



# THE HIDDEN FACE OF GOD

HOW SCIENCE REVEALS THE ULTIMATE TRUTH



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# Resumo de The Hidden Face of God: How Science Reveals the Ultimate Truth

Gerald Schroeder, an MIT-trained scientist who has worked in both physics and biology, has emerged in recent years as one of the most popular and accessible apostles for the melding of science and religion.

He first reconciled science and faith as different perspectives on a single whole in *The Science of God*. Now, in *The Hidden Face of God*, Schroeder takes a bold step forward, to show that science, properly understood, provides positive reasons for faith.

Recent research in biology, chemistry, physics, and neuroscience contains unmistakable hints about the ultimate nature of reality. Simply put, we now know not only that behind matter lies energy, but also that behind energy lies wisdom.

Scientists have touched on this wisdom in the laboratory, and its implications are awesome. From the wisdom encoded in DNA and analyzed by information science, to the wisdom unveiled in the fantastic complexity of cellular life, to the wisdom inherent in human consciousness, *The Hidden Face of God* offers a tour of the best of modern science.

Schroeder makes no attempt to "prove" the existence of God. Yet his interpretations of the work of his fellow scientists touch on life's ultimate mysteries. His wise observations on the organization of organic life, on the power of humans to make sense of their sensory inputs, and on the complexities of the code of DNA all show that life has a direction and purpose that cannot be explained in purely physical terms.

Throughout, he addresses three great themes: the question of first causes (i.e., where do the laws of nature come from?); the inseparability of mind and matter; and the philosophical problem of design.

To believe that a designer must have been involved, he reminds us, we need not insist on perfection or on our view of perfection in the design. The

Hidden Face of God will open a world of science to religious believers, and it will cause skeptics to rethink some of their deepest beliefs.

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