

# A QUESTION OF FAITH

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## No.1 : Who is God?

From the beginning people of all cultures have wondered about the Bigger Picture. Where do we come from? Who is in charge? Some have asked, Is there anything after this life?

There is no PROOF to any of the answers. (Proof is a mathematical concept). But there are reasonable arguments that can get us to a sort of idea. Science can help us clarify our ideas but is a different discipline to Theology- the study of God and religion.

Ultimately, we conclude, that 'whoever' created and is sustaining our physical universe, has to be itself uncreated, unchanging and timeless.

We can also say that He\* has all the good attributes that we can think of such as loving, good, all knowing etc.

For the last few centuries, people have learned more about the natural world and some have thought that therefore there was no need to believe in a god anymore.

But this is because even some very clever people have had a mistaken idea of god imagining him in human terms. (Some religious practices can be superstitions and are rightly rejected)

Thus, science and rational thought have helped us to purify our simplistic notions of God but cannot prove that He does not exist since theology is a different discipline.

It's like a musician saying that football is not real or an accountant saying we don't need art.

Ultimately, we humans are so limited that it is only by a Supernatural gift from the creator that we can have faith in Him.

The Church teaches: **'God is the supreme being who alone exists of himself and is infinite in all perfection.'**

\*With God there is no sexuality, so God is not He or She in our sense. But most humans tend to refer to Him as 'He' rather than 'The Creator' or 'I am'.

*'These reflections are loosely based on 'Catechism of the Catholic Church' 1994 where you can find more. But please do ask questions or share your knowledge to help us all build our Faith'*