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Subject: Re: hope none of you are them

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Quote:Humanity is evil. Christ and his teachings are perfect.

And again, says who? Mankind has been around for several million years, and many billions more have lived who didn't believe that than ever did- and the same goes for every other faith, bar none. Do try to put things in perspective- I'm not saying that you are wrong, necessarily, but that statement is something that you believe- and that countless others do not. What elevates your beliefs as having a higher status than those of anyone else? To date, I've been unable to find a satisfactory answer to that question- even where my own beliefs are concerned. Do you have an answer that could satisfy someone outside your own faith?

Quote:There's a reason I don't voluntarily throw myself into death as opposed to standing for what I believe is far more important than anything else you can understand in this life.

It would be impossible for any person to understand completely the beliefs of someone else who follows a different faith. However, to say or imply that the same person cannot hold their own beliefs with the same strength of conviction and devotion is simply untrue.

Quote:You understand why soldiers go to war for "Democracy". Why is it so hard to understand why men stand up for god's teaching peacefully and are persecuted for it.

True belief in one is fundamentally no different than true belief in another- from an outsider's point of view, of course; I realize you believe one to be far greater. You must, however, realize that many others don't.

Quote:Don't start bringing extremism into this or the crusades. Those are deviant man made philosophies in the same vein as homosexuality. They show LACK of understanding and ignorance of the reality of the bible.

Yet extremism is driven by the same beliefs which drive others to seek peace with their fellow man, the same beliefs which allow a person the strength to overcome almost insurmountable adversity. Even the most genuinely heartfelt truths can be abused by someone powerful with an agenda- it is very rarely the fault of the rank and file, who are merely led along by those same corrupt people. You are absolutely correct- it is not the belief that is corrupt, it is the person. Perhaps that is the reason why there have been so many thousands of vastly different faiths, each claiming to hold the key to ultimate Truth?

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