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Life, the universe and everything

Thanks to television programmes such as "Africa", "Wonders of Life" and "The Sky at Night" and presenters like David Attenborough, Brian Cox and Patrick Moore the average television viewer has seen more of this earth and its animals - and the skies above - than any generation before.

These, and many other excellent programmes, have revealed the wonders of the earth and the universe beyond; the staggering variety of life, the interaction of plants and animals and the mind-boggling size of the cosmos.

In addition, we cannot fail to be amazed at the beauty of nature around us here - the glory of a sunset, the wonder of a newborn baby and the joy of spring flowers.

Christians believe that God created the universe - the first verse in the Bible, Genesis chapter 1, verse 1 states: "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth".

Since Christians form a minority in our society this is now a minority view. If it were possible to persuade someone by logical argument that this was so, then faith would cease to be the reason why Christians believe.

The Welsh politician Aneurin Bevan first said - 'This Is My Truth, Tell Me Yours' and The Manic Street Preachers made the quote more famous when they used it as the title of an album in 1998.

As a Christian my belief, my truth is that God created the universe - tell me yours.

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