



IQ and Patterns

IQ is a measurement of intelligence based on recognising patterns. Most people given time would be able to work out the patterns in an IQ test but by limiting the time available some people will complete more sets of pattern recognition than others. The total number of correctly identified patterns gives a measurement of a person's IQ level.

The point of all this is that much of our education system uses pattern recognition as a standard for measurement but then teaches that the universe, and our own existence, is a chance random event.

Obviously the two are incompatible. Either there is an order and a structure, to life, the universe, and everything or there isn't.

The Western World created science, no other civilisation did that. Oh sure, the Chinese invented gunpowder and the Aborigines of Australia the boomerang but that is technology, not science. Science is the gaining of knowledge through measuring, observing and recording information through the human senses then subjecting that information to reasoning to create a hypothesis of how and why things act the way they do.

This concept of science too is built on the assumption that there are measurable patterns, laws, causes and effects. Why does the Western world assume that there is a pattern, an order, a structure to everything?

The answer is Christianity. Of the 52 key scientists involved in the formation of the "Scientific Method" 50 were Christians. They had a belief in a God of order and structure and unlike other cultures expected to find that in the world, even the universe around them.

God too uses types and patterns to illustrate his spiritual truths. Like science it takes a willingness to watch and observe to find the truth.

Life matched with the Bible stories give an insight into what laws are operating in a person or situation. Christians are not human beings looking for a spiritual experience but are spiritual beings having a physical experience.

Unfortunately our physical life can create spiritual amnesia; we forget or don't know who and what we really are. When anyone has amnesia one of the treatments is to take them to places that they used to know, to recognise the patterns of their old life. And that is what the Bible does. Its stories relate to God's spiritual dealings with His people. And those dealings are the same today.

Spiritual IQ is recognising the patterns in our lives with the Bible characters and stories. But there is no time limit. God has given us our life time to get to know Him and our place in the order and structure of things.