Flashpoints in his Philosophy

- Reality cannot ultimately be explained immanently – from within empirical reality. Scientists and scholars need to view the things of the created world transcendentally – in light of the Creator who gave them being and determined their purpose, sense and meaning.
- Christian scientific work must break with the age-old synthesis of pagan antiquity and biblical revelation.
- The antithesis between good and evil is not due to a division among structures of creation but to a contrast between spiritual directions in which life is lived and the things of creation are shaped and used.
- Theoretical though is necessarily directed by a prior ultimate commitment and relies on a comprehensive worldview that reflects the diversity, unity and origin of all reality.
- Scholars, to be effective, need to address the history and philosophical underpinnings of their disciplines.
- The calling of Christian scholarship is to work at inner reformation of all branches of learning.
- The humble role of philosophy is to reflect on questions about the diversity, unity and origin of reality, the answers to which are ultimately not found in human thought but in divine revelation.
- The history of western philosophy has long suffered from polar tensions in underlying motive forces.
- Civilization displays an opening process that allows for harmonious development and is ignored at the price of cultural disharmony.