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Subject: Re: are we alone?

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At the risk of bumping an old topic, I feel i have something to contribute.

<http://youtube.com/watch?v=u-Z4gy1JSdg>

This video, i find to be amazing. It really makes you think.

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Limits and The Problem With Infinity  
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Now, a problem with this whole discussion is the fact that humans can not comprehend the concept of infinity. The reason for this is because everything we know, has a limit. Limits are everywhere and they ALWAYS exist. We know of nothing on earth and in life that does not have a limit besides space. There in lies the problem. Humans can only understand what they knew to be true and possible. Since we have no examples of infinity, we cannot understand it. Thinking of something that goes on for ever and ever does not make sense to us, and therefore we try to place it inside something in our heads. There are two possibilities regarding this matter.

1. Space is limitless, and is ever-expanding therefore making the chances of life elsewhere not only possible but probable.
2. Space has a limit. So what is it inside of and what is the limit of that and what is that in side of(and so on and so forth).

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Life Elsewhere  
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If the universe is indeed infinite (which as far as we know, it is), then there are infinite chances to produce infinite results infinite times. If this is true (which again, must be since we can not prove otherwise) then infinite amount of life exists in infinite amount of space elsewhere.

In addition, who is to say that life can only exist where there are traces of water and oxygen. Why is it so implausible that other beings exist in ways that allow them to live off of really shitty climate and nitrogen.

Just because the only type of living conditions we know to sustain life are our own does not mean that there can not be other beings that depend on nitrogen or helium or other poisonous (to us) elements.

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Our 5 Senses  
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Another thing that I have thought about is what if they exist in different senses. Ones that we do not possess. Then again, this goes along with the same theory as the infinity theory and how humans cannot comprehend it since we have no reference point of it. Trying to come up with a new name for a new sense is dumb seeing as a name would not do it justice. We only know of the senses we have, and that is ALL there is.

It is completely impossible to think up another sense and explain its function without it being one we already have. Try it. If you can see it, that's already a sense. If you can taste it, that's already a sense. If you can touch it, it's already a sense. If you can hear it, it's already a sense. If you can smell it, it's already a sense.

The only way would be to use words that don't exist, and you inevitably come back to a sense we already control.

If we can not see, taste, touch, hear, or smell something, then that something does not exist to us. What if there are an infinite amount of different types of things "living" on earth with us, but since we can not do any of the aforementioned to detect them, then do they really exist?

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Being An Atheist  
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I am an atheist, and for the reasons listed above basically. I believe that everything was a giant insanely ridiculous coincidence, that eventually had to happen given the infinite amount of infinities involved in the equation.

I was going to be somewhere sometime one way or another, and this is just the life we lucked into. So what if it took an infinite amount of time to do, since before you're born, time effectively does not exist. It exists for others, but not for you. The trillions of years that went by before you and I were born happened instantly since time does not exist for those who are not alive.

Basically when you die, time will stop all together or start passing at an infinite speed, since if you are not alive everything is over. Not to others of course, but when you're dead it doesn't matter what others keep doing. You are not there to see, taste, feel, smell, or hear it, and it effectively just does not exist.

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The Silver Lining  
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Basically what I have just said leaves one wondering what the point of life actually is since death is inevitable, and after death, everything is over. My theory is that we gain access to senses we never had and are able to basically "exist" elsewhere. Believing that life has no point is a depressing outlook and therefore I refuse to take it.

So with all of the infinite possibilities of what really lies after death, there must be something and no one alive (in our sense of the word) will ever know.

Live it up – Toter

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