

A Quantum Case for God

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The full twelve-week series: ps-church.com/discipleship/quantum-case-for-god

The rule this study operates by

We will not bend the _____ to fit the Bible, nor the _____ to fit the physics.

 **And the promise:** nobody is going to tell you that science has **proved** God. It has not, and it cannot. What follows are _____ — and a resonance is not a _____.

1 • The choice nobody should have been given

Somebody was told, around age fifteen, that they had to pick: faith over here, science over there.

That is a false choice — and a fairly recent one. The conviction behind this series is that God wrote _____ books: Scripture, and _____. Both are his, so they cannot finally _____.

Romans 1:20 (ESV) — "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."

Paul says creation is a _____.

2 • The thread: God speaks, and reality answers

Genesis 1 does not say God assembled or shaped or fought. It says he

_____.

Genesis 1:3 (ESV) — "And God said, 'Let there be light,' and there was light."

Psalms 33:6, 9 (ESV) — "By the **word** of the LORD the heavens were made, and by the **breath of his mouth** all their host... For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm."

What is a spoken word, physically? A _____ — breath moving air in waves.

The resonance: string theory proposes that every particle of matter is, at bottom, a _____ of energy.

⚠ **The honesty:** string theory is **not** _____. There is no experiment confirming it, and serious physicists disagree about whether there ever will be.

We rest nothing on it.

John 1:1–3 (ESV) — "In the beginning was the **Word**, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... All things were made through him..."

3 • He did not speak and walk away

Hebrews 1:3 (ESV) — "He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he **upholds** the universe by the word of his power."

Colossians 1:17 (ESV) — "And he is before all things, and **in him all things hold together.**"

► **Notice the tense:** _____. **Not made and left running.**

If the universe is a sustained word, it is being spoken _____. The stability of the floor under your feet is not indifference — it is _____.

4 • Present everywhere, knowing everything

Entanglement — two particles correlated in a way that does not care how far _____ they are. The universe is demonstrably less _____ than our intuitions.

Psalm 139:7–8 (ESV) — "Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!"

Light — the speed limit of the universe; from its own frame, time does not pass.

1 John 1:5 (ESV) — "God is light, and in him is no darkness at all."

⚠ **Careful:** that is a _____ in John and a _____ in physics. Not the same claim. We point at the resonance; we do not weld them together.

5 • Dimensions and time

2 Corinthians 4:18 (ESV) — "...as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are **unseen**. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal."

2 Peter 3:8 (ESV) — "...with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day."

Physics has made "time is absolute and universal" the _____ position to hold, not the easier one.

6 • What this does — and what it does not

It is not _____. Nobody comes to faith because of a mathematical model. And these resonances are **not why we believe** — we believe because of a man crucified under Pontius Pilate who did not stay _____.

So what is it worth? Three things:

1. It removes an _____. If you were told you must choose, you were told wrong.
2. It restores _____.
3. It should make us _____, not clever.

Job 38:4 (ESV) — "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding."

Isaiah 55:8–9 (ESV) — "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways... For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways."

 **If studying quantum physics makes you feel you have God figured out, you have misread _____ books.**

7 • Where twelve weeks land

The deepest description we have of physical reality is not of stuff sitting there — it is of something **vibrating, connected, observed, and** _____.

Hebrews 11:3 (ESV) — "By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible."

By _____ we understand. Not by measurement.

► **The universe is a sustained _____ . And the Word has a name, a face, and wounds.**

Three things to remember

1. **Two books, one _____** . We bend neither to fit the other.
2. **He spoke, and he has not _____** . Hebrews 1:3 is present tense.
3. **Resonance is not _____** . It removes an obstacle and restores wonder — that is enough to ask of it.

Closing prayer

Father, thank you that you made a world worth studying and minds able to study it. Forgive us for the times we have made your people choose between honest science and honest faith. Keep us from overclaiming, and keep us from timidity. And when we have looked as far as instruments can look, let us find that you were speaking the whole time — and that the Word through whom all things were made is the one who came and died for us. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

Take it further — the full series

Twelve weeks engaging **Dennis Zetting**, *A Quantum Case For God* (2016), with Septuagint and ESV side by side.

Weeks	
1–3	The two books · what quantum and string physics actually claim · the Big Bang and "in the beginning"
4–6	Light and omnipresence · wave-particle and hidden reality · entanglement and the body of Christ
7–9	The quantum eraser and omniscience · vibration and a spoken creation · dimensions and heavenly realms
10–12	Time and the eternal God · Genesis reconciled · living in a spoken world

Anchor verse for all twelve weeks: Psalm 33:6, 9.

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**Was I ever made to choose between faith and science?
Who told me that?**

My notes

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