

The Basis For Faith In God

How did we (mankind) get here?

It is either by accident or design.

There is NO middle ground!

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- The “teleological” argument.
 - A watch implies a watchmaker.
 - Creation implies a Creator. Ps. 19:1-3; Rom. 1:20;
Acts 14:17
 - Creation is perfectly balanced.

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- The “philosophical” argument.

PASCAL'S WAGER	GOD EXISTS	GOD DOESN'T EXIST
	YOU BELIEVE IN GOD	YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN GOD
	INFINITE GAIN (HEAVEN)	NOTHING
	INFINITE LOSS (HELL)	NOTHING

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- The “consciousness” argument.

“The problem of consciousness tends to embarrass biologists. Taking it to be an aspect of living things, they feel they should know about it and be able to tell physicists about it, whereas they have nothing relevant to say.”

(George Wald, The Cosmology of Life & Mind)

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- The “consciousness” argument.

“The position of mind in nature remains a total mystery. It could be that there exists some sort of a cosmic mind, perhaps co-equal with the material universe itself, from which each of our individual minds stems and to which each ultimately returns.”

(John Beloff, The Brain Mind Problem)

Gen. 2:7

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- The nature of biblical faith.
 - It is not “blind,” but based on evidence.
 - However, aspects of it cannot be absolutely proven (Heaven, 2nd Coming, Judgment).
 - It is based on the overall accuracy & reliability of the Bible.

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- Pre-scientific Statements.
 - The earth is a sphere. Prov. 8:27; Isa 40:22
 - The universe is expanding. Gen. 1:8
 - Valleys in the seas. Job 38:16; 2 Sam. 22:16

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- Historical accuracy.
 - The Hittite Empire?



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 - Egypt. Ezek. 29:9-15