

Question

Why would God make a person who is entirely contemptible?

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Logically, since God is infinite, he would (can only) make such a person for an infinite number of reasons; and one of those reasons is trivially obvious: so that, from the time viewpoint, millions upon millions of people would eliminate themselves from existence by hating that despicable person. And why is this true? Because, from the eternity viewpoint, from God's viewpoint, there is no place in his reality for even one person with even the slightest degree of hatred. Why? Because God is the First Source and Center of "all" things and "all" beings, and God "is" love.

Now, on a normal world, the angelic hosts would always engage the circumstances of people's lives, toward the end that as many people as possible would come to recognize that the above "entirely contemptible" person most likely only appears to be such, because of commonly held "preconceived opinions, settled ideas, and long-standing prejudices" (TUB 109:5.3), which mask the fact of any and all admirable qualities. However, on our world, the Divine Minister of Salvington has mandated that her angelic daughters shall not make even an attempt to slow down, much less prevent, the full flower of hatred in the heart of even one doomed, darkened soul (see TUB 54:5.11).

Therefore, "on a sin-stricken, evil-dominated, self-seeking, isolated world, such as Urantia" (TUB 55:5.1) one must turn in sincere repentance to the God of love; because "all this doom of darkness and all this destiny of despair are forever dispelled by one brave stretch of faith on the part of the most humble and unlearned of God's children on earth" (TUB 102:0.2). And: "This saving faith has its birth in the human heart when the moral consciousness of man realizes that human values may be translated in mortal experience from the material to the spiritual, from the human to the divine, from time to eternity." (TUB 102:0.3)