

Why is it the case that "there is nothing God in the strict sense 'needs' which he could possibly ever have been without"?

This is the case because "divine power guarantees whatever divine existence requires."

But "what one 'needs' in the strict sense is not all that one can profit by. This . . . should be applied, eminenter, to deity. We can profit God without making God depend in the least for very existence upon us" ("The Divine Relativity and Absoluteness: A Reply": 39; "Postscript [to S. Sia, God in Process Thought]": 118).