

Gen. 1:1

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The Reality of God

Proofs for the existence of God

- (1) Cosmological argument  
A cause adequate to account for the universe
- (2) Teleological argument  $\tau\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\omicron\varsigma$  complete, perfect  
Evidence of design in the universe. Function & use  
intelligence, purpose
- (3) Anthropological argument  
Evidence of the spiritual immortality of man, immortality  
Must man be made in the image of God?
- (4) Ontological argument  $\omicron\upsilon\tau\omega$  being, thing which exists  
Evidence of the idea of man of God's perfect nature, being.  
Moral instructions - as ultimate moral standard.
- (5) moral argument  
Our moral awareness

But the Scriptures never discuss, debate, discuss  
only reference: Ps 14:1; 53:1

God in the Scripture is only dimly cloud, revealed.  
A record (his act, his law, his love,  
but man can know him from himself.

WHAT GOD IS LIKE. His self-disclosure.

I. Omnipotent Creator,  
No 104:24 } To respond as a friend } as many people as I desire  
                  } To be as I wish } gently as I can / as I please  
Sent 1:116.  
MACROSCOPICALLY in Milky Way, shaped like a world.  
One galaxy  
100,000 light years across (186,000 miles a sec)  
30,000 stars  
One only one / uncounted millions.

MICROSCOPICALLY  
infinitesimal. Solar system in central nucleus, neutrons, protons.

II. Personal Redeemer; Friend, "Heavenly Father"  
Created the man for fellowship  
Talk to. Trust His Spirit  
Tells himself, in his mercy. Plans, orders, mercy, regard to God?

Does He care for so infinitesimal a speck?  
Yes - He did man. baby by - for. Cal, est... will?

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The key to the solution: There is a creation, an original, pre-Adamic heaven and earth in the ageless past; there is a re-creation after an indescribable catastrophe. described in Gen. 1:1-11 described in Gen. 2:1-31

Gen. 1:1, 2 = Isaiah 45:18 :J17J7

II Peter 3:5-7

ὁ τότε κόσμος = "the then world"  
οἱ δὲ νῦν οὐρανοὶ καὶ ἡ γῆ = "the now heavens & earth"  
terms here of heavens, earth, far more inclusive than just the Mesopotamian flood of Noah's day.  
οἰκουμένη: the inhabited world. οἰκίσαι, "to dwell"

ἐξ ὕδατος καὶ δι' ὕδατος

ἐξ - the emerging earth from the water in which basis  
δι' ὕδατος - "by means of water" water is not only the material and the instrumental cause of the substitution of the earth: the sea below, the dew, mist, rain, clouds above.

The manner in which the pre-Adamic world was destroyed, made formless and void, was by water. 7/ the earth was now more level, water was deeper to depth of thousands of feet.

Violent low eruptions wrecked the pre-Adamic earth: poisonous volcanic gases erupting into the atmosphere, darkening the sun and the stars, poisonous vapors everywhere, darkness above and the surging waters of the sea covering the surface of the land.

Everything died. A dead planet. Not a living creature remained alive upon it. "Void" - "vacant" - "darkness." The absence of the warm rays of the sun caused it to pass through the winter of its life, the glacial periods: the great ice fields of the frozen water which have kept intact the forms of some of the immense mammals that inhabited the pre-Adamic earth.

How long remained in this waste condition do not know. Ages and ages. But time came for re-creation - God did it in 6 periods of morning and evening.

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