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## **Pure Being cannot be conceived...**

Pure Being cannot be conceived as in time because what is in time is not to-day the same as it was yesterday, nor will be to-morrow the same as it is today.

But cannot what is immutable be conceived as immutable in time?

Being has no attributes; it is in itself essence and attributes, substance and accidents, unity and plurality. (Or rather by being both is neither.)

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