

>> SINGING: GOOD NEWS TODAY. NO MATTER WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING IN THE WORLD, THERE IS ALWAYS GOOD NEWS TODAY.

>> WELCOME TO GOOD NEWS TODAY, THE PROGRAM WHERE YOU WILL ALWAYS FIND GOOD NEWS, NO MATTER WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING IN THE WORLD.

>> I'M MARK TESKE, YOUR HOST FOR GOOD NEWS TODAY. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR JOINING US. AND WE'VE GOT A GREAT LINEUP. HERE'S WHAT'S COMING UP. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN WITH OUR DEVOTIONAL TIME, AND THAT CONSISTS OF OUR SCRIPTURE READING, BEAUTIFUL SINGING, AND A BRIEF STUDY OF THAT SCRIPTURE. TODAY WE'LL BE LOOKING AT ROMANS 1:20-25, A PASSAGE THAT SHEDS LIGHT ON THE UNQUESTIONABLE EXISTENCE OF GOD. GET OUT YOUR BIBLES, TURN TO ROMANS 1. I'LL MEET YOU THERE IN JUST A MOMENT. FOLLOWING OUR DEVOTIONAL TIME, TROY SPRADLIN JOINS US, AND HE'S REPAIRING OUR UNDERSTANDING ABOUT WHAT THE GOSPEL CAN'T DO. JIM DEARMAN WILL JOIN US WITH SOME SOUND WORDS ABOUT AN ATHEIST'S UTOPIA. THEN WE'LL VISIT WITH JOE GUY ON THE PASTIME PORCH, WHERE HE'LL BE TALKING ABOUT SUBSTANCE AND EVIDENCE. CHAD DOLLAHITE JOINS US FOR JUST A MINUTE, AND HE ENCOURAGES US TO GO BACK TO THE ORIGINAL SOURCE AND UNDERSTAND CREATION. IN OUR FINAL SEGMENT, WE HAVE A BIBLE QUESTION FOR ANTHONY DISMUKE AND TROY SPRADLIN: IS GENESIS 2:23-24 ADAM'S FIRST WORDS? AND HOW DID THE IDEA OF FATHER AND MOTHER EVER CROSS HIS MIND? WELL, I HOPE OPENING THE BIBLE HAS CROSSED YOUR MIND AS YOU OPEN TO ROMANS CHAPTER 1, WHERE WE READ BEGINNING AT VERSE 20, FOR SINCE THE CREATION OF THE WORLD HIS INVISIBLE ATTRIBUTES ARE CLEARLY SEEN, BEING UNDERSTOOD BY THE THINGS THAT ARE MADE, EVEN HIS ETERNAL POWER AND GODHEAD, SO THAT THEY ARE WITHOUT EXCUSE, BECAUSE, ALTHOUGH THEY KNEW GOD, THEY DID NOT GLORIFY HIM AS GOD, NOR WERE THANKFUL, BUT BECAME FUTILE IN THEIR THOUGHTS, AND THEIR FOOLISH HEARTS WERE DARKENED. PROFESSING TO BE WISE, THEY BECAME FOOLS, AND CHANGED THE GLORY OF THE INCORRUPTIBLE GOD INTO AN IMAGE MADE LIKE CORRUPTIBLE MAN - AND BIRDS AND FOUR-FOOTED ANIMALS AND CREEPING THINGS. THEREFORE GOD ALSO GAVE THEM UP TO UNCLEANNES, IN THE LUSTS OF THEIR HEARTS, TO DISHONOR THEIR BODIES AMONG THEMSELVES, WHO EXCHANGED THE TRUTH OF GOD FOR THE LIE, AND WORSHIPED AND SERVED THE CREATURE RATHER THAN THE CREATOR, WHO IS BLESSED FOREVER. AMEN.

>> (SINGING)

>> IN ROMANS CHAPTER 1, PAUL'S INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS TO THE CHRISTIANS IN ROME. IN THIS LETTER, HE'S JUST TALKED ABOUT GOD'S WRATH THAT'S GOING TO BE REVEALED ON THOSE THAT DON'T HAVE AN OBEDIENT FAITH. AND OUR TEXT BEGINS TEACHING US THAT GOD'S EXISTENCE CAN BE CLEARLY SEEN THROUGH HIS CREATION. PSALM 19 BEGINS SAYING, THE HEAVENS DECLARE THE GLORY OF GOD, AND THE FIRMAMENT SHOWS HIS HANDIWORK. YOU SEE, THE EXISTENCE OF THINGS, THE DESIGN OF THINGS, IT'S A UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE THAT EVERYONE CAN UNDERSTAND. WELL, WHERE DID EVERYTHING COME FROM? CONSIDER THIS: ATHEISTS HAVE NO REASONABLE EXPLANATION. YOU SEE, THE LAWS OF THERMODYNAMICS PROVE THAT MATTER CANNOT BE INTERNAL, SO THEY MADE UP THIS IDEA OF A BIG BANG TO TRY TO EXPLAIN IT. BUT THEY STILL CAN'T EXPLAIN WHERE THAT BANG CAME FROM. IT'S JUST KIND OF LIKE KICKING THE CAN FURTHER DOWN THE ROAD, GOING BACK IN TIME. BUT YOU

SEE, THE DESIGN IN EVERYTHING DEMANDS A DESIGNER. THAT INTELLIGENT DESIGN CAN BE SEEN IN EVERYTHING. CONSIDER THE HUMBLE MOSQUITO, HOW MANY BODY PARTS THEY HAVE THAT HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER IN ORDER FOR IT TO EVEN REPRODUCE. YOU SEE, THAT FEMALE MOSQUITO NEEDS BLOOD TO REPRODUCE. IT ALSO NEEDS THE WINGS SO IT CAN GET TO ITS PREY. IT HAS SENSORS FOR CARBON DIOXIDE AND HEAT SO IT CAN FIND THE ANIMALS THAT HAVE THE BLOOD THAT IT CAN EAT. IT HAS A MOUTH THAT CAN PENETRATE THE SKIN AND GET TO THE BLOOD, NOT SO BIG THAT IT CAUSES PAIN AND WILL BE DESTROYED BY THE ANIMAL IMMEDIATELY. IT ALSO HAS ENZYMES THAT IT INJECTS INTO THAT ANIMAL THAT KEEP THE BLOOD FROM CLOTTING WHILE IT'S FEEDING. THAT'S WHY WE GET THE ITCHES AFTER A MOSQUITO BITE. IT'S THOSE ENZYMES STILL WORKING. AND THE MOSQUITO'S ABDOMEN EXPANDS SO THAT MOSQUITO DOESN'T BURST WHILE IT'S FEEDING. EACH OF THESE BODY PARTS IS USELESS WITHOUT ALL THE OTHERS. BUT EVOLUTIONISTS WILL TRY TO TELL US THAT THESE THINGS SLOWLY EVOLVED OVER MILLIONS OF YEARS. HOW COULD THEY DO THAT WITHOUT GETTING THE BLOOD THAT THEY NEEDED TO REPRODUCE? DID ALL THESE THINGS JUST HAPPEN BY CHANCE, AND THEN A FEMALE MOSQUITO SUDDENLY DECIDED, HEY, LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS IF WE GET A DRINK OF BLOOD FROM AN ANIMAL? THAT'S CRAZINESS. THAT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE. BUT THAT'S WHAT THEY WOULD HAVE US TO BELIEVE. YOU SEE, EVERYONE'S WITHOUT EXCUSE. IT TAKES A PHD TO MAKE SOME OF THIS STUFF UP. THERE ARE LITERALLY THOUSANDS OF EXAMPLES THAT JUST CAN'T BE EXPLAINED BY EVOLUTION. APOLOGETICS PRESS HAS SOME EXCELLENT MATERIALS ON THIS SUBJECT, AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO GO TO THE WEBSITE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AND NEED TO SEE SOME MORE EXAMPLES. OUR TEXT GOES ON TO TELL US THAT GOD ALLOWED THEM TO BECOME FOOLS. YOU SEE, THE FOOL HAS SAID IN HIS HEART THERE IS NO GOD, PSALM 14:1. AND THAT'S WHAT THEY'VE DONE. AND HE ALLOWED THEM TO GO OFF INTO THEIR IDOLATROUS ERROR. GOD ALLOWS PEOPLE TO GO OFF INTO THEIR MANMADE RELIGIONS, INTO THEIR MORAL DEGRADATION, AND TO MAKE AN ABSOLUTE MESS OF THEIR LIVES. HE'S NOT GOING TO STOP ANYONE. HE WILL ALLOW PEOPLE TO DO THAT BECAUSE HE'S GIVEN US FREE WILL. SO AS WE SEEK TO MAKE APPLICATION OF THIS, GOD HAS GIVEN US PLENTY OF EVIDENCE. DON'T ALLOW ANYBODY TO TELL YOU ANYTHING. IT KIND OF REMINDS ME THAT STORY OF THE EMPEROR'S NEW CLOTHES THAT WERE REALLY NO SET OF CLOTHES AT ALL, BUT HE WAS WEARING NOTHING. AND THE PEOPLE WERE AMAZED AT HIS NEW CLOTHES. THE YOUNG BOY FINALLY SAID HE'S NAKED. AND THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION IS ITSELF NAKED. THERE'S PLENTY OF QUESTIONS ATHEISTS CANNOT ADEQUATELY ANSWER. I'D ENCOURAGE YOU TO WATCH A DEBATE OR TWO ON THE SUBJECT. KYLE BUTT DEBATED MICHAEL SHERMER JUST IN 2023. THAT'S AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO SEE ON THE WEBSITE OF APOLOGETICS PRESS. A CLASSIC, THE WARREN-FLEW DEBATE HAPPENED BACK IN 1976, AND THAT'S AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE OF WORLD VIDEO BIBLE SCHOOL. LOOK AROUND AT THE EVIDENCE GOD HAS GIVEN TO US FOR HIS EXISTENCE. HE WANTS YOU TO HONESTLY EXAMINE THE EVIDENCE AND BELIEVE IN HIM. AND THAT IS GOOD NEWS FOR US TODAY. NOW TROY SPRADLIN IS WAITING FOR US IN THE WORKSHOP, WHERE HE'LL BE REPAIRING OUR UNDERSTANDING ABOUT WHAT THE GOSPEL CAN'T DO.

>> THE APOSTLE PAUL SAID, THE GOSPEL IS THE POWER OF GOD UNTO SALVATION IN ROMANS 1:16. THAT MEANS YOU CAN BE SAVED FROM YOUR SINS AND HAVE THE HOPE OF ETERNAL LIFE IN HEAVEN IF YOU OBEY THE GOSPEL. YOU SEE, GOD MADE IT EASY FOR ANYONE TO HAVE THE PRECIOUS GIFT THAT HE

OFFERS. BUT AS POWERFUL AS THE GOSPEL IS, THERE ARE STILL SOME THINGS THAT THE GOSPEL CANNOT DO. NUMBER ONE, THE GOSPEL CANNOT PREACH ITSELF. YOU SEE, THE WORD GOSPEL MEANS GOOD NEWS. BUT THAT PRECIOUS NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST CANNOT BROADCAST ITSELF; INSTEAD, FAITHFUL DISCIPLES OF THE LORD HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF SPREADING THE GOOD NEWS AROUND THE WORLD ACCORDING TO COMMANDS FOUND IN MATTHEW 28:19-20 MARK 16:15. AND THE PATTERN THAT GOD CHOSE FOR THE GOSPEL TO GO OUT IS SIMPLY ORDINARY PEOPLE TELLING OTHER ORDINARY PEOPLE THE EXTRAORDINARY NEWS OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MAN, JESUS CHRIST. YOU SEE, GOD NEVER INTENDED FOR THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS' DEATH, BURIAL, AND RESURRECTION TO JUST STAY ON THE PAGES OF THE BIBLE. HE WANTS YOU AND I TO GO TELL OTHERS THAT GOOD NEWS. AND GOD'S WAY ALWAYS WORKS. NOW, NUMBER TWO, THE GOSPEL CANNOT SAVE SOMEONE IF THEY'RE NOT WILLING TO BE SAVED. THE GOSPEL IS HOW ONE GAINS ACCESS TO SALVATION, THE FORGIVENESS OF THEIR SINS. BUT THE AVAILABILITY OF THAT SALVATION IS ENTIRELY CONDITIONAL, AND THAT'S BECAUSE ONE MUST CHOOSE TO OBEY. SEE, GOD DESIRES ALL MEN TO BE SAVED AND COME TO THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE TRUTH IN 1ST TIMOTHY 2:4, BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN HE'S GOING TO FORCE YOU AGAINST YOUR WILL TO DO SO. YOU CAN LEAD SOMEONE TO THE TRUTH AND GIVE THEM THE GOOD NEWS, BUT THE GOSPEL ITSELF CAN'T SAVE SOMEONE IF THEY'RE NOT WILLING TO FOLLOW THE BIBLE PATTERN OF THE GOSPEL. AND THAT IS BELIEVING THE GOSPEL, JOHN 8:24; REPENTING OF THEIR SINS IN LUKE 13:3; CONFESSING CHRIST IN ROMANS 10:9; AND BEING BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST, AS IT SAYS IN MARK 16:16. SEE, THE POWER WITHIN THE GOSPEL CAN ONLY SAVE SOMEONE IF THEY WILLINGLY CHOOSE TO OBEY GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION AS PRESENTED IN SCRIPTURE, JUST LIKE WHAT PAUL WRITES IN ROMANS 6:17, BUT GOD BE THANKED, THAT THOUGH YOU WERE SLAVES OF SIN, YET YOU OBEYED FROM THE HEART THAT FORM OF DOCTRINE WHICH YOU WERE DELIVERED. NOW, NUMBER THREE, THE GOSPEL CANNOT TAKE THE PLACE OF FAITH. IT IS THE GOSPEL THAT PRODUCES FAITH. FAITH COMES BY HEARING THAT GOOD NEWS OF THE WORD OF GOD, AS WE READ IN ROMANS 10:17, AND FAITH IS INDEED THE PROPER RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL MESSAGE, BUT IT DOES NOT STOP WITH FAITH ONLY. YOU SEE, JAMES TEACHES US THAT BELIEVERS MUST BE DOERS OF THE WORD, AND NOT HEARERS ONLY, JAMES 1:22, AND THAT FAITH WORKS TOGETHER WITH WORKS ACCORDING TO CHAPTER 2, 22 AND 24. A FAITH THAT PLEASES GOD IS A FAITH THAT PRODUCES ACTS OF OBEDIENCE THROUGH LOVE, LIKE GALATIANS 5:6 SAYS. THAT MEANS THAT JUST HEARING AND BELIEVING THE GOOD NEWS OF THE GOSPEL IS NOT ALL THAT'S REQUIRED OF US. ONCE SOMEONE HEARS THE GOOD NEWS AND SUBMITS TO THE WILL OF GOD TO BE SAVED, ACCESSING THAT POWER OF THE GOSPEL, THEN THEY MUST LIVE FAITHFULLY UNTIL DEATH, SAYS REVELATION 2:10. THAT TEACHES US THAT THE GOSPEL IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR FAITH. BECAUSE INDEED IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO BE PLEASING TO GOD WITHOUT FAITH, BUT THAT MEANS THAT WE ARE STILL REQUIRED TO GIVE PROOF OF OUR FAITH THROUGH OBEDIENCE. SO IN CONCLUSION, JUST LIKE THE APOSTLE PAUL, YOU AND I SHOULD THANK GOD FOR THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL AND ITS ABILITY TO CHANGE PEOPLE'S LIVES; BUT LET'S NOT FORGET THAT THERE ARE SOME THINGS THAT EVEN THE GOSPEL CANNOT DO, AND LET'S REMEMBER THAT GOD HAS DONE HIS PART BY PROVIDING THE GOOD NEWS AND ITS POWER FOR ALL OF MANKIND. SO NOW LET US ALL DO OUR PART.

>> THANKS TROY. HERE AT GOOD NEWS TODAY, WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO SPEND TIME IN THE BIBLE, SEE THINGS FOR YOURSELF, SEE IF THESE THINGS

ARE SO. ONE WAY YOU CAN DO THAT IS BY ENROLLING IN OUR FREE BIBLE COURSE. IT GETS YOU IN THE BIBLE. IN JUST A MOMENT, WE'LL GIVE YOU OUR CONTACT INFORMATION SO YOU CAN SEND US YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION AND ENROLL TODAY. JIM DEARMAN IS GOING TO JOIN US RIGHT AFTER.

>> YOU MAY HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ABOUT GOOD NEWS TODAY. WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU. OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE FREE BIBLE STUDY MATERIALS, PLEASE CONTACT US. OUR MAILING ADDRESS IS GOOD NEWS TODAY, P.O. BOX 206, DUNLAP, TENNESSEE, 37327. AGAIN, THAT'S GOOD NEWS TODAY, P.O. BOX 206, DUNLAP, TENNESSEE, 37327. YOU MAY PREFER TO E-MAIL US AT GOODNEWSTODAYTV@GMAIL.COM. THAT'S GOODNEWSTODAYTV@GMAIL.COM. OR CALL US TOLL-FREE AT 1-877-384-7221. THAT'S 1-877-384-7221. WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU. HEARING FROM OUR AUDIENCE IS ALWAYS GOOD NEWS TO US.

>> THE EASIEST WAY TO ENROLL IN OUR BIBLE COURSE IS ON OUR WEBSITE AT GNTTV.ORG. JUST CLICK WHERE IT SAYS BIBLE COURSE, FILL OUT THE INFORMATION, AND WE'LL MAIL IT TO YOU. DID YOU KNOW THAT GOOD NEWS TODAY CAN BE HEARD THROUGH OUR CHANNEL ON TRUTH.FM? THAT'S A GROUP OF STREAMING RADIO STATIONS THAT OFFER GREAT BIBLICAL PROGRAMMING FOR LISTENERS AROUND THE WORLD. IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE SO ALREADY, CHECK OUT TRUTH.FM. LOOK FOR THE GOOD NEWS TODAY CHANNEL. NOW HERE'S JIM DEARMAN WITH SOME SOUND WORDS FOR US ABOUT AN ATHEIST'S UTOPIA.

>> IN 1880, A LAWYER BY THE NAME OF GEORGE WALSER FOUNDED A CITY IN MISSOURI AS AN ATHEIST UTOPIA. HE CALLED IT LIBERAL. THE RESIDENTS WERE SO LIBERAL THAT CHURCHES WERE NOT TO BE ALLOWED. IN THEIR PROMOTIONAL LITERATURE, THEY BOASTED THAT IT WAS THE ONLY TOWN OF ITS SIZE IN THE UNITED STATES WITHOUT A PREACHER, CHURCH, GOD, JESUS, DEVIL, OR HELL. IN 1885, A REPORTER FOR THE POST DISPATCH WROTE AN ARTICLE ON THE MODEL ATHEISTIC CITY, AND HE SHOWED THAT THERE WAS LITTLE ELSE IN LIBERAL BUT THE DEVIL. IT WAS A DEN OF INIQUITY, VIRTUE WAS ALMOST UNKNOWN THERE, AND IT WAS NOT EVEN SAFE FOR A WOMAN TO BE ON THE CITY STREETS. THE ACCOUNT THE REPORTER GAVE WAS SO TERRIBLE THAT HE WAS SUED FOR LIBEL; BUT AFTER ALL THE EVIDENCE WAS SUBMITTED, THE SUIT WAS DISMISSED BECAUSE THE EVIDENCE PROVED TO BE TRUE. LIBERAL WAS A FAILURE. EVEN ITS PROPONENTS AGREED THAT AN ATHEIST MAY FUNCTION IN A SOCIETY THAT ADMITS GOD, BUT A SOCIETY WITH INFIDELITY AS ITS BASIS IS DOOMED TO FAILURE. HERE'S THE QUESTION: HAS OUR SOCIETY LEARNED THE LESSON FROM LIBERAL'S EARLY DAYS?

>> JUST LIKE THE CITY IN KANSAS, WE CAN SEE FROM EXAMPLES THAT WE READ IN SCRIPTURE THE EFFECT OF TRYING TO REMOVE GOD FROM A SOCIETY. THANKS FOR THOSE THOUGHTS, JIM. HAVE YOU EVER MISSED AN EPISODE OF GOOD NEWS TODAY AND WISH YOU COULD WATCH IT? THERE'S A FEW WAYS YOU CAN DO THAT: OUR WEBSITE, FACEBOOK, OR YOUTUBE. YOU CAN ALSO DOWNLOAD OUR APP, YOU CAN WATCH ON YOUR PHONE, TELEVISION, OR TABLET. THE PROGRAM IS THERE EVERY SUNDAY, SO YOU NEVER HAVE TO MISS AN EPISODE. JOE GUY IS WAITING FOR US ON THE PASTIME PORCH, AND HE'LL BE TALKING TO US ABOUT SUBSTANCE AND EVIDENCE.

>> WELL, HELLO. THANK YOU FOR STOPPING BY. YOU KNOW, OVER THE COURSE OF MY CAREER IN POLICE WORK, I'VE BEEN AROUND A LOT OF CRIME SCENES.

I'VE BEEN PART OF COUNTLESS INVESTIGATIONS WITH MANY CASES SUCCESSFULLY PROSECUTED. A FEW REALLY STAND OUT. I RECALL A HOMICIDE THAT WE WORKED WHERE A LADY HAD BEEN KILLED IN HER HOME. WE HAD NO SUSPECTS AND VERY LITTLE EVIDENCE TO GO ON. FOR MONTHS WE RECONSTRUCTED THE CRIME AND DISCUSSED WHAT EVIDENCE WE DID HAVE, TRYING TO PUT TOGETHER THE TRUTH OF SOMETHING THAT NONE OF US, IN FACT, NO ONE HAD PHYSICALLY WITNESSED. WE EVENTUALLY IDENTIFIED A SUSPECT WHO SAID, OH NO, IT'S NOT ME. WHAT YOU'RE SAYING ISN'T THE TRUTH. HIS ATTORNEY SAID, YOU DON'T HAVE ANY PROOF. BUT WITH GOOD POLICE WORK, MY DETECTIVES PURSUED THE EVIDENCE AND THE SUBSTANCES THAT WE WERE ABLE TO COLLECT AND EVENTUALLY WERE SUCCESSFUL IN TELLING THE TRUTH OF WHAT HAPPENED, SUCCEEDED IN CONVICTING THE SUSPECT AS A KILLER, AND BRING SOME PEACE TO A GRIEVING FAMILY. WHEN WE SPEAK OF OUR BELIEF IN GOD, SOME FOLKS SAY, OH, NO, WHAT YOU'RE SAYING ISN'T THE TRUTH. YOU CAN'T SEE HIM AND YOU CAN'T HEAR HIM. YOU HAVE NO PROOF. AT A CRIME SCENE, OFFICERS COLLECT SUBSTANCES THAT WE HOPE TO SHOW THE TRUTH, THEREBY BECOMING EVIDENCE OF SOMETHING THAT HAPPENED THAT WE DIDN'T ACTUALLY SEE. SO HEBREWS 11:1 IS A VERSE THAT I CAN IDENTIFY WITH, BECAUSE JUST LIKE SOLVING A CASE, OUR FAITH IS BASED UPON TWO THINGS: SUBSTANCE OF THINGS HOPED FOR AND EVIDENCE OF THINGS NOT SEEN. BIBLICAL FAITH IS NOT BLIND BELIEF, NOR IS IT BELIEF IN SOMETHING THAT WE DON'T KNOW. IT IS A BELIEF IN EVIDENCE. JUST LIKE A JURY, WE CAN COMPREHEND IT. BIBLICAL FAITH COMES FROM THE CAREFUL OBSERVATION AND WEIGHING OF ALL AVAILABLE EVIDENCE. THAT'S A QUOTE FROM BOB PRITCHARD IN HOUSE TO HOUSE. IN THE SAME WAY, COURTS CONVICT CRIMINALS OF CRIMES THAT ARE NEVER WITNESSED BASED ON PHYSICAL AND CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE. WE SEE EVIDENCE OF GOD IN CREATION IN HEBREWS 11:2 AND ROMANS 1:18-20, EVIDENCE IN THE COMPLEXITY OF THE HUMAN BODY IN JEREMIAH 1:5, EVIDENCE IN THE UNIQUE AND SINGULAR EXISTENCE OF HUMAN BEINGS IN GENESIS 1:26. EVEN IN THE LAWS OF SCIENCE, WE SEE THE COMPLEXITY OF GOD'S WORK AND HIS EXISTENCE, EVIDENCE FOR US TO BELIEVE IN AND BELIEVE IN THE TESTIMONY OF INSPIRED BIBLICAL WRITERS. IF GOD IS PROVEN THROUGH BOTH CREATION AND THROUGH THE TRUTH OF HIS WORD, AND HIS WORD HAS BEEN REVEALED TO US SO THAT WE MAY KNOW HIS PURPOSE AND SALVATION FOR US, THEN WE CAN DEPEND ON HIS WORD FOR GUIDANCE IN ALL THINGS THAT PERTAIN TO LIFE AND TO GODLINESS IN 2ND PETER 1:3. OUR BIBLICAL FAITH, IF WE CLAIM IT, MUST BE ROOTED IN THE BIBLE ITSELF. IT IS A FAITH BORN OF SCRIPTURE AND A FAITH IN SCRIPTURE. THE EVIDENCE IN THE TIMELESS TEXT IS OVERWHELMING. IT WILL ALWAYS SHOW THE TRUTH, IT WILL ALWAYS PROVE GOD'S CASE, AND IT IS SURE TO CONVICT US ALL. I'M JOE GUY. THANK YOU FOR VISITING.

>> THERE'S PLENTY OF SUBSTANCE AND EVIDENCE THAT GOD EXISTS. THANKS, JOE. WE'VE GOT A GREAT WAY FOR YOU TO START EVERY DAY, AND THAT'S WITH THE GOOD NEWS TODAY PODCAST. JUST SEARCH FOR GOOD NEWS TODAY DAILY DEVOTIONAL TIME WHEREVER YOU GET YOUR PODCASTS, AND START EVERY DAY WITH YOUR DAILY DOSE OF GOOD NEWS. NOW, CHAD DOLLAHITE JOINS US FOR JUST A MINUTE, AND HE'S ENCOURAGING US TO GO BACK TO THE ORIGINAL SOURCE AS WE LEARN ABOUT CREATION.

>> MAY I HAVE JUST A MINUTE OF YOUR TIME? SOMETIMES WE NEED TO GO BACK TO THE SOURCE. THINK ABOUT IT. IF YOU'RE DRINKING FROM A MOUNTAIN

SPRING, DO YOU WANT IT BOTTLED AT THE SOURCE OR 20 MILES DOWNSTREAM WHERE THE CATTLE WADE IN WATER? THERE ARE SOME AREAS IN LIFE, TOO, WHERE WE NEED TO GO BACK TO THE SOURCE. ONE OF THESE IS CREATION. YOU KNOW, THERE'S ONLY ONE BEING WHO KNOWS THE TRUTH ABOUT CREATION, AND THAT IS GOD. GOD KNOWS BECAUSE HE AND HE ALONE WAS THERE. THE BIBLE HAS STOOD THE TEST OF TIME AS GOD'S INFALLIBLE, INERRANT WORD. SO WHEN YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THE CREATION OF THE WORLD, GO BACK TO THE SOURCE: THE BIBLE. FOR MORE ON SCIENCE AND THE BIBLE AS WELL AS HOW TRUE SCIENCE HARMONIZES PERFECTLY WITH THE BIBLE AND ITS ACCOUNT OF CREATION, VISIT APOLOGETICSPRESS.ORG. THERE ARE ALL KINDS OF ARTICLES, VIDEOS, AND MANY OTHER RESOURCES AS WELL TO HELP YOU AS YOU STUDY AND UNDERSTAND SCIENCE, TRUE SCIENCE, AND THE BIBLE, THEY'RE NOT CONTRADICTORY; THEY'RE IN PERFECT HARMONY. CHECK IT OUT. I'M CHAD DOLLAHITE, AND THIS IS JUST A MINUTE.

>> THANKS, CHAD. IN JUST A MOMENT, WE'LL GIVE OUR BIBLE QUESTION TO ANTHONY DISMUKE AND TROY SPRADLIN.

>> WE HAVE TWO QUESTIONS TODAY FOR ANTHONY AND TROY. BOTH COME FROM GENESIS 2:23-24: WERE THESE ADAM'S FIRST WORDS? AND HOW DID THE IDEA OF FATHER AND MOTHER EVER CROSS HIS MIND?

>> OUR QUESTION FOR TODAY IS, IS GENESIS 2:23-24, ARE THOSE ADAM'S FIRST INSPIRED WORDS THAT WE CAN READ ABOUT? AS WELL AS THERE'S A FOLLOW-UP QUESTION WITH THAT IN VERSE 24 IN REFERENCE TO THAT: IT SAYS, HOW DID THE IDEA OF FATHER AND MOTHER EVER COME TO HIS MIND?

>> WOW. OKAY. WELL, AS ALWAYS, CONTEXT IS THE KEY. AND I THINK IN THIS CASE, ONE OF THE PIECES OF CONTEXT IS WHO WROTE THIS BOOK? AND IN THAT CASE, IT WAS MOSES. MOSES WROTE THE BOOK OF GENESIS. AND HE IS AN INSPIRED WRITER. HE'S THE ONE WHO GOD REVEALED THESE THINGS TO. ADAM, ON THE OTHER HAND, I DON'T KNOW THAT I WOULD CALL HIM INSPIRED. HE WAS CREATED, BUT I DON'T KNOW THAT I'D SAY INSPIRED.

>> YEAH. SO WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THEY'RE COMING FROM THAT ANGLE. BUT LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE TEXT. LET'S SEE. LET'S SEE WHAT IT SAYS. IF YOU DON'T MIND, READ THAT FOR US.

>> ALL RIGHT. SO GENESIS 2:23-24, AND ADAM SAID, THIS IS NOW BONE OF MY BONE AND FLESH OF MY FLESH; AND SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN, BECAUSE SHE WAS TAKEN OUT OF MAN. THEREFORE A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND BE JOINED TO HIS WIFE, AND THEY SHALL BE ONE FLESH.

>> ALL RIGHT. SO JUST AS YOU ALREADY SAID, THE KEY IS WHO'S SPEAKING WHERE, RIGHT? SO WE SEE THERE IN VERSE 23, HOW DOES IT START OFF? IT SAYS, AND WHO SAID?

>> IT SAYS ADAM SAID.

>> ADAM SAYS. OKAY, SO THOSE ARE ADAM'S WORDS. IN MINE, IT HAS THE QUOTATION MARKS AND SEPARATED. IT SHOWS YOU THAT IT'S ADAM'S WORDS,

THAT'S HIS STATEMENT THAT HE SAYS. THEN WE GET TO 24. THAT'S NOT ADAM SPEAKING.

>> SO THAT'S NOT ADAM SPEAKING THERE. THAT WAS JUST A STATEMENT OF HIS, AND IT'S NOT REALLY HIM SPEAKING. IT'S A STATEMENT THAT HE SAID THAT'S BEING RECORDED HERE IN THIS PASSAGE.

>> AND THAT COMES BACK TO WHAT WE WERE SAYING ABOUT IT BEING WHO'S WRITING THIS? BECAUSE THIS IS A NARRATIVE THAT GOD GAVE TO MOSES, AND HE IS QUOTING WHAT ADAM SAID. NOW, THERE'S ANOTHER ASPECT OF THIS, WHENEVER YOU SAY WHERE DO YOU GET THE IDEA OF FATHER AND MOTHER? WELL, DON'T FORGET THAT MAN IS MADE IN GOD'S IMAGE, WHICH MEANS THAT WE HAVE INTELLECT LIKE HE WOULD HAVE, WE HAVE CERTAIN CHARACTERISTICS ABOUT US THAT HE WOULD HAVE. AND SO ADAM WASN'T FORMED AS A BABY; HE WAS FORMED AS AN ADULT, IF YOU WILL, A THINKING ADULT.

>> RIGHT. AND THERE'S, QUITE FRANKLY, JUST SOME THINGS THAT WE DON'T KNOW.

>> DEUTERONOMY 29:29.

>> THERE IT GOES. AND SO THERE'S SOME THINGS THAT WE DON'T KNOW. THOSE THINGS BELONG TO THE LORD. BUT WE DO KNOW THAT GOD WAS TEACHING ADAM ALONG THE WAY.

>> AMEN.

>> WE DO KNOW THAT HE WAS TEACHING ADAM. WE SEE IT ON DIFFERENT OCCASIONS; BUT YOU DON'T KNOW ALL OF WHAT HE WAS TEACHING HIM.

>> THAT'S RIGHT.

>> BUT YOU DO SEE SOME, JUST LIKE WHEN EVE COMES INTO THE PICTURE, HE SAYS, HEY, THAT TREE OVER THERE, YOU'RE NOT TO PARTAKE OF THAT. SO GOD IS IN THE EQUATION. HE'S TEACHING, HE'S HELPING ADAM, HELP HELPING ADAM ALONG. AND WE KNOW WE HAVE TO KNOW THAT ABOUT IT. BUT HOW DO WE KNOW HOW IT FORMULATED IN HIS MIND? THERE'S NO WAY FOR US TO KNOW THAT, JUST LIKE WE WOULDN'T KNOW ANYTHING THAT FORMULATES IN YOUR MIND.

>> THAT'S RIGHT.

>> OR ANYBODY ELSE. WE DON'T KNOW. THE BIBLE DOESN'T REVEAL IT TO US. SO THEREFORE, THAT'S OUT OF THE QUESTION.

>> AMEN.

>> THAT'S A GREAT ANSWER, GUYS. THANKS. WE'VE PRESENTED QUITE A BIT OF INFORMATION FROM THE SCRIPTURES THAT HELP US UNDERSTAND THAT GOD EXISTS. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO ALWAYS CHECK ALL RELIGIOUS TEACHING AGAINST THE SCRIPTURES, SEE IF THESE THINGS ARE INDEED SO. BE LIKE THOSE BEREANS IN ACTS 17:11 AND BE DILIGENT AND CHECK THE SCRIPTURES

FOR EVERYTHING YOU HEAR. IF YOU'D LIKE TO HEAR OUR PROGRAM AGAIN TO CHECK AND MAKE SURE WE'RE TELLING YOU THE TRUTH, YOU CAN DO THAT THROUGH OUR WEBSITE, THROUGH OUR APPS, OR THROUGH OUR PODCAST. IF YOU STILL HAVE A QUESTION, CONTACT US. WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU. WE MIGHT EVEN ANSWER YOUR QUESTION ON THE PROGRAM. REMEMBER THAT WE LOVE YOU, WE'RE PRAYING FOR YOU, AND WE WANT YOU TO MAKE IT TO HEAVEN.

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