

Doubting God Part 5: Can I Believe in God and Science?

When they saw him, they worshiped him—but some of them doubted! - Matthew 28:17 NLT

• Faith and science are not in conflict, they are complimentary.

"The conflict between science and faith comes from either misunderstanding science or misinterpreting the Bible." - St. Augustine

You placed the world on its foundation so it would never be moved. - Psalm 104:5 NLT

"God is known by nature in his works, and by doctrine in his revealed word." - Galileo Galilei

The scientific study of creation inspires awe in the Creator.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. - Genesis 1:1 NLT

The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship. 2 Day after day they continue to speak; night after night they make him known. 3 They speak without a sound or word; their voice is never heard. 4 Yet their message has gone throughout the earth, and their words to all the world. - Psalm 19:1-4 NLT

• Faith in God, like science, is rational.

Faith shows the reality of what we hope for; it is the evidence of things we cannot see. 3 By faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God's command, that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen. - Hebrews 11:1,3 NLT

"Come now, and let us reason together," Says the Lord, "Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool." - Isaiah 1:18 NKJV

"But I do not feel obliged to believe that that same God who has endowed us with senses, reason, and intellect has intended to forgo their use and by some other means to give us knowledge which we can attain by them.

He would not require us to deny sense and reason in physical matters which are set before our eyes and minds by direct experience or necessary demonstrations." - Galileo Galilei

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and look at my hands. Put your hand into the wound in my side. Don't be faithless any longer. Believe!" - John 20:27 NLT

All the Lord's promises prove true. - Psalm 18:30

Taste and see that the Lord is good. - Psalm 34:8

TALK IT OVER

- How do you typically think about the relationship between science and the Bible?
- Read Psalm 19:1-4. When you consider science and the Bible as being "complementary" instead of "conflicting," what thoughts and feelings come up?
- Share about an experience that required you to fully trust God, even if you still had questions. How was your faith impacted during that time?

Suggested Reading Plan: Doubting God

Announcements:

- Sunday Service @ 10 AM. Nursery for children up to age 4 on weeks 2, 3 & 4; KidZone for ages 5-11.
- Girl's Ministry for grades K-6 on Wednesdays @ 5:30 PM.
- Finish Line Youth for ages 12-12th grade Wednesdays @ 7 PM.
- Easter Service March 31st @ 10 AM. He's alive! Come celebrate with us!
- Men's Movie Night April 6 @ 6:30 PM @ New Life! See James Kimberly for more info!
- Teen Girls Retreat April 13, 10 AM to 2 PM. See Sharee for more info!











