

A QUESTION OF FAITH

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No.2 : Why did God make me?

Why am I here? Will I exist after I die?

God does not create us and then just leaves us. What kind of a creator would that be? We do not know if He started it all off and just left it to evolve or whether He deliberately creates each of us individually at conception.

God knew that the brains he gave us could take us so far, but He would have to reveal himself and His plan for us in some way.

Like a good teacher He did bit by bit as we were able to understand it. There have been many misunderstandings in the long process. But God knew that He would eventually have to come Himself to give us a better understanding and also to join in the necessarily painful creation He had produced.

The idea of life after death has been thought of in many different ways by many civilizations.

It was a late idea with the Jews, some of whom did not believe it in the time of Christ. Jesus, taught us that God so loves us that He wants us to be happy with Him forever. And He showed this by rising from the dead Himself.

We, mere humans, can have no real knowledge of what heaven is like. How could we. But it is logical to believe that a loving God must have something fantastic lined up for us.

In the meantime, the following makes sense:

God has not made it easy for us to really know Him. We can see that the majority of people do not know Him, so it cannot be that important that we do.

However, we all know other people. So, it must be important that we care for each other.

We are to Love God and Love our Neighbour. It seems that loving our neighbour is more important, though some are blessed to know God as well, even if imperfectly.

'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'