

I Don't Have Enough Faith to Be an Atheist

(Finding Faith Series - #1)

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- Faith** – noun:
1. Confidence or trust in a person or thing.
 2. Belief that is not based on proof.
 3. A system of religious belief.
 4. Belief in and devotion to God.

Question #1: Does God Exist?

“Is there a God?” is an elementary, yet necessary question.

An atheist answers, “No!”

An agnostic answers, “You cannot know.”

A Believer answers, “Yes!”

Psalms 18:4 – The Lord lives!

1 Timothy 4:10 – We have put our hope in the living God.

No one can _____ the existence of God....

Not with _____, _____, or _____.

Belief in God – and unbelief – are both matters of _____.

“A young man who wishes to remain a sound Atheist cannot be too careful of his reading. There are traps everywhere – Bibles laid open, millions of *surprises*, fine nets and strategems. God is, if I may say it, very unscrupulous.”

C.S. Lewis, *Surprised by Joy*.

Evidence that Should be Considered

Exodus 3:14 – God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM. This is what you say to the Israelites: ‘I AM has sent me to you.’”

1. The _____ logical argument (*ontos* = beginning)

The _____ of God entails His _____.

Romans 1:19-20 ...what may be known about God is plain to them. For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities – his eternal power and divine nature – have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.

2. The _____ logical argument (*cosmos* = creation)

Anything with a _____ was _____ by something else.

Psalms 19:1 – The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

3. The _____ logical argument (*telos* = purpose)

_____ implies a _____.

Romans 2:14-15 – Indeed, when Gentiles, who do not have the law, do by nature things required by the law, ... they show that the requirements of the law are written on their hearts...

4. The _____ logical argument (*axios* = judgment)

Mankind has a universal sense of _____ and _____.