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Call him (never her: God is unmistakably male) Zeus, Jupiter, Jahweh, Jeovah, or whatever else, the picture is always strikingly similar: whimsical, self-centered, with delusions of omnipotence... Well, he sounds pretty human, doesn't he? As absurd as it may sound, in 2016 psychologists, scientists and thinkers still need to point out that the God appearing as a burning bush or a lusty eagle abducting Ganymede for his homoerotic feasts is a very, very human figment of imagination.

For some people, admitting to the humanity of the very concept of God means denying the mysteries of the Universe. It doesn't – quite the opposite. It simply means casting aside human delusions of grandeur. We are but specks haunting a tiny nook of an unfathomable Universe we don't know anything of, which doesn't (and can't possibly) care about every single one of the unimaginable number of specks that, like us, inhabit it and (may) mistake necessity for free will*. Socrates' wisdom lay in his knowledge not to know: 2400 years later, many people still have a lot to learn from him.

* See the topic of the month

Character #13

God





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