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Dave Froble wrote:

- > *So what does any of this have to do with proving there is a god? Even*
- > *if these things all happened, there are multiple possible explanations.*

Faith, is by definition, believing in something which you can't prove or explain.

The point is that as human science progresses, more and more of the bible can be explained scientifically, and a lot of what used to be miracles are now routinely done in Hollywood in a very convincing fashion and would never have been seen as "tricks" by people 2005 years ago, to them, it would have seen like a miracle.

It may end up that the stories in the bible related to some advanced space aliens visiting earth to monitor our progress and make some impressive light shows to impress people. (aka : miracles). (Or worse, humans in a distant future who have mastered time travel and gone back to year 0 to inseminate Mary and then supervise Jesus's life and fix his wounds after he was crucified and healed him sufficiently to be seen alive a few days later).

Lets say that science can one day prove that earth was visited by advanced alien civilisation whose technooogy explains all of the miracles in the bible. Lets say that it was such an advanced civilisation which meddled with a primordial earth to foster the creation of cell organisms (eg: created life on earth). This may explain our existance, and may scientifically explain all of the bible. But that does not explain where those space aliens came from and who created them. (and who created the creator and so on, and so on and so on...).

Similarly, we may be able to fully describe the big bang theory down to the microsecond it happened. But we still can't truly grasp the concept of an universe without any bounds either in space or time, and we can't explain what triggered the big bang and what existed before that and who created that matter and/or energy.

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As long as there are things about our existence/roots which are not yet explained, there is room for faith. But religions must evolve with time and with scientific progress. We can't allow a whole nation/religion to revert to believing that thunder is god's anger , or decide that "evolution" is not to be discussed in schools because the bible says "creation" (especially when the two are not necessarily incompatible).

Politicians who, wanting to appear to be religious, pass laws forbidding the discussion of "evolution" in schools are akin to those who called for the hanging of people who claimed the earth was round or that the sun did not rotate around the earth, but rather the other way around.

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