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GOD IS SELF-EXISTENT

- This is simply to say (with staggering implications) that God exists because He exists! He did not create Himself nor was He created. Thus, He is not dependent upon anyone for His:
 - A. Thoughts

"Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out! 'For who has known the mind of the LORD? Or who has become His counselor?'" (Rom. 11:33, 34).

B. Will

"Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven" (Matt. 6:10).

"You will say to me then, 'Why does He still find fault? For who has resisted His will?'" (Rom. 9:19).

"Having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will" (Eph. 1:5).

C. Power

"The LORD has established His throne in heaven, and His kingdom rules over all" (Psa. 103:19).

"But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases" (Psa. 115:3).

"Whatever the LORD pleases He does, in heaven and in earth, in the seas and in all deep places" (Psa. 135:6).

"All the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; He does according to His will in the army of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth. No one can restrain His hand or say to Him, 'What have You done?'" (Dan. 4:35).

D. Counsel

"The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He makes the plans of the peoples of no effect. The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of His heart to all generations" (Psa. 33:10, 11).

"There are many plans in a man's heart, nevertheless the LORD's counsel—that will stand" (Prov. 19:21).

"Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things that are not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure'" (Isa. 46:10).

"In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will" (Eph. 1:11).

• Note His words to Moses:

"And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them? And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM; and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you" (Exod. 3:13, 14).

• In a nutshell, we exist because our parents existed (past tense), but God exists because He exists (eternal tense).