

**Aydın Türkgücü**

The title of this book well describes the contents: new reasons to believe. This work is not your usual apologetic text that seeks to "prove" the existence of God, but instead takes a fresh look at the Hebrew Scriptures, the Christian New Testament, and the Qur'an in an effort to show the humane benefits of religious commitment. As the author says (p. 39): "I am not trying to prove or disprove the existence of a Creator. I am trying to convey what we can achieve by assuming His existence."

This is not a dry theological treatise, but proceeds by means of a series of imagined colloquia with historical figures ranging from Atatürk to Plato, Thomas Aquinas, Thales, Maimonides, to Mother Teresa of Calcutta. This eclectic series of interviews gives a clue to the wide-ranging sources explored creatively by the author.

The author's scientific background provides a unique perspective and modern cosmology plays a key role in his argumentation. What can quarks, black holes, and baby universes tell us about the possibility or impossibility of God? The author concludes (p. 230): "To unite mankind we must seek the science of religion and introduce him to the technological/ scientific God"; he buttresses his argumentation with excerpts from Pope John Paul II's 1998 encyclical 'Fides et Ratio.'

To those who are tired of hearing the same old arguments pro and con on the "religion vs. science" controversy, this book provides new ways to approach the issue. It invites the reader to undertake his or her own pilgrimage to the truth, as the author says in the final pages of the work (p. 281): "We are ready, let it begin."

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Aydın Turkgucu presents a compelling reason to believe in God using the science and the traditional religions of the world. He moves you through the major scientific theories of the great master's and martyrs of many past millenniums right up to the present day.

The great search for the creator God is inevitably historic the "Creation Theories" or "Big Bang" is theory or not? This is truly questioned in this book! This enduring goal is still open and a choice for everyone to believe.

In Aydın's book "New Reasons to Believe" sets out in simple understanding text and new compelling arguments of a completely alternative thesis. His view of life through the prisons of technological advances in computer language, time lines, virtual realities and recordings. This is going to challenge the scientific view? Also this is going to leave a big impression on your mind. He allows you to follow the sacred verses of the Holy Books, Bible, Qur'an and Jewish Old Testament, to draw reference to the actual way God was speaking to human mind and thoughts and humanity. How? Buy either through the thoughts of the prophets or the hidden meanings of the text, which now can be revealed.

Aydın use great heroes, thinkers, scientists and many others, from the past to the present to draw influence. It is as if they with him Ataturk, Gandhi, Plato, Thales, Stephen Hawking and many others. RSB is Probing their thoughts, concepts and traditions. Religion and Science go together hand in hand and Aydın lift's the lid of the heresies of the past and also the conceptual science we are taught to believe.

God is watching you, recording you for the final moment when you meet with Him at death's door! Even "Big Brother" on earth is doing the same recordings? Is it possible a virtual world? This is where your dreams and reality intertwine in a cycle of life here on earth or out there. Is our universe just a mirror reflection of what we see and believe? RSB is a must read that puts everything in perspective that does not diminish your own faith in the creator. (RSB a must read)

*But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. To him is the glory both now and forever. Amen" 2 Peter 2: 18*

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