

“Star Wars?” No! The Real Thing!

The battle between good and evil as portrayed in the Bible is the subject the next *Religion at the Interface* lecture to be presented by Norman Moll at the Midland Seventh-day Adventist Church, Friday, April 15 at 7 p.m. While mythology is replete with many versions of this cosmic battle, the Bible gives us a reliable and intriguing perspective on this conflict. This battle has often been referred to by modern religious writers as “The Great Controversy.”

A graduate of Andrews University and Case Institute of Technology, Norman Moll will be speaking on a topic which he has spent years researching. Having grown up in Midland he made his career as a research physical chemist at The Dow Chemical Company. Commenting recently on the topic he will be addressing April 15, Norman observed that the Bible is focused primarily on this earth and the problems which evil has brought, but in a few passages the curtain is partially pulled aside and we can view the situation here on earth from the context of a universe inhabited by intelligent beings. Such a perspective provides critically unique insights, answers to difficult questions we face in our daily lives such as – Why do the innocent suffer and the wicked seemingly go free? Why is there death and what really happens when one dies? Given the tragedies and disasters which beset our earth, what can one infer as to God’s character? What is God really like?

Having explored the interface between religion and secular areas of learning such as cosmology, molecular biology, the evolutionary theory, history and Middle Eastern archaeology, the final lecture in the *Religion at the Interface* series will focus on the Divine / Human interface. What is God trying to communicate to us? Is it important for us to comprehend the message? Can we be certain that the communication is from God?

Religion at the Interface lectures are free and open to the public. Their purpose is to assist us, whether young or old, in the lifelong process of developing a cohesive worldview, a total integration of intellectual and spiritual values into one consistent basis for faith, conviction, and life’s decisions.