

# God's Fingerprints

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Does God exist? For centuries philosophers, theologians, scientists, and doctors alike have debated and wrestled with the very idea of a higher being. I know there is a God. It has never been a question of whether or not he exists. My belief not only rests in my faith, it rests in the evidence supporting his existence. Paul writes in Romans 1:20, "For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse."<sup>1</sup> Can you see God's fingerprints? I can, and they are everywhere.

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."<sup>2</sup> Genesis 1:1 is where it all begins. The first two chapters of the first book of the Bible describe the creation of the world. Throughout Genesis 1 and 2, God is working and making sure everything is "good." He is the reason why we see beautiful sunrises and the stars at night. Because of his hands, the earth is tilted on its axis at an angle of approximately 23.5 degrees - not 0 and not 50 - which is why we have seasons. He took much care in creating the world we see, hear, and feel. He placed many little details in his magnificent design to provide for us.

Another example of God's glorious handiwork lies in his most prized possession - humanity. How profound it is that such a large God would think to make a living, feeling creature with combinations of cells made up of amino acids! Sir Isaac Newton once said, "In the absence of any other proof, the thumb alone would convince me of God's existence."<sup>3</sup> The human body is a work of art like none other. The heart and brain are fascinating machines that defy odds of all kinds. In an article with dozens of anatomy facts, the Independent mentioned this: "Your heart beats 100,000 times per day...."<sup>4</sup> The same piece also adds that the DNA in a

person's body could span the distance from Earth to Pluto if it was unwound. There is no way such complexity could only be a coincidence or game of chance. I cannot fathom all that must happen within my own body for me to be able to take a single step. In Psalm 139:13-15, David writes, "For you formed my inward parts: you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth."<sup>5</sup> He watched as each and every one of his children was formed and brought into the world. God's craftsmanship is in every breath we breathe and every move we make.

God's existence is evident in how he sustains us as well. He promised us many things throughout the Old and New Testaments, one being to never leave us. In March of 2009, I witnessed the mercy God bestows on his beloved. My cousin was born three months premature, and she only weighed one pound and seven ounces. Her chances of survival were slim, but by the grace of God and advanced medical technology, she lived. Today, my little cousin is a smart, talented eleven-year-old who loves playing outside and drawing. Miracles occur everywhere with all kinds of people. Many news articles have been published where the impossible was made possible. People with cancer have been mysteriously cured. Children expected to not make it through the night have made full recoveries. Individuals thought dead have revived out of the blue. Hearing stories like these further strengthen my belief in God.

Although there are many external reasons to agree God exists, I trust in the Lord for internal reasons also. Countless numbers of television shows and movies have depicted the conscience as little angels and devils standing on people's shoulders. While it may seem accurate thematically, I think there is more to it than that. C.S. Lewis explains the phenomena by stating,

“God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our consciences, but shouts in our pains.”<sup>6</sup> Ever since I was a child, I have felt tugs in my chest when I knew I was sinning. I now know that it is the Holy Spirit who guides me in my journey to live more like Christ. I feel his presence in my life on a daily basis.

One of my favorite verses comes from Hebrews 11 which is commonly known as “the faith chapter.” It declares, “Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.”<sup>7</sup> I love this verse especially because it validates the inner awareness I have of the supernatural. Even though I cannot see God, I know he is there because I can feel him in my soul, and I can see his fingerprints everywhere.

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