

4. How can miracles be possible?

Is the universe a closed system of cause and effect?

- problem of evidence for closedness, on both small and large size-scales
- problem of philosophical arguments against miraculous

Analogy between miracles and actions produced by human minds

No insuperable problem either philosophically or theoretically for miracles

Question is: what evidence do we have for a particular miracle?

5. Isn't faith blind and irrational and a psychological crutch?

Some faith is blind and irrational:

- blind when you don't know who/what you are trusting
- irrational when you do but object is unworthy of trust

Probably all faith is a psychological crutch:

dependence on something beyond selves for strength

real Q is:

- do we need a crutch?
- will this crutch hold us up when we really need it?

6. Isn't being good good enough?

Yes, if you're good enough!

Ten commandments: Jesus explains them in Sermon on Mt

Two commandments:

- Love God with all your heart/soul/mind
- Love your neighbor as yourself

Only Jesus was good enough

Only Jesus is the kind of being who can transfer to us His righteousness, take our sins upon himself

**7. Isn't it arrogant to say that Jesus is the only way to God?
What about sincere people in other religions?**

This is what the Bible teaches

John 14:6: I am the way/truth/life...

Acts 4:12: salvation in no one else...

None of us are totally sincere

(Relative) sincerity is not good enough

Prov 14:12: way that seems right... end is death

Explain person and work of Jesus Christ