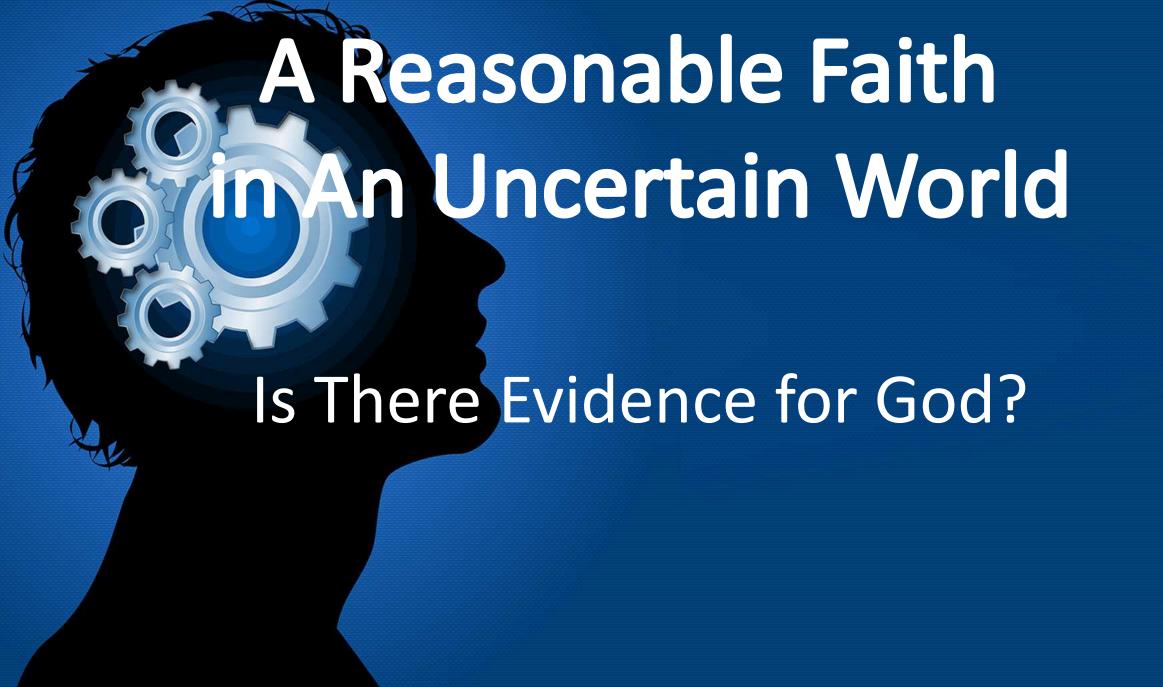
A Reasonable Faith World

Is believing in God and Jesus Christ a matter of blind faith or are there reasons to believe?





That which conforms to reality, fact, or actuality.

Four Things We Affirm About Truth



It Exists

It is Knowable

It is Absolute

It is Exclusive

Truth and Reality Evoke No Behavior. All Behavior is Based on People's Perception and Interpretation of Truth and Reality

Paul Hersey and Kenneth H. Blanchard Management of Organizational Behavior

When a person says...



I Don't Believe in God!

There is No God!

We Should...



Not Be Defensive Ask Clarifying Question

In your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect.

- 1 Peter 3:15 (ESV)

Be an Analyst

Some Questions You Could Ask:

- Would you tell me why you say that?
- That surprises me. Would you share how you came to that conclusion?
- Would you share with me your concept of the God people believe in?



Romans 1:19-23 (ESV)

For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. 20 For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.

Romans 1:19-23 (ESV)

21 For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. 22 Claiming to be wise, they became fools, 23 and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.

- Design (Complexity of Earth)
 - Perfect size
 - Right distance from the sun
 - Moon is perfect size and distance
 - Water

- The Human Brain
 - Takes in all the colors & objects you see and the sounds you hear
 - Senses the temperature around you
 - Holds and processes all your emotions, thoughts, and memories

The Human Brain

Keeps track of all ongoing functions of the body.

Processes about a million messages per second

"I regard the brain as a computer which will stop working when its components fail. There is no heaven or afterlife for broken down computers; that is a fairy story for people afraid of the dark." — Stephen Hawking

I wish I could have asked Mr. Hawking who he thought designed the human brain. The designers at HP, Apple, Dell, or Lenovo have developed amazing computers, but none come even close to the amazing capabilities of the human mind. Who do you think designed the human brain? The Master Designer—God Himself. – Franklin Graham

I wish Stephen Hawking could have seen the simple truth that God is the Creator of the universe he loved to study and everything in it. - Franklin Graham

- DNA
 - Every cell has detailed instruction encoded within it
 - Very detailed in how one's body should develop

- DNA
 - Resembles computer code
 - 0 110010101011000
 - CGTGTGACTCGCTCCTGAT
 - 3 Billion of these letters in every human cell

"It is humbling for me and awe inspiring to realize that we have caught the first glimpse of our own instruction book, previously known only to God." — Dr. Francis Collins,

Director of the Human Genome Project

"Super-intelligence is the only good explanation for the origin of life and the complexity of nature." - Dr. Anthony Flew,

Philosopher and Ex-Atheist

Why is this important? Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. John 14:6 (ESV)