

Test of FAITH – further reading, listening and watching

Session 1

Evidence for the Big Bang

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/guides/zgr7fg8>

Christians in the sciences

<http://www.testoffaith.com/resources/subCategories.aspx?sub=true&id=13>

Very short, very approachable articles on science as a vocation and on the Big Bang

<http://www.cis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/23802-12-Thinking-about-Science-as-a-Christian-Vocation-AW-lr.pdf>

<http://www.cis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/23802-14-Thinking-about-The-Big-Bang-AW-lr.pdf>

People who prefer to listen might want to start with this talk from Alister McGrath

<https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/2033790>

Session 2: Genesis (introduction)

Very short, very approachable articles

<http://www.cis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/23802-6-Thinking-about-How-we-interpret-Genesis-AW-lr.pdf>

<http://www.cis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/23802-3-Thinking-about-Evolution-AW-lr.pdf>

<http://www.cis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/23802-15-Thinking-about-The-Historical-Reception-of-Evolution-AW-lr.pdf>

An Old Testament scholar, Revd Dr Ernest Lucas, on Genesis 1

<https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/2033972>

and Genesis 2-3 <https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/2038057>

Another OT scholar, Dr John Walton, on Genesis 1-3

<https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/2804323>

Prof Keith Fox, a biochemist and Church of England licensed lay minister on randomness and God <https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/2114778>

A critique of Intelligent Design by Dr Denis Alexander

<https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/1314335>

Faraday papers 11, 12, 14 are relevant to this discussion <https://www.faraday-institute.org/Papers.php>

Session 2: Genesis (difficult questions)

Online copies of extra briefing sheets:

Reading Genesis <http://www.testoffaith.com/resources/resource.aspx?id=244>

Evidence for evolution <http://www.testoffaith.com/resources/resource.aspx?id=248>

(there are more on

<http://www.testoffaith.com/resources/resources.aspx?resource=true&catid=10&id=144>

which you might find handy for following up ideas from the course!)

Denis Alexander on some difficult questions:

How do you reconcile 'natural evil' with faith in God?

<http://www.testoffaith.com/resources/resource.aspx?id=507>

What was the fall? <http://www.testoffaith.com/resources/resource.aspx?id=508>

Who were Adam & Eve? <http://www.testoffaith.com/resources/resource.aspx?id=509>

And a longer talk by Denis Alexander <https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/2556104>

An article from BioLogos summarising views on Adam and Eve, with links to other articles/videos/audio <https://biologos.org/common-questions/were-adam-and-eve-historical-figures>

An article from BioLogos summarising views on death and the fall, with links <https://biologos.org/common-questions/did-death-occur-before-the-fall>

It's worth searching the BioLogos website for more info on these topics if you have time!

A podcast with the theologian J Richard Middleton

<https://scienceandbelief.org/2017/06/15/evolved-in-the-image-of-god/>

And a writeup of his Faraday seminar

<https://scienceandbelief.org/2017/06/22/what-does-the-bible-actually-say-about-adam-and-eve/>

Newfrontiers theologian Andrew Wilson wrote a series of blogs on this topic.

- Creation and Science: Ten Models <https://thinktheology.co.uk/blog/article/creation-and-science-ten-models>
- Was there Death Before the Fall? <https://thinktheology.co.uk/blog/article/was-there-death-before-the-fall>
- Creation and Science: The Key Areas of Conflict <https://thinktheology.co.uk/blog/article/creation-and-science-the-key-areas-of-conflict>
- Creation and Science: How Do We Read Genesis 1-3? <https://thinktheology.co.uk/blog/article/creation-and-science-how-do-we-read-genesis-1-3>
- Creation and Science: The Primary Scientific Considerations <https://thinktheology.co.uk/blog/article/creation-and-science-the-primary-scientific-considerations>

- What the Bible Does (And Doesn't) Say About Human Origins
<https://thinktheology.co.uk/blog/article/what-the-bible-does-and-doesnt-say-about-human-origins>
- Science and Creation: Some Tentative Conclusions
<https://thinktheology.co.uk/blog/article/science-and-creation-some-tentative-conclusions>

Session 2: Creation Care

Faraday paper by John Houghton: Why care for the environment?

https://www.faraday-institute.org/resources/Faraday%20Papers/Faraday%20Paper%205%20Houghton_EN.pdf

Short article here on creation care:

<http://www.cis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/23802-2-Thinking-about-Creation-Care-AW-lr.pdf>

OT Biblical scholar & A Rocha trustee Hilary Marlow on creation care

<https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/2816983>

NT biblical scholar Jonathan Moo on NT eschatology and the environment

<https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/1217164>

A Rocha theologian Rev Dave Bookless on the environment and the local church

<https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/729894>

Prof Katharine Hayhoe, atmospheric scientist and Christian, lectures on climate change and faith <https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/3011902>

Session 3: Bioethics

Very short articles

- Bioethics <http://www.cis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/23802-1-Thinking-about-Bioethics-AW-lr.pdf>
- Embryos and gene editing <http://www.cis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/23802-16-Thinking-about-Genes-and-Embryos-AW-lr.pdf>
- GM <http://www.cis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/23802-5-Thinking-about-Genetic-Modification-AW-lr.pdf>
- Human enhancement <http://www.cis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/23802-7-Thinking-about-Human-Enhancement-AW-lr.pdf>
- Neuroscience <http://www.cis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/23802-10-Thinking-about-Neuroscience-AW-lr.pdf>
- Stem cells <http://www.cis.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/23802-13-Thinking-about-Stem-Cells-AW-lr.pdf>

Faraday papers:

- Ethical issues in GM https://www.faraday-institute.org/resources/Faraday%20Papers/Faraday%20Paper%207%20Bryant_EN.pdf
- Neuroscience https://www.faraday-institute.org/resources/Faraday%20Papers/Faraday%20Paper%2016%20Judge_EN.pdf

Some lectures (audio or video)

- Ethical issues at the beginning and end of life <https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/2054563>
- Introductory talk on bioethics for church leaders <https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/2654975>
- Keep an eye on the Faraday website for a recording of a lecture by Paul Fairchild on stem cells
- A very in depth one on gene editing & theology <https://sms.cam.ac.uk/media/2583054>

A new article on human enhancement (it's worth exploring these 'Cambridge papers' for others on ethical issues)

<http://www.jubilee-centre.org/healing-enhancement-and-the-human-future-by-denis-alexander/>