

"Nothing Comes from Nothing" and Parmenides

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The idea that "nothing comes from nothing", as articulated by [Parmenides](#), first appears in [Aristotle's *Physics*](#):

τί δ' ἄν μιν καὶ χρέος ὤρσεν ὕστερον ἢ πρόσθεν, τοῦ μηδενὸς ἀρξάμενον, φύν;
οὕτως ἢ πάμπαν πελέναι χρεῶν ἔστιν ἢ οὐχί.

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The above, in a translation based on the [John Burnet](#) translation, appears as follows:

"Yet why would it be created later rather than sooner, if it came from nothing; so, it must either be created altogether or not [created at all]."