The Holy Trinity and Quantum Field Theory

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Inconsistency implies imperfection. Therefore, if God is perfect and created the natural world there must be some symmetry and similarity between God's Divine Nature and the laws of physical nature. In other words, if Quantum Field Theory (QFT) represents how God does things then it must somehow display a Divine patterning principle and order.

Let's see if physics relates to God's character. In Quantum Field Theory a process can be described as following three steps:

1) Field of potentials —> 2) Force —> 3) Kinetic or Actual Event.

The sequence above can further be understood as:

1) Endeavor (potential) —> 2) Action Seeking Form —> 3) Final Result.

This 3-step process mirrors the 3-step process of the Divine Trinity:

It is beyond the scope of this post to argue whether the Holy Trinity represents THREE Gods or ONE God acting through three distinct operations (see my post entitled "Three God Or One God?"). Whatever your current view, we can at least agree that each "God" represents a different operation or function within a unified plan. I can work with that for the current discussion.

The "Father" represents Infinite endeavor (Divine Love), the "Son" represents Divine Truth (Love made visible to humans on earth), and the "Holy Spirit" represents the actual event of salvation (which proceeds from the unified operation between Love and Truth).

In this triune process, potential "Good" generates a corresponding "form" according to its disposition, which goes on to generate a useful action (goodness).

Love —> Truth (form or information) —> realized Goodness.

The major difference between the Holy Trinity and QFT is that the former treats "potentials" as purposeful, rather than as a "throw of the dice." Also, that the faith-based understanding of this sequence is not that of a continuous process, but rather, consists of distinct (discontinuous), top-down causal links.

LOVE is fundamental reality and represents a non-local (pre-space), non-physical field of pure endeavor seeking purposeful forms and useful actions. All dynamical process and coherent structure in the universe is interconnected, interrelated, and interdependent because LOVE is first causal principle of agency in nature.

The essence of Love is to unify. All things in the universe attain relational holism through reciprocal union (which is a derivative or physical analog of Love).

A complete scientific theory of complexity and evolution will be based on Love. I realize that such a theory will startle the human frontal lobes. But both science and theology is ready for a major upheaval. This upheaval is the secret to the mystery behind the Lord's Second Coming and making all things "anew"!

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