

Why was the Universe Created? (Why are We Here?)

Recent astronomical research reveals that our Universe was created in a way that would produce the conditions necessary for life on Earth to exist. (cf. [How was the Earth Formed?](#)). The Bible teaches us that the purpose for the formation of the Earth was for humankind to fill, subdue, and to have dominion over it ([Genesis 1:28](#)).

But why did God create the Universe/Earth/Humankind? Since we are temporary, imperfect physical beings on a temporary planet in a temporary universe, any lasting and meaningful purpose that we have for being here is dependent on God. So the meaningfulness of our existence depends on the eternal, perfect and good nature of God. So why are we here? We are here to serve God.

Since we are creatures of God, we accomplish our God-given purpose by following His commands. We are to love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, and our neighbor as our self ([Mark 12:29-31](#)).

How do we love God with all our heart? We love God when we believe, confess, teach and follow His Word in all of its truth and purity. We believe and confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father ([Philippians 2:11](#)) In our thoughts, we hold to whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, excellent and praiseworthy ([Philippians 4:8](#)). In our actions, whatever we have learned or received from God's Word, we put into practice ([Philippians 4:9](#)).

How do we love our neighbor as our self? We love our neighbor when we seek their benefit as much as possible ([1 Corinthians 13](#)). Above all, we exhort and encourage them to believe and follow God's Word ([Matthew 28:19-20](#)). In our daily lives, we help others whenever possible, including our enemies ([Matthew 5:43-48](#), [Romans 12:9-21](#)). With the help of God's Spirit, we live lives of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control ([Galatians 5:22-23](#)).

But one may still wonder, why did God create the Universe and us humans to begin with? What is God's ultimate purpose for our physical existence? A number of [possibilities](#) have been [proposed](#). Perhaps we will learn more about this as the Universe unfolds. Perhaps God's ultimate purpose will be revealed to us in heaven ([Romans 8:18](#)). Perhaps we will never know ([Isaiah 55:8-9](#)).

One of the most interesting possibilities is that God created the Universe as a divine computer. This possibility is interesting enough to warrant its own section ([Is the Universe a Computer?](#)).

Another possibility is that God created the Universe to embody Truth, Love and Beauty (TLB) in physical beings. God is in the business of creating, and He is a Master at creating TLB. One of God's blessings to all of us now is the ability to observe and appreciate TLB, and to even create and participate in them, in our own limited ways. And God's marvelous blessing to all Christians is the expectation that we will experience perfect TLB forever with Him in heaven.

But one may wonder further, if God is all-powerful and perfect, why is the Universe so imperfect? See the ([Why is the Universe Imperfect?](#)) section for the answer to this question. (Hint: The Universe actually is perfect.)