

Ground and Grammar by T F Torrance

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Chapter 3 Discussion

- Introductory Remarks
 - Lenses, bias, paradigms, hermeneutics
 - Worldview and large-scale misunderstanding
 - Hangups, hot-spots, and woundedness

Textual Approach and Key Concepts

- TFT surveys/summarizes the last couple of millennia of the dialogue between science and religion
- Traces the path of different approaches and lenses
- Largely a text on epistemology
- Key terms: determinism, Weltanschauung, Weltbild, dogmatics, contingent, rationality/intelligibility, kata physin, ontologic, freedom, dualism, mechanistic, absolute vs. relativistic

Practical Benefits / Relevance

- Gives us a historical backdrop of where we are now in the dialogue
- Shines a light on why we have these opposing frames of reference
- Illustrates how erroneous we can be based on generational mistakes and myth
- Underscores the importance of examining belief in the context of history