



## Session 3 - E - The Engineering of the Universe Points to God.

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### 1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the universe points to God.

- a. Jesus claimed that the universe was created by God (Mk. 10:6, 13:19) and that God was intimately involved in maintaining it (Matt. 6:25-30, Lk. 12:24-28).
- b. There are different types of \_\_\_\_\_ arguments.

### 2. The design argument (as stated by Dr. William Lane Craig):

- a. Premise 1: The \_\_\_\_\_ is either the product of chance, necessity, or design.
- b. Premise 2: The universe is not the product of \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. Premise 3: The universe is not the product of \_\_\_\_\_.
- d. Conclusion: The universe is the product of \_\_\_\_\_.

### 3. This argument is logically valid.

- a. To refute this argument the atheist must refute the premises.
- b. Premise 1: The universe is either the product of chance, necessity, or design.
  - i. Can you think of any other possible cause?  Yes  No
- c. Premise 2: The universe is not the product of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - i. Statistics can't create \_\_\_\_\_!
- d. Premise 3: The universe is not the product of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - i. Natural laws don't require that the \_\_\_\_\_ exist.



#### 4. Intuitive appeal.

- a. Most people recognize that design implies a \_\_\_\_\_.
- i. Ps. 19:1-2 (NIV) - "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge."
- b. Many know God exists simply by looking at the \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 5. There are many examples of \_\_\_\_\_ in the universe.

- a. Statistics are a problem for the \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. The multiverse doesn't get the atheists out of this \_\_\_\_\_.
- i. Physicist Paul Davies: "There is for me powerful \_\_\_\_\_ that there is something going on behind it all...it seems as though somebody has fine-tuned nature's numbers to make the universe. The impression of design is overwhelming."
- ii. Astronomer Fred Hoyle: "A common-sense interpretation of the \_\_\_\_\_ suggests that a super-intellect has monkeyed with physics, as well as with chemistry and biology and that there are no blind forces worth speaking about in nature. The numbers one calculates from the \_\_\_\_\_ seem to me so overwhelming as to put this conclusion almost beyond question."

**6. Summary:** The design argument is logical and intuitive. Design in the universe points us to God.

#### **Discuss people's thoughts on the session and the following questions:**

1. Share an example of a time when you were struck by the design in the universe and realized it points to God.
2. Why do you think statistics are a problem for the atheist?
3. What does famous atheist Fred Hoyle's quote mean to you?