

Second Set of Paper Topics for Phil 185 Philosophy of Religion Professor Eric Watkins

1. Reconstruct and evaluate the inductive or probabilistic (as opposed to logical) problem of evil as discussed by William Rowe (pp. 200-207) and Paul Draper (pp. 207-219). Be sure to present your own reasons for your position.
2. Consider which of the different attributes traditionally ascribed to God is basic and underlies the others (e.g., omnipotence, perfection, omnibenevolence, necessary existence, etc.) Be sure to present your own reasons for your position.
3. Present a detailed case against petitionary prayer (as it relates to the divine attributes such as omniscience, omnipotence, and God's eternity) and consider the most plausible responses. Provide your own evaluation. Be sure to present your own reasons for your position.

Papers should be 5-7 pages in length. Papers are due Dec. 3 at the beginning of class.

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