THE PHYSICS OF FAITH

Expecting the Unexpected

1. Knowledge gives us depth perception
   a. According to the Great Commandment, love is 25% intellectual
   b. 1 Cor. 8:2 *"He who thinks he knows does not yet know as he should know."*

2. Every "ology" is a branch of theology
   a. Rom. 1:20 *"Since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities, his eternal power, and divine nature have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made."*

3. Heisenberg's Uncertainty Principle
   a. Sometimes matter behaves like a particle; sometimes matter behaves like a wave
   b. There will always be an element of uncertainty

4. Life is infinitely uncertain, and God is infinitely complex
   a. Most of us have a love/hate relationship with uncertainties
   b. Faith is not just embracing uncertainty, it is learning to love it

5. A world without uncertainty is a world without mystery, romance, or surprises

6. The Uncertainty Principle is not just a law of physics, it's a law of life
   a. All of us need to come to the point where we accept the fact that God is God, and we are not
   b. Heb. 11:8 *"By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as an inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going."*

7. Following Christ is the ultimate adventure
   a. John 3:8 *"The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."*
   b. Faith is expecting the unexpected
   c. God is predictably unpredictable

d. Eccl. 11:5 *"As you do not know the path of the wind so you cannot understand the work of God, the maker of all things."*

e. Erwin McManus, <u>The Barbarian Way</u>, *"The future is uncertain, but we need to move toward it with confidence. There's a future to be created, a humanity to be liberated. We need to stop wasting our time and stop being afraid of what we cannot see and do not know. We need to move forward full of force because of what we* **do** *know."*