

*Why Must There Be Metaphysical Arguments for the Existence of God?*

It is a necessary implication of the religious idea of God as the all-worshipful or unsurpassable that “God” must be a transcendental idea, or that there is a transcendental idea of God. Therefore, since any transcendental idea is necessarily implied by any other idea, it is also necessarily implied by any other transcendental idea, from which it follows that, if the idea of God is the transcendental idea that religion itself necessarily implies it to be, there are and must be metaphysical arguments for the applicability of this idea, and hence for the existence of God. In fact, there are in principle as many metaphysical arguments for the existence of God as there are transcendental ideas—including the idea of God itself.

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