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The God Questions

Is God Real?

Psalm 19 (HCSB)

For the choir director. A Davidic psalm. ¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims the work of His hands. ² Day after day they pour out speech; night after night they communicate knowledge. ³ There is no speech; there are no words; their voice is not heard. ⁴ Their message has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world. In the heavens He has pitched a tent for the sun. ⁵ It is like a groom coming from the bridal chamber; it rejoices like an athlete running a course. ⁶ It rises from one end of the heavens and circles to their other end; nothing is hidden from its heat. ⁷ The instruction of the LORD is perfect, renewing one's life; the testimony of the LORD is trustworthy, making the inexperienced wise. ⁸ The precepts of the LORD are right, making the heart glad; the command of the LORD is radiant, making the eyes light up. ⁹ The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are reliable and altogether righteous. ¹⁰ They are more desirable than gold - than an abundance of pure gold; and sweeter than honey, which comes from the honeycomb. ¹¹ In addition, Your servant is warned by them; there is great reward in keeping them. ¹² Who perceives his unintentional sins? Cleanse me from my hidden faults. ¹³ Moreover, keep Your servant from willful sins; do not let them rule over me. Then I will be innocent and cleansed from blatant rebellion. ¹⁴ May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to You, LORD, my rock and my Redeemer.

Pointers to God's Existence:

1. THE _____ ARGUMENT: THE EXISTENCE OF "STUFF"

- The universe _____, we know because we live in it.
- The law of cause and effect teaches us: For every effect, there has to be a cause.

2. THE _____ ARGUMENT: THE NATURE OF "STUFF"

- Since everything exists, you must _____ where it came from.
- Everything in the universe is contingent.
- If all that exists is dependent, fragile and temporary, who or what is _____ for it?

Psalm 19:1 (HCSB)

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3. THE _____ ARGUMENT: MY SENSE OF RIGHT AND WRONG

- In order to understand what is wrong, you must understand what is _____.
- Morals can vary from person to person and society to society, but every person has them.
- Anthropologists tell us that all people admit they have within them a moral _____, but they haven't fully lived up to it.

Romans 2:14–15 (HCSB)

So, when Gentiles, who do not have the law, instinctively do what the law demands, they are a law to themselves even though they do not have the law. ¹⁵ They show that the work of the law is written on their hearts. Their consciences confirm this. Their competing thoughts will either accuse or excuse them

Assignments:

1. **Pick up a copy of The God Questions book in the lobby or the office this week.**
2. **Sign up for our Wednesday night, in-depth discussion group at <https://bit.ly/TheGodQuestions>.**
3. **Read chapters 1–6 in The God Questions.**
4. **Invite someone to join you next week for "Is the Bible True?"**
5. **Memorize Psalm 19:1.**