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Earth has a huge magnetic field, that goes through the north and south poles. This magnetic field deflects a lot of the radiation from space (if it wasn't there, we wouldn't be here as Earth would be constantly bombarded by radiation from the Sun), also, if gamma rays (ionizing radiation) got past this, they would get absorbed very quickly by the atmosphere, so they'd be gone before they can get in far enough to cause any harm.