

# SCIENCE THROUGH THE AGES

## HOW THE BIBLE CHANGES OUR PERSPECTIVE ON ALL TIME

*"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty."*

~ Revelation 1:8

### 1. Science and the Unknown

- a. 1 - God wills we get knowledge (1 Tim 2:4). Science (knowledge) includes God.
- b. All superstition about nature or nature's God is dangerous to true science (knowledge)
- c. 2 - The biggest problem for evolutionists is knowledge of the words of God (Bible)
- d. 3 - What is unknown by natural science changes our perspective on time.
- e. Dispensational charts are Biblical timelines of the ages: past, present, future.
- f. *What do we learn?* God never changes, but his operations do. He is true, men are not.

### 2. History: Past Knowledge

- a. We can only see remnants of the past. What happened? Ecc 1:5, 9
- b. What we see can be misinterpreted, misunderstood, or missing information.
- c. False assumption: "all things continue as they were" – 2 Pet 3:4 (same as we see now)
- d. What if there have been major events, intervention, big changes to nature - 2 Pet 3:5-6
- e. The best witness to past knowledge is a written record, documented testimony: history.
- f. The Bible is a book of the past, God's interventions force reinterpretation of history.
- g. First man or cave man 1 Cor 14:45; Eden/Eve family tree; global flood accounts; Israel.
- h. Past science has been wrong, changes, and will change again (not static), but Heb 13:8
  - i. Humors, spontaneous generation (Gen 1:20), Martian canals, age of universe, beginning, flood geology, dinosaur extinction, known elements, masks, eugenics
- i. Scientists were wrong, not nature. Christians were wrong, not God - Ps 119:160

### 3. Now: Present Knowledge

- a. Empirical science is performed in the present, learning, discovering new things.
  - i. Cholesterol and heart disease, low-fat, James Webb, Hubble tension
  - ii. The reproducibility problem in scientific research is a crisis at its core.
  - iii. This pursuit is limited to natural science: we lack knowledge of spiritual things.
- b. Science cannot tell you what to believe, only what it has tested and confirmed today.
- c. Time is not helping science, but instead exposes its instability and weakness.
- d. Science now still inadequate, insufficient, incapable to save us, perfect us – 2 Tim 3:17
- e. Bible still works to give wisdom (2000 yrs later) when used rightly - Matt 5:18, 2Ti 2:15
- f. Where are Biblical miracles, interventions, Jesus? Acts 3:21 v. Rom 16:25, 2Cor 5:7
- g. Things continue today, but why? What holds it together? Why? Col 1:17, 2:3
- h. Importance of fathers, marriage, family, rest, prayer, spirituality, love, justice, truth.
- i. Either it is the word of God or ancient shepherds were wiser than men today. 1Cor 1:27
- j. Learning a little science requires great men, but only faithful men to know 1Pet 1:24-25
- k. What was revealed to Paul from Christ destroys false religions since - Gal 1:8
- l. Men are still sinners, Christ still saves, God still changes men, faith still necessary.

#### **4. Future: Prophetic Knowledge**

- a. "Where is the promise of his coming?" - 2 Peter 3:4, 7-10 → "brother Paul"
- b. Science looks ahead and claims "things will continue to happen as they are"
- c. The word of God says, "Christ, who is our life, shall appear" - Col 3:4
- d. God declares knowledge of the future from the beginning - Isa 40:21-22, 46:10
- e. Science cannot tell you if Jesus will come back, or if there is judgment - Rom 14:11-12
- f. Science cannot tell you if you can live in heaven without Elon Musk's help.
- g. They cannot know until they see, but then there is no hope - Rom 8:24, Heb 11:1
- h. They will know when they see (empiricism), but then it will be too late for faith.
- i. The Lord Jesus Christ is the beginning (God) and the ending - Rev 1:7-8, 22:13

#### **5. A Mystery to Modern Science**

- a. Christ remains a mystery to modern science (and many in the church)
- b. Written record, proven history, test of time is not the same as feelings, emotions, gut.
- c. God reveals things unknown to men and ages (times) - Heb 1:1,10-12 and Eph 3:2-5
- d. When we study scripture, we pursue knowledge beyond natural science. Eph 3:19-21
- e. The Bible record is part of our past, gives wisdom for today, and foretells of the future.