

Does the God of the Bible Exempt Himself from Rational Truth?

"In the beginning was the logos¹...all things were created through Him...and the logos became flesh..." – John 1:1,3a, 14

As I am writing this, I together with multitudes of others, am witnessing an impending collapse of our society into a pool of irrationality as other article of mine are noting. This disintegration into chaos, I argue vehemently, is ironically due to large sectors of our society walking away from God (Romans 1:18-32). Please notice that my warning, though appealing to the Bible, is not of an apocalyptic type (turn-or-burn!), but of a sociological kind in line with the Apostle Paul's appeal. He is warning that, unless we be in a right relationship with our Creator, then we have neither the insight, nor the wisdom, nor the power, to live together in a free and harmonious society. His principle simply stands to reason: "No rational model, then only irrationality can possible follow."

The primary thesis of virtually the entire list of articles on my website argues that the Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is rational by nature to the core of His very Being. To the question of God's existence, He challenges skeptics to investigate nature with the question, does the mathematical aspect of the structure of nature point to an intelligence, or to chaos (Psalm 19:1)? To the question of the identity of His Son, Jesus challenges seekers to consider the evidence with the same level of honesty that is expected of inquiry into any significant field of knowledge (Matthew 11:4). Thirdly, I urge you to study my paper, "The Pervasive Employment of Apologetics in the Bible"² which should persuade anyone with an open-mind that God consistently submits Himself to the scrutiny of factual testable reality. Finally, I urge you notice by perusing the titles of my articles that, in a broad variety of ways, I affirm in the positive, the answer to the question raised in my title (above).

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¹ The Apostle John employs the Greek word, *logos* that most English versions of the Bible's translate as "word." *Logos* is the root word for "logic" because its core meaning is rationality. Since John applies that word to the Creator (1:1-3), the incarnate Son Jesus (1:14-18), and redeemer of the world (1:29), that is John's unique way of affirming in the positive the question behind my title.

² This article can be found at my website, www.christianityontheoffense.com