

MUSEUM

Is It Reasonable to Believe That God Exists? (Design Argument)

Dear Parents and Family,

This week at Edge, your son or daughter began by playing a game called “wax museum,” where they competed to see who could be the best statue and not get caught moving by the janitor or security guard. The teaching incorporated the idea of a museum, highlighting that we learn more about the intricacies of created things in museums and that the design of all created things points to a creator because they are not likely to exist by mere chance. The youth were then challenged to create a tower and discussed the importance of design in created things. The Edge Night ended with a prayer reflection on how God is a great designer and is revealed through what He has created. Your child’s weekly challenge is to learn one new thing about a part of creation that has a unique design.

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Main Ideas

- Science reveals the intricate nature of the created world that follows very specific patterns, formulas, and designs to remain in existence.
- By using our intellect, we can reasonably conclude that these details of creation are impossible merely by chance and there must be a God who created everything.
- Faith shows us that God is the divine designer, and just like all of creation, we too are created with a purpose and a plan following a specific and loving design.

Catechism Reference

“The existence of God the creator can be known with certainty through His works, by the light of human reason, even if this knowledge is often obscured and disfigured by error” (CCC 286).

Scripture Reference

“The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims His handiwork” (Psalm 19:1).

Family Reflection Questions

- What was your favorite part of the Edge Night?
- What is one thing in creation you think is amazing when you see how it works and how it was designed?
- Do you think that the intricate design of creation is a reasonable proof for the existence of God? Why or why not?