Subject: Re: Proof God DOESN'T Exist

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I've never quite understood what belief in God has to do with belief in life after death. Care to explain that?

Considering that I don't believe in God, yet I do believe in an afterlife, that seems somewhat inconsistent with reality from my perspective.

edit Quote:how the hell do names have to do with religion?

Many names have religious significance in their meaning- we look at names today as simple identifiers, but once upon a time names were meant to describe a person as well as identify them. A person might have been named "Michael" (meaning "who is like God") would be assumed to be a person of great faith, someone close to God. Even most of those names which today do not have a direct translation are in fact derived from earlier words and phrases that were corrupted and changed over time by mistranslation/mispronunciation.

For example, "Tsar" and "Kaiser," the titles of the Russian and German rulers in the early 1900s, were both derived from "Caesar"- which was the name of Rome's first emperor and thereafter the title of every Roman emperor following, passed on to other cultures trough Rome's tremendous influence on the Western world.

Another great example is "Jesus"- which is actually a mispronunciation of a mistranslation of the Aramaic form of what is today the name "Joshua."

So, actually, names have quite a bit to do with religion. Along with quite a lot of other significant things throughout recorded history.