

Blind Faith?



Are you a sighted person? Have you witnessed the beauty within our world? If the answer to the first question is “yes,” the answer to the second is also “yes,” whether you realize it or not.

A vision-impaired individual can ask others to describe our awesome surroundings. We can try to explain what we see, but how do we explain the color green, or a rainbow painted above a water fall to one who has never seen light? So it is said that we take God by blind faith.

As far as I know, I have never seen God physically doing anything. I have never seen photographs of the cross or of Noah’s ark, or spoken to someone who saw Jesus. So as the visually impaired person takes our word about the beauty of a peacock’s plumage, we take God by blind faith, right?

I believe that the civil war took place, though I was not there. I have never spoken to anyone that was there; however, I am 100% certain it happened. I have proof. My grandfather’s father was there when it ensued, and in fact fought against inequality at Gettysburg. I never knew my great grandfather, but I knew someone that knew him. Many accounts have been written about the civil war, including Gettysburg. I toured the battlefield at Gettysburg. I know beyond a shadow of a doubt that there was a civil war including a battle in the little town of Gettysburg.

It is too bad we can’t prove the existence of God as easily as the physical, oral, and written evidence proves beyond doubt the reality of the civil war (or can we?). So again I ask, we say we take Him by “blind faith,” right?

On a daily basis there are men and women who receive prison sentences, some the death penalty. They are arrested by police and then prosecuted by attorneys, judges, and juries, none of whom were there to witness the crime. Witnesses “blind” to the crime proved their guilt. How can we relate that to blind faith and proving the existence of God?

You could attempt this proof if you could teleport yourself to a vantage point back in time, and see anything and everything that ever happened. You could establish facts by first person witnessing of acts of God that would prove His existence. What would you need to see?

THE CREATION (Genesis 1:1-31)

Do we not see the evidence of creation first hand every day? The only “accepted” alternative is evolution, a theory. Evolution is incredulous. There are no scientific tests or discoveries that “prove” evolution. In fact, the recent science I have seen supports special creation by a designer with purpose. Evolution is a lie.

FIRST SIN (Genesis 3:1-19)

Just as my grandfather knew my great grandfather, someone who knew someone recorded the account of Eve succumbing to Satan's temptation in what was until then a perfect world (Genesis 1:31). This first sin not only happened, it brought the death sentence to mankind along with sickness, hard work, and suffering. The person who knew someone who knew someone knew Adam who knew God.

NOAH'S FLOOD (Genesis chapters 6-8)

Perhaps one day we will find Noah's ark on the mountains of Ararat. We don't have to find the ark to prove a worldwide flood. We have found the evidence of the flood: mats of vegetation turned to coal and oil, marine fossils on the top of the tallest mountains, fossils buried in thick layers of roiled-up earth, fossils found out of evolutionary sequence. The flood evidence ties biblical history to Noah, who knew God.

JESUS' BIRTH (Luke 2:6-14)

Shepherds saw Jesus after He was born. Wise men saw him later. This is documented in written history. At age 12 Jesus amazed teachers at the temple. This corroborates that He was special. Thousands followed Him and received blessings from Him. This is written.

THE CROSS (Luke 23:1-56)

The cross was a big event 2000 years ago. Throngs were interested one way or the other. It was their headline news. Again, there were witnesses and resultant recorded history. No one made this up. Jesus lived, taught, suffered, and then He died.

THE RESURRECTION (Matthew 28:1-10)

Wow! This was big, too. Jesus' loved ones saw Him alive again. Thomas placed his fingers in the nail holes in Christ's body. This event didn't just occur, it was prophesied. It would have been very controversial. The event was included in a book called the Bible, which is today being verified as accurate history.

THE ASCENSION (Mark 16:19)

As if rising from the dead would not be enough, Jesus later ascended into heaven, in front of witnesses, to sit at the right hand of God, His Father. Once again, this event is documented history.

MANY CHOOSE not to believe in God. They would question the reliability and authenticity of the Bible. Remember also that even today there are defense attorneys who try to discredit the solid evidence in a trial, even evidence as ironclad as that in the Bible. Satan was able to deceive Eve, don't let him deceive you. Nevertheless, the evidence does prove the existence of God.

BECAUSE OF FIRST SIN, WE ARE DESTINED TO DIE

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; (Romans 3:23). Even so, God loves us and provided a substitute to pay for our sins: *For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.* (John 3:16). Salvation from our sins is for anyone who will accept God's gift. It is an exclusive club, but anyone can join: *But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:* (John 1:12).

Will you "join the club" now? To accept Jesus as your Savior, pray: "Dear Father in Heaven, I know I am a sinner. I am truly sorry for my sins. I repent and ask that you will forgive me and help me

turn from my sins. I accept Jesus as my Savior. From this day forward I will strive to live for Him. Dear LORD Jesus, please come into my heart. Amen.”

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