

A close-up photograph of a hand holding an open book. The book is held vertically, and bright, golden light rays emanate from the pages, creating a dramatic, ethereal effect. The background is dark, making the light from the book stand out. The text 'BOOK of JOHN' is overlaid on the image in a white, serif font. The word 'BOOK' is in a bold, blocky font, 'of' is in a smaller, elegant script font, and 'JOHN' is in the same bold, blocky font as 'BOOK'.

# BOOK *of* JOHN

# HOW CAN IT BE?

**JOHN 3:8-21**

***SPIRITUAL BLINDNESS IS A VERY POWERFUL  
FORCE! 2 CORINTHIANS 4:1-4***

- The evidence is actually quite convincing there is a Creator who loves us; it is the outcome of that evidence that people hate to “ponder.”

***“I HAVE A MAKER AND I MUST RESPOND TO HIM!”***

# ***A FEW THINGS TO PONDER***

## **1. THE WIND v. 8-13**

- When Jesus used the wind, Nicodemus should have readily remembered the valley of dry bones.  
**EZEKIEL 37:1-14**
- Alas, “*the teacher of the Jews*” knew the **FACTS** recorded in the Scriptures, but he could not understand the **TRUTHS**.

## 2. THE SERPENT ON THE POLE v. 14-18

The story in **VERSE 14** was from **NUMBERS 21:4-9** and was certainly familiar to Nicodemus—it is from the Torah, the revered Books of Moses.

- This is a story of the sin of national Israel who rebelled against God and had to be punished.
- But it is also a story of grace. When the people looked by faith, they were saved—***they believed!***

### **3. LIGHT AND DARKNESS v. 18-21**

Why will sinners not come into the “light” of **JESUS THE SAVIOR?**

- Because of the love of many things that God has warned us about in His Word that will destroy us!
- It is not for lack of evidence or overwhelming evidence to the contrary that people will not come to faith. **ROMANS 1:18-32**

***MAN LOVES DARKNESS.***

## ***4. I AM TOO INTELLIGENT TO BELIEVE IN JESUS***

It is not “intellectual problems” that keep people from trusting Christ, it is the moral and spiritual blindness that keeps them loving the darkness and hating the light.

- But if evolution is true, then there is no God and science has disproved the creation account in Genesis! Really, are you sure about that?

# ***WHAT ABOUT DARWINIAN EVOLUTION?***

Before you gamble your eternity on supposed scientific proof that God does not exist, let's look at a few of those supposed proofs:

- 1.** Where is the evidence of the Darwinian Mechanism to produce new life forms?
- 2.** The bankruptcy of Richard Dawkins' Blind Watchmaker Hypothesis.

3. The irreducible complexity-of-life design implies a very intelligent designer.
4. Does the human genome/DNA sequence data better support descent with natural variation, or independent and unique origins?

***HOW CAN IT BE?*** Besides God's Word plainly declaring it, believing in a loving Creator is also more intellectual than the idea of pond scum plus billions of years becoming you.

# ***THERE ARE NO REAL INTELLECTUAL ARGUMENTS FOR NOT BELIEVING!***

Nicodemus, a really bright guy, finally did “come to the light.”

- Nicodemus realized that the uplifted Savior was indeed the only Son of God.
- What Jesus said is, “*you must be born again.*”

***HOW CAN IT BE? EASY, JESUS LOVES YOU!***