# GOD'S

# THREE REVELATIONS

POSITIVE PROOF FOR HIS EXISTENCE

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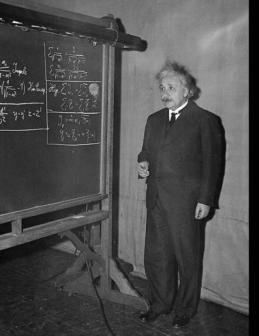
HIS LOVE

#### WHERE DID GOD COME FROM?

Try to imagine nothing exists: There is no sun, no moon, no stars, and no galaxies. There are no elements such as carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, or oxygen. There are no such things as time, space, matter, or energy. There is no heaven, there is no God, there's nothing—but nothing!

If there ever was a time when nothing existed, what would exist now? If there ever was a time when nothing existed, then nothing would exist now—therefore, something must be eternal!

So, why is there something rather than nothing? You only have two choices; either God is eternal and uncreated, or matter is eternal and uncreated. In 1910 Albert Einstein published his Theory of Relativity. His mathematical equation (math being a perfect science) provided proof that time, space, and *matter* (which is energy) were not eternal. Einstein's equation is the basis of all science. If time, space, and matter are not constant, scientific experimentation would be meaningless. So, either no one made everything, or there's an intelligent designer behind it all!



Incredibly, Einstein's discovery supported the Biblical account of creation perfectly.

The very first verse in the Bible says,

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the Earth."

In the beginning (that's time), God created (that's energy), the heavens (that's space), and the Earth (that's matter)!

That's quite a coincidence!

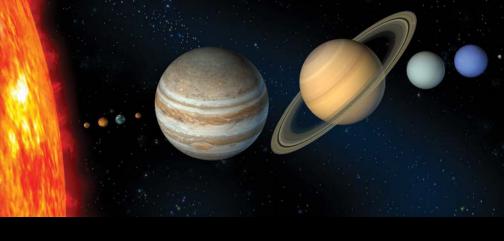
# GOD'S FIRST REVELATION

#### THE UNIVERSE AND LIFE ITSELF

The heavens declare the glory of God; And the sky shows His Handiwork. Day after day they speak, And night after night they reveal knowledge. There is no speech nor language where their voice is not heard (Psalms 19:1-3).

In other words, all a thinking person has to do is take a good look at the sun, the moon, and the stars to *know* that anything so complex, so powerful, so perfectly designed, and well balanced as is our world, could in no way have made itself! Isn't the Mona Lisa positive proof there had to be a genius like Leonardo da Vinci to produce it, even though none of us have ever actually seen him?

When you look at a skyscraper in a city like Chicago, aren't the buildings themselves empirical proof of a designer and builder? Do you have to see them to know they exist?



As passengers on Starship Earth, we are currently flying through time and space at a cruising speed of 67,000 miles an hour. We make the 584,000,000 mile journey around the Sun once every 365.25 days. Our "on-time" arrival record is better than any train or airline in the world! How is that possible? What makes the world go around?

#### WHERE DOES THE UNIVERSE END?

The Milky Way Galaxy is 100,000 light years across and 10,000 light years in diameter. To get from one end of the galaxy to the other, you would have to travel at the speed of light (186,000 miles per second, or 670,000,000 miles an hour) for 100,000 years!

**The Sun** is large enough to contain 1,300,000 planets the size of Earth. A small star, the Sun is actually a fusion reactor consuming 400 to 700,000,000 tons of hydrogen per second. It's 10,000° on the surface and 28,000,000° at the core.

Our Galaxy (with 100-400 billion stars), is revolving like a giant cosmic Ferris wheel. While the Earth orbits the Sun, the entire solar system revolves around the center of the galaxy covering 32 million miles a day. At 500,000 miles an hour, it will take 250 million years to complete one orbit known as a Galactic year.

Albert Einstein admitted, "Our limited minds cannot begin to grasp the mysterious force that moves the Constellations."

How much power is required to spin the galaxy? How do all the stars march in place? When you consider the power of the Sun, then consider there are trillions of trillions of stars, where did all this power come from? The Bible provides the answer.



And the strength of His power; Not one is missing" (Isaiah 40:26).

**Your brain** is the most complex thing known to science. An estimated 100 billion cells make up to 100 trillion electrical connections—1,000 times more than the stars in the Milky Way. By contrast, the fastest supercomputer in the world cost \$100,000,000, is as large as a 6,000 square foot house, and still cannot produce one original thought.

**Your heart** beats 100,000 times to deliver 2,000 gallons of blood for thousands of miles every day (imagine trying to carry that much water)! Your body has 60,000 miles of blood lines, enough to go around the world almost three times!

Your eye has 137,000,000 light-sensitive cells, which translate everything you see instantaneously to the brain, and your brain sees. And, it all runs on bread and water!

Charles Darwin (150 years ago, before the invention of the electron microscope) believed cells were simple, and could have evolved by chance. Today we know a single cell of DNA is the most densely packed and elaborate assembly of coded information known to science. One cell contains enough information to fill a 1,000 volume set of encyclopedias, each with 500 pages. Coded information (even "I love you" written in the sand) requires intelligence, not random chance. Darwin was dead wrong!

Darwin also said the fossil record would eventually prove his theory. To this day, not one, clear example of a fossil showing an intermediate life form has been discovered. Darwinian evolution has never been observed, and represents the greatest hoax ever presented to the mind of man.



# This is a Baby Only Eight Weeks After Conception!

The moment you were conceived, two cells became one, and then miraculously the one became two, and continued to multiply exponentially. Nine months later, a fully–formed human being (made up of trillions of extremely complex, tiny, little machines called cells, which continue to reproduce themselves) was born, and it was you!

# GOD'S SECOND REVELATION THE WORD OF GOD—WRITTEN AND LIVING

The Bible answers the most profound questions beating in the human heart: Who am I? Where did I come from? Why am I here? Where am I going when I die? If there is no God, then life has no meaning, and the world is an inexplicable riddle. If the Bible is true, life has meaning, love matters, and the history of the human race is satisfactorily explained.

#### How Do We Know the Bible Is True?

Qualified American science professors and Ph.D. astrophysicists tell us that the odds of the more than 2,500 Bible prophesies being fulfilled by chance are 1 with 2,000 zeroes after it. According to the mathematical science of probability, if a number has more than 50 zeros after it, the odds of that happening by chance is virtually impossible!

Prophecy is positive proof the Scriptures are inspired by God. Only someone with omniscience can predict the future with 100% accuracy. Why prophecy?



## "So that the nations may know that I am the LORD!"

More than 2,500 years ago, the Bible said that Israel would be destroyed, and the land would remain desolate for a long period of time. Then, in the last days, the Jews would return to the land. In A.D. 70, Jerusalem was destroyed by the Roman Empire, and the Jewish people were scattered to the four corners of the Earth. Miraculously, they remained a distinct race of people with no homeland for almost 2,000 years. Then after World War II, they began returning to the land. On May 14, 1948, the United Nations recognized Israel as a sovereign state, precisely as the Bible predicted thousands of years earlier in: Isaiah 11:1-12; 43:5-7, Ezekiel 36-38 & Jer. 16:14-16, 31, and many more passages.



In Zechariah 12-14, the Bible says, the last war of the world will be fought over Israel. But, the book of Revelation promises a new heaven and a new Earth where righteousness dwells. "...Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away" (Rev. 21).

### The Living Word—Jesus Christ

If God came to Earth as a man, you would expect Him to say and do things that would clearly distinguish Him from all other men. Jesus said, "Love your enemies." When His enemies nailed Him to the cross, He was in unimaginable pain from head-to-toe. His accusers laughed, mocked, ridiculed, and spat at Him. The Roman soldiers were throwing dice at the foot of the cross to see who would keep His clothes. It was in that horrible humiliation and the pain of death that Jesus prayed for His enemies. He cried out saying,

#### "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

This selfless concern for others, in the unimaginable pain of crucifixion, was so profound, so completely antithetical to human nature, the thief on his right (also being crucified) had a revelation—Jesus truly was divine. This dying man confessed his sin then cried out to Jesus and said, "Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom." And Jesus replied,

#### "This day you shall be with Me in Paradise."

Who would make up such a story and expect anyone to believe it? Where else can you find a more compelling or authoritative demonstration of love in all of history? No ordinary man could have expressed such selfless love for the eternal destiny of the very people who were responsible for His suffering. You will not find this kind of love in any other religion, philosophy, or system of thought. Between Jesus Christ and every other person, there is no possible term of comparison. Read Matthew chapters 5-7 to see for yourself!



We live in the 21st century A.D. (an abbreviation for the Latin words, Anno Domini) meaning, "In the year of our Lord." Jesus had such a profound impact on the world by what He said and by what He did, the world marks time by His life and by His death. Why? Because three days after He was crucified, He raised himself from the dead by His own power! His last words were, "It is finished." The sin debt was paid-in-full!

# GOD'S THIRD REVELATION

#### Conscience and the Moral Law

No man will stand before God with any excuse for ignoring or denying Him. Everyone knows in their heart: It's wrong to murder, it's wrong to commit adultery, it's wrong to steal, it's wrong to lie, and it's wrong to jealously desire what belongs to someone else. God calls it "sin." Imagine what the world would be like if we all obeyed these commandments?

How many sins do you have to commit to be a sinner? The same number of times Adam and Eve had to eat the forbidden fruit. How many times do you have to lie or steal to be a liar or a thief? The same number of times you have to murder to be a murderer—just once. What would you expect? God is perfect. If He overlooked even one sin He would be unjust!

The Bible says, ". . . all have sinned and come short of God's perfect standard, and the penalty for sin is death (that is why all men die), but the free gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ" (Rom. 3:23, 6:23).



### The Question of Evil

God gave man freewill; that is the only way love can work. God wants you to love Him, because He loves you, not because you have to. Forced love is a contradiction in terms. It is man who chooses to do evil. And besides, how would you know anything was evil unless there was a standard of "good" to measure it by? Because God is good.

#### How Does God Reconcile Justice and Mercy?

If God is perfectly just (He must punish sin), and God is perfectly merciful, how can He forgive sin without compromising His justice? It's called—the cross!

Since the penalty for sin is death (and eternal separation from God), in order for a savior to save you, he would have to be sinless and die for you. "God demonstrated His love in that while we were sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:8).

That is what makes Christianity unique; it's called—grace!

"For God so loved the world, He gave His only begotten son so that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

It wasn't the nails that held Christ to the cross, it was His love for you.

#### Heaven and Hell

God's Word says there is a real place called heaven, and a real place called hell. You have a choice: You can suppress the truth, deny you are a sinner, and receive the just penalty for sin. Or, you can humble yourself, repent (ask for God's forgiveness and stop living as if He does not exist), and receive mercy. He loves you, and wants you to make the right choice.

God's Word says,

"I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, the blessing and curse. So choose life in order that you may live" (Deut. 30:19).

"...you will seek the Lord your God, and you will find Him if you seek Him with all your heart and with all your soul" (Deut. 4:29).

Here is God's promise from Romans 10:9,

"If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved."

## A Short Course in Comparative Religion

Buddha: "I am a teacher in search of truth."

Jesus: "I am the truth."

Confucius: "I never claimed to be holy."

Jesus: "Which one of you convicts Me of sin?"

**Mohammed:** "Unless God covers me with a cloak of mercy I have no hope." **Jesus:** "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live."

None of these other men ever claimed to be God. They all said, "God is this way; go this way."

Jesus said: "I am the way, the truth and the life; no man comes to the Father but by Me."

## Who speaks with more authority?



"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me."

-Jesus Christ (Revelation 3:20)



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