Summary

We hope we have given you enough information to enable you to answer some of life's big questions in a more informed way.

Like the judge or jury we mentioned at the start, you now have some of the evidence in front of you.

To finish, we would like to remind you of what we have seen in the last few weeks.

First we looked at the evidence we have that there is a God that we can't actually see:

Evidence of a God we can't see:

- Complexity in nature
- Where did life come from?
- Where did the information that is stored in DNA come from?
- The universe and our world “seemed to know we were coming”
- Where did the laws of nature come from?
- Where did our sense of right and wrong come from?

Evidence that the Bible is a message from a God we can't see:

- Unlikely accurate predictions that have proved 100% accurate
- A law thousands of years ahead of its time
- Archaeological discoveries confirm the Bible records
- A consistent message written by a variety of people over hundreds of years
- The “ring of truth” found in the Bible

We then looked at some problems that we encounter in believing in a God that we can't see:

We looked at the problem of suffering, and have seen that suffering:

- can make us stop and think
- sometimes warns that things are not right
- may make us stop and consider risks we are taking
- makes us think about the effect of our actions on other people
- disturbs our routines and can make us realise:
  - that our lives are not endless
  - there is something wrong with our world
- can make us stop and think about our loving Creator’s offer of life after death, which we can choose to accept or reject
The Bible tells us that suffering is part of the consequences of our tendency to want our own way. It also tells us that suffering will end when Jesus returns to remove the imperfections in our world.

We have seen that there is no conflict with science when we look at the observable facts.

The table summarises what we have seen:

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<th>Observable facts from Science</th>
<th>The Bible text</th>
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<td>• “Red shift” in light coming from space</td>
<td>• Our earth had a beginning</td>
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<td>• Background radiation in universe</td>
<td>• At one stage in our planet’s history, it was uninhabited and covered with water</td>
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<td>• Animals in fossil record appear fully functional</td>
<td>• Life then appeared on our planet in stages, with man appearing last of all</td>
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We looked at the trouble caused by Christianity and we have seen that:

- politics has been a big influence in the development of Christianity
- political motives were more important than Bible truth
- the principle of non-aggression taught by Jesus Christ was ignored
- the suffering caused by Christianity cannot be blamed on the Bible

We have seen that the Lord Jesus Christ would make an ideal leader of a world government to sort out our world’s problems.

We have seen that the Bible message can put real meaning and purpose into our lives. We saw that:

- we were put here by a power greater than ourselves
- we are here so that we can “find” God
- our Creator:
  - is concerned about us and our future
  - wants us to reflect that care
- knowing that we have a caring God gives us confidence in His promise of a future life
- there is no life after death for us if we don’t respect God
- if we die respecting God’s Word, we will be raised from the grave when Jesus Christ returns to the earth
- we will then be involved in a peaceful worldwide kingdom on earth
- we can be involved in God’s wonderful plan if we demonstrate God’s values in our lives now

Finally we saw that there is more to life than this! We can be part of God’s rescue plan for our earth.

We hope you will want to learn more about the wonderful message from the God we can’t see!