THE ELEPHANT INTHE ROOM



SCIENCE & THE BIBLE

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PSALM 19:1-4 (NIV)

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. 2 Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge. 3 They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them. 4 Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.

JOB 38:3-7, 16-21 (NIV)

Brace yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer me. 4 "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation? Tell me, if you understand. 5 Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? 6 On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone - 7 while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy?

16 "Have you journeyed to the springs of the sea or walked in the recesses of the deep? 17 Have the gates of death been shown to you? Have you seen the gates of the deepest darkness? 18 Have you comprehended the vast expanses of the earth? Tell me, if you know all this. 19 "What is the way to the abode of light? And where does darkness reside? 20 Can you take them to their places? Do you know the paths to their dwellings? 21 Surely you know, for you were already born! You have lived so many years!



(THE STUFF THAT STICKS OUT TO ME)



(SOME IDEAS TO PUT IT INTO PRACTICE)

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

How have you seen or experienced a perceived conflict between science and the Bible? Read Psalm 19:1-4. Does creation literally "declare the glory of God?" Why do you think some people look at science and claim there is no God, while others only see it totally differently?

How many different styles and genres of literature can you think up? How do you read them differently? How does that impact how you read the Bible?

Read Job 38. What type of literature is this? What message is being conveyed here about what we know and don't know?

A VERSE TO MEMORIZE:

Psalm 19:1 (NLT) - The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship.

TAKE A STEP:

Take a few minutes this week and enjoy the wonder of creation! Look up at the skies, brush up on your quantum physics or watch a nature documentary, take a walk on the beach, or google up the latest pics from deep space!

ALLIN, TOGETHER

GENERAL OFFERING

2023 Weekly Budget: \$10,187 Given April 9th: \$9,013 Difference: (\$1,174)

2023 Annual Budget: \$529,724 2023 Budget YTD: \$142,618 2023 Given YTD: \$128,240 Difference: (\$14,378)

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