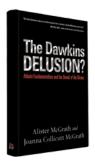
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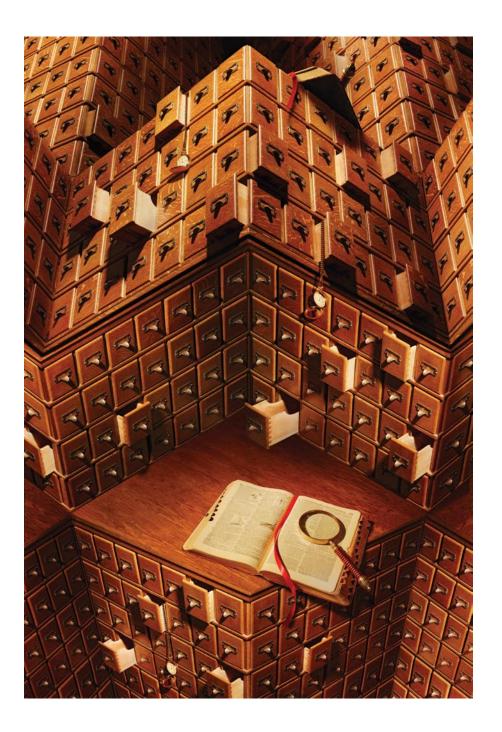
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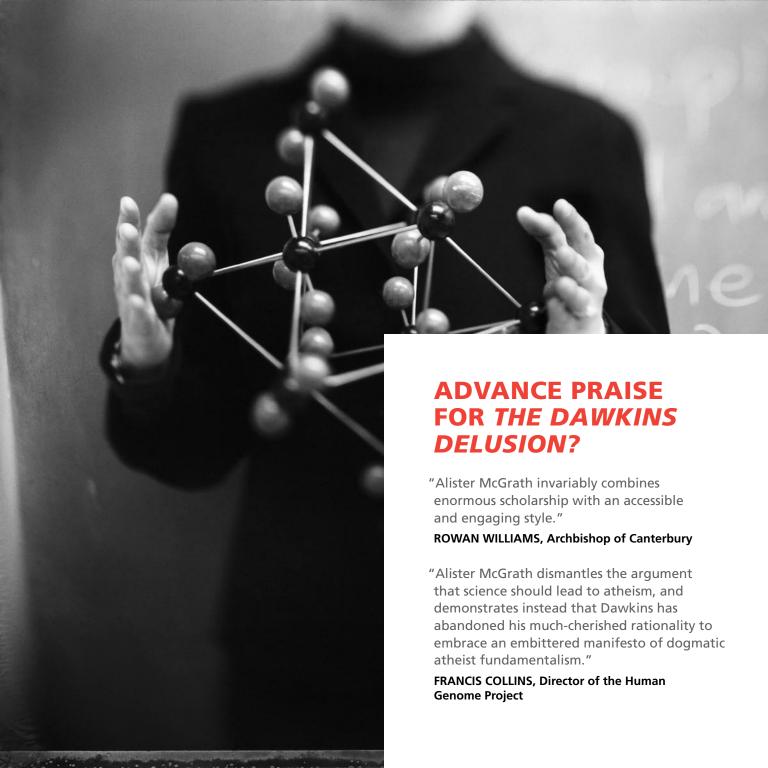
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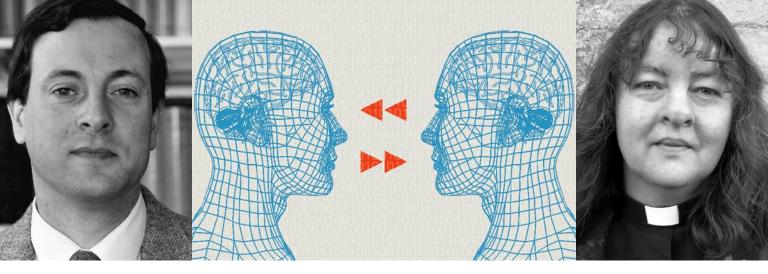
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Before coming to faith through both scientific and theological study, Alister McGrath was a staunch atheist much like Richard Dawkins. Both men now teach at Oxford University.

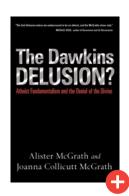






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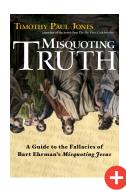




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