GOD SCIENCE AND THE UNIVERSE

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"This most beautiful system [The **Universe**] could only proceed from the dominion of an intelligent and powerful Being" Isaac Newton

INTRODUCTION FACT, LOGIC, TRUTH

Is there a roadmap to God? While some may argue that there is no roadmap or even a God, the scientific evidence we have, along with logic and reasoning, tells us that there is a map, and the map appears to point towards a theistic being (God) that exists outside of this universe. Whilst we don't have time to go into to much detail we have listed just some of the major scientific facts and evidence that lead us on the path to truth.

As you read this book, all that is asked is that you stay true to the evidence and facts, including logic and reasoning. We all rely on facts, logic, and reasoning in our day-to-day lives; it's how we navigate our existence. Yet, when it comes to religion, somehow, it doesn't always seem to count. People often discard these crucial tools, which are essential in guiding them toward the **right** path and discovering the true meaning of life.

SCIENCE AND THE WORLD VIEWS PART ONE





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WORLD VIEWS EXPLAINED

Theism

Pantheism

Atheism







Islam Judaism Christianity New age Hinduism Buddhism Atheism (plus Darwinism)

WORLD VIEWS EXPLAINED

Every religious viewpoint falls into one of three categories. There are hundreds and hundreds of different beliefs, (previous page notes a few of the major ones) But **all** viewpoints . fall into the same construct of either being.

- : Theistic : A divine being existing outside of our universe
- : Pantheistic : Divinity exists within our universe

: Atheistic : No divine being exists at all

The world views in more detail $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$

WORLD VIEWS EXPLAINED 1.1 (THE CAKE EXAMPLE)

• Imagine a cake on a counter top. The cake represents the universe, and this example represents the **atheistic** world view.

The cake appeared out of is no chef (God) and the always existed and collided intelligent intervention, as beyond us.



nowhere, (the universe). There ingredients for the cake have to form the cake, without any there is no supernatural force

Atheism (plus sub categories)

Atheism: the belief that no god exists, and has never existed, nor will ever exist.

WORLD VIEWS EXPLAINED 1.2 (THE CAKE EXAMPLE)

• Imagine a cake on a counter top. The cake represents the universe, and this example represents the **pantheistic** world view.

The cake is the chef (God) everything that flows (God). The Cake has always Here it will never go off, never



The topping is the chef, (God) through the cake is the chef Been here and always will be Spoil and will always exist.

Pantheism

Pantheism: the belief that God / divinity exists, but he resides within the universe and flows through everything.

WORLD VIEWS EXPLAINED 1.3 (THE CAKE EXAMPLE)

 Imagine a cake on a counter top. The cake represents the universe, and this example represents The <u>theistic</u> world view.

The cake (The universe) is does exist but he is not the cake and the cake is his



not the chef (God). The chef cake, he is external to the expression and grand design.

Theism: the belief that God exists but he is external to the universe we live in

WHAT DOES THE SCIENCE SAY! 1.4

So... what does science say? It's all well and good having all these belief systems that fit into one of the worldview categories above, but for any belief system or worldview to be true, that system cannot contradict true science.

The term "scientist" is a general descriptor used to identify individuals who research and explore various facets of the physical world to gain a deeper understanding of its workings and functions. All scientists are expected to adhere to the scientific method, a rigorous set of rules designed to guarantee that new discoveries are based on facts rather than mere speculation. For a phenomenon or finding to be deemed scientific, it must be **observable**, **measurable**, and **repeatable**.

Let's have a look what they have discovered $\Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow$

EINSTEIN THEORY OF GENERAL RELATIVITY WHAT DOES THE SCIENCE SAY 1.5

• It all truly began in 1905 with Einstein when he initiated his work on the theory of general relativity. He introduced a new framework for all of physics and proposed novel concepts of space and time. While engaged in his research over the years, he arrived at the realization that space and time are interwoven, and that space-time and matter are all interrelated, forming a continuum that must come into play simultaneously. This discovery paved the way for the Big Bang theory. see fig 1.1

Space, time, matter all had to come into existence at the same time, they cannot exist independently

Fig 1.1

See example to the right $\rightarrow \rightarrow$



- If you had space + matter but no time when would
- If you had matter + time but no space where would you put it

It was this that then paved the way For the big bang theory. ➡

THE BIG BANG THEORY 1.6 WHAT DOES THE SCIENCE SAY

The best-supported theory of our universe's origin centre's on an event known as the big bang. This theory was born of <u>the observation that other galaxies</u> are moving away from our own at great speed in all directions, as if they had all been propelled by an ancient explosive force.

• A Belgian priest named <u>Georges Lemaître</u> first suggested the big bang theory in the 1920s, when he theorized that the universe began from a single primordial atom. The idea received major confirmation when Edwin Hubble observed that galaxies are speeding away from us in all directions. It was then predicted that if the big bang event was true then cosmic radiation would eventually be found, rolling forward to the 1960s two scientists by the names of <u>Arno Penzias</u> and <u>Robert Wilson</u> Were doing some work with radio frequencies when they stumbled upon cosmic microwave radiation—interpreted as echoes of the big bang. in 1989 nasa decided to send a satellite into space (cobe) to further investigate cosmic radiation as they believed that if they were to find this then that would undoubtedly confirm the big bang event But not only did they find cosmic radiation they were amazed at how detailed and fine tuned this data was (what they had found led to them receiving the Nobel prize in 2006)

What is the big bang? \rightarrow Here Is the theory: In the first 10⁻⁴³ seconds of its existence, the universe was very compact, less than a million billion billionth the size of a single atom. (Atoms are a million times smaller then the thickest human hair) It's thought that at such an incomprehensibly dense, energetic state, the four fundamental forces—gravity, electromagnetism, and the strong and weak nuclear forces—were forged into a single powerful force, but scientists admit that they haven't yet figured out how a single, unified force would work to pull something as **precise** as this off.

THE 2ND LAW OF THERMODY NAMICS 1.7A WHAT DOES THE SCIENCE SAY

- So, due to the hard work of scientists, we now know that space, time, and matter need each other to exist and cannot be independent. We also know that it took great force and precision to make the Big Bang happen. So, if we were then to integrate the evidence from the previous pages with the scientific support for the second law of thermodynamics, we would begin to encounter some challenges for some of the worldviews we mentioned.
- What is Thermodynamic?
- Thermodynamics is the study of energy. The second law of thermodynamics states that "in all energy exchanges, if no energy enters or leaves a system, the potential energy of the state will always be less than that of the initial state.
 Example ⇒ "We know that the Earth's core is made up of energy, and if this is the case, then it means the Earth is running out of energy. However, if it's running out of energy, then the universe cannot be eternal, as this would violate the second law of thermodynamics.

THE 2ND LAW OF THERMODYNAMICS 1.B WHAT DOES THE SCIENCE SAY

- Example, there is a car full of fuel, the engine is running, and no new fuel is going into the tank. There is not a fuel leak or any issues with the car. The law of thermodynamics states that this vehicle will eventually run out of fuel (energy), and this has been scientifically proven to be correct."
- **Anything** that contains energy will eventually run out of energy and the earths core is made up of energy.



THE BIG PROBLEM 1.8 WHAT DOES THE SCIENCE SAY

The big problem:

"Following the science, there are clearly some problems that arise in some of the different worldviews and belief systems. Below are just a few of them and the problems that they cause for the views."

- Our planet is slowly dying (the core is running out of energy) and no new energy is being put in
- Space time and matter need each other to coexist.
- There was a single point of origin (the big bang).
- There is no Scientific theory to explain how the big bang happened by itself.
- Scientist agree that it took great force and precision to produce the big bang event.

THE BIG PROBLEM 1.9 WHAT DOES THE SCIENCE SAY

So the scientific data brings us to our first issue PANTHEISM. For the universe to be flowing with Divinity through out it (God). It Must be eternal. Some PANTHEISTIC religions also Subscribe to the view that we re live another life on this earth, But unfortunately this is In direct Violation of all of the scientific data that we have to date. It violates the 2nd law of thermodynamics, and Einstein's theory of general relativity, the big bang theory and a whole Lot more!!

So per our Previous cake example

- The cake is not eternal it will eventually go off
- The cake could not of always been on the counter it needs a point of origin (E.g. mixing milk, eggs, flour) to form the cake



If you had space + matter but no time when would you put God. If you had matter + time but no space where would you put God, the earths energy is running out and if it's running out then how can God exists within it.

So now does it really sound logical that the cake (the universe) has just always been here and always will be?

THE BIG PROBLEM 2.0 WHAT DOES THE SCIENCE SAY

• The same scientific data leads us to a similar problem with ATHEISM. Scientists admit that It is evident that the universe is not eternal, like they once thought, and the majority admit that the universe had a single point of origin, (the big bang). Yet they Further confess that they cannot explain how the big bang came to be and they acknowledge that It would of taken great force, and precision to make this happen.

So per our previous cake example

- Precision and skill was required to make the cake
- The cake could not of baked it self
- There is evidence to show the cake had a beginning



Science has shown us that the universe had a beginning. It has also shown us that great skill, force, and certain conditions were required to make this happen.

Does it really sound logical that the cake (the universe) baked itself?

THE BIG PROBLEM 2.1 WHAT DOES THE SCIENCE SAY

But what about <u>THEISM</u>? Where does the science take us in reference to this particular world view? Well the scientific data actually lines up better with this world view, then any of the others. Yes one can argue that there are unanswerable scientific questions with theism. But the same questions still apply across all world views and if you mix that with the fact that theism doesn't violate or contradict any of the scientific laws that some of the other world views do. This then leads us to the most logical answer of theism Pointing to the truth

So per our cake example

- The cake was created by A chef With the precision and skills required
- The chef put all the ingredients together to form the cake
- The chef is external to the cake
- and isn't affected by changes to the cake
 Does it really source



Science has shown us that it took skill to make the Big Bang happen, but this skill must have come from something outside of this universe, as whatever it was had to be spaceless, timeless, and immaterial. And could not be affected by the changes of this world.

Does it really sound logical that there is a baker outside of the cake. (the universe)?

RECAP

- Space, time, matter, all have to come into affect at the same time, and cannot exist independently of each other.
- The universe had a single point of origin (a beginning)
- The universe is running out of energy and is not eternal.
- Science has shown that great force and precision was required for the big bang.



THE TELEOLOGICAL ARGUMENT PART TWO

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Great design is **INVISIBLE**.

THE TELEOLOGICAL ARGUMENT 1.1

The teleological argument:

Telos Is a Greek, word which means design The teleological argument goes like this

1 Every design has a designer

2 The universe has highly complex design

3 Therefore the universe was designed

But is the teleological argument really that simple? \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow

THE TELEOLOGICAL ARGUMENT 1.2

Sticking to the facts: Design

- Name one thing in life that has not required intelligent design?
- "Everything in this life has a single point of origin and a great design. From cars to homes, and even the shirts on our backs, at some point, someone, somewhere drafted up a design. Toothbrushes, for example, have over 3000 design patents. So, using logic and reasoning, we can come to the reasonable conclusion that if everything man-made has, at some point, been designed by someone, then it's logical to assume that humans, with intelligent design, have also been designed."

NUMBER 1 EVERY DESIGN HAS A DESIGER

THE TELEOLOGICAL ARGUMENT HIGHLY COMPLEX DESIGN 1.3A

- Design continued (highly complex design)
- Scientists have studied and observed some of the universe's constants and have found that, if any of these constants values were to be just slightly different, then intelligent life could not exist here on earth.

What is a universal constant?

A universal constant is a strict set of values that have to exist constantly, the way that they are for life to be supported on earth, the slightest change to these constants would have devastating effects for all life forms on earth.

THE TELEOLOGICAL ARGUMENT HIGHLY COMPLEX DESIGN 1.3B

Example

 1 The earth Is perfectly positioned in the universe. Closer to the sun and we would burn. Further away and we would freeze, and in a completely different location we would be hit by asteroids Jupiter actually acts as a comic vacuum pulling in all the debris that would potentially hit earth see fig 1.1



THE TELEOLOGICAL ARGUMENT HIGHLY COMPLEX DESIGN 1.3C

 2) Imagine a tape measure wrapped around the world. Then imagine if that tape measure was tilted by 1 inch this would cause us to instantly fall off the earth as gravity would be dramatically affected that's how our earths gravity works if we were to alter this value the earth would suffer a massive imbalance see fig 1.2



THE TELEOLOGICAL ARGUMENT HIGHLY COMPLEX DESIGN 1.3D

3 The atmosphere Is comprised of 21% oxygen and 79% nitrogen. If there were
to be just a 5% change in either direction, then either random fires would erupt
or we would suffocate, it is clear that the ratio of oxygen to nitrogen is set at the
perfect value to support life on earth see: fig 1.3

Fig 1



More nitrogen = we suffocate



THE TELEOLOGICAL ARGUMENT 1.4

THEREFORE THE UNIVERSE HAS A DESIGNER

The previous pages have only 3 examples, out of over 120 constants that exist, and have to be the values they are in order for life on earth to be supported. In other words clear fingerprints of design. It is impossible to have intelligent design without an intelligent designer.

Example

- If you give a mechanic car parts he will build you a car
- If you give a builder bricks he will build you a house
- If you give a baker ingredients he will bake you a cake
- All of the above require some form of intelligence but remove the intelligence and you then therefore remove the design, which leaves us with Nothing. In other words without a designer you have no design, therefore how can you bring forth Intelligent design?

THE THEORY OF EVOLUTION DARWINISM PART THREE

Evolution! It's taught in our classrooms, in our university's yet it's based on no scientific evidence, all signs point away from it. It defies all logic and definitely doesn't have any reasoning.



EVOLUTION THEORY 1.1

- On top of the teleological argument we have AMOEBA
- Most atheists subscribe to the theory of evolution. According to this view, there is no intelligent being beyond us, and it is believed that a complex soup of chemicals (the primordial soup) gave rise to <u>amoeba</u>. A single cell organism and over an extended period, through successive small changes, we have evolved from something like amoeba into what we are today.

The amoeba is one of the simplest life forms we know. But why is amoeba so important?

It is a single-cell organism believed to be among the first living things to exist. Despite being a large cell, it is so minuscule that several hundred could be aligned within a single inch. But If you were to transcribe the DNA of this cell, there would be enough information to fill a 1000-page encyclopaedia. What's fascinating is that the information in this cell is not randomly arranged; it follows an orderly fashion, spelling out a message, not just a sequence of random letters on
 paper. (And this is just the simplest life form in existence.)

EVOLUTION THEORY

AMOEBA1.2 This presents us with our first major problem as amoeba a single cell organism has enough information to fill a 1000-page encyclopaedia.

One simple cell has over 42 million protein molecules a human has over 30 trillion cells, with each molecule housing 100 amino acids. (try calculating that one)

So the question is, could we of arrived by chance from non-living chemicals? (in other words no intelligent designer just a random broth of complex chemicals)

Professor Michael Behe says this → "the probability of getting one protein molecule (which has about 100 amino acids) by chance would be the same as a blind folded man finding one Marked grain of sand in the Sahara desert three times in a row.to complicate things even more you don't just need one protein molecule to create life, you would need about 200 of those protein molecules together to create a life form."

EVOLUTION THEORY 1.3

- But evolution does exist right?
- When talking about evolution it is important to note that there are 2 types of evolution, macro evolution and microevolution. We know microevolution is something that exists, As it has been studied under a microscope.
- What is microevolution?
- Microevolution concerns the transformation of traits in a population of a given species it is defined as changes in the frequency of a gene in a population. These are subtle changes that can occur in very short periods of time, and may not be visible to a casual observer. Mathematically, we can determine whether microevolution is occurring by assessing whether a population is in what's known as Hardy-Weinberg Equilibrium.

Microevolution:

In simple terms just like how we now have viruses that are resistant to antibiotics and bugs that are resistant to pesticide, this is microevolution in action small low level changes to a species but still remaining to be what it originally was.

EVOLUTION THEORY 1.3B

 But when concerning (macroevolution) It has never been witnessed, observed or reproduced.

What is macroevolution?

According to theorist macroevolution is evolution that occurs at or above the level of the species. It is the result of microevolution taking place over many generations. Macroevolution may involve evolutionary changes in two interacting species, as in co evolution, or it may involve the emergence of one or more brand new species (so it is thought)

Macroevolution:

In simple terms macroevolution is theorized to take place after years and years of microevolution thus resulting in chimpanzees evolving into humans and so forth (something that we have not witnessed or observed).

EVOLUTION THEORY 1.4 CONTINUED

• Darwin's evolution

Darwin's evolution is based off microevolution which apparently over time turns into macroevolution.

- He believed that we have evolved though natural selection, and our body's Have adapted to the environment we live in, but this poses a few issues, the first being;
- 1 we have not ever witnessed this type of evolution, (macroevolution) however we are told it will eventually happen as a result of microevolution. "It just takes a really long time" (in other words have faith!) but this is NOT is not science.
- 2 We are all Irreducibly complex, aka irreducible complexity but what is irreducible complexity?



EVOLUTION THEORY 1.5 IRREDUCIBLE COMPLEXITY

 2 We are Irreducibly complex, which means certain biological systems cannot have evolved by successive small modifications, to pre-existing functional systems through natural selection, because no less complex system would function example see fig 1.1

In simple terms

Look at the picture; it is of a car engine. This engine is irreducibly complex; in other words, the engine requires each of those components to function the way it is intended to as an engine . If that engine were to evolve into something different, then how would it function during its transition? "



Fig

EVOLUTION THEORY 1.6 IRREDUCIBLY COMPLEX

 3 Macro evolution isn't scientifically possible, A because just like the engine on the previous page we are irreducibly complex and B because it has never been seen or recorded, see <u>drog and canine example below</u>

Drog a dog slowly evolving into a frog how would this be possible? On top of this canines trace back 1000s of years and all we see is common ancestor Grey wolf's and nothing else.

- 1. How would a drog leap?
- 2. How would a drog eat?
- 3. How would a drog fend off attack



- . All history has uncovered is dogs
- 2. Dogs have micro evolved this has been observed
- 3. Macro evolution has no evidence of being done In canines or any

EVOLUTION THEORY 1.7 COMMON ANCESTRY

"We share a 98-99% similarity to chimpanzees DNA, and evolutionists believe that this implies an ancestral relationship. However, we also share around 97% DNA similarity with mice. Does this truly imply common ancestry? As In that 1% of DNA difference, there are over 1 million cells, with each cell housing over 3 billion pairs of genetic code."

Is this really evidence for common ancestry or evidence for a common creator?

"Perhaps a common creator designed us to inhabit the same biosphere, resulting in similarities in DNA. This common design could be crucial for a functional food chain.

Consider this: we don't automatically assume a metal spoon evolved from a pot just because they share similarities. Instead, a spoon and a pot may share similarities in design because they were both created to function in the same context (for holding hot food, for example), highlighting the role of intentional design rather than evolutionary processes."

EVOLUTION THEORY 1.8 SIDE NOTE PROFESSOR MICHAEL BEHE

"There is currently no experimental evidence to show that natural selection can overcome irreducible complexity. The result of cumulative efforts to investigate the cell at a molecular level is a loud and clear piercing cry of design. This discovery rivals those of Newton and Einstein. The idea of Darwinian molecular evolution is not grounded in science; there is no publication in scientific literature, in journals, or in books that describes how molecular evolution of any real complex biochemical system either did occur or might have occurred. Since there is no authority on which to base claims of knowledge, it can truly be said that the assertion of Darwinian molecular evolution is merely a bluster." - Professor Michael Behe

Professor Michael behe
EVOLUTION THEORY 1.9 IN THE BEGINNING

So what do "Evolutionist" say about the beginning of the Life? According to some Scientists (and not Scientific data) our ancestors were once "SOUP" yes! Soup

Many scientists **suspect** that life began in the oceans. The idea Is that many carbon-based chemicals formed on the young Earth and dissolved in the ocean, which became thick and concentrated: the so-called "primordial soup this apparently best explains how we received our DNA the problem with this though is it's backed by no Scientific evidence or **logic**

Example:

So let's put some of the evidence from the atheistic/Darwinist view points together, after the big bang that happened by a non intelligent force there was a chemical reaction in the ocean known as The "primordial soup". It's from this non intelligent chemical soup that our DNA is derived From, out came amoeba a single cell organism, (or some other single cell organism) and over time this organism evolved to who we are now. this is how we came to being and intelligently evolved without any intelligence.





EVOLUTION THEORY 2.0

Being honest:

- Let's, be honest <u>no</u> world view can provide perfect 100% scientific evidence for the beginning of life Event. But logical and reasonable Thinking clearly point, in one direction of there being a great designer (a god) providing you follow the evidence to where it leads.
- There is no scientific evidence for the primordial soup nothing Yet it is sold as science. And not only that does It really sound reasonable that we Derived from a pot of unintelligent Chemicals? even if this view didn't violate some of the scientific laws that we have does It really sound logical?

EVOLUTION THEORY 2.1

Non intelligent complex chemicals . (primordial soup)



Amoeba



Natural selecton



EVOLUTION THEORY 2.2 EVOLUTION STUDY

There have been many studies attempting to prove evolution, but the longest and most extensive study has been conducted by a man named Richard Lenski. He is quoted as having the longest-term evolution project outside of nature.

For well over 30 years, he has devoted his time to working with E. coli. Due to its unique nature, E. coli can be frozen, defrosted, and mixed with different generations. He has amassed over 73,000 generations to date. Throughout his studies, he has successfully combined different generations and discovered that newer generations genetically adapt to their new conditions better than older generations(microevolution).

In addition to these findings, he managed to cultivate a generation of E. Coli that can feed off citrate, a substance they traditionally cannot survive on. Richard believes that this unequivocally points to macroevolution. However, he admits that the mutations are random and attributes them to natural selection, a stance that poses some problems.

EVOLUTION THEORY 2.3 RICHARD LENSKI

Richard In his own words admits that The majority of their work on ecoli is micro evolution. (the kind we know exists as we have observed it) he two claims that macroevolution exists and all we need is more generations and time to witness it.

- 1. But how many more generations does he need for macroevolution to be seen as after 30+ years and over 73,000 generation's he is still left with what he started with ecoli.
- 2. He him self admits, the mutations are random but if they are random then that means there is no intelligence, which contradicts us "intelligently evolving"
- 3. He accredits Evolution to natural selection, but natural selection is a belief system that cannot exist, as natural selection would require some form of intelligence which the evolution theory does not have.

EVOLUTION THEORY 2.4 FOSSIL RECORDS

- Now what do the fossil records state about evolution
- One of the major Central arguments that is used for the proof or macroevolution is the fossil records (you know the preserved remains and traces of plants, animals and other organisms)
- The BBC states

Fossil remains have been found in rocks of all ages. Fossils of the simplest organisms are found in the oldest rocks, and fossils of more complex organisms in the newest rocks. This clearly supports **Darwin's theory of evolution**, which states that simple life forms gradually evolve into more complex ones.

• But here we have an issue

Fossils document the existence of now-extinct past species that are related to present-day species. But we have recently discovered that 99% of biology of any organism resides in its soft anatomy which is inaccessible in a fossil, fossil records cannot show ancestor descendant relationships so how can scientists claim that fossils support Macroevolution when 99% of the data that is needed to form an accurate scientific view is inaccessible?

FOLLOWING THE EVIDENCE WHERE IT LEADS 2.5A



Pantheism:

After reading the previous pages it should be clear to see that all the signs point away from Pantheism.

1) Divinity (the designer) must be space less timeless and immaterial, and exists outside of the universe that we know. As science has shown us the earth is dying So how could god be flowing throughout the universe.

 Science has shown us that the universe had a single point of origin, (a beginning) which contradicts their gods nature of being eternal yet at the same time flowing through the earth.

FOLLOWING THE EVIDENCE IT WHERE LEADS 2.5B

atheism:



After reading the previous pages it should be clear to see that all the signs point away from atheism.

1) If there is no god and only complex chemicals then how did we Come into existence.

2) Science has shown us that the universe is fine tuned to support life on earth, and this fine tuning could have only been done by a divine being.

- 3) There is no scientific evidence to support how we could of evolved from amoeba to what we are now.
- 4) scientists agree it took great precision and force to make the big bang happen.

FOLLOWING THE EVIDENCE WHERE IT LEADS 2.5C

Theism



After reading the previous pages it should be clear to see that all the signs point towards the direction of theism.

1) Someone had to of set the universal constants to the precise values that they are, this could not of happened by chance.

2) Science has shown us that the earth is slowly dying all theistic world views confirm this in what they teach, teachings that were around long before the scientific data that we have today.

3) Science logic and reasoning shows us that the creator must be outside of the creation since as the universe had a beginning someone had to be outside of it to begin it.

FOLLOWING THE EVIDENCE WHERE IT LEADS 2.5D

So from reading these pages it should be clear to see that all signs point to a theistic god that exists.

- Science logic and reasoning point towards intelligent design. And If we are intelligently designed then there must be an intelligent designer.
- The designer is space less timeless and immaterial and exists outside of the universe that we know. As science has shown us the earth is dying.

He is unimaginably powerful since as he created the entire universe out of nothing.

• He is personal and loving since he chose to make a state of nothingness into something (as an impersonal force has no ability to make choices).

• There is no scientific evidence to support macroevolution.

Just like the 1996 England World Cup semi-finals, where they played their hearts out, giving it their all, the stark reality was that only one team could win. If one team won, then by default, the other team would lose, as both can't be winners. The same principle applies to religion—only one can be exclusively right, and undoubtedly, some will have to lose.

All the evidence on the previous pages point to a theistic god that exists external to us. Logic and reasoning also sign post us in this direction but for theism to be true then all non theistic belief systems can't be true

<u>Could be true</u>	<u>Can't be true</u>	<u>Can't be true</u>	This might seem like a bold claim, considering that just within Hinduism alone there are over 1.2 billion Hindus. However, we cannot contradict ourselves, and if theism appears to be true, then all that goes against it must be miss guided
Judaism	Hinduism	Mormonism	
Christianity	Buddhism	Taoism	
Islam	New age	Wicca	
	Darwinism	Atheism	
	Secular humanism and many others.		
	Plus many others		

THE RUNNERS UP PART FIVE



THE RUNNERS UP PART FIVE DISSECTION 1.1

• "So, from the previous pages, reasonable scientific proof has been observed that we have a loving, intelligent, powerful being that must exist external to us. The findings we have made must line up with only one god, as even though there are three candidates left, they all cannot be exclusively right."

We really don't need to delve too deeply into these runners-up to encounter some stumbling blocks, dilemmas, and contradictions that can't be overcome. the next few pages go through the 3 candidates and what they believe to see which one is pointing to the truth.



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Oldest writings found Dated 1400 years olc



- (¥ ISLAM
- Islam is a monotheistic faith centred around belief in the one God (Allah). In this regard, it shares some beliefs with Judaism and Christianity by tracing its history back to the patriarch Abraham, and ultimately to the first prophet, Adam. All the prophets preached the same universal message of belief in one God and kindness to humanity. The last in the series of prophets, according to Muslims, was Muhammad. Muhammad was born in Mecca, Saudi Arabia around 570 CE. He worked first as a shepherd and then as a merchant. He was not happy with the people around him because of superstitions and social and economic injustice. The people were worshipping many gods and had forgotten the message of prophet Abraham to worship one God. Muhammad loved to pray and meditate in the mountains. On one of those occasions, in the year 610 CE, when he was about 40 years old, he apparently received a revelation from God through the angel Jibril (Gabriel). He continued to receive messages from God throughout his life and he began preaching to others what he had learned. Muhammad and his followers spread the teachings of Islam throughout the Arabian peninsula. Soon after the death of the prophet Muhammad, there were military expeditions, where war was raised on non believers and enemies these were called "futuhat," or literally "openings," into what is now Egypt and other parts of North Africa. In other parts of the world, Islam spread through trade and commerce.

ISLAM AND THE QURAN 1.3

Based on what they believe this brings us to our first concern with Islam: Why would a divine being (God) send his most important final revelation to one individual who was alone, especially when you consider the fact that God has been very public with his existence? Through the fine-tuning of the universe, nature, and our own complex biological systems, all of these things are a piercing cry of design and a Designer. So, it would be illogical for God to send his final, most important message to one individual with no way of verifying it when his message thus far has been very public.

"but the problems continue as the earliest documents of the Qur'an date back to roughly 1400 years ago. This presents an issue, as the earliest writings of Judaism and Christianity date back over 2700 years. The Qur'an offers no new verifiable information that the torah (old testament) or the gospels (new testament) doesn't already offer and, in parts, just repeats what Christianity and Judaism say the Quran contains most of the Old Testaments main stories. Like cover versions of the "Greatest Hits". Adam and Eve, Cain and Able, Noah and the flood, Abraham and the sacrifice (although with a different son), Joseph in Egypt, Moses and the pharaoh and the Exodus, David and Solomon, etc

• On top of this

the Qur'an also has some contradictory verses one example tells Muslim to look to the people of the Bible for answers. (see below)

ISLAM AND THE QURAN 1.4

Surah yunus 10.94 of the Qur'an states

So, (O prophet,) even if you are in doubt about what We have sent down to you, <u>ask those who read the</u> <u>Book</u> (revealed) before you.

"if they are in doubt ask those who read the book" (the Bible) but to those who read the book (the Bible) the bible is the complete authority of god and there are no other books to come which go's directly against what the Qur'an teaches.

Other similar verses include

Surah 5.68 in the Qur'an states

Say, "O People of the Scripture, you are [standing] on nothing until you uphold [the law of] the Torah, the Gospel, and what has been revealed to you from your Lord." And that which has been revealed to you from your Lord will surely increase many of them in transgression and disbelief. So do not grieve over the disbelieving people.

• The Qur'an is guite clear that believers of the scripture are standing on nothing until they uphold the law of the Torah (Old Testament) and the Gospel (New Testament). However, when this is done, it poses some issues because the Bible is clear that we need to follow the Bible and its teachings exclusively.

ISLAM AND THE QURAN 1.5

Do you see the dilemma? The Qur'an claims to be the complete authority, but the Qur'an is saying, "Use the Bible to confirm me!" It also states, "Follow what your Bible is saying, or you have nothing."

It is contradicting itself because following the Bible means doing away with the Qur'an. It is also claiming to point to the truth yet sending you to the Bible and not itself.

EXAMPLEI

The bible I am the complete message and the only authority Jesus Talk to this guy Qur'an Hey you people You are in uphold what doubtask your bible says those guys



THE RUNNERS UP ISLAM AND THE QURAN 1.6

- "But our biggest issues with the Quran concern the man named Jesus (Jesus was a real person who
 walked this earth; more on him later). There are writings from the Bible that were written over 500 years
 before the existence of Muhammad. These biblical writings state that Jesus is God revealed in the flesh.
 On top of this claim, the writings contain countless eyewitness testimonies of people who lived with Jesus,
 talked with Jesus, and inevitably died horrific deaths for their beliefs in Jesus being the Son of God.
- Roll forward 500+ years later, Muhammad and the Quran enter the scene with the bold claim that Jesus
 is not the Son of God or God revealed in the flesh; rather, he is merely just a regular prophet in a line of
 many prophets. Muhammad, a man who did not know Jesus and had no evidence to back up his
 claim, stands firm in his statement." of who Jesus is
- The Quran and Muslims also reject Jesus crucifixion
- surah an-nisa 157-159 states

And for boasting, "We killed the Messiah, Jesus, son of Mary, the messenger of Allah." But they neither killed nor crucified him—it was only made to appear so. Even those who argue for this 'crucifixion' are in doubt. They have no knowledge whatsoever—only making assumptions.

THE RUNNERS UP ISLAM AND THE QURAN 1.7

- This poses several issues on multiple fronts. Not only is Jesus's crucifixion documented within the writings of the Bible (which were established to have been written over 500 years before any revelations of the Quran), but his crucifixion is also documented in historical Roman documents external to the Bible. (After all, they were the ones who carried out his execution.) The Roman historian and senator Tacitus referred to Christ, his execution by Pontius Pilate, and the existence of early Christians in Rome in his final work, the Annals (c. 116 CE), book 15, chapter 44. The relevant passage reads: "called Christians by the populace. Christus, from whom the name had its origin, suffered the extreme penalty during the reign of Tiberius at the hands of one of our procurators, Pontius Pilatus."
- Scholars generally consider Tacitus's reference to the execution of Jesus by Pontius Pilate to be both authentic, and of historical value as an independent Roman source about early Christianity that is in unison with other historical records.

THE RUNNERS UP ISLAM CONCLUSION 1.8

- From what we have observed on the previous pages there are multiple issues with things that the Quran
 and Muhammad say and these are only a few out of 100s these issues tell us that unfortunately Islam and
 the Quran cannot be the one pointing us to truth as offensive as that may seem we have to stay true to
 the evidence and follow it where it leads below is a brief recap plus more information.
- The Quran was written over 1400 years <u>after</u> the bible and in parts repeats what the bible is saying with the exception of a few name changes it offers no new verifiable revelation that the bible doesn't already offer.
- Muhammad wasn't qualified to speak about the nature of Jesus as he did not know him and wasn't even alive when Jesus was.
- The Quran denies the crucifixion of Jesus even though we have clear evidence of it happening the only thing the Quran has to say in defence for this event not happing is they were tricked.

THE RUNNERS UP ISLAM CONCLUSION 1.9

- According to Muhammad god spoke to him and him alone which is odd considering God has been very public with his message of his existence so it would be illogical for god to break rank and then give his most important final word to one individual alone with no way to verify it.
- Muslims believes that Jesus was born of a virgin and walked this earth performing miracles and will even be present on judgement day (some even believe he will be the one who judges) yet they deny his supernatural divinity which is a clear contradiction of his obvious supernatural nature.

- Based on their own beliefs about Jesus, to me he clearly is something more than a prophet—a man who did things no other person on this planet ever did. He healed people, rose into heaven, and will come back to be present on Judgment Day. Yet, they say he is not divine and is merely demoted to a prophet.
- The phrase only god can judge me comes to mind here but if Jesus is not god then how can he judge?

THE RUNNERS UP PART FIVE JUDAISM 2.0



What is Judaism?

Judaism is one of the world's oldest religions, dating back nearly 4,000 years, and is considered to be the original Abrahamic faith. As a monotheistic faith, followers of Judaism believe in one God who revealed himself through ancient prophets, including Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Solomon and others. In addition to a number of sacred texts — the most important of which is the Torah (the old testament) — Jews believe that the Ten Commandments are holy laws handed down to Moses by God. Jews are actively waiting for the messiah which the torah speaks of to arrive Most Jews (with the exception of a few groups) believe that their Messiah hasn't yet come—but will one day. Jewish people worship in holy places known as synagogues, traditionally, a person is considered Jewish if his or her mother is Jewish.

- The Jews believe that they have been chosen by God as his special people. They believe they have been chosen to worship only him and to fulfil the mission of proclaiming his truth among all the nations of the world. Mainly Jews believe in individual and collective participation in an eternal dialogue with God through tradition, rituals, prayers and ethical actions. Judaism emphasizes the Oneness of God and rejects the Christian concept of God in human form. (Christianity generally believes in a Triune God, one person of whom became human).
- Jews follow the torah (old testament) and the laws that it contains they understand the need for a saviour but don't follow the new testament (the book where the messiah has arrived) as they believe that the messiah they are waiting for hasn't come yet they believe the "deadline" by which the Messiah must appear is 6000 years from creation (approximately the year 2240 in the Gregorian calendar, though calculations slightly vary). Jesus is rejected in Judaism as a failed Jewish messiah claimant and a false prophet by all mainstream Jewish denominations. Judaism also considers the worship of any person a form of idolatry, and rejects the claim that Jesus was divine.

- Jews refute the claims made by Jesus and don't accept that he was the Messiah they had been waiting for. They believed a Messiah would come, but they expected the Messiah to be a military figure who would fight the Romans and drive them out. But this is where, yet again, we have some puzzling questions concerning the man named Jesus. When Jesus walked the earth, the Jews accused him of being a blasphemer and condemned him to death, yet all evidence pointed towards Jesus fulfilling the prophecy they spoke of.
- Below are some examples
- 1 Jesus recognised the Jews as gods chosen people.
- 2 Jesus never disrespected the Jewish teachings and regularly attended the synagogue he understood the torah (the old testament) and its teachings very well.

- 3 Jesus even told his disciples to respect the scribes and Pharisees (Jewish religious leaders).
- 4 Some of the religious Jews of the time witnessed Jesus performing miracles (healing the sick raising the dead).
- 5 they observed his faultless nature and his passion to share gods word.
- 6 Conservatively, Jesus fulfilled at least 300 prophecies in His earthly ministry that the Jews were waiting for.
- And the list goes on!

- There is a lot of evidence to support that Jesus was the one they were waiting for. The New Testament writers identify Jesus as the one who fulfils the predictions of the first coming (see Matthew 1:22-23; 2:5-6; 2:15; 2:17-18, among many other places) and the one who will fulfil promises of a future return (see Mark 14:62; Matthew 24:29-31). In fact, Jesus Himself claimed that things written in the Law of Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms were about Him (see Luke 24:44) and that "Abraham rejoiced at the thought of seeing my day; he saw it and was glad" (John 8:56, NIV). Jesus claimed that He arrived when, where, and how they said He would, and that He provided payment for sin so people could know God intimately.
- But all of this leads us to some questions if Jesus was a fraud like the Jews claimed he
 was then what exactly was Jesus angle? What did he have to gain in claiming to be
 the one that they were waiting for.

- Jesus did not gain control or power for the things He did—nor was He seeking it—He didn't ask for money, instead choosing to share what little He had. He preached a message of love, repentance, and salvation. Jesus was given multiple chances to deny that He was the Son of God, the chosen Messiah, which would have spared Him from being killed. It is clear that there was nothing for Him to gain by pretending to be something He was not. Even in His final hours on the cross, He used some of His last breaths to ask for forgiveness for those who did not believe Him and who put Him in this situation.
- Not only this, but we also have the resurrection of Jesus—**"the resurrection event."** The Bible reports that over 500 people witnessed Jesus rise. Even today, many Jews are beginning to question this historic moment, as an event so monumental and witnessed by so many is simply just un falsifiable.
- But the main point that needs addressing is why someone would subject themselves to that level of torture, pain, and even death for something that is not true. Not only did Jesus suffer, but the core disciples suffered as well.

THE RUNNERS UP JUDAISM CONCLUSION 2.6

- When you dig deep—really dig deep—into the life and work of Jesus, it becomes abundantly clear that He was the man they were waiting for. Jesus was a kind and compassionate individual who spent His life serving others and teaching a message of hope and redemption. He was eventually put to death, and over the years, His disciples suffered a similar fate.
- *James executed by sword.
- *Simon cut in half in Persia.
- *Paul head taken off in Rome.
- *Jude killed with arrows.
- *Thomas killed with a spear in India. *Matthew stabbed in Ethiopia.

*Bartholomew executed in Armenia.

- * John thrown into boiling oil (Miraculously survived).
- *Andrew crucified on an x- shaped cross.
- *James thrown from a temple in Jerusalem
- *Philip died by stoning.
- *Peter crucified upside down.

And its for these reason that make it hard to believe that Judaism is the one fully pointing to truth and ultimately god. Yes everything the Jews believe in the old testament is true, but where they go wrong is not believing Jesus is the messiah. It would seem unreasonable for Jesus to for fill so many of their own prophecy's yet not be the one they were waiting for.

TRUTH AND THE BIBLE

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- So where does this leave us?
- All we are left with is the last candidate the Bible, and we believe the Bible to be the book that points to God and ultimately to the truth. Unlike most other world religions, the Bible's content is verifiable—from places to names and people. It is the most tried and tested book in existence. It agrees with scientific data, natural law, and includes useful practices to help us navigate life and much more. But before we dive into what the Bible is and why we think it points to truth, we need to clear some things up about this man called Jesus.

A MAN NAMED JESUS



TRUTH AND THE BIBLE A MAN NAMED JESUS 1.1

- A lot of people have a lot to say about this man named Jesus, arguably the most talkedabout individual in the world. It is clear from literature, grey literature, and most world religions that this man existed and was of significant importance.
- The Hindus believe that Jesus was a great guru some say an incarnation (avatāra) of divine origin and his message as similar to those of other Hindu teachers.
- The Muslims believe Jesus was a great prophet in a line of prophets who will one day return to earth to restore justice.
- Some Buddhists believe Jesus was the reincarnation of Buddha and some view Jesus as similar to Gautama, who was a historical manifestation of the Buddha.

TRUTH AND THE BIBLE A MAN NAMED JESUS 1.2

- In a small village in Japan, there is a shrine and a grave that are believed to belong to Jesus. According to local legend, Jesus was not crucified on the cross; instead, it was his brother who died in his place. Jesus is said to have fled to Japan, when he was sentenced to death this is where he settled down, had children, and lived a happy life until he eventually died of natural causes at the age of 106.
- The Christians believe that Jesus was the messiah that a lot of people had been waiting for the one that was going to bridge the gap between humanity and god.
- It is clear that the man named Jesus really did exist and was of great importance, as everyone had something to say about him. But whilst many people had various things to say, Christianity is the only religion that can substantiate the claims they make about him. As the bible not only contains eyewitness testimony from people who spent a lot of time following him but there is also evidence external to the bible of things that people wrote ordinary people that didn't necessary believe in him but were documenting what they saw.

EXISTENCE OF JESUS 1.3 THERE WAS A MAN NAMED JESUS

- In the first century of 97ad a Jewish historian (named flavius Josephus) wrote this in one of his books entitled antiques of the Jews
- At that time, there was a wise man named Jesus. His conduct was good, and he was known for his virtue. Many people, both among the Jews and other nations, became his disciples. Pilate condemned him to be crucified and die, but those who had become his disciples did not forsake his teachings. They reported that he had appeared to them three days after his crucifixion, alive. Accordingly, he was perhaps the Messiah about whom the prophets have recounted wonders.
- Flavius Josephus Was a Jew and did not follow Jesus or had any reason to believe in him he was merely recording what he witnessed. ⇒□⇒□⇒□

EXISTENCE OF JESUS 1.4 THERE WAS A MAN NAMED JESUS

 "And his documents are just one of many early documents talking about a man named Jesus who existed. There are over 43 different writings from various people, including many Jewish and anti-Jesus scholars who didn't believe or follow him. They were merely recording what they saw, confirming that a man named Jesus did exist and did claim to be the Messiah."

Again information about Jesus appears in Annals of Imperial Rome, a firstcentury history of the Roman Empire written around 116 A.D. by the Roman senator and historian Tacitus. In chronicling the burning of Rome in 64 A.D., Tacitus mentions that Emperor Nero falsely blamed "the persons commonly called Christians, who were hated for their enormities. Christus (Jesus), the founder of the name, was put to death by Pontius Pilate, procurator of Judea in the reign of Tiberius." \Rightarrow

EXISTENCE OF JESUS 1.5 THERE WAS A MAN NAMED JESUS

A bit more about Tacitus

- As a Roman historian, Tacitus did not have any Christian biases in his discussion of the persecution of Christians by Nero. "Just about everything he says coincides—from a completely different point of view, by a Roman author disdainful of Christians and their superstition—with what the New Testament itself says: Jesus was executed by the governor of Judea, Pontius Pilate, for crimes against the state, and a religious movement of his followers sprang up in his wake."
- "When Tacitus wrote history, if he considered the information not entirely reliable, he normally wrote some indication of that for his readers," Mykytiuk says in vouching for the historical value of the passage. "There is no such indication of potential error in the passage that mentions Christus(Jesus)."

EXISTENCE OF JESUS 1.6 THERE WAS A MAN NAMED JESUS

 all of the texts written by <u>non</u> Christian scholars confirming the life of Jesus were written within 150 years of his existence there are more references to Jesus then there are of the Roman emperor of the time (Tiberius Caesar)

- Jesus 43 documents
- Tiberius Caesar 10 documents

These early writings and non-Christian references that exist allow us to piece up some points that line up with what the Bible says

Some of those points being. $\Rightarrow \square \Rightarrow \square \Rightarrow \square$
EXISTENCE OF JESUS 1.7 THERE WAS A MAN NAMED JESUS

- Jesus lived during the time of Tiberius Caesar
- He lived a humble life
- He was a miracle worker
- He claimed to be the Messiah
- He had a brother named James
- He was crucified under Pontius Pilate
- Darkness and earthquakes occurred when he died
- His disciples were willing to die for their beliefs

So in light of all these non-Christian references the theory that Jesus never existed or is the Jesus that other people claim him to be is clearly unreasonable how could non Christian writers collectively reveal a storyline that matches up with the New testament writings

(Still not convinced look at this) $\Rightarrow \square \Rightarrow \square \Rightarrow \square$

EXISTENCE OF JESUS 1.8 THERE WAS A MAN NAMED JESUS

If Christ didn't exist and the bible wasn't true then why is our birthday and all of time measured in Christ (BC: before Christ) AD: during Christ (Anno Domini, the year of our lord)

- if Jesus never existed then that means Publius Cornelius Tacitus couldn't of existed and William Shakespeare is just a mystical legend Also Marco polo a fraud and never existed
- Why? Because there are only
- <u>2 original</u> manuscripts of Publius Cornelius Tacitus (a Roman historian) <u>0 original</u> manuscripts of William Shakespeare (A English play writer) <u>0 original</u> manuscripts of Marco polo (Italian explorer) left in existence The bible on the other hand <u>5,800 original</u> complete or fragmented Greek manuscripts catalogued, <u>10,000</u> Latin manuscripts and <u>9,300</u> manuscripts in various other ancient languages

So if we are to believe in the writings of people like <u>William Shakespeare Marco polo</u> (and 100s of other well known historical figures with little to no original writings left in existence) then by default we must entertain the validity of the biblical manuscript That we have as the amount of documents left in existence trump most others ten times over.

THE BIBLE DISSECTION 1.0

- So now we are at the point of discussing the Bible, and the reality is that we are left with a book that is not only historically accurate but also does not contradict itself. It contains genuine eyewitness testimony and has been fact-checked by archaeologists all over the world.
- The Bible supports natural law and aligns with the scientific data we have. It corresponds with
 historical evidence and writings that have been found, and even supports logic and reasoning,
 It has been used to find places and people and even lost artefacts Still not convinced?
- Then take a look at the pages to follow as to why we think the bible points to truth and ultimately god ⇒ ⇒ ⇒





TRUTH AND THE BIBLE 1.1

We believe the bible to be the clear answer when looking for truth but why the Bible?

1) The Bible is not just one big book it is a collection of books written by over 40 authors from all walks of life with Different levels of education and different social standings there is no other religion with As many writers as the bible they give us 66 different volumes that cover hundreds of different subjects. But most importantly they tell the same story just from different perspectives It's like listening to different comedians telling their versions of the same jokes.

2) The Bible was written on 3 different continents

Asia, Africa, Europe it was written in 3 different languages mainly Hebrew and Greek with a little bit of Aramaic all of the writings support each other yet some of them were written in different places by different people and not all of them could communicate with each other

TRUTH AND THE BIBLE 1.2

3) There were over 500 eye witnesses to the Resurrection event when 1st Corinthians was written meaning that the event was un falsifiable it is unrealistic for over 500 people to be mistaken.

4) There have been over 25,000 archaeological digs related to the subject matter of the Bible and not one of them has contradicted what is Written in the Bible in actual fact the over whelming majority of them actually confirm and affirm the things that are found in the bible.

5) The story of Noah ark it may seem like an impossible legend, but scientists have calculated that the Ark could indeed have floated - even with two of every animal on board. An impressive feet of engineering in a time where such things didn't exist

THE RUNNERS UP

WHAT IS CHRISTIANITY?

So what actually is Christianity and the bible?

Christianity is an Abrahamic monotheistic religion based on the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. Christians believe that God sent Jesus to Earth to save humanity from the consequences of its sins, and that Jesus' death and resurrection restored humanity's broken relationship with God. Christians also believe that Jesus was fully human and fully divine, and that God is made up of three elements: God the Father, God the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Christians model their lives on Jesus' teachings, which include loving God and loving their neighbours. One of the main ways Christians practice their faith is through worship, which helps them show their devotion to God.



WHAT IS THE BIBLE

The Bible is a comprehensive collection comprising 66 distinct documents. Within its pages, it offers diverse perspectives on historical events, providing people with various firsthand accounts of the times. Its primary purpose is to illuminate the nature of God and guide individuals on the path to a closer relationship with Him, books written by over 40 authors in 3 different languages on 3 different continents the bible really is an achievement. The bible is gods attempt to get closer to man





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WHAT IS THE BIBLE AS THE BIBLE SAYS

- Even if you currently don't know god it is clear to see his signature, the bible makes these good points and many more (just take a moment and stop and look around you).
- Psalms 19
- The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them. Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world. In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun. It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is deprived of its warmth.
- Romans 1:18-20
- The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness, since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. For 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, so that people are without excuse.

WHAT IS THE BIBLE

On top of this we all have the innate sense of what is right and wrong.

The bible says

- (Indeed, when Gentiles, who do not have the law, do by nature things required by the law, they are a law for themselves, even though they do not have the law. They show that the requirements of the law are written on their hearts, their consciences also bearing witness, and their thoughts sometimes accusing them and at other times even defending them.)
- Romans 2:14-15 NIV



WHAT IS THE BIBLE MORAL LAW

Every law has a law giver (Name one that doesn't) There is a moral law (we all know right from wrong) Therefore there is a moral law giver

- Without the lawmaker, how do we discern what is right from wrong? In such a scenario, it becomes a clash of opinions versus opinions. Under this perspective, what distinguishes one opinion as more valid than another?
- In other words what would make Hitler wrong in all the killings he did? it would just be your opinion against Hitlers and nobody would be right.

WHAT IS THE BIBLE MORAL LAW

- We all have God's moral law written on our hearts; as we inherently know the difference between right and wrong, such as murder, theft, lies, etc. This awareness comes from a loving God who has established standards beyond us. Without an external moral reference, how would we discern what is right from wrong?
- as we wouldn't have anything to compare it to it would just be one opinion Vs the other

Take a look at the red **<u>straight</u>** line to the left. What is the first thing you notice? It's not straight. If we didn't know what a straight line was supposed to look like, then how would we have known it was not a straight line? The same principle applies to moral law.

The fact remains: we cannot know what is good unless there is an unchanging standard of good outside of ourselves. Without this objective standard, any objection to evil is merely an opinion. Without God, morality comes from men—and if it comes from men, it's entirely subjective.

CONCLUSION



SALVATION SO WHERE DOES THAT LEAVE US?

The time for salvation and forgiveness is now. We have a loving creator who is eager to engage in dialogue with us. His offer on the table is free and available for all to accept. Even though sometimes we may stumble and fall, he will always be there for us. As we have observed, all roads lead to a theistic God who exists externally to us. He sent his son down to share with us the news of his offer on the table for everlasting life.

So take some time to find god pick up a bible seek council from a man of God find a church pray and ask God to lead you to him to take you to where he needs you to be and begin to watch your life change. We believe god will lead you to him if that is what your heart truly desires

Jeremiah 29:13

You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

Matthew 7:7-8

Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

SALVATION REJECTION OF THE FREE GIFT

This gift is free and you are not required to believe or accept but doing so would leave you separated for eternity.

" separation from God is a real thing, and it's not something to take lightly. It is not for a few days, weeks, or years—it is for eternity. YOU are important. YOUR life is important and has meaning and value. You were not put here to simply work and die, so unlock your potential today!"

It is important to understand we all have 3 unavoidable appointments in life

1 You are born.

2 You will die.

3 You will face judgment and give an answer for your life.

Just like in a real court setting once you reach judgment it will be to late to ask the judge for leniency for the crimes you have committed you will ultimately have to pay the price.



