

## What Am I?

### (19) Minds, Brains, and Selves

- Describe the dualist model of the mind
- Distinguish the two physicalist models of the mind:
  - Mind/Brain identity theory
  - Functionalism
- Describe blindsight, phantom limbs, and their implications for our understanding of the mind

### (20) Minds and Machines

- Describe Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Describe a Turing machine
- Discuss how we might distinguish minded entities from those without minds:
  - Descartes' two tests
  - The Turing test
- Explain Searle's arguments against AI:
  - The Chinese Room
  - "Syntax without semantics"
  - "Simulation is not duplication"
- Explain Dennett's "systems reply" to Searle

## Is There a God?

### (21) Believing and Disbelieving in God

- Explain how one might justify "belief in God"
- Explain the difference between theism, atheism, and agnosticism
- Explain why belief in God might be thought problematic
  - "God of the Gaps"
  - Plurality of religions
  - Problem of evil
- Explain Durkheim's explanation of religious belief
- Explain Freud's explanation of religious belief
- Describe the three kinds of religion discussed by Einstein

### (22) Faith and Reason

- Explain the different concepts of the word 'faith'. How does Aquinas understand it?
- Describe Theism, Deism, and Fideism
- Describe natural and revealed religion
- Describe general and special revelation
- Explain and evaluate Rousseau's arguments against revealed religion
- Explain the kinds of proofs of God's existence, and the philosophical positions regarding these

### (23) The Argument from Design

- Describe Paley's argument for God's existence
- Explain the difference between the teleological argument and the argument from design
- Explain the features of a "machine-like structure" (MLS) and the nature of purpose.
- Explain how evolutionary biology weakens the argument from design
- Describe and evaluate the three kinds of design arguments (from the possibility of science; from the anthropic principle; from irreducible complexity)
- Describe Begley's understanding of the relationship between religion and science

### (24) The Problem of Evil

- Describe the basic features of a theodicy: What is it and why is it needed?
- Explain the difference between viewing evil as an instrumental good and as a by-product of the good
- Describe and evaluate the logical argument from evil
- Describe and evaluate the evidential argument from evil
- Describe the free will defense
- Explain why Leibniz believed that we live in "the best of all possible worlds"
- Explain Ivan Karamazov's comment that he is "returning his ticket"