Subject: Re: Protests over a cartoon... wtf. Posted by warranto on Tue, 13 Jun 2006 18:53:35 GMT

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Except that verbal stories told though the generations tend to lose their effect.

Remember the children's rhyme "Ring around the rosy"? That is a perfect example of something starting out as a story about the plague, turning into a childrens game, with no knowledge of its origin.

The believers don't really need it, as they already know about it. What about those who currently don't believe? There would be nothing for them to reference to, except for the times that they happen to go to the respective religion's church for instruction.

And of couse, that leave everything up to an individuals interpretation of what is correct. On a side note, this is also why laws are codified, and not simply left to the established precidents. Something written down has a lot more restrictions to its interpretation than one where there is no hard copy to reference.