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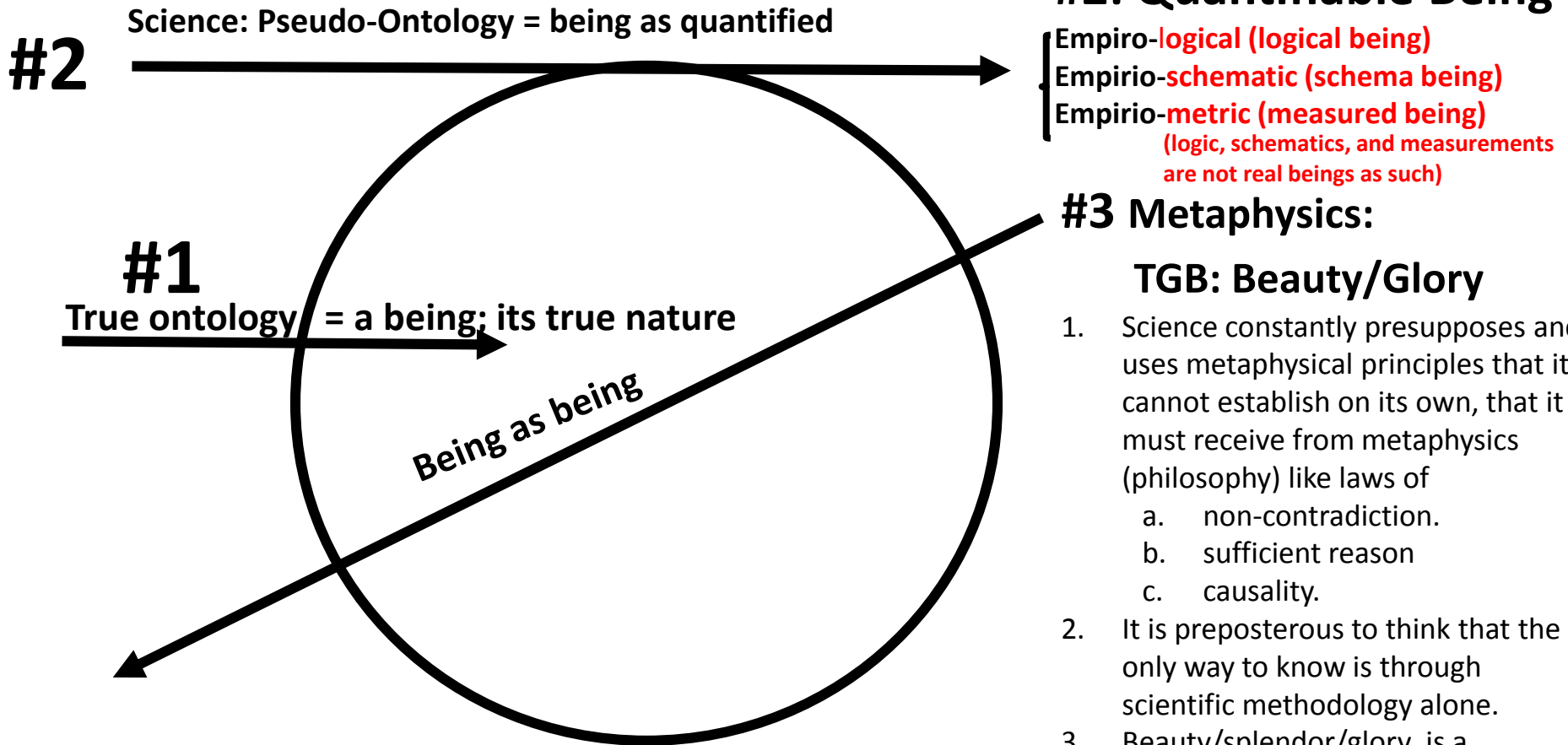
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**INTRODUCTION**

Opening: Proper knowledge and proper love, Eph. 1:2-4; Jn 4:23-24.

1. The glory/beauty of life with God: Matt. 22:37-40; Psa. 19:1-3; Rom. 1:20; 1 Cor. 2:4-10; Jn 1:14, 16-18; Heb. 1:1-3; Eph. 1:2-4; Rom. 8:28-39; Jn 15:16; Titus 2:11-3:7; Acts 2:22-23.; Rev. 13.8; Isa. 5:20-21; Psa. 73:24.
2. The glory/beauty of the Scriptures: 1 Thessalonians- Galatians 3.
3. The glory/beauty of hermeneutics (PR) & the ugliness of reader response and the Dasein.
4. The glory/beauty of the science of God's handiwork, Psa. 19; Rom. 1:20.
5. The glory/beauty of faith-knowledge: 1) God's glorious/beautiful light that enables us to see faith-knowledge, 2) the beautiful experience of faith-knowledge, 3) the beauty of the objective form of faith-knowledge, 4) the beauty of Christ as the central form of faith-knowledge, 5) the beauty of the mediation of the form of faith-knowledge, and 6) the beauty of divine attestation to faith-knowledge.



In apologetics (evidence without the lights of faith-knowledge), there are two main camps regarding proofs of the existence of God. The classical camp focuses on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degrees of knowledge and the modern camp focuses on the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree of knowledge. 2<sup>nd</sup> degree is more popular today, but tends toward deism. The 2<sup>nd</sup> degree is valid with the caveat that it is not a complete. The 2<sup>nd</sup> degree is not what the Bible refers to in declaring that creation declares the beauty/glory of God.

## There are 6 dimensions of biblical faith-knowledge

- 1. The beauty/glory of faith-knowledge**, 2 Cor. 4:6; Matt. 16:17; John 1:18; 14:1, 7, 9.
- 2. The beautiful/glorifying experience of faith-knowledge**, 2 Cor. 4:16-5:11; Gal. 4:6; Thessalonians and Heb. 5:8; 1 Pet. 1:6-8; Gal. 2:20; 4:19; Rom. 8:16; Philip 1:19-25; 3:3-21; John 1:39; 1 John 1:1; Rom. 12:1-2.
- 3. The beauty/glory of objective form of faith-knowledge**, 2 Cor. 3:18-4:6; 1 John 1:1-3, 18;

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- 4. The beauty/glory of the centrality of the form of faith-knowledge: the Son of God, Gal. 3; Col. 1:18; John 1:14-18; 1 John 1:1-3, 18; 2 Cor. 3:18-4:6; John 1:14-18; John 3:13; 1 Cor. 1:30.**
- 5. The beauty/glory of the mediation of faith-knowledge, Luke 24:44-48; 1 Cor 2:10-3:4; 2 Cor. 3:18; 2 Cor 12:7-10; 1 Cor. 2.**
- 6. The beautiful/glorious attestation (testimony) to faith-knowledge.**
  - a. God the Father, Matt. 3:17; John 5:37; 8:18, 47**
  - b. The Word of God, John 5:39.**
  - c. The works of Christ, John 10:25**
  - d. The Holy Spirit, John 16:7-15.**
  - e. The Universe, Ex. 3:14; Col 1:16.**

## The beautiful/glorious dimensions of faith-knowledge illustrated.

1. **Mary beheld the beauty/glory of God in faith-knowledge, Luke 1:32-33, 1:43-55.**
2. **Joseph beheld the beauty/glory of God in faith-knowledge, Matt. 1:20-21.**
3. **The shepherds beheld the beauty/glory of God in faith-knowledge, Luke 2:8-20.**
4. **Simeon beheld the beauty/glory of God in faith-knowledge, Lk 2:29-30.**
5. **Anna beheld the beauty/glory of God in faith-knowledge, Lk 2:36-38.**
6. **John and Andrew beheld the beauty/glory of God in faith-knowledge, Jn 1:37-39.**
7. **Simon Peter beheld the beauty/glory of God in faith-knowledge, Jn 1:40-42.**
8. **Philip beheld the beauty/glory of God in faith-knowledge, Jn. 1:43.**
9. **Nathanael beheld the beauty/glory of God in faith-knowledge, Jn 1:45-51.**