

# The Impact of Christian Faith on Mathematics & Science: Yesterday & Today

Rogers 109 (Engineering Building), September 29, 5:30-7:00pm

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Dr. Robert J. Marks II, Distinguished Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering

The New Atheism claims being a scientist and a Christian is like being a vegan butcher.

But both today and in history, many scientists, mathematicians and engineers are motivated in their work by the uncovering of precise orderliness, underlying simplicity, and inherent beauty of God's creations. Many not only study the creation, but have pursued the identity of the Creator and have found Him in the foundational tenets of Christianity. Some of these scientists are:

Isaac Newton - the father of classical physics and co-creator of calculus

- Michael Faraday the founder of electrical engineering Blaise Pascal - mathematician extraordinaire and inventor of the first computer Leonhard Euler - the most prolific mathematician of all time
- George Washington Carver the "father of the peanut"
- Louis Pasteur the father of microbiology
- Thomas Bayes the founder of statistical inference
- James Clerk Maxwell the formulator of electromagnetics Francis Collins - Director of the Human Genome Project
- and on and on..



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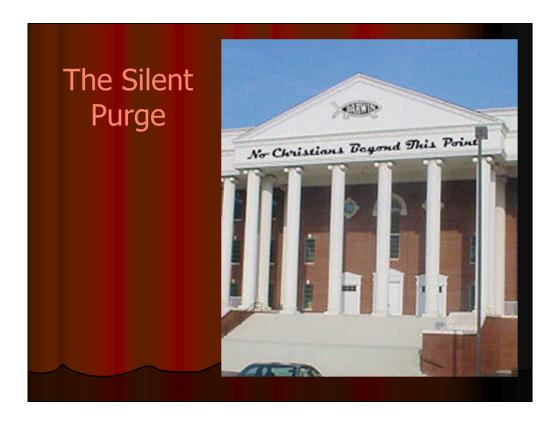


In 2010, Dr. Marks was listed by CollegeCrunch.com as one of "The 20 Most Brilliant Christian Professors," and, in 2013, one of 'the 50 smartest people of faith" at TheBestSchools.org.

Marks is the recipient of numerous professional awards, including a NASA Tech Brief Award and a be-paper award from the American Brachytherapy American Brachytherapy
Society for prostate cancer
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Boeing Computer
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been funded by Services. His research has been funded by organizations such as the National Science Foundation, General Electric, Southern California Edison, EPRI, the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, the Office of Naval Research the Whitaker Foundation, Roeins Defense the National Boeing Defense, the National Institutes of Health, The Jet Propulsion Lab, Army Research Office, and NASA.

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scientists, mathematicians and engineers are motivated in their work by the uncovering of the precise orderliness, underlying simplicity, and inherent beauty of God's creations. Many not only study the creation, but have pursued the identity of the Creator and have found Him in the foundational tenets of Christianity.



Christians persecuted everywhere.

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Chick fil a

Phil Robertson

On college campuses:

Inter Varsity & Cru kicked off campuses

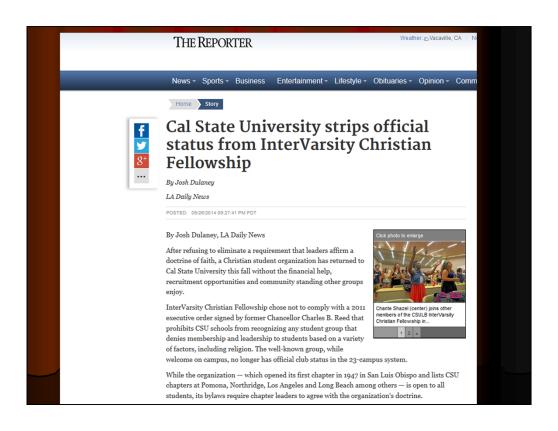


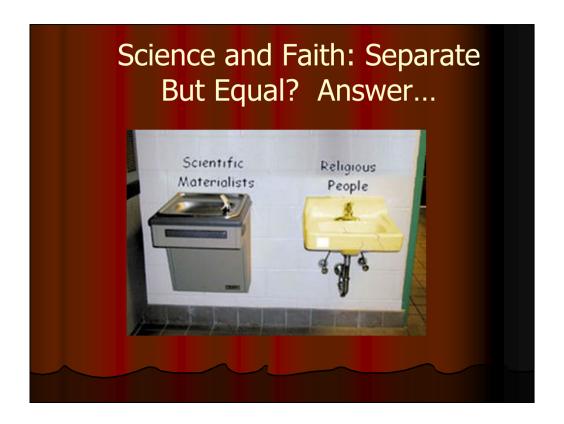
How come?

Ideology

Freedom from Religion Foundation Phony Battle of Religion & Science

Why? Anyone can attend, but anyone can't be an officer. Diversity requires anyone can be an officer – even an atheist.



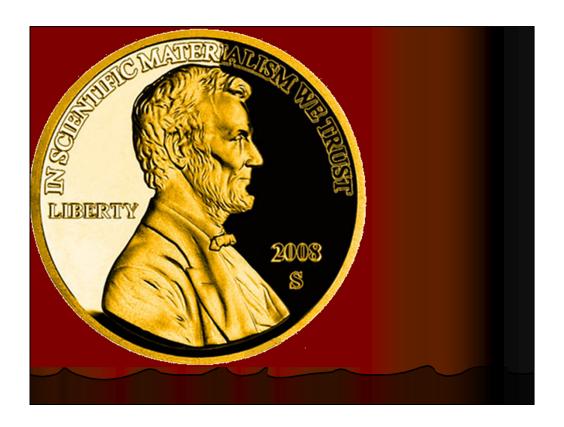


## Two Spheres Model:

"Keep religion in the churches" is the first sphere Science is the second sphere

Let's keep the two sphere's separate.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Separate but Equal" is a lie from the old racist Jim Crow south.



Let's Concentrate on Science & Faith & Universities

"Scientist & Christian" is viewed by two sphere's advocates as "Vegan Butcher"

Who gets to define "SCIENCE" – asked by Richard Sternberg in Expelled "Science must exclude God." is a philosophical statement – not a scientific one.

Why does Science think it today has a corner on truth?

- 1. Thomas Watson, chairman of IBM, 1943. "I think there is a world market for maybe five computers."
- 2. Ernest Rutherford is credited with splitting the atom for the first time. He won Nobel Prize in 1908 for Chemistry. "The energy produced by the breaking down of the atom is a very poor kind of thing. Anyone who expects a source of power from the transformation of these atoms is talking moonshine."
- 3. Robert Millikan, American physicist and Nobel Prize winner, 1923. "There is no likelihood man can ever tap the power of the atom."

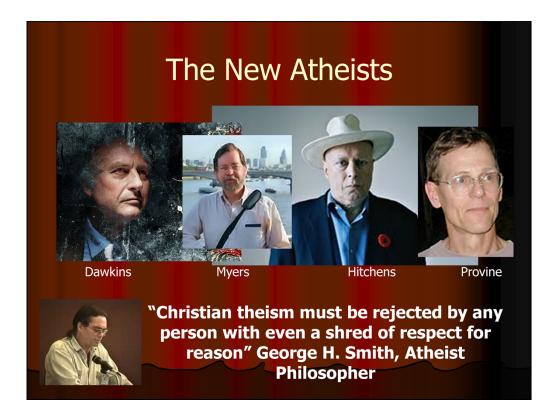
<sup>&</sup>quot;Only things proven by science can be believed." cannot be proven scientifically.

- 4. Dennis Gabor, British physicist received a Nobel Prize for inventing the hologram. "Transmission of documents via telephone wires is possible in principle, but the apparatus required is so expensive that it will never become a practical proposition."
- 5. Lord Kelvin, president, Royal Society, 1897.

"Radio has no future."

"X-rays will prove to be a hoax."

"Heavier-than-air flying machines are impossible."



**Richard Dawkins** "[Bible miracles] are very effective with an audience of unsophisticates and children" Richard Dawkins.

"Most people, I believe, think that you need a God to explain the existence of the world, and especially the existence of life. They are wrong, but our education system is such that many people don't know it."

#### "Eugenie Scott

"Intelligent Design is ultimately a science stopper."

## **Christopher Hitchens**

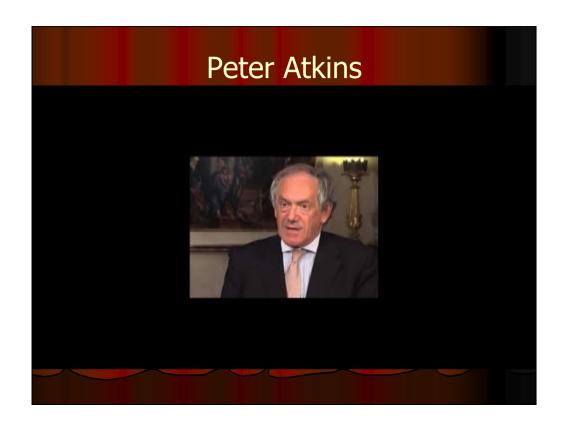
"I think religion is a deadly threat to the survival of the species and to the continued evolution of the brain."

#### **Sam Harris**

"The fact that 40% of American scientists believe in God indicates that 60% of scientists aren't doing their jobs."

#### P.Z. Myers

**Archie Bunker** "Faith is when you believe something no one in their right mind believes."



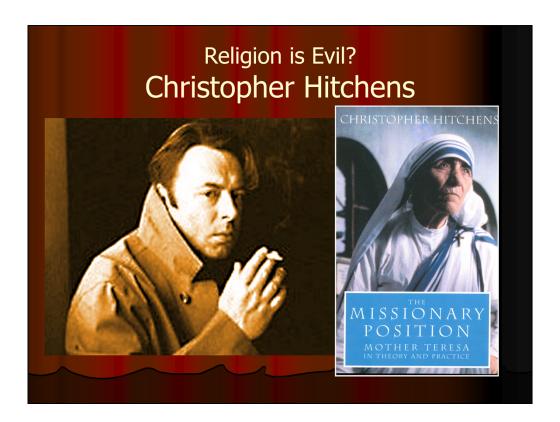
Peter Atkins: Professor of Chemistry at the University of Oxford and a Fellow of Lincoln College. He is a writer of popular chemistry textbooks, including Physical Chemistry, Inorganic Chemistry, and Molecular Quantum Mechanics.

No explanatory power. (Refuted later by Lennox)

Religion is "Evil"

Beware of Amish terrorists!

But where does this idea of "evil" come from? It is ironic that an appeal is made to good and evil when there is no God.



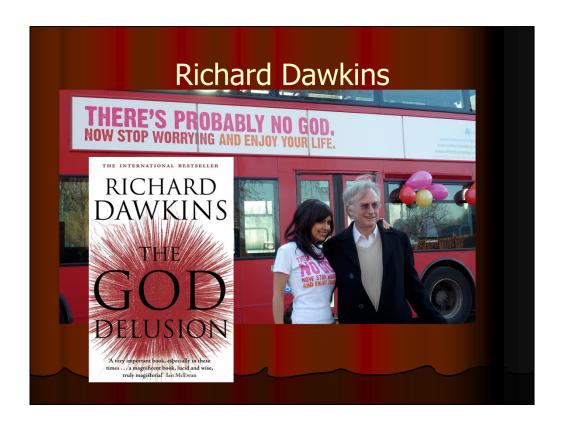
How far does this go?

## **Christopher Hitchens:**

"[Mother Teresa is a] religious fundamentalist, a political operative, a primitive sermonizer, and an accomplice of worldly secular powers."

"[Mother Teresa's] success is not ... a triumph of humility and simplicity. It is another chapter in the millennial story which stretched back to the superstitious childhood of our species, and which depends on the exploitation of the simple and the humble by the cunning and single-minded."

Wow



Richard Dawkins, zoologist, evolutionary biologist, and author. He is an emeritus fellow of New College, Oxford, and was the University of Oxford's Professor for Public Understanding of Science

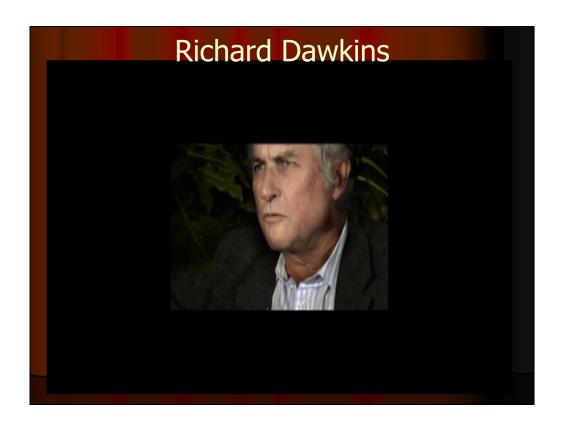
Picture: Ariane Sherine and Richard Dawkins at the Atheist Bus Campaign launch

Three parts of the video clip:

- 1. Loosing his faith
- 2. The likelihood of God
- 3. What he thinks of God

Frank Turik's two point definition of New Atheists:

- 1. THERE IS NOT GOD
- 2. I HATE HIM



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Paul Zachary "PZ" Myers is a biology associate professor at the University of Minnesota Morris (UMM). He is founder and co-author of the Pharyngula science blog.

Myers has called me "disillusioned" on his BLOG.

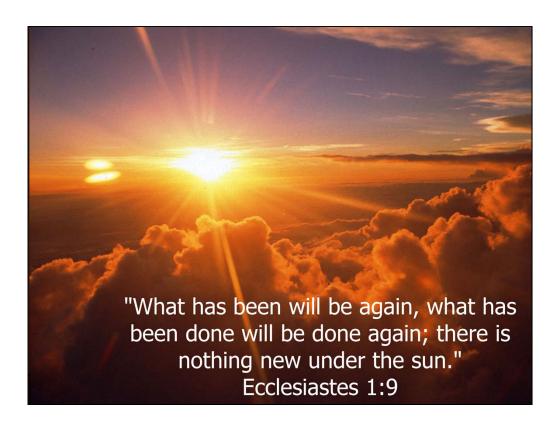
## Clip contents:

- 1. Science caused his atheism
- 2. Religion is fairy tales
- 3. More Science, Less Religion

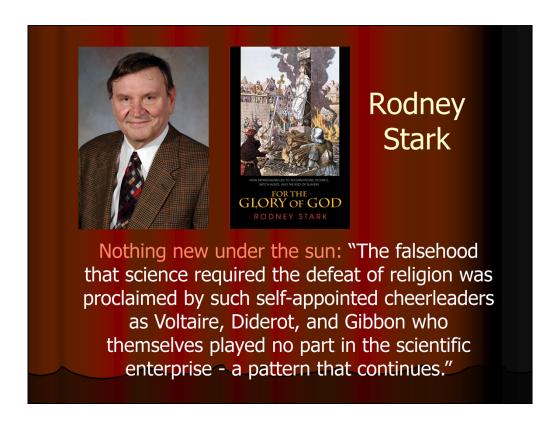


William B. Provine is a Distinguished University Professor at Cornell University
Professor in the Departments of History, Science and Technology Studies, and Ecology and
Evolutionary Biology

- 1. Evolution was not taught in Tennessee
- 2. Science caused him to loose his faith
- 3. The consequences of loosing faith: no free will, no hope = An honest atheist



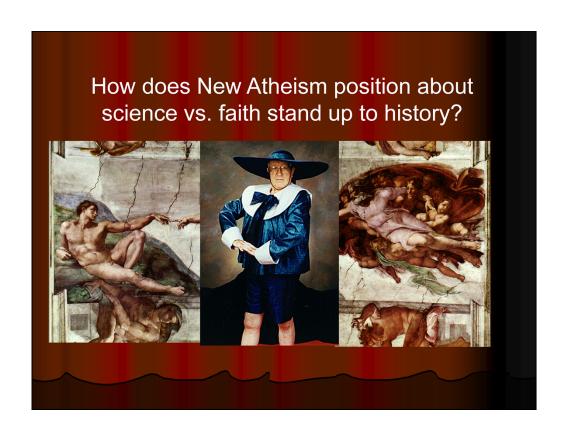
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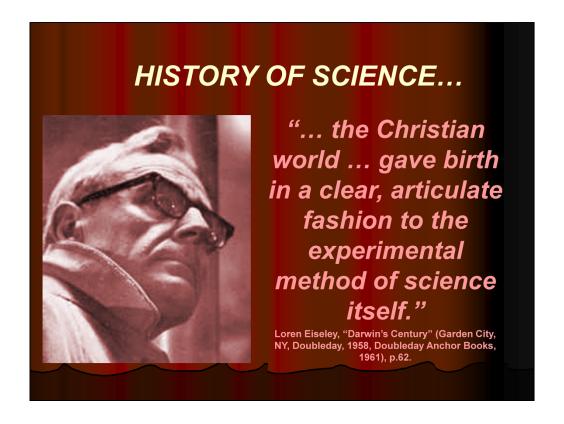


Rodney Stark is an Distinguished Professor at Baylor University. He is co-director of the Institute for Studies of Religion.

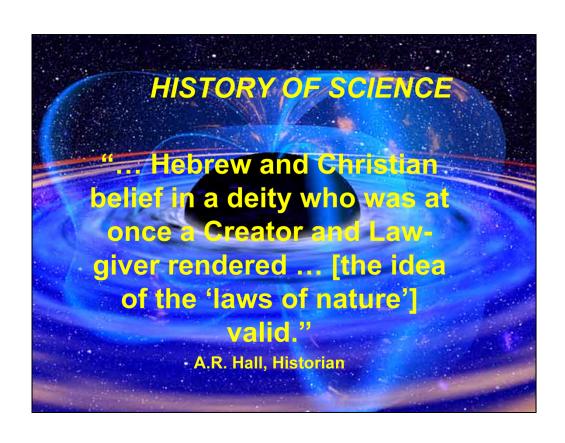
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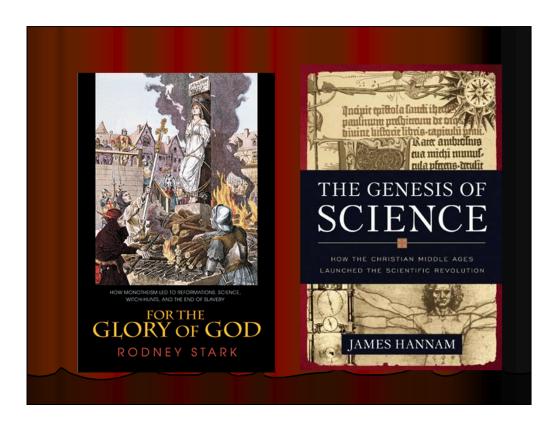
None of the new atheists are giants (Have made contributions, yes) This is not new stuff





Christianity played a major part in the development of science.





The role of Christianity in the birth of modern science: Two Books

"Christian theology was essential for the rise of science." Rodney Stark

#### Stark notes:

Astrology was everywhere. It lead to astronomy only in eastern Europe. Alchemy was everywhere. It lead to chemistry only in eastern Europe.

#### China contributed some

- Chinese remainder theorem (math)
- Recreational gun powder

#### Mideast:

- Arabic numerals: 1,2,3,4,5,...
- Algorithm: a mangled transliteration of Arabic al-Khwarizmi "[Abu Ja'far Muhammad ibn Musa al-Khwarizmi (1550's)] native of Khwarazm,"
- Algebra: Arabic al jebr "reunion of broken parts," as in computation

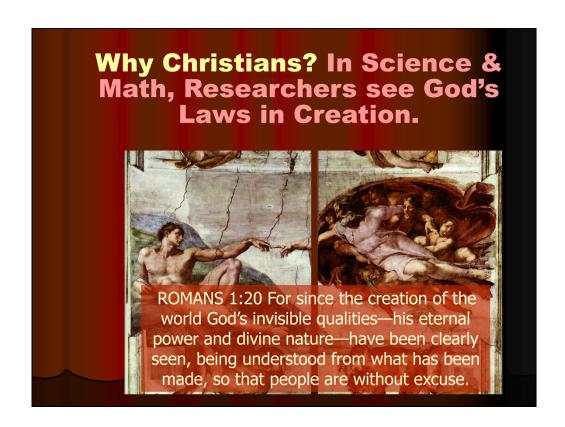
Historical Muslim Barrier: If one claims repeatable physical laws that Allah can't change on a whim, this is an insult to Allah. The proponent would violate shirk.

Christian View: Anselm's Ontological Argument: Preamble - God is greater than anything we can experience or imagine.

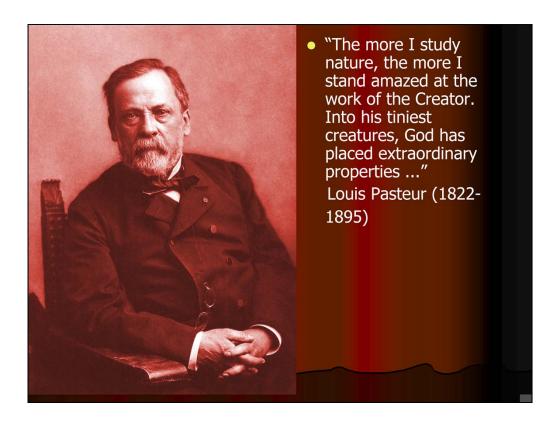
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Rodney Stark For the Glory of God: How Monotheism Led to Reformations, Science, Witch-Hunts, and the End of Slavery (2004) James Hannam The Genesis of Science: How the Christian Middle Ages Launched the Scientific Revolution Hannam: Physics degree at Oxford. Cambridge PhD in the History and Philosophy of Science.



Are we numbed by familiarity?



"The more I study nature, the more I stand amazed at the work of the Creator. Into his tiniest creatures, God has placed extraordinary properties ..."

Louis Pasteur (1822-1895)

John Hudsion Tiner, *Louis Pasteur - Founder of Modern Medicine*, Milford, MI: Mott Media, Inc., 1990, p.75.)

"God is going to to reveal to us things He never revealed before if we put our hands in His."

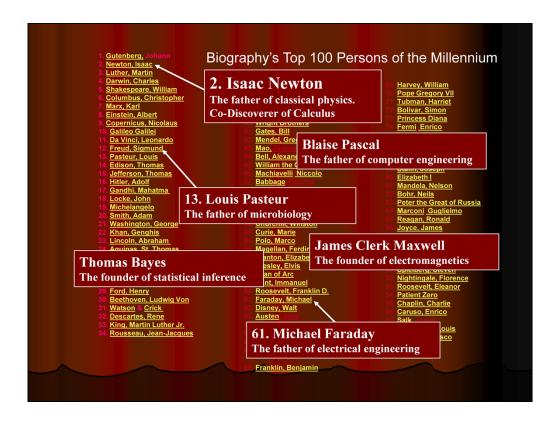
George Washington Carver (1865-1943)

(who named his laboratory God's Little Workshop.)

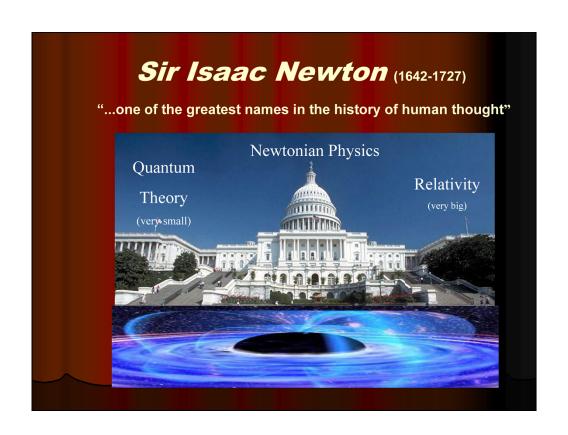
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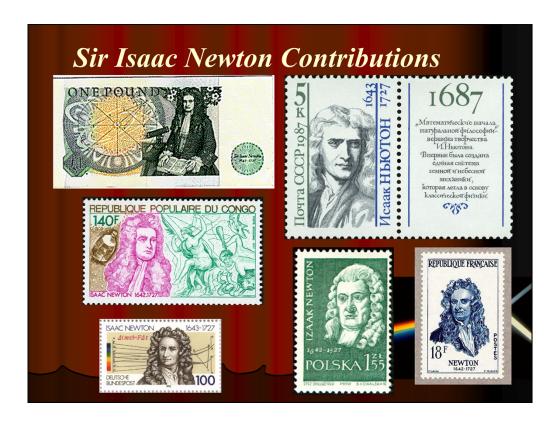
Ethel Edwards, *Carver of Tuskegee* (Cincinnati, Ohio; Ethyl Edwards & James T. Hardwick, 1971) pp.141-42.

Louis Pasteur (John Hudsion Tiner, Louis Pasteur - Founder of Modern Medicine, Milford, MI: Mott Media, Inc., 1990, p.75.)



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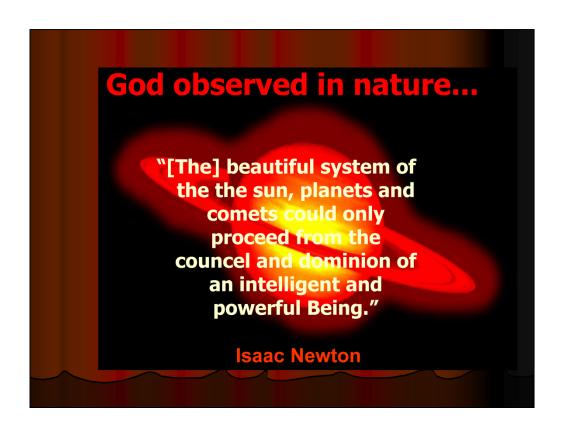
**Apple's Newton Newton's cradle** 

# Sir Isaac Newton Contributions

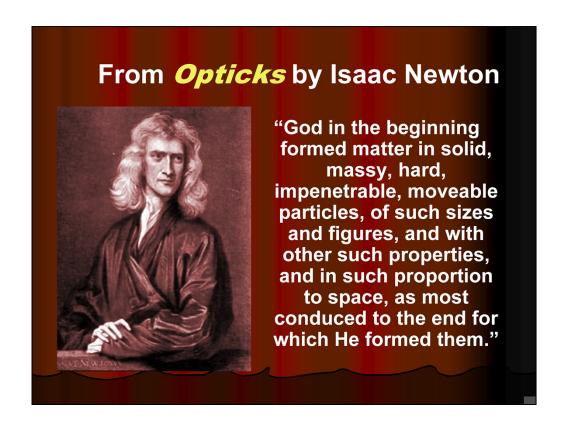
Newton (mks unit for force)
Newton's Three Laws of Motion
Newton's rings
Newton Optimization
Newtonian Physics
Newtonian Fluid
Newton Raphson Method
Newtonian telescope
Newtonian dynamics
Newtonian constant of gravitation =
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**Apple's Newton Newton's cradle** 

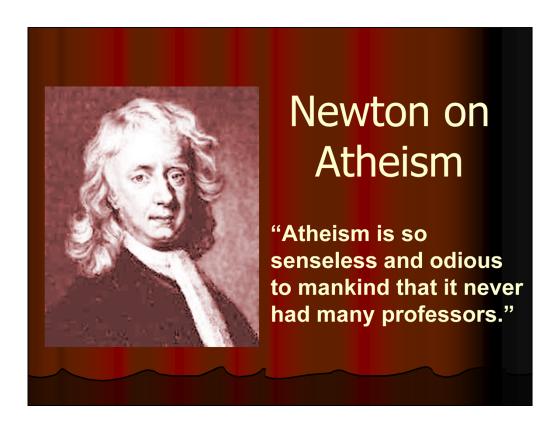


Newton's Philosophy of Nature: Selections From His Writings (Hafner Publishing, 1953)



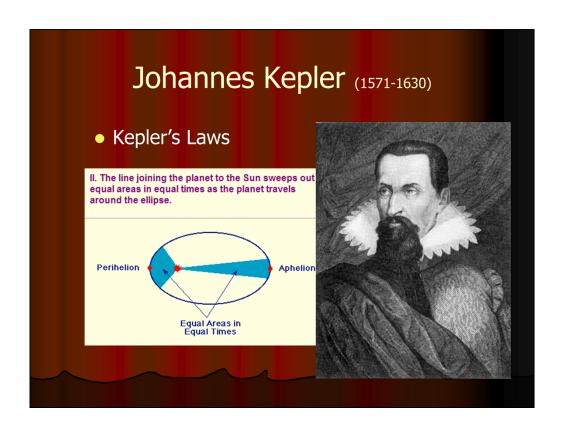
# From Opticks by Isaac Newton

Rephrasing of Revelation 4:11 "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."



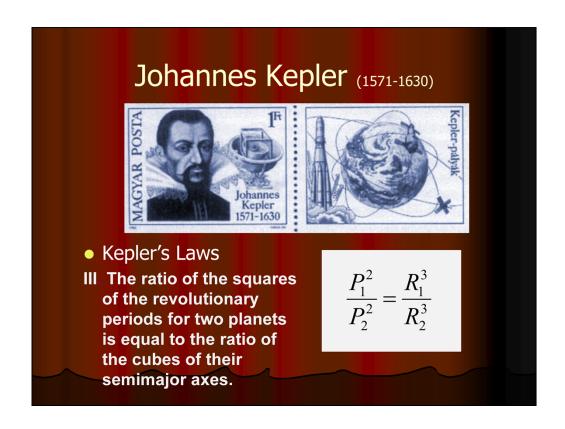
Isaac Newton quoted from

Newton's Philosophy of Nature: Selections From His Writings (Hafner Publishing, 1953)



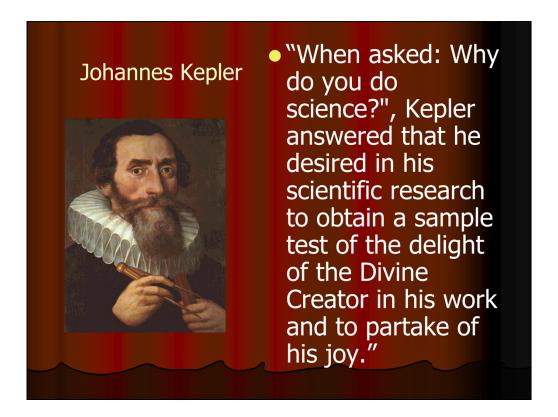
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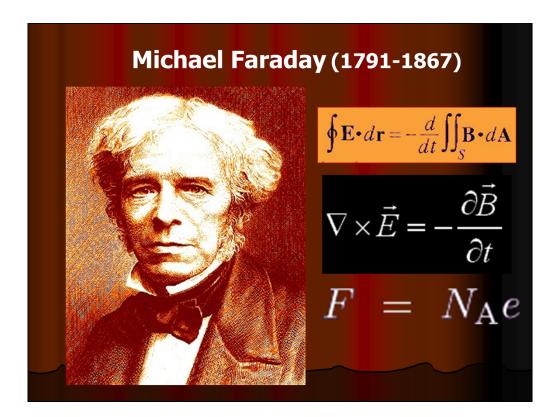
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"Throughout his life, Kepler was a profoundly religious man. All his writings contain numerous references to God, and he saw his work as a fulfilment of his Christian duty to understand the works of God. Man being, as Kepler believed, made in the image of God, was clearly capable of understanding the Universe that He had created. Moreover, Kepler was convinced that God had made the Universe according to a mathematical plan."

http://www.leaderu.com/offices/schaefer/docs/scientists.html

http://www-gap.dcs.st-and.ac.uk/~history/Mathematicians/Kepler.html



## The Father of Electricity Faraday's Contributions

- Faraday's Law
- Discovered electromagnetic induction: generators, motors & transformers.
- The Faraday Effect
- A magneto-optic effect in which the polarization plane of an electromagnetic wave is rotated under the influence of a magnetic field parallel to the direction of propagation.
- Discovered Benzene
- Build first practical electric motor.
- Farad = unit of capacitance
- Daraf (??)
- Faraday's constant =

F=96 485.309 C mol-1

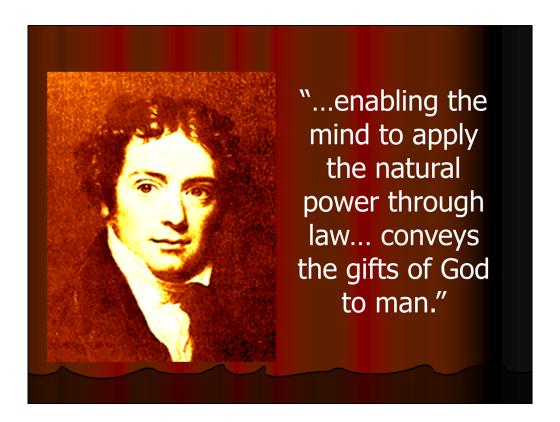
#### Coined the terms

electrode,

anode,

cathode

electronic



Faraday was offered and refused the Presidency of the Royal Society. He responded no... "I must remain plain Michael Faraday to the very last."

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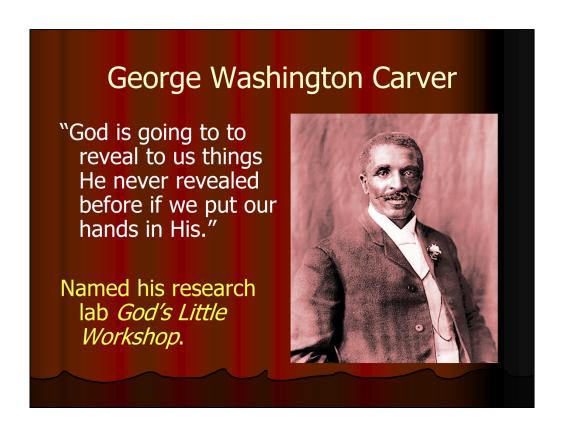
...enabling the mind to apply the natural power through law... conveys the gifts of God to man.

- Michael Faraday

Notes for a Friday Discourse at the Royal Institution (1858).

"[Faraday's] standard of duty was supernatural. It was formed entirely on what he held to be the revelation of the will of God in the written word, and throughout all his life his faith led him to act ... to the the very letter of it."

Faraday's Biographer: Dr Bence Jones "The Life and Letters of Faraday". See also http://www.iee.org.uk/publish/faraday/faraday2.html

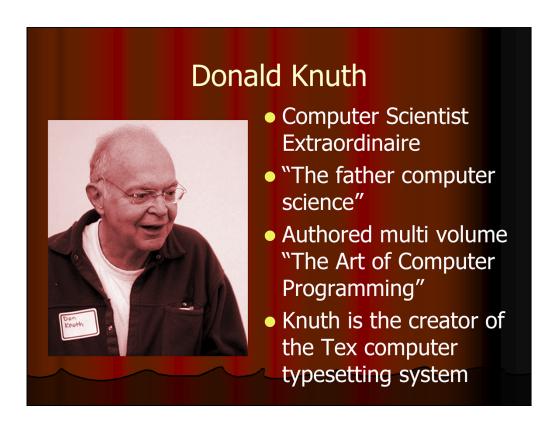


George Washington Carver (January 1864? – January 5, 1943), was an American scientist, botanist, educator, and inventor. The exact day and year of his birth are unknown; he is believed to have been born into slavery in Missouri in January 1864.

Soil Scientist. Popularized plant rotation to restore nitrogen

Discovered three hundred uses for peanuts and hundreds more for soybeans, pecans and sweet potatoes

adhesives, axle grease, bleach, buttermilk, chili sauce, fuel briquettes (a biofuel), ink, instant coffee, linoleum, mayonnaise, meat tenderizer, metal polish, paper, plastic, pavement, shaving cream, shoe polish, synthetic rubber, talcum powder and wood stain.



Also called "The father of the analysis of algorithms

Donald Knuth is a Professor Emeritus at Stanford University
"The Art of Computer Programming" has 10's of thousands of citations. (Google Scholar)
Almost every mathematician in the world writes their papers and dissertations using LaTex.
Many engineers (like me) and physicists too.

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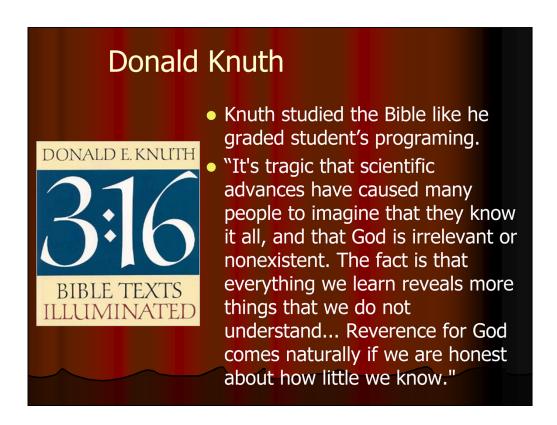
### Wikipedia:

Donald Knuth (January 10, 1938) is an American computer scientist, mathematician, and Professor Emeritus at Stanford University.[2]

He is the author of the multi-volume work The Art of Computer Programming.

Knuth has been called the "father" of the analysis of algorithms. He contributed to the development of the rigorous analysis of the computational complexity of algorithms and systematized formal mathematical techniques for it. In the process he also popularized the asymptotic notation. In addition to fundamental contributions in several branches of

theoretical computer science, Knuth is the creator of the TeX computer typesetting system, the related METAFONT font definition language and rendering system, and the Computer Modern family of typefaces



Quote is from the book.

Some 3:16 Verses;

### John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

### 2 Timothy 3:16 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>16</sup> All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

# Matthew 3:16 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>16</sup> And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him:

### **Luke 3:16King James Version (KJV)**

<sup>16</sup> John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire:

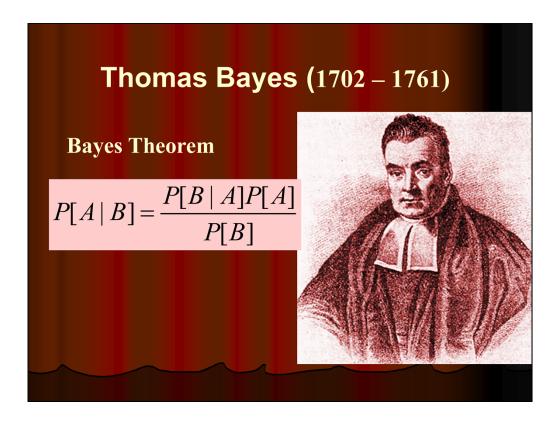
**Timothy 3:16** And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

### Genesis 3:16

Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire *shall be* to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

Exodus 3:16

Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and say unto them, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, appeared unto me, saying, I have surely visited you, and *seen* that which is done to you in Egypt:



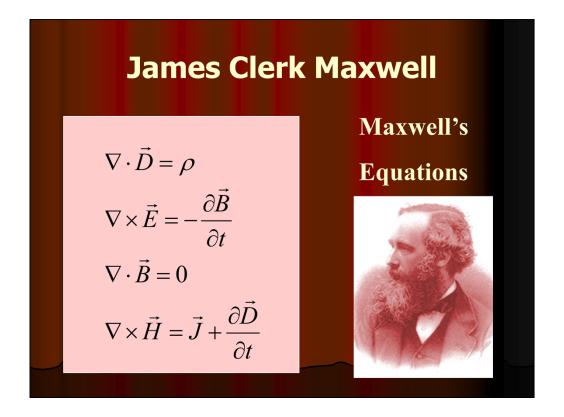
Baysian Inference: Making classifications using an historical data base. Foundation of most modern e-mail spam filters.

- •Reverend Bayes was a pastor of the Presbyterian Chapel in Tunbridge Wells, 35 miles southeast of London.
- •Bayes didn't bother to publish his mathematical work. It was all published posthumously. Bayes was elected Fellow of the Royal Society in 1742 having no published works on mathematics.

Bayes *did* publish about his faith. "God always does that which is right and fit, and that all his moral attributes, [namely] justice, truth, faithfulness, mercy, patience, [etc.] are but so many different modifications of rectitude." Thomas Bayes, "Divine Benevolence", 1731.

D.R. Bellhouse, "The Reverend Thomas Bayes FRS: a Biography to Celebrate the Tercentenary of his Birth" <a href="http://www.stats.uwo.ca/faculty/bellhouse/bayesbiog.pdf">http://www.stats.uwo.ca/faculty/bellhouse/bayesbiog.pdf</a>

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# Quotes about Maxwell's equations:

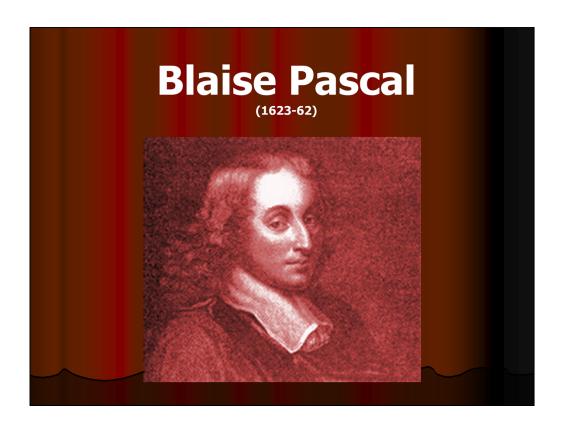
"To anyone who is motivated by anything beyond the most narrowly practical, it is worth while to understand Maxwell's equations simply for the good of his soul" J.R. Pierce, Electrons, Waves and Messages, Hanover House, 1956.

"Was it a god who wrote these lines..." Ludwig Boltzmann – Nobel prize winner in Physics - on Maxwell's equations (quoting a line from Goethe).

"The formulation of these [Maxwell's] equations is the most important event since Newton's time" Albert Einstein

"[Maxwell's equations] can be appreciated, by those who understand them, on an aesthetic level." Halliday & Resnick, Physics II, Wiley (1962) – a widely used undergraduate Physics text.

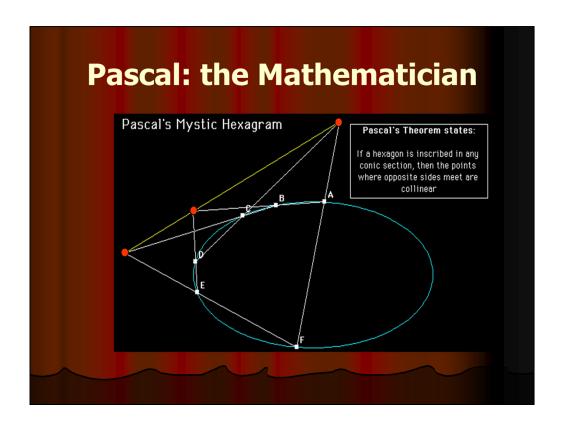
Einstein kept a photograph of Maxwell, Michael Faraday and Newton. on his study wall



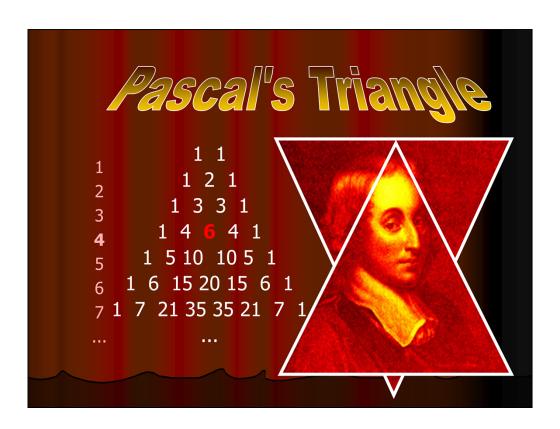
PASCAL: a high level programming language designed by Niklaus Wirth in 1974 as a teaching language for computer scientists.

Pascal's Law: the pressure in a fluid is transmitted equally to all distances and in all directions. (hydraulics!)

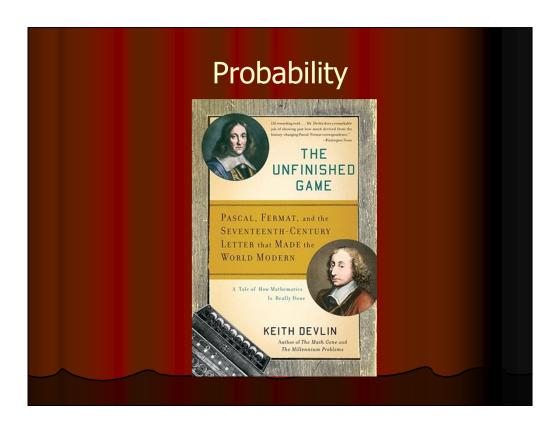
PASCAL: A unit of pressure. 1 bar equals 100,000 Pascal Pascal's triangle.



http://www.norfacad.pvt.k12.va.us/project/pascal/blaise3.htm



A table of binomial coefficients



The doctrine of probabilities dates to the correspondence of Pierre de Fermat and Blaise Pascal (1654).

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Keith Devlin, The Unfinished Game: Pascal, Fermat, and the Seventeenth-Century Letter that Made the World Modern (2010)

(This is a great book)



In 1642, Pascal began to create a machine that would be similar to an everyday calculator to help his father with his accounting job.

He finished the final model in 1645.

He presented one to Queen Christina of Sweden and he was allowed a monopoly over it by royal decree.

http://www-groups.dcs.st-and.ac.uk/~history/index.html



"The Master of us all" from Laplace

Euler: The Master of Us All William Dunham (1999)

Went blind

He had 229 Pubs – AFTER HE DIED

Euler angles defining a rotation in space. The Euler integrals of the first **Euler approximation** and second kind, namely the beta Euler brick function and gamma function. Euler characteristic in algebraic Euler's line - relation between topology and topological graph triangle centers theory, and the corresponding Euler-Mascheroni constant or Euler's formula Euler's constant  $\gamma \approx 0.577216$ Euler circle Eulerian matroid Eulerian circuit Euler's number, e, the base of Euler class the natural logarithm. Euler's constant Euler operator – set of Euler cycle functions to create polygon Euler's criterion meshes Euler derivative Euler parameters Euler diagram Eulerian path, a path through a Euler's disk graph that takes each edge once. Eulerian graph Euler polynomials Euler-Rodrigues parameters Euler pseudoprime

Things names after Euler

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Euler spline Euler transform Euler squares Euler's formula e ix =  $\cos x + i$ **Euler substitution** sin x in complex analysis. **Euler summation** Euler's formula for planar Euler system graphs or polyhedra: v - e + f = 2Euler's three-body problem Euler's formula for the critical Euler's sum of powers load of a column conjecture Euler's continued fraction Euler equations (fluid dynamics) formula Euler's equations (rigid body Euler product formula – for the dynamics) Riemann zeta function. Euler-Bernoulli beam equation Euler-Maclaurin formula Euler—Cauchy equation (Euler's summation formula) Euler-Lagrange equation Euler-Rodrigues formulas Euler-Lotka equation **Euler's homogeneous function** Euler-Poisson-Darboux theorem equation **Euler's totient function** Euler's pump and turbine Euler hypergeometric integral equation Euler's identity e in + 1 = 0. Euler-Tricomi equation Euler's four-square identity

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Euler's number, e ≈ 2.71828, Euler's idoneal numbers Euler numbers are an integer sequence.

Euler number (physics), the cavitation number in fluid dynamics.

Euler number (topology) – now, Euler characteristic

Euler–Mascheroni constant Eulerian integers are the numbers of form  $a+b\omega$  where  $\omega$  is a complex cube root of 1.

Euler's homogeneous function theorem

Euler's infinite tetration theorem

Euler's rotation theorem
Euler's theorem (differential
geometry)

Euler's theorem in geometry, relating the circumcircle and incircle of a triangle.

Euclid-Euler theorem
Euler-Fermat theorem
Euler's adding-up theorem in
economics

Euler's first law about the linear momentum of a body

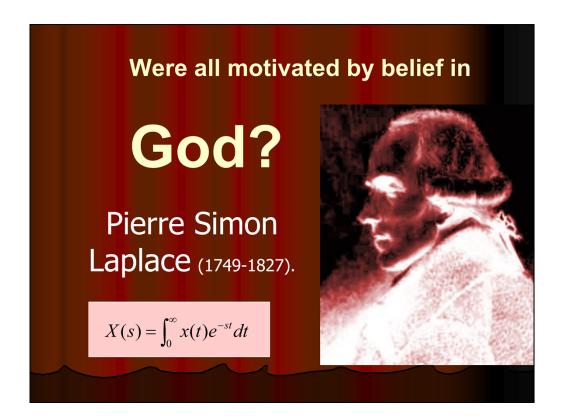
Euler's second law about the sum of the external moments about a point



# **Leonhard Euler**

"For since the fabric of the universe is most perfect and the work of a most wise Creator, nothing at all takes place in the universe in which some rule of maximum or minimum does not appear."

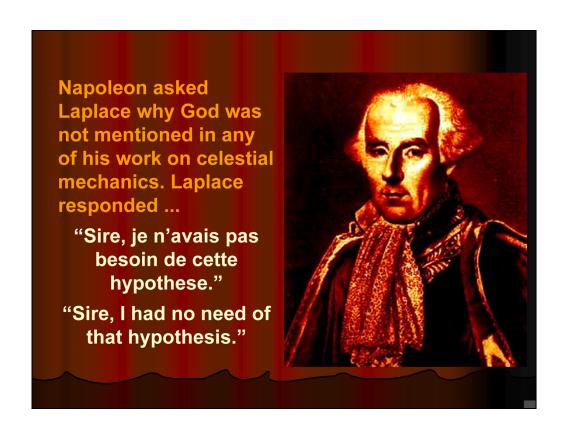




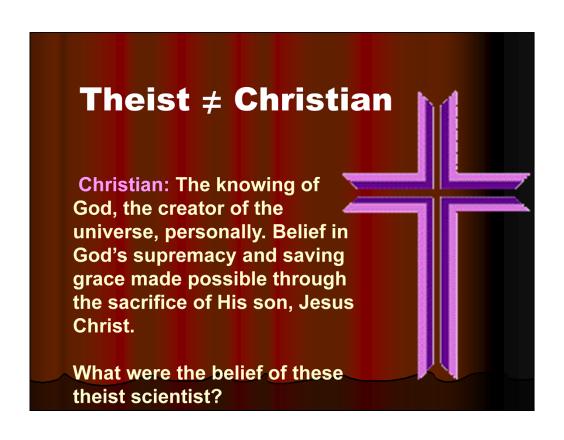
Laplace transform

Laplace Noise

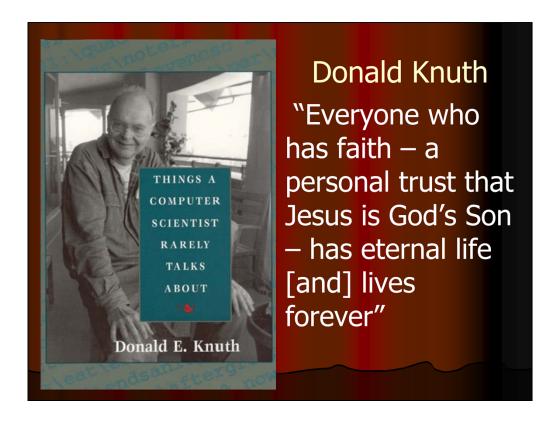
Laplace helped to establish the metric system.



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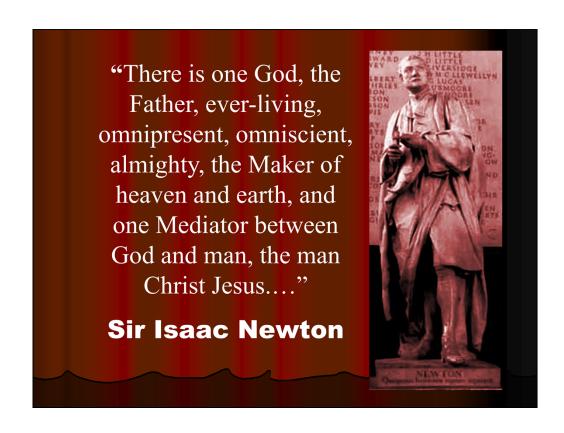
# George Washington Carver "JESUS SAID ONE MUST BE BORN AGAIN, MUST BECOME AS A LITTLE CHILD. [YOU] MUST LET NO LAZINESS, NO FEAR, NO STUBBORNNESS KEEP [YOU] FROM [YOUR] DUTY."

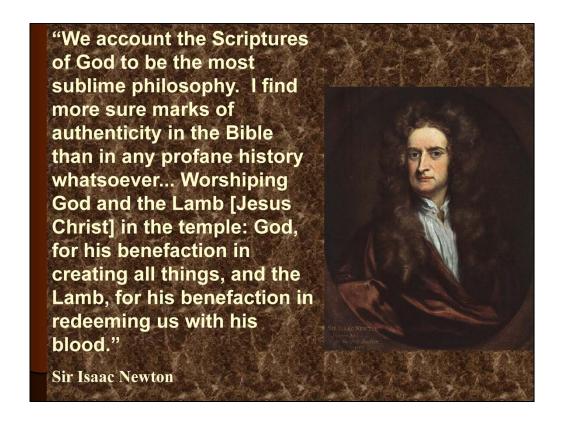


Knuth discusses his Christian faith. (He is a Lutheran).

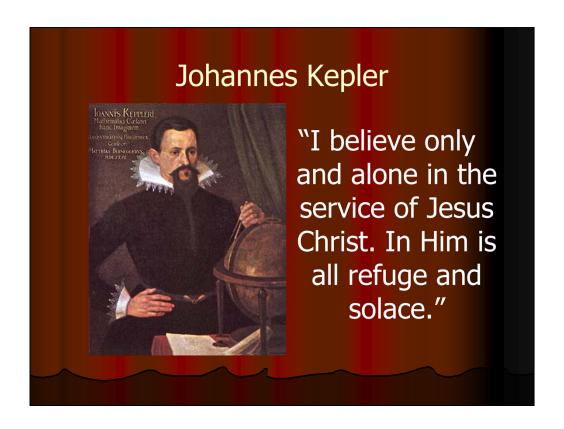
This quote is from Knuth's commentary on John 3:16.

An affirmation of how a person embrace scientific and logical disciplines be a devout Christian.

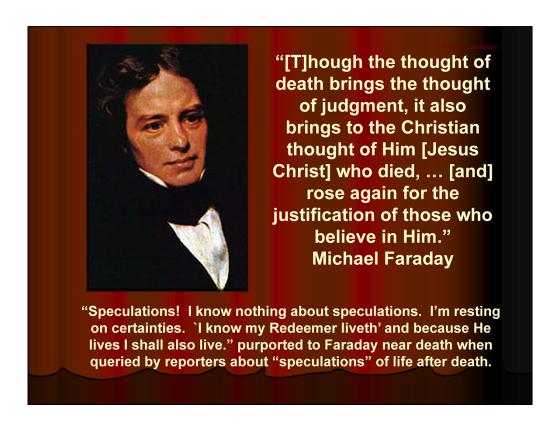




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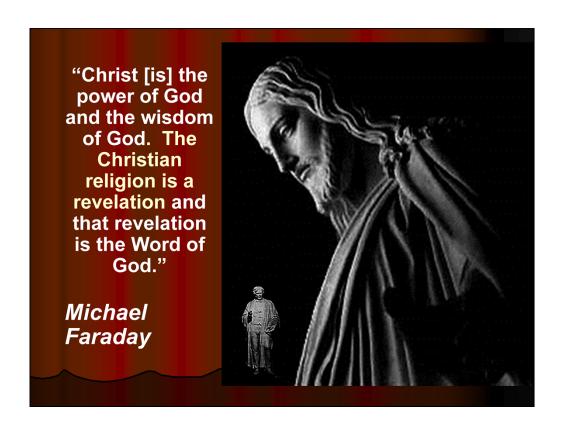
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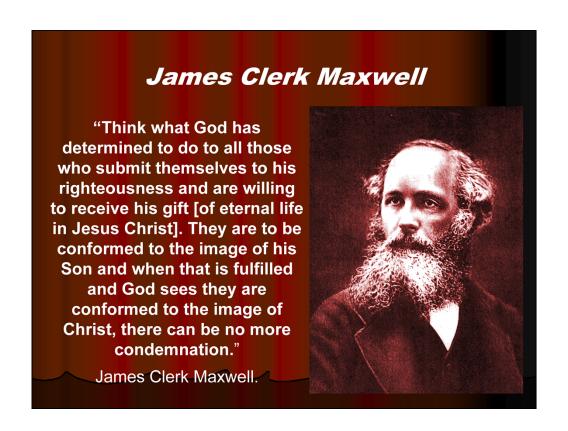
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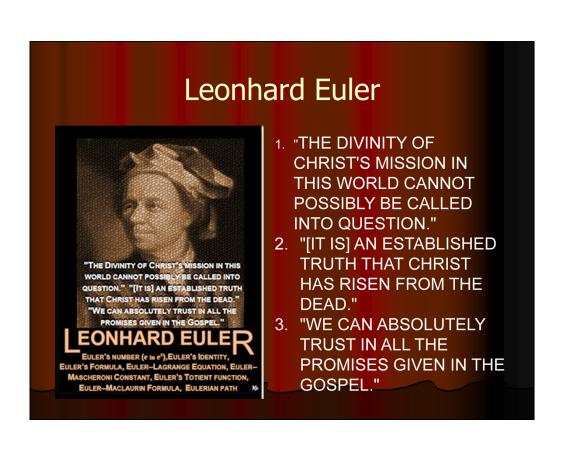
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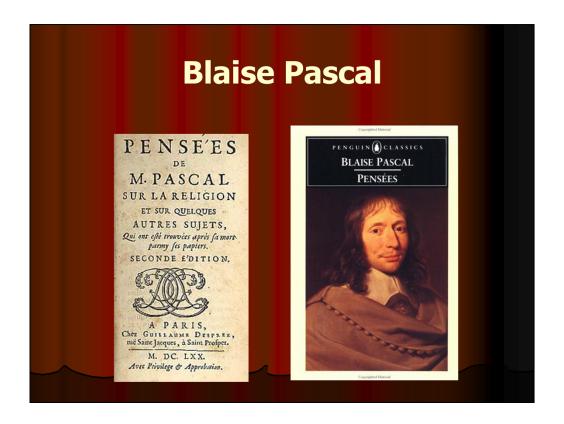


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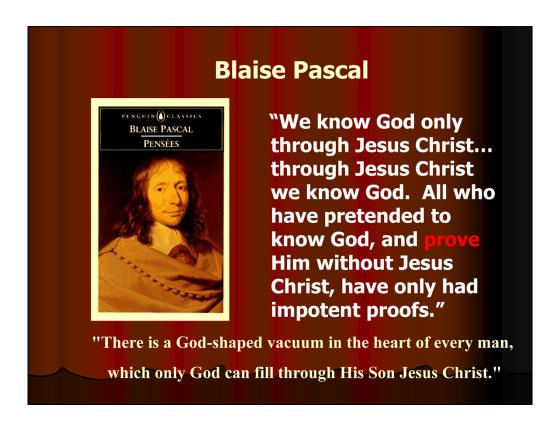




The **Pensées** (literally, "thoughts")

1670 edition Shown on left

Pascal's Pensées is a masterpiece, and a landmark in French literature.



# PASCAL's Wager

"How can anyone lose who chooses to become a Christian? If, when he dies, there turns out to be no God and his faith was in vain, he has lost nothing - in fact, he has been happier in life than his nonbelieving friends. If, however, there is a God and a heaven and hell, then he has gained heaven and his skeptical friends will have lost everything in hell!"



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Henry H. Morris, Men of Science-Men of God (El Cajon, CA: Master Books, A Division of Creation
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On November 23, 1654, Blaise Pascal's horses bolted and plunged off a bridge. Pascal was thrown into the roadway. He saw this as a warning directly from God.

That night he experienced a Christian conversion. When light flooded his room, Pascal accounts how he recognized Jesus, the Word. For the rest of his life Pascal carried around a piece of parchment sewn into his coat--a parchment inscribed with documentation of his conversion. Here are some of the contents.

## Pascal's Conversion (cont)

"Jesus Christ

I have separated myself from Him:
I have fled from Him,
denied Him,
crucified Him.

Let me never be separated from Him.
We keep hold of Him only by the ways taught in the Gospel.

Renunciation, total and sweet.

Total submission to Jesus Christ and to my director.

Eternally in joy for a day's training on earth.

"I will not forget thy words." (Ps 119:16) Amen.

# Pascal's Prayer

Almighty God, who gave your servant
Blaise Pascal a great Intellect, that he might
explore the mysteries of your creation, and
who kindled in his heart a love for you and
a devotion to your service: Mercifully give
us your servants, according to our various
callings, gifts of excellence in body, mind,
and will, and the grace to use them
diligently and to your glory, through Jesus
Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
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PRAYER (traditional language): Almighty God, who didst grant to thy servant Blaise Pascal a Great intellect, that he might explore the mysteries of thy creation, and didst kindle in his heart a love for thee and a devotion to thy service: Mercifully grant to us thy servants, according to our several callings, gifts of excellence in body, mind, and will, and the grace to use them diligently and to thy glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

(translation by Emile Caillet and John C. Blankenagel, *Great Shorter Works of Pascal*, Philadelphia, Westminster Press, 1948). See http://justus.anglican.org/resources/bio/233.html

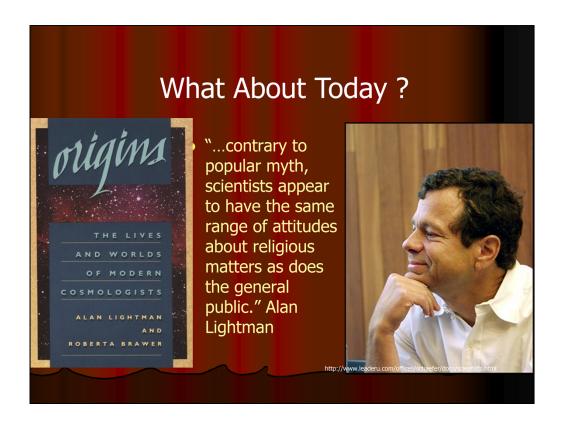


In the summer of 1970, I gave my life to Christ in the upstairs bedroom of my home in Garfield Hts. Ohio.

With clarity, I realized my fallen nature. I knew that a righteous judge would not judge me on my good deeds, only my crimes. And Christ, through his crucifixion and resurrection, would pay the penalty for my crimes if I asked. So I did, and promised I would follow him that day forward.

And that defines a Christian.





Lightman is an MIT prof publishing in Harvard Press

### **Richard Bube**

chairman of the department of materials science at Stanford said:

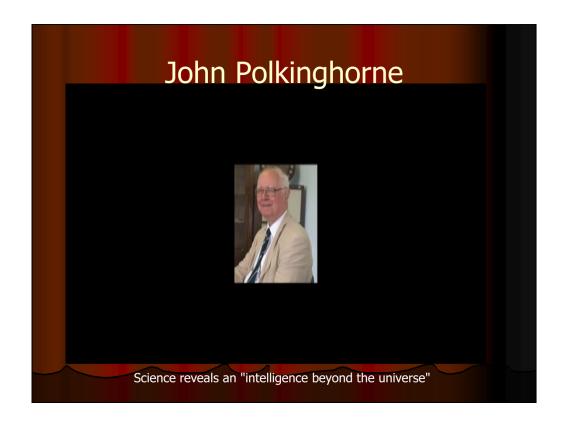
"There are proportionately as many atheistic truck drivers as there are atheistic scientists."

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(MIT) in *Origins* 1992 published by Harvard.

"References to God continued in the scientific literature until the middle to late 1800's. It seems likely that the lack of religious references after this time seem more from a change in social and professional conventions among scientists rather than from any change in underlying thought. Indeed, contrary to popular myth, scientists appear to have the same range of attitudes about religious matters as does the general public." Alan Lightman



Rev. Dr John Polkinghorne,

Knighted in 1997. Sir Rev. Dr John Polkinghorne, (technically incorrect to call him "Sir John Polkinghorne".)

Studied with Adbus Salam in Paul Dirac's group (both Nobel Prize Winners)

Professor of Mathematical physics at Cambridge from 1968 to 1979

Princeton, Berkeley, Stanford, and at CERN in Geneva

High-energy properties of Feynman integrals and the foundations of S-Matrix theory.

Polkinghorne resigned his chair to study for the priesthood, becoming an ordained Anglican priest in 1982.

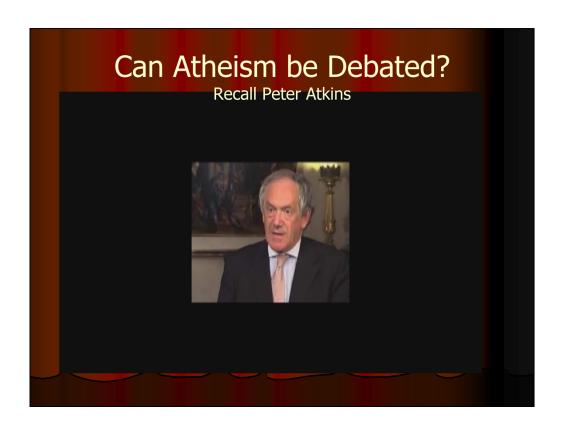
He served as the president of Queens' College, Cambridge from 1988 until 1996.

Numerous books on faith and science.

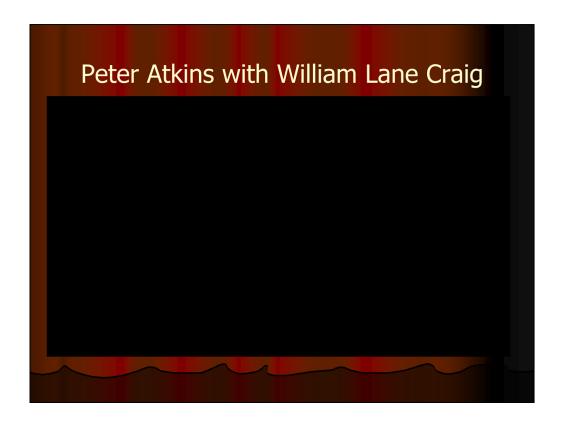
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Religon and science are complementary more today than ever (No two spheres!)

Evidence from creation. Pastuer's quote comes to mind. Romans 1:20 also



Remember Atkins' unchallenged claims from the beginning of the talk? Here they are again.



Atheists can buckle when confronted. Here is the transcript of this clip. The host is William F. Buckley who you will hear at the end say "So put that in your pipe and smoke it."

Atkins: Do you deny that science cannot account for everything?"

Craig: Yes I do deny that science...

Atkins: So what can't it account for?

Craig: Well, had you brought that up in the debate, I had a number of samples that I was going to give. I think there are a great number of things that can't be scientifically proven but are all rational to accept.

Atkins: Such as? Craig: Let me list five.

- 1. Logical and mathematical proofs cannot be proven be science. Science presupposes logic and math so that proving them by science would be arguing in a circle.
- 2. Metaphysical truth, like there are other minds other than my own or that the external world is real or that the past was not created five minutes ago with an appearance of age are rational beliefs that cannot be scientifically proven.
- 3. Ethical beliefs about statements of value are not accessible by the scientific method. You can't show by science whether the Nazi scientists in the camps did anything evil opposed to the scientists in western democracies.
- 4. Aesthetic judgements (number four) cannot be judged by the scientific method because the beautiful, like the good, cannot be scientifically proven.
- 5. And finally, and most remarkably, would be science itself. Science cannot be justified by the scientific method. Science is permeated by unprovable examples. For example, in the special theory of relativity, the whole theory hinges on the assumption that the speed of light is constant in a one way direction between any two points A and B. But that strictly cannot be proven, but we need to assume that in order to hold to the theory.

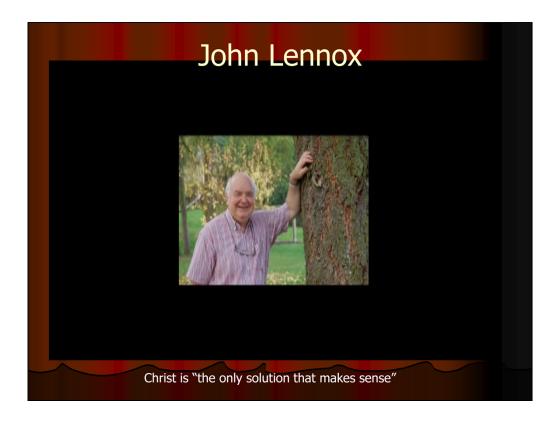
Atkins: But you're missing the whole point.

Buckley: So put that in your pipe and smoke it.

Atkins: Yeah. All right. OK.

Craig: So none of these beliefs can be scientifically proven yet they are accepted by all of us.

(The numbering of the points was added)



John Lennox is Professor of Mathematics at Oxford. He is a Fellow in Mathematics and Philosophy of Science at Green Templeton College, Oxford University.

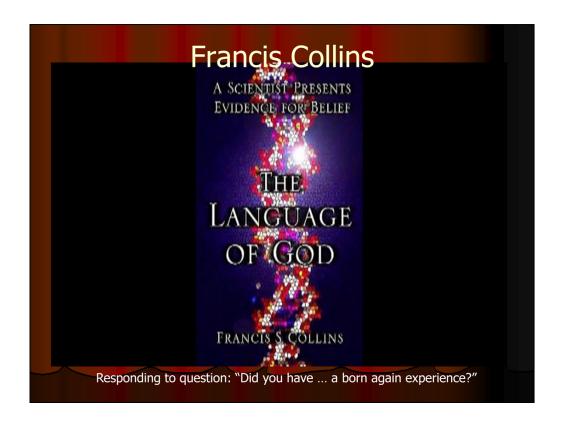
He attended the last lectures of C. S. Lewis

He debated Dawkins & Hitchens. His debate with Dawkins on youtube is great: A Christian confronting the claims of a new atheist.

Lennox asks: "Why do you believe in consciousness & energy even though you don't understand what they are?"

Christianity has explanatory power - contrary to Atkins's claim.

Conclusion: "Christ is the only solution that makes sense."

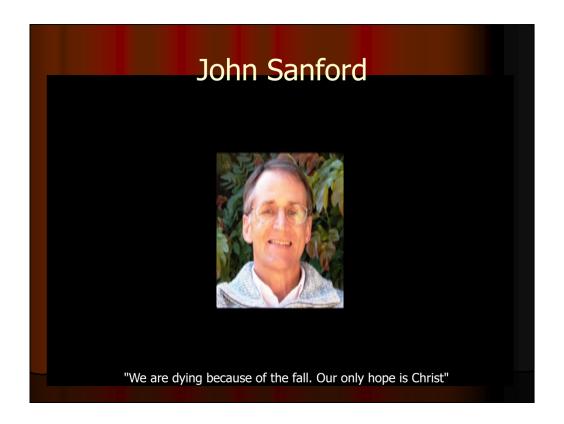


Dr. Francis S. Collins is noted for his discoveries of disease genes and for heading the Human Genome Project (HGP) which, for the first time, mapped human DNA.

Collins wrote the New York Times bestseller, The Language of God: A Scientist Presents Evidence for Belief, which discusses Collins' conversion from atheism to Christianity, and evaluates the evidence for Christianity.

A Founder of BioLogos

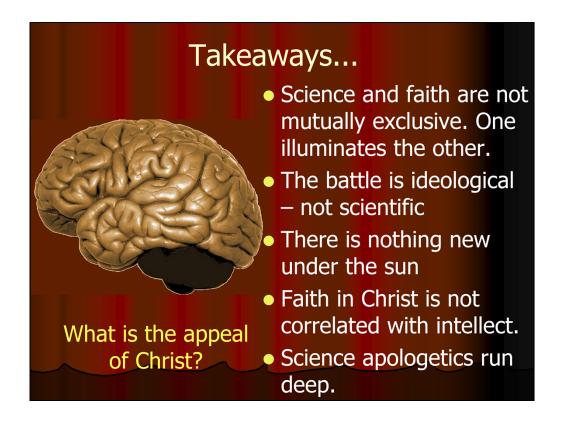
He currently serves as Director of the National Institutes of Health.



Dr. Sanford is a plant geneticist. He is prolific inventor with more than 32 issued patents. At Cornell Sanford and colleagues developed the "Biolistic Particle Delivery System" or so-called "gene gun".

Until 1998, he was a professor of Horticultural Sciences at Cornell University. In 1998 he retired on the proceeds from the sale of his biotech companies, and continued at Cornell as a courtesy associate professor.

Author of "Genetic Entropy & The Mystery Of The Genome"



Science and faith are not mutually exclusive. One illuminates the other.

The battle is ideological – not scientific. "Science is the only truth" and similar statements are not scientific (they cannot be proven by science.)

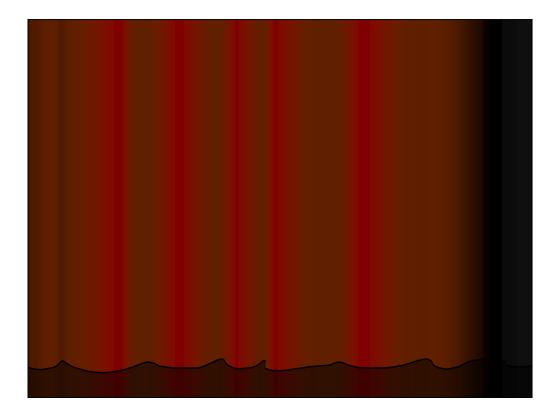
There is nothing new under the sun: Atheists have been dissing Christianity throughout history.

Faith in Christ is not correlated with intellect: A genius with a 200 IQ can embrace the Gospel. So can a child with Down Syndrome. Science apologetics run deep: One can merely swim on the surface, or one can dive deep.



For more information, go to

ChristianCalculus.com



The more thoroughly I conduct scientific research, the more I believe that science excludes atheism. <u>Lord Kelvin</u> Read more at

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The atheistic idea is so nonsensical that I cannot put it into words.

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J. J. Thomson made this statement in *Nature*,

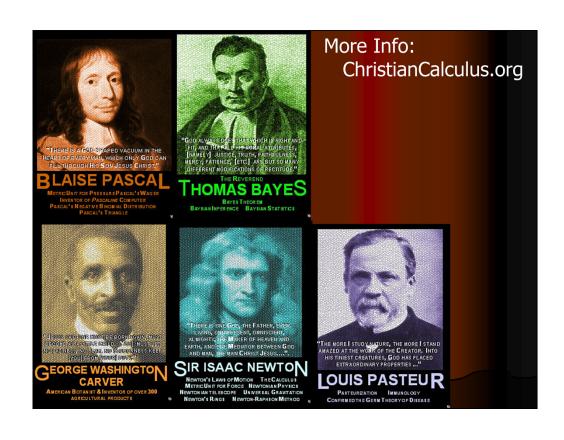
In the distance tower still higher [scientific] peaks which will yield to those who ascend them still wider prospects and deepen the feeling whose truth is emphasized by every advance in science, that great are the works of the Lord.

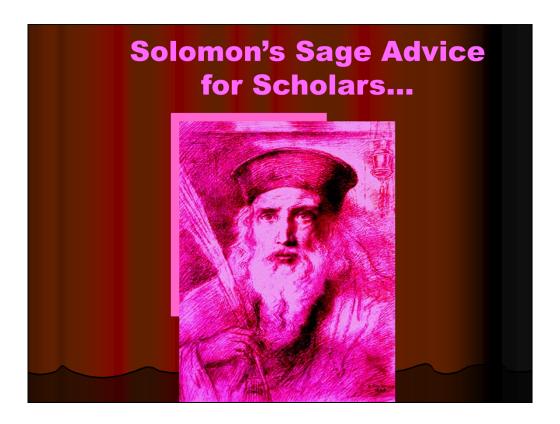
#### John Suppe

Member of the U.S. Academy of Sciences and noted professor of geology at Princeton, expert in the are of tectonics, began a long search for God as a Christian faculty member. He began attending services in the Princeton Chapel, reading the Bible and other Christian books. He committed Himself to Christ and had his first real experience of Christian fellowship in Taiwan, where he is on a fellowship. He states:

Some non–scientist Christians, when they meet a Christian, will call on to debate evolution. That is definitely the wrong thing to do. If you know what problems scientists have in their lives—pride, selfish ambition, jealousy—that's exactly the kind of thing Jesus Christ said that He came to resolve by His death on the cross. Science is full of people with very strong egos who get into conflict with each other. The gospel is the same for scientists as it is for anyone. Evolution is basically a red herring; if scientists are looking for meaning in their lives, it won't be found in evolution. I have never met a non–Christian who brought up evolution with me.







#### **OPEN RESEARCH!**

"There is no such thing as consensus science. If it's consensus, it isn't science. If it's science, it isn't consensus. Period." A lecture by Michael Crichton at California Institute of Technology (2003) [Link]

## **Ecclesiastes 12**

- 11 The words of the wise are like goads, their collected sayings like firmly embedded nails-given by one Shepherd.
- 12 Be warned, my son, of anything in addition to them.
- 12b. Of making many books there is no end, and much study wearies the body.
- 13. Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole [duty] of man.