

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

1st Grade Science

Origins

- Affirming that the Bible is reliable for telling us how the world began; summarizing the events of the Creation week
- Evaluating views that claim that the world came into existence without God
- Praising God for how He created the world and people

Design in Nature

- Affirming the intricate design in the world; explaining how God designed each part of nature to work together
- Critiquing the claim that there is no evidence for God's design in nature; evaluating the view that pain, suffering, and death are not results of mankind's fall into sin
- Defending the claim that sin caused things in this world not to work together as they should;
- explaining from the Bible that God will restore creation

Human Element

- Relating the importance of humans to the Bible's teaching about the image of God (Gen. 1:26-27); explaining that God made people to rule over His creation (Gen. 1:28)
- Explaining that people should love other people because they are made in God's image (Mark 12:30-31)

Purpose of Science

- Relating science to the Creation Mandate (Gen. 1:28)
- Evaluating the view that science is the most reliable source of truth
- Summarizing the value and limits of science; explaining how the Bible has influenced science

