

A person is walking on a wet street at night, holding a dark umbrella. The street is dark, but there are bright reflections of lights on the wet pavement. In the foreground, a large puddle reflects a vibrant, multi-colored light, showing shades of green, blue, and red. The overall atmosphere is moody and atmospheric.

ULTIMATE
QUESTIONS
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Life is full of questions. Some are trivial, some more serious - and some tremendously important.

Even as you read these words you may have questions about your health, your financial situation, your job, your family or your future.

But the greatest, the ultimate questions, are about God and your relationship to him. Nothing in life is more important than this. Good health, financial stability, secure employment, a contented family and a hopeful future are all things that people want. Yet even these are temporary and eventually pointless unless you have a living relationship with God, one that is clear and certain - and will last for ever.

In the following pages you will discover why such a relationship is so urgently needed - and how it is possible.

The questions that follow are the most serious and important that anyone could ask. The answers are those that everyone needs.

Please read these pages thoroughly and carefully - and if necessary more than once.

You cannot afford to miss their message.



Is anyone there?

This is the fundamental question. If God does not exist, searching for him is pointless. *Anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists.*¹ While it is impossible to 'prove' God in a mathematical sense, the evidence is very convincing.

Take the existence of the universe. To call it the result of an 'accident' raises many questions - and answers none. The same is true of the 'Big Bang' theory. Where, for instance, did the raw materials come from? Not even a 'big bang' can make something out of nothing! The evolutionary idea is widespread, but just as weak; how can 'nothing' evolve into 'something', let alone earth's amazingly complex life forms?²

All other theories are equally fragile. The only satisfactory explanation is this: *In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.* Our world is not the random result of a gigantic fluke involving ingredients that were 'always there'. Instead, *the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.* Creation had a beginning, and it was God who brought it into being. *He spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.*

This is reinforced by the amazing order and design seen everywhere and by the universal laws which hold everything together, from the vastness of outer space to microscopic organisms. But design demands a designer and laws a law-giver - and God is both! *The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth.*

But the strongest 'creation evidence' is man himself. Unlike other creatures, man has something we call 'personality'; he makes intelligent choices, has a conscience and can distinguish between right and wrong. He is capable of love and compassion. Above all, he has an instinct to worship. Where did he get these qualities? Neither evolution nor an avalanche of accidents could have produced them. The clearest answer is this: *The Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living being. Man is not an accident; he is fearfully and wonderfully made by the Creator of the universe.*



1. All words in italic type (other than book titles) are quotations from the Bible as indicated on page 32.

2. This is a major and complex issue, impossible to discuss here. If evolution is a genuine problem to you, read *From Nothing to Nature*, by Prof. E. H. Andrews (Evangelical Press).

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Health, finance, family, the future —
life is full of questions.

There are deeper questions, too. Who am I?
Why am I here? Where am I going? Does
life have any purpose?

But the ultimate questions are about God.
Does he exist? What is he like? Can I know
him and experience his power in my life?
And if so, how?

This booklet tackles these vital questions head-on — and
answers them simply, clearly and directly.

Read it carefully. It could change your life — for ever.



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