# SCIENCE & RELIGION WARFARE

# DICHOTOMY

"Science" vs "Religion"
"Evolution" vs "Creation"
"Godless" vs "Godly"

#### **SCIENTISM**

Science Secular Philosophy Humanist Ethics

#### **FUNDAMENTALISM**

Christianity Origins in Six Days Biblical Ethics

CONFLATION

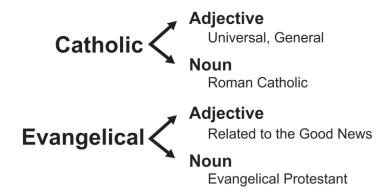
# CONFLATION

Scientific Community
Nature (1997) & Science (1997)

#### **Religious Community**

Pope John Paul II (1996) & Billy Graham (1997)

#### CHURCH HISTORY 2000 **Evolutionary Science** Fundamentalism Darwin 1859 1920 Liberalism **Modern Science** 1850 Galileo 1632 **Protestantism** 1500 1517 **Eastern Orthodoxy** 1054 1000 Roman Catholicism 325 Conservative CE: Current Era Christianity **BCE**: Before Current Era Jesus BC: Before Christ Liberal 5 BC/E to AD: Anno Domini Christianity 30 AD/CE Latin: in the year of our Lord



# CATEGORIES OF DIVINE REVELATION

## **Special**

Incarnation

God revealed himself through Jesus (John 1:1-3, 14)

Biblical Revelation

God-breathed & the very words of God (2 Tim 3:16, Rom 3:2)

Personal Revelation

Answered prayer, dreams, visions, signs & wonders

#### General

Natural Revelation

Nature reflects God & his general attributes (Ps 19:1-4, Rom 1:19-20)

Moral Revelation

Conscience & law written on the heart (Rom 2:14-15)

# THE TWO DIVINE BOOKS

#### **Book of God's Words**

Verbal Revelation
 Uses Words

• Inspired Writings of the Bible

God-Breathed & Very Words of God (1 Tim 3:16, Rom 3:2)

• Specific Attributes of God

Holy (Rev 4:8, Rev 15:4) Love (1 Jn 4:8, 1 Jn 4:16) Just (2 Th 1:6, Is 30:18) Merciful (Deut 4:31, Dan 9:9)

Studied by Theology

### **Book of God's Works**

Non-Verbal Revelation

Does **NOT** Use Words

• Intelligent Design in Nature

Beauty, Complexity & Functionality

General Attributes of God

Creator & Glorious (Ps 19:1)

Eternal Power & Divine Nature (Rom 1:19-20)

Studied by Science

# **BIBLE OVERVIEW**

	Biblical Book			Date	THE DEBATE:		
	Genesis 1-11 —				History? Allegory? Fairy Tale?		
OLD TESTAMENT		Genesis 12+		2150	Abraham—Birth of Jewish Nomadic Tribe  L→ Isaac → Jacob → 12 Tribes of Israel		
	ewish Bible	Exodus to Joshua	DEUTROCANON APOCRYPHA	1850	Egyptian Captivity		
				1450	Moses → Egyptian Royal Court		
				1209	1 <sup>st</sup> Archeological Evidence for Israel Birth of Jewish Nation (Saul 1 <sup>st</sup> King)		
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Ë	je	Samuel, Chronicles, Kings to Prophets		930	Judah & Israel Divide		
•	ľ			722	Assyrian Captivity of Israel		
				605 \ 538 \	> Babylonian Captivity of Judah		
	ı			440	Malachi (last book in OT)		
NEW ESTAMENT		Matthew to Revelation		250	Septuagint (LXX) Greek OT		
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				405	Vulgate (Vg) Latin OT & NT		
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# **CATEGORIES OF DIVINE ACTION**

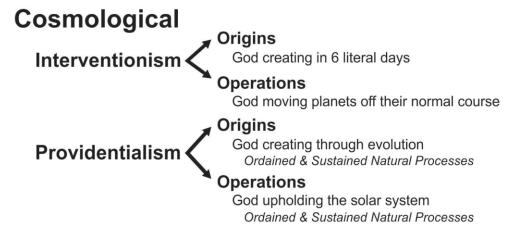
#### **Personal**

#### Interventionism

God raising a dead person to life

#### **Providentialism**

God working through "nudges" & "co-incidences"



# **TEN COMMANDMENTS**

**1.** God #1

6. Murder

2. Idols

7. Adultery

3. Name

8. Stealing

4. Day of Rest

9. Lying

5. Parents

10. Coveting

Exo 20:1-17 Deut 5:5-21

# TWO COMMANDMENTS OF JESUS

**LOVE** the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the **FIRST** and greatest commandment.

The **SECOND** is like it: **LOVE** your neighbour as yourself.

All the Law and the Prophets [Old Testament] hang on these **TWO** commandments.

Matt 22:37-40 cf Deut 6:5, Lev 19:18

# METAPHYSICS-PHYSICS PRINCIPLE

# **METAPHYSICS**

**Religion & Philosophy** 

**Ultimate Beliefs** 



# **PHYSICS**

**Science** 

Theories & Laws
Observations & Experiments

# MESSAGE-INCIDENT PRINCIPLE



**Ancient Science** 

Ancient Phenomenological Perspective

# **EPISTEMOLOGICAL CATEGORIES**

#### **Foundational**

Correspondence
 Knowledge matches with external reality

Coherence

Knowledge is internally consistent & without contradictions

Consilience

Knowledge interconnects into one encompassing theory

### Religious

 Divine Foundation of Knowledge Knowledge is ultimately rooted in God (Prov 1:7)

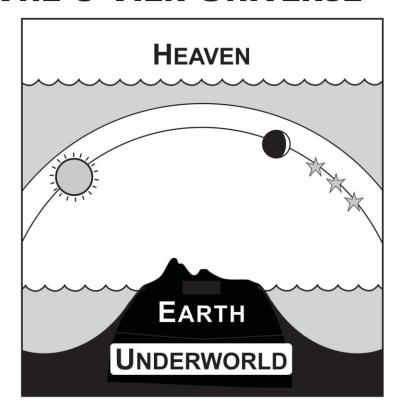
Mystery

Knowledge that is beyond the human ability to know (1 Cor 13:12)

Impact of Sin

Knowledge is influenced by the spiritual state of a person (Rom 1:21-23)

# THE 3 TIER UNIVERSE



#### PHILIPPIANS 2:10-11

At the name of Jesus every knee should bow,

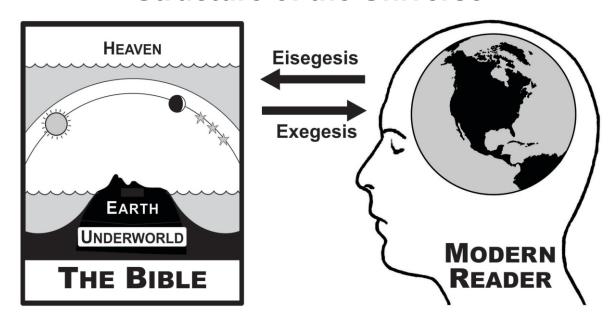
[1] in **heaven** and,

[2] on earth and,

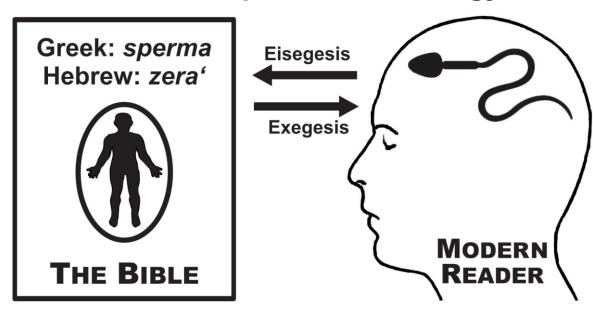
[3] in the **underworld**, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

# **Hermeneutical Horizons**

### **Structure of the Universe**



# **Human Reproductive Biology**



# CATEGORIES OF BIBLICAL STATEMENTS

## SPIRITUAL

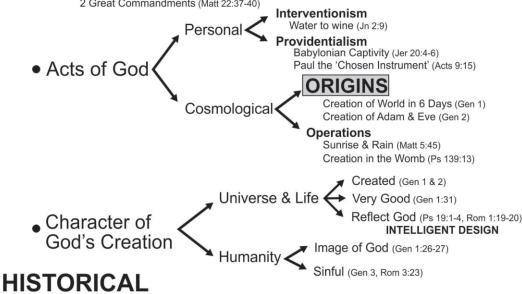
Character of God

God's words are true, perfect & flawless (Prov 30:5, 2 Sam 22:31) God does not lie (Tit 1:2, Heb 6:18) Holy (Rev 4:8, Rev 15:4) Love (1 Jn 4:8, 1 Jn 4:16) Just (2 Th 1:6, Is 30:18) Merciful (Deut 4:31, Dan 9:9)

#### Laws of God

10 Commandments (Exo 20:1-17, Deut 5:5-21)

2 Great Commandments (Matt 22:37-40)



#### Jesus of Nazareth

To write an orderly account about Jesus (Lk 1:1-4)

#### Israel, Church & Nations

Israel in Ancient Near East (Josh 4:22; Jud 17:6) "Israel is laid waste, Merneptah (Egyptian Pharaoh) Stele (1210 BC/E) his seed is not" House of David (2 Sam 3:1)

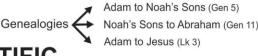
Tel Dan Stele (850 BC/E): "House of David"

Herod King of Judea (Lk 1:5)

#### Human ORIGINS

Humanity created on 6th day (Gen 1)

Adam & Eve (Gen 2)



#### SCIENTIFIC

#### Structures

#### 3 Tiered Universe

At the Name of Jesus every knee should bow in heaven, and on earth and under the earth (Phil 2:10)

#### Operations

#### Immobility of the Earth

The world is firmly established, it cannot move (1 Chr 16:30, Ps 93:1, Ps 96:10)

#### Mobility of the Sun

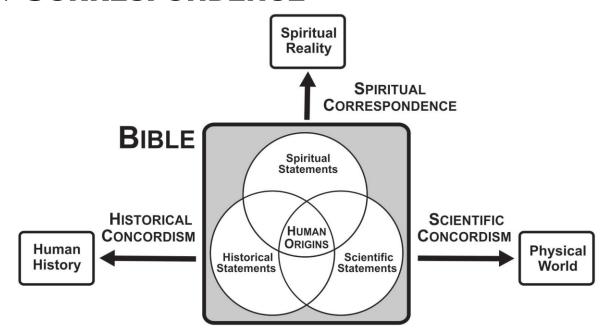
The sun rises and the sun goes down, and hurries to the place where it rises (Eccl 1:5)

#### ORIGINS

#### Heavens, Earth & Living Organisms

Creation of World in 6 Days (Gen 1) Creation of Adam & Eve (Gen 2)

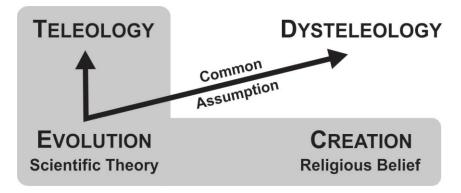
# CATEGORIES OF BIBLICAL CONCORDISM & CORRESPONDENCE



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

Spiritual? Historical? Scientific?

# **RE-CATEGORIZING ORIGINS**



# **ORIGINS & CONCORDISM**

	Cosmological Evolution	Geological Evolution	Biological Evolution	Concordism Genesis 1	
Young Earth Creation	X	X	X	$\checkmark$	Days = 24 Hrs 6000 Yrs
Progressive Creation	✓	$\checkmark$	X	✓	Days = Millions Yrs 13.8 Billion Yrs
Evolutionary Creation	✓	✓	✓	X	Ancient Science 13.8 Billion Yrs
Deistic Evolution	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	X	Rejects Biblical Revelation
Dysteleological Evolution	n 🗸	✓	✓	X	Rejects Biblical Revelation