



## The Redemption of Reason Conference

The University of Chicago

A Conference for Intentional Christian Scholars  
in Conversation  
with the Sciences and Scientists Today

November 9 - 11, 2006

The 2006 Redemption of Reason conference drew its inspiration from the book, *Science and Christianity: Conflict or Coherence?*, by Professor Henry Schaefer.

<https://www.amazon.com/Science-Christianity-Coherence-Henry-Schaefer/dp/097429750X>

The conference addressed the issue of conflict and coherence between science and Christian faith seen in history and the research experiences of the speakers.

*Perspectives on Science and Christian Faith*, the official journal of the American Scientific Affiliation, an organization of Christians in the sciences, published a number of the papers from this conference in the June 2007 issue.

<https://www.asa3.org/ASA/PSCF/2007/PSCF6-07dyn.html>

### Thursday

**Henry F. Schaefer III** (Computational Chemistry, U of Georgia)

“Is It Possible for a Scientist to Be a Christian?”

**Pattle P. Pun** (Biology, Wheaton College)

“Integration and Confrontation of Contemporary Worldviews: Evolution and Intelligent Design”

**Alvin Plantinga** (Philosophy, Notre Dame)

“On Christian Scholarship: Are Science and Christian Belief in Conflict”

**Ian Hutchinson** (Nuclear Physics, MIT)

“Warfare and Wedlock: Redeeming the Faith-Science Relationship”

**Donald G. York** (Astrophysics, University of Chicago)

“The Systematics of Science in Astrophysics”

## Friday

**John Suppe** (Geology, Princeton)

“Christian and Scientific Knowledge Claims”

**Patricia Reiff** (Plasma Physics, Rice University)

“A Christian in Science: Research and Educating the Public”

**Alan Padgett** (Theology, Luther Seminary)

“Epiphany for a Small Planet: Christology, Astronomy and Mutuality”

**Cal DeWitt** (Environmental Science, U of Wisconsin)

“Addressing Secularization and Disciplinary Fragmentation in Academia”

**Ard Louis** (Interdisciplinary Physics, Cambridge)

“Thinking Christianly about Biological Complexity”

## Saturday

### Student Papers

C. Donald Smedley “Science & Religion: Some Observations,  
Opportunities and Obligations (2006)

Ben Ruddell “Coming to Grips with Science and Spirituality in  
America

John Ferrer “Christian Freedom in the Academy”

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