

## Scoffers scoff, and mockers mock. It's what they do.

- (2 Chronicles 36:16 NLT) But the people **mocked** these messengers of God and **despised** their words. They **scoffed** at the prophets until the LORD's anger could no longer be restrained and nothing could be done.
- (Proverbs 1:22 ESV) How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will **scoffers** delight in their **scoffing** and **fools hate knowledge?**
- (2 Peter 3:3 ESV) Knowing this first of all, that **scoffers** will come in the last days with **scoffing**, following their own sinful desires.
- (Acts 17:32 ESV) Now when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some **mocked**. But others said, "We will hear you again about this."
- (Galatians 6:7 ESV) Do not be deceived: **God is not mocked**, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap.

## Believers believe. That's what we do ...

- **Our faith is not blind faith.** We have good reason to believe our God. We intimately know the Person we trust. We live in him and in his words. We know that he is true and what he says is true because it is plain and clearly perceived in the world around us.
- **We have evidence** to support our belief system because we have a written, accurate account from the only eye witness. What we observe fits this written account because the written account is true.
- **We have no need to suppress the truth** because truth is the foundation of our belief system. Those who oppose our written account—God's word, the Bible—have a tremendous obstacle in their quest. They must suppress the truth of God that his entire creation, including humans, gives witness to.
- (1 Corinthians 1:21 NLT) Since God in his wisdom saw to it **that the world would never know him through human wisdom**, he has used our foolish preaching to save those who believe.
- (1 Corinthians 2:5 NLT) I did this **so you would trust not in human wisdom but in the power of God.**

## CAN I BELIEVE SCIENCE AND THE BIBLE?

- **Science is the study of all knowledge, not just knowledge from the natural realm, or merely the human perspective. So, yes, we can certainly believe in science and the Bible.**

## Scoffers/Naturalists ...

*... want to define the nature of science in their terms and on their terms*, according to their wisdom. Scoffers would have us believe that their human wisdom is the only true way to define and understand science and life.

**God is not against science.** God is against the wisdom that belongs to this world that excludes the entire realm of his universe that humans cannot explain.

**Scoffers are bullies** mired in a deceptive philosophy of life based on principles which are bound to fail the test of time and eternity.

**Scoffers misunderstand the majority voice as the true voice.**