

UNAPOLOGETIC – Brief Evidence for Theism

1 Peter 3:15 “but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, ready at any time to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you.”

1 - The Cosmological Argument and Evidence

Argument:

- Everything that had a beginning had a cause.
- The universe had a beginning.
- Therefore, the universe had a cause.

Evidence:

- Our universe is known to be expanding, as all scientists have agreed, and if it is expanding we can theoretically shrink it back (by reason, not literally) to a point where it all began.
- Through the discovery of cosmic microwave background radiation (by Bell Lab radio astronomers Robert Wilson and Arno Penzias in May of 1920), and the obvious and abundant existence of helium (both in our atmosphere and the known universe) among other things, we can conclude the universe had a high heat, high density, high speed beginning where everything came into existence.
- An infinite universe is impossible, because time would have to go infinitely back, and if this is true we would never reach now.
- Other theories (such as the contraction cycling and multiverse theory, to name a few) lack evidence, try to redefine fact, or are logically contradictory.

2 – The Teleological (Fine Tuning/Design) Argument and Evidence

Argument:

- Every design has a designer.
- The universe has a highly complex design.
- Therefore, the universe had a designer.

Evidence:

- Organisms contain a 3.2 billion letter (nucleotide) long code for function in DNA. Intelligence is always needed for complex (A.K.A. apobetical) information, and theism alone explains this.
- We have a fine tuned gravitational force precise to 1 part in 10^{36} .
- We have strong and weak nuclear forces precise to 1 part in 10^{40} .
- Our expansion speed is precise to 1 part in 10^{120} .
- Dark energy (accounting for the acceleration of the universe’s expansion rate) is precise to 1 part in 10^{122}
- Scientists have calculated initial conditions (boundary conditions present at the beginning of the universe) to be precise to 1 part in 10^{1230} .
- We have precise steady plate tectonics, water in the earth’s crust, planetary mass, position in our solar system (right distance from the sun and strategically placed other planets such as

Jupiter), position In our galaxy (spiral arm, galactic habitable zone), etc. for life

If any of these were altered by 1 part, life couldn't exist.

The Moral argument:

Argument:

- Every law has a law giver.
- There is a Moral Law.
- Therefore, there is a Moral Law Giver.

(Moral, Reason, and Mental) Evidence:

- If Atheism is true, one can conclude that materialism/philosophical naturalism is true, meaning that because all we are is matter there is no reason to argue any “evil deed” (murder, robbery, battery) is morally wrong.
- We all feel that we know what is wrong, and by deciding something is wrong we imply the existence of a moral standard because in order to prove evil, you must have an idea of *good*.
- It is not possible to argue that atheism is true if materialism is true, because since all we are is matter there is no reason to believe any “truth” is more than our opinion, making atheism self defeating because we can't know that *it* is true.
- The Laws of Logic, Laws of Physics, etc. exist wether or not humans know them. These create a predicament for atheists, while theism has no problem understanding the reason for these things, and how they could exist even if we didn't exist to know them.
 - a. Laws of logic evidence: In order to disprove the laws of logic, you must use the laws of logic. This, for obvious reasons, doesn't work.
- People have minds (which is why we have feelings, why we think *about* things, why we are conscious, and why you can see one's brain but not one's thoughts). Atheism has no way to reasonably explain minds without redefining fact, or being logically contradictory. Theism well explains minds.

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