Psalm 90:2 and God in Time vs. Timelessness

Time: Succession. The condition in which there is before, during, and after.

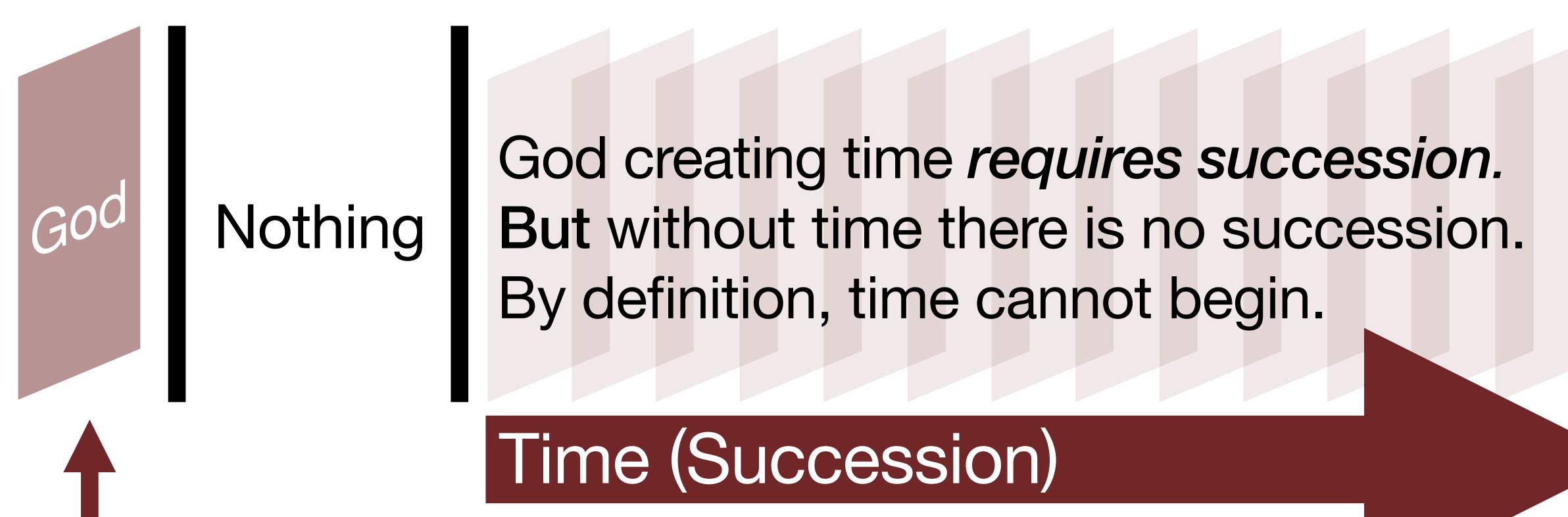
Biblical View: God exists experiencing temporal succession.

Time (Succession)

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Timelessness: No succession. No before, during, or after.

Non-trinitarians: God existed "before" time in timelessness.



Timelessness (No Succession)

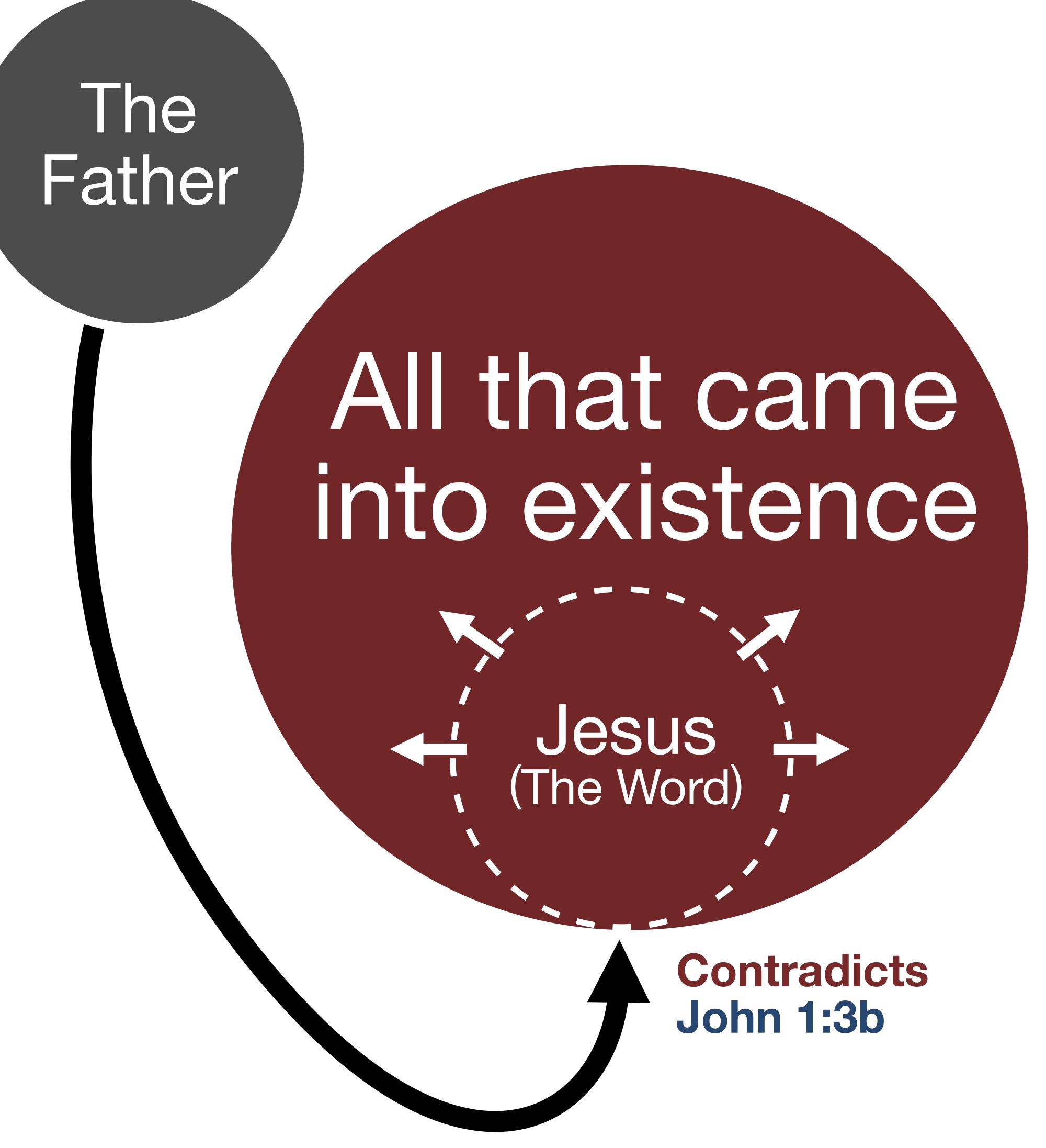
Disallows: Love, moving, doing, any process God is subjected to timelessness.

Psalm 90:2 - ...from everlasting to everlasting you are God

The from/to formula in this passage is a common formula in scripture used to denote a span of time. In this instance, the Hebrew word *olam*—sometimes translated as eternity depending on context—is used twice here to refer to the span of God's life. It quite literally means from perpetual duration in the indefinite past to perpetual duration in the indefinite future. This is a deeply temporal portrayal of God.

– R. T. Mullins, *The End of the Timeless God*, P.33

redefines "all" to exclude Him.



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Non-Trinitarian: Includes Jesus in John 1:3a or Trinitarian: Accepts all of John 1:3, recognizing the parallelism of 1:3b disallows redefining "all."

> Jesus (The Word) Allthat came into existence

Colossians 1:16 - ὅτι ἐν αὐτῷ ἐκτίσθη τὰ πάντα ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς καὶ ་ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, by Him [Jesus] were created all [things]

dominions

τὰ ὁρατὰ καὶ τὰ ἀόρατα, εἴτε θρόνοι εἴτε κυριότητες εἴτε ἀρχαὶ εἴτε έξουσίαι. whether

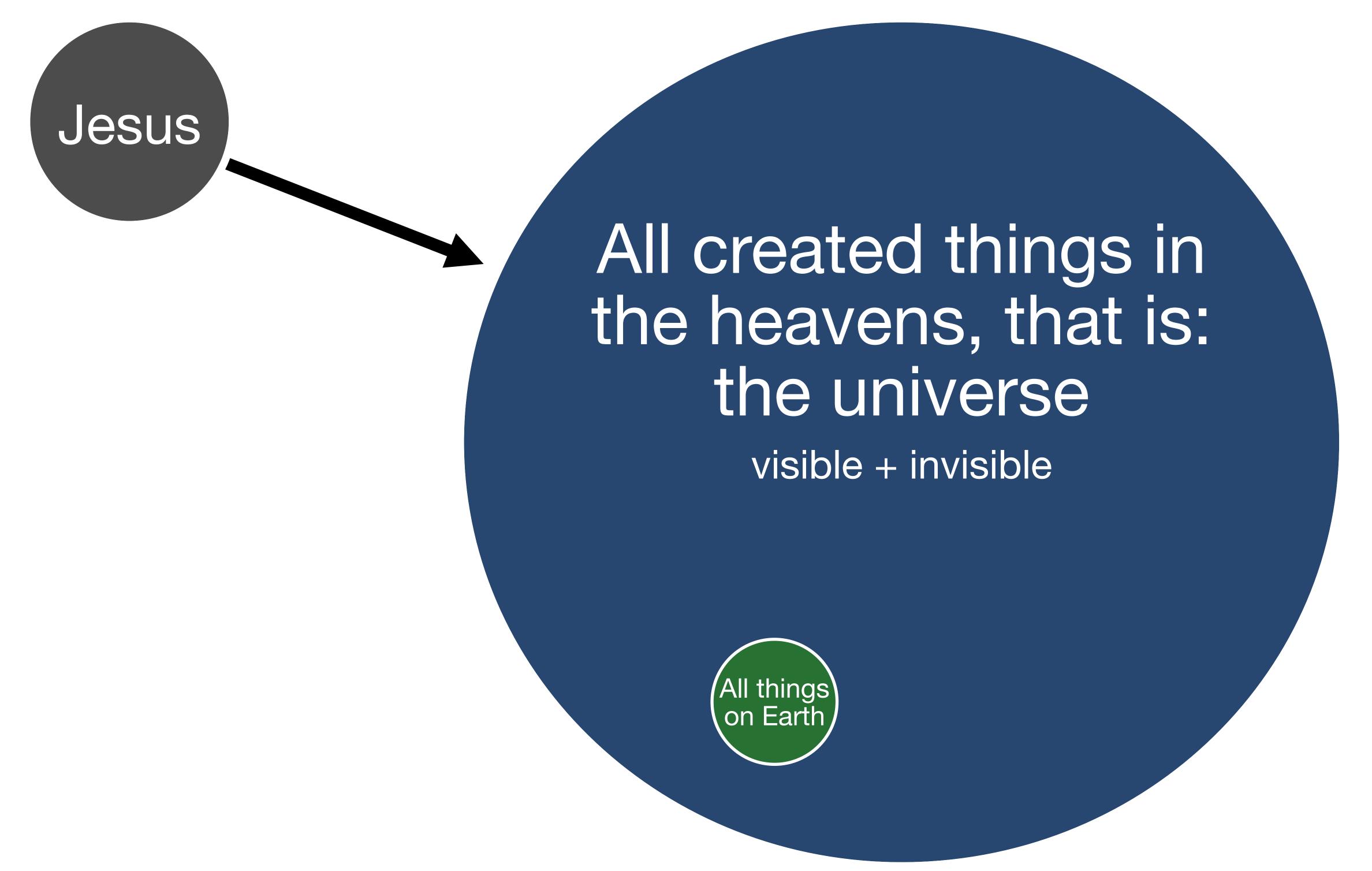
thrones

τά πάντα δι' αὐτοῦ καὶ εἰς αὐτὸν ἕκτισται.

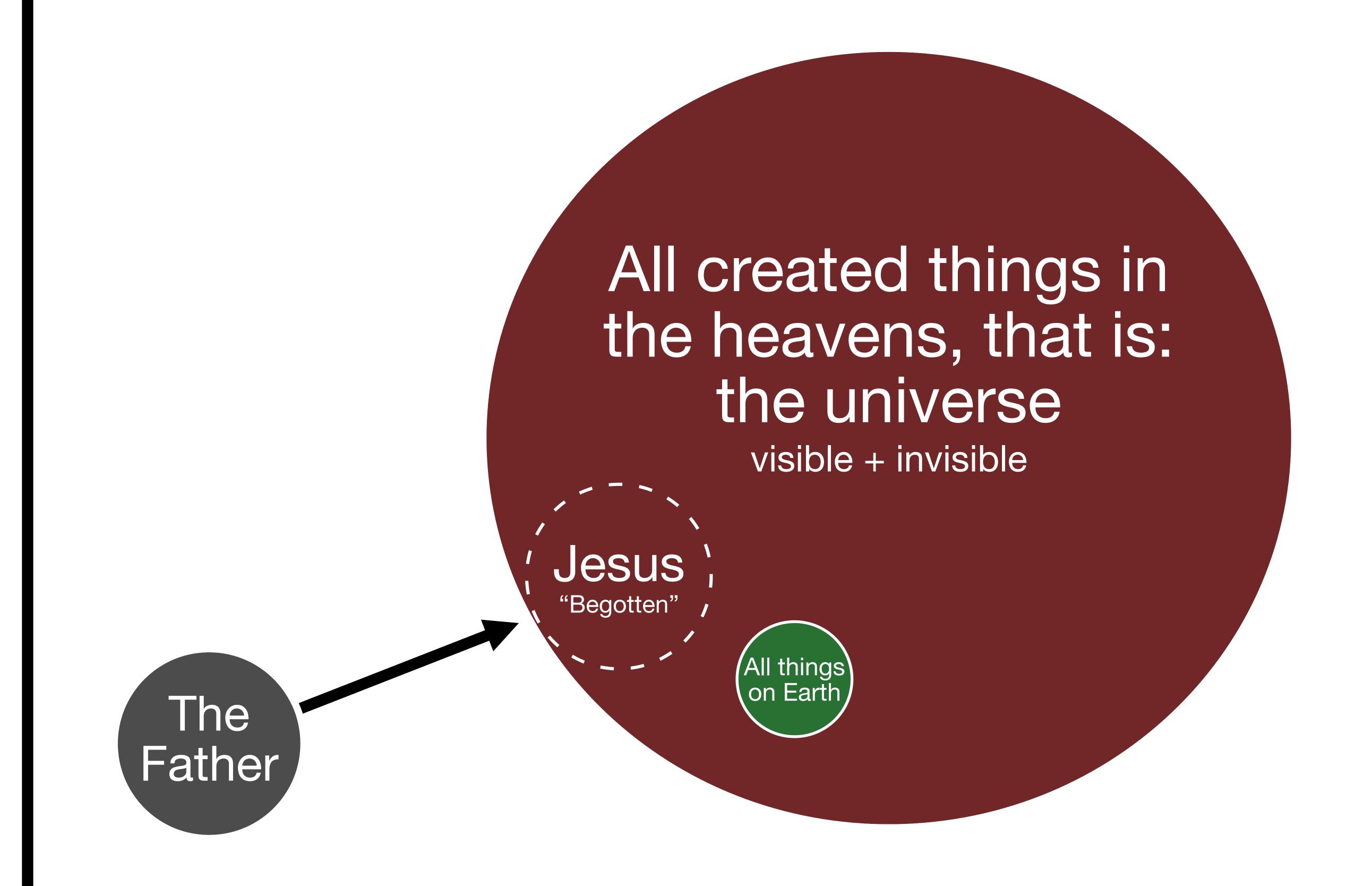
All [things] through and by/for were created

Biblical Logic: Jesus created everything in heaven

and earth, including that which is visible & invisible.



Non-Trinitarian Logic: Jesus created everything in heaven and earth... yet somehow was also created.



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Biblical Logic: All that came into existence ≥ Make/Create > Beget

Logical breadth of biblical creative terms/categories:

Broadest: Existence

γίνομαι - Come into Existence John 1:3 (ἐγένετο/ γέγονεν)

to come into existence, be made, be created, be manufactured, be performed - BDAG, 2000, 197.

Narrower: Make/Create stuff ποιέω - Make / κτίζω - Create

Mark 10:6 Mark 13:19 Acts 7:50 Eph 3:9 Heb 1:2 Rev 4:11 Rev 14:7 Rev 10:6

to bring something into existence, create, of God's creative activity - BDAG, 2000, 572.

of divine activity, specifically of God's creative activity create - BDAG, 2000, 839.

Narrowest: Figurative Role γεννάω - Beget: 1 Cor 4:15; Phlm 10; Jn 1:13; 3:3, 5, 7; 1 Jn 2:29; Heb 1:5

become the parent of, beget, by exercising the role of a parental figure - BDAG, 2000, 193.

Non-Trinitarian Logic: Beget >≠ All that came into existence.

Redefines John 1:3 so Jesus **is** begotten/made, but somehow He doesn't fall under the umbrella of all "that came into existence" in John 1:3, apart from which nothing made, exists. *A contradiction*.

Exception to Broadest γεννάω - Beget: 1 Cor 4:15; Phlm 10; Jn 1:13; 3:3, 5, 7; 1 Jn 2:29; Heb 1:5

"generated, produced, brought forth" - Non-Trinitarians

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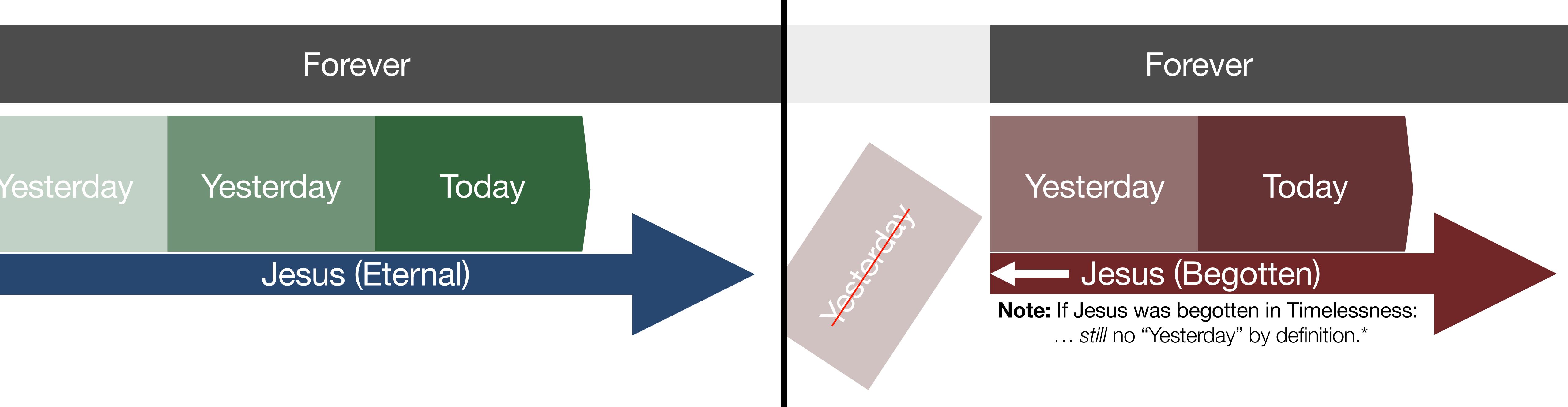
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Hebrews 13:8 - Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever

Biblical Logic: Jesus has always been the same.

Non-Trinitarian Logic: There was a time when it was not true that Jesus was the same "Yesterday" as He would not have existed prior to His begetting.



***Time:** The condition in which there is before, during, and after such that there would not be any temporal priority, extension, or posteriority in the absence of time. I.e. Succession.

Hebrews 13:9 - Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines...

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