

Mystical Experience

My Encounter with God Continued: Spaceless and Timeless God

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ABSTRACT

One day I earnestly prayed: Please give me some direct proof/evidence of your existence. A few days later a thought came to my mind suddenly: We say that God is spaceless and timeless, that is, for God space and time are not real but for us humans space and time appear very real; so, if such a God does exist, space and time will definitely be relative. Therefore, the theory of relativity shows that there is a God, because the presence of a spaceless and timeless God in the universe can only make space and time relative. Mystics and other God-believers all over the world have also unanimously said about God that He is spaceless and timeless. So, if the theory of relativity is scientifically correct, then we can with confidence say that there is indeed a God.

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After I had repeated paranormal experiences, I started reading books on parapsychology one after another. First of all I read almost all the books written by Arthur Koestler, his autobiographical writings in which he discussed elaborately modern scientific theories also, and in which we found his advocacy for ESP and parapsychological research. However I did not read any single novel written by him, not even his famous 'Darkness at Noon'. It was due to his writings that I was drawn towards studying modern physics and parapsychology at the same time. I came to know about the statistical research work done by J. B. Rhine. I read books by Louisa E Rhine and other authors on parapsychology. But even after reading many books on parapsychology (psi) and ESP I could not make any progress towards fulfilling the dream of my life, that is, proving the existence of God, because I could not think of any way by means of which the connection between the existence of God and the occurrence of the psi-events could be established.

How to establish that these psi-events can occur only because there is a God? So eventually I realized that even if it was true that psi-events occurred regularly, it was also true that such psi-events could not help me prove the existence of God. Elsa E. Rhine has written on ESP: "People generally keep in touch with the world around them by sight, hearing, touch, taste, smell. But occasionally a person says he became aware of something when none of these channels operated, and then the argument begins. How did he know or did he actually know? Such debatable occurrences could be instances of extrasensory perception, or ESP." (Book: Hidden Channels of the Mind, page 3) So, there is no doubt that the experiences of my personal life can be called genuine cases of extrasensory perception, because I had such experiences through none of the five senses mentioned above, but even such genuine cases of ESP helped me not a single bit towards fulfilling my dream. Thus being frustrated I stopped reading books on ESP altogether.

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However I cannot say that I did not get any benefit from reading these books on parapsychology. Some of the authors of these books gave a list of the books that they have gone through before preparing their own book. I selected from such lists some books that I wanted to read. One day I was reading one such book sitting in the reading room of the National Library, Kolkata. It was either in the year 1982 or in 1983. At one place the author was describing as to how the light would take no time to travel even an infinite distance, because in the case of the light that infinite distance would be infinitely contracted to zero distance as a consequence of which time required for the light to travel that zero distance would also be zero. Here for the first time in my life I found that the author was describing the light as 'timeless'. When I came across the word 'timeless', the first thought that came to my mind was this: Generally God is said to be timeless. Here the author is saying that the light is also timeless. What is the matter? So I concluded from this that this required further study, because I must have to know what connection was there between God and the light so that the light could also be called timeless.

In the late '60 of the last century I have read the book 'A B C of Relativity' by Bertrand Russell, but I have not understood the real significance of the theory of relativity at that time. Einstein's special theory of relativity opened its real significance to me only when I found for the first time that the word 'timeless' had been used as an attribute of the light. It will be no less true if I say that due to this single word 'timeless' used as an attribute of the light I was ultimately successful in proving the existence of God. But I must have to confess that I have committed the biggest blunder of my life here. While reading that book I have noted down neither the name of the book nor the name of the author of that book. Due to this blunder the posterity will never know the name of the person who put me on the right track while I was completely in the dark, not knowing at all what to do or in which direction to move. However if the book was written by Arthur Koestler himself, which possibility was very much there, because at that time I was reading Koestler's books one after another, then it is Koestler to whom believers in God all over the world should be most grateful, because it was due to him only it has been possible for me to ultimately prove the existence of God.

From the theory of relativity I came to know that time and distance became unreal at the speed of the light. I also found that some of the attributes of God such as 'spaceless' and 'timeless' were not some meaningless words at all, but that they had real physical significance. This is because these words can be explained scientifically with the help of the properties of the light. This was a major breakthrough for me, and depending on this knowledge I decided that I would proceed in the following manner for proving the existence of God:

- 1) I would show that the entire universe was spaceless and timeless;
- 2) I would show that everything in this universe had originated from one substance only; and
- 3) I would show that the entire universe was an unbroken whole.

I thought that I would show these three things because in Hinduism Brahman, the Supreme Being, is called spaceless, timeless, one and indivisible. Brahman has other attributes also other than these four attributes, but I primarily chose these four only in order to show that there is a God. For 1) I thought that with the help of the properties of the light it would be easy for me to

show that the entire universe is indeed spaceless and timeless. Then for 3) there was the phenomenon of quantum entanglement with which it could be easily established that the universe is indeed one unbroken whole, that each and every point of this universe is so interlinked with each and every other point of the same universe that no point of this universe can in no way be separated from any other point situated anywhere else in the universe. However for 2) I faced real difficulty, because I could not think of any substance from which it could be shown that everything else in this universe had originated. I speculated and speculated, but these were all idle speculations only, because they could not give me any fruitful result. Once I thought: Might not this primordial substance be energy? But I could not come to any definite conclusion about that. So ultimately I decided that I would show only 1) and 3) for the time being, and regarding the rest of the job I would leave that to posterity. After finally settling my mind in this manner I started writing my first book in Bengali in the year 2000.

I thought that it would be an easy task for me to show that the universe was indeed spaceless and timeless, but actually it was not so easy. I thought if a photon moved from one end of the universe to its other end, then the so-called properties of the light would make the universe spaceless and timeless. Length will contract to zero, and time will also totally stop. But the real shock came when I realized after reading the book written by Einstein and Infeld that length contraction took place only in the direction in which the light was moving, not in every direction. For the volume of the universe to become zero, its length will have to contract to zero in every direction. But this difficulty was found to be a minor difficulty only, and it was very easily overcome. This is because there was the example of the sun. When the sun shines, it sends its rays in each and every direction, and not in only one direction. So if there is any such source of the light in the universe, then the length of the universe will be contracted in every direction. But when one problem is solved, another problem appears. The visible light cannot penetrate solid objects like Earth, Jupiter etc., and there is an abundance of these solid objects in this universe. Let us suppose that the total volume of the universe is x , and that the total volume of all these solid objects all over the universe is y . Let us also suppose that all the vacant spaces in the universe devoid of any solid object are filled up with the visible light. So this visible light will be able to make only $x-y$ to be zero, but not y to be zero, and thus it will fail to make the entire universe spaceless.

When I found that with the help of the visible light it was not possible for me to show that the entire universe was indeed spaceless and timeless, I earnestly began searching for another particle that would have the same properties as those of the light, but that would also have another most essential property that the light was not having. That particle must be able to penetrate those solid objects that the visible light cannot penetrate at all. In that case only that particle will be able to make the entire universe spaceless. But is there really any such particle in the universe? The name of the particle that surfaced to my mind was neutrino. At that time it was believed that neutrinos moved with the speed of the light, because at that time it was not known that neutrinos had any mass. It was also known to me that neutrinos could easily pass through the earth. But, can neutrinos pass through each and every object that is there in the universe? That was the real question. I put this question to the physicist in the internet (Ask the physicist), and to my dismay I came to know that although neutrinos could pass through many solid objects that were there in

the universe, still there were many other objects that they could not pass through at all. There are some stars with such a high density that neutrinos cannot penetrate them at all. Perhaps he mentioned here neutron star, but I may be mistaken here, because I am writing everything from my memory only. He also mentioned that neutrinos could pass through our sun, but there were other stars many times bigger than the sun that neutrinos would fail to pass through. So ultimately I came to realize that with the help of the neutrinos also it would not be possible for me to show in any way that the entire universe was spaceless and timeless.

Actually what is required here is that there will have to be a substance that will be all-pervading, and that it will also have all the properties of the light at the same time. This substance will be within the sun, within the moon, within us, within red star, within neutron star, within quasar, within pulsar, within whatever there is in this universe and also without. No known forces of this universe will have any effect on this substance. If this condition is fulfilled, then only it will be possible for that substance to be all-pervading. If there is really any such substance in this universe, then this universe will of course be spaceless and timeless. But scientists will never be able to detect the presence of that substance in our universe, because a substance on which no known forces of this universe can have even the slightest effect can never be detected by any established methodology of science. So here my failure could be very easily excused on this ground.

Earlier I have seen that it would not be possible for me to show that everything in this universe had actually originated from one substance only. Now I found that neither could I show that this universe was indeed spaceless and timeless. So out of the three things that I have proposed to show for proving the existence of God two were already gone. What remained then was not sufficient enough for fulfilling my purpose. So, how would I prove that there was a God? Would my dream never come true? Would my whole life be a big failure, a big waste? In such a critical moment of my life one day I earnestly prayed to God for delivering me from that crisis: Please give me some direct proof/evidence of your existence. To whom else other than God could I have prayed at that time?

A few days later I was in my office. It was afternoon, and the time was about 2-30 to 3-00 P.M. I had gone to the toilet for urinating. After returning from the toilet I was washing my hands in the basin. Suddenly a thought came to my mind as if in a sudden flash: We say that God is spaceless and timeless. That means for God space and time do not exist. But for us human beings space and time are very much real. So, if such a God does really exist, then space and time will definitely be relative. And science has also shown that space and time are indeed relative. So the theory of relativity shows that there is a God, because the presence of a spaceless and timeless God in the universe can only make space and time relative. And mystics and other God-believers all over the world have also unanimously said about God that He is spaceless and timeless. So, if the theory of relativity is scientifically correct, then we can with confidence say that there is indeed a God. Thus I would say that almost miraculously I got the first proof/evidence of God on that day.