## 5 Fast Facts-Does God Exist?

Subject: Why I believe in God

**Context:** What are some basic convincing proofs of God – that don't require a PhD in Physics to understand

1. **God is the Creator** ... Science claims the universe came into existence 13.8 billion years ago ... First there was nothing, Then (out of nothing?!?) there was an *extremely dense* "singularity", Then the singularity exploded outward to create the universe.

I believe the Scripture is MORE PLAUSIBLE in saying

Gen 1:1 In the beginning **God created** the heavens and the earth.

2. **Intelligent Design** ... Science estimates (in 2011) there are 8.7 million species on Earth including 7.8m species of animal, 298,000 species of plant and 611,000 species of mushrooms, mould and other fungi along with 36,400 species of protozoa, single-celled organisms, and 27,500 species of algae or chromists. The researchers did not venture to put an estimate on the number of bacteria. Some other Scientists estimate 30 million types of insects exist in the rainforest!?! Barely 14% of creatures on Earth have been logged in central databases – just 9% of those in the seas. Science (via the theory of **Evolution**) believes these **all** come from "successful mutations" ...

I believe it is MORE PLAUSIBLE to believe **God designed** the complex variety of life on Earth.

3. **Fulfilled Prophecy & Sound Wisdom** ... In Scripture, God has predicted the future and He has **the ability** to ensure it happens. (**Is. 45:21 & Is. 48:3–6**) (For example, **many** Old Testament prophecies came to pass in the birth and life of Jesus). The Bible also contains Laws and wisdom that have guided some countries & mankind **effectively** for thousands of years – If only all mankind would embrace the teachings!

**Isa 45:21** Tell and bring forth *your case;* Yes, let them take counsel together. Who has **declared this from ancient time**? *Who* has **told it from that time**? *Have* not I, the LORD? And *there is* no other God besides Me, A just God and a Savior; *There is* none besides Me.

**Isa 48:3-6** "I have declared the **former** things from the **beginning**; They went forth from My mouth, and I caused them to hear it. Suddenly **I did them**, and they **came to pass**. Because I knew that you *were* obstinate, And your neck *was* an iron sinew, And your brow bronze, Even from the beginning I have declared *it* to you; Before it came to pass I proclaimed *it* to you, Lest you should say, 'My idol has done them, And my carved image and my molded image Have commanded them.' "You have heard; See all this. And will you not declare *it*? I have made you hear new things from this time, Even hidden things, and you did not know them.

4. **Miracles & Answered prayer** ... I believe the examples of answered prayer & miracles in scripture, the examples (of millions) of people who have called out to God, and examples *in my life* where I have prayed to my loving Father in Heaven ... & I have received healing & miracles.

5. Understanding Why God Hides Himself (ie God does <u>not</u> intervene to relieve all pain & suffering) – We might wish God to "appear" (and silence the naysayers) … but *God chooses* what He will do and He has a <u>Plan for Mankind</u> which includes revealing Himself in the future – Mankind needs to learn the fruit of "rejecting God's way" & Christ <u>will</u> return in the future… to stop mankind from destroying all life! Today. no one wants God interfering with their "freedom" or God telling us how to live our lives – So God does not forcefully take away the alcohol from drunk drivers … Man has freedom … & consequences.

## Isa 45:15 Truly You are God, who hide Yourself, O God of Israel, the Savior!

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