

Where Does True Knowledge Come From?

Americans lead the industrialized world in belief in creationism and a literal Bible. A study by the University of Cincinnati compared Americans' belief in a recent creation and the truth of the Bible with beliefs in other countries. The study found that 45 percent of Americans believe that God created the world less than 10,000 years ago. Another 40 percent try to mix God and evolution. Only ten percent believe in atheistic evolution. In comparison, only seven percent of the citizens of Great Britain take the Genesis account of creation literally. Surveys of people in Norway, Russia and the Netherlands produced results similar to Great Britain. Interestingly, five percent of the physical scientists polled in the United States believe the account of creation as taught in the Bible.

The study concluded that America is losing its scientific competitiveness because so many Americans believe in creation and the truth of the Bible. But scientific progress has come about because historically, scientists believed that we live in an ordered creation that follows the rules imposed on it by a Creator. They saw science as the discovery of God's order. Isaac Newton wrote more Bible commentaries than he did scientific books. Taking the Bible literally, he concluded that the earth was less than 7,000 years old. Other examples from history could be multiplied. But the lesson of human history is that true scientific progress is possible only when man recognizes that all knowledge and wisdom come from our Creator God through the Scriptures He has given us.

1 Corinthians 1:25

"Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men."

Prayer: Dear Father, help me never to be deceived by man's false wisdom. Help me to rejoice in the knowledge You give. Amen.

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