

# Explaining Christianity

## Part 1: Explaining the Existence of God

**CHALLENGE QUESTION:** How do you know God exists since you can't see him, hear him, or measure him scientifically?

### A. OBJECTIONS TO GOD'S EXISTENCE

- "You can't prove God exists."
- "Faith is blind. You're simply assuming God exists"
- "If God exists, why is there evil and suffering?"
- "Science explains everything; the Bible doesn't."

### B. THE NEED TO EXPLAIN GOD'S EXISTENCE

- Because God commands us to give an answer (1 Peter 3:15).
- Because people are searching for truth (Ecclesiastes 3:11).
- Because faith (believing) comes from hearing the truth about God (Romans 10:17).

### C. GOD'S EXISTENCE IS REVEALED IN THE C\_\_\_\_\_.

- **The apparent order of the cosmos gives evidence of God's existence** . When you see a watch, you know it had a watchmaker. The universe shows even greater design. Order and complexity don't come from chaos by accident. A Designer makes sense.
- **The beginning of the universe gives evidence of God's existence**. Scientists agree that the universe seems to be slowing down. This is based on the Law of Entropy, the 2nd law of thermodynamics. Since the universe seems to be slowing down there must have been a beginning. What caused this beginning? Scientists are convinced that our universe began with one enormous explosion of energy and light, which we now call the "Big Bang." This was the singular start to everything that exists: the beginning of the universe, the start of space, and even the initial start of time itself.
- **DNA and the "code of life," require intelligence design** – DNA contains a 3-billion-letter code in every cell. Codes, the genetic instructions stored in DNA, clearly

required intelligence. Psalm 139:14 (NLT): “Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous.”

- **“Fine-Tuning” gives evidence of God** – Over 30 universal constants (gravity, electromagnetic force, etc.) are precisely calibrated for life. A change in any would make life impossible. Sir Fred Hoyle remarked, “A super-intellect has monkeyed with physics.”

#### **D. GOD’S EXISTENCE IS REVEALED IN MAN’S MORAL C\_\_\_\_\_.**

- **Man’s conscience, his moral sense gives evidence of God’s existence.** (Anthropological Argument). When someone lies, steals, or hurts another person, we instinctively know it’s wrong — even if no one taught us.
- **That “inner voice” isn’t random;** it’s evidence that a man has always had an inner sense of right and wrong, and of the need for justice to be done.
- **There must be some basis or reason for moral behavior that is beyond this life.** How is this phenomenon explained? God made us in His image. Our conscience isn’t an accident — it’s God’s fingerprint on the human soul.

#### **E. GOD’S EXISTENCE IS REVEALED THROUGH C\_\_\_\_\_.**

- **Life and self-awareness can’t come from non-living matter by blind chance.** Intelligence and personality are best explained by an intelligent, personal Creator.
- Every culture generally has had an awareness of a supreme being (Ontological Argument).
- **Why do people in crisis instinctively call out to God?** The Bible points out that all people have an inner sense of God (Romans 1:19-21),
- **Millions of people across history have experienced God’s presence,** answers to prayer, or changed lives. It’s unreasonable to dismiss all those experiences as coincidence or delusion.

#### **F. THE “BOTTOM LINE”**

Faith in God is not irrational—it’s the most reasonable explanation for the existence of everything. Belief in God is both rational and relational, grounded in truth and experienced through Jesus Christ. Christianity begins not with religion, but with reality: a real God created a real world and invites us into a real relationship through His Son, Jesus Christ.