

## Be Smart - Be a Creationist

*Let us take a journey through history and learn about the most famous heroes of science.*

**What motivates you?** What do you want to be? Who would you like to be like? Many times we are motivated by stories of heroes. We choose some famous person who accomplished great things and say we also would like to dedicate our lives to benefit mankind like they did.

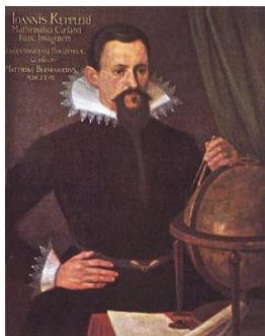
But, where did these heroes start? What goal did they set for their lives? What motivated them? What did they believe in? Perhaps if we can follow their beliefs, motivations, and goals we can do similar great things for mankind.

Now for the shocker: Most of the areas of science were discovered by famous scientists who not only believed in the God of the Bible, but they defended God's Word against the agnostics of their day (*technically the term agnostic was not used until the late 1800s*). The **vast majority** of people on earth have always denied God's Word or compromised on its teachings (*just like Jesus said in Matt 7:13-14*). Only about 30% of today's world even *claims* to believe in Christianity. Yet over 90% of all the technological breakthroughs that have benefitted mankind have come from this 30%. Why? When you start from a foundation that is true, it is much easier to find your way in this world.

Analogy: Suppose you wanted to travel from Florida to the Grand Canyon. If you had a road map that was correct (*truth*), then the trip would take some time, but eventually you would get there. But what if your road map was all wrong? You would eventually find the Grand Canyon; it would just take a lot longer. It takes far more resources of time, money, and people to find what you are looking for if you start with a set of bad maps.

We are not saying the following scientists were actually Christians as the Bible defines a Christian (*they made some mistakes in their science and theology*). But they did recognize the truth of the Bible's account of science and creation and they often defended God's Word against other scientists who attacked God's Word. They followed God's map and were able to beat their fellow scientists to new discoveries. Now let us travel back in time, to the beginning of what many call the beginning of the "Age of Science."

Who is credited for formulating the "scientific method" that all scientists *claim* to use today? **Sir Francis Bacon** (1561 – 1626). Although he did not practice science himself, many historians call him the "**Father of Modern Science.**" He considered science as a way to honor God as well as protect man from falsehoods. He said "*There are two books laid before us to study, to prevent our falling into error: first, the volume of the Scriptures, which reveal the will of God; then the volume of the Creatures, which express His power.*"



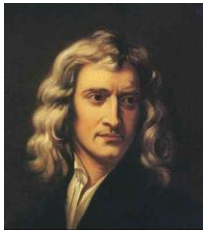
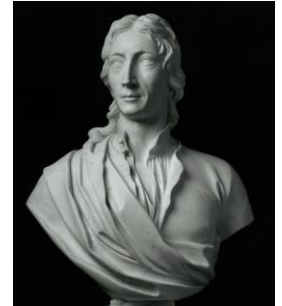
**Johannes Kepler** (1571 – 1630): Mathematics, Astronomy, Optics, Father of Celestial Mechanics. Johannes Kepler is considered one of the top 10 scientists of all time (*3 laws of planetary motion, eyeglasses, telescopes, human vision, and refraction*). Yet, he spent two years studying to be a Lutheran minister. He said "*Since we astronomers are priests of the highest God in regard to the book of nature, it befits us to be thoughtful, not of the glory of our minds, but rather, above all else, of the glory of God.*" Even after he became famous, he said, "*Let also my name perish if only the name of God the Father is elevated.*" He also said his astronomy was merely "*thinking God's thoughts after Him.*" He pursued science as a mission from God.

**Blaise Pascal** (1623 – 1662): Hydrodynamics, Hydrostatics (Pascal's Law), Mathematics. Yet his best known work was to be called "*A Defense of the Christian Religion.*" **Pascal did not understand how any thinking man could deny the Bible. He was outraged by their lack of study and understanding.** He said, "*Men despise religion; they hate it and fear it is true.*"



To remedy this, we must begin by showing that religion is not contrary to reason; that it is venerable, to inspire respect for it; then we must make it lovable, to make good men hope it is true; finally, we must prove it is true.”

**Robert Boyle** (1627 – 1691): Father of Chemistry, Boyle’s Law (pressure law), Physics, Founder of Royal Society (*first and longest lasting scientific society in the world; its founding members were mostly Puritan Christians*). Boyle was largely self-taught. He did not earn a degree or professorship. Yet he became the most eminent scientist in Britain of his time. He did mission work, learned Hebrew and Greek, and defended the Christian religion against all comers. He made sure he influenced people after his death. His will established the Boyle Lectures, given every year to “Prove the Christian Religion” against atheism and all philosophies of man.



**Sir Isaac Newton** (1642 – 1727): Calculus, Law of Gravity, 3 Laws of Motion, Reflecting Telescope, and much more. Sir Isaac Newton is usually considered the greatest scientist of all time. He said, “All my discoveries have been made in answer to prayer.” Also, do today’s historians tell you he wrote [more about theology than science](#)? He did. He wrote strong papers refuting atheists and skeptics who denied the Bible’s account of creation. Even his personal papers showed he wrote 1.3 million words on Biblical subjects (*equivalent to about 20 standard size text books*).

**Michael Faraday** (1791 – 1867): Electric Motor, Generator, Transformer, Electrolysis, and the only physicist to have two physical constants named after him. He is often called the greatest experimental physicist of all time. Faraday was not allowed to attend college due to his religion (*Bible-only philosophy*). Faraday was a poor uneducated nobody who trusted God, applied himself, and exceeded even his own dreams. He was so good at explaining science that thousands showed up for his science lectures. He was a real life “Cinderella story.” His discoveries revolutionized the world economy. Yet, he once left an auditorium while an audience of scientists (*and the next King of England*) were giving him a standing ovation and wanted to award him more honors. Why did he leave? Because it was time to go to the weekly prayer meeting. In his Bible he underlined both 1 Timothy 6:20-21 and Romans 1:20 (*beware of science falsely so called, and the evidence for God, from nature, is so great that man is without excuse*).



**Joseph Henry** (1797 – 1878): Called the American Faraday. He said he stopped and prayed for Divine guidance at every important step in his experiments. Suppose you were to ask, “Which of the following scientific institutions were led by a strong Bible believer who accepted the Biblical account of Creation as true: Smithsonian Institution (*now the largest museum complex in the world*), American Association for the Advancement of Science, Princeton University (*science department*), or the National Academy of Sciences? If this were the 1800s, then the answer would be Joseph Henry for all of these. He said, “God has created man in his own intellectual image, and graciously permitted him to study His modes of operation, ....”

**Gregor Mendel** (1822 – 1884): Genetics, Botany. The science of genetics was discovered by a Gregorian monk named Gregory Mendel. Modern Biology is based on Gregorian genetics.



**James Clerk Maxwell** (1831 – 1879): Physics, Maxwell’s Equations, Father of Electromagnetism, Father of Statistical Thermodynamics and Kinetic Theory. Today’s iPhones, radios, televisions, space probe communications, and remote controls for your TVs all come from what Maxwell discovered. Einstein said the most fruitful breakthroughs in modern physics came from Maxwell. Yet Maxwell was a Presbyterian elder and was one of the first famous scientists to scientifically refute Darwin. He said, “Teach us to study the works of Thy hands that we may subdue the earth to our use and strengthen our

*reason for Thy service; and so to receive Thy blessed Word, that we may believe on Him whom Thou hast sent to give us the knowledge of salvation and the remission of our sins.”*



**Louis Pasteur** (1822 – 1895): Germ theory of disease, vaccines, pasteurization, greatest Biologist of all time, contributed to the saving of lives more than any other person. **He was intensely persecuted by biologists for his opposition to evolution and Darwin’s new theory.** He refuted their arguments and proved that life cannot come from non-life. He also discovered the [\*signature of life\*](#).

**George Washington Carver** (1864 – 1943): Agricultural Chemistry. He saved poor southern farmers by developing 325 products from peanuts and 188 products from sweet potatoes. **He was born a slave, yet he succeeded beyond anyone’s dreams.** He said, *“I love to think of nature as an unlimited broadcasting station through which God speaks to us every hour, if we will only tune in.”* He arose every morning at 4 am to pray in his favorite woods. He attributed all his success and ability to God.



**Wernher von Braun** (1912 – 1977): World’s most famous rocket scientist, mastermind of the Apollo moon rocket, 25 honorary doctorate degrees. Yet he wrote the California school board to get them to include the scientific evidences for creation in their high school science classes. He said, *“... as I became exposed to the law and order of the universe, I was literally humbled by its unerring perfection. I became convinced that there must be a divine intent behind it all... My experiences with science led me to God. They challenge science to prove the existence of God. But must we really light a candle to see the sun?”*

Even as early as 1945 at the end of WW2 when speaking of surrendering his rocket team to the Americans, he said, *“We wanted to see the world spared another conflict such as Germany had just been through, and we felt that **only by surrendering such a weapon to people who are guided by the Bible** could such an assurance to the world be best secured.”*

*For more information on these heroes and others, see the online video and PDF file at:*

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There are many more quotes we could cite from the above scientists and there are **many others** we could mention such as: Wright Brothers, William Prout, Carolus Linnaeus, Samuel B Morse, Joseph Henry, George Stokes, Sir Ambrose Fleming, Roger Bacon, Hugh, Ockham, Oresme, Robert Grosseteste, Galileo Galilei, William Harvey, Antony van Leeuwenhoek, William Herschel, John Herschel, Charles Babbage (computer), James Prescott Joule, John Napier, Leonhard Euler, Bernhard Riemann, Copernicus, Brahe, Flamsteed, Humphry Davy, John Dalton, Joseph Lister, John Ray, Hooke, Bell, Simpson, Henrietta Swan Leavitt, William Huggins, John Strutt (Lord Rayleigh), Rudolph Virchow, Louis Agassi, Henri Fabre, Nicolaus Steno, John Woodward, Raymond Damadian (MRI), etc.

Who will you choose to be like? What will motivate you? What “map” will you use to guide your path?

**These heroes of science delved into the unknown by using the light of God’s Word to guide their paths. Will you?**

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## World's Most Famous Scientist

You may not have heard of such a Bible believing scientist as Matthew Fontaine Maury, but you certainly know **Sir Isaac Newton**, who is usually considered the greatest scientist who ever lived. He made so many crucial discoveries in science that he would have been famous if he had only discovered just one of them. He invented calculus and developed many other mathematical ideas. He made breakthroughs in different scientific areas such as light and color, prisms, astronomy, and gravity. He is also well-known for finally learning what causes the tides. Could all of these have come from one man? Yes, but what motivated him?



What you were probably not taught in school was that Sir Isaac Newton not only wrote science textbooks, but he also researched and wrote two other books. One was titled *Prophecies of Daniel*. Evolutionists in Newton's day tried to disprove the prophecies in Daniel because these so clearly described the four major world kingdoms long before the third (Greek) and fourth (Roman) kingdoms ever existed. And he wrote another book, titled *Ancient Kingdoms (of the Bible)*. Actually, **Newton wrote more works on religion than science**. Those who have researched both the scientific and religious writings of Sir Isaac have concluded that he spent more time studying his Bible than he ever did science. He took thousands of pages of personal notes while studying his Bible (over 1.3 million words). Do you have this much dedication to God's Word and God's world?



Even Newton's most famous scientific work, *Principia Mathematica*, was written to show others that they should believe in the God of the Bible because studying science forces one to understand His existence and His design. Even Wikipedia says: "*Newton claimed that in writing the Principia: 'I had an eye upon such Principles as might work with considering men for the belief of a Deity.'*"

What today's "politically-correct" history books leave out is that Sir Isaac Newton wrote papers to refute evolution and to defend the Creation account in the Bible; he argued against his atheistic colleagues. He said: "*I find more sure marks of authenticity in the Bible than any profane history anywhere.*" In other words, forget what the Greeks wrote; forget what the wisdom of man has produced; the Bible is more authentic than anything man has written. **He also said, "All my discoveries have been made in answer to prayer."** See if you can find that in your child's science textbook or history textbook. See the article "Isaac Newton—Religious Works Finally Published" at <http://www.apologeticspress.org/articles/2614>.

Sir Isaac Newton was a famous scientist who defended God's Word during his lifetime against the majority of scientists in his day. Secular historians (*those who look at the world without God*) pick and choose from available facts in history to reflect a particular viewpoint; so if you've never heard about Newton's Biblical foundation for his science, it is not surprising.

Is this just a fluke? Did we just collect some rare scientists and rare occurrences where the Bible just inadvertently got some scientific observations correct long before science discovered them, such as: a spherical earth, uncountable numbers of stars, springs of the sea, and paths of the sea? Did the Bible just get lucky that a few famous scientists out there believed in the Bible and defended it? Is this just an accident, just a few lucky guesses by the Bible writers? No this is not just an accident. There is a lot more evidence from science that the Bible is from God. Remember that Romans 1:20 says man is without excuse because there is so much evidence out there.

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