

Some people are moved by Reason
Some people are moved by Emotion
Some people don't move at all



Renew Your Mind

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A student once described his former professor as one who had two brains - one was lost the other was out looking for it. The human brain is one of the wonders of our universe. This one item sets us apart from the rest of creation. There is nothing in our galaxy that could come close to its complexity. Science has explored the outer space of the universe, but the inner space of the human mind is untouched. The mind remains a mystery even in our advanced scientific age.

There is nothing more tragic in life than to have this amazing gift and fail to use it. One writer pointed out, *"The mind is like a palace but most of the time we are content to live in the lobby."* How paradoxical is this mysterious engine that supports our existence and sustains our thinking but rarely gets any attention?

Something so powerful, something so amazing, something so wonderful is sadly ignored. We go through the day without paying any attention to the treasure we possess. Albert Camus, the Nobel Prize winner, rightly observes, *"We get into the habit of living before acquiring the habit of thinking."*

Augustine, that great classical genius, understood the problem centuries ago. He rightly notes, *"Men go abroad to wonder at the heights of mountains, at the huge waves of the sea, at the long courses of the rivers, at the vast compass of the ocean, at the circular motions of the stars, and they pass by themselves without wondering."*

Aristotle, who captured the Western world with the laws of logic, defined man as a "thinking being." Every human being is created with the capacity to think.

The human mind is absolutely astounding, the magnum of the universe. The brain functions differently from all other organs. Our ability to reason, to reproduce feeling, to dream and plan, to act and relate to people is impossible without it.

It is eminently reasonable to conclude that the source of rationality must be rational. The ground of intelligence must be an intelligent mind. The disturbing question for the materialist is how did matter organize from nonreason to reason. How did mud become mind? Atoms became Adam. Rock became Dwayne Johnson? Where is the empirical evidence for molecules turning into a Mind?

Brilliant scientists like Sir John Eccles, Karl Popper, Roger Penfield, believe that the secret of our universe is hidden in the brain. Today it remains the Pandora's Box of Modern Science. Sir John Eccles, who spent a lifetime studying the human brain and a recipient of the Nobel Prize for research in the central nervous system, Co-Authored "The Self and Its Brain" with the famous philosopher of science Sir Karl Popper. Eccles concluded that the mind is independent of the brain. He rejects the popular view of Materialism, which affirms reality is one dimensional, as shallow, superficial, and simplistic.

From a logical point of view only the Christian faith supports the use of reason. The scripture declares that Adam was created in the image of God. The image of God is our capacity to reason, our unique ability to think and worship. God created a rational universe and gave us the privilege to be creative and rational but sadly we misused the gift.

Only God is great enough to create us, wise enough to guide, powerful enough to forgive us, big enough to satisfy us and worthy enough to worship.