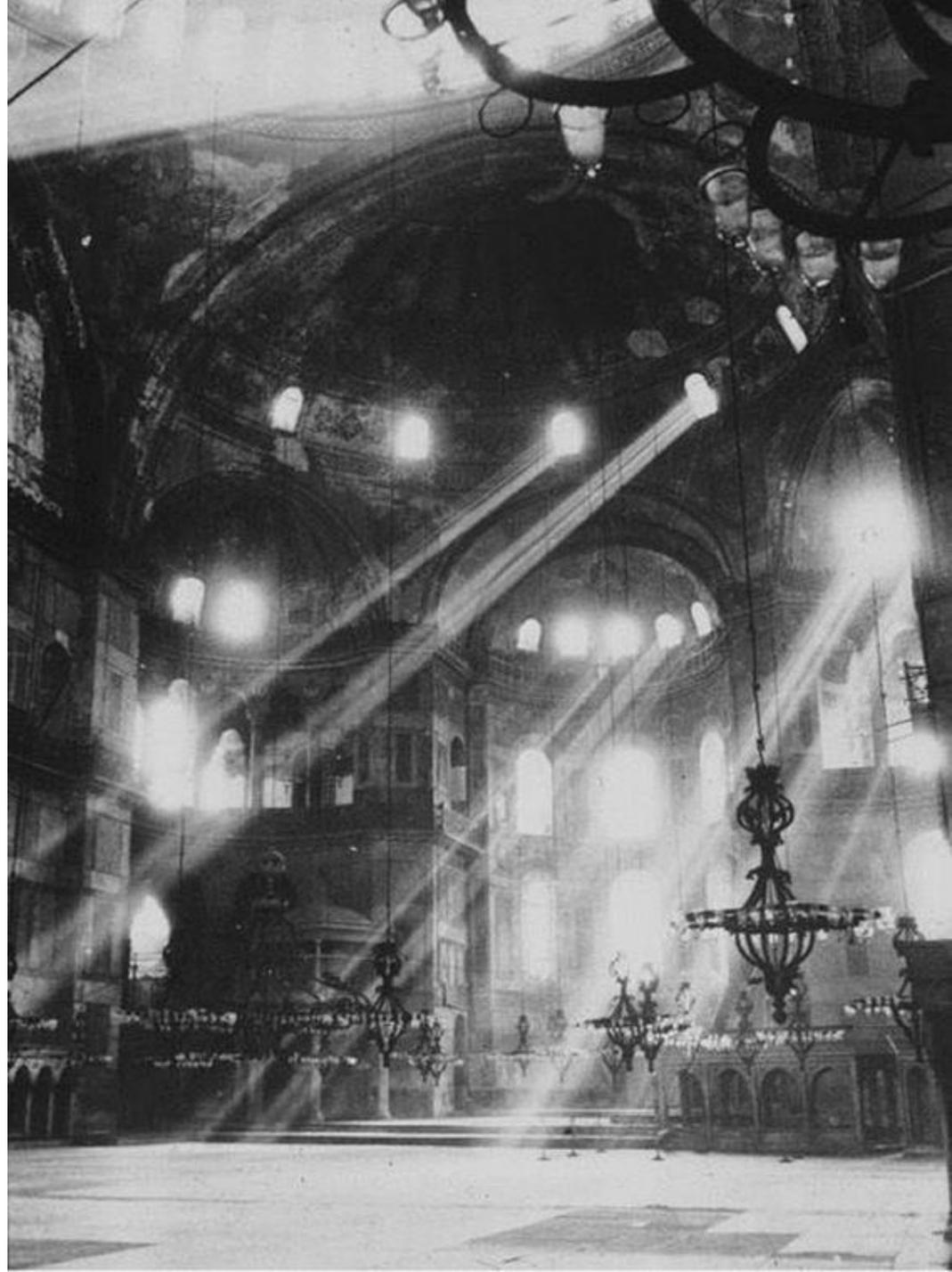


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Why religion is important

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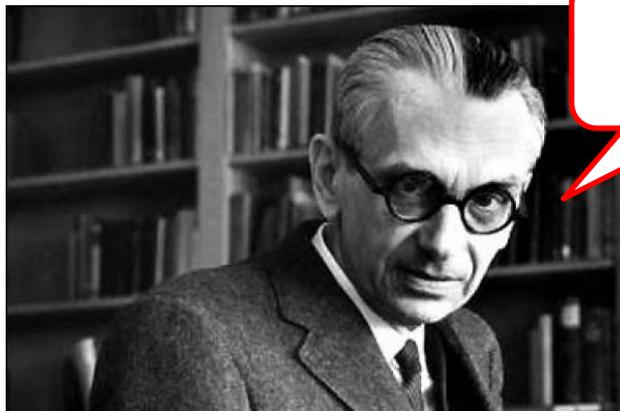
1. The science fallacy

Humans tend to believe that...

Science will prove everything and solve all their problems!

But... the truth is so much different that that...

In reality, the only thing that science has proven, is the fact that it cannot prove anything! Thanks Gödel! ¹



You're
welcome!

1. The science fallacy

Science is a very limited tool...

- It uses methods which **cannot be applied to everything**. (e.g. not everything can be replicated in a laboratory, not everything can be measured et cetera)
- It is based on **unproven axioms**, which we take for granted only because we say so.
- It's goal is to **investigate the “how”** by formulating scientific models for the description of a physical system.
- Questions of purpose (the “why”) are completely outside its scope.

I think, therefore I am. But why?
I don't even care...



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2. Religion through the ages...

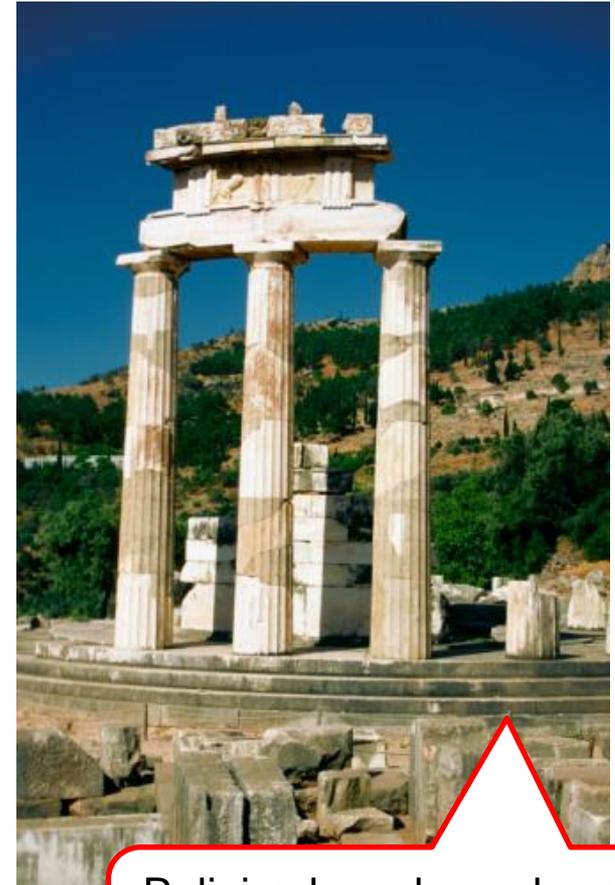
In the old days...

- Science and religion were not at all separated. [*Feyerabend*]
- Humans searched for the truth without the need to tag their efforts as “religious” or “scientific”.
- Everything was part of a cosmos run by gods – observations of natural phenomena simply verified the existence of a creator. [*e.g. Aristotle and the immovable mover*]

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Religion has always been the vault of knowledge for ancient civilizations...

2. Religion through the ages...

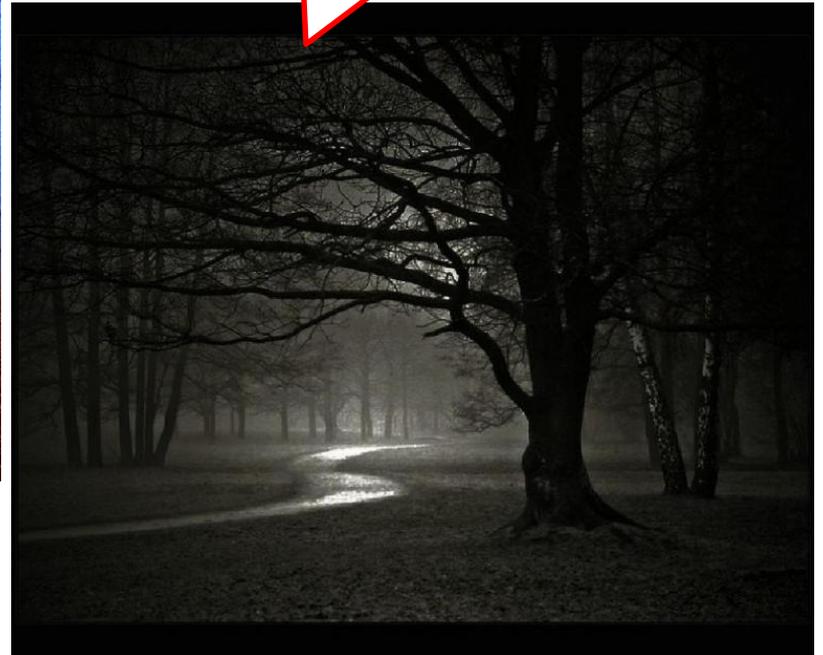
Wisdom was universal...

People looked up at gods...



and down at themselves...

Modern science believes the branch will be heard even in an empty forest, because it believes in things, not in humans...



Without essentially separating one from the other...

3. The revolution!

But arrogance has great power...

- *Freedom is intoxicating...*
- *Humans soon started to believe they can rule the world alone...*
- *Our abilities grew and we arrogantly believed that we can be gods in the place of God...*

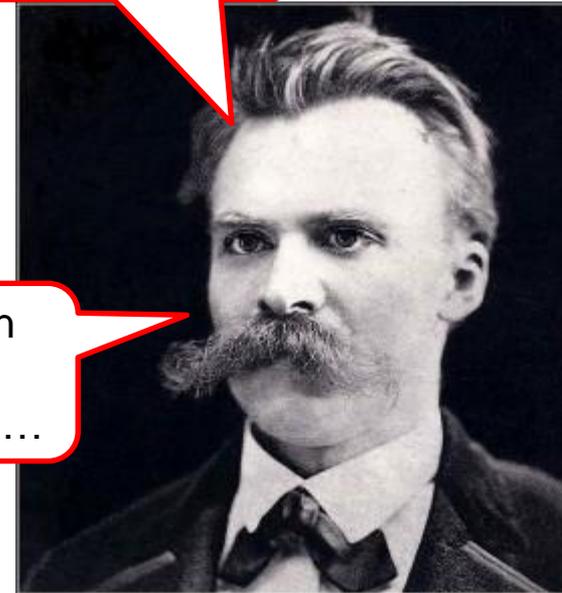
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I told you God is dead as a warning!

But you kept on celebrating instead of crying...



3. The revolution!

And at the end, we left “Paradise”...

So we “ate the apple” of sin and as spoiled children we rebelled against our own Father...



Oh, and killed some people in the process...



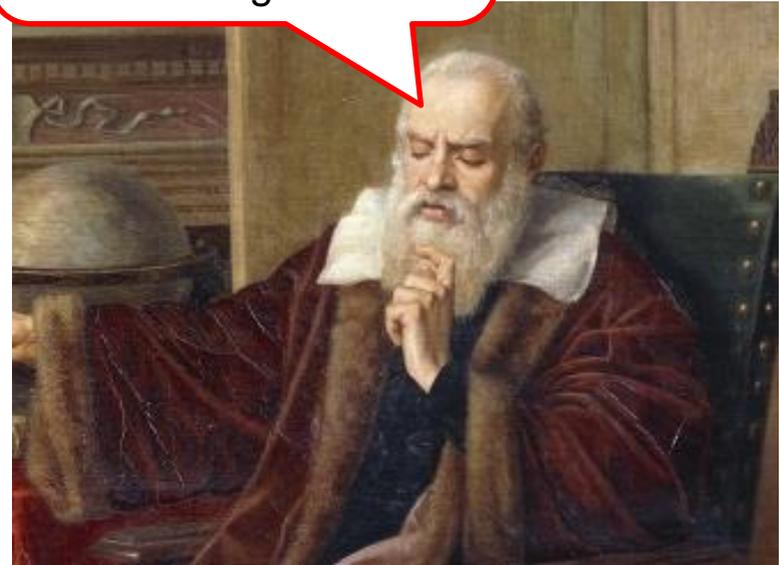
Related articles: [Against Enlightenment](#)
[also check [Obscuranten...](#)]

3. The revolution!

A “war” between religion and science was invented...

- Scientism proponents wanted a “war”
- So they just invented one...
- From Galileo case and onwards, religion was deliberately depicted as an enemy of knowledge...
(even though it wasn't – check the articles at the bottom of the page)

Hmmm... Let's tell them that I said “And yet it turns”. That would be a great twist!



Related articles

[*Middle Ages – An era of light!*](#)

[*Religion and Science unification*](#)

[*Galileo, Axioms and why Science CAN be more dogmatic than Religion!*](#)

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4. Religion and Science

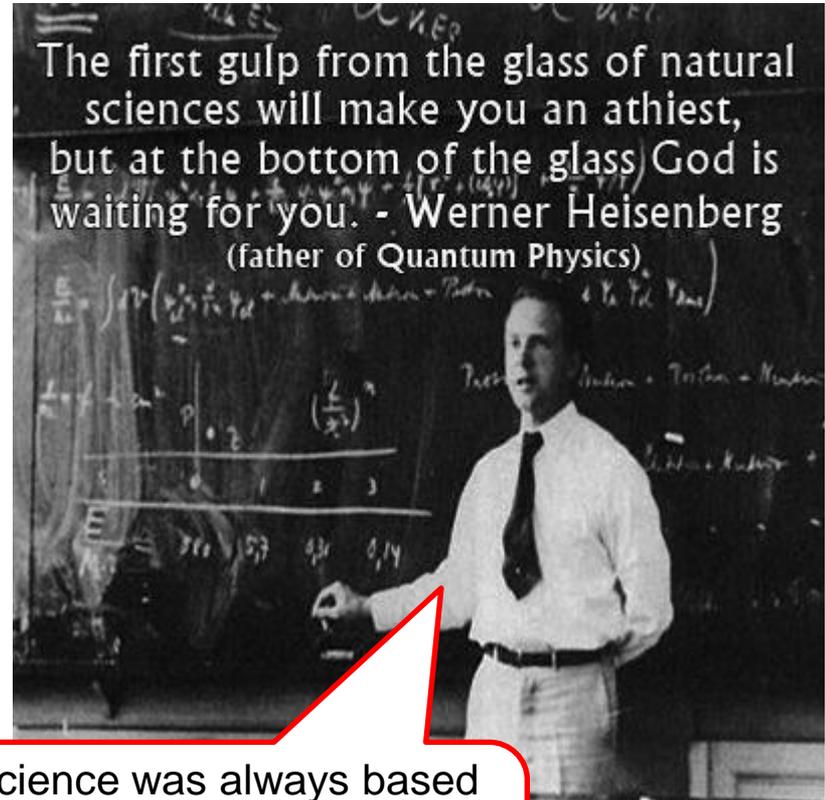
Two sides of the same coin...

- True religion is not at conflict with honest science!
- Logic and intuition can both lead to God! (both are used in science).
- The founder of Logic (Aristotle) and the greatest logician of all times (Gödel) postulated proofs for His existence.
- Most prominent scientists through the ages were theists...

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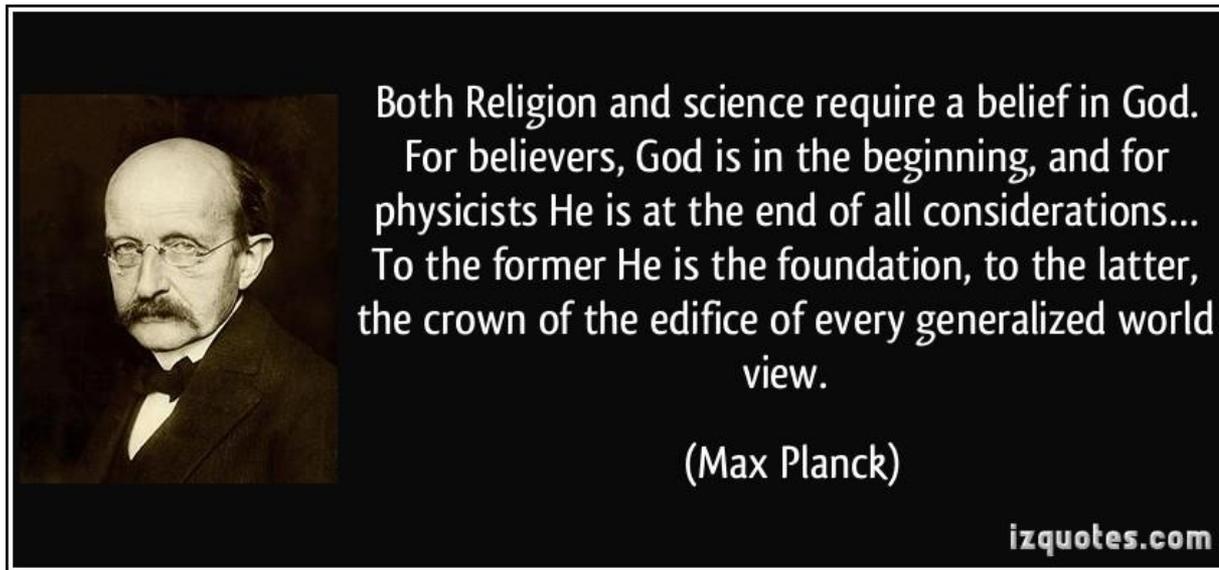


Science was always based on the premise that we can eventually understand the mind of God...

4. Religion and Science

Both trying to search for the truth...

- There is a unity in the cosmos, and both science and religion sense it...
- But it takes a “new” science to do that, a science which is again united with religion – not the cold materialistic science we have today!



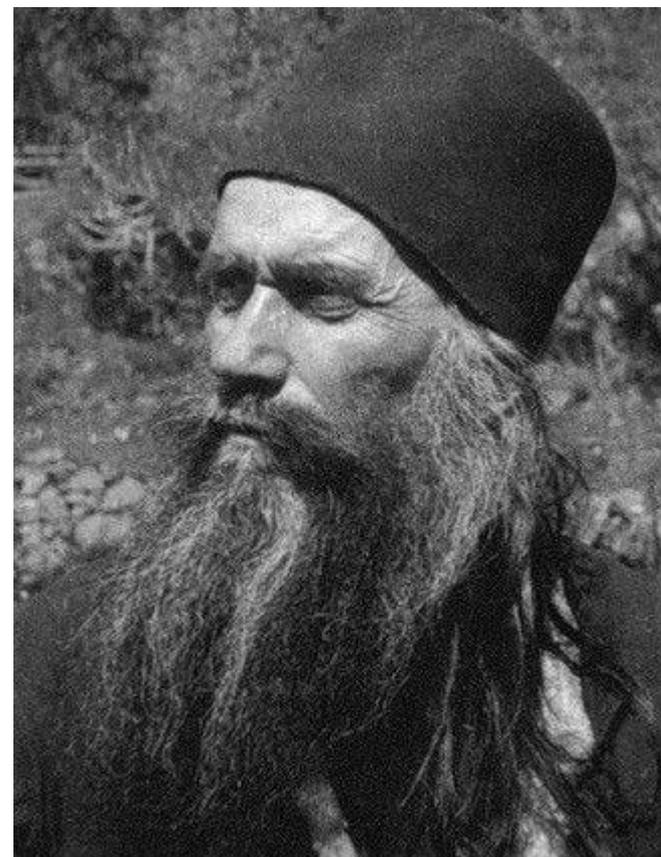
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5. The true human problems

What do you care about?

- Search your soul: What do you care about as a human being?
- As the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew correctly pointed out, the **important problems of humans** today are related to lack of trust, love, patience, understanding...
- We do not lose sleep for not proving some scientific models regarding physical systems.
- In that sense, science seems more and more irrelevant...

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*Saint Silouan
the Athonite*

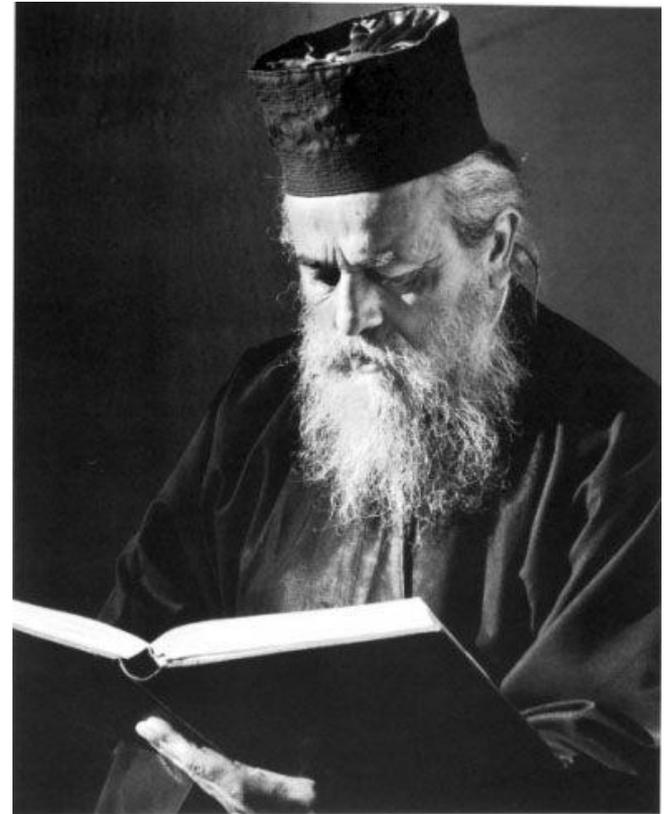
6. The wisdom of religion

Religion turns attention back to humans

- It talks about free will, while science sees humans as lifeless set of flesh...
- It talks about good and evil, while science is afraid to even touch this subject. (see Relativism...)
- It talks about how to live, while science just talks about analyzing data (and attracting funds in the process...)

Today's science must be liberated from **materialistic dogmatism** and religion is the cure!

Related articles: [Science dogmatism articles](#), [Religion articles](#)



6. The wisdom of religion

Luminous beings we are!

- There is more than meets the eye.
- The cosmos is made out of love and tears – things science cannot measure or analyze...
- Logos is the basis of all things, not cold raw data! (and guess which one of these is related to religion and which with science...)

Related articles

[Religion articles](#)

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*Εν αρχῇ ἦν ὁ Λόγος, καὶ ὁ Λόγος ἦν
πρὸς τὸν Θεόν, καὶ Θεὸς ἦν ὁ Λόγος.*

Conclusion

Die and be born again!



At the end, religion simply reminds us of something we once knew...

Stay humble in front of the wisdom of nature, so as to discover it!

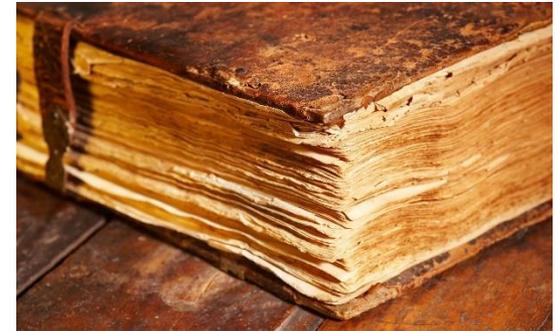
Asking the right questions is sometimes more important than knowing the answers...

Look at the cosmos with humility and love and the silence of its wisdom will break your ears...

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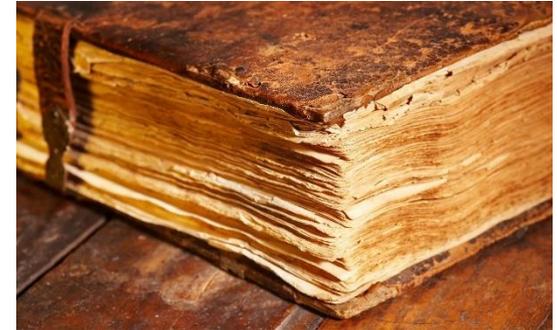
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