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# WHY SHOULD WE BELIEVE IN GOD? PART-1: CREATION OR EVOLUTION? A SCIENTIST'S PERSPECTIVE

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# STREOTYPICAL ANSWERS FOR “WHY BELIEVE IN GOD?”

- ❑ *“Only Uneducated People and Ignorant Believe in God!”*

*~ Influence from Teachers in School*

- ❑ *“My parents raised me to believe in God —or else!”*

*~ Pressure from Parents*

- ❑ *“I Live in a Community That Staunchly Believes in God!”*

*~ Pressure from Community*

- ❑ *“My Mind Tells Me That There is Some Higher Power!”*

*~ Influence of Emotion, No Specific Basis*

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# WHAT ARE GENERAL NOTIONS ABOUT SCIENCE & SCIENTISTS?

- ☐ *Science Does Not Believe in Anything That Has No Touch, Smell, Taste, or See (Form)!*
- ☐ *Scientists Need Absolute Physical, Chemical, or Biological Evidence to Even Consider Existence of Anything, as well as to Formulate Any Scientific Theories!*
- ☐ *Scientists Believe in Evolution, and not Creation by an Invisible Entity Such As God!*
- ☐ *Scientists Do Believe in Invisible Things Such As Atoms & Electrons, Molecules and Microbes as They Can Prove Their Existence Via Sophisticated Instruments & Experimental Proofs.*

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# SCIENTIFIC CONVICTIONS APPEAR TO COLLIDE WITH SPIRITUALITY

*According to Nirvan Shatakam by Jagadguru Shankaracharya:*

मनोबुद्ध्यहङ्कार चित्तानि नाहं न च श्रोत्रजिह्वे न च घ्राणनेत्रे ।  
न च व्योम भूमिर्न तेजो न वायुः चिदानन्दरूपः शिवोऽहम् शिवोऽहम् ॥  
अहं निर्विकल्पो निराकाररूपो विभुत्वाच्च सर्वत्र सर्वेन्द्रियाणाम् ।  
न चासङ्गतं नैव मुक्तिर्न मेयः चिदानन्दरूपः शिवोऽहम् शिवोऽहम् ॥

*“I have no ears, no tongue, no nose, no eyes, nor am I made of five elements: water, ether, air, earth, and fire, nor do I have any mind or ego. I am simply a Pure Conscience and Bliss”*

*Since Lord Says He Has No Form, No Shape, Nor Any Qualities of a Living Being, It Would Be Practically Impossible to Convince a Scientist About God's Existence!*



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# CAN SCIENTISTS MEASURE ALL INVISIBLE ENTITIES THAT DO EXIST?

- ☐ *Can Scientists Make Qualitative & Quantitative Measurements of Entities, Such As “Love”, “Mercy”, “Mind” and “Soul”?*
- ☐ *None of the High-Tech, State-of-The –Art Instruments, Such as Elctron Micrograph, X-Ray Photometer, Microscope, Ultraviolet, Infrared, and Mass Spectrometer are Capable of measuring Any of the Above Invisible Entities That are Known to Exist Since The Beginning of Time!*
- ☐ *If They Cannot Measure The Soul (The Atman), How Then Can They Measure The Super Soul (The Paramaatman; God)?*
- ☐ *In Conclusion, Science Has Its Limitations to Explain Creation!*

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# WHAT DO SCIENTISTS BELIEVE ABOUT HOW THE UNIVERSE WAS CREATED?

- ❑ *Scientists are Convinced That Our Universe Began With One Enormous Explosion of Energy and Light, Which We Now Call the **Big Bang**.*
- ❑ *The Universe Suddenly Flashed into Being Out of Nothing, and Scientists Cannot Figure Out What Caused This Sudden Event!*
- ❑ *Per Astrophysics, The Seed of Everything That Occurred in The Universe Seemed to Have Been planted; Every Star, Every Planet and Every Living Creature in The Universe Came into Being as a Result of Events That Were Already Set in Motion at The Moment of Cosmic Explosion. But, Who Planted That Seed?.....*

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# DOES THE “BIG BANG” THEORY CONTRADICT THE CONVICTIONS OF SANATAN DHARMA?

*The Answer:*

- ☐ *Absolutely Not!*
- ☐ *On the Contrary, It Strongly Supports The Vedanta (Upanishads) Teachings & Philosophy of Our Great Rishis About How The Universe is Repeatedly Being Created and Dissolved by The Brahman (Paramaatman; God) at a Fixed Interval of Time.*

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# DOES THE “BIG BANG” THEORY CONTRADICT THE SANATAN DHARMA? (CONTD.)

- ❑ *The Upnishad Teachings On This Are Reiterated In Shrimad Bhagavadgita, Chapter 9, Verses 7-8, Where Lord Krishna Says:*  
सर्वभूतानि कौन्तेय प्रकृतिं यान्ति मामिकाम्। कल्पक्षये पुनस्तानि कल्पादौ विसृजाम्यहम्।  
प्रकृतिं स्वामवष्टभ्य विसृजामि पुनः पुनः। भूतग्राममिमं कृत्स्नमवशं प्रकृतेर्वशात् ॥

**Meaning:** *At The Completion of Brahma's Life of 100 Divine Years (Which is Equal to 311 Trillion 40 Billion Earth years), I Dissolve The Entire Cosmic Manifestation, When It Goes Into an Unmanifest State. At The Beginning of The Next Creation, O Son of Kunti, I Manifest Them Again. Presiding Over My Material Energy, I Generate These Myriad Forms Again and Again.*



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# WATCH THE BRIEF VIDEO ON “BIG BANG” THEORY

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# POINTS TO BE NOTED FROM THE VIDEO ON “BIG BANG”

- *“We Don’t Know How The Universe Began. We Only Know How It Evolved.”*

*--Prof. David Spergel*

- *The Universe Will Eventually Die.*
- *There Was No Axis of Space & Time Until The Beginning of The Universe.*

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# WHY SHOULD WE BELIEVE IN GOD?

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