

"How Do I Reconcile a Belief in God with Science?" Top Questions about God & Faith Series Pastor Jason 9.26.21

Science is a **HUMAN** method you **USE** to search for **UNDERSTANDING** through **OBSERVATION**.

- Proverbs 25:2—"It is the glory of God to conceal a matter; to search out a matter is the glory of kings."
- It's a NEUTRAL DISCIPLINE that depends on IMPERFECT HUMAN CAPACITY.

Faith is a **DIVINE** method you **CHOOSE** to receive **SALVATION** through **SURRENDER**.

- Ephesians 2:8-9— For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God —not by works, so that no one can boast."
- It's a NATURAL DESIRE that depends on PERFECTION OUTSIDE OURSELVES.

"Faith is not something that goes against the evidence, it goes beyond it. The evidence is saying to us, 'There is another country. There is something beyond mere reason'."

-Alister McGrath

God's Big Idea: Let JESUS be the BRIDGE.

Colossians 1:15-20— The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross."

1 Corinthians 1:18-25—"For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate." ²⁰ Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹ For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. ²² Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, ²³ but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴ but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength."

What you do with **JESUS** makes all the **DIFFERENCE**.

Continue the Conversation

- 1. How have you tried to reconcile science and faith in the past?
- 2. What change would you need to make for Jesus to be the bridge in your life today?