

# Questions for Christians: Is God Real?

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[Genesis 1:1a](#) In the beginning God!!

6 Reasons we know the God is real:

## 1. FIRST CAUSE

[Ps 102:25-27 25](#) In the beginning you laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. 26 They will perish, but you remain;

- A CREATION REQUIRES A CREATOR!

## 2. INTELLIGENT DESIGN

[Rom. 1:20](#) 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.

[Ps 19:1](#) The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

- AN INTELLIGENT DESIGN REQUIRES AN INTELLIGENT DESIGNER!

## 3. REASONING & MORALITY

[Rom 7:18-25](#) 18... For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. 19 For what I do is not the good I want to do; no, the evil I do not want to do — this I keep on doing. 19-23... 24 What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? 25 Thanks be to God — through Jesus Christ our Lord!

[Rom 2:15](#) ... the requirements of the law are written on their hearts...

- A SENSE OF MORAL STANDARDS INDICATES THAT THERE MUST BE A MORAL STANDARD GIVER

## 4. RISK & REWARD

[Prov 14:12](#) There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.

[Psalms 53:1](#) The fool says in his heart, "There is no God."

- BELIEF IN GOD HAS LOW RISK & ETERNAL REWARD!

## 5. JESUS

[John 1:1-3; 14](#) 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. 14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.

[John 10:30](#) "I and the Father are one."

[John 20:28](#) Thomas said to [Jesus], "My Lord and my God!"

[Heb 1:3](#) The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being,

- IF JESUS IS GOD MADE FLESH THEN THERE MUST BE A GOD

## 6. A CHANGED LIFE

[Heb 11:1-2](#) Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

[1 Cor 15:10](#) [God's] grace to me was not without effect.

- IF GOD CHANGED MY LIFE THEN HE MUST BE REAL AND HE MUST LOVE ME!