



GENESIS ACADEMY

APPLIED APOLOGETICS

Discovery & Discussion



OUR JOURNEY

5 UNITS (16 Sessions):

- ✓ **FOUNDATIONS**
- ✓ **THE IMMATERIAL**
- ✓ **SCIENCE, DESIGN & PROOF**
- ✓ **HUMAN DISTINCTIVES**
- ✓ **WORLDVIEWS & APPLICATION**

UNIT 1: Foundations

1. Why Does it Matter?
2. Does God Exist?
3. What are the Limits of Nature & Matter?

UNIT 2: The Immaterial

4. Trails of Evidence: Math, Logic & Motion
5. Trails of Evidence: Music, Light and Language
6. The Most Important Things

UNIT 3: Science, Design & Proof

7. Fine Tuned for Life
8. Living Machines: Complexity Created in Harmony
9. DNA: Life and Specified Information
10. Is the Bible True?

UNIT 4: Human Distinctives

11. Semiotics and Meaning
12. Morality and Personal Truth
13. What Makes Humans Special?

UNIT 5: Worldviews & Application

14. Christianity vs. Atheism & Other Worldviews
15. What You Learned? Objectives Review
16. Capstone: Final Discussion and Testimonies



FOUNDATIONS: REVIEW

ANSWER THE QUESTION:

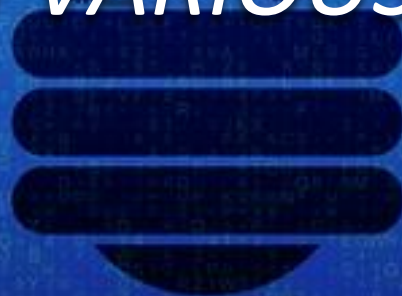
WHAT IS THE BEST EVIDENCE FOR GOD?

5 MINUTES:

DISCUSSION IN GROUPS

REVIEW KEY LEARNINGS TOGETHER

THOUGHTS FROM VARIOUS PERSPECTIVES?





EVIDENCE: *LIMITS OF MATERIALISM*

WHERE DID THESE COME FROM?

- ✓ Right and Wrong
- ✓ Universal Laws
- ✓ Mathematics
- ✓ Information
- ✓ Friendship
- ✓ Fulfilment
- ✓ Belonging
- ✓ Language
- ✓ Purpose
- ✓ Thought
- ✓ Eternal
- ✓ Beauty
- ✓ Design
- ✓ Peace
- ✓ Time
- ✓ Love
- ✓ Life
- ✓ Joy

THE BIG PROBLEM?
***NO MATERIAL OR CHEMICAL
PROCESS CAN PRODUCE THESE.***



EVIDENCE: *LIMITS OF MATERIALISM*

The Theistic Case is Far More Reasonable

“Evolution of everything from nothingness can never reasonably explain a First Cause, existence, life, love, morality, thought, consciousness or have any standard of value to determine significance in the first place.”

Why is this Strong Evidence for GOD?

Only a Living GOD can provide life itself as The First Cause.

Only a Super-intelligence could create, design, fine-tune and apply perfect mathematics clearly on display in all the universal Laws.

Only a personal GOD would communicate on so many levels in a relational way showing us goodness itself and how much He values you.



LIMITS OF MATERIALISM: A TESTIMONY



NATURALISM, A FAITH SYSTEM DEFINED

1. Matter and energy is all that exists or ever has.
2. Everything must be explained by Nature itself.

"Even if all the data points to an intelligent designer, such an hypothesis is excluded from our science because it is not Naturalistic."

Dr. Scott Todd, Kansas State University
Nature 401(6752):423, Sept. 30, 1999



EVIDENCE: *LIMITS OF MATERIAL & NATURE*

WHICH OF THESE ARE MATERIAL?

- ✓ Right and Wrong
- ✓ Universal Laws
- ✓ Mathematics
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NONE



EVIDENCE: *LIMITS OF MATERIAL & NATURE*

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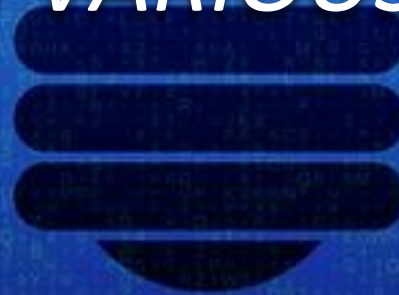
WHY CAN'T MATERIALISM ANSWER THE BIG QUESTIONS?

10 MINUTES:

DISCUSSION IN GROUPS

REVIEW KEY LEARNINGS TOGETHER

THOUGHTS FROM VARIOUS PERSPECTIVES?





HOW ARE WE DOING SO FAR?

OBJECTIVES:

- ✓ *Identify and explain powerful evidences for GOD.*
- ✓ *Engage in respectful discussions while explaining all sides.*
- ✓ *Connect scientific and philosophical evidence to Biblical Truth.*
- ✓ *Explain the failures of naturalistic explanations using evidence.*
- ✓ *Share your beliefs and personal testimony confidently with others.*



THE IMMATERIAL

WHAT IS NEW SO FAR?
DISCUSSION ON THIS UNIT!
QUESTIONS?



OVERVIEW

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✓ **FOUNDATIONS**

✓ **THE IMMATERIAL**

✓ **THE SCIENCE**

✓ **HUMAN DISTINCTIVES**

✓ **WORLDVIEWS**

UNIT 1: Foundations, Why?

1. Why it Matters + Course Overview and Map of Our Journey
2. Does God Exist? Evidence from Science and Beyond
3. The Limits of "Just Matter & Energy" Discovery of Non-Material Realities

UNIT 2: The Immaterial

4. Trails of Evidence: Math, Logic & Motion
5. Trails of Evidence: Music, Light and Language
6. The Most Important Things

UNIT 3: The Science, Proofs & Design

7. Fine-Tuning: The Universe is Perfectly Tuned for Life
8. Irreducible Complexity, Biological Machines That Can't Evolve
9. DNA: The Language of Life, Information Nature Can't Create
10. The Origin of Specified Information, Why Purpose Requires the Coder

UNIT 4: Human Distinctives, Made in His Image

11. Human Language vs. Animal Sounds, Real Meaning and Grammar
12. Morality – Where Does Right and Wrong Come From?
13. What Makes Humans Special? The Image of God, Genesis 1:27

UNIT 5: Worldviews, A Personal Application

14. Can We Trust the Bible? Prophecy, Predictions & Probability
15. Christianity vs. Atheism, Naturalism, Materialism & Other Worldviews
16. Capstone: Final Review, Discussion, Q/A and Sharing Learnings & Testimonies

THANK YOU!

ROMANS 1:20-23

“For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, being understood by what has been made so that they are without excuse. For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their reasonings, and their senseless hearts were darkened. Claiming to be wise, they became fools, and they exchanged the glory of the incorruptible God for an image in the form of corruptible mankind and birds, four-footed animals, and crawling creatures.

