Subject: Re: Proof God DOESN'T Exist Posted by Spoony on Sat, 02 May 2009 13:20:34 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Darkknight wrote on Sat, 02 May 2009 02:48I just love these topics. No one ever wins but yet both sides think they have all the answers and the other side is all wrong. No one ever wins? You either don't pay much attention or you can't admit defeat in an argument. Are you forgetting what happened last time?

First you rattled off some "arguments" against evolution. I don't claim to be a scientist, but it was remarkably easy to demonstrate that every single thing you said, without exception, was absolutely dead wrong. No one ever wins? Well, certainly one person lost.

Your next argument was the only one I've seen you offer in favour of Christianity - anyone want to guess what it was? That's right... a threat to me (albeit a fairly veiled one) of the punishment for disobedience.

Of course, this is actually an argument against Christianity, not for it; it shows not only that your religion is not capable of actually teaching you right from wrong, but also how feeble the belief is that it needs to be backed up by threats of horrific punishment (even worse than under, say, Stalin's Russia - he would certainly have you killed for disagreeing with him, but once you were dead he was more or less finished with you).

I replied pointing out the sheer evil of your statement, and laying out exactly why I am not a Christian and why your pathetic threats of punishment are not enough to make me subscribe to a belief system I see is immoral. The first time I answered the question, you made the bizarre response that I hadn't answered it. "no just answer the question!" This puzzled me no end, so I thought the only real solution was simply to repeat my post a second time. Then you actually had the decency to read it and conceded that you respected what I said. No one ever wins?

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So in a nutshell...

"No one ever wins" - well, if one side is capable of losing, like you've done each time so far, are you sure no one wins?

"Both sides think they have all the answers" - in my case, absolutely not. That's why I like science, which is simply the name for our continued process of understanding the world, the universe, and ourselves. Religion tries to do that too, it's just really really crap at it.

You are basically admitting that you DO think you have all the answers, although it doesn't really square with your track record. But then, I suppose someone who answered every question wrong in a test can still technically claim to've answered every question.

"and the other side is all wrong" - in your case, certainly, but only after carefully pointing out why.

Darkknight wrote on Sat, 02 May 2009 02:48My statement was a simple one. It wasn't to debate the existence of God.

Of course it wasn't. Like I said above, you've already tried selling Christianity to me. If you had anything good to say about it, you would've done so. You didn't, hence your sales pitch being a threat of punishment for disobedience.

Darkknight wrote on Sat, 02 May 2009 02:48I wasn't disputing anyone claiming to be God or a profit. I wasn't saying their couldn't be some nut job who thinks he's God or Christ. These two sentences do contradict each other somewhat. But, you aren't disputing the claim of, say, the Russian Tsars and the German Kaiser, both of whom claimed to be officially appointed by the Christian God. Between us they gave us World War One, a war which was not only destructive beyond anything previously seen, but was astonishingly pointless and un-necessary. If you are not disputing their claims to divine authority, you are passively conceding that Christianity shoulders responsibility.

Nor do you dispute the claim of the prophet Mohammed or of Joseph Smith (founder of LDS/Mormonism), both of whom claimed to be receiving revelations from the god you believe in. They were both more recent than the ones supposedly offered by Christ, therefore they supercede the earlier revelation (Christianity) in the same way that Christianity supercedes the yet earlier revelation (Judaism).

So, by simply not being a Muslim or a Mormon, you actually ARE disputing their claims. All these four revelations purport to come from the same god. In chronological order: Judaism > Christianity > Islam > Latter Day Saints. By not subscribing to the two more recent updates from the Christian God, you are passively disputing the two claims.

Darkknight wrote on Sat, 02 May 2009 02:48All I was saying is even if God showed up on earth and performed countless miracles you would still have people thinking some how its all a trick.

I was talking about if the God, the one that us believers believe in were to appear on this planet you would still have people in disbelief.

Well, even when you find out that every single thing you think you know about evolution is absolutely dead wrong, you don't retract your statements or admit you were incorrect. So, why not assume there are more people like yourself in the world?

You do realise that there is a straightforward reason why so many people doubt the existence of your god? Your statement implies that everyone just desperately wants not to believe what's right in front of them. The real reason is that there has never been any proof, nor any particularly convincing logical arguments, for this god's existence.