

Natural Science—Poor Science

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I. Introduction.

A. In modern philosophy, everything has become cause and effect. Morals are relative.

II. How we have come to this place.

A. Modern science rejects theories that do not agree with the facts.

B. The more the universe is studied the more order becomes apparent.

C. If it can be shown that something conforms to external phenomena, the scientist changes his ideas.

D. For some it results in an anything goes mentality.

E. Real scientific theory leads towards greater and greater unity not more and more chaos.

F. Correspondence theory: the best workers are those who find cracks in the old theory that better explain the new.

III. Even though philosophy is saying we live in the day of absurdity, science is saying that there is greater unity.

A. The previous structure is never totally rejected in new discoveries.

B. Naturalistic science is bad science.

IV. Pneumonical functions.

A. Science has been moving towards a unique truth that there are universals.

B. Changes in scientific theory always go toward more unity that covers the particulars in contrast to biological evolution that promotes more diversity.

V. Modern philosophy has given up unity, so it has ceased to be philosophy.

VI. Science does not explain personality—it's a major crack in their system.

VII. How modern science began.

A. Only Christianity has produced a science.

1. Christianity was needed to establish that the external universe is real.

2. It explains why there is order and why there is anything at all.

3. Modern science could not have been started by modern scientific concepts such as the leap of faith and randomness.

B. Science is always moving in the direction of laws and universals. Naturalistic science doesn't have any reason for believing what it believes unless there is an outside cause.

C. Modern science has no explanation for the order it finds. Some have to become mystics without intellectual integrity.

D. Everywhere you find man, you find that people have always thought that they have had a mission.

E. We have an external world that operates by cause and effect and something outside of it that is not governed by the laws of cause and effect--namely, personality.

F. Man who rejects God is not only philosophically or morally foolish--he is scientifically foolish.

G. Christianity explains the uniqueness of man whereas modern science cannot.

H. The Christian universal makes science itself scientific.

I. Following the scientific method, biblical Christianity can practice good science.

F. Naturalism is poor science. Biblical Christianity can lead us to good science.

VIII. Can Christianity be science?

A. Without cosmology there is no history.

B. Christians begin by saying there is a way to disprove cosmology either by history or cosmology.

C. All the signposts of creation point to the God of the Bible. (Romans 1)

Application questions:

1. What is ironic about modern moves in science as compared to those in philosophy?

2. Why is true science dependent upon Christianity?

3. What is surprising about evolution with regards to the unity assumed in most modern science?
