

It can be easily seen in this world, that where there is an opinion to be had upon a subject, there will invariably be a giant gulf between each side.

What do I mean?

Take for example the giant gulf existing between Christianity and Atheism. While ostensibly, it seems the difference is a simple belief, in reality it is much more than that. These two opposing beliefs form the core of our being, direct the focus of our world view, and control our actions from the most mundane level.

Christianity is much more than a belief in God. It is a change of a person's being at the deepest level. It is an absolute surrender of control to God, brought about by faith in Jesus Christ. This ontological structure, based upon obedience, is in stark contrast to the "Survival of the Fittest" mantra of the Atheist. Where a Christian seeks to serve, an Atheist seeks to rule. Where a Christian seeks to further others, an Atheist seeks to further only himself. While this is not always true in practice, certainly this is the inherent disposition of the two world views.

Both sides come to their conclusions based upon their biased predispositions. This is inherent in the function of the human brain, and cannot be avoided. The value of the conclusion therefore, is determined by the validity of the individual's assumptions.

One example of this is in the arguments of naturalistic science itself. If an Atheistic worldview is assumed from the start, and any possibility of divine fiat is removed, then it is ultimately inevitable that the conclusions to any scientific experiment will be naturalistic! You have removed from the start any possibility of a different finding.

My response to this of course, is to suggest that we remove said assumptions, and let the evidence speak for itself. The evidence for creation is in the Creation itself! No one would ever suggest such a ludicrous idea as a natural forming Volkswagen, or Space Shuttle. Why then do we even allow such a counterintuitive assumption in the realm of science?

Another aspect that has not been considered is the different positions of the beliefs themselves. While at best an Atheist can claim an assertion of human findings to support his claims (erroneously), a Christian bases his findings upon the absolute knowledge he has gained through a personal relationship with the Creator. He knows because he has seen.

To put this another way, imagine if you will that you were just privy to a conversation with the President of Ford Motor Company, where he announced that the next years line of F-150's had been discontinued, and that Ford Motors would no longer produce these trucks. Excited with such inside knowledge, you immediately find a good friend of yours, and disclose your newly acquired knowledge to him.

Laughing, your friend says "That's ridiculous! Did you SEE how much they made on their F-150's last year? Look at this chart in this magazine..." He then proceeds to show you graphs, charts, and articles about how wonderful the Ford truck is, and how much Ford makes off of them.

Now, is your friend's information wrong? No, it is not. It is absolutely accurate. But he is starting with the wrong assumption, and that causes his conclusion to be completely wrong. The President, it seems, has decided to make the F-250's more efficient and less expensive, thereby eliminating the need of the smaller class.

Did you have all the answers? No. But the information that you DID have was completely accurate, because it came straight from the boss's mouth. What can we learn from this? It is always better to listen to the one who knows the most. That's God.