Subject: Re: don't ask don't tell Posted by Spoony on Thu, 13 Jan 2011 10:30:48 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

reborn wrote on Thu, 13 January 2011 02:49Spoony wrote on Thu, 13 January 2011 03:18 he doesn't appear to be in the predicament any more, and it sounds a little desperate to suggest that telling him that he has a good reason to think this and therefore it is not 'faith' is a dangerous thing to be saying.

I'm not so sure. Clearly in this case, it was the difference between life and death. and am i really the first person to point out that what made the difference was a hell of a lot stronger than religion would have us believe?

Quote:Perhaps you're right though, I just just wouldn't want to have to answer the question "So ok, you're right. Christianity is nothing more than lies based on lies and I clung to it because I was scared and desperately wanted to believe in something, because I cannot believe in myself. Now I know this is all rubbish, I still cannot believe in myself and my reason for living has been taken away, what do you think I should do now, because I'm on my way to Suicide cliff.".

the answer's in the question. it really would be sad if i had to point out to him that you have at least two reasons for living, reasons that are real and don't require faith.

Quote:Spoony wrote on Thu, 13 January 2011 03:18

like i said, some people may prefer a comforting lie to the cold truth. if the religion works for the guy and doesn't harm or try to harm others he's welcome to it; i hope it comforts him. have you actually read any of my comments on religion? it doesn't sound like it tbh

I have, and I do read your posts. It's why I was surprised to see you try to steer Carrier down a different trail of thought when he mentioned something quite touching. are you even reading this thread? didn't you see the part where i pointed out that what supposedly saved his life was a hell of a lot stronger than he's been conned into thinking it was?

Quote:The way I see your position on it is "If they keep that poison to themselves, you can shoot it up all day long. Just keep it away from the kids, and anyone else for that matter.". I hope the drug analogy was not lost.

It's poorly phrased.

Quote:Yeah I guess you're right. I can't argue with that and wouldn't want to.

I'm just saying that if there is no evidence of it, but they want to believe it and you start pointing out the fact that all the evidence points otherwise, in some situations you're not doing them any favours. Although you've displayed that you've grapsed what I am saying, so I am possibly rambling.

In your new thread you suggested that if there's no God then there's no meaning to life and it's all a waste of time.

If anything on this forum would be a dangerous idea to plant in the head of the guy with two children, it'd be that.

Quote:My entire point could probably be summed up with: "You don't have to fight every battle just because it's there, especially when your defense of "doing it for the right reasons" can sometimes fail you (or more importantly fail the person you're trying to "save" ("save" being a rather ironic word to choose I suppose)).". now you're rambling.

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