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proof of no god - posted by luckyd (), on: 2007/1/5 11:59

i believe in god but its just that people sometimes come up to me with questions that i cant always have an answer for... and i know we cant always answer everything but i am very interested in your opinions on this page and if you can answer some of the things that this person has put so that hopefully i could be able to answer other athiest...if anyone has time because i know its long

Re: proof of no god - posted by luckyd (), on: 2007/1/5 12:00

sorry i forgot to put the website... <http://exchristian.net/exchristian/2002/05/proof-that-there-is-no-god.php>

Quote:

Re: proof of no god - posted by JaySaved, on: 2007/1/5 13:55

The link did not work.

Re:, on: 2007/1/5 13:57

Try this:

<http://exchristian.net/exchristian/2002/05/proof-that-there-is-no-god.php>

Vain and Profane Babblings ... - posted by Rahman, on: 2007/1/5 14:18

Hi luckyd ...

i took time to find the article and didn't get very far in it because i've run into such type folk before ... This is the kind of "article" that irks me, and it's good i don't have the ability to call down fire from heaven (But i stand convicted by: Luke 9:51-56) ...

Anyhow awhile back i once worked with a jewish guy who primarily didn't believe in the existence of God for two reasons, the holocaust, and the fact that he was born with a hump in his upper back. He had nothing good to say about the religion he was brought up in, and less about the "fools" who believed ... But what really sent him on a tear were Christians ...

Needless to say i caught a lot of his grief because being young in the Lord when he attacked, i'd attack him back, and we'd go back and forth until one day Holy Spirit said something to the effect of, "He expends an awful lot of energy on Whom he says he doesn't even believe exists" ... i hit him with that the next chance i got, asking him why he was so biligerent toward disproving whom he said he didn't believe in anyway? ... To me atheist are not so much intent on disproving God's existence as they are on attacking and dissolving the faith of we who believe ... That's nothing but the devil! ... Our very faith is the evidence of "things" not seen, and it just sends shock waves thru their satanically inspired still dark pool of strong stagnant delusion ...

Anyway i broke off from arguing/debating with Hal and told him that i would continue to pray for his salvation, but my jab was to let him know that if he took his not accepting Jesus as his savior to his grave, that his destiny was to burn in the lake of fire forever, and that at the end of the age if God would allow i would visit him just once by peering over the edge of the abyss, calling out his name to get his attention, and say: I TOLD YOU SO! ...

In subsequent years i've learned to shake the dust off my sandals in reference to folk like athiest, or anyone else whose main gist is to disprove my God ... i tell them i'll pray for them that Holy Spirit (Who is the One that truly draws) if He's hearing it from heaven will change them from what i percieve as a vessel of wrath, into a vessel of mercy ... The

scriptures below explain why ...

1 COR. 1:

For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.

For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.

Where is the wise? where is the scribe? **where is the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?**

For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.

For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom:

But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness;

But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.

Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called:

But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;

And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:

That no flesh should glory in his presence.

But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:

That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.

1Tim.6

O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, **avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called:**

Which some professing have erred concerning the faith. Grace be with thee. Amen.

Below is a commentary on verse 20 in light of the website you listed being called: ExChristian ...

MATTHEW HENRY'S COMMENTARY:

<http://www.apostolic-churches.net/bible/mhc/MHC54006.HTM>

(4.) Here is a lesson for ministers in the charge given to Timothy: Keep that which is committed to thy trust. Every minister is a trustee, and it is a treasure committed to his trust, which he has to keep. The truths of God, the ordinances of God, keep these, avoiding profane and vain babblings; not affecting human eloquence, which the apostle calls vain babbling, or human learning, which often opposes the truths of God, but keep close to the written word, for that is committed to our trust. Some who have been very proud of their learning, their science, which is falsely so called, have by that been debauched in their principles and been drawn away from the faith of Christ, which is a good reason why we should keep to the plain word of the gospel, and resolve to live and die by that. Observe, Ministers cannot be too earnestly exhorted to keep what is committed to their trust, because it is a great trust lodged with them: O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust! as if he had said, "I cannot conclude without charging thee again; whatever thou doest, be sure to keep this trust, for it is too great a trust to be betrayed." **Ministers are to avoid babblings, if they would keep what is committed to them, because they are vain and profane. That science that opposes the truth of the gospel is falsely so called; it is not true science, for if it were it would approve of the gospel and consent to it. those who are for advancing reason above faith are in danger of leaving faith.**

In conclusion i find the article "profane and vain babbling", and all those with an affinity to such as having a reservation to a fiery eternity ... i tell them such, i pray for them, but i know longer get sucked into such debates ...

Blessings in Christ Jesus!

Re: Doesn't this make you weep?, on: 2007/1/5 14:24

I haven't read the article but in just looking over this site there are things that should cause us to weep! Encouragement for 'Ex-Christians'?!! :-? The more I glance over things on this site the more heartbreaking it is. These are souls lost and going to hell. They are so deceived. Is anyone else weeping over this? "Oh God, open their eyes, even as you opened mine."

I know this is kind of off the topic of what Luckyd brought up...but are we burdened for souls like these?

Re: - posted by NLONG (), on: 2007/1/5 14:43

"Ex-Christians" seems a bad title, maybe "Never-were-Christians" would be better. It's so funny to me that people make up grand-sounding long and intellectual words to make up things. Maybe this makes lying sound more credible. Didn't get far, lots of assumptions made and I usually can't get far beyond them.

Re: proof of no god, on: 2007/1/5 16:06

that is a sad sad website.

You know lucky D, this is a very brief time we have on earth, and I'll tell you what, if this life, HERE, was all there is, its pointless and futile.

But a heart that seeks, hears, sees, and perceives, can know the Truth, that Yahweh created us for more than just eating, sleeping, working, breeding, etc.

Much more. Its is the Spirit within us, the Holy Spirit that testifies to this truth, and you can talk, reason, argue with those that don't believe, and you might as well be talking to a wall. No mere human words can cut thru the morass of a person bound and wound with an unbelieving heart.

I once heard a story about a girl, who was weeping to a preacher man, in just abject misery, "I can't say that I love Jesus, I just can't!" and he told her, in your private moments, just keep saying to yourself, "Jesus loves me".

she did this, and the Holy Spirit testified in her heart to this truth, and I don't have to tell you the rest of that story, because you know it.

neil

I pray for them that made that site, May God have mercy on them.

Re: - posted by hmmhmm (), on: 2007/1/5 16:08

I often get a "feeling" that most people who say they are Christians actually have no idea what a Christian is, or should be like, not that we all are exactly the same in everything, but I think you get what I mean.

May the Lord in his mercy and grace and goodness show us the way to be a supernatural burning light in this dark world and let his holiness show from our life, that men and women may see his glory thru our supernatural walk in holiness in this filthy world, ohh that we would be more like him,

Real Christianity, we only have one life, what are we doing with it? I just get a bad feeling thinking about what are people going to say at the judgement seat? He not only gave us Christ, he gave us ALL things, ex-Christians, is there such a thing?

I don't believe so, who could cast away God once they were born of him? who could take his eyes of Jesus once they have seen him as he really is?

ex-Christians, its sad, who was it that said that he'd seen just as many carnal Christians as he had seen holy pagans,

I don't know what to do but pray, so let's all pray

Christian

Bro. Rahman - posted by dohzman (), on: 2007/1/5 16:17

Quote:
----- and that at the end of the age if God would allow i would visit him just once by peering over the edge of the abyss, calling out his name to get his attention, and say: I TOLD YOU SO! ...

I know I shouldn't laugh at this but your statement, unscriptural as it is, hit my funny bone! Bless you Brother.

Re: - posted by ChrisJD (), on: 2007/1/5 16:18

Hi Luckyd. I looked over the page you asked about and I think some or even all of the things there are covered at answersingenesis.org in some form or other.

You might also be interested in listening to the messages by Dr. A.E. Wilder-Smith for their inspiring content about design in the natural world.

(<https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/viewcat.php?cid104>) Dr. A.E. Wilder-Smith

Chris

Re: - posted by Rahman, on: 2007/1/5 17:01

Bro Daryl you wrote;
"I know I shouldn't laugh at this but your statement, unscriptural as it is, hit my funny bone! Bless you Brother."

--- Amen "unscriptural" is exactly what that was, thank God for His maturing ...

i repented to God about that later, tho i still have to watch out for anger about folk talking badly about Him ... That's why Luke 9:51-56 is such an important lesson ...

We've always gotta be cognizant of our "motivation" ...

Bless you too brother in this wonderful new year! --- :-D

Re:, on: 2007/1/5 17:41

Quote:

hmmhmm wrote:
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christian

I briefly read the founder of this website's 'anti-testimony', and I realized that this man tasted 'Christianity' as it is today and even in the past through studying the writings of Christians, but he never did taste Christ. He knew about Christ but never has known Christ. I can understand being disillusioned with Christianity. But disillusioned with Christ?

Amen to your words, brother Christian.

Re: proof of no god - posted by GaryE (), on: 2007/1/5 20:37

It seems to me that most athiest are people that have had something happen in his or her life that has hurt them so bad t hat they believe a good God wouldn't let that happen to them. A God that loved them wouldn't let that happen to them. I t is the revelation that God does love them and that the one he loved most had to be forsaken on the cross that can turn this around. All this evil is Satan's fault and the fact that the sin nature has made a curse on the human race. In all this Jesus has become a curse for us and some day all those that believe on him will have those tears of hurt wiped from the ir eyes.

Re: proof of no god - posted by beenblake (), on: 2007/1/5 22:52

Hey LuckyD,

If philosophical discussions and debates such as these interest you, then you should begin studying the field of Christian Apologetics. An excellent author to begin with is Ravi Zacharias.

As far as having answers, if indeed the Spirit of Christ is within you, then do not worry about having the right answers. Of fer your mind and thoughts to Jesus freely for His use. When the time comes, He will give you every word you need to s ay.

As for your request, I will try to help by providing some refuting arguments to His article. Though, as you said, it will be lo ng. I will break these up into the different sections the writer has established. You will need to read what the write wrote f irst, and then follow with my responses. Here goes:

The theodicÃ© problem

Indeed, the author's thinking is correct. God cannot be almighty if He is limited by any characteristic or trait. God is indee d greater than all things. Christ said, "All things are possible with God." This means God has no limitations. He is not eve n limited by good or evil.

However, God is good. So how can we say both? Quite obviously, because God chose to be good. He chose to limit Hi mself. The way God did this is by giving birth to a Son. In God's son is the embodiment of all that God is. In Hebrews 1:3 , it says that the son is "the exact representation of His nature." Though all things are possible for God, He chose His So n to be the representation of His nature.

The ontological evidence against gods

There are two reasons why God does not answer prayer, and why this reasoning fails. 1) A person prays to the wrong G od. 2) The person is not in a right relationship with God. If a person has wronged God, why should He answer?

If a person approaches the throne of God and has not been reconciled of sin, God would have no choice but to execute j ustice. When God does not answer a prayer, it is out of mercy.

The meaning of the word existence

God gives existence to all things. God is the unchangeable "I AM." However, everything else changes. Everything else is variable. Because God never changes and is always the same, everything else can have a basis for existence.

God has given of Himself to provide existence to all things. We exist because God exists. If God did not exist, what basi s would we have to exist? Could we even say that we exist?

Occam's razor

God is not merely the reason for all things, but a necessary reason. Many people in the field of science say that God is n ot a viable explanation. However, what many in science don't realize is that they need God or else science becomes obs

olete.

The entire basis of science is math, logic, and experimentation. A scientist studies the universe looking for explanations of how it works. What a scientist discovers is natural principles at work governing the universe. This natural order is measured in the language of mathematics. The entire universe follows this language.

Within the universe is a certain rational. The scientist goes about studying on this basis: that everything has a logical explanation. We can say everything has a logical explanation because the universe is based upon God's Word which is filled with wisdom (logic and reasoning).

If the universe were random, then we would not expect everything to have a logical explanation. Rather, everything would be random. A person may ask, why does an apple fall off a tree. In a random universe, the answer would be: "because it is random." However, science does not accept such a proposition. Science says, "There must be a reason. The reason is gravity."

And so, science needs God as the basis for all reason in the universe, or else science is obsolete. All things merely occur randomly.

Some things are impossible to do:

God set forth His Word to be the supreme authority governing all things. His Word bears wisdom. It has a particular logic that governs all things. We can easily see through science that all things follow a particular logic. This has been established by God's Word.

Indeed, there are things impossible to do. This is because God has established His Word as the supreme authority over all things. God's Word is absolute and does not change.

However, God is greater than His Word. His will always be greater than His Word. He is in control of His Word. This means that if God wants to walk on water, He can do so freely. He is the one in control. There is no contradiction here.

Omnipotence is impossible due to paradoxes

Free will is not free choice. God has given free will to men. However, God has not given men the freedom to do whatever they want. Inside, we may want to fly, however, does that mean we can fly?

Many people confuse free will with free action. We do not have free choice. We have free will. We have the freedom to believe whatever we want.

We would never notice god

Again, the problem here is that the author does not know about God's Son. God is above and beyond all things. He is greater space and time. Being this is true, how then can we know God? If God does interact with the world, like he says, then God would change all things, not one thing.

God gave birth to a Son. This Son is the image of God. Through this Son, we may know God and interact with God.

As far as prayer is concerned, the author doesn't know the purpose of prayer. We do not pray to God in order to influence God. God does not change and if He changed according to our desire, the world would be evil just as we are evil. Rather, prayer is about being united with God as one. When we pray, we are to pray "in the name" of Christ. When we pray, we are sharing in the person of God. We are sharing in all that God is. We are asking God for things He has already planned on giving us. However, He desires that we be a contributor so that we might have faith in Him.

The author says, "Do it yourself." However, this is an ignorant statement. The author is telling people to act in ignorance. God knows all things. We only know what we see through our narrow vision. We cannot possibly know all the ramifications of our actions. However, if we pray to God and allow God to work in us, then God can control us. This means our actions will be based upon God who is supremely good and knows all things. However, if we act independently of God, then we will most likely cause harm. Hence, why the earth is suffering from things like global warming. The earth is dying because humans have acted independently relying on themselves rather than God.

Nobody really believes in god

Faith that is blind is no faith at all. When we are a child, we might believe in Santa Claus waiting all night for him to come. When he doesn't show, we realize our faith was false. As such, we never had faith to begin with.

My faith is not dependent on me. In many religions, people believe in God because they believe. Their faith is dependent on them. Just like the child who believed in Santa Claus. All faith needs to have evidence. Even the writer of Hebrews said in verse 11:1, "Faith is the evidence of things unseen." True faith is not blind. True faith has evidence.

The Christian faith is based upon a God who saves His people from their sins. The work of Christ in the lives of sinners is the evidence for faith. When we call out to Jesus to save us from our sins, and He does save us, then our faith is proven.

My faith is proven. When I called upon Christ to save me, He saved me. I was a smoker, drinker, fornicator, blasphemer and more. I was suicidal and depressed. Christ changed me. I no longer do any of those things because Jesus saved me.

Epilogue

There is reasonable cause to believe in God. In fact, it is more reasonable to believe in God. Anyone who says there is no God will have to face death. There is no atheists in fox holes.

For anyone to say there is no God is only foolishness. A person says there is no God because they want to be in control of themselves. They want to be their own God. They don't want to be saved. They like their sins. They want to do things their own way, not God's way. And sadly, they will realize that God has reserved a place for them where they will be independent of God.

If anyone wants a reasonable cause to believe in Jesus Christ, look at the condition of humanity. We need help. We need a savior. We are hopeless. We need a God who can redeem us and make us new.

These are some short and quick answers. I hope they help.

In love,
Your brother in Christ,

Blake

Re:, on: 2007/1/6 2:05

I approached faith intellectually for years. I visited many "creationist" websites in an effort to harmonize Genesis with what I'd learned in Earth and Atmospheric sciences and Biology... eg, the trilobites I'd found thousands of feet above sea level in the Rockies... the dinosaurs I'd seen in museums...

I read many apologetic works like "The Problem of Evil" to find out why God made the Universe the way He did. If death entered the world after Adam and Eve sinned, does that mean that lions weren't carnivores in the Garden of Eden? Did canine teeth develop after The Fall, etc...?

My major in Uni was Philosophy, and I aced logic, so it's hard to "turn off" the questions and doubts. But the promptings of the Spirit, and the religious experience, are so very real, so absolutely penetratingly real, that I'm inclined to defer my questions and doubts to the Spirit - and just say "no comment".

Someone, somewhere in the Bible (anyone know where?) said: "he sends them strong delusions that they might believe a lie". If this is the case, and these "delusions" are so convincing that "even the elect might be deceived"... who can be sure whether the geologic record and fossils weren't prepared aforetime to test the faithful?

We're compelled to preach the gospel - not to imagine scenarios where Noah lived alongside dinosaurs. If you know, let your "yea be yea". If you don't, let "nay be nay". Because "anything more than this cometh of evil"

I suggest not trying to "prove" you're "right" by studying lots of apologetic theories. Live righteously and be an example of Holiness, preach the Gospel to those who will listen (because when they're called, they'll listen), walk away from those who won't ("remember Lot's wife"), and let the Holy Spirit do His work.

Just a thought.

-Corey

Re: - posted by deathdancer (), on: 2007/1/6 4:06

Hi ..you might try Isaiah 66:4 and also Job 28. The more we know the less we know. I too have a mind that accepts nothing on face value. This has been a blessing and my prayer has always been that I am not fooled by others or myself. The bible is a logical book and perfectly explainable. The problem is that we know too little.

Go well.

Re: - posted by hisremnant, on: 2007/1/6 8:00

Praise Jesus!!

Here's scripture Corey H

2th 2:10 and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

2th 2:11 And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie,

2th 2:12 that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Blessings His servant Rich

Matthew 4:17

Re:, on: 2007/1/6 18:05

Thanks Rich!!!