

---

Subject: Re: A psychological question: "choose to believe"

Posted by [shippo](#) on Sat, 26 Feb 2011 00:35:15 GMT

[View Forum Message](#) <> [Reply to Message](#)

---

Spoony wrote on Fri, 25 February 2011 09:06 Given that the rest of us can't

? what do you mean when you say "the rest of us can't"?

The rest of you can't chose to believe in someting?

Spoony wrote on Fri, 25 February 2011 09:06 Given that the rest of us can't, does this make you reconsider the fact we'll be punished for not being the right religion?

Nope

Spoony wrote on Fri, 25 February 2011 09:06

If you don't object to the fact that this negates the whole concept of freedom of religion, and if you don't object to the fact it's torture, do you at least object to the fact that we're being threatened unless we do something we can't do?

who is doing the threatening? do you mean God?

@snpr1101

snpr1101 wrote on Fri, 25 February 2011 17:33So can somebody choose to believe? They probably could with the right environment. I realize it may sound like you can be forced into believing; which probably isn't a bad description. But at the end of the day, you make the decision with the stimuli you have.

sounds reasonable, but what about this:

I am a Corpsman in the US Navy, I am a christian, and yet I am surrounded by 90% non christians. how does that work?

---