

science taught. Today, we know that the world is like a sphere. It took about 2500 years after it was written about in the Bible for scientists to show it.

For centuries the bubonic plague (also known as black death) killed millions upon millions of people. The disease spread by fleas from infected rats to humans. Humans lymph glands would swell and ooze pus. Those who worked with the sick would go from bed to bed

touching other patients without washing their hands! When people died, the body was taken from a bed and another patient put in the bed before it had even cooled. The infectious disease was spread to others through contact. Joseph Lister discovered that germs caused pus and that infection could be spread by touching it. Yet about 3,400 years before Lister's discovery, it had been **written** about in Lev. 15:4-5!

In 1846 a doctor named Ignaz Phillip Semmelweiss noticed that 451 mothers died in a hospital ward treated by doctors, compared to only 90 deaths in the midwives' ward due to "childbed fever" (sepsis or blood poisoning). Women having babies were dying 5 times as often with doctors helping! Semmelweiss noticed that many doctors were handling and dissecting bodies in the morgue and then going directly to new mothers and examining them, **without washing** their hands! The doctors were passing on the infectious disease from dead people to healthy people. Semmelweiss changed his style and greatly improved his survival rate of mothers. Yet others did not accept his idea and refused to change. He ended up dying in an insane asylum because of the heartache it caused him. If those doctors had read their Bibles, they would have discovered that 3000 years earlier we were told that in Num. 19:11-19... **After handling the dead, wash your hands!**



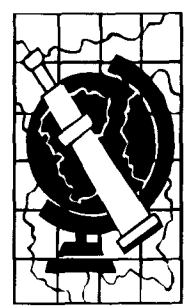
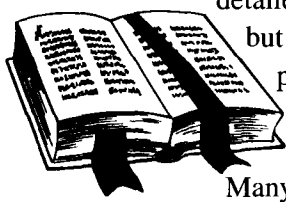
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BIBLE AND SCIENCE

The Bible is not a science textbook. It was never meant to be. It was not written as a complicated, detailed story about the natural world, but was written to explain God's purpose and relationship to man. Yet the Bible does contain a great deal of scientific truth. Many facts of modern science and medicine were stated in the Word of God hundreds, and sometimes thousands of years before being "**discovered**" by modern scientists.

Before Galileo improved the telescope, astronomers argued about the number of stars in the sky. Tycho Brahe counted 777, Johannes Kepler counted 1,005, and Ptolemy counted 1,056. If you were able to count the stars from every point on earth with the naked eye, the number would be about 4,000. Yet Gen. 15:5, Gen. 22:17, Jer. 31:37, and Jer. 33:22 states that **the stars cannot be numbered**. When Galileo invented a more powerful telescope in the late 1500's, he proved to science what God's Word had stated some 3,000 years before. Today it is estimated that if you were able to count 10 numbers per second, it would take you about a thousand-million-billion years to count to the estimated number of stars (a hundred-million-billion-billion). The stars truly can't be numbered!

In Prov. 20:27 and Isa. 40:22 the earth is described as a **sphere** (globe, ball). Not that many years ago, scientists believed that the earth was flat. Many in that day thought that the Bible was incorrect because of what



OTHER TIDBITS OF SCIENCE IN THE BIBLE

(adapted from God's Living Creation, A Beka, 1986, pg 327)

- In Gen. 1:1 and Ps. 33:6, 9 **The universe suddenly appeared out of nothing.** Science discovered this to be true → 3400 years later (after being written about in the Bible).
- In Isa. 51:6, and Ps. 102:26 **The universe is running down.** → 2500 years later.
- In Heb. 11:3 **The universe is made of invisible things.** → 1900 years later.
- In Job 38:7 **Stars produce sound.** → 4000 years later.
- In Job 22:12 **Stars are incredibly distant from the earth.** → 3800 years later.
- In 1 Cor. 15:41 **Stars differ in magnitude.** → 1550 years later
- In Job 26:7 **The earth is suspended in space.** → 3600 years later.
- In Job 38:4,6, and Ps. 104:5 **the earth's crust rests upon a foundation.** → 4000 years later.
- In Job 36:27-28, Eccles. 1:7, and Amos 5:8 **The water cycle keeps the land watered.** → 1600 years later.
- In Ps. 8:8 **Ocean currents flow through the sea.** → 2800 years later.
- In Eccles. 1:6 **The winds form a circulating system.** → 2700 years later.
- In Job 38:12, 14, and Luke 17:31, 34 **The earth rotates on its axis.** → 3550 years later.
- In Gen. 2:8, Gen. 3:19, and Ps. 103:14 **Man's body is composed of the same materials as the earth.** → 3200 years later.
- In Lev. 17:11 **Blood sustains life.** → 3300 years later.

ASK EUGENE

DEAR EUGENE: I AM NOW 11 YEARS OLD, AND ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO YOU CAME TO



MY CHURCH AND I LEARNED ABOUT THE LORD AND HOW (HE) IS THE REAL CREATOR. I LEARNED MANY NEW THINGS, AND TO THIS DAY I TELL OTHERS ABOUT GOD AND HOW WE ARE MADE IN HIS OWN IMAGE. DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN WE MADE SOCK PUPPETS???? WELL I USE MY PUPPET EVERY SUNDAY IN CHILDREN'S CHURCH TO TEACH GOD'S WORD. I TELL THEM THAT GOD IS THE CREATOR AND HE IS THE ONE AND ONLY GOD. WE USE THE PUPPETS TO MAKE

THE LEARNING FUN BUT EDUCATIONAL. I

WILL NEVER FORGET WHEN YOU CAME AND I HOPE YOU WILL COME AGAIN. YOUR FRIEND, ANNA DOAN (Kuna, ID)



Dear Anna: Thank you so much for your letter! I am so glad that we were able to help you learn more about God our Creator. It blesses me so

much to see kids take God's word and share with others about Him as Creator. And now you are a puppeteer! Puppets can be used as wonderful tools to teach. Keep on sharing with the world about the Lord God our Creator and Saviour! Love Ya!...Eugene.

DEAR EUGENE: WE LOVED CAMP REDCLOUD. ABOUT 3 MONTHS AGO I GOT MY CAST OFF. IT'S GREAT BEING HOME AGAIN, BUT I MISS CAMP REDCLOUD. HAPPY NEW YEAR. CHRISTOPHER DEWAARE (HOLLAND, MI)

Dear Christopher: Wow, I'm glad that your leg healed up! (*Christopher tried turning a bicycle into an airplane. Unfortunately, the landing was a little rough and he broke his leg.*) Do you still have the cast with all those drawings and signatures on it? You sure didn't let a little ol' broken leg slow you down did you? Sure glad you enjoyed Camp Redcloud. I hope you will be able to use all the creation stuff we taught you at camp to increase your faith in God. Love Ya...Eugene

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