Subject: Re: Jesus

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I don't see what's so illogical about love, to be honest. Because it just happens and you can't choose when? You can't choose many other emotions either. You can't choose to be angry or sad, it's a feeling that simply happens after certain events. Being angry is often very illogical, since attacking someone usually gets *you* in trouble, instead of the other. But I'm sure our brains don't consider our jurisdic systems when it decides a person should be hated, that happens in more conscious levels.

Same with love. Just because you can fall in love with a person who is geographically or morally unreachable doesn't mean it's illogical. It more likely just means that either a) the person "higher in ranks" and harder to reach is a more desirable target since a safe life with him/her is more likely, or b) The idea that a person can be somehow "unreachable" is very recent when compared to the lifespan of life on earth, and so our brain can't take such facts into account when love happens.

From our current point of view, yes, love is illogical. But when you consider love as part of the development of our species, it's suddenly more logical again. That's the problem, isn't it? We can't decide whether something is logical or not, since we base our facts on things we know, which are likely often not true or just parts of truth.

Do you think God thinks love is logical? Is God capable of understanding what makes love happen? Most likely, it would certainly make God less God if something was illogical to him. The more knowledge you have, the more logical things seem, no? But if someone or something is capable of viewing something as logical, i.e. love, then why should we not try to achieve the same point of view?

That last bit is a bit outside of the argument, but I think it's worth adding it.