Subject: Re: Church of FSM Posted by Crimson on Fri, 28 Oct 2005 12:51:18 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

MrBob wrote on Thu, 27 October 2005 05:59So you accuse me of being brainwashed by quoting something to make an argument, yet you're quoting something to make an argument.

Strange...

That's where you're wrong. Knowing how I feel about the Bible and its origins makes it the single worst way to approach me on this subject. This is a summary of what you thought would happen:

Me: The bible is a book written by corrupt men and passed off as the word of some imaginary deity.

You: But the bible says there would be people like you who don't believe and are consequently EVIL.

Me: Oh, well, if the bible says that, it must be true. I believe in God now so you and the rest of the believers won't think I am evil!

Did you really expect quoting Bible passages would make me a believer?!

Quote:CrimsonI can't believe that so many people can't see that this "God" character is the perfect way to control you.

He's controlling me? The last time I checked, I still had free will. Yes, God tells us things to do, but it's our choice to listen.

That's NOT what I said, AGAIN you got it wrong. The concept of "God" is what controls you. Yes, you have free will. But if you decide you want to kill someone, there are consequences. However, if you kill someone and you're not caught (which I imagine was a lot more likely back in the days before forensic science and DNA testing) then you are essentially able to kill someone without any punishment whatsoever!

Even a fool can see that this is NO way to run a society! Not 2000 years ago when detective skills and sciences were primative at BEST! So... what's the solution? Ah, yes, the "God" who can see everything. Just like a grown-up version of Santa Claus who sees you when you're sleeping and knows when you're awake. Sure, now if you kill someone and no one sees it or proves it, you get away scot free in this life, but NOW there's a greater punishment. Eternity in the flames of hell!

But oh no! No one will believe this story! Sure they will... they can't prove it's wrong because no one knows what happens when you die. So now we have this imaginary character we dreamed up and we'll make sure that "he" told some guy how we humans are supposed to behave and act so that we will be forever fearful of eternal punishment.

Quote:Crimson

I feel like this outside observer watching this manipulation on a grand scale and I sit here shaking my head at how easily people are indoctrinated from birth and just filled with this unprovable and high implausible STORY. You will NEVER convince me to fall for this bullshit EVER... Because you are so wise ...

Well, all I can say is that I was given the advantage of growing up without going to church. Many/most people are brought to church or at least raised with the "existence" of "God" from birth. If you are taught from birth that this deity exists and what he wants you to do, etc, then you are controlled. You live in fear of eternal punishment and you're more likely to behave even when no one is watching.

Like I said, the biggest manipulation the world has ever known.