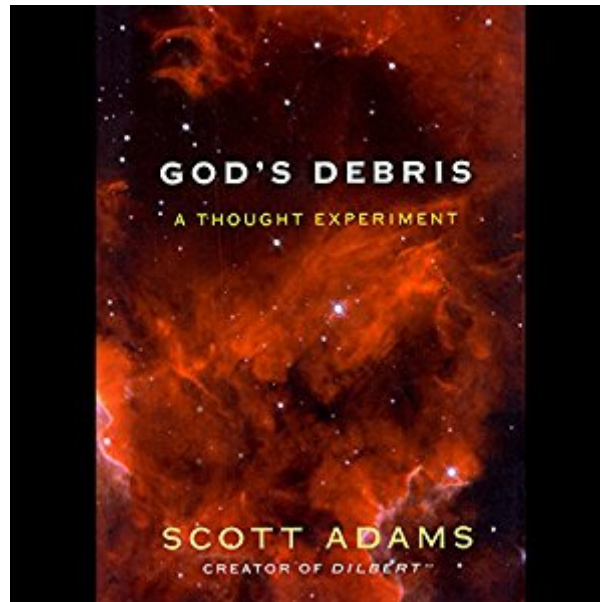




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Customer Reviews

Started reading this last night before bed, woke up and finished it at the coffee shop this morning. I'd read a couple chapters, put it down, pick up the debris that was blown out the back of my mind. I'd then pick up the book and start where I left off. I would love to say that this book changed the way I look at things, but it's entirely too soon for that. I will say that it gave me the tools to change. It's now up to me to apply effort to the tools and make the change happen. I look forward to seeing things in a different light and fully intend to make use of the ideas that have spawned from reading this book. I will be passing this book on to my friends, both in the physical sense and the spreading of the ideas it has given me.

Go ahead and read it in one sitting. The book is less than 150 pages - you can munch right through it in a few hours. What this appears to be is a compendium of all the ideas in physics which compose our current cosmology. The latter has always and forever been driven by the former, right back to Aristotle. In the first metabolizing of his ideas, the notion of what God's debris *is* will no doubt be the idea that most stays with you. That's a good thing, and a subject worth some investment. In

subsequent readings, pick another theme - any subject he covers, say string theory - and follow that thread. Maybe even do some ancillary reading in that area. Then find another subject - perhaps probability - and follow that path for awhile. This book could be subtitled "God's Debris: A Short Course on How to Become a Metaphysician". Most enjoyable, Mr. Adams. You are a man of many parts. I'd like to read the sequel, but it will have to wait until I can afford it. Meanwhile, you've given me lots to play with. My question to fellow reviewers: do you agree with Mr Adams that we can all be divided neatly into one of two categories? He says there are "idea people" and "people people" (a paraphrase). The former get their energy from 'alone time' where they can think about ideas and recharge, while the second group draws energy from encounters with others, encounters where they talk about people rather than ideas. Drawing on my own experience it would appear that this is another way of saying there are introverts and extroverts. But - also in my experience - few of us are purely one or the other. Thus, while there are many ideas worth pondering, all gathered up into the pages of Mr. Adams' book, I will enjoy talking to others about those ideas. And both endeavors provide lots of sizzle.

I loved Dilbert so much in the 1990s my colleagues commented on how often I clipped and shared the strips. Now I realize Dilbert is not real. He is a creation from the mind of Scott Adams. And we, according to Adams, may not be really real either. On my bookshelf, this sits next to Siddhartha.

Clever story that challenges our conditioned psychological mindsets. Reality is a social construct about the physical world we inhabit. Many constructs can be constructed from the same physical reality. Which is "true" is more a function of the number of people who believe than an objective assessment of truth. It explains the many conflicts we find ourselves in but there is a final arbiter of whose construct is true and that is societal survival. The survivors own the functionally true version of reality.

I absolutely LOVE this book. One of the few books I have read multiple times. Neat ideas, wonderfully thought provoking, wrapped in an entertaining story. It just might make you look at the world in a different way. Absolutely worth reading.

This book is "heavy" yet conversational. I like the way the author makes me think outside the box by telling stories and delving deeper into commonly 'understood' topics such as time and gravity. By

the time you finish reading this short book your sense of wonder and humility may be restored. The sooner you read this book the better off you -and the world- will be. Do yourself and the world a favor and read this book now.

Ehh... I was not very impressed by this book. I heard Scott Adams hyping it on a podcast so I took a shot with it but honestly couldn't recommend someone else spend money to read it. I can appreciate Scott's approach in deconstructing arguments and starting back at square one but I can't say I will remember much about this book 6 or 12 months from now.

This book is in the purest sense a thought experiment. Much like if one walks into a casino without foreknowledge of how they sway you towards gambling, this book is written in such a way where it attempts to persuade the reader into conforming to the new age theory of reality Adams presents. Throw in some convenient truths, persuasive language, and you have what seems to be a sizable portion of its readers forming a new bias in favor the themes presented by Adams; but at the same time I find that to be the point of his writings. That even when explicitly telling people that the ideas are fabricated they can remain persuasive enough to colour ones perception, and greatly in some ways.

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