

Introduction to
**THE PROBLEM
 OF EVIL**
 CLASS NOTES

First & Last Name: _____ Class: _____ Today's date: _____ Saint of the Day: _____ <div style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">(Pray for me!)</div>

Today, many (but not all) _____, _____, and _____ believe what they do about God and Christianity for 3 main reasons.

REASON #1:

1. _____ (“_____”)

The _____ person prefers to just coast through life without ever asking or trying to find answers to the “_____” of life: _____ *am I? Is there a _____? What is the _____ of my life? How should I _____? What happens when I _____? What will ultimately make me _____? Etc.*



REASON #2:

2. _____ (“_____”)

The _____ person has never heard good reasons to believe there is a God or to think that Christianity is true. Maybe they had _____ who taught things very poorly and unconvincingly, or maybe they never met an _____ Christian who actually knew their faith, or maybe they started to believe some of the _____ about Christianity tossed around in movies, on the _____, etc.



REASON #3:

3. _____ (“_____”)

A person in _____ is someone who doesn't _____ to hear good reasons for God's existence and the truth of Christianity because it would mean having to radically _____ the way they live. Change is almost never _____, especially when it involves giving up addictive _____ and starting to try and live like a _____.

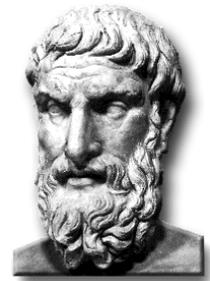




Of course, not all atheists, agnostics, and “nones” reject the existence of God or the truth of Christianity for these 3 reasons. Some have thoroughly _____ things and believe they have good, intelligent _____ for not believing in God or Christianity.

One of the top thought-out reasons people don't believe in the existence of God or the truth of Christianity is because of _____ (also known as The Problem of _____ and The Problem of _____).

This argument has been around since at least _____ BC, when the Greek philosopher _____ posed this perceived dilemma.



First, some important terms:

<u>PHILOSOPHICAL TERMS</u>	
Omni _____	= _____
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SYLLOGISM FOR THE PROBLEM OF EVIL

Premise 1: God must be omni _____, omni _____, and omni _____.

Premise 2: An omni _____, omni _____, and omni _____, being could eliminate evil.

Premise 3: _____ exists.

Conclusion: Therefore, God _____.