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The Anthropic Principle

A Universe Built for Man

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Summary

The Copernican Principle states that humankind is an insignificant assemblage of chemical scum living on an accidental planet in a suburb of a purposeless universe. Many prominent scientists, including Nobel laureate physicists, have questioned this scurrilous principle, which has led physicists to propose the Anthropic Principle. This principle posits a purposeful link between the structure of the universe and the existence of humankind and its specialness. The numerous features of the universe are so freakishly fine-tuned for the existence of intelligent life that physicists are beginning to come to grips with the notion that our universe is profoundly purposeful and that there is a powerful and incredibly intelligent Mind behind it all.

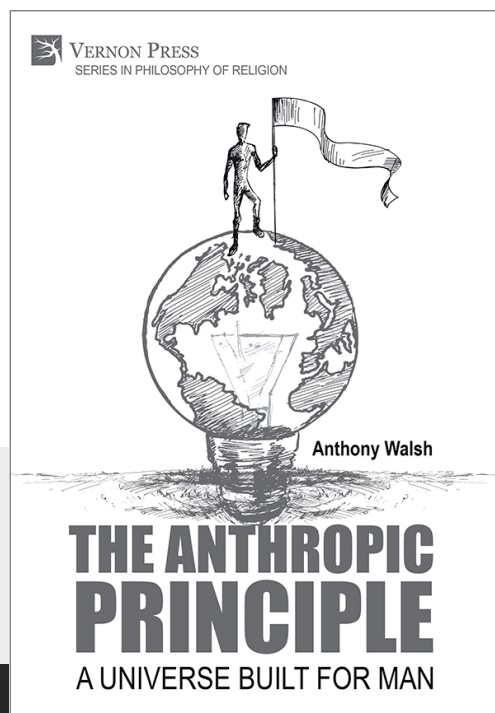
About the author

Anthony Walsh recently retired after being in academia for 35 years, during which time he has published 44 previous books and over 150 articles/book chapters. These have ranged from multiple sclerosis to psychopathy, hypertension to hermaphrodites, religious freedom to prisons, ideology in criminology, physics, and biology, and the neurobiology and genetics of criminal behavior to the chemistry of love.

The strength of Dr. Tony Walsh's text is the voracity of his intellectual hunger and the expanse of his knowledge base of both science and the faith in Jesus Christ. Dr. Walsh has the ability to dive into the details of the science while still connecting the dots for the reader who is far less learned than him - including me. I believe he provided the opportunity for multiple readers, ranging from science scholars to Christian apologetics to the somewhat learned in both science and the Christian Bible, such as me. The level of scholarly aptitude this work portrays in all facets of science and the Christian faith is mind-boggling. The pure range of science - physics, astrophysics, anthropology, biology, chemistry, medicine - is beyond impressive.

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