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Subject: Conversation with an atheist

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"God doesn't exist; God is just some fairytale people made up to give purpose to their meaningless lives. It's easy for people to attribute to 'God' that which they cannot explain. I absolutely KNOW there is no God and believe strictly in science and logic."

Sure God exists. How the hell else did we get here, completely unorganized randomness? You call THAT science?

"Well, it all started with the Big Bang."

Still doesn't answer my question as to what initiated the Big Bang or what even originated the matter that exploded in the Big Bang.

"It created itself."

So you believe in spontaneous generation of matter out of nothing (never mind living matter from non-living matter)... (hasn't science failed to substantiate this with any reputable evidence?). Why doesn't this seem to happen anymore within our observable realm of space?

"Um... because... the conditions that caused the Big Bang to occur in the first place aren't present anymore."

Conditions such as...?

"Um... the proper temperature, pressure, chemical reactions and stuff like that, I guess, made it all explode...."

Uh-huh... and what caused all those things to be set just right in order for everything to explode? (Nevermind that you still haven't answered my question as to where it all came from.)

"You know... all the reactions... and stuff.... Y'know, one thing led to another, which led to another, which led to another, which all culminated in the explosion known as the Big Bang."

So, you're saying that you believe in an infinite chain of finite, causal events that have no beginning or any outside cause to exist?

"Umm... well... erm... hmmm...."

...And you say you believe in science and logic when your explanation for our existence is neither scientific nor logical?

"...Religious tool...."

What was that?

"You heard me. You're a tool of your religion."

How am I a tool? Just because I believe that an omnipotent being not bound by any laws (other than those it set for itself) created all that we know?

"You buy into that whole 'God' nonsense; you have created 'God' in your mind in order to put yourself at ease with your inevitable demise."

How could I have created God when God created me? Unlike you, I don't believe I'm God.

"What?"

You heard me right. You believe that you are God.

"The hell are you talking about? There IS no God!"

Sure there is, and you believe in Him; you're just not calling him "God."

"What the hell AM I calling Him, then?"

Man.

"What're you smokin'?"

The same stuff that made you believe we sprung out from nothin'.

"That's not what I meant.... Could you explain yourself, please?"

Certainly. At the beginning of our little conversation, you said you believe strictly in science and logic, both being incarnations of man to explain what we originally could not (isn't that one of the reasons you gave people believe in God?).

As we progressed, we discovered that you believe (since science does not know for sure whether the Big Bang theory is true (and actually has little evidence to support it)) the universe originated as the result of "an infinite chain of finite, causal events that have (1)no beginning or (2)any outside cause to exist" (both (1) and (2) run counter to the definition of "finite," rendering said belief ironically illogical).

In order for you to believe this, you must believe that something can come out of nothing (therefore accepting the unsubstantiated and unscientific theory of spontaneous generation) and that all the matter in the universe must have created itself.

One of the defining qualities of most deities in which most people believe (myself included) is that they have no beginning/always existed.

What you have done with your belief on the origin of our universe is attribute godly qualities to the events that shaped our universe. You have simply taken traditional, religious views on the origins of our universe and put a scientific spin on it, yet it requires the same "leap of faith" that any other religion requires and does absolutely nothing to disprove the existence of a deity outside the realm of this reality.

"Not only is that utter bullshit, but you completely forgot to mention where I said 'God is man.'" You said it when you said "[I] believe strictly in science and logic."

"Explain."

The concepts of science and logic are incarnations of man to explain our observations of our universe (no different, quite frankly, from religion). Man, through the mechanisms of science and logic, has created the universe. You have said, therefore, that man is God.

"Ridiculous. Preposterous and illogical. More illogical than your parents deciding to keep you for a son. Do you expect to convert me or something with this ridiculous rant?"

No; since I've hurt your ego, you're not going to be receptive to any of my arguments and are going to try to come up with some other (inevitably illogical) way of circumventing my logic to

"prove" me wrong.

"So why the hell did you bother in the first place?"  
Boredom.

(Could someone smart check the logical arguments and fluidity of that?)

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