

## Essay

# Why the First Cause Must Be Uncaused

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### Abstract

There is a reason as to why the first cause must have to be uncaused. We can find this reason from our concept of the Whole. The concept of the Whole is an exceptionally extraordinary concept because this concept not only gives us the evidence that there is a God but at the same time it also gives us the reason why that God must be uncaused.

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We define the Whole in this way: The Whole is that which contains within itself everything that exists. As per this definition, nothing can ever exist outside the Whole, because whatever will ever exist, will always exist within the Whole. This is according to the definition of the Whole. So by definition, The Whole will always be spaceless and timeless. So, according to the definition, nothing can exist outside the Whole, because if anything at all exists outside it, then it will no longer remain the Whole.

So far, we have only given the definition of the Whole, but we have not stated anything about whether it exists or not. Let us now suppose that it exists as well. If it exists, then the most relevant question that can be asked will be this: Is it caused or is it uncaused? If it is caused, then who or what has caused its existence? If it is caused then where lies that cause? If we say that this cause lies outside the Whole, then it will no longer remain the Whole. So, for the Whole to always remain the Whole, its cause must also lie within itself. For the Whole to always remain the Whole, it must be self-caused, uncaused.

So, the definition of the Whole itself gives us the reason why it must be uncaused.

We will arrive at the same conclusion if we now consider the infinite regress problem. In the article "Existence of anything ultimately points to God" [1]. I have already shown that if anything exists at all, that even if a single speck of dust exists, then ultimately there will have to be something spaceless and timeless in nature, as otherwise there will be an infinite regress. We will call this spaceless and timeless entity that stops the infinite regress The Ultimate Reality or the First Cause.

Now the question is: Is this First Cause caused or is it uncaused? If we say that it is caused and that its cause lies outside it, then we will be again introducing the same infinite regress that we are striving so hard to stop. So, if we want to genuinely stop the infinite regress forever, then just like the Whole, this First Cause, or this Ultimate Reality, must also have to be self-caused, uncaused.

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Let us suppose that there is a creator of this universe. If this creator is to keep proof of his existence in the created world in such a way that it can be easily recognized as proof of a creator, then which proof will he keep?

Anybody can play this game, theists and atheists alike, because it starts with a supposition only.

Here is a hint for those who will take part in this game: A creator as a creator may have some particular properties which no one else, nothing else created by him may have, simply because they have been created and because they are not the creator. If we now find these particular properties of a creator in something created, then we will immediately understand that these are from the creator only because no created thing can naturally have those properties.

Here is one more hint: When we say about something that it is spaceless and timeless, what we mean to say about it is that it is not within any space and time. But, whatever is there in the universe, is within the space and time of the universe. Being within the space and time of the universe, can anything naturally be spaceless and timeless?

When anybody playing this game will be able to correctly pinpoint those properties that only a creator is privileged to have, this game will be over. Because then she will come to know that there is a God.

Proving the existence of God is so easy, yet so difficult.

## Reference

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