

Galileo – Challenge of Reason

1. List several of Galileo's accomplishments.
2. What was the Ptolemaic concept of the universe?
3. What was the Copernican concept of the universe?
4. What was the Church's method of discovering truth?
5. What was Galileo's method of discovering truth?
6. Why did the Church condemn the Copernican view of the universe as heresy?
7. Why did the Church condemn Galileo's experimental methods?
8. What Biblical account countered Galileo's view of the universe?
9. What was Galileo's crime? Punishment?
10. Discuss the main issues of the conflict between science and the Church.
11. Why was Galileo so influential in Western thought?