**BBC Sea of Faith (1984) – episode 1 – The Mechanical Universe**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J396Lamxu9I&list=PLVUIaMDAYwqjMlxhXDehb4k8Oqa5n5KAP>

1. Describe the modern, secular / non-religious world
2. How have we become so secular?
3. Describe the medieval, theological / religious world & universe
4. Who were the authorities in this world?
5. Who was Galileo, what did he discover, and why was he important?(science; religion)
6. Who was Pascal, and what did he discover?
7. Who was Descartes and what did he discover? (philo; religion; science)
8. How did Pascal react to his ideas and why? (science; religion)
9. Why were Pascal’s ideas in Les Pensees important? (science; religion)
10. How do they all help explain our world ?

* What was the world of Descartes like?
* Which ideas were in the process of changing that world?
* Were these changes for the better or worse?