WELCOME TO THE FAITHFUL REMNANT

Summary

Before any doctrine is explained, this short welcome states the case as plainly as possible: Scripture, the natural world, and the very design written into our own DNA all point toward one Creator. It's the congregation's front door — an invitation phrased as a beginning rather than a demand.

- A "Natural Theology" case for Yahweh's existence: five classical arguments (a Prime Mover, a First Efficient Cause, a Necessary Being, a Supremely Perfect Being, a Supreme Intelligence).
- The DNA/design theme, later carried forward into the congregation's Identity Summary.
- The rejection of clergy titles: "no other teacher, pastor, leader, founder, or administrator" besides the Messiah.
- The closing claim that congregational membership "is registered in heaven," regardless of formal affiliation.
- The companion Home Page's inclusive framing: every sincere life-path leads toward the same one true Destination.

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The Faithful Remnant maintains a true, natural Israelite faith, as evidenced by the Words written in our Bibles, and by the Words "written in our hearts and minds"; the genetic (DNA) coding within us, and of course, by the awesome harmony of the world and the universe around us. As in the natural world around us, life exists only as Yahweh gives it, hence the life of the Spirit within the Congregation is as natural as the life within Yahweh's trees. The most Natural and true Congregation of Yahweh is a Spiritual organism; a collection of those called and chosen by the One True Creator, where His "membership is registered in heaven".

Natural Faith is an elementary aspect of the human condition. Natural Theology is defined as the knowledge of Yahweh (*and immortality*) which is logically and naturally independent of revelation. This science of Natural Theology has in its being the most profound and abstruse of any, requiring the most mature judgment in its students. A mind enriched with all of the other sciences, can safely trust it.

We all have the power within us in our natural state to find Yahweh through the senses. We need only look into the heavens to see the handiwork of Yahweh to know He is there. We may see Him through beauty and stand in awe at every facet of His creation. This prima-facie evidence is sufficient to be led by Yahweh toward knowing Him personally. Through the gospel of Yah'shua the Messiah we are able to see the truth more clearly and able to spiritually reach out to Him and be saved.
There may be five mutually supporting ways by which men can arrive at a knowledge of Yahweh and His attributes by natural reason. The first proof is based on the necessity of a Prime Mover to account for the movement evident in the universe. Second is the need for a First Efficient Cause of the existence of things. Third is the need to postulate a Necessary Being in a world of contingent beings. Fourth is a need to presuppose a Supremely Perfect Being as the cause of the degrees of perfection observable in all created things (*and beings*). Fifth is the necessity of a Supreme Intelligence as the cause of the order prevailing in the universe.

The modernists prefer to regard history as a redemptive process in which man evolves through higher and higher stages of culture providing the basis for an evolutionary natural theology. Progress then becomes the proof of divine superintendence. This is part of the progressive revelation through Natural Theology that insists on being true.

The theologian can never entirely ignore philosophy. A negative or sceptical attitude toward philosophy is

itself a form of philosophy that completely cuts off the human intellect from all ultimate reality and truth. By Natural Theology we may mean any intellectual movement of the mind which is conceived to lie in a Creator-ward direction. Some sort of Creator-ward movement of the mind is natural to man, because every man is a man made for Yahweh and created by Him in His image. Yahweh is revealed in the very nature of every man and the natural sciences of all those things He also created for every man.

We see that the perfect humanity of Yah'shua is the living embodiment in human history of the purpose of Yahweh in creating our human nature and our human history. Yah'shua reveals to us not only the fact of our human redemption but the purpose of the Creation. Some people call it nature, others call it Yahweh, NATURALLY!

The Faithful Remnant is not unique in its claim that all of its BELIEFS are Biblical, but we are certain of our unique belief that there is nothing more Natural or self-evident than the truth that Yahweh has so graciously and clearly written in the hearts and minds of His beloved children – He has made it and programmed it directly into your DNA.

Yahweh's plain truth, which is clearly written in our hearts and minds (*in our DNA, whether we believe it or not*), justly compels the Faithful Remnant to proclaim its pre-eminence over all evangelical churches. Our founder and our Lord and Saviour Yah'shua the Messiah, commissioned us to:

"Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, ... Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the world". (Matt. 28:19)

"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to feed the Congregation of Yahweh, [where membership is registered in Heaven] which He has purchased with His own blood". (Acts 20:28)

The Faithful Remnant proclaims no other teacher, pastor, leader, founder, or administrator, and we humbly accept that, "One is our Teacher, the Messiah, AND WE ARE ALL BRETHREN" (Matt.23:8-12).

The importance or spiritual relevance does not lie in whether or not any of us claims to be a member of Yahweh's Congregation, but rather that we acknowledge that Yahweh has proclaimed that all membership in His Congregation, is indeed registered in heaven. We will all partake of this registry only according to Yahweh's Will.

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