

Expecting a Beginning

Series: God Hypothesis (msg 1) **Date:** November 7, 2021

Science and God look like they are against each other.

Psalm 19:1–4

Romans 1:19–20

According to the Bible no one can deny God's existence through science.

Genesis 1:1-2

Genesis 1:9

What is missing is human sin.

Our expectations about evidence help us evaluate hypotheses.

The expectations of our God's existence line up with the evidence.

GOD HYPOTHESIS: The universe had a beginning thus one who began it.

Genesis 1:1

MATERIALIST HYPOTHESIS: The universe is all there is.

The Big Bang says there is a beginning.

Isaiah 42:5

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sermon discussion

RECAP THE SERMON

Read Exodus 4:18-31. Spend some time discussing the passage. What stood out or what did you notice? What questions did you have about what you read? Discuss the sermon. Was there anything new that you learned, anything that confused you, or anything that stood out to you?

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Describe how you, or someone you know, have wrestled with the existence of God, or were challenged to defend His existence? Have you even given this much thought? Why or why not?
2. What are some clues in nature pointing to the existence of a Creator? What are some aspects of nature, if any, that might lead some people to believe no Creator exists?
3. **Read Genesis 1:1-2, Psalm 19:1-6 & John 1:1-3.** What do these passages tell us about God and creation?
4. **Read Romans 1:18-21.** What evidence is there for God in the universe? What attributes of God does Paul say can be clearly seen from nature? Why is that important?
5. Why do you think some people look at the world and deny a Creator?
6. Why does the universe require a causal agent to explain its existence, that it could not be created by random accident?
7. What are some things you could do to educate yourself about the solid, scientific evidence that supports the existence of God? Which one of them are you committing to do over the next 1-2 weeks? *See Going Further section for ideas & suggestions.*

GOING FURTHER

MEMORIZE: *The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.*
Psalm 19:1 ESV

WATCH A SHORT VIDEO ON GOD'S EXISTENCE:

- **Cosmological argument for God** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6CulBuMCLg0&t=0s>
- **Series of videos on the existence of God by Reasonable Faith with Dr William Lane Craig** - <https://www.youtube.com/user/drcraigvideos>

READ A BOOK OR CHAPTER:

- *Without a Doubt: Answering the 20 Toughest Faith Questions* by Kenneth Samples
- *God's Crime Scene* by J. Warner Wallace