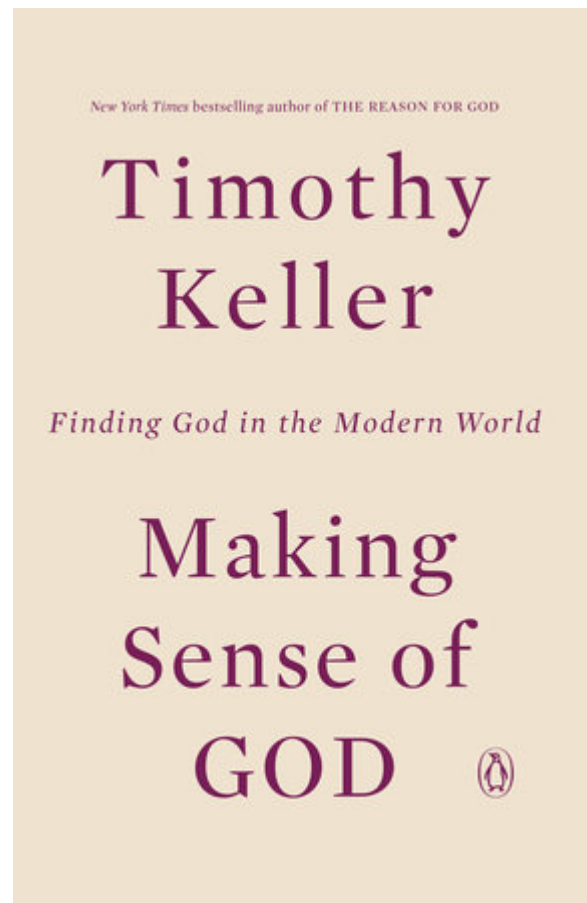# Review: Making Sense of God

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Making Sense of God: Making Sense of God in the Modern World

By Timothy Keller (Penguin)

Making Sense of God is written for the more intellectually oriented reader, diving into allusions to analytic philosophy—as in our ability to prove the relation among X, Y and Z but our inability to prove more subjective things like ethics—and other logical proofs for the validity of Christianity.

Keller's intent is to respond to skeptics, meeting them on their terms and examining the claims of Christianity to determine their merit for addressing real questions real people ask in a real world, not a Sunday school world. As such, the book is a conversation with the unconvinced. Keller exhibits

his pastoral acumen by taking the unconvinced seriously, not as a threat but as people for whom God cares.

For some of the already convinced, I suspect *[Making Sense of God](#)* is one of those books they want others to see on their shelf without having actually read the thing.

For all its erudition, *Making Sense* won't make as much sense to the average reader as C.S. Lewis' *Mere Christianity*. It's certainly longer, but what might concern the convinced more is Keller's willingness to speak the language of the skeptic in service of the Savior.

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