**



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**Stephen C. Meyer received his Ph.D. in the philosophy of science from the University of Cambridge. A former geophysicist and college professor, he now directs Discovery Institute's Center for Science and Culture in Seattle.**



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# ***Are Faith and Science Compatible?***

- I. Intelligibility of nature**
- II. Underlying order of nature**
- III. Contingency of nature**



# *Are Faith and Science Compatible?*

**I. Intelligibility of nature**

**II. Underlying order of nature**

**III. Contingency of nature**

**Observe**

**Test**

**Measure**



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**Johannes Kepler**

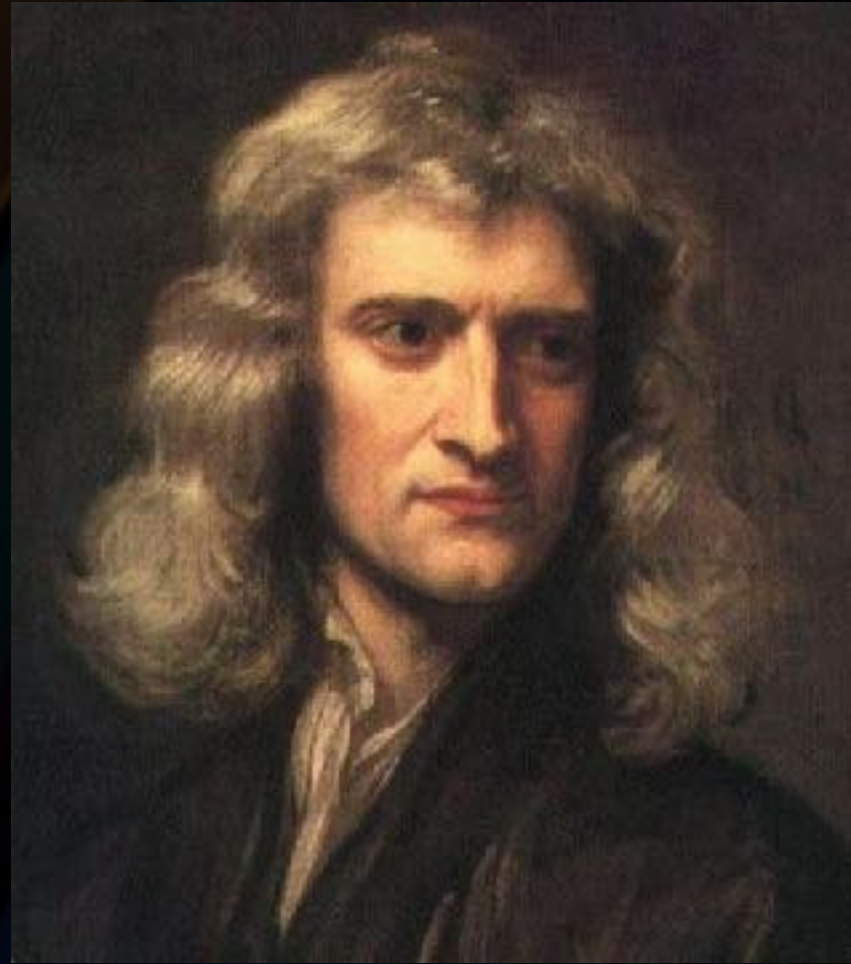
**Astronomy**

*“God wanted us to recognize natural laws and that God made this possible by creating us after his own image so that we could share in his own thoughts.”*



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**Robert Boyle**  
**Chemistry**

*“If God made the world, then it makes sense that He designed it to fit His own plans—not just to match what we humans can understand.”*



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## I. A Historical perspective

### Summary:

"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 people are without excuse."

Romans 1:20

- **Created things point to a creator.**
- **Design points to a designer.**



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## **II. A Present perspective**

**Has science “Buried” God?**





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**Sam Harris**



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***“Far from science having buried God, not only do I believe that science gives us more reason to believe in God—it’s the very reason I believe in Him.”***

**John Lennox**



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***“Science and religion are not at war. The supposed conflict is a carefully crafted myth.”***

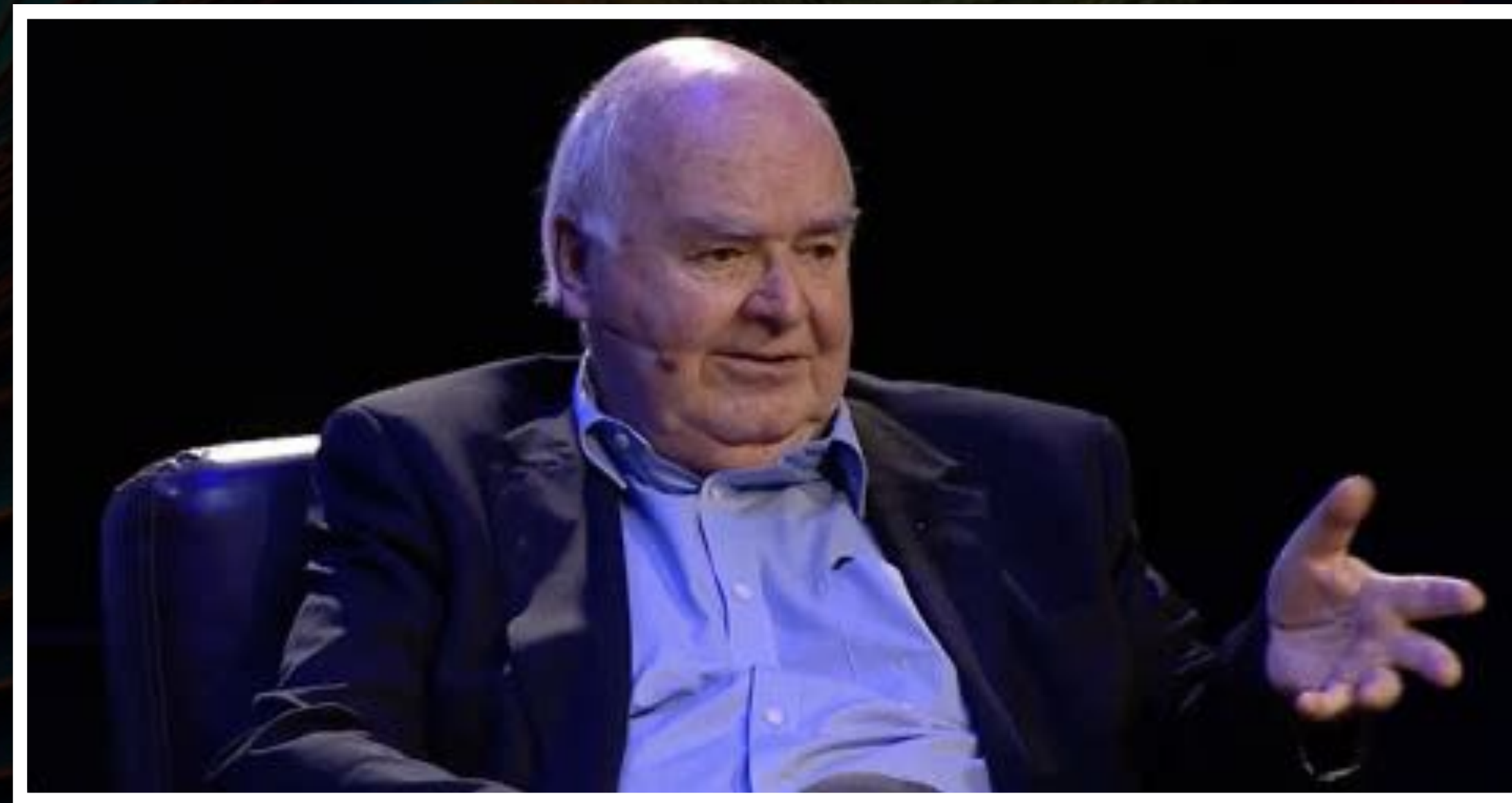
**Alister McGrath**



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## II. A Present perspective



**John Lennox**



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## I. A Historical perspective

### Summary:

- Modern science is not the enemy of faith.
- From the cosmos to the cell, we find evidence of design.
- Many top scientists are Christians, not in spite of science, but because of it.

**The deeper we explore nature, the louder the whisper:  
“This world is not an accident.”**



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## I. A Historical perspective

### Application:

- Don't check your brain at the church door.
- Christianity doesn't fear discovery—it celebrates it.
- We need thoughtful Christians in science, tech, and medicine.



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## III. A Personal perspective

### Everybody has faith in something

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Acts 17:22-27

*That which you admire, desire, long for and seek after...that is what you worship and that which you worship is your God.*



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## **III. A Personal perspective**

**The limits of secular reason**



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***“If you knew that the computer you were using was the product of random, unguided processes, you wouldn’t trust it to give you reliable answers. So why would you trust your brain if you believe it too is the product of a mindless, unguided process?”***

**John Lennox**



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## **III. A Personal perspective**

**Searching for a changed heart**



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***Rebecca Pippert***

**“The truth is, we are looking for a changed heart.”**



### III. A Personal perspective


"26 And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, 27 that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us."

Acts 17:22-25

He is not far from you.

He is not hiding.

He has come close.



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