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stood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead so that they are without excuse." I asked them if Dr. Jones had ever read this. Well, he said, Yes, and he's explained it to us. It means that Adam could see evidences of God, but it has nothing to do with us! That's not what Paul says. Paul says, that the Gentiles of his day have no excuse. The Jews, he says, have no excuse. They have the law of God. They have His wonderful Word. They all knew they have fallen short, far short of His commandments.

The Gentiles have no excuse because the invisible things of God from the creation of the world are clearly seen being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead so that they are without excuse." "In the beginning God." God has given us all around us, unanswerable evidences of His power and of His greatness. It is only as man's shuts his eyes and is willingly ignorant that he can fail to recognize the existence and the power and the greatness of God.

In the second place, I'd like to look at these words "In the beginning God" and apply them in a different way. "In the Beginning God" are the first words of the Bible, and God is in the beginning of the Bible. God permeates the Bible. God formed the Bible. God led holy men of old to write the Bible. Nothing similar to the Scripture has ever been written. People speak of the Scriptures of other religions. But none of them are in a class with the Bible. They are not in a class & with it from a literary viewpoint; they are not with it in a class for perseption, for understanding. They are not in a class with it for giving an understanding of God. We can learn from nature about