

## QA: Does God Exist? by John T Polk II

All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.

## **QUESTION:** Does God Exist? - August, 2018

**ANSWER:** The Bible IS a "Christian Evidence" Textbook! "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1). Faith is based upon "evidence" and it is a solid conviction of "things not seen." Since "faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Romans 10:17), then the best "evidence" for faith is "the word of God!" If not, why not?

## The Bible makes statements that point to external data, and that makes it a "Christian evidence" textbook. For example:

## 1. Every effect must have an adequate cause.

For every house is built by someone, but He who built all things is God. (Hebrews 3:4)

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. (**Genesis 1:1**)

By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible. (**Hebrews 11:3**)

All scientific evidences and facts prove that matter is not eternal and must have had a beginning.

2. *There is magnificent design and order to life*. Jesus pointed to the inherent order in agriculture when He said:

"For the earth yields crops by itself: first the blade, then the head, after that the full grain in the head. But when the grain ripens, immediately he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come." (Mark 4:28-29)

Such order is impossible without the imposition of law from a Higher Power. Speaking of the intricacies of human development and birth, David said:

You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well. My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And

in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them. (**Psalm 139:13-16**)

The millions of details involved in each human's normal birth are mind-boggling and faith building, indeed. The birth of one human demands an imposing attention to details totally impossible without completing the plan of God, the Maker.

Abraham "waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder [Greek, "*technician, craftsman," jtpll*] and maker [Greek, "*framer," jtpll*] is God" (Hebrews 11:10). Truly, the "technology" of life is impossible and nonsensical without the All-powerful, All-intelligent Creator God!

3. Life cannot/ has not/ will not come from non-living matter. It is the "God, who made the world and everything in it ... gives to all life, breath, and all things" (Acts 17:24-25). There is no construction of material substance that has been brought to life without adding some living components to the experiment. Scientific fact shows that life had to be added to the material earth from an outside source in order for anything living to exist.

It is only prejudiced ignorance that would attack Christian faith without dealing with what the Bible itself says!

——- John T. Polk II, August 19, 2018