Subject: Re: Church of FSM Posted by MrBob on Fri, 28 Oct 2005 15:53:08 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Crimson wrote on Fri, 28 October 2005 08:51MrBob 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.

Knowing how I feel about "godless geeks" makes it the single worst way to approach me on this subject.

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

Did you really expect quoting a bullshit list would make me a nonbeliever?

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

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!

A "concept" for fear didn't free me from pornography addiction, nor did it assist me in casting off hatred. As I said before, I still have free will. I still had to make the choice to be free. Not because of fear for eternal punishment, but to be closer with God and follow Him. You see, I love God. There is no fear in love (1 John 4:1). Therefore, I don't fear God. (Yes, I used the Bible as a source again--sue me)

Fear doesn't drive me, love does. If you still want to continue the way you're going, I'll still love you. If you ban me from the forums, I'll still love you. If you sent the mophia to try to kill me (These are just examples, Jesus used the same technique), I'd still love you. I even love Osama bin Laden. This is why people take so much offense with what Jesus taught. They're not willing to lay down their pride and change their lives. My earlier posts may have sounded like I hated you (I hope not), but sometimes you have to be hard. Being nice isn't always the way of love.

If you were only willing to read the Bible and see what Jesus really said, and what he really did, and who he really was, instead of looking at Christendom. Paul wrote there are people preaching another Jesus (2 Corinthians 11:3-5). If you really search and open up you'll see what he meant.

I probably should've realized that you've never grown up in a "church". I was blessed enough to grow up in an environment where people really love God, and aren't fill of hypocrisy and deceit. I've been to other "churches" before, and I can understand why people hate them so much. Those places with the high ceilings leave such an empty feeling. Instead of focusing on love, they focus on things of the world. It's a shame that these institutions drive people away from God (It's not unintentional, either). I know they're places that aren't like that, but they're few. I hope and pray that you'll find a place that is truly for and with God.

Anyway, if you skimmed through this post, don't. It took me awhile (55 min) to write this, many people would just walk away or insult you. I expect you to read into this. Things aren't always what they seem to be. I can't force you to do anything, neither will God, but remember that He loves you.

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