

IS GOD AND EVIL BEING CONTRARIES AS OBVIOUS AS IT SEEMS?

Plantinga's formal proof for God and evil being logically compatible is as follows:

1 God is all-powerful, all-knowing of the past and present and future and totally and flawlessly good.

2 There is evil in the universe.

3 Every essence suffers from transworld depravity - that is has moral defects for it cannot be perfectly good when only God can be perfectly as in unlimitedly good.

4 God creates a world that contains moral good.

He concludes that a universe made by an all-good God can have evil in it.

The errors are as follows.

He says that 3 fits God's omnipotence. But who cares? What is more relevant is the question, "Does it fit God's love?"

The assumption is that God and evil can fit together though God detests evil. They fit for evil is imperfect goodness and it is because goodness exists we are able to condemn evil.