
Subject: Re: Catholic adoption agencies and homosexuality

Posted by [Altzan](#) on Fri, 07 May 2010 04:36:34 GMT

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Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16 then here's another critique of the religion that's been inflicted on you... it's made you not appreciate and value everything that's actually real.

If there was an afterlife, and it's composed exactly the way the Bible describes, I'd be puzzled to understand how it ultimately holds less priority than this life.

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16 the general question is pretty straightforward.

Ok, then I'll try to -

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16 just can't bring themselves to believe any of this crap

Ah. Never mind then.

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16 k. so if i proposed that all the undeserved, undemocratic privileges currently enjoyed by religion are removed, you'd be on my side?

Yes.

As I have stated before, I am AGAINST religion taking such a position of power over people's lives who do not wish to be a part of such.

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16 how can you say a rejection of theism based on its extreme improbability and lack of any evidence (not to mention moral objections) is "not atheism"?

OK, bad wording on my part, since the loose definition of atheism is "denies the existence of (a) god". A skeptic is one who admits there is a possibility, but requires more proof/evidence to make such an assumption.

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16 nice dodge. you started off on a bullshit assumption, i.e. that everything is mind or matter.

Go ahead, explain how it's bullshit...

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16 show me that there is, or has ever been, a mind that is not also based on matter, otherwise your entire line of reasoning falls apart.

To do that, I'd probably have to point out a mind even slightly capable of performing feats that God has, which in turn would help prove a diety's existence, which in turn would prevent this type of discussion from even happening...

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16 Quote: Spoony wrote on Sun, 02 May 2010 09:00 Quote: Logically, it is a statement. It is either true or false. I asked you which you think it is. If you refuse to answer and give no reason other than "I don't accept that this is a yes-no question" then you are indeed evading it.

When did I refuse to answer? I said I wouldn't have phrased it like that.
Well, if you hesitate to throw your opinion to either choice, then rephrase it to how you think it is, don't avoid it altogether.
moving the goalposts again.

OK, I'll leave it at that, then. Thanks for showing me an easy way to evade questions, I might give it a go later on.

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16you stupid, stupid son of a bitch.

Thus lowering my respect for your viewpoints down another couple of notches.
AFAIK, the only reason why you'd both insult me and try to reason with me is that you're not actually interested in changing my opinion or educating me - you're just trying to disprove me and increase your reputation among the community. If that's the case, we might as well stop now, because I don't give a damn about that. I'd like to learn about the other viewpoints and arguments in this field/topic.

Starbuzz seems interested in this as well, which is why I have yet to raise a serious qualm with him directly.

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16i have always thought, and said, that it is fiction.

I know that. Brain-dead trolls could understand it at this point.

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16you ask why isn't god intervening in the world? DUH, BECAUSE THE STORY IS MADE UP. that's the simple answer to your question.

Uh-huh. As soon as I get a good reason to believe it, I will.

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16there is a god, but since jesus, he hasn't been intervening in the world, even though there's nothing in the bible that says he would stop doing that

Learn to read?

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16and even though the STAGGERING majority of christians in the world think the opposite"

Many also think that faith alone will save you, when there are countless verses that say otherwise.

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16you said god isn't intervening in the modern world. i think taking someone once they're dead, "judging" them (as if his supposed character could have any credibility to do that), and sending them to be tortured for ever counts as intervening. if that DOESN'T count as intervening, then god is doing nothing about the evil in the world. someone murders your parents? god won't do anything about it.

MODERN WORLD. God isn't judging people right now, he's not judging them while the earth remains. When Judgement comes, said murderers would be in trouble since God will then "intervene".

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16Quote:Spoony wrote on Sun, 02 May 2010 09:00I can give you better alternatives to most parts of Christianity.

The rape rule, for example. I think a better alternative is to lock the rapist up and offer some kind of counseling to the victim if she needs it. Either way she shouldn't ever have to look at him again. The doctrine of forgiveness, the idea that your sins can be forgiven if you believe something (seriously, what the fuck? how can something so ridiculous be so widespread?). Better alternative. You do something wrong? Apologise to the people you affected, do what you can to rectify the situation, and resolve to behave better next time.

Any other alternatives you want?

This is still tearing at my boat, so to speak... as if you were giving your opinion on how you would have built it.

Doesn't help much.

you said atheists aren't giving you alternatives to christianity. i'm giving you much better alternatives to what your religion says.

Alternatives to some of it, anyway.

Spoony wrote on Wed, 05 May 2010 08:16Quote:Spoony wrote on Sun, 02 May 2010 09:00Quote:God didn't create himself, he was never created. He is eternal

How do you know that?

I never said I 'knew' it. Belief, remember?

I believe the Bible, and the Bible says God was already there 'in the Beginning'.
what a cop-out.

Yeah, because stating my opinion is a cop-out, sure.
