



# Is there a God?

LOOKING AT MOUNT RUSHMORE, COULD WE EVER believe that it came about by chance? Even given infinite time, wind and rain, could those carvings *ever* be randomly formed on the side of a mountain?

But what about the men themselves—Washington, Jefferson, Roosevelt, Lincoln? If the figures on Mount Rushmore are too complex to come about by chance, wouldn't the actual men be too complex to come about by chance? Indeed, they were *much more* complex than their mountainside counterparts.

And what about you? Could a carving of your likeness just *appear* on a mountain? If not, then how could the real you—with all your greater complexity—come about by chance?

The complexity around us and within us points to a deliberate Designer who not only made us, but also sustains us today. But why would a God create us in the first place? The consistent message of the Bible is that God created us for the purpose of knowing him and finding our meaning and joy in him.

**To learn about who God is and what it's like to know God, read the section of the Bible called "John." To see more evidence for the existence of God, read the feature article "Is There a God?" at [www.EveryStudent.com](http://www.EveryStudent.com).**

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