

Firm Foundations: Faith, Science, and the Creator

Lesson 1: Two Books, One Author

Overview

We will look at God's revealed Word, and God's created world, and discuss how God has used both to reveal himself to mankind. We will also look at how two people can look at the same evidence and reach very different conclusions. Since we begin with God's Word, we can then approach the study of creation with confidence.

Key Truths

- They are two books written by the same author.
- Scripture is God's verbal revelation, Creation is God's visible revelation.
- Creation is not silent. It points to the God who made it.
- The Bible and Science are not enemies.
- People interpret evidence through a worldview.
- Christians do not need to fear careful observation of the created world.
- If there appears to be a conflict between Scripture and science, the problem is in our interpretation of the evidence.

Key Scriptures

- Psalm 19:1-4
- Romans 1:18-21
- Proverbs 1:7
- Romans 1:20

Questions We Will Discuss

1. Why does the fear of the Lord matter in the search for knowledge?
2. What does it mean to say that Scripture and creation are two books written by the same Author?
3. Why can two people look at the same evidence and reach different conclusions?
4. Why should Christians be careful not to treat science as an authority above God?

Why This Matters

- Origins affect how people view Scripture.
- Origins affect how people view authority.
- Origins affect how people think about truth, sin, history, and the gospel.
- This class is not about winning arguments. It is about learning to stand on the right foundation.