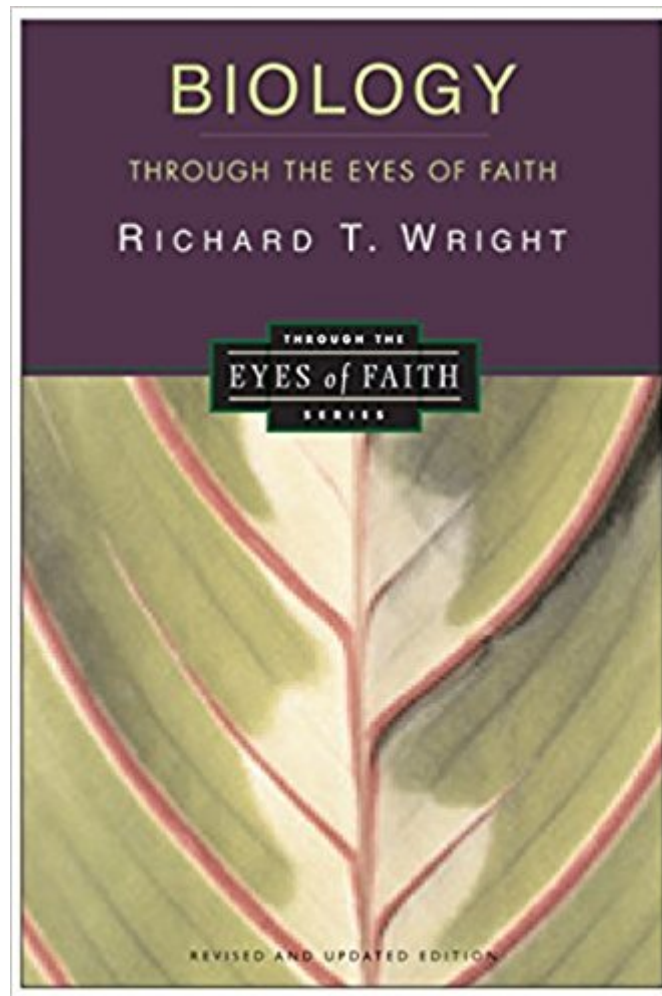




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Customer Reviews

A scientist and Christian examines biology in the light of faith and modern social issues. He explores the biblical message of creation and applies the principle of dominion to medical, genetic, and environmental concerns.

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demonstrates that the study of biology penetrates to the very depths of existence and can contribute to the construction of a consistent Christian world view.

I'll start by saying that, like several other reviewers, I was privileged to study under Dr. Wright at Gordon College a very long time ago (I graduated in 1970). Next I'll say that nothing in this book deviates from the testimony, both scientific and theological, of the Dr. Wright I knew back then. I majored in Chemistry and, although we didn't have formal "minors", I probably had the equivalent of a minor in Biology. My wife and I read in the car (well, she reads out loud while I'm driving), and this was one of our "car reads." It was readable enough to absorb in this manner, and it stimulated several discussions of the issues between us. This book is written for those who have been confronted with the error that Christian faith is antithetical to a pursuit of scientific knowledge. As he did so many years ago, Dr. Wright takes us through scientific study, Biology in particular, as another revelation of God and God's Creation. I will admit that I was a bit disappointed in his treatment of some of the ethical issues surrounding biological inquiry. Those seeking definitive answers in this area will be disappointed. Dr. Wright tiptoed around the question of when human life is or should be fully protected, for instance. But a thorough discussion of ethics from a scientific perspective would require a far longer book which I would love to see Dr. Wright attempt, perhaps in collaboration with a noted Christian ethicist. Still, his overall treatment opens lines of thought and inquiry which can assist in the reader's journey toward a more enlightened understanding of these issues. For those who seek absolutes, the concept of continuous discovery and thought evolution is anathema. For those of us in the sciences who always question, for whom faith really means faith (as opposed to certainty, which is the opposite of faith), Dr. Wright's tome is a refreshing exposition of the many issues in the biological sciences that require us to be good and faithful stewards of Creation - no matter what process brought about that Creation.

Excellent. Possibly the best integration of faith and learning I've ever read. Wright lays everything out in an easy and understandable way. The book flows and is relative to for both science and faith.

required reading for coursework. Actual product was in good condition.

great condition

This book was balm to my soul. If you are caught between the Christian and scientific communities,

you will find solace in this book. Dr Wright does an incredible job explaining different Christian perspectives on Scripture and origins. Somehow, he manages to explain each Christian viewpoint with respect even when he makes his personal view evident. More importantly, he shares the joy he finds in delighting in God's creation and seeing the qualities of God in the study of life. He extends this into how we as Christians should respond. We should of course praise God and be good stewards of creation.

This bok is really great. It compares and contrasts the knowledge behind science and faith. You don't get to see this much in today's learning environment.

Got to read this book before it was out for public consumption as I was a student at Gordon College in the Biology Department where Dr. Richard Wright was the Department Chair for many years. Dr. Wright (not the same Richard Wright, by the way, who is noted in the About the Author section on this page) is a compassionate and meticulous scientist who passed his perspective and passion for a Biblical view of creation integrated with the scientific views of our world. I will ever be grateful for his teaching.

for Christians studying biology and struggling with conflict between what they believe and what they are asked to learn. I have a dog-eared and valuable (to me) pre-publication copy of the first edition of this book that Dr. Wright himself gave me. I was one of his students many years ago when he taught Ecology and Evolution. That book helped me immensely, although I don't think I ever properly thanked him at the time. We used it in a discussion class my senior year, and it was wonderful to be able to talk with the author, even though I eventually came to my own conclusions on the matter of creation/evolution. It's greatest strength isn't in giving you the answers, because thinking for yourself was always paramount at the Christian college where I met Dr. Wright, but the book makes it clear that these difficulties make it even more important that Christians understand the issues in order to be good stewards. I teach at a secular college now, but I'm still going to recommend this book to my students that are struggling with this issue.

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