Scientific Evidence for our Supernatural Bible, Part 1

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1 Th 2:13 And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers.

My hope and prayer is that this statement includes YOU, whoever you may be listening to this message right now.

Harboring doubts and skepticism, sometimes to no end, people get in their own way and do damage to their souls.

The Bible would call that hardening their own hearts.

My prayer is that's not you, and if it might be, that you open your heart right now to examine the evidence that God has provided.

And for you believers listening right now, may the Word work in you even more, to build you up and give you even greater peace and confidence in your relationship with Christ.

These truths we will explore can also be a help in **evangelizing** those who might use science as an excuse to not believe the Bible.

But if you are able to share a couple of these points with them, because you are well-prepared, it may open their hearts to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and their need for a Savior.

As we will see, **God has given us irrefutable**, **unexplainable evidence in His Word**, for all types of people and all types of rationales they come up with.

God is gracious, and has provided answers for all who are humble enough to seek the Truth.

First of all, let's talk about science...

... and let me say, I am not a scientist, nor do I pretend to be one on TV :)

... but I will simply be sharing commonly known scientific facts that anyone can now research, and we will simply be comparing that to what the Bible recorded for us thousands of years ago.

Science may be described as the pursuit of knowledge that is proven out by observation and experimentation (the scientific method).

But, let's make note that it's a pursuit **to discover things that actually already exist**, **but are yet unknown to man**.

The Objective Truth About Science: Science has never created anything on its own, out of nothing, but rather it has "discovered" many things over the years by taking what God has made available in the physical and natural world. This is not to say science hasn't discovered some wonderful things; such as medical vaccines that protect us from some horrible diseases.

The initial point of this series is that even medical discoveries come about by taking things that ALREADY EXIST and researching how they work together, and in what combinations and percentages.

Allow this joke about creation to solidify this point:

A Joke About Creation: There's a scientist and God. And the scientist challenges God to a contest of who can make the better human being. God tells him that he's on, at which time the scientist, in great delight, bends over to pick up some dust to make his human being. Then God says, 'No, no ... you go and find your own dust.'

Hopefully, you see the point.

Science has never created anything out of thin air, out of nothing, as the Bible tells us God did in the book of Genesis, in the beginning.

As one man said to me in the park "I believe in the universe", to which I replied "well where did the universe come from??"

The fact is that science can only use materials that have already been provided by God's creation, and it is discovering things that already exist, but just aren't yet known to man.

The Objective Truth About Science: The thing people often overlook is that science simply complements the things

written in the Bible, and even validates it as coming from an all-knowing, all-powerful Creator God.

We will see this coming up.

There are many scientists out there that believe in God, many more than people realize.

Why?? - Because the more they discover through their research, the more they realize there MUST be a Creator behind it all...

... that's the only RATIONAL explanation... you heard me correctly...

... because the universe, and life itself, is **far** too complicated to have come about by coincidence.

In fact, **life itself on earth should not even exist;** according to the laws of mathematical probability, it's mathematically **impossible** when you consider all the factors.

For example, one Wikipedia page stated that:

Only one in a million million (planets) has the right combination of chemicals, temperature, water, days and nights to support planetary life as we know it.

The fact is if the earth were a tiny tiny fraction closer to the sun, or a tiny tiny fraction further from the sun, life could not exist on our planet.

It's far beyond coincidence, and mathematics actually proves this out, as we will see on Thursday.

That's why more and more scientists are turning to God as the only possible explanation for the miracle of life.

We could go on and on about this, but I'll leave it to you to do some of your own research on what's been discovered about the universe, to see what we're talking about here.

However, this series is to show that scientific discoveries, and WHEN they were discovered, actually prove the Bible is a supernatural book, and not just some storybook written by men over the centuries.

We are going to see scientific principles that prove the Bible MUST be the Word of God, and nothing less, because only an all-knowing Creator that is far beyond us could know the things written in the Bible, and particularly WHEN they were written.

We will break this into 2 parts: the first will be **scientific principles stated in the Bible**, *BEFORE man/science discovered them...*

... the second will be regarding **the laws of mathematical probability**... what are the odds of the prophecies in the Bible all coming true hundreds and even thousands of years after they were written?

My hope is, if you have an open mind, that you will see there are so many reasons to trust the Bible as being God's Word,

and the completely accurate recording of God's thoughts and plans for us.

We trust the Bible as the Word of God because God has given us so many logical reasons to do so... whether you realize it or not right now.

In fact, the Lord graciously calls us to reason together with Him:

Isa 1:18-20 "Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.
19 If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land;
20 but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be eaten by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

If you are willing to be humble and see the reasonings the Lord gives us, you will be able to conclude Jesus is the Way, and to receive Him as your Lord and Savior from the heart.

Acts 17:2-3 And according to Paul's custom, he went to them, and for three Sabbaths reasoned with them from the Scriptures, explaining and giving evidence that the Christ had to suffer and rise again from the dead, and saying, "This Jesus whom I am proclaiming to you is the Christ."

That said, let's venture into the first part of this series:

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible... ... BEFORE man/science ever discovered them.

Please keep this principle in mind as we visit each example!

Here's our first example:

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible... The Bible claims that at one time the earth was completely covered with water. Gen 1:9

Gen 1:9 "Then God said, 'let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear;' and it was so."

According to historical evidence, the book of Genesis was written between 1450-1410 B.C. (over 3400 yrs. ago)

Only recent evidence from science now indicates that the whole earth was originally covered by water!

But how, and why, would a man have recorded this 3400 years ago?

It was Moses who penned the book of Genesis; so how did he know this fact, which science didn't discover until thousands of years later?

Also, the earth was also completely covered by water again, during the great flood of Noah's time. (see **Gen 6-8**)

Until recently, many scientists thought Noah's ark and the great flood was just a story, but today science has discovered **fossils of oceanic creatures on the tops of the highest mountains in the world**, not to mention the probable remains of Noah's ark on the top of mount Ararat. (Google that if you'd like:)

Again:

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible... The Bible claims that at one time the earth was completely covered with water. Gen 1:9

(for the most part, we're just going to keep moving through these different evidences)

Our next scientific principle which was stated in the Bible, WELL BEFORE man/science ever discovered them.

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible... Thousands of years before telescopes, the Bible stated the purpose of the sun, moon, and stars. Gen 1:14-16

Gen 1:14-16 "Then God said, 'let there be light in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and **let them be for** *signs, and for seasons, and for days and years*; and let them be for lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth;' and it was so. And God made the two great lights, the greater light to govern the day, and the lesser light to govern the night; He made the stars also." **The consistency and accuracy of time and seasons** is still guided by the lights in the heavens, as science now acknowledges many centuries later.

But this was recorded for us in the Bible 3400 years ago for those who would listen.

Now we'll just keep on moving, looking to simply, objectively state the facts available to us.

Our next scientific principle which was stated in the Bible, WELL BEFORE man/science ever discovered them.

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible... The Bible tells us that man's body was made out of the dust of the ground. Gen 2:7

Gen 2:7 *"Then the Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being."*

Let's consider the elements found in the dirt of the ground.

Science has recently discovered that, when reduced to its basic elements, man's body is found to be composed of the following sixteen elements:

Elements Found in the Human Body:

Carbon, Hydrogen, Nitrogen, Oxygen, Fluorine, Sodium, Magnesium, Silicon, Sulfur, Phosphorus, Chlorine, Potassium, Calcium, Manganese, Iron and Iodine.

Guess what? - all of these elements are found in the dust of the ground!

But how, and why, would Moses have written this down 3400 years ago? How could he have known this was true??

This is another example of how science is simply catching up to what the Bible said thousands of years ago.

One more thing to note from **Gen 2:7** *"Then the Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being."*

Science now knows that man's life depends upon the heartbeat, the pulse, and the brain waves, and the brain is nourished by the blood, which is put in motion **by the oxygen inhaled from breathing**...

... man **still** needs the breath of life to live.

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Just sayin' :)
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Our next scientific principle which was stated in the Bible, WELL BEFORE man/science ever discovered them.

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible...

God promised Abraham that his seed would be without number to the human mind, just as the stars are without number. Gen 15:5

Gen 15:5 And He took him outside and said, "Now look toward the heavens, and count the stars, if you are able to count them." And He said to him, " So shall your descendants be."

If the Bible were written according to ancient science, it would have said Abraham's descendants would have stopped just a few generations later....

... because it was a scientific fact back then, that there were only 4096 stars! No doubt about it! (btw, even **modern** science is always changing, if you haven't noticed that yet)

The point is, if the science of that day believed there were only 4096 stars, why would anyone record in the Bible they're not countable in number??

Today , according to sciencetechdaily.com, science tells us there are over 100 billion stars in our Milky Way galaxy alone.

AND, science **estimates** there are 2 trillion other galaxies in the universe besides the Milky Way, and they're also filled with billions of stars too. These are only estimates; that's all science can do through using photographs of different parts of the universe...

... but 100 billion stars in the Milky Way x 2 trillion other galaxies with a similar amount of stars gives an estimate of 200 billion trillion stars.

Here's what that number looks like:

Estimated Stars in the Universe 100 billion stars X 2 trillion galaxies = 200,000,000,000,000,000,000.

Obviously, that number is hard to fathom, but they go on to say : "It's about 10 times the number of cups of water in all the oceans of Earth."

And we now also know thousands of years later that Abraham's seed is without number just as the stars are, as God promised him.

How, and why, would a man have written this down 3400 years ago when mankind(science) thought that 4096 stars was a scientific fact?

How could a man have written this, unless he had help from a Divine Author?

Our next scientific principle which was stated in the Bible, WELL BEFORE man/science ever discovered them.

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible... The Bible tells us the stars have courses, or paths. Jdg 5:20

Judges 5:20 "The stars fought from heaven, from their courses they fought against Sisera."

Today through telescopes science can tell us this is true, but in the ancient world how could man have written that the stars have definite paths they travel?

Science is once again catching up with the Bible.

And that's because only our Creator God could have directed the writing of this Supernatural Book called the Bible. (and no other religious book in the world boasts of such evidences)

Our next scientific principle which was stated in the Bible, WELL BEFORE man/science ever discovered them.

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible... The Bible also informed man that the earth is round. Is 40:22, Pr 8:27

Now, the flat earth theory aside, I'm sticking with the Word of God on this one. :)

Is 40:22 *"It is He who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers."*

Wisdom speaks to us in Pr 8, and we see another reference to a circle.

Pr 8:27-29

When he established the heavens, I was there;
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
28 when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,
29 when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he
marked out the foundations of the earth,

When the Old Testament was written, most of the ancient scientists believed the earth to be flat.

It wasn't until 1519-1521 A.D., only 500 years ago, that a Portuguese navigator, Ferdinand Magellan, was the first to circle the earth and prove that it was round.

And the book of Isaiah was written about 700 B.C., about 2700 years ago.

Why would a man have written that the earth was round when everyone else from his time thought the world was flat?

He would certainly be considered an outcast, or even nuts... unless he was convicted by an all-knowing God to record this for us in the Bible. Our next scientific principle which was stated in the Bible, WELL BEFORE man/science ever discovered them.

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible... The Bible claims that the earth is suspended in space! Job 26:7

You might be like, "but of course!", but that's because you and I grew up with photographs from space, showing such a reality!

Step back in time, my friends! No photographs, no internet, just you and I on the ground looking up!

Job 26:7 *"He stretches out the north over empty space, and hangs the earth on nothing."*

The book of Job was written over 3500 years ago, at a time when science believed the earth was not only flat, but was also supported on the backs of elephants, turtles or serpents!

It sounds silly to us today, but that's what the most intelligent men of the day were saying, who were trying to figure out the earth.

It was not until modern times that the earth was found to be suspended in empty space. Science is finally catching up to the Bible.

Again, how could a man have written this, unless he had help from a Divine Author?

Our next scientific principle which was stated in the Bible, WELL BEFORE man/science ever discovered them.

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible... God's Word claims that the air has weight. Job 28:25

(it's interesting that the oldest book in the Bible records so many scientific facts for us :)

Job 28:25 "He imparted weight to the wind, and meted out the waters by measure."

The fact that air had weight was not demonstrated until the famous scientist Blaise Pascal, in 1648 A.D., proved that it did! (this was 3000 years after this was written for us in the Bible)

Pascal was a French mathematician and physicist, and by the way, **he was also a believer in the Lord**.

Who knows, maybe he knew of this scripture in Job 28:25.

So, one of the smartest guys on the earth in 1648 finally figured this out, yet someone over 3500 years ago wrote this scientific fact down on paper? How could man have written this without the help of a supernatural, all-knowing Being? (this is the same reason some scientists turn to believing in aliens, because they conclude there has to be a more intelligent life source behind all of this!!!)

Our next scientific principle which was stated in the Bible, WELL BEFORE man/science ever discovered them.

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible... God causes vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth! Ps 135:7, Job 36:27

Job 36:27 *"For He draws up the drops of water, they distill rain from the mist,"*

The author of Psalm 135 recorded the same scientific fact.

Ps 135:7 He causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; Who makes lightnings for the rain, Who brings forth the wind from His treasuries.

This might not seem like a big deal to us now, because everyone knows this, right???

But mankind didn't know that rain water came from evaporation until 1888 A.D., not even 150 years ago, when a German scientist formulated the basic laws of aerodynamics, thermodynamics, and hydrodynamics.

So it again begs the question: **how, and why**, did the Old Testament writers write such silly things down so long ago???

The scientists of their day would have certainly scoffed at them.

Our next scientific principle which was stated in the Bible, WELL BEFORE man/science ever discovered them.

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible... The Word of God claims that there are regions where the surface of the sea is frozen! Job 38:30

Job 38:30 The waters become hard like stone, and the face of the deep is frozen.

This must have sounded so ludicrous to the people living back in Job's day...

... just picture living in the beautiful climate of ancient Mesopotamia and hearing this...

... because science didn't discover that the ocean could be frozen until the 17th century when Henry Hudson explored the arctic regions of the North Pole!

Yet, by faith, a God-fearing man recorded this for us in the Bible over 3500 years ago.

Our final scientific principle stated in the Bible (and there are more), WELL BEFORE man/science ever discovered them.

Scientific Principles Stated in the Bible...

There is a prophecy of a time when man will not be able to buy or sell without a mark on his arm or his head. Rev 13:16-17 **Rev 13:16-17** *He also forced everyone, small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on his right hand or on his forehead, so that no one could buy or sell unless he had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of his name.*

Written almost 2000 years ago in the book of Revelation, this was a very strange claim to make at a time when technology was limited to making coins to buy and sell with.

But today, and only in the last few decades, we finally have the technology.

Not until recently has it been possible to mark every member of the human race, whether it be using **an eye scan or a computer chip**, for example.

Today we also have the technology to keep track of most people on earth, through things like Social Security numbers, computers and satellites and cell phones!

We have the technology to record everyone's fingerprints, and even eye scans are becoming more popular in identification.

This could also be the methods of the predicted mark on the right hand (fingerprint) or on the forehead (eyescan), although computer chips now seem even more likely!

The point is that never before was this prophecy legitimately possible!

How, and why, would a man have written this 2000 years ago, unless he had direct guidance from God Himself about what the future would hold?

- The Bible has many evidences of being a supernatural book from our Almighty, Omniscient God...
- ... and with all this proof we must go to the Bible for all answers about life.

Let's end Part 1 this way: There's no such thing as Chance.

Chance is a false god worshipped by modern man, even by science. So is that thing called Fate.

These are false gods given as an excuse to not believe in and submit to one's God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

GOD is the only rational explanation to the universe and to life itself.

And in part 2, we will explore the laws of mathematical probability, and the mathematical odds of multiple prophecies about the Messiah coming true centuries after they were written.

Here's the lyrics to a beautiful song: "Has To Be God" by Tauren Wells

When I think of how the moon Has the ocean on a string and you Hold me in your gravity, it's God, It has to be God.

And when I hear the man singing our song on the street, there's Something that lifts me like a melody, it's God, yeah it has to be God. It's bigger than religion and it's more than just a dream It's higher than logic when it comes to you and me, It's God.

Can't deny the truth when I look at you, This love that we've got, It has to be God. I can feel the proof when I'm holding you This love that we've got, It has to be God.

Some people say it's fate but there's only one to thank for the fortune, blessings that we can't contain, It's God, it has to be God.

Amen?!!

What did Jesus say to the disciples on the road to Emmaus, immediately after His resurrection??

Lk 24:25-27 And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" 27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

We might be wise to do the same for others, given the right timing and circumstances.

The Spirit will use us to speak the Truth to others in various ways...

... always our speech being seasoned with the salt of grace...

... but sometimes He convicts us to get right to the Gospel with people, and sometimes to reason with people with the evidences in Holy Scripture.

Next we will see that according to science, it's mathematically impossible for the Prophecies about the Messiah to all have come true perfectly.

There MUST be a God over all of this, and as you'll see, His Name is Jesus, the Name above all Names.