

'Science'

From the series:: Conversations... on life, God, and other small topics - 10/21/12

Big Idea

Too often it seems like science is used to "disprove" God; however, there is no real conflict between science and Christianity because God has created all there is and has done so in an orderly fashion that we, as His image bears, can understand and know. There is a conflict however between Christianity and Scientific Naturalism which see nature as all there is. The true purpose of nature is in fact to lead us to see God and be in awe of his power and ability.

Questions

Engaging the Head::

- Take time to read Psalm 19:1-6. What do we learn about God by looking at creation? What must God be like if He is the one who has created all that we see? How does what we learn about Him through creation impact the way we live?
- To be a Scientific Naturalist, you'd need to believe *that nothing produces everything, that non-life produces life, that randomness produces fine-tuning*. In many ways, this line of thinking does not seem rationale, nor does it seem scientific, but yet so many in our culture cling to being Scientific Naturalist. Why is this? For those who believe that the God of the Bible is the Creator and Sustainer of all things, how can we encourage and lead Scientific Naturalist to see that there is in fact a God who cares about all He created namely, men and women who bear His image?

Engaging the Heart::

Many people look at science as a reason to doubt God's existence. What causes you to doubt God's existence or His goodness? How can actually looking at nature encourage our faith and remind us of God's presence?

Engaging the Hands::

• Through science and nature we can learn that God is amazing and powerful. How does this impact how we live out our lives? Does this change the way we pray, or trust God for our present and future? What would be different tomorrow if we were in more awe of God and his power?

Announcements –

- Beginnings Brunch this Sunday, October 28th at 10:30AM, the GENESIS Connections Team will be hosting a brunch for all the new (or newer) people to GENESIS over the past month. If you've brought a friend to GENESIS recently, please invite them to join you this coming Sunday for the beginnings brunch so they can learn more about GENESIS and how to connect within the community.
- the City join GENESIS on the City! The City is a NEW way for GENESIS to communicate and connect
 people with others within the community. Request an invitation to join the City by going to
 genesischurch.onthecity.org
- 'workers' sign-up today to be a 'worker' at GENESIS. Learn more about SERVING with GENESIS by visiting the GENESIS website – <u>http://www.genesisthejourney.com/blog/post/do-you-see-what-i-see</u>
- This Sunday GENESIS will continue the 'Conversation' this Sunday by looking at Politics.