



Dear Reader:

Christianity is today mostly an empty and symbolic religion. Most people in the United States who identify as Christian know very little about the religion they profess. The evidence shows that in less than 20 years a majority of people in the United States will not even believe in God.

The most recent evidence about the religious knowledge of Christians is startling. 85% of Christians do not know how salvation works. 35% of Christians cannot name the first book of the Bible. 50% of Christians cannot name the four Gospels. 43% of Christians do not know the Golden rule is not one of the Ten Commandments.

If those statistics were not bad enough, one of the largest church surveys ever taken reveals that most young people who are educated in Christian schools have no assurance of their salvation. Even in strong churches, 60% of the youth leave before they reach 25 years of age.

The fastest growing religion in the United States is to have no religion at all. Crisis is not too strong a word to use for the spiritual state of the churches. The time for business as usual is over.

POWERSTATION.ORG's Origins and Basic Assumptions is designed to ask the questions and give the answers that rarely get asked or answered in church. Real thinkers and real searchers demand and deserve real answers that can stand the test of rigorous argument, science, logic and satisfy the demands of good theory. If your religion or system of belief cannot pass those tests, I suggest you get a new religion or belief system.

POWERSTATION.ORG's Origins and Basic Assumptions module provides the most up to date evidence for the nine basic assumptions that most churches take for granted but never seriously demonstrate to be true. Origins and Basic Assumptions will teach thinkers and searchers why the Bible passes the test of science and why the best scientific evidence shows that God Almighty created all life, the visible universe, solar system and planet Earth recently.

The entire salvation of humankind is totally dependent on Christ being the creator of humankind. If you are tired of empty, baseless claims about origins and you want the real deal, this is it.

Yours,
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Origins & Basic Assumptions

The scientific, historical and theological questions most Christians take for granted but for which the world demands and deserves answers

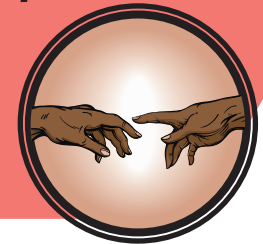


Basic Preliminary Assumptions

Basic Science Assumptions



Basic Theological Assumptions



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“The laws of nature are not self-acting but are the continuing expression of God’s will and creative power.” *Genesis and Geology*, Francis D. Nichol. 1978

If God did not Create the World, the Salvation of Humankind is Impossible

Colossians 1:13 For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, 14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. 15 The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. 17 He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18 And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. 19 For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, 20 and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. NIV

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. 4 In him was life, and that life was the light of men. NIV

You are Supposed to Know How the Atonement Works

Colossians 2:1 I want you to know how much I am struggling for you and for those at Laodicea, and for all who have not met me personally. 2 My purpose is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, 3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. 4 I tell you this so that no one may deceive you by fine-sounding arguments. NIV

You are Supposed to Use Logic, Reason and Analysis

2Timothy. 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. KJV

Isaiah. 1:18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. KJV

Hosea. 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children. KJV

If God Exists, and if God is Just, the Creation must be Recent

Luke 18:6 And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. 7 And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? 8 I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?” NIV

Origins and Basic Assumptions — Origin questions are fundamental to an understanding of who we are, where we came from, where we are going, morality, virtue, courage, faith, hope and most of all, victory. A very recent creation by a supreme intelligence is the origin theory with the strongest scientific support, based on what is actually observed, on the origin of life, humanity, the physical world and the universe.

A. Basic Preliminary Assumptions

Assumption 1. Critical thinking, formal argument, science and good theory are the best tools to determine what is true.

Assumption 2. Origins are ethnically and racially defined questions.

Assumption 3. Human origin theories are divided between two mutually exclusive ideas:
i. Recent creation by a supreme intelligence and ii. Evolution by random processes and natural selection.

B. Basic Science Assumptions

Assumption 4. Where there is a design, there must be a designer. The order and complexity in nature not only implies a designer but demands a supreme technology far beyond the mind or imagination of man.

Assumption 5. The Earth is young. Observation and good theory show the Earth and physical universe are young, measured in thousands, not millions or billions of years.

Assumption 6. Evolution violates natural law while it purports to be naturalistic. The Theory of Evolution contradicts itself. The Origin of biological life and order in the physical universe are too complex to have come about by random selection or processes that have come to be known as evolution. Evolution violates almost all known natural principals.

C. Basic Theological Assumptions

Assumption 7. God exists.

Assumption 8. The Bible is an accurate record of events and can be trusted as a source for legal, historical, scientific and spiritual information.

Assumption 9. A human soul is a unification of mind, body and spirit. There is only one you, one consciousness, there is no soul apart from a mind and body. God respects who you are.

