## **Problem** of Evil

- 1. What is the problem of evil?
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- 3. Why is the problem of evil important?

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The presence of pain and suffering undermines belief in the existence of a deity that is both benevolent (i.e. all-loving) and omnipotent (i.e. all-powerful). If God is benevolent and omnipotent, surely he would remove evil from the world? Write a definition for "evil" and make a note about natural evil and moral evil.

Evil							
Natural Evil	Moral Evil						
Regardless of type, the problem of evil is best expressed following claims: (1) evil exists, (2) God is benevolent, and (least one of the claims must be false. Make a note about t	3) God is omnipotent. The triad is inconsistent because at						
The Incons	istent Triad						

2. How does the problem of evil work?

Christians respond to the problem of evil in different ways. One of the most famous is using the soul-deciding defence. This defence maintains that people have free will and can use it to make right decisions and do good or make wrong decisions and do evil. Write a definition for "free will" and "original sin".

Free Will	Original Sin						
Other Christians claim that an all-loving and all-powerful d suffering that human souls can be developed and perfecte defence and the soul-making defence to the problem of e	ed. Make a note about how both the soul-deciding						
How the Problem of Evil Works							
Soul-Deciding Defence	Soul-Making Defence						
3. <b>Why</b> is the problem of evil important?  How people respond to the problem of evil has a significal agnosticism or theism. For example, Christians who accept that the God-given gift of free will gives rise to evil as an usoul-making defence claim pain and suffering can develop presented by the existence of evil is just too much. Make a	t the soul-deciding defence maintain their faith by insisting navoidable byproduct, whilst Christians who accept the o human souls. However, for some people, the problem						
Why the Problem of Evil Is Important							