On Gödel’s General Philosophical Viewpoint

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Meine ph. Ansicht

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1. The world is rational.

2. Human reason can, in principal, be developed more highly (through certain specific techniques).

3. There is a systematic method for the solution of every problem (also art, etc.).

4. There are other worlds and rational beings of a different and higher kind.

5. The world in which we now live is not the only one in which we shall live or have lived.

6. There is incomparably more knowable *a priori* than is currently known.
7. The development of human thought since the Renaissance is thoroughly intelligible [durchaus einsichtige].

8. Reason in mankind will be developed in every direction.


10. Materialism is false.

11. The higher beings are connected to the others by analogy, not by composition.

12. Concepts have an objective existence.

13. There is a scientific (exact) philosophy and theology, which concern concepts of the highest abstractness; and this is also most highly fruitful for science.

14. Religions are, for the most part, bad — but religion is not.