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How can we know there is a God?



God's creation plainly reveals His wisdom (Ps. 19:1; Prov. 3:19) so we are without excuse (Rom. 1:18–20). Our moral conscience knows right and wrong, pointing to a moral lawgiver (God) (Rom. 2:14–15). The Scriptures are God's Word given to us by God revealing the way of salvation (1 Cor. 1:21–24; 2 Tim. 3:15).

"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork."

Psalm 19:1

"The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens."

Proverbs 3:19

"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse."

Romans 1:18-20

"For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves: Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another."

Romans 2:14-15

"For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom: But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling block, and unto the Greeks foolishness; But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God."

1 Corinthians 1:21-24

"And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus."

2 Timothy 3:15

FOUNDATIONAL TRUTH #1

We know God through creation and the Scriptures

In Action

Strive this week to make your actions like those desired by God, found in the teachings of the Scriptures. Each day, identify an opportunity to act in a way that reflects God's wisdom and moral standards. This could involve acts of kindness, forgiveness, love, or seeking justice.

Definitions

Creation

Describes the universe, starting with Earth and all living things made by God in six days. God created the world and everything in it through His divine command, culminating in the creation of humanity in His image.

Unrighteousness

Signifies moral wrongdoing or actions that are opposite of the righteous and just standards set by God, often associated with sin and disobedience to God's commandments.

Wisdom

The ability to apply knowledge, understanding, and discernment in a way that aligns with God's truth and leads to righteous living and a deep relationship with God.

Scripture Checklist

■ Psalm 19:1

■ Proverbs 3:19

■ Romans 1:18-20

■ Romans 2:14-15

■ 1 Corinthians 1:21-24

■ 2 Timothy 3:15

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Prayer for This Week

Dear Lord, as we embark on this week, we stand in awe of Your creation. Your creation plainly reveals Your wisdom and grandeur. We are humbled and without excuse, for You have made Your presence and wisdom evident through what You have created. We understand that the Scriptures are divinely inspired and a revelation of Your truth. It shows us the way of salvation, guiding us toward a deeper understanding of Your purpose and love. We offer this week to You, seeking to honor Your wisdom revealed in creation and through Your Word. May we live our lives in a manner that reflects Your wisdom and grace, sharing the message of salvation with those around us. In the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, we pray.

Amen