

# **Introduction to Apologetics**

## **SESSION 3: WHAT IS REVELATION?**

### **3D: Summary, Implications, and Applications**

1. Summary of Lessons 3a-c
  - a. We learned that Special Revelation (SR) is a Book and a Person.
  - b. We learned that General Revelation (GR) comes through physical nature and human nature and has benefits and limitations.
  - c. We learned how GR is handmaiden (not mistress) to SR, aiding with implicit and explicit evidence for what we choose to believe.
2. Implications
  - a. Apologetics is only as strong as the apologist's commitment to Special Revelation.
  - b. Apologetics must utilize and move past General Revelation, and never disparage a privilege of faith over reason.
  - c. Apologists can make General Revelation an obstacle if they make it a prerequisite in every situation or never consider it.
3. Applications
  - a. What does the centrality of Special Revelation imply about primary areas of knowledge and skills needed by apologists, and what does that mean for your apologetics?
  - b. How can you avoid concordism without unwittingly pitting Scripture against science?
  - c. Have you fully embraced that all truth is God's truth, and is that commitment bearing on your approach to helping skeptics, seekers, and saints by apologetics?

