

Above and Beyond

Part 1

Some rave, “The earth will end by fire”
While others preach, “More likely ice”
But I would rather not inquire
Since neither one sounds very nice

I’m much more curious to learn
The how and why we came to be
And all of that has led it turn
To interest in cosmology

Scripts of how the cosmos sprang
That brainy scientists express
All begin with one Big Bang
Before which— total emptiness

But when you start to probe and read
What set this awesome cracker cracking
Then things get rather vague indeed
And lucid explanations lacking

They speak of quarks and super strings
And hyperspace of ninth dimension
Contained in multi-universal things
Grand fusion theory their invention

But these nine dimensions that inflated
So all the rest could start evolving
How and when were *they* created?
That’s a riddle that still needs solving

Part 2

Since we're quite unable to untangle
This astrophysical confusion
Some faithful have a different angle
(Those same who disdain evolution)

They say that when you seek the truth
The Bible is the place to look
That everything you need to know
Is found somewhere within that book

“Lord, King of Kings, made everything”
(And Heaven too? That's really clever!)
But wait a minute, who made our King?
“No one, of course. He lives *forever*”

If that's the case, then tell me why
He took so long to start things booming?
An infinitude of time before stars fly
It makes no sense what they're assuming

Part 3

So when we try to summarize
There really isn't much to sum
Way beyond the deep blue skies
Just mysteries that leave us numb

So let's be humble and confess
That we will likely never know
How things could spring from emptiness
And what's up above—or *down below!*

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