Twelve Points that Show Christianity is True

- Truth about reality is knowable.
- The opposite of true is false.
- 3. It is true that the theistic God exists.
- 4. If God exists then miracles are possible.
- 5. Miracles can be used to confirm a message from God.
- 6. The New Testament is historically reliable.
- 7. The New Testament says Jesus claimed to be God.
- 8. Jesus' claim to be God was miraculously confirmed by:
 - a. His fulfillment of many prophecies;
 - b. His sinless and miraculous life;
 - c. His prediction and accomplishment of His resurrection
- 9. Therefore, Jesus is God.
- 10. Whatever Jesus (who is God) teaches is true.
- 11. Jesus taught that the Bible is the Word of God.
- Therefore, it is true that the Bible is the Word of God (and anything opposed to it is false).

Atheism: The Old and the New

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The Importance of God's Existence

Everything we believe is based on it:

- A. The Bible is the Word of God
- B. Christ is the Son of God
- C. The Resurrection is an Act of God
- D. Salvation is the Work of God

Note: Little wonder the Bible begins--

"In the beginning God...." (Gen. 1:1)

If this verse is true, then everything else in the Bible is credible.

If it is not true, then nothing else is credible.

Introduction: What is an Atheist?

An Atheist: Someone who does not believe there is a God (which includes agnostics and skeptics).

Strong Atheist: Denies there is a God.

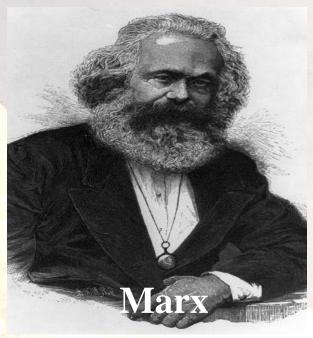
Agnostic: Doesn't know if there is a God.

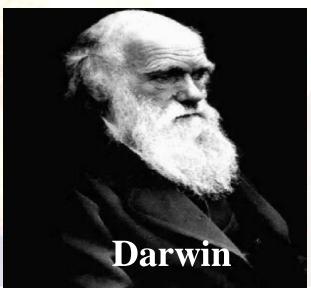
Skeptic: Doubts there is a God.

All: Do not believe there is a God.

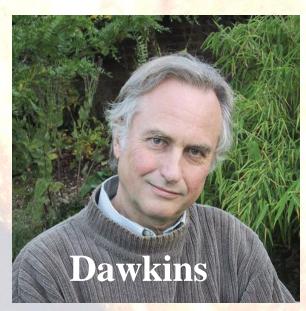
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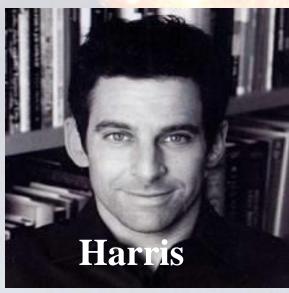






New Atheism: Four Horsemen









Some of the New Atheists

Richard Dawkins, The God Delusion.

Daniel Dennet, Breaking the Spell: Religion as a Natural Phenomenon.

Sam Harris, The End of Faith and Letter to a Christian Nation.

Christopher Hitchens, God is not Great.

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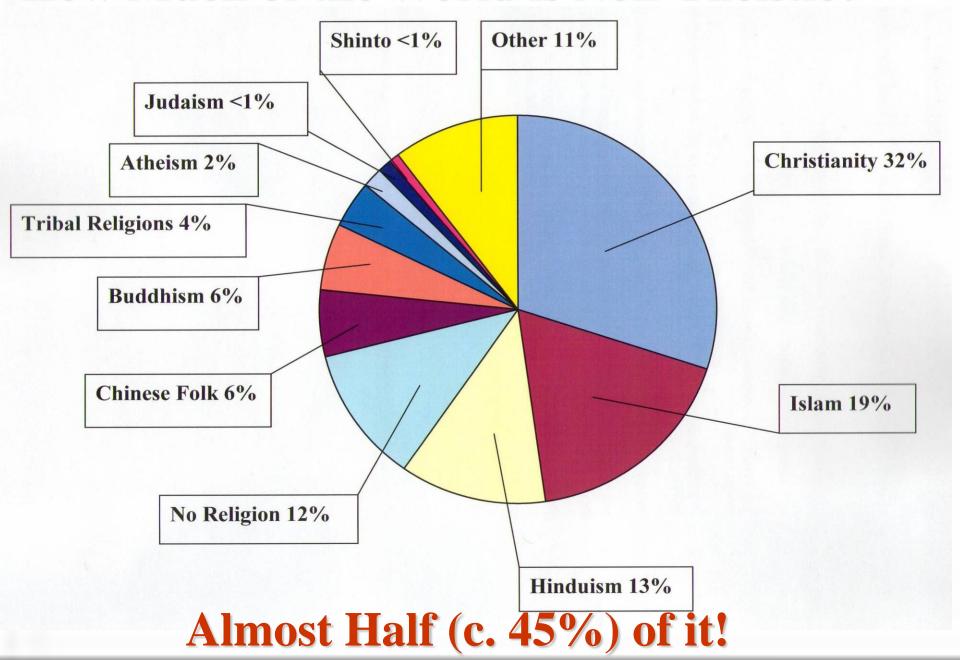
Michael Shermer, editor of Skeptic magazine.

	Old Atheism	New Atheism
Tone	Critical	Shrill
Genre	Logical	Satirical
Source of Religion	Psychological	Biological
Results of Religion	Philosophical Errors	Social Evils
End of Religion	Only a Short Time	Taking too Long
An After Life	Fruitless Fantasy	Dangerous Delusion
Place in Culture	Cultural Heretics	Media Stars

How Many Atheist are There?

- A. Many Buddhists are Atheists.
- B. Most Secular Humanists are Atheists.
- C. All Marxists are Atheists.
- D. 5% of Americans are atheists.
- E. 30% of English are atheists.
- F. 60% of Swedes are atheists.
- G. 80% of Russians are atheists.

How Much of the World is Non-Theistic?



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A Church for Atheists! is COD KEEPING YOU FROM GOING TO CHURCH?

aybe you're uncomfortable with the idea of God — or at least someone else's idea of God. Yet maybe you yearn for a loving, spiritual community where you can be inspired and encouraged as you search for your own truth and meaning. This is a church, you ask? Welcome to Unitarian Universalism.



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Can Atheists Live without God? I. Atheists Say They Can II. The Bible Says They Can't III. What Does the Evidence Show?

"Man Can't Live by Bread Alone" (Matthew 4:4)

- 1. Meaning in Context: It is better to obey God's Word than to satisfy human desires.
- 2. Broader Application:
 - a. Humans can't live by physical food alone; they need spiritual sustenance.
 - b. No one can live without God.

Outline

I. Atheists Say They Can
II. The Bible Says They Can't
III. What Does the Evidence
Show?

II. The Bible Says They Can't

- David Said: "The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament shows His handiwork" (Psa. 19:1).
- Paul Said: "Since the creation of the world His [God's] invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made...so that they are without excuse" (Rom. 1:20).
- Jesus Said: "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God" (Mt. 4:4).

III. What Is The Evidence?

The Main Point: Atheists say with their lips that they do not believe there is a God, but they show with their lives that there is a God.

What they Say: "The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God'" (Psa. 14:1).

What they show: There is a God:

"For when Gentiles, who do not have the law, by nature do the things contained in the law...they <u>show</u> the work of the law written in their hearts..." (Rom. 2:15-15).

Man Can't Live Without God

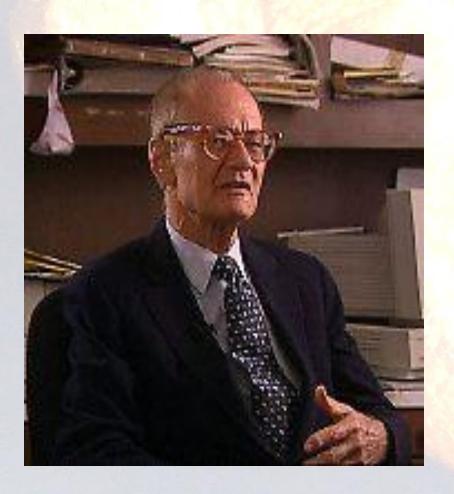
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- C. Psychologically
- D. Religiously

A. Logically

The World had a Beginning

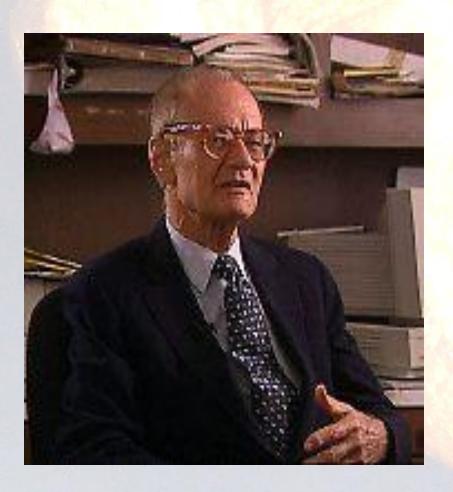
- 1. Everything that begins had a cause.
- 2. The universe had a beginning.
- 3. Therefore, the universe had a Cause.

An Agnostic Astronomer

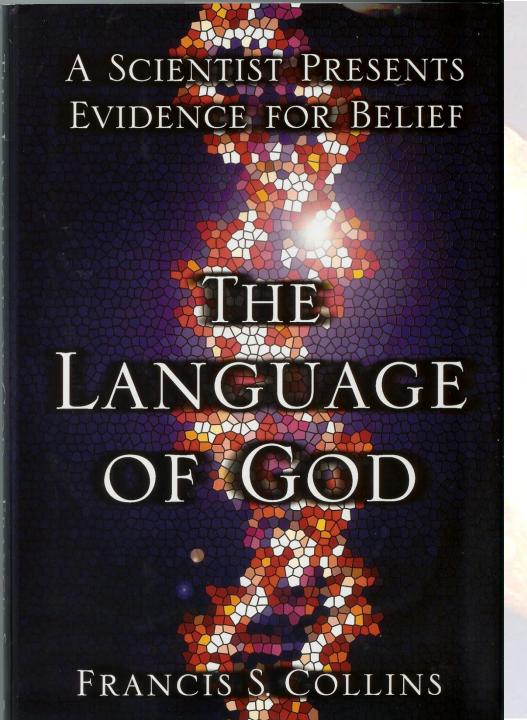


"Now we see how the astronomical evidence leads to a biblical view of the origin of the world.... The chain of events leading to man commence suddenly and sharply at a definite moment in time, in a flash of light and energy" (God and the Astronomers, 14).

An Agnostic Astronomer



"That there are what I or anyone would call supernatural forces at work is now, I think, a scientifically proven fact" (Robert Jastrow in **Christianity Today** [8/6/83],15).



Former Atheist:

"The Big Bang cries out for a divine explanation. It forces us to the conclusion that nature had a definite beginning. I cannot see how nature could have created itself. Only a supernatural force that is outside of space and time could have done that" (p. 67).

The Universe is Designed

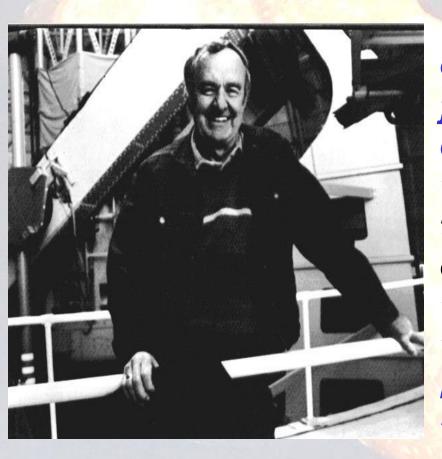
- 1. Every complex design has a designer.
- 2. The world has complex design.
- 3. Therefore, the world has a Designer.

Which Is a More Complex Design?

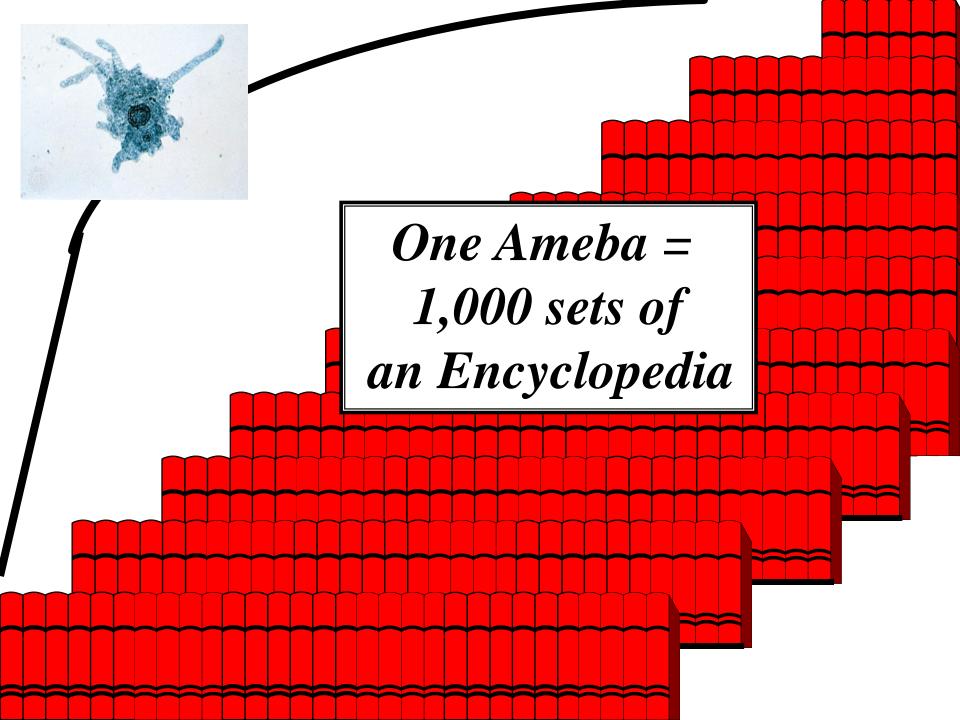




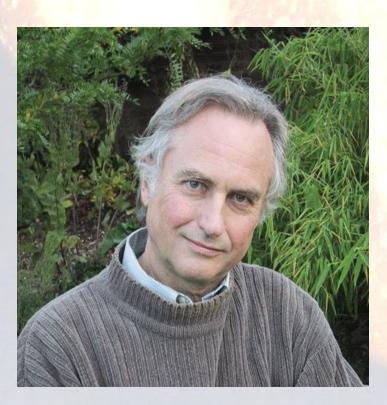
Former Atheist: Alan Sandage



"The world is too complicated in all of its parts to be due to chance alone. I am convinced that the existence of life with all its order in each of its organisms is simply too well put together The more one learns of biochemistry the more unbelievable it becomes unless there is some kind of organizing principle-an architect for believers" (Truth [1985], 54).

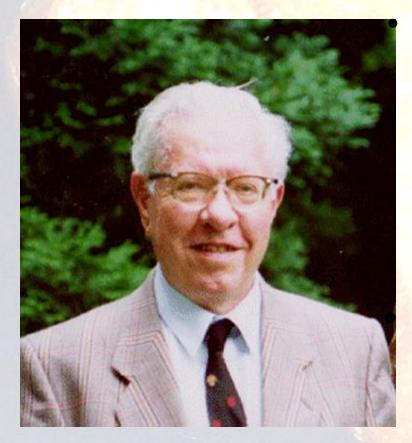


Atheist Richard Dawkins



In his book *The Blind*Watchmaker, "Biology is
the study of complicated
things that give the
appearance of having
been designed for a
purpose."

Former Atheist: Life is Designed



Sir Fred Hoyle

"Biochemical systems are exceedingly complex, so much so that the chance of their being formed through random shuffling is...insensibly different from zero."

"There must be "...an intelligence, which designed the biochemicals and gave rise to the origin of carbonaceous life" (Evolution from Space, 3, 143).

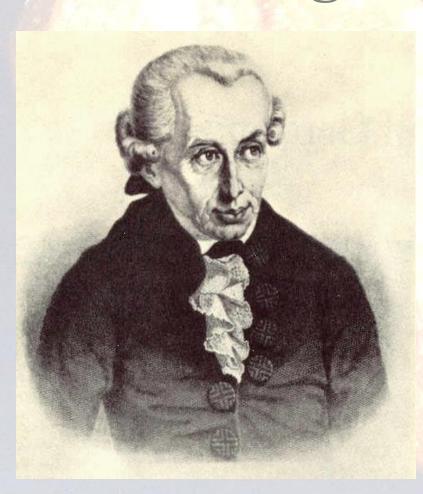
Intelligent Design



"The conclusion of intelligent design flows naturally from the data itself.... Life on earth at its most fundamental level, in its most critical

components, is the product of intelligent activity" (Michael Behe, Darwin's Black Box, 193).

A Great Agnostic Believes in God



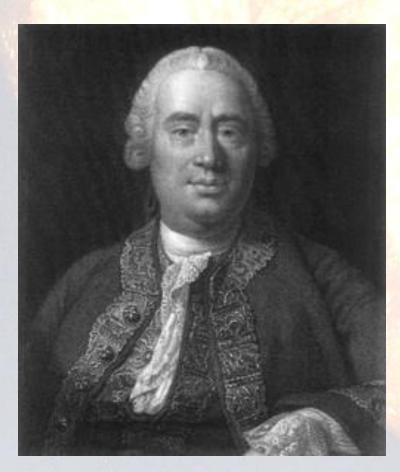
Immanuel Kant

"Two things fill the mind with ever new and increasing admiration and awe, the oftener and more steadily we reflect on them: the starry heaven above and the moral law within me" (Critique of Practical Reason, 166).

Other Atheists Have Other Names for God Such As—

"Nature"
"The Cosmos"
"The Higher Self"
"The Unconscious"

Great Skeptic has God-Substitute



David Hume (1711-1776)

He spoke of "Nature" as a Person and Mind with ultimate "rights" (335) and "secrets" (328), which "throws a bar" to our presumpt ions (350), has pointed" to a wise course, and "admonished" us to follow it (Enquiry, 310).

Carl Sagan's Religion



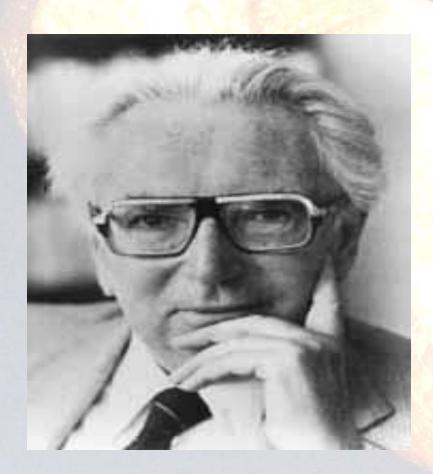
He didn't believe in God but--

He believed the COSMOS is our Creator (Cosmos, 5).

He believed the COSMOS is our Savior (Broca's Brain, 275).

He worshipped the "COSMOS" (Cosmos, 243).

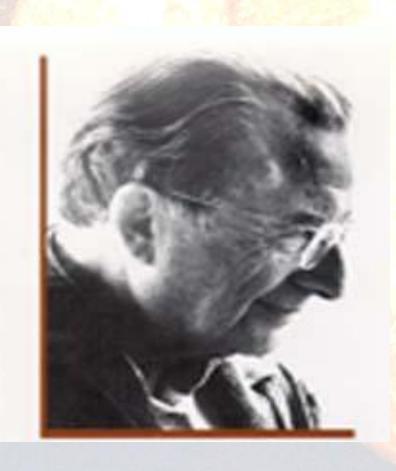
Victor Frankl: All Seek God



"Man has always stood in an intentional relation to transcend-ence, even if only on an unconscious level."

In this sense, all men seek the "Unconscious God" (Victor Frankl, The Unconscious God).

Eric Fromm (d. 1980)



He denied a theistic God, but--He affirmed a humanist religion.

He used the name "God" for his object of devotion to the whole of Humanity.

(Psychoanalysis and Religion, 49, 54, 87).

Famous Atheist Comes to God

THERE IS WO GOD

How the world's

most notorious atheist

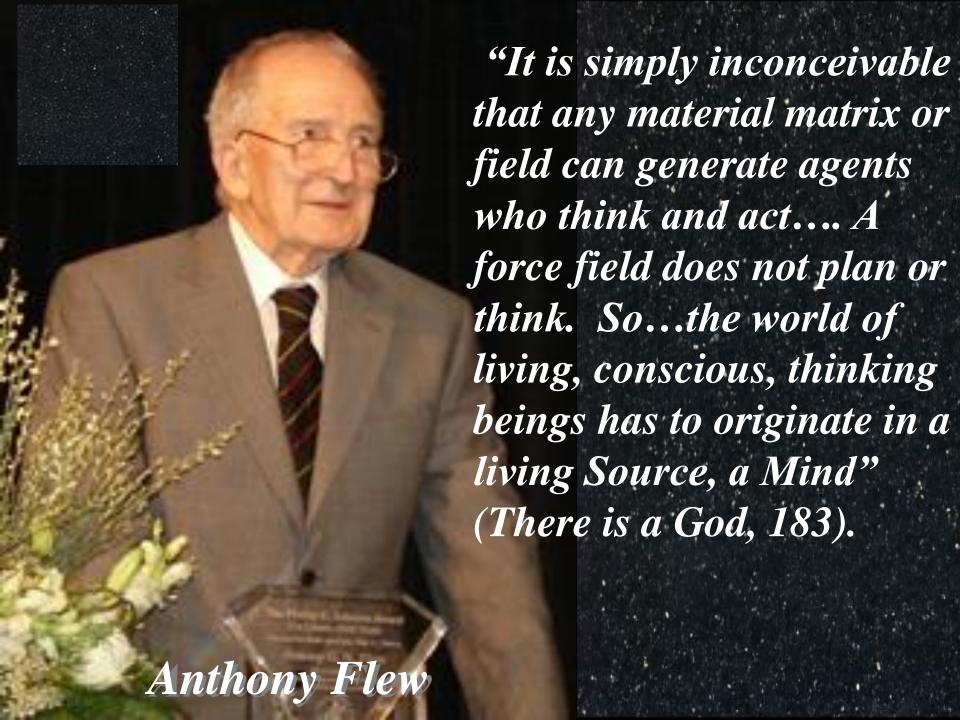
changed his mind

"Towering and courageous.... Flew's colleagues in the church of fundamentalist atheism will be scandalized." —Francis S. Collins, author of *The Language of God*

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with ROY ABRAHAM VARGHESE

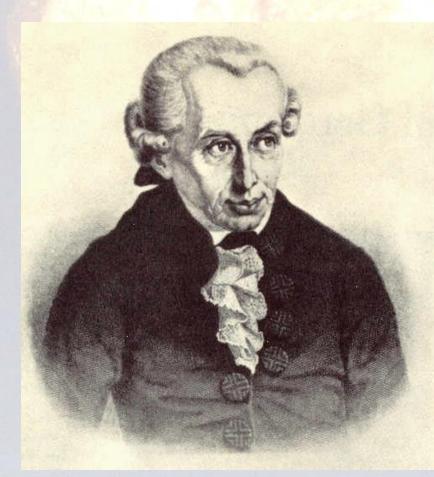
"Nor do I claim to have had any personal experience of God or any experience that may be called supernatural or miraculous. In short, my discovery of the divine has been a pilgrimage of reason and not of faith" (p. 93).



Man Can't Live Without God

- A. Logically
- B. Morally
 - 1. Every moral law has a lawgiver.
 - 2. There is an objective moral law.
 - 3. Hence, there is a Moral Law Giver.

Moral Law Demands God



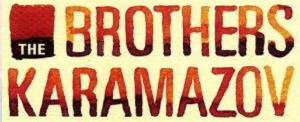
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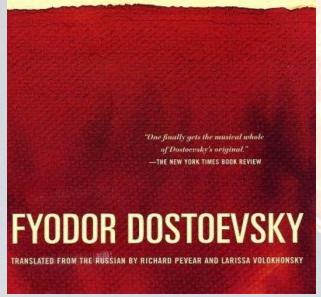
Kant held an absolute moral law--He said we should always treat others as ends, not as a means to an end.

We should never do what we can't will that all should do.

Hence, it is necessary to posit God to make sense out of our moral duty (Critique of Practical Reason, 130).

All Absolute Value Died with God





"Without God and the future life? How will man be after that? It means everything is permitted now" (The Brothers Karamazov (NY: Vintage, 1991), 589

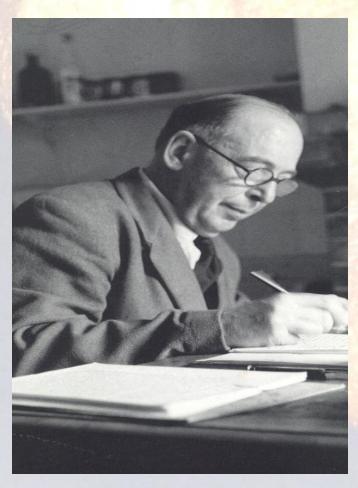
Nothing left in Heaven, No Right or Wrong



[Without you, God] "I knew myself alone, utterly alone in the midst of this well-meaning little universe of yours. I was like a man who's lost his shadow. And there was nothing left in heaven, no right or wrong, nor anyone to give me orders." (The Flies, 121-122 in

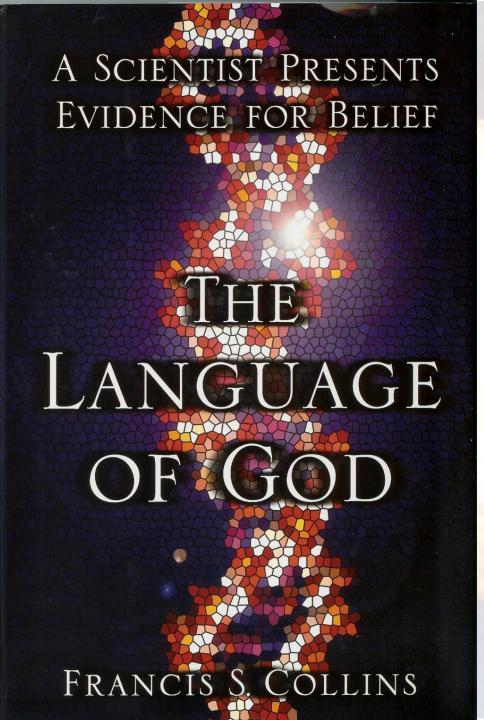
Jean Paul Sartre (1905-80) No Exit and Three Other Plays)

Even Atheists have Moral Law



C. S. Lewis

"[As an atheist] my argument against God was that the universe seemed so cruel and unjust. But how had I got this idea of just and unjust? A man does not call a line crooked unless he has some idea of a straight line" (Mere Christianity, 45).



Former Atheist:

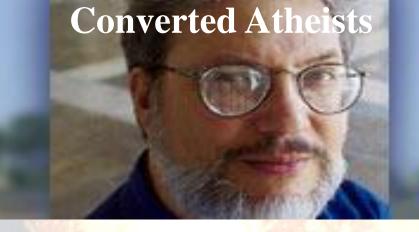
"After twenty eight years as a believer, the **Moral Law still stands** out for me as the strongest signpost to God. More than that, it points to a God who cares about human beings, and a God who is infinitely good and holy" (p. 218).

Moral Principles of Atheists

We have a moral obligation to...

- 1. Respect human beings.
- 2. Respect human freedom.
- 3. Reject racism and bigotry.
- 4. Tolerate other beliefs.
- 5. Promote peace and justice.

But there is no law without a Law Giver!



BBJECTIONS, BBSTACLES, ACCEPTANCE

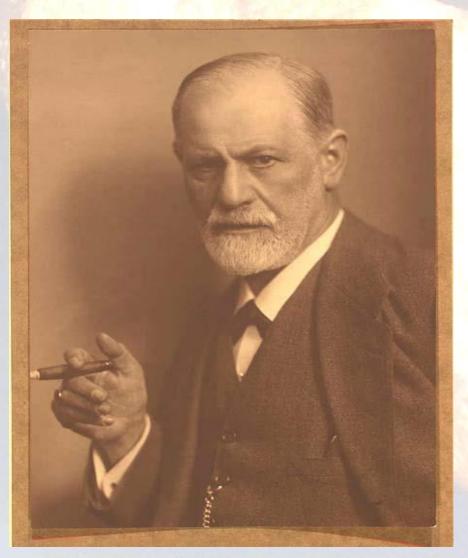
An interview with J. Budziszewski

"What actually led me back was a growing intuition that my condition was objectively evil.... Evil is deficiency in good; there is no such thing as an evil "substance," an evil-initself. So if my condition really was evil, there had to be some good of which my condition was the ruination.... I had been so wrong, for so long, so profoundly, that it seemed that almost anything might be true-even the faith that I had abandoned" (Ignatius Press, 2006).

Man Can't Live Without God

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- C. Psychologically

Atheist Says Belief in God is an Illusion



"What is characteristic of illusions is that they are derived from human wishes." As for "religious doctrines," "all of them are illusions and insusceptible of proof" (The Future of an Illusion, 49-50).

Sigmund Freud (1856-1939)

C. Psychologically

- 1. Everyone really needs God.
- 2. What we really need, really exists.
- 3. Therefore, God really exists.

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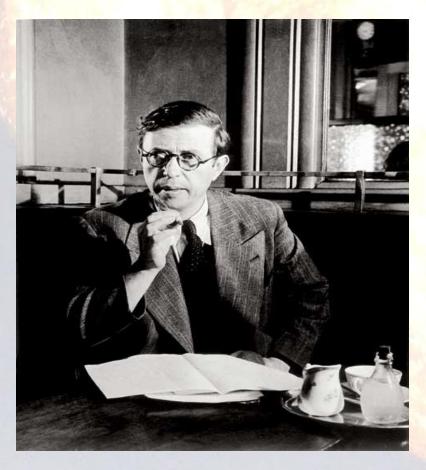
- 1. Everyone doesn't get everything they want (e. g., a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow).
- 2. Everyone doesn't get everything they need (people die of thirst and hunger).
- 3. But what we really need, really exists (e. g., water, food, and God).

Former Atheist Francis Collins



"Why would such a universal and uniquely human hunger [for God] exist, if it were not connected to some opportunity for fulfillment?... Creatures are not born with desires unless satisfaction for those desires exists. A baby feels hunger: well, there is such a thing as food. A duckling wants to swim: well there is such a thing as water" (The Language of God, 38).

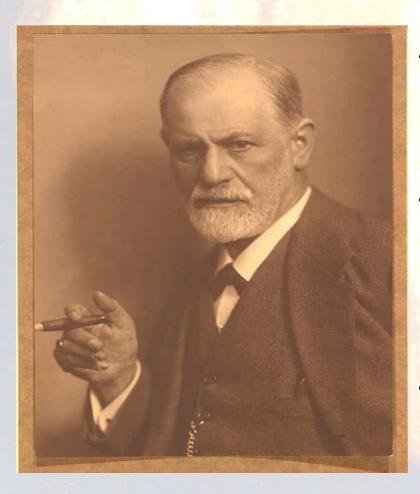
Atheist Admitted His Need for God



Jean Paul Sartre (1905-1980)

"I needed God.... I reached out for religion, I longed for it, it was the remedy. Had it been denied me, I would have invented it myself" (Words, 102, 97).

Sigmund Freud's "God"



He admitted "it would be very nice if there were a God...."

He admitted "a sense of man's insignificance or impotence in the face of the universe."

He refers to "our God Logos [Reason]..." (The Future of an Illusion, 52, 88).

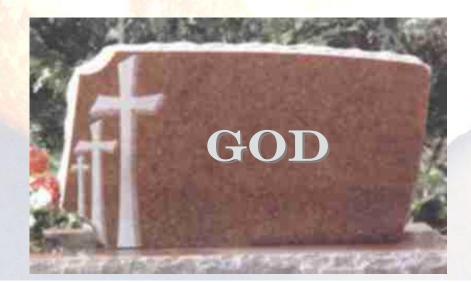
FAITH The **Psychology** of Atheism THE **Paul C.Vitz** FATHERLESS

"Nowhere did Freud publish a psychoanalysis of the belief in God based on clinical evidence provided by a believing patient.... Instead, there is now much research showing that a religious life is associated with greater physical health and psychological wellbeing" (pp. 9-10).

Friedrich Nietzsche 1844-1900



"God is dead. God remains dead. And we have killed him. How shall we, the murderers of all murderers, comfort ourselves?" ("The Madman" in Gay Science, 125).



Friedrich Nietzsche 1844-1900



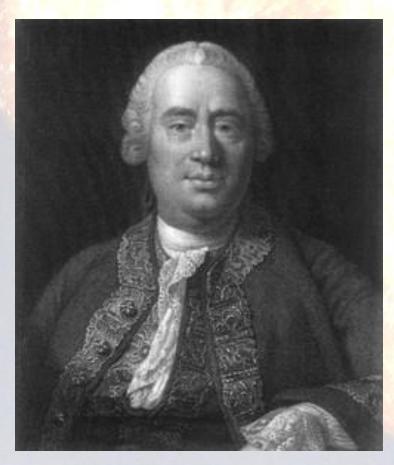
"I hold up before myself the images of Dante and Spinoza, who were better at accepting the lot of solitude. Of course, their way of thinking, compared to mine, was one which made solitude bearable; and in the end, for all those who somehow still had a "God" for company.... My life now consists in the wish that it might be otherwise ...and that somebody might make my "truths" appear incredible to me...." (Letter to Overbeck, 7/2/1865)

Nietzsche: To an "Unknown God"



"Thou lightening-shrouded one! Unknown one! Speak. What wilt thou, unknowngod?... Do come back With all thy tortures! To the last of all that are lonely, Oh, come back!... And my heart's final flame--Flares up for thee! Oh, come back, My unknown god! My pain! My last-happiness!" (Thus Spoke Zarathustra, Part Four, "the Magician")

Hume Couldn't Live His Skepticism



David Hume (d. 1776)

"Most fortunately it happens, that since reason is incapable of dispelling these clouds [of doubt], nature herself suffices to that purpose, and cures me of the philosophical melancholy and delirium..." (A Treatise on Human Nature 1.4.7).

Hume Couldn't Live His Skepticism

"I dine, I play a game of backgammon, I converse ...; and when after three or four hours' amusement, I would return to these speculations, they appear so cold, and strained, and ridiculous, that I cannot find in my heart to enter into them any farther" (ibid. 1.4.7).

Atheist Albert Camus:

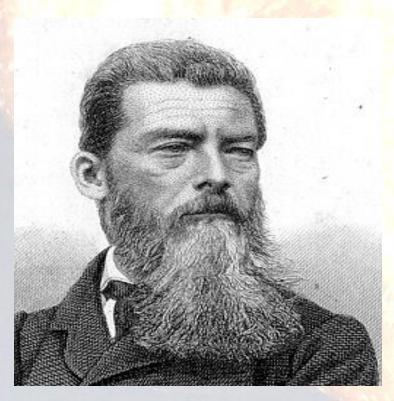


"For anyone who is alone, without God and without a master, the weight of days is dreadful" (The Fall, 133).

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Feurerbach's Need for "God"



Ludwig Feurerbach

"God is a need of the intelligence, a necessary thought—the highest degree of the thinking power" (The Essence of Christianity 36).

An Atheistic Religion



He set up a humanist religion.

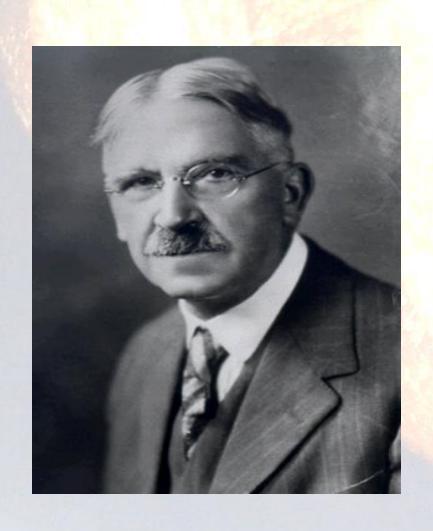
He installed himself as high priest of it.

He had a religious calendar & holy days.

He venerated great thinkers as "saints."

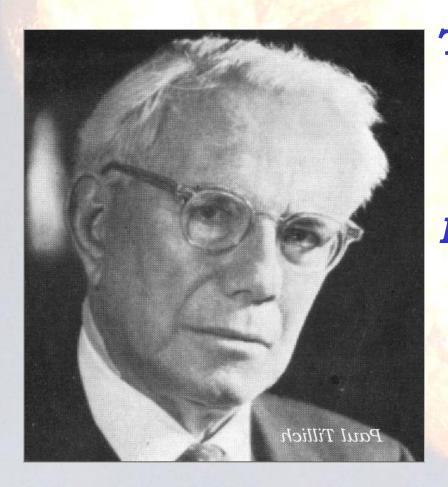
(Auguste Comte, d. 1857)

John Dewey's Religious Faith



"Here are all the elements for a religious faith that shall not be confined to sect, class, or race. Such as faith has always been implicitly the common faith of mankind. It remains to make it explicit and militant" (A Common Faith, 87).

Paul Tillich on Religion



Tillich: Religion is an "ultimate concern" or "ultimate commitment" (Ultimate Concern, 7-8).

Even atheists have an ultimate concern because "a human being deprived completely of a center would cease to be a human being" (Ultimate Concern, 105-106).

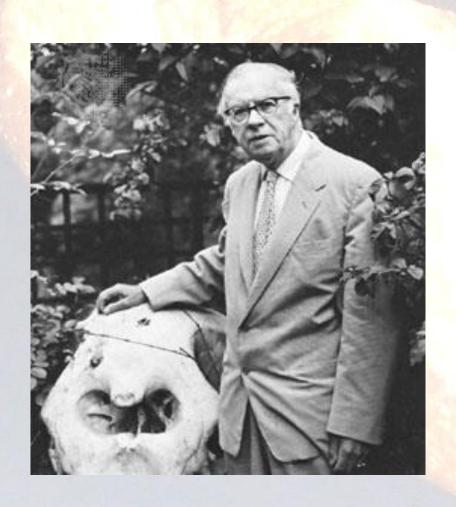
Huxley's Evolutionary Religion



Julian Huxley (d. 1975)

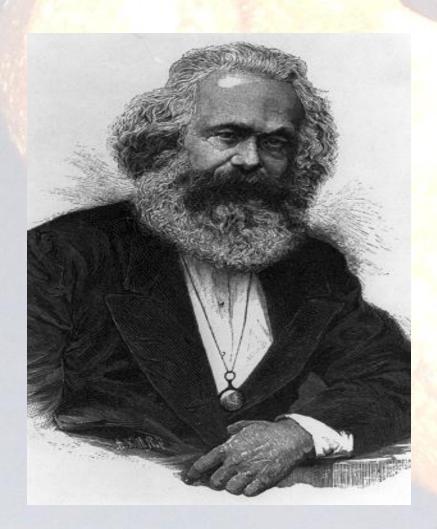
- He didn't believe in God, but--He wrote a book titled: Religion Without Revelation.
- He has a chapter titled "Evolutionary Humanism as a Developed Religion."
- He spoke of spiritual experiences with "supreme value" (70, 78).

Huxley's Religious Experience



Huxley spoke of "the possibility of enjoying experiences of transcendent rapture, physical or mystical, aesthetic or religious... of attaining inner harmony and peace, which puts a man above the cares and worries of daily life" (Religion without Revelation, 77).

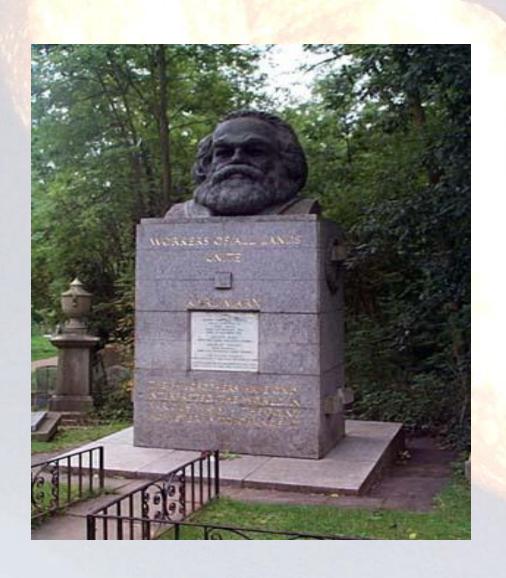
Karl Marx: Had an Ultimate



He was a strong atheist, but--

- He desired an earthly utopia (heaven) that transcends the present.
- He made an ultimate commitment to this ultimate End.

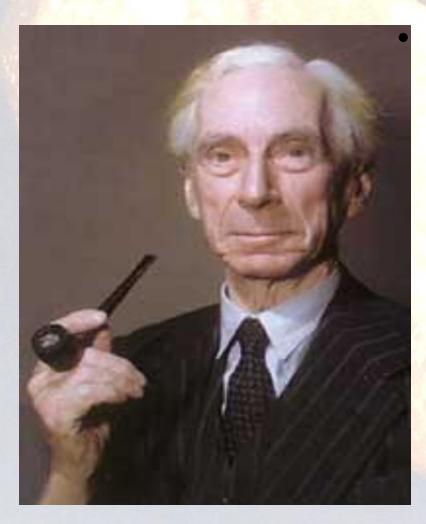
Marx is Dead!



Time Magazine
Cover

"God is Dead;
Marx is dead,
and I am not
feeling too well
either" (European
edition, 1978).

Agnostic Bertrand Russell



Letter to Lady Ottoline

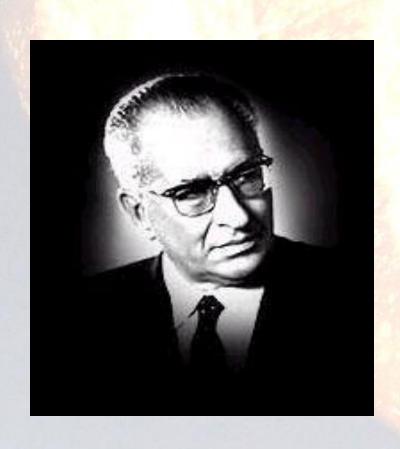
"Even when one feels nearest to other people, something in one seems obstinately to belong to God...--at least that is how I should express it if I thought there was a God. It is odd, isn't it? I care passionately for this world and many things and people in it, and yet...what is it all?" There must be something more important one feels, though I don't believe there is."

Sagan Worshipped the COSMOS



"Our ancestors worshipped the Sun, and they were far from ignorant... If we must worship a power greater than ourselves, does it not make sense to revere the Sun and stars?" (Sagan, COSMOS, 243)

Atheist Walter Kaufmann



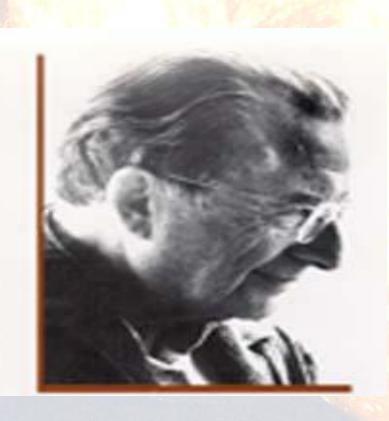
"Religion is rooted in man's aspiration to transcend himself.... Whether he worships idols or strives to perfect himself, man is the God-intoxicated ape" (Critique of Religion and Philosophy, 355, 359).

Atheist Albert Camus:



"...Despite the fact that there is no God, at least the Church must be built" (The Rebel, 147).

Humanist Eric Fromm



"Indeed, 'man does not live by bread alone.' He has only the choice of better or worse...forms of religion" (Psychoanalysis & Religion, 22).

Will Durrant and Son



"I survive morally because I retain the moral code that was taught me along with the religion, while I discarded the religion.... You and I are living on a shadow.... But what will happen to our children...? They are living on the shadow of a shadow" (Chicago Sun-times 8/24/75 1B).

"What's Wrong with Humanism?"

 The British Humanist Magazine charges that Humanism is almost "clinically detached from life." It recommends they develop a humanist Bible, a humanist hymnal, Ten Commandments for humanists, and even confessional practices! In addition, "the use of hypnotic techniques--music and other psychological devices-during humanist services would give the audience that deep spiritual experience and they would emerge refreshed and inspired with their humanist faith...." (1964).

Suggested Hymns for Humanists:

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 "No One Ever Cared for Me Like Socrates"
- "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less Than Jean Paul Sartre and Nothingness"!

Atheists Evaluate Atheism

Durant: It is a "shadow of a shadow."

Nietzsche: It is not "bearable."

Huxley: It is "intolerable."

Camus: It is "dreadful."

Sartre: It is "cruel."

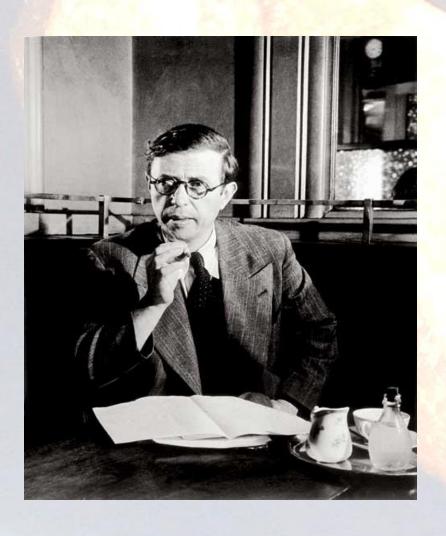
Hume: It leads to "delirium."

The Main Point: Atheist say with their lips that there is no God, but they show with their lives that there is a God.

Atheist's Alternatives...

- · Live inconsistency,
- · Live in futility,
- · Be driven to insanity,
- · Commit suicide, or
- Get saved!

Sartre Dismissed God



"I had all the more difficulty of getting rid of Him in that he had installed himself at the back of my head.... I collared the Holy Ghost in the cellar and threw him out; atheism is a cruel and long-range affair; I think I've carried it through. I lost my illusion" (Words, 252-253).

But God Did Not Dismiss Sartre!



"I do not feel that I am the product of chance, a speck of dust in the universe, but someone who was expected, prepared, prefigured. In short, a being whom only a Creator could put here" (National Review, 11 June, 1982), 677.

We Cannot Get Rid of God

Those who deny God with the top of their minds, nevertheless, cannot avoid Him in the bottom of their hearts.

Humanist Eric Fromm



"The need for... an object of devotion is deeply rooted in the conditions of human existence" (Psychoanalysis and Religion, 22).

Atheist Albert Camus:



"Nothing can discourage the appetite for divinity in the heart of man" (Camus, The Rebel, 147).

God-sized Vacuum in Human Heart



Blaise Pascal (1623-1662)

"What else does this craving proclaim.....but that there was once in man a true state of happiness, of which all that now remains is the empty print and trace? This he tries in vain to fill with everything around him... though none can help, since this infinite abyss can be filled only with an infinite and immutable object, in other words by God himself.'' (*Pensee*, # 148)

Former Agnostic St. Augustine: No Rest Without God



"Thou hast formed us for Thyself, and our hearts are restless till they find rest in Thee" (St. Augustine, Confessions 1.1).



"Come unto me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Mt. 11:28).

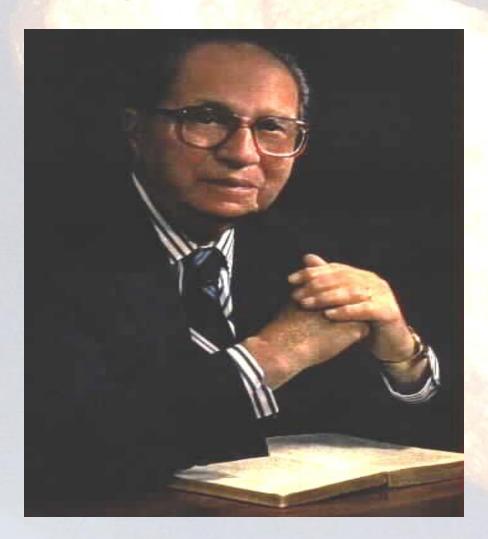
"Whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst" (Jn. 4:14).

"I am the bread of life. He who comes to me shall never hunger" (Jn. 6:35).

"Bread is not enough!" --God

Why Atheists Don't Believe

Why Atheist Don't Believe in God



Former atheists Mortimer Adler admitted that the answer "lies in the state of one's will, not in the state of one's mind" (Philosopher at Large, 316).



Former Atheist: Doubt Follows Sin

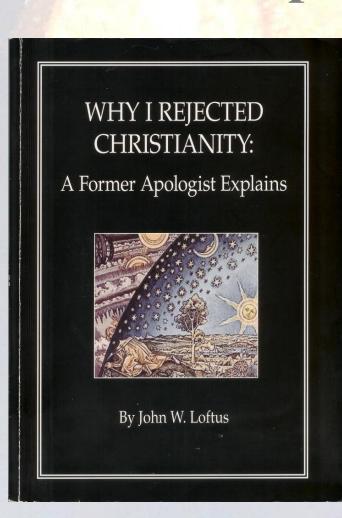
"Because the presence of God made me more and more uncomfortable, I began looking for reasons to believe that He didn't exist. It's a funny thing about us human beings: not many of us doubt God's existence and then start sinning. Most of us sin and then start doubting God's existence" (Jay Budziszewski, The Revenge of Conscience, xii).

Sartre Sinned & Then Rejected God



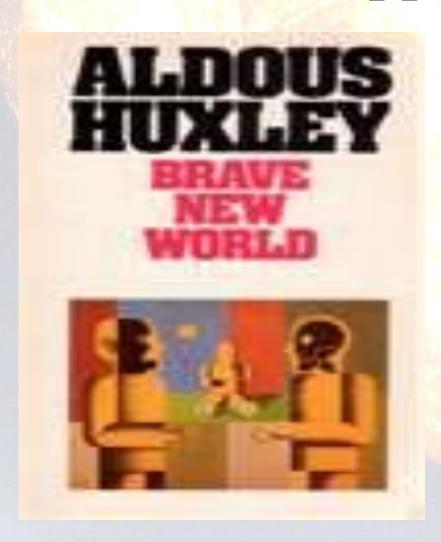
"I had been playing with matches and burned a small rug. I was in the process of covering up my crime when suddenly God sawI flew into a rage against me.... so crude an indiscretion, I blasphemed. He never looked at me again... I collared the Holy Ghost in the cellar and threw him out" (Words, 252-253).

Sin Prompted Loftus To Atheism



"I was having problems with my own relationship with my wife at the time, and Linda made herself available. I succumbed and had an affair with her" (21).... After a few months I decided I could no longer reconcile the affair with my faith or my family life. So I told Linda that it was over." She became angry and accused me of rape. "All this devastated me...and God not seeming to care about his wayward soldier" (22).

Darwinism Supports Sexual License



Huxley singled out sexual license as a chief benefit of accepting Darwinism! (Aldous Huxley, End and Means, 317)

Atheism Not The Result of Reasoning



"I have absolutely no knowledge of atheism as an outcome of reason, still less as an event; with me it is obviously instinct."

FAITH

The Psychology OF of Atheism

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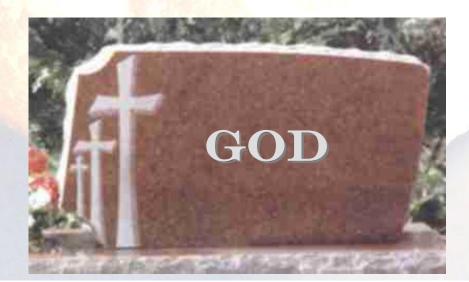
Atheists Kill God

"Indeed, there is a coherent psychological origin to intense atheism" (p. 3). "Therefore, in the Freudian framework, atheism is an illusion caused by the Oedipal desire to kill the father (God) and replace him with oneself" (p. 13).

Friedrich Nietzsche 1844-1900



"God is dead. God remains dead. And we have killed him. How shall we, the murderers of all murderers, comfort ourselves?" ("The Madman" in Gay Science, 125).



Conclusion

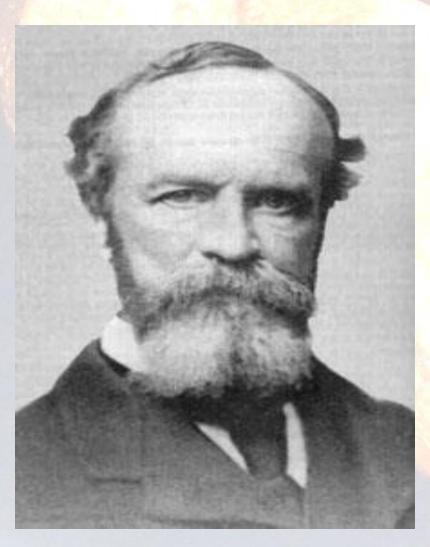
Atheists need God logically, morally, psychologically, and religiously.

But they don't want God because of their sin. "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness. Since the creation of the world His [God's] invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made...so that they are without excuse" (Rom. 1:20).

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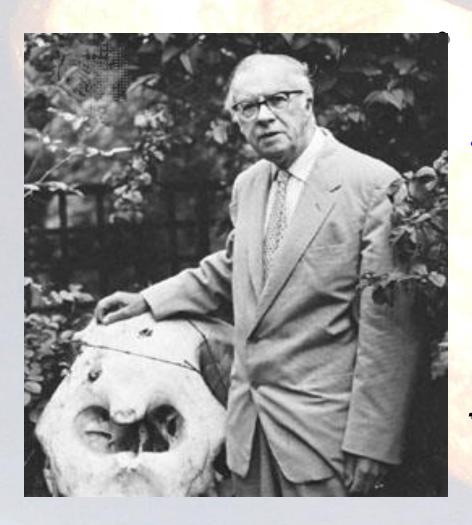
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William James: Religion is Valuable



"In a general way, then and on the whole...our testing of religion by practical common sense and the empirical method, leave it in possession of its towering place in history.... Let us be saints, then, if we can, whether or not we succeed visibly and temporally" (James, The Variety of Religious Experience, 290).

Huxley: Life Intolerable w/o God



"Life would have been intolerable but for glimpses of the alternative state, occasional moments of great happiness and spiritual refreshment, coming usually through poetry, or through beautiful landscapes, or through people" (77).

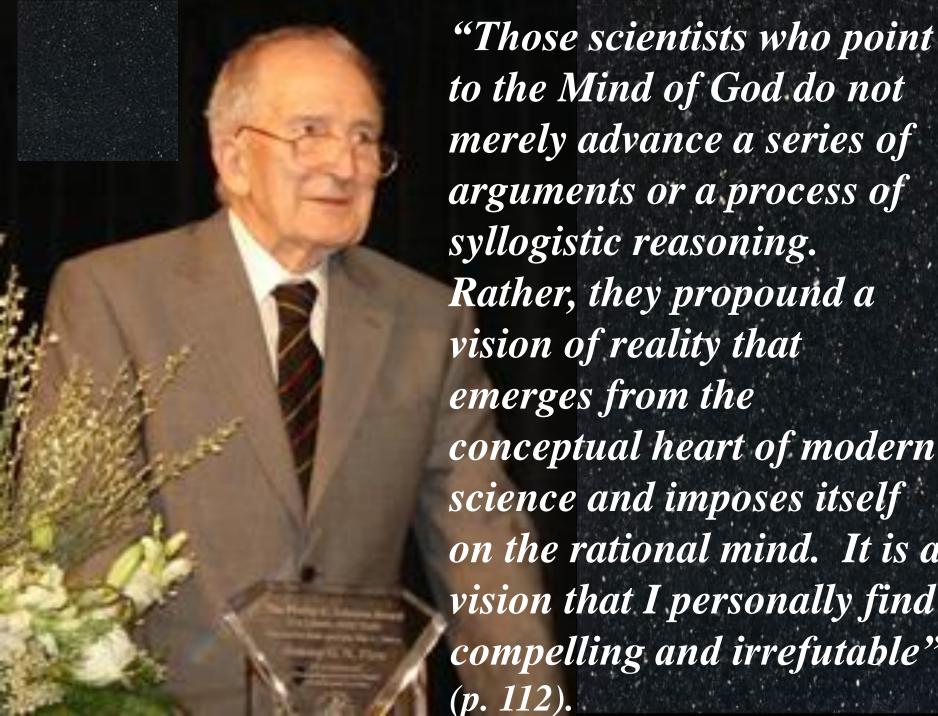
Philosopher Elton Trueblood



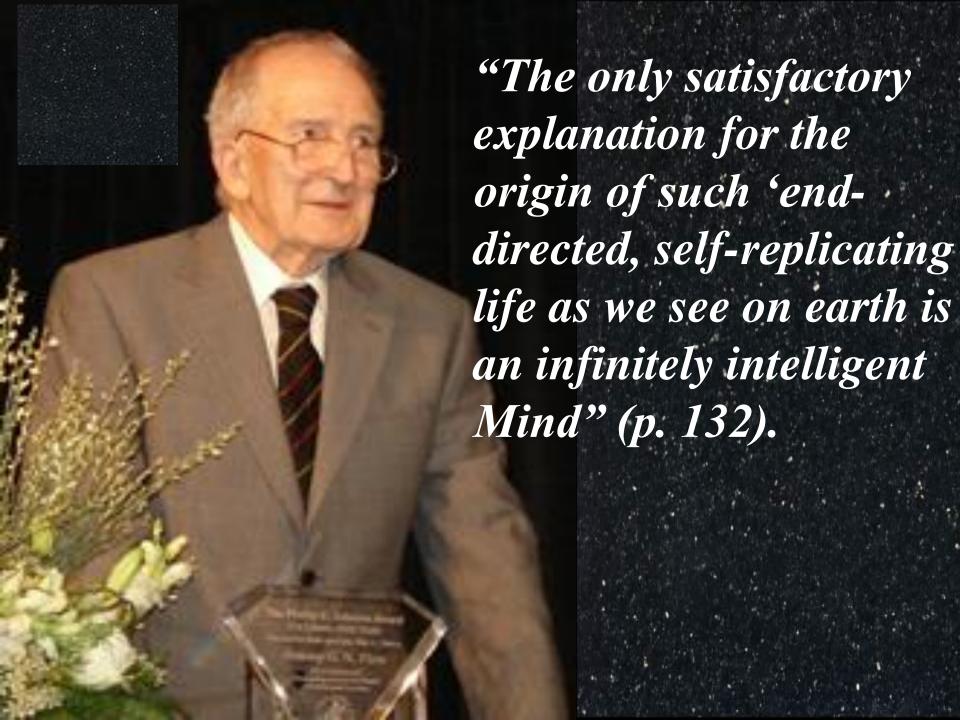
Philosophy of Religion (p. 115)

Atheists speak of "loyalty," "devotion" and "love" of the truth. But these terms make proper sense only when used of persons.

"The joy and wonder which men feel in the search for truth is the same kind of feeling we know best when there is real communication between two finite minds."



to the Mind of God do not merely advance a series of arguments or a process of Rather, they propound a conceptual heart of modern science and imposes itself on the rational mind. It is a vision that I personally find compelling and irrefutable"





"We still have to come to terms with the origin of the laws of nature. And the only viable explanation here is the divine Mind" (p. 121). "It is very unlikely that the universe would exist uncaused, but rather more likely that God would exist uncaused. Hence the argument from the existence of the universe to the existence of God is a good...argument"(144-45).

Atheist Admits It is Irrational

"I am an atheist. There is no God. And there is at least one reason for me not to believe in God, and that is because this universe is absurd when we try to figure it out. Any attempt to figure it out fails, except the conclusion that it arose because of chance. According to Jacques Monod, 'our number came up in a Monte Carlo game" (Loftus, Why I Am An Atheist, 266).





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