

SCIENCE and the BIBLE or SCIENCE versus the BIBLE?

- The statement, 'I don't believe in God', is actually as equally a faith statement as 'I do believe in God'- the clue is in the word 'believe'!
So rather than be put on the defensive and having to justify our faith, why not ask the sceptic to justify their 'faith'?

- A scientific mind and a religious mind have actually much in common:-
 - A desire to seek for truth
 - Humility
 - A willingness to ask hard questions
 - An open and enquiring mind
 - A sense of wonder and of awe

Does the 'scientific mind' you are engaging with display these characteristics?

- "Science disproves the Bible"
 - Which bit of science and which bit of the Bible?
 - If that is true then why are so many scientists, Christians?

- "Evolution disproves the Bible"

Science asks the questions "When?" and "How?" Faith asks the questions "Who?" and "Why?"
So to accuse the Bible of not answering scientific questions is as sensible as complaining that a Maths text book doesn't teach you how to cook...

And of course it is always good to remember that we are talking about a *theory* of evolution and not a proven fact of evolution...

- If a person chooses not to believe in God then they need to be able to accept the fact that ultimately neither their life, nor anyone else's life, nor existence itself has any meaning, or purpose or significance. Are they happy to think that about themselves, as most people act, speak and think as if they and others *do* matter?
- It is a supreme irony that the apparently random and meaningless forces which have led to the formation of humankind have resulted in a creature who asks the one question which cannot be answered - "Why am I here?" How can a meaningless process lead to a creature who seeks for purpose and meaning in their own life and in the existence of life itself?

....."Today it takes a great deal of faith to be an honest scientist who is an atheist". (The case for faith)

Further Useful Resources

Christians in Science - website <http://www.cis.org.uk/>

'The Case For Faith' by Lee Strobel ISBN-13: 978-0-310-23469-2

DVD 'Drops Like Stars' by Rob Bell

DVD 'Indescribable' by Louie Giglio

