

# Defending The Faith Series

## The Apologetics Pyramid

GOSPEL

RESURRECTION

REVELATION

THEISM

WORLDVIEWS

TRUTH



# How Do We Know God Exists?

## *The First-Cause Proof*

1. Whatever had a beginning had a cause
2. The universe had a beginning
3. Therefore, the universe had a cause

## *The Moral Proof*

1. Every moral law had a moral lawgiver
2. There is a moral law
3. Therefore, it had a moral lawgiver

## *The Design Proof (tonight's study)*

1. Every design had a designer
2. The universe has a design
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ILL: Finding a watch on a beach

### *2. The universe has a design*

#### *1. Evidence From Physics*

- (a) Existence of Laws of Physics
- (b) Fine-Tuning of Laws of Physics & Physical Constants
  - (1) Strength of Gravity
  - (2) Cosmological Constant
  - (3) Strong Nuclear Force
  - (4) Planet Earth (*The Privileged Planet*)

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## 2. Evidence From Astronomy

The ability of man to study our universe and make scientific discoveries provides evidence of design.

- Our planet's oxygen rich atmosphere
- Our moon's size
- Our position in the Milky Way

## 3. Evidence From Biological Machines

Looking into a cell is like looking into an automobile factory.

ILL: Bacterial Flagellum

The Law Of Irreducible Complexity

ILL: A mouse trap

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## 2. Evidence From Biological Information

The DNA molecule is the most efficient information processing system in the universe.

DNA is the carrier of genetic information in the form of a 4 character digital code, like a software program.

Where did the information for DNA come from?

ILL: Universe filled with monkeys typing since the universe began could not produce Shakespeare's play, Hamlet, let alone a transcript of the genetic information required to build even the simplest living cell.

There is only one known cause for the origin of information, and that cause is intelligence.

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## Biblical Basis

- Psalm 19:1-4
- Romans 1:20-23

Where does the evidence point? The evidence of intelligent design in our universe points to an ultimate designer!



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