



Signposts to God: How Modern Physics and Astronomy Point the Way to Belief

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Can We Find God in Modern Physics?

Can science and faith go together? Is God present in the study of astronomy? These questions have been of perennial discussion among Christians, but in this new book from Peter Bussey, an elementary particle physicist, he asserts that we can be intellectually satisfied in both science and the Christian faith.

“As a practicing scientist and a Christian, I am concerned that there is a widespread belief, especially among young people, that science and religious faith are in conflict,” says Bussey. “Only about one-third of young people are confident that there is no conflict according to recent questionnaires in the UK. This book is addressed especially to the other two-thirds, and to people in general, to help remedy the uncertainty and mistaken ideas in this area. It is also aimed at equipping believers with good arguments to reinforce their beliefs.”

In this accessible primer, Bussey introduces readers to the mysteries of modern physics and astronomy. He shows that the remarkable achievements of scientific research do not rule out a divine Creator, but actually present us with compelling signposts to God. The more we know about the cosmos and our presence in it, the more plausible belief in God becomes.

“During my decades of teaching, I have carried a constant sadness about the complete ignorance and misunderstanding—by almost all secularists and many Christians—of the relationship between Christianity and science,” writes J. P. Moreland. “Upon reading *Signposts to God*, my cloud began to lift. This book does a thorough and masterful job of showing that physics and astronomy have usually been friendly, not hostile, to Christian ideas. Peter Bussey wisely provides a user-friendly overview of the last centuries of physics and astronomy so the reader can understand the arguments to follow.”

Throughout the book, Bussey

- investigates current research in the areas of physics and astronomy
- explores topics such as quantum physics, infinity, the anthropic principle, and mental reality
- rejects the “myth of physicalism” that claims physical reality is all that exists

Writing in the introduction, Bussey states: “My hope is that this book will prove helpful to those who wish to connect the sciences of physics and astronomy constructively with the deeper questions of our existence. These sciences, we will see, can very reasonably provide pointers—signposts—in the direction of God. A personal faith is something that requires personal belief and commitment, and it must go further than this book can go, but I hope that it may be facilitated and supported by the facts and arguments presented here.”

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