Science and the Bible ~ Presentation Introduction

How We Know The Bible Is True

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"When the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" Luke 18:8b

This is an introduction to the Science and the Bible presentations by Floyd, which focuses on the issue of inerrancy of the copy of the Word of God. There are four attacks upon the integrity of the Holy Scriptures from pseudo-science (false knowledge - 1Timothy 6:20; i.e. false science).

- 1. **Textual criticism** attacks the textual basis of the original text of the Word of God (and therefore the *copy*).
- 2. **Evolution** attacks the plain, literal reading of Genesis 1 (i.e. BioLogos).
 - A. Darwinism theorizes the evolution of man;
 - B. Astrophysics theorizes the evolution of the universe.
- 3. **Chronology** attacks the dating contained in the Word of God.

Let's begin with a remembrance of the centrality of faith in the life of the followers of Jesus Christ, by considering these ten questions as a 'catechism' on faith, drawing upon the 'chapter on faith' in the Word of God.

- 1. What is faith?
 - Hebrew 11:1

"Now faith is the **substance** of things hoped for, the **evidence** of things **not** seen."

- 2. What is the source of faith?
 - Romans 10:17

"So then faith cometh by **hearing**, and hearing by the word of **God**."

- 3. How significant is faith on a scale for 1 to 10?
 - Hebrews 11:6

"But without faith it is **impossible** to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

- 4. What is an example of faith?
 - Hebrews 11:7

"By faith Noah, being warned of God of things **not** seen as yet, **moved** with fear, prepared an ark to the **saving** of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith."

- 5. How does faith impact our view of creation?
 - Hebrews 11:3

"Through **faith** we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were **not** made of things which do appear."

- 6. What does it mean, "through faith" we understand?
 - The Word of God must transcend science in our understanding of creation.
- 7. What does it mean to have a Biblical world view?
 - To believe the Word of God, the Bible in our understanding of creation, over the theories of science.
- 8. Why is Genesis indispensable in understanding creation?
 - It gives the account of God on creation.
- 9. How do we know if we have a Biblical world view of creation?
 - If we embrace a plain, literal reading of Genesis 1.
- 10. Do we "by faith" believe the Word of God, or the word of man in understanding creation?
 - There is no way to believe both; the *claims* of evolution or mutually exclusive with the plain revelation of God, and there is no *scientific* means to prove which one is correct. We have to decide "by faith", if we believe the Word of God or man; and whom we believe determines what we believe.
 - Do you believe the Word of God, in your understanding of creation?

The purpose of the Science and the Bible Presentations is to aid us to make the correct choice, which will affect our subsequent decisions, which will have consequences for both now and all eternity; "Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown." Revelation 3:11