

## THE ATTRIBUTES SERIES

### GOD IS...Part II

Reference: miscellaneous Scripture

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The Bible teaches two fundamental things about knowing God:

- Scripture teaches us that God is \_\_\_\_\_; but, not in an absolute sense.  
Reference: **Job 11:7; Isaiah 40:18; 55:8** (see screen)
- Scripture teaches us that God is \_\_\_\_\_.  
Reference: **John 17:3, Colossians 1:9, 10; I John 5:20** (see screen)  
Even though God is incomprehensible we can still know Him in a limited sense and it is apparent that He wants us to know Him more.

Last time we addressed a passage from **Romans. Romans chapter one** reads that outside of Scripture itself God has revealed Himself to us through two primary sources: **human conscience** and **divine creation**.

**Human conscience** is alluded to in **verse nineteen** (see screen)

Man has a conscience and that conscience gives him an awareness that God is! But notice what man has sometimes done with that basic knowledge about God's existence.

Reference: **Romans 1:21-23** (see screen)

Some people have taken this revelation that God exists and have then distorted and twisted this concept of God into a visible material image; something tangible that can be seen and touched and bowed down toward and those visible distortions of the invisible God are idols and represent false gods and pagan deities.

**Divine creation** is mentioned in **verse twenty** (see screen)

Creation can mean "*bringing the universe into existence*"

The fact there is a universe is evidence that God exists and in philosophical language that's called the "\_\_\_\_\_ argument." That particular argument is based on the law of causation (i.e. cause and effect)

**Definition:** The universe is defined as all \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ and its contents. Those contents consist of all energy forms, including electromagnetic radiation and matter, and therefore planets, moons, stars, galaxies, and the contents of intergalactic space.

There are five possible explanations as to just how this universe (i.e. creation) came into existence:

One...the universe is just an \_\_\_\_\_.

Two...the universe \_\_\_\_\_.

Three...the universe is \_\_\_\_\_.

Four...the universe has \_\_\_\_\_.

Five...the universe was \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_.

If the entire space-time universe exploded from nothing then the thing that caused this universe into existence would have to be:

- \_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_ because it created space
- \_\_\_\_\_ because it created time
- \_\_\_\_\_ because it created matter
- \_\_\_\_\_ because it created something out of nothing
- \_\_\_\_\_ because creation itself and the universe was precisely designed
- \_\_\_\_\_ because it made a choice to convert a state of nothingness into something

One more argument that supports the fact God is the creator of all things is called the "\_\_\_\_\_ argument".

**Definition:** The teleological argument states that the massive \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in this universe is evidence that there had to be a cosmic designer.

Reference: **Psalm 19:1** (see screen)