
Subject: Re: Questions I would like to pose to athiests
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Quote:Why do so many people feel the need to worship?

People believe in a God because they need something in life to hold on to. Things like Gods give them hope and make life just that much easier for them. People who believe in something higher always have the idea that there is someone who always listens to them and makes them feel good, because they always have someone with them who they "know" and trust.

Quote:If there is no signifigance to life, no meaning to it, you must reflect that life is nothing more than an experiance that will end, and therefor be a waste of time?

Life and death are still something we do not know much about. I have read a lot about these subjects, but there is no clear answer yet.

I have been baptized/holy communion etc. I grew up being a catholic, but I would rather call myself an atheist. I believe in an afterlife, but not in a so-called "heaven" or "hell". I am very confident that there are things around us, which we often call "ghosts" or "spirits", the souls of the deceased. But this has nothing to do with worshiping a god or religions. Life after death and the significance of life is a globally discussed subject.

First, the significance of life. While reading books and articles on the internet I encountered this question many times. There are many different answers to it, but the one that I found most interesting was the following: "We are (re)born with a purpose. We contribute to the world for our successors. We are born with a task to complete and to gain more experience to grow. Then, when we are reborn again, we will have more experience already and become a better, more successful person. When we have served our purpose about eight times you become an elderly spirit (the wisest of all) and you have lived eight human lives already. When that time is up, your spirit/soul will move to the astral world and you have the ability to travel between several dimensions. You are a free spirit that will (probably) never be reborn again. But remember that during the time on earth, you have shared your experience with much younger spirits and created a better world."

Now the life after death part. I have read a lot of stories on near-death-experiences, ghost encounters (apparitions) and more paranormal things (now don't laugh at me, it's just what I'm interested in). When my grandmother was in the hospital in a bad condition, in her dream (don't know if it was a dream/lucid dream or reality) she saw her husband (my grandfather), who told her to come to him, because he missed her so much. He wanted to be with her. A few days later my grandmother died, but before that, she told this story to my mother, who then told me the story about 6 months ago. This, for me, is enough proof that there is something after death. Also people with near-death-experiences. It cannot be a coincidence that everyone has the same experience when they are on the verge of life and death, it's impossible to be a coincidence.

There are even stories of people who had been blind for their entire life who had a near-death-experience. These people had never been able to see hospital equipment, but after they had a near-death-experience and found themselves floating over their dead bodies, they

could describe in detail what the room looked like, what the equipment looked like and even what the doctors looked like!

A friend of mine had a theory, which he thought would prove that there was life after death. This one: "On this very day, you still have memories of your childhood, last year's birthday party, holidays etc. Would it sound logical if this all ends when you are dead? All those well kept memories vanish, just like that."

A scientist would say that it's possible, because after death, there is no more brain activity. A paranormal person would say that it is not possible for those memories to vanish, because they are kept in the subconscious, which is the soul and not the brain (like scientists would say).

Now back to your questions. I understand that you want to have answers to your questions, but it would be better to ask your questions in a different way. Because the majority of them has nothing to do with religion, they are just commonly asked questions which can be answered by any random person, religious or not. I also suggest you start looking up articles or books on those subjects, compare the answers and draw your own conclusions, because the things you are asking for now, are nothing more than opinions.
