Did God Create the World? **God the Creator**

The philosopher, Thomas Aquinas, believed that the existence of God could be proven by argument.

He began by stating that everything that happens must have a cause. He argued that the chain of causes could be traced back to the original 'First Cause' that set the rest in motion. Thomas believed that this First Cause was God, and that God did not need a cause because He had always existed.

In Thomas' view, without God as a First Cause that had always existed, there would be nothing to cause anything else to exist.

Do you agree with the idea that God is the first cause of everything?

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Why might some people have difficulty believing this idea?

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If God has caused everything to exist, does this mean that God has caused pain and suffering? Give reasons for your answer.

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Does this theory imply that God is within the world or outside the world? Could God have created the world from within it?

Give a reason for your answer.

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