**A conversation with God**

Do you exist?

Who cares?

We all care?

I don’t care.

Well, you should care.

Ok, I care.

Are you messing with me?

Yes, I’m messing with you.

Why would you do that?

It’s fun.

Is that your primary motivation in dealing with us?

It is.

But you could be having fun saying that.

I am.

So you think that having fun is appropriate.

Having fun is rarely inappropriate.

You mean like at a funeral.

I don’t attend funerals.

Everyone thinks you do.

It’s a good thing to think.

Why should we think it if it’s not true?

Because it makes you feel better.

So why don’t you attend funerals?

Actually, I do attend them.

Why did you say you don’t?

To make a point.

That being?

That you should not require me to be miserable with you.

Why not?

Because i’m not a god of misery.

Of course you are! You’re a god of everything!

No, i’m not, and i don’t care where you got that idea.

Only from everybody!

Everybody is frequently wrong.

So if you’re not a god of misery, what are you god of?

i prefer to be a god of positive emotions and events only.

So you aren’t the God of War?

Don’t be a jerk. Only people who want wars have gods of war.

Is there a God of War?

If i won’t admit that i exist, would i admit that He exists?

So do any of the traditional gods exist?

i’ll give you a straight answer.

Ok…

When you die.

That’s not funny,

Yes, it is.

Yeah, you’re right. You’re a funny guy.

i’m not a guy.

Sorry. Just a figure of speech.

i knew that.

As god of positive things, what are your duties?

Duty is a human concept.

And not a godly one?

my duty is to the universe at large.

So to say that you are the universe is wrong.

That is a false distinction.

Explain please.

my duty may be to myself.

I don’t understand.

How are you capable of distinguishing me from the universe?

Our training is to think of you as a differentiated being.

That is how you always answer.

Is it wrong?

It is right if you are not capable of understanding the infinite.

Am I capable?

You must have a frame of reference.

What is my frame of reference?

I am.

But that just brings me back to the same question.

It does. That’s part of learning to grasp the infinite.

Can I just get a straight answer?

There is no straight answer. But i will give you something.

What?

If it walks like a duck and talks like a duck…

I think that you are the universe.

Let’s say you’re right. What does that mean to you?

That the intention of god is the intention of the universe.

And…

That the actions of god are the actions of the universe.

Very good. And…

That the being of god is the being of the universe.

You may be right.

Is there more than that?

There is always more.

What?

You, for instance.

So am I in God or is God in me?

Yes.

So the universe which is God is in me.

Makes sense.

So the intention of God is my intention?

No.

Why not?

Intention is a product of limitation.

And I am limited?

You are.

How?

Your mind is limited by your meat.

Is that fair?

Yes.

It doesn’t seem fair.

You are the smartest thing that isn’t me that you will ever know.

I still don’t like it.

Then expand.

How do I do that?

You will. You can’t.

How can I approximate it?

By letting your intention be the intention of god.

Which is the intention of the universe.

That may be so.

What is the intention of the universe?

You can answer that.

How?

If your intention is perfectly natural and of a positive nature…

Then my intention is the intention of the universe?

It is not my habit to answer that question.

Why not?

Because the only people who ask already know the answer.

I agree. Is that surprising?

No. i have faith in you.

So if my natural intentions are the intentions of the universe, they are also your intentions.

It’s funny how you came to that without my assistance.

You’re easily amused.

i am.

Why is that?

i told you. i’m a god of positive things only.

You did tell me that.

Do you understand yourself a little better now?

i suppose i do.

Then i think you understand me little better.

That’s such a cliché.

But it’s a fun one.