

<http://www.yourchineseastrology.com/zodiac/monkey.htm>

“The people born in the year of the monkey are of great intellects and skillful. They are usually good leaders. Quick and intelligent as they are, they can win prizes frequently from childhood, thus, often appreciated by parents and teachers. ...”

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... Besides, they are most in good physical conditions. Not only good in fortune when they are young, but also perfect after middle ages. As they are good at saving up money, they usually live lives without worrying about food and clothing.”

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“However, like the monkey scampering in the trees in nature, the Monkey people are not steady. They are fond of social activities and circulate among many friends. ...”

Lucky Direction: West!

Avoid Direction: Southwest!

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The monkey is a kind of wise and flexible creature, looks like the human most. The biologist Charles Darwin has written in his book On the Origin of Species that Humans are evolved from apes. So, the monkey can be as clever as the humans to some extent. You can also get this from the Monkey King, the main character in one of the four famous Chinese novels - Journey to the West....





Richard Dawkins

Richard Dawkins' speech at the Reason Rally, Saturday, March 24, 2012 @ Washington D.C.

"So when I meet somebody who claims to be religious, my first impulse is: "I don't believe you. I don't believe you until you tell me do you really believe — for example, if they say they are Catholic — do you really believe that when a priest blesses a wafer it turns into the body of Christ? Are you seriously telling me you believe that? Are you seriously saying that wine turns into blood?"

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... Mock them! Ridicule them! In public! Don't fall for the convention that we're all too polite to talk about religion. Religion is not off the table. Religion is not off limits.

Religion makes specific claims about the universe which need to be substantiated and need to be challenged and, if necessary, need to be ridiculed with contempt.



1 Peter 3:15

.... be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness (gentleness) and fear (respect):



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“XXX recommends charms like a monkey king, an inviting cat, and monkey bar to enhance good fortune in the office. And as we welcome the year of the monkey, it is also lucky to turn the lights on as you listen to loud and lively music.”

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Listed below are ways on how to remove bad vibes at home.

1. Incense Ritual every morning

“Light 9 pieces of incense sticks every 9 in the morning.”

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2. Flush the toilet after doing the ritual

“After the ritual, it is also important to flush the toilet because it symbolizes flushing away all the negative vibes that this year has brought to your home...”

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3. Lights and Loud Music

“To prevent our house from misfortunes, it is also important to turn the lights on and play loud music to attract good chi, an energy that permeates everything around us.”

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Year of the Monkey

- Blessings come from God!

Genesis 1:28

“...And God blessed them...”



PPCC Statement of Beliefs

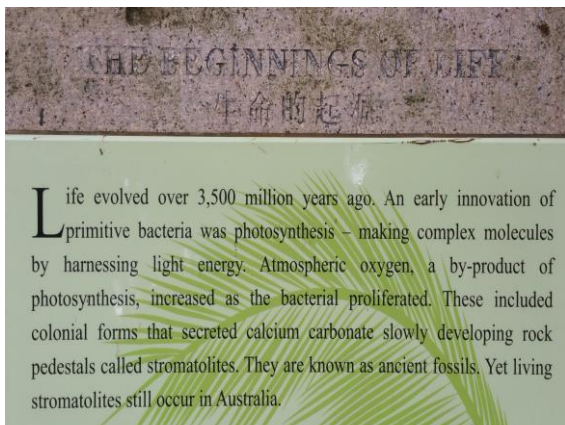
I believe there is one true God, Creator of all.

- Genesis 1:1

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Revelation 4:11

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.



Alternative belief


I believe in naturalistic evolutionary theory.

In the beginning, I don't know what exactly happened but it happened with a big bang.

So what caused the Big Bang?

<http://www.bbc.co.uk>

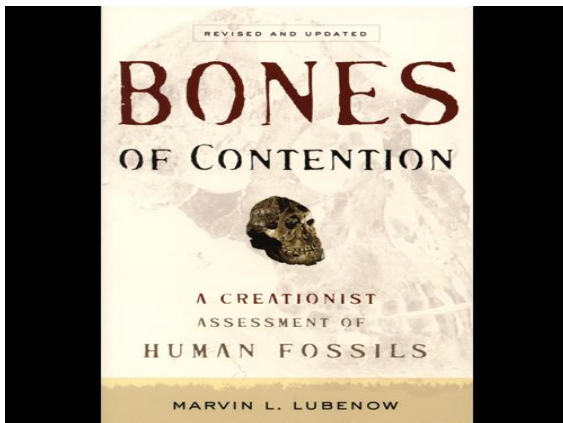
What triggered the Big Bang is a question that still puzzles some of the best scientific minds. Could one of these theories be the answer? (Image: NASA)

Explosion from a black hole	Cycles of death and rebirth	Bubbles in a parent multiverse	There is no cause
			
Choose ?	Choose ?	Choose ?	Choose ?
Physicist Nikodem Poplawski's theory. Image credit: NASA/IPU-Caltech.	The Big Bounce theory. Image credit: NASA/GSFC/Dana Berry.	The Chaotic Inflation theory. Image credit: NASA/ESA/Johan Richard.	Prof Stephen Hawking's theory. Image credit: BBC.

Evolutionary theory needs faith

Based on controversial "fossil evidence"

- Fossil record incomplete?
- Dating controversies?
- Subjective nature of arrangement?



Job 38: 4-5

Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding.

Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line upon it?

David Berlinski

- Senior fellow in the Discovery Institute's Center for Science and Culture.
- Ph.D. in philosophy from Princeton University
- Postdoctoral fellow in mathematics and molecular biology at Columbia University
- Secular Jew i.e. agnostic

The Devil's Delusion: Atheism and its Scientific Pretensions (2009)

- ❖ Has anyone provided a proof of God's inexistence? Not even close.
- ❖ Has quantum cosmology explained the emergence of the universe or why it is here? Not even close.
- ❖ Have the sciences explained why our universe seems to be fine-tuned to allow for the existence of life? Not even close.

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- ❖ Are physicists and biologists willing to believe in anything so long as it is not religious thought? Close enough.
- ❖ Has rationalism in moral thought provided us with an understanding of what is good, what is right, and what is moral? Not close enough.
- ❖ Has secularism in the terrible twentieth century been a force for good? Not even close to being close.

The Devil's Delusion: Atheism and its Scientific Pretensions (2009)

- ❖ Is there a narrow and oppressive orthodoxy of thought and opinion within the sciences? Close enough.
- ❖ Does anything in the sciences or in their philosophy justify the claim that religious belief is irrational? Not even ballpark.
- ❖ Is scientific atheism a frivolous exercise in intellectual contempt? Dead on.

Robert Jastrow: Founding director of NASA's Goddard Institute for Space Studies

"At this moment it seems as though science will never be able to raise the curtain on the mystery of creation. For the scientist who has lived by his faith in the power of reason, the story ends like a bad dream. He has scaled the mountains of ignorance; he is about to conquer the highest peak; as he pulls himself over the final rock, he is greeted by a band of theologians who have been sitting there for centuries."

MYTH: EVENTUALLY SCIENCE WILL EXPLAIN EVERYTHING

Test the worldview

Where did I come from ? Origin
Why am I here ? Meaning
What is right / wrong? Morality
Where am I going ? Destiny

Real Question

What does the belief offer in its worldview?
Origin, meaning, morality & destiny

GENESIS 1:26

And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness:...

GENESIS 2:7

And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

GENESIS 1:27

So God created man in his *own image*, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

GENESIS 1:26

And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion (rule) over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth

Important Questions

Where did I come from ? Origin
Answer: God created me.

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Where did I come from ? Origin
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Why am I here ? Meaning

Ans: To reflect God's glory in
stewardship

Important Questions

Where did I come from ? Origin

Why am I here ? Meaning

What is right / wrong? Morality

Important Questions

What is right / wrong? Morality

Ans: God is the source of morality.
God defines right / wrong.



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"Hell itself has as its fiercest flame the
separation of the soul from God"
~ Charles Spurgeon



2 Peter 3:10

But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

Real Question

What does the belief offer in its worldview?

Origin, Meaning, Morality, Destiny

Year of the Monkey

- Blessings come from God!
- Man is created by God!