



Trinity's Desert Voice

"May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus."

(Romans 15:5)

Is There Evidence For God's Existence?

The existence of God has been challenged since mankind first rebelled against Him. At that time, not the existence of God, but His relevance was questioned. Satan challenged Adam and Eve, "Did God really say...?" His implication was clear, "God and what He says shouldn't be taken seriously."

So many years later, we wonder, "How are we supposed to show our scientific world that God should be taken seriously?"

Two scientifically observable evidences are put forth in the Bible for the existence and relevance of God.

First, the Bible declares that we know there is a God from the phenomena all around us. "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge. There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard" (Psalms 19:1-3). We note that the observable "work" of God displays "knowledge" for all cultures or languages to research and study. Romans 1:20 concludes from this: "For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities-his eternal power and divine nature-have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse." Hebrews 3:4 states the case logically, "For every house is built by someone, but God is the builder of everything." If our homes must be created, why not the complexity of this universe and all that is in it?

A second piece of evidence put forth for God's existence and relevance concerns the commonality of morality as demonstrated in our conscience. Romans 2:14-15 argues, "Indeed, when Gentiles, who do not have the law, do by nature things required by the law, they are a law for themselves, even though they do not have the law, since they show that the requirements of the law are written on their hearts, their consciences

also bearing witness, and their thoughts now accusing, now even defending them.” God’s common law stands as evidence within everyone’s conscience. This evidence shows itself each time we try to justify or excuse our actions or words. This remains true even if one doesn’t specifically know God or His Ten Commandments.

God clearly exists. The issue still remains whether or not He should be taken seriously. Psalm 14:1 points out the depravity of unbelief. “The fool says in his heart, ‘There is no God.’ They are corrupt, their deeds are vile; there is no one who does good” (Psalm 14:1)

However, the good news is that same real God “was reconciling the world to Himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And He has committed to us the message of reconciliation” (2 Corinthians 5:19). Let us give faithful witness to His existence and His saving love! Pastor Smith