

Paper 2

Thesis- "Neither science nor Christianity can be reconciled.

There is no sense, therefore, in synthesizing the belief in observable evidence with the belief in blind faith."

1. Second paragraph, Page 1
 - a. "Instead, it can be used as a model the possibility of reconciling science and religion."
 - i. "model **of** the possibility"
2. First paragraph, Page 2
 - a. It might be beneficial to add more detail about the "seeing man."
 - b. Why can't a seeing man have faith (in the literal sense)? Why couldn't he choose to believe? These are the types of questions I was left with after this example. If you maybe integrate some more characteristics of this man there would be less confusion.
 - c. "Yet perhaps, the blind man had no idea whether or not a car would come and merely chose to believe it for his own comfort."
 - i. Remove the comma
 - d. "...as human the senses are not always trustworthy..."
 - i. Reword this portion, it seems too cliché for your argument.
3. First Paragraph, Page 3
 - a. "Therefore, science cannot win this battle, for any proofs it could ever obtain are obsolete in the context of religion."
 - i. I felt as if you were using Christian's stubbornness to your advantage to prove your point. is that what you were aiming for? If so, it seems to contradict your stance on the issue.
4. First paragraph, Page 4
 - a. "...if they find proof of the supernatural."
 - i. Then would it be "supernatural?"
5. Second paragraph, Page 4
 - a. "Science has no power to convince Christians that it has sole power while abiding by religious guidelines, and religion has no power to convince scientists that it has sole power while abiding by scientific guidelines. In my opinion, the reconciliation of the science and Christianity is only possible by individuals who are unsure of what they believe."
 - i. "Sole Power" does not fit properly in this context.

I enjoyed your use of examples and metaphors. Please try to be more specific with your "desert" example. The idea is good, but the message is conveyed with a lot of skepticism on the reader's end. Taken less metaphorically, the difference between the blind man and the seeing man is unclear. Maybe add some more detail about the "seeing man" will help clarify exactly why a seeing man cannot choose to be "blind" or believe in the unobservable.

Your thesis should not be so emotively charged. "there is no sense" implies that an indirect attack on believers in a synthesis. Refrain from giving the impression of condemnation. Support your view with the examples you provide, only.

Overall, there is great transitioning and use of textual evidence. You stayed neutral when necessary and provided your opinion as a conclusive statement. Maybe use less of Gosse and quote more from some place else.