

**Does the Bible contradict science?** Questions about the Bible

- A. Are Christians who believe in the Bible turning a \_\_\_\_\_ eye to the proven truths of science?
1. There are over 30,000+ verses in the Bible, & depending on how you interpret the Bible, only a very small minority, less than 1%, of those verses in any way contradict science
  2. Most of the Bible has absolutely nothing to do with science at all
- B. *Everyone, even scientists*, understand that many truths in life cannot be \_\_\_\_\_ or verified by the scientific method, and even many scientists apply the same type of faith to their science that Christians apply to the Bible
- C. 3 Models for Understanding the Relationship between Science & the Bible
1. \_\_\_\_\_ Model - scientific materialism & biblical idealism can't coexist
    - either science is right or the Bible is right; but it cannot be both
  2. \_\_\_\_\_ Model - Science & religion are completely separate, and they are not in conflict. Rather they have contrasting methods & they are speaking different languages.
    - the Bible has *nothing* whatsoever to do with science & science has nothing whatsoever to do with the Bible or even religion; you just need to keep them separate
  3. \_\_\_\_\_ Model - combine science & the Bible
    - take what the most brilliant scientists are saying about how things work and what the greatest theologians are saying about the Bible and seek to combine the two
    - Examples:
      - a) Creation
      - b) 10 Plagues of the Exodus
        - conflict model?            - independence model?
        - integration model?
        - Each of the Plagues were naturally occurring events in Egypt. In fact, many of them are still occurring today
- D. How do you expect God to work in your life today?
1. pray a prayer and see a mountain moved or the Red Sea parted? Or, more often than not, the miracles of God come in the form of being at just the right place at just the right time *when* you are in tune with what God is doing around and within you?
- E. Romans 8:28 - "God will work everything out for the good of all those who love Him & are open to His true calling upon their lives"
1. not that God can't or won't work outright miracles, but more often than not, it's all about \_\_\_\_\_
- A. blind B. proven 1. conflict 2. independence 3. integration E1. timing