

Theology- The study of God

I .The Existence of God

A. Inborn Knowledge

1. Romans 1:19-21- “because that which is known of God is manifest in them; for God manifested it unto them. For the invisible things of him since the creation of the world are clearly seen, being perceived through the things that are made, [even] his everlasting power and divinity; that they may be without excuse: because that, knowing God, they glorified him not as God, neither gave thanks; but became vain in their reasonings, and their senseless heart was darkened.

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2. Romans 1:28- “And even as they did not like to retain God in [their] knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting;”

B. Indirect Proofs

1. **Cosmological Argument-** *This is based upon the law of cause and effect. The Universe is the effect that demands a cause. An explanation must be given as to its origin.*
 - *If you trace the law of cause and effect back to its beginning than it will require an uncaused cause. Something must be eternal!*
 - *God’s possess life in himself meaning that He is self-existent. Exodus 3:14 “And God said to Moses, I AM WHO I AM. John 5:26 “For as the Father has life in himself, so He has granted to the son to have life in himself .*
 - *He is eternal meaning that He is without beginning or end. I Timothy 1:17 “Now to the King eternal , immortal, invisible, to God who is alone wise, be honor, and glory forever and ever amen.*
2. **The Teleological argument-** *This is an argument based upon intricate design. Our world has intelligent design and cannot be a jumbled mess or accident. An Intelligent designer is assumed with anything that shows order and design.*
 - *God is the designer. John 1:3, Genesis 1- In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.*
3. **The Anthropological Argument-** *The fact the man possess an intellect and a moral nature with spiritual capabilities demands for an author a being with these same capabilities. “ Mind cannot evolve from matter, nor spirit from flesh.” Consequently, a being having both mind and Spirit must have created man” – Pardington Genesis 1:27*