

WHAT A GREAT TIME TO LIVE AND LEARN!

“But as for you, Daniel, conceal these words and seal up the book until the end of time; many will go back and forth, and knowledge will increase.” - Daniel 12.4

The sheer volume of expanding information and discovery is breathtaking. The last 200 years have seen a ramping up of *technology* never before imagined. *Data* from macro-astronomy (the universe) as well as the wonders of micro-observation (little tiny things) has literally overwhelmed the human race. We simply have added exponentially to our knowledge base - and consequently - to what we *know* to be observably true.

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FIVE FACTS ABOUT THE UNIVERSE (Psalm 19:1-6)

1. There are 100,000,000,000 suns in the Milky Way Galaxy (100 billion)
 2. The Milky Way is 100 Light years across (588,000,000,000,000 miles plus)
 3. Andromeda (closest galaxy) is 2.2 million Light years from earth
 4. The fine tuning of our solar system within our galaxy is mathematically incredible.
 5. Without Jupiter’s mass to protect us and the moon to stabilize us - life could not exist on earth.
- (Watching Stars video is good here)

FIVE FACTS FROM LITTLE THINGS (Psalm 139:13-16)

1. There are 37.2 trillion cells in an adult human body.
2. Fingerprints in babies begin to form when we are about 3 inches long.
3. Each eye contains 107 million cells, and all of them are light sensitive.
4. Our hearts pump 2000 gallons each day and will beat on average 2.5 billion times.
5. Our heart has a finely-tuned electrical system to pump blood/and life through our bodies.

SO MUCH INFO (Genesis 11:1-9)

You are living in the “big information” time promised in Daniel 12. *What challenges does this present?*

How do we know *what to believe* with so much information and so many people telling us what it means?

How can we know if something is true or false? How do we test information?

HOW DO I PROCESS INFO THROUGH GOD’S EYES?

How can God’s Word help me to answer questions I have?

Is God afraid of us asking questions?

Who can I count on to tell me the truth?

WHAT IS REALLY GOING ON IN THE WORLD? Read Psalm 2.

What does Psalm 2 teach you about why people are the way we are?

This is kind of cool about God’s big picture (from the Message version of the God Story)

1 Peter 3:18 “That’s what Savior Jesus did definitively: suffered because of others’ sins, the Righteous One for the unrighteous ones. He went through it all—was put to death and then made alive—to bring us to God.”

Why did Jesus and His Father do what He did?