

# Brian Swimme

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This is the greatest discovery of the scientific enterprise: You take hydrogen gas, and you leave it alone, and it turns into rosebuds, giraffes and humans.

~Brian Swimme

The universe shivers with wonder in the depths of the human.

~Brian Swimme

Four billion years ago the planet Earth was molten rock; now it sings opera!

~Brian Swimme

When humans find themselves surrounded by nothing but objects, the response is always one of loneliness.

~Brian Swimme

Embrace your death. . . . Cherish your awareness of death as a gift from the universe.

~Brian Swimme

If you let hydrogen gas alone for 13 billion years it will become giraffes, rose bushes and humans.

~Brian Swimme

The universe is an inexhaustible celebration of ultimate mystery!

~Brian Swimme

By pursuing your allurements, you help bind the universe together. The unity of the world rests on the pursuit of passion.

~Brian Swimme

The earth was once molten rock and now sings operas.

~Brian Swimme

All professions, all work, all activity in the human world finds its essential meaning in the context of a people's cosmic story.

~Brian Swimme

Humans enter this world and awaken to a simple truth: We must find our story with this great epic of being.

~Brian Swimme

There is nothing more mysterious than destiny - of a person, of our species, of our planet, or of the universe itself.

~Brian Swimme

I flush with heaving passion's strange delight, Yet find contentment lost in appetite.

~Brian Swimme

That is our larger destiny: to allow the Earth to organize in a new way, in a manner impossible all the billions of years prior to humanity

~Brian Swimme

The proper condition of the human is not bovine placidity... the highest degree of tension that can be creatively borne.

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