

Dr Kent Hovind's response to the questions, "Where did God come from? Can you also tell me how a spiritual force can have an impact on a material universe to create it?"

Response:

"Your question demonstrates that you're thinking of the wrong God. The God of the Bible is not affected by time, space or matter. If He's affected by time, space or matter than He's not God.

Time, space and matter are what's called a continuum; all of them have to come into existence at the same instant, because if there was matter but no space, where would you put it? If there were matter and space but no time, **when** would you put it? You cannot have time, space or matter independently - they have to come into existence simultaneously.

The Bible answers that in ten words, "In the beginning (there's time), God created the heavens (there's space), and the earth (there's matter.)

So you have time, space and matter created - a trinity of trinities so to speak.

- Time is past, present and future;
- Space has length, width and height; and
- Matter has solid, liquid and gas.

The God who created them, has to be **outside** of them. If He's limited by time, He's not God. The guy who created this computer (points to a computer) is not **in** the computer - he's not running around in there changing the numbers on the screen. The God who created this universe is outside of the universe: He's above it, beyond it, in it, and through it - He's not affected by it.

So (*in response to*) the concept that a spiritual force cannot have any effect on a material body, you'd have to explain to me things like (*the effects of*) emotions like love, hatred, envy, and jealousy; and rationality. If your brain is just a random collection of chemicals that formed by chance over billions of years, how on earth can you trust your own reasoning processes and the thoughts that you think?

So your question "Where did God come from?" is assuming a limited God, and that's your problem. The God that I worship is not limited by time, space or matter. If I could fit the infinite God in my three pound brain, He would not be worth worshipping, that's for certain. "

(This was extracted from the online video: https://youtu.be/8_OC2t7mIWE)