

II.1. Lambs to Rams: Evidences of the Bible's Accuracy; Through Science

The following is a short list of evidences that can be used when proving the reliability and authenticity of God's word, the Bible. There are countless others of which include what has been unearthed through archeology and history.

Question: How can it be possible for forty (+) different men, from differing backgrounds, writing over a period of about 1500 years, and all agree (*without any contradiction*) if they were not inspired by God?

2Pe 1:20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. 21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but **holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.** (*Emp. added*)

Scientific Accuracy

The Five Acts of Science: Time, Space, Matter, Force and Motion

“In the beginning (*time*) God created the heaven (*space*) and the earth (*matter*)... And the Spirit of God (*force*) moved (*motion*) upon the face of the waters.” Gen 1:1-2
The Gospel for Today; Foy E. Wallace, Jr. (pg. 43)

Gravity & the Round Earth

Less than 50 years before Isaac Newton was born (*1642 in Woolsthorpe, England – the same year Galileo died*) it was thought that the planets were held in place by an invisible shield. Isaac Newton proved that they were held in place by the sun's gravity. (*Wikipedia*)

Job 26:7 He (*God*) stretches out the north over the empty place, and hangs (*Heb.8518- suspends*) the earth upon nothing. (*It's not known exactly when Job lived.*)

But he knew of the invisible force we now know of as gravity.)

One of the earliest thoughts of the earth being round was by a Greek named Pythagoras in 570 BC. After him were men like Eratosthenes in 240 BC and Ptolemy in 150 BC. (*Wikipedia*) These are according to secular accounts. But what about the Biblical accounts?

Isa 40:22 *It is He that sitteth upon the circle (Brown-Driver-Briggs' Hebrew Definitions:-vault [of the heavens]) (Webster: 1. an arched roof or ceiling 2. an arched chamber or space) of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretches out the heavens as a curtain, and spreads them out as a tent to dwell in: (from the 700s BC)*

Job 26:10 He hath compassed (*Heb.2328- to describe a circle*) the waters with bounds (*Heb.2706- an enactment; hence as appointment [of time, space, quantity, labor or usage]*), until the day and night come to an end (*Heb.8503-completion*).

Job understood the earth to be round and that each revolution from sun up to sun down brought about a complete 24 hour day. But not according to the "Flat Earth Society."

According to the Flat Earth Society the Ice Wall is a 150-foot-tall (46 m) wall that encloses the perimeter of a flat, circular earth. Said to be formed by intense cold and pressure, this is used to explain why the ocean doesn't fall off the edge of the world on the flat earth. (*Wikipedia*)

Paths of the Sea

Matthew Fontaine Maury (*January 14, 1806 – February 1, 1873*), United States Navy was an American astronomer, historian, oceanographer, meteorologist, cartographer, author, geologist, and educator nicknamed "Pathfinder of the Seas" and "Father of Modern Oceanography and Naval Meteorology" and

later, "Scientist of the Seas. Maury made many important new contributions to charting winds and ocean currents, including ocean lanes for passing ships at sea. Matthew Maury's seagoing days came to an abrupt end at the age of 33 after a stagecoach accident broke his right leg. Thereafter, he devoted his time to the study of naval meteorology, navigation, charting the winds and currents, seeking the "Paths of the Seas" mentioned in Psalms 8:8 "The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas." (1855) (*Wikipedia*) (*If the Bible mentioned them, they must exist. These paths are still being followed today by shipping companies since following them speeds up shipping times.*)

Psa 8:4 What is man, that Thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that Thou visitest him? 5 For Thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour. 6 Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of Thy hands; Thou hast put all *things* under his feet: 7 All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field; 8 The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, *and whatsoever* passeth through **the paths of the seas**. (*Emp. added*)

The Water Cycle

The **water cycle**, also known as the **hydrological cycle** or **H₂O cycle**, describes the continuous movement of water on, above and below the surface of the Earth. Although the balance of water on Earth remains fairly constant over time, individual water molecules can come and go, in and out of the atmosphere. The water moves from one reservoir to another, such as from river to ocean, or from the ocean to the atmosphere, by the physical processes of evaporation, condensation, precipitation, infiltration, runoff, and subsurface flow. In so doing, the water goes through different phases: liquid, solid (ice), and gas (vapor). (*Wikipedia*) (*Emp. added*)

Job 36:26 Behold, God is great, and we know *Him* not, neither can the number of His years be searched out. 27 For He maketh small the drops of water: they pour

down rain according to the vapour (*Heb.108- a fog: - mist*) thereof: 28 Which the clouds do drop *and* distil upon man abundantly. 29 Also can *any* understand the spreadings (*Heb.4666- an expansion*) of the clouds, or the noise (*Heb.8663- a crashing or loud clamor*) of His tabernacle? 30 Behold, He spreadeth His light (*Heb.216- illumination, including lightning*) upon it, and covereth the bottom (*Heb.8328- deep*) of the sea (*Heb.3220- a sea [as breaking in noisy surf]*). 31 For by them (*the clouds, lightning, thunder and rain*) judgeth (*Heb.1777- rules*) He the people; (*by them*) He giveth meat (*Heb.400- food*) in abundance. 32 With clouds He covereth the light (*Heb.216- lightning*); and commandeth it *not to shine* by the cloud that cometh betwixt. 33 The noise (*Heb.7452- a crash [of thunder]*) thereof sheweth concerning it (*thunder declares lightning*), the cattle also concerning the vapour.

1Ki 18:44 And it came to pass at the seventh time, that he (*Elijah*) said, Behold, there **ariseth a little cloud out of the sea**, like a man's hand. And he said, Go up, say unto Ahab, Prepare *thy chariot*, and get thee down, that the **rain** stop thee not. (*Evaporation from the sea gathered together to create a cloud which brought the rain.*) (*Emp. added*)

The Second Law of Thermodynamics

Entropy: Webster-1. a measure of the energy available for useful work in a system 2. the tendency of an energy system to run down.

Second law of thermodynamics: **The entropy of any isolated system not in thermal equilibrium almost always increases.** Isolated systems spontaneously evolve towards thermal equilibrium—the state of maximum entropy of the system—in a process known as "thermalization". Equivalently, perpetual motion machines of the second kind are impossible. (*Wikipedia*) (*Emp. added*)

Like a clock, everything is running down. In any system where there is inconsistency in temperature, such as in this physical realm, there is a tendency for the temperature to equalize and use up its fuel in doing so. When a system runs out of fuel it breaks down and ceases to exist.

Psa 102:25 Of old hast Thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens *are* the work of Thy hands. 26 They shall perish, but Thou shalt endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt Thou change them, and **they shall be changed**: *(emp. added)*

Isa 51:6 Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner: but My salvation shall be forever, and My righteousness shall not be abolished. *(Temperature doesn't exist in the spiritual realm therefore the same cannot break down by running out of fuel. Thus it is eternal.)*

The Human Body Blood & Blood Letting

Dr. Gustavus Brown later wrote to Dr. James Cralk, January 21, 1800: *(After George Washington's death)* "You must remember he was averse to bleeding the General, and I have often thought that if we had acted accordingly to his suggestion, when he said, "he needs all his strength - bleeding will diminish it", and taken no more blood from him, our good friend might have been alive now. But we were governed by the best light we had: we thought we were right, and so we were justified." *(Wikipedia)*

Lev 17:11 For the **life of the flesh is in the blood**: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood *that* maketh an atonement for the soul. *(Emp. added)*

Lev 17:14 For *it is the **life of all flesh; the blood of it is*** for the life thereof: therefore I said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: for **the life of all flesh is the blood thereof**: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off. (*Emp. added*)

As Jesus' blood flowed from His body on the cross so did His life, thus in giving His blood He gave His life. When we are covered (*figuratively*) with His blood in baptism, we are covered with His life which is eternal. Therefore, eternal life can only be obtained through scriptural baptism, where we are figuratively covered with the blood of the New Testament (*Mat 26:28*), via emersion in water for the forgiveness of sin. (*Acts 8:36-38; 22:16*)

Design Evidences a Designer

This is just a sampling of existing proofs of the Bible's accuracy. Paul stated that man has understood "from the creation of the world [things that] are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse" (*Rom 1:20*). Nothing that exists is without a maker.

"Everyday observation reveals and confirms the obvious fact that complex, functional design demands a designer. Paintings demand painters. Poems demand poets. Architecture demands architects. And on and on we could go. Everyone knows that cars and computers, pianos and projectors all require engineers, technicians, and tuners for them to exist and function properly. But what about the universe as a whole? Can it be described accurately as 'designed'? If so, what could such a design imply about its origin?"

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II.1. Questions

1. Time, space, matter, force and motion are known as: a) the five acts of science; b) five natural phenomena; c) the five sciences
2. How are all the planets in our solar system held in place? a) Atlas; b) the moon; c) the sun's gravity
3. Matthew Fontaine Maury revealed what was already inspired by: a) Paul; b) David; c) Daniel
4. The tendency of an energy system to run down is known as: a) gravity; b) magnetic pull; c) entropy
5. What was the medical practice that proved that the life of the flesh is in the blood? a) dialysis; b) bloodletting; c) transfusion
6. When can a person be figuratively covered with the blood of Christ? a) through a sacrifice; b) by going to a blood bank; c) through scriptural baptism
7. How can we understand the existence of God? a) from what we've been taught; b) through dreams; c) through the things that are made
8. True or false: Anything that is made must have a maker? a) true; b) false; c) the text does not say.

