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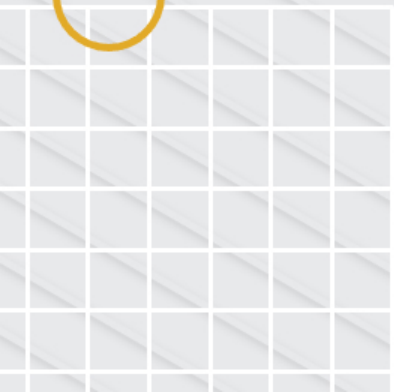
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TODAY'S TOPIC

What about evil and suffering?

1. Intellectual problem of evil and suffering
 - a. "It is logically impossible for God and evil to co-exist"
2. Probability problem of evil and suffering
 - a. "It seems highly improbable that God could have good reasons for permitting evil"
3. Responses to the intellectual and probability versions of the problem of evil
4. Emotional problem of evil and suffering

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THEODICY

an explanation for why
God permits evil

 **Not** today's goal



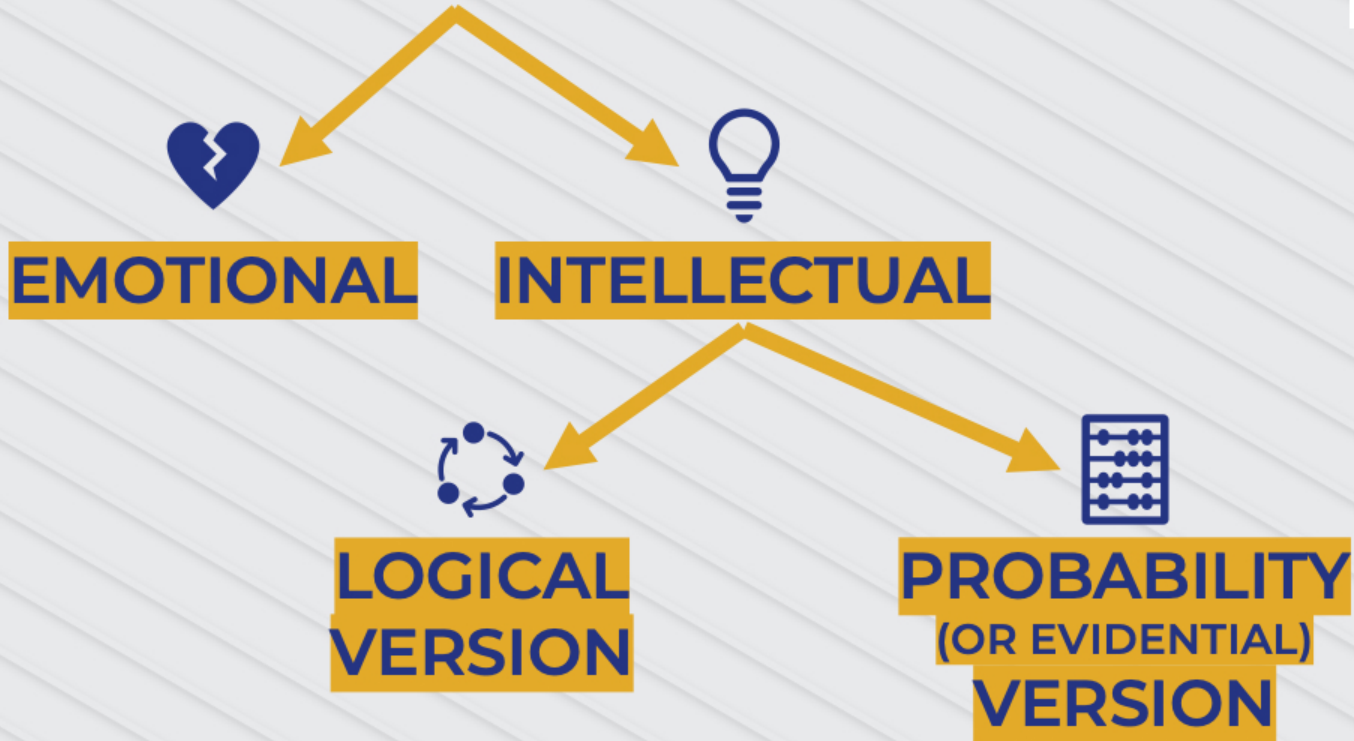
– **G.W. Leibniz**

17TH century philosopher
Co-inventor of calculus

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PROBLEM OF EVIL AND SUFFERING





PROBLEM OF EVIL AND SUFFERING

1. Is God willing to prevent evil, but not able?
Then he is not omnipotent.
2. Is he able, but not willing?
Then he is not good.
3. Is he both able and willing?
Then how can there be evil?

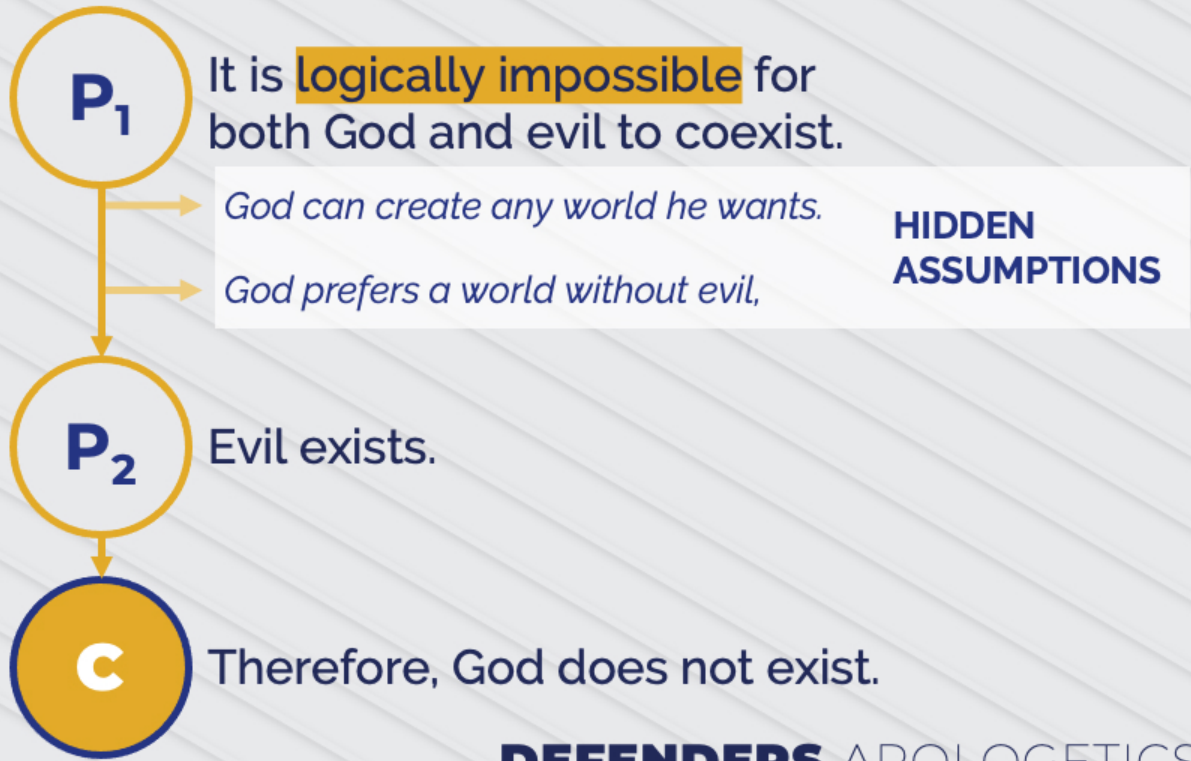
A close-up photograph of a marble bust of the Greek philosopher Epicurus. The bust shows his face with a full, curly beard and hair, and his eyes are closed. The sculpture is set against a dark background and is framed by a thin yellow border.

– **EPICURUS**

(341–270 BC)

Greek Philosopher

LOGICAL VERSION





DOES GOD PREFER A WORLD WITHOUT EVIL?



- Genesis 50:20
- John 11:4, 15, 45
- Romans 5:3-4
- Hebrews 12:10-11
- Isaiah 57:1-2
- Amos 4:6-11





WHY DO YOU SUPPOSE THAT EVIL AND SUFFERING EXISTS?

Should we be surprised? Why or why not?





HAVE YOU GAINED A NEW PERSPECTIVE ON THE PURPOSE OF LIFE?

How might this affect your outlook?
How can your outlook help you share your faith?

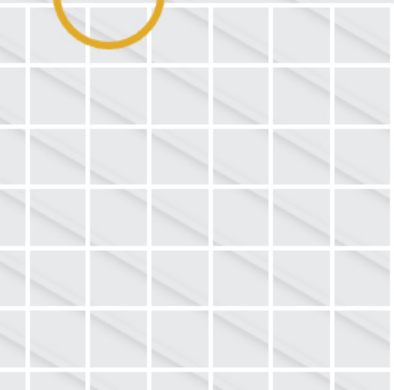




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