**Logic dictates the everlasting, support write up from previous statement**

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Aside from any one religious preference - though it's apparent I give authority to the bible (and have yet explain how that happened after I was so set against it) - this is why I said "If you truly believe in God, you believe this period of time on earth is but a piece of sand in the overall spectrum of existence to play out."

Everything comes to being through a process.  Except for knowing who started everything, which is beyond what our minds are capable to fathom.  The only thing our minds can conclude is that a supreme being that is above the rules of our logic created the start.

If you believe in the big bang theory you believe matter existed or that nothing created something which is more illogical than a being having the say in how things came to be.  Especially given how complicated science , life, love and all things can be.

This is abstract I understand, but if our minds are not capable of understanding this initial start of the process (Who created God then?) then we have no choice but to assume we were not intended to understand this, since the being who created things created the logic our minds are able comprehend.  Our logic understands that a vehicle went through a manufacturing process to become a car. Our logic understands how that seed became a plant.  How an infant becomes an old man.  Logic cannot dictate the start of the initial start.

So if this supreme being desires to not let us understand how He came to existence, it's vain to waste time over dwelling on it.  However it is not vain to see the creation that has occurred, and to learn and gain insight from it. The methodology of a scientist so to speak.

So under this most loud assumption of logic, that is still illogical to how we are wired -  we have to assume God's existence has always been and therefore will always be.  Under these rules of the supreme being, if there is no start, then why play by the rules of having an ending? We are wired to exist after all.

Yes you could argue that God is dead or could die and we are on our own, but if this being exists beyond our fathomable logic in how things came to the start - then logic would more reasonably dictate that He wouldn't allow His existence to end.   Support of belief in a higher power is confirmed by the masses, no matter how much and to what degree these differences are in this belief.

So if God has no end, and he created us - He is creating companions to share in His existence.  If God will not ever cease to exist, then the companions He created would likely share in this everlasting gift of life.  They also would likely increase in understanding, so that a higher level of communication can exist as the ages play out ahead.  The closer you are to someone, the more you understand them.

If we started as infants from the womb, then we started with no understanding.  We progress through a process we call life, and the more we progress the better we can and will be able to communicate with the Creator - who initially desired companions or slaves or whatever you want to call us to exist with Him for the everlasting ahead.

That is why as we mature, we learn to give up previous habits.  As much patience as we may have, it isn't in our nature as full grown adults to have non-stop conversations with toddlers for days on end.  We need other adults in our lives to communicate and exist with.  We all progress and mature at different rates, but hopefully you understand from the Creator's perspective why change is such an integral part of life and progression is required to become His companions, more than the toddlers we are right now in existence.

If you've invested time in getting to know and understand someone more you care about, you don't plan to end the relationship. You understand circumstances might distance you and your companion at times, but you never plan to end the functioning friendship.  So logic dictates that if God is in fact everlasting, His creation - created to be companions - will share the everlasting with Him.

Hence my initial statement  "If you truly believe in God, you believe this period of time on earth is but a piece of sand in the overall spectrum of existence to play out."

Please note I made this argument without bringing the bible's confirmations on this matter.

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[**ATHIEST**](https://www.facebook.com/curt.myers1)# 1 I am just going to comment two cents worth as I find you title very interesting being that I became an atheist by means of logic, evidence (or lack there of), and reason. It seems as though you are supporting your belief in God and creation simply due to a lack of understanding in things like abiogenesis, evolution, as well as just filling in a blank or "if something is not understood it must be God". Before science clears the air on questions not answered theists will claim its Gods doing as their evidence (rainbows, eclipses, thunder, etc). I cant tell you how life began. But I can ask for evidence to your claim of that it was created by God. And answering with a question is not a logical form of evidence. If you are going to make a claim you are left with the purden of proof.[October 14 at 9:12pm](https://www.facebook.com/notes/matt-fiene/7-logic-dictates-the-everlasting-support-write-up-from-previous-statement/10151679741193365?comment_id=27599877&offset=0&total_comments=23) · [Like](https://www.facebook.com/notes/matt-fiene/7-logic-dictates-the-everlasting-support-write-up-from-previous-statement/10151679741193365) · [1](https://www.facebook.com/browse/likes?id=10151679969233365)

[**Matt Fiene**](https://www.facebook.com/matt.fiene) Nice XXXX - I'll have to digest what you wrote to add more, but really good points. No proof as if there was proof then we could prove all aspects of existence. This is the most difficult question our minds can address. If we could really answer this, we could answer everything - we would have the knowledge of God. Meaning we could be self sufficient without need of guidance. Conviction of guilt and doing what is right wouldn't exist in our conscious. Why help someone when no one is looking? Accumulative understanding from society can teach us these things, but why do some know to help hold the door for an elderly woman, even when no one is looking? Why do the good of letting someone go ahead of you with only one thing in the grocery cart, when you get absolutely no good for the reward?
I know the argument you always hear is "Faith this" and "Faith that" that gets annoying, but faith gives hope, which connects us more than the animals and it connects us to conviction of guilt that helps guides our action. Love also keeps us connected, and evolution is real and we are relative to other species. A dog can't control its hunger neither can I!
But because we are the elite specie that can reason - the shield used to keep people to the notion there is a plan playing out is faith. But yea man, without going into bible specifics and trying to build an argument on why it makes sense on what is playing out, I got nothing on your well put argument! If you believe something, you stand by the guidelines of your belief - so just trying to soften a friends perspective like yourself so I'm not a hypocrite to the beliefs I stand for and sit back without giving you a perspective you may not have heard, in the best way I can try and share it. Even if I sound like an ass doing it!

[**ATHIEST**](https://www.facebook.com/curt.myers1) #1 I didn't quite get all of that response but I do have two more cents about your last sentence- if you are saying that the bible is evidence. The bible and other 'holy books' are not evidence that God exists. They are many times revised books that state the claim. It would be the same as if I said you should accept a comic book as evidence that Superman exists.

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[**Matt Fiene**](https://www.facebook.com/matt.fiene) I hit enter too soon, and deleted that first post and added to the one I just did

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[**Matt Fiene**](https://www.facebook.com/matt.fiene)  Nope, arguement had nothing to do with any notion of bible or other holy books. Just referenced I kept it out of the writing. Arguement is a creator teaches through creation in process teaching. Man of old starts as savages instincts more. DIrections and obedience is needed so non stop rape and savage acts don't occur. We aren't conditions from accumulative experience on what is best for us, so rules change as we evolve in the spirit of our hearts. Gladiators cut each others heads off in arena's and people cheer like barbarians. We evolve and progress to fighting for the rights of minorities and women, etc. Now we gather in arenas to watch padded football players get touch calls on the quarterback. So instead of judging the things at surface level, we learn from what exists in front of us and has happened to us - and make sense of it all. In that, even though barbarians and evils do exist - we are learning to embrace the teachings of loving your neighbor, having peace - sharing in unity...which is foreshadowing if there is a next life to come and to the rules iniated by a more supreme being

[**ATHIEST**](https://www.facebook.com/curt.myers1) #1 So, you are saying that "faith" connects us to conviction of quilt to guide our actions? I dont think people need to be guided in life by guilt. That seems like a miserable existence.

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[**Matt Fiene**](https://www.facebook.com/matt.fiene) Well you don't live in guilt, but it helps keep us from doing things we shouldn't. I hear you though. Guilt and fear and go hand in hand in that.....There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. So I guess if we don't have guilt towards not showing love towards others, we don't progress and evolve to better connections and friendships and good relationships

[**ATHIEST**](https://www.facebook.com/curt.myers1)  I agree with the ideology in your last two points, however I think that theism actually contradicts what you said. You are supporting the fact of evolution, yet the ideology behind evolution states that morality is actually developed through evolution. The 'barbarians' raping and pillaging are outnumbered due to the natural need for people to live in societies and help one another. And there is an enormous amount of contradiction to a statement with religions and fighting for rights of minorities and women.- See Leviticus 25-44 (I believe) for racism. See world news on a daily basis for womens rights.

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[**ATHIEST**](https://www.facebook.com/curt.myers1) #1 And I apologize if I came off snarky dismissive to your beliefs at any point. I believe that you are a good person no matter if you believe in God, no god, or a flying spaghetti monster.

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[**Matt Fiene**](https://www.facebook.com/matt.fiene) Love you too Curt

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[**Matt Fiene**](https://www.facebook.com/matt.fiene) [**Matt Fiene**](https://www.facebook.com/matt.fiene) I'm gonna write on all this stuff, but it takes segments - I'll write up something quick just for another perspective...This perspective is not directed about this flying spaghetti monster you speak of, but if he exists I'll eat him if I get the chance.
My original argument dismisses evolution in that matter or organisms needed to first exist by being created, otherwise they came from nothing to evolve. So what's more likely, something comes from nothing? Or a supreme being that has an understanding beyond our own logic being the one to spark the existence to play out that we see evolved to now? To do that the supreme being would have to be very smart and capable of lots of stuff.
The argument about people of old goes back to needing to learn the correct obedience at the correct time to learn that we are not good without God's help. "You heard eye for an eye, but now I say turn the other cheek" well if we started as more savage in instinct, those men needed to know if I do something bad, then that same bad thing will happen to me. But we later evolve as a society and are capable of learning and following the "turn the other cheek" teaching instead of getting in useless fights (unless their talking about your momma of course).
We needed to start off learning our ways we 'rent correct, as with things that happen in society - sometimes examples need to be made for us to learn our lessons.
"And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone " he said this humbly while still on earth in order to teach us that we humans are naturally not as good as we think. More wired to be selfish like a wild animal who would do anything in its best interest in the wild. Reference to our natural nature, without this spirit of love within us underlined below -
" If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!"
So God shows us through a process what is better. We don't want to backtrack as a society to the barbaric ways or even many of those teachings you referenced in Leviticus that were needed to tame the start of man. Which we needed to see, to know this new way of living is better.
We know that the men of old were more "Hardened" meaning they were more savage and needed different instructions than we did in this current age. Not as capable to follow the ways of now to the degree we are capable of currently. Multiple wives were normal back in days of Moses, so a Pharisee said to JC
"Why then did Moses command one to give a certificate of divorce and to send her away?" He said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart Moses allowed you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so "
So men at that day and age weren't capable to keep it in their pants enough not to have multiple wives, mankind was still to hardened from God's real desire that would later play out.
So God lets us see the futility of our ways, and cling to the ultimate teachings of love and peace that we all can agree are a better way of existence.
That's why Jeremiah prophesied in his time (paraphrased to shorten) "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant, not like the covenant that I made with Moses back in Egypt, but in the new days I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts.
Well us getting this new law "written within our hearts" is the conviction of guilt and having more freedoms to live properly - not like those other ways. It was symbolic to Jesus death on cross.
Jeremiah prophesied "For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."
And Jesus said before his death, I'll send the Helper, the Spirit of Truth once I die.
Paul confirmed the whole notion of following this spirit of truth now within us " not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts." Moses had all sorts of rules that were more about being "religious" set in stone. A messenger of a less good message but a needed message of the time. Jesus and Paul were messengers of a new covenant where we learn guilt and are taught by a Spirit of Truth within us.
So that's where I'm coming from in "man of old savage days" getting the correct direction at the correct time so we learn the true ways of love and peace that are starting to play out and be greater understood now.

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[**Matt Fiene**](https://www.facebook.com/matt.fiene) Ohh and just so I get less judged by outsiders, there are still lots of sins and things we aren't suppose to do..But your a good guy, so not saying that at you - just covering my back from the other crowd

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* **FRIEND WHO IS CHRISTIAN** - I want to know more about this flying spaghetti thing!  God defies logic, and yet He is the only One who makes sense to me. Can't argue my point - just what is in me.

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[**ATHIEST**](https://www.facebook.com/curt.myers1) #1 That is quite the response. So, now you are giving a perspective or you are arguing (which i am not arguing, i just want to understand your belief and as questions) saying that you dismiss evolution? Or that you believe and understand evolution but don...[See More](https://www.facebook.com/notes/matt-fiene/7-logic-dictates-the-everlasting-support-write-up-from-previous-statement/10151679741193365)

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[**Matt Fiene**](https://www.facebook.com/matt.fiene) Alright here's my most cut and dry way of looking at it. Will repeat myself upfront so I can build off what we're discussing.

Okay two questions we first look at and can only go from. We start by going off what our minds can comprehend. Everything happens in a process. Every process has a starting point. Can you name one thing around you that didn't first have a starting point? That didn't go through a process? Both man made and nature. We cannot. Tell me one thing in existence that didn't have some sort of starting point? We can confirm something "magical" had to start existence. So is it God? Or did matter just randomly appear from nothing and science and nature just start? Which is also every bit as "magical" as the concept of God creating things. So now I'll explain why we both agree in evolution and how it's irrelevant to what we are discussing.

We both agree life is happening naturally. Glaciers are formed, limestone is softened and from heat and pressure it becomes marble. If computers can store unlimited amounts of information and we have millions of resources now on the internet - why wouldn't God's mind be able to store every bit as much and more information Himself?

So my argument is that God had all the information stored in His mind ahead of time, before the foundation of the world - just like we can save all that unlimited information in a computer - and knew how to make DNA and cells and nature and science all progress through a process that He allows us to study and research and gain knowledge of. Obviously we can't learn to the degree God can store in His mind, but we are starting to learn through science and study how mutations and things occur - because of the process known with forethought. We get to share in excitement of new discoveries! New cures! New passions to save animals! So God not only knew the science and evolution that would playout - but He knew that we His creation would get to share in learning stuff He developed.

So we go back to the fact that something "magical" had to started everything. To many, it's more logical that something "magical" that started things was God because of the power of Love of family and friends and powerful things instilled within us. This seems more logical to most than just things evolving out of nothing and then just randomly happening. You can't make the grass grow and the glaciers form and the water glisten from the sun that gives life, without that "that magical" first occurrence.

So God, who has an unlimited size hard drive in His mind, created a business plan for science stuff, for teaching human interaction stuff, and for not giving us answers and fully revealing Himself upfront. If in fact we are going to become immortals, that eventually follow and trust this God who started things magically - then it makes sense we won't just instantly get all the answers upfront until we first gain some experience. Does a CEO of a company just let you get promoted to know all the intricate details of the business if you have no experience? No you first earn it through experience. So we're just at the start, learning to question things - dig for answers, find new discoveries!

But proof is not given upfront, because the intention before the foundation of the world was to learn a concept of Faith, which is believing in the unknowns and having hope. You want people to trust you first. God wants us to learn to see His goodness (even with all the question marks) and once we learn to trust, we take the next step.

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[**ATHIEST**](https://www.facebook.com/curt.myers1) #1  I still cannot accept- God started the world... "because of the power of love of family and friends and powerful things instilled within us" as reasonable evidence. IMO that is nonsense. And I absolutely have love of family and friends. It seems as you are supporting all of your belief that there is a god, by filling in the blank" on the unproven mystery of how life and the universe began because that is unlikely to be proven wrong by science in our lifetime as it happened billions of years ago. This is not valid reasoning AKA logic. Example: My grandpa is diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease and doctors do not know the cause.... By that 'logic' someone could say: "It must be the Flying Spaghetti Monster. You cant prove what the cause is so it must be true."

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[**Matt Fiene**](https://www.facebook.com/matt.fiene) Can't prove it one way or other. Goes for all sorts of stuff. The choice is yours either way. Matter and life came from nothing to something = Illogical. God exists, then who created God? Illogical. Both are unknowns you so you put faith in one or the other.

I know this reference is just gibberish to you Curt, but 1 Corinthians 2:12-14 is the reason many people give up on trying to share faith with some, but I just have a hard time accepting this fully. (Plant, water, growth) - Many of those same people don't follow Proverbs 16:7. (in context to beliefs) Either way I respect your point of view, appreciate you sharing it - respect you. Good to have someone sharpen the others logic.

[**ATHIEST**](https://www.facebook.com/curt.myers1) #2  Pitter patter this shit don't matter. Well OK it does. Curt is right.  but I'm just trying to throw gas in the fire

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[**ATHIEST**](https://www.facebook.com/curt.myers1) #1  Ha. Well I was going close by saying that I appreciate that you can respect and appreciate another belief disbelief. It is uncommon with strong believers. If I would post 7 long rants about atheism I guarantee I would lose friends, literally be uninvited to family gatherings, and scorned with judgement.

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[**Matt Fiene**](https://www.facebook.com/matt.fiene) Don't deny, there is always a percentage of people that cause the divisions by the way they represent their believes. Damaging. The good strong believers are accepting in the right way. Most people aren't as bad as we sometimes think, but the divison causers stand out most in our minds...is what it is. Alighty gents, DNR signing out..till next time

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I'm glad to see people able to talk civilly about this topic! But at the same time I can't help but think there's a pretty significant confusion of categories going on in this theist/atheist debate --everyone always tries to jump to the empirical-verification stage (i.e. the 'science') without ever bothering to address what they are actually talking about when they use the word 'God' (i.e. the theology). 'Does God exist?' is actually a pretty worthless question, because 'God' has to at least exist conceptually, since the word is real, and it corresponds, at bare minimum, to an idea; therefore the question becomes: what is [your conception of] God; and HOW does it exist? Personally, I identify God with the creative force that brought something out of nothing (not the mechanics of the process, or the understanding of the process, but the power itself). I don't know of too many people who will deny that such a force exists; but it is called different names by different people (the term 'god' isn't actually a name for some particular subject -it's a designation of cosmological power), and they understand it's workings differently ---mostly because they do theology without realizing it.

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