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God created Time

THESIS: God created Time

LOGIC-1

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P11. God created Time (the timeline of our physical universe). See below.

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P12. Time requires sequence. Sequence defines time.

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P13. Time necessarily cannot be past-infinite --- (because it would have to cross a temporal infinity to get to the present moment; --- and it is impossible to cross an infinity; --- so time cannot be past infinite).

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P14. Therefore, Time had a beginning.

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P15. That means that Sequence had a beginning (since sequence defines time).

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P16. Therefore, Sequence had a cause (that is ontologically external to Sequence).

P17. Therefore, Time had a cause (that is ontologically external to Time).

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P18. That cause is God.

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C11. God is the Cause (or Creator) of Time.

LOGIC-2.

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P21. God ontologically pre-existed the creation of time (this follows from P11-P18 above).

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P22. God does not exist IN Time (this follows from P11-18 above).

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P23. Ontologically, God has the ability or the power to create time (this follows from P11-18 above).

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P24. God can switch Sequence on or off at will (since he is the creator of sequence).

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P24. And this means that God can switch time on or off at will (this follows from the above).

P25. And it is God who sustains time.

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P26. An interesting adjunct is that God does not Exist in Time, but Time exists IN God (if we see all of physical reality as a Mind-construct of God).

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C21. God is the Cause (or Creator) and Sustainer of Time.

LOGIC-3.

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P31. Prior to God creating the physical universe, God existed timelessly.

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P32. After creating the physical universe, God chooses to sustain it in time.

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P33. And so, God chooses to exist in (in relation to) a state of sequence (or in relation to time) as measured in our physical universe.

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C31. God created time.

LOGIC-4.

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P41. The action of the Creator of time cannot be externally triggered (since there is no event that is temporally prior to the action of this creator of time).

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P42. Therefore the action of the Creator of time has to be internally caused (not externally triggered).

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P43. This means that the Creator-of-Time is a Volitional Cause.

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P44. Therefore the Creator-of-Time is a Volitional Agent, and therefore MIND.

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P45. Therefore, the Creator-of-Time is MIND that created time, i.e., God.

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C41. God is MIND that created time

LOGIC-5

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P51. We have seen elsewhere (one of my other Theses) that if something exists, there must necessarily be a Necessary Being.

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P52. And that Necessary Being is necessarily a Volitional Cause, and therefore MIND that created all of physical and contingent being.

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P52. Similarly, if something Dynamic (non-static) exists, there must necessarily be a Necessary Being that can change state between timeless and timed states.

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P53. And similarly, that change of state cannot be externally triggered. And therefore, that change of state must be Internally Caused and NOT externally triggered. And therefore, that change of state must be volitional. And therefore that Necessary Being is necessarily a MIND that has the ability to change-state from timeless (wholistic non-sequential) to timed (particularistic sequential).

P54. Therefore, the First Cause must necessarily be a MIND that has the ability to change from timeless to timed states.

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P55. That First-Cause (MIND) is God, as defined in Philosophical Theism.

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C51. God is MIND that created time.

CONCLUSION

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C1. We have seen several (related) threads of logic above that show that God is the Cause (or Creator) of Time.

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C2. **God is the Cause (or Creator) of Time**