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**&**

**SCIENCE**

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## **I. Introduction**

**A. Assumptions**

**B. Attacks**

**C. Approaches**

# APPROACHES

1. **Capitulate - higher critics**
2. **Accommodate - to science**
3. **Counter-attack - apologetics**

**A polemic against worldviews**

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**1. Scripture Hermeneutics**

# HERMENEUTICS

**1. Interpreting  
Scripture**

**2. Interpreting  
Creation**

# ✧ **OBSERVATIONAL SCIENCE →**

Observations in **Present**

# ✧ **HISTORICAL SCIENCE →**

**Traces** of Past

✧ **DATA =**

**Traces left by Event**



✧ **HISTORICAL FACT =**

**Data + Interpretation**



# **INTERPRETING CREATION**

## **1. Methodological Naturalism**

### **a. Imposes naturalistic theory**

# NATURALISM FLAWS

➤ Uniformitarianism

# UNIFORMITARIANISM

- 1. Fundamental Assumption  
Present is key to past**
- 2. Scientifically Unverified**
- 3. Goes against Scripture**

# NATURALISM FLAWS

- **Uniformitarianism**
- **Evolutionism**
- **Humanism**
- **Excludes Revelation**
- **Anti-supernatural Bias**

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## **1. Methodological Naturalism**

**a. Imposes naturalistic theory**

**b. Attempts to harmonize text**

# **ACCOMMODATION**

- 1. Emphasize supporting details**
- 2. Superimpose current theories**
- 3. Reinterpret text**
- 4. Ignore non-supporting details**

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### **D. Hermeneutics**

- 1. Scripture Hermeneutics**
- 2. Science Hermeneutics**
- 3. Secular Science**

# **SECULAR SCIENCE**

**Unchanging Laws  
of Nature**

**TRUTH**

**god &  
religion**

**opinion**



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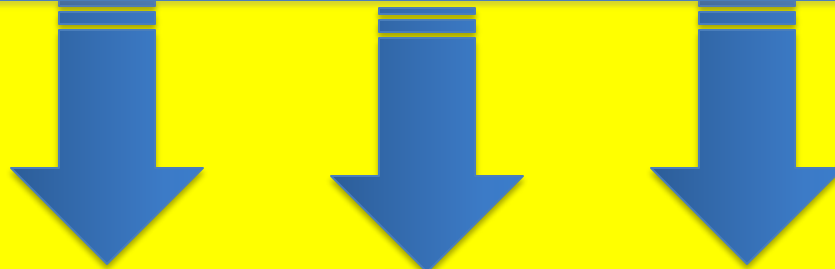
**4. Scripture Approach**

# ONLY GOD:

- **Is Eternal - created beginning & transformation**
- **Is Infinite - limited in all ways**
- **Is Truth - reflection of truth**
- **Is Self-existent - dependent & upheld**
- **Is Immutable - constants temporary as He desires**
- **Is Sovereign - servant to Creator**

# **BIBLICAL VIEW**

**Creator & Sovereign Lord**



**Temporarily Constant  
& Dependent  
Creation**

# **INTERPRETING CREATION**

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## **2. Biblical Worldview**

**a. Begin with Scripture**

**b. Avoid unbelieving worldview**

**c. Interpret physical data**

**“Where were you when I  
laid the foundations of the  
earth? ...”**

**Job 38:4**

Sea of Galilee

**God as Creator means we  
are accountable to Him.  
Praise Him as Creator!!!**