

Chapter 2

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If I were in Galileo's shoes, I probably would've fought for what I believed in. I would try to make an explanation as to why I came up with what I came up with. I think that Galileo recanted because either he gave up or was scared. He might have thought there was no point of teaching the Church his discovery and his own teachings because they were closed off to the idea and didn't want to expand their knowledge. Galileo could've fear for his life, he probably it was not worth putting his life at risk. I believe that the Church was threatened by Galileo because they might have thought that this discovery would debunk what Scriptures said. They probably could've believed that this would cause people to stray away from the Church.

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I like that Francis Collins mentioned this statement and I'd like to state that I fully agree with what he says. God isn't in just one place but could be found anywhere. I know and believe that everything came from God. There is no doubt about how everything was created by Him for Him. The way that my studies could lead me to sense of worship and awe for Him is seeing all the details and what knowledge God gave to others and have the ability to discover such a thing. The first thing that comes to my mind is a doctor. They learn everything and every inch of the human body. They learn diseases and every unknown thing that maybe the average person doesn't know. Not only that but how they've discovered how brains are small but hold so much information. That is one of the many examples that shows so much respect and awe one should have for God. That is something that He created, and He gave us the knowledge to figure out.

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This was once another statement that I lean towards agreement. Regarding the statement, I think there are things that cannot be explained. I feel like those unanswered questions lead us going around and around, but God only knows the answers to these questions. In this case I like to see it through the lens of science but more specifically astronomy. I know we've discovered quite a lot in countless years that researchers have enslaved themselves to find out. There are many things that we sincerely don't have the answer to. Those things make us question it, but it leaves room for the possibilities it can lead to. Surely, God is the one who ties it all together. He knows things that are out of reach and believe this give us an opportunity for us to get to know Him. It allows us to admire his creation that He has done.

Chapter 3

#10

I felt like I related so much to the experience that Pam, Ray and Ian went through. I've had people in my church tell me that I made the right choice or how they were proud of me for choosing such a major like psychology. Unfortunately, I've gotten the other side of it too. I've been told that I shouldn't be involved in such a thing. How counseling is meant for pastors, and I shouldn't get myself into it. The way that I respond to the positive side is with joy. I then go on to explain in detail my future and what I want to get out of psychology. When I've responded to the negative side it was mostly having to convince the person why psychology is a good thing or what the benefits are to pursuing a career.

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It was interesting how Vives put this into terms how a soul can't be defined. The way that theology and psychology can intertwine is the soul and how it functions. With psychology we know that the soul can be considered our "self." It is what makes us and basically defines us. There are ways that the soul can be repaired with the help of psychology. It could be to find out the deep meaning of what that person may be feeling or the reason why they react such a way. Meanwhile, theology talks more about the soul in a biblical sense. How it can hold sin, evilness, goodness, joy, etc. I also know how valuable a soul is to God and how He can transform it.

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I believe for me personally the reaction from the Catholics was foreign to me. I think they were almost in a way refusing psychology or even certain parts of it. Unlike me, I decided to approve of psychology. I think this is something that should be carefully looked at considering many people are reliant on psychology. It is such a detrimental part of our society nowadays. They were looking at things like psychoanalysis being sinful and hurtful to one instead of help. Hence the reason why I think the response of the Catholics was something that I didn't agree with.