

# DOES THE BEGINNING POINT TO GOD AS THE BEGINNER?

One argument for the existence of God starts with the beginning of the universe and considers what might have caused that.

## THE ARGUMENT HAS THREE STEPS

Whatever begins to exist has a cause.

The universe began to exist.

Therefore, the universe has a cause.



## TWO LINES OF EVIDENCE SUPPORT A BEGINNING

Philosophy says that there cannot be an infinite number of past moments before reaching this present one. And science shows that the universe began with the Big Bang.

## CHARACTERISTICS OF THE FIRST CAUSE

This cause would be outside nature (supernatural) and beyond space and time. It's immaterial and super powerful. It would be a personal mind.



## BUT WHAT ABOUT NOTHING?

Appealing to "nothing" is truly a bankrupt idea. You can't pay your bills with nothing in the bank, and you can't bring a universe into existence from nothing!

## BUT MIND IS POWERFUL

We know from personal experience that mind is powerful. Everything humans create begins first as an idea in the mind. Certainly, the mind of an all-powerful God could speak the universe into being.

