Subject: God Posted by Chimp on Tue, 22 Jan 2008 13:44:01 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Yes. I went there. I want to know what each of you think. Is God real? Is God fake? Why do you think that? I'm just interested in seeing what all of you think. I'm not going to post my own personal biases, I prefere not to muddy the waters.

Subject: Re: God Posted by Ryu on Tue, 22 Jan 2008 13:56:05 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Imo, Religion WAS a brainwashing tool used hundreds of years ago to stop people murdering and stealing, etc, because there wasn't such a thing called "law".

Subject: Re: God Posted by R315r4z0r on Tue, 22 Jan 2008 17:14:46 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

This is like the billionth topic on this in this section.

Subject: Re: God Posted by jnz on Tue, 22 Jan 2008 18:22:26 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

nvm

Subject: Re: God Posted by Dreganius on Tue, 22 Jan 2008 20:04:23 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I believe that "god", as you put him, exists, but "he" has no jurisdiction over anything we do. None whatso-freaking-ever.

There. I said it.

Subject: Re: God Posted by Dover on Tue, 22 Jan 2008 21:56:42 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message Wether God exists or not is irrelevant. To be more specific, my opinion on God's existance is irrelevant, because regardless of the outcome, I am but a man, and to put it colloquially, "What the fuck do I know?" My guess could be right, but it's no better than yours, and we're obviously not both right. It's more than likely that we're both wrong.

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Subject: Re: God Posted by R315r4z0r on Tue, 22 Jan 2008 22:09:05 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I know the true answer. But they said they would destroy my home town if I told you.

Subject: Re: God Posted by Chimp on Tue, 22 Jan 2008 23:07:06 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Dover wrote on Tue, 22 January 2008 15:56How about this:

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Oh, you're smart

Subject: Re: God Posted by Starbuzz on Tue, 22 Jan 2008 23:26:28 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Yet another shit topic about the superhero God.

Subject: Re: God Posted by Rocko on Wed, 23 Jan 2008 01:39:26 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Starbuzz wrote on Tue, 22 January 2008 17:26Yet another shit topic about the superhero God. lol I don't believe in any religion, but do think it's logical that something had to create the universe. If there's anything more retarded than bible thumpers it's smart 14-year olds who think they have all the answers and make dumb posts calling god a variety of curse words or silly things.

Subject: Re: God Posted by Starbuzz on Wed, 23 Jan 2008 02:06:23 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I see how desperate humanity is for an answer that anything that sounds warm and fuzzy is the truth.

Subject: Re: God Posted by trooprm02 on Wed, 23 Jan 2008 05:23:51 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Enjoy hell

Subject: Re: God Posted by Starbuzz on Wed, 23 Jan 2008 11:31:01 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

MWright968 wrote on Tue, 22 January 2008 23:23Enjoy hell

Blindly running on fear without dissecting the source of fear is not my idea of living my life, my friend.

Subject: Re: God Posted by cheesesoda on Thu, 24 Jan 2008 21:24:43 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Science needs a Creator. It's just that simple. As little sense as there is for there to be a magical being in existence, the Big Bang doesn't make sense without one.

Everything in existence was created. You and I were created. Animals were created. The Primordial Soup was created. The Big Bang was created.

There is too much order in the universe for it to merely happen by chance. Even scientists will

agree at how unlikely it was for humans to gain the ability to think and look outside of its environment. They agree that if man was to disappear, there may never be another sentient specie. They doubt that any other primates, including chimps, will be able to make the leap that earlier humanoids did that begot man.

The being that set everything in motion could very well be the Muslim god, the Christian god, the Jewish god, etc...

Subject: Re: God Posted by BlueThen on Thu, 24 Jan 2008 21:25:47 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Logic shouldn't be put into faith.

Subject: Re: God Posted by R315r4z0r on Thu, 24 Jan 2008 21:32:40 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Just because something is created, doesn't mean there has to be a creator.

Things can happen without the help of a conscious being.

Subject: Re: God Posted by cheesesoda on Thu, 24 Jan 2008 21:39:00 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

R315r4z0r wrote on Thu, 24 January 2008 16:32Just because something is created, doesn't mean there has to be a creator.

Things can happen without the help of a conscious being. I think you miss my point. Everything is created from something, and I see no reason why the creation of our universe is any different.

If you want to believe that our universe was created purely out of chance, fine, but you have to also admit that there's just as much chance of their being an all-powerful being behind everything, too.

Subject: Re: God Posted by Dover on Thu, 24 Jan 2008 21:58:03 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

cheesesoda wrote on Thu, 24 January 2008 13:39R315r4z0r wrote on Thu, 24 January 2008

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See my post above.

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cheesesoda wrote on Thu, 24 January 2008 16:39If you want to believe that our universe was created purely out of chance, fine, but you have to also admit that there's just as much chance of their being an all-powerful being behind everything, too.

I don't see why. Neither of them relate to each other in any way. Why should they have an equal chance of happening?

Because even above all, I know that something happening by chance outweighs the chance of things being created by a creator because the creator couldn't just appear, now could they?

That being had to come from somewhere. So even if you are right, and this universe was created by some "creator" there still lies the question of who or what created the creator?

Subject: Re: God Posted by cheesesoda on Fri, 25 Jan 2008 00:54:09 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I wrote this a few weeks ago on another message board, and it seems that it explains my thoughts better than I can currently, so enjoy...

Anybody who can claim that a supreme being CANNOT exist is a closed-minded fucktard. Likewise, anybody who claims that a supreme being HAS to exist is a closed-minded fucktard.

Whether you're religious or not, you cannot say with 100% certainty that you're right. You can believe that you're right. You can insist that you're right. However, you cannot tell me that a god cannot exist. Have you left our physical world to see that no supreme being exist? Again, likewise, can a Christian or Muslim tell me that there is a higher power after they've died? No.

Sure, you can say that it makes no sense that a god exists. The whole "pink unicorn" and "flying spaghetti monster" argument. That's all and well, but matter just existing (Big Bang was caused by

matter being tightly packed and thus exploding... the matter apparently just existed) is just as much of a stretch as a god always existing. Who knows, unicorns could, in fact, exist. Nobody can be 100% certain.

Now, I'm not saying religious nuts or atheists are closed-minded for believing one way or the other, but they're wrong to claim absolute knowledge on the issue.

Now, for my personal believe, I believe that a supreme being set everything we see in motion. I'm not sure that it's the Christian god, Islamic god, or even the Greek gods of ancient times. However, what I do feel to be true is that whatever being exists, it is a personal being(s). I've had too many "coincidental" things happen that really can't be explained any other way, in my opinion. There's, also, too many stories of people feeling the presence of something helping them when they were too weak to survive. Something of that sort, anyway.

Either way, if a supreme being does exist, then just because people can explain existence it with science doesn't mean that it wasn't put in place by a supreme being. A supreme being could intervene in life, too, without breaking any scientific laws. For instance, if the being wanted to kill someone through electric shock, the being could make a rat chew through a wire that causes a short and shocks the person. Nothing out of the ordinary. Nothing that would defy scientific laws. Just made it so that the rat existed in a specific place in a specific time that acted just as a rat would and killed the person. That's an extreme example, but it gets my point across, I think.

Subject: Re: God Posted by R315r4z0r on Fri, 25 Jan 2008 01:09:20 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

But I didn't say 100% either way.

I just asked a question that you didn't answer.

If a supreme being created everything, what created the supreme being?

Subject: Re: God Posted by cheesesoda on Fri, 25 Jan 2008 01:19:25 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I wasn't directing that at you. I was just saying that better summed up my opinion.

To answer your question... how the fuck should I know? I guess you could say that it just "always existed", but I couldn't care less.

Subject: Re: God Posted by warranto on Fri, 25 Jan 2008 14:58:24 GMT R315r4z0r wrote on Thu, 24 January 2008 18:09But I didn't say 100% either way.

I just asked a question that you didn't answer.

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Unfortunately suggesting an infinite regress doesn't help any issues, be it for science or religion.

At some point only one thing existed that created everything else, be it matter or divine being.

Look to explaining how it could have existed, rather than trying to skew the issue about what my have come before. At some point NOTHING came before, that THAT is the creator we are talking about.. again be it matter or divine being. There is some attribute of "it" that makes it the beginning of everything, and there is no "previous creator", because that is just, well, ignorant. The "creator creating a creator" idea is reduntant because we are not limiting ourselves to some created object, but rather the ultimate creator.

Subject: Re: God Posted by Starbuzz on Fri, 25 Jan 2008 15:07:47 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Most people forget the word "Theory" that comes after the words "Big Bang." Also most people forget the word "faith" when it comes to "God."

Subject: Re: God Posted by cheesesoda on Fri, 25 Jan 2008 16:11:32 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

A theory in science is as close to the truth as you can get, so ignoring the "Theory" doesn't make it any less true.

Subject: Re: God Posted by Blazer on Fri, 25 Jan 2008 17:17:25 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

warranto wrote on Fri, 25 January 2008 07:58At some point only one thing existed that created everything else, be it matter or divine being.

Wow...I didn't know you could travel that far back in time in order to qualify you to state that as a fact

I believe, that we do not have enough understanding of time or space in order to even attempt to

predict what did or did not exist eons before we came into being. It is a common misconception that humans have "almost figured out" how the universe works, but the fact is we don't know squat, as nearly everyday as we delve deeper into quantum physics, and build stronger and stronger space telescopes, we discover things that fly in the face of our current science.

For the record, I believe the same goes for God. Nobody knows what, who, where, or when, "God" is, thus the only thing they have is "faith", which is what causes all the argument between those of faith and those of science. For all we know, "God" could be "all of us", as in, the collective consciousness and life force of all living things. Or, we could just be the equivalent of microbes on a spec of sand lost amongst the beach of the universe (note that we do not even really know what the universe consists of), with no divine past, and no forseeable future.

So I'd say, believe whatever you want, if it makes you happy. But never forget that we don't really know what is going on. Do we get the answer when we die? That's a whole other can of worms.

Subject: Re: God Posted by warranto on Sat, 26 Jan 2008 16:49:49 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Heh, I qualified it as a fact simply because some'thing' had to exist first in order for some'thing' to even exist at all. Simple logic.

Without you existing, you would not exist. Without matter existing, matter would not exist

As for the rest of what you said, I agree. That is my stance as well.

Subject: Re: God Posted by cnc95fan on Sat, 26 Jan 2008 20:34:28 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

This is really a huge debate, which could takes years for both sides to meet half way. IMO, you believe what a Roman book tells you, about their way of lifestyle etc. If you can believe that, then you can believe the Bible, most of which, is 1900 years old.

Subject: Re: God Posted by renalpha on Sat, 26 Jan 2008 21:26:17 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

i think if god was a person like us

he would be the biggest son of a slut in the whole entire world.

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religious people are fucked up

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Simply because so many concepts can be drawn from it. (I like anime so something like Trinity Blood which is centered around religion and vampires..)

Subject: Re: God Posted by Chimp on Sun, 27 Jan 2008 00:33:01 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Simply because so many concepts can be drawn from it. (I like anime so something like Trinity Blood which is centered around religion and vampires..)

I would much rather resign myself to the thought of never living after death rather than the possibility of eternal hell fires. Being one who reads the bible quite a bit, for the educational purposes, you come to learn very fast that you can get yourself into hell quite easily.

Subject: Re: God Posted by Dover on Mon, 28 Jan 2008 00:48:06 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I agree, Blazer. I don't think there's anything wrong with admitting "I don't know" in discussions like these, because none of us really "know".

Subject: Re: God Posted by Feetseek on Tue, 29 Jan 2008 02:14:51 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I don't think I follow any religions, but I do follow some Chinese customs and superstitions which are connected to some gods. Would that be considered culture or religion?

Subject: Re: God Posted by Chimp on Tue, 29 Jan 2008 02:18:50 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message Feetseek wrote on Mon, 28 January 2008 20:14I don't think I follow any religions, but I do follow some Chinese customs and superstitions which are connected to some gods. Would that be considered culture or religion?

Eh, if you don't actually believe in the gods, but just do it for the sort of uhh, "ambiance" or "fun" of it, then its more a ritual than a religion or cultural benefit.

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