

What do you think of the idea that the Bible was not written to you? Can you think of examples of scripture that were clearly directed to someone specific and would not apply to us? Can we still learn from that? How about examples that were written to someone else but do apply to us? Discuss with the group.

What do you think of the idea that science can clarify our understanding of scripture? Does that apply to Galileo's idea of a heliocentric solar system? Can you think of other examples?

Small Group Prayer Requests



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Scripture References

Romans 1:20 • Psalm 19:1-4 • 1 Chronicles 16:29-33

- 1) Many people believe modern science and the Bible are in hopeless _____ and we must make a choice between them.

- 2) Two primary ways God can be known.
_____ Revelation: God revealing himself through what he has made.
_____ Revelation: God revealing himself by direct communication.

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- 3) General Revelation is the realm of science. Through science we can see and understand _____ about what God has made.
- 4) General Revelation and science _____ provide an answer to questions such as: Why do we exist? Why is the world such a mess? Is there meaning to life?
- 5) When we interpret a passage of scripture, we must consider what type of _____ it is.
- 6) To properly understand a passage of scripture, we must consider how the _____ audience would have understood it.
- 7) The Theory of Evolution offers no explanation for the _____ of the universe, the origin of life, the profound difference between humanity and other forms of life, or the existence of the _____, and the possibility of an afterlife.
- 8) The Biblical creation account and the theory of evolution address two different things: the origin of matter and life vs. the _____ of life.
- 9) Science is always subject to change if a new _____ is made.



Small Group Discussion Questions

Please try to think these over and jot down some ideas prior to discussing them at the meeting, it will improve the discussion.

What have you believed about science and faith? Have you felt a need to choose between them or do you feel they are compatible? Explain your thought.

Read Psalm 8 and identify the parallel nature of the lines. Consider who the original audience might have been and how they would have understood the meaning. Does it seem more symbolic or literal? Why?

Read and consider Genesis 1:11-12. Imagine what that may have looked like, how it actually happened. Describe your thoughts and discuss with the group.

Continued on reverse.