Subject: Re: hope none of you are them

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Our body decomposes, the bones being the last thing left of us, but in time even they turn to dust. Or if you're talking about a spirit of some kind, an atheist wouldn't probably believe in such a thing anyway. We're just very complicated machines, and that area in science is advancing pretty fast too. We already have quite a lot of evidence that we don't even have a freedom of choice, it's just an illusion. Did you know that your brain knows what you're going to do before you acknowledge it? For example, if you have a button in front of you and you're to press it anytime, your brain starts the action almost 500 milliseconds before you "decide" to press it. Sure, there's a lot of room for speculation and I'm not a neurologist, but I'm just trying to make a point: there is still no evidence of any divine spirit that lies in us, and from the atheists point of view there's no reason to believe in one. Just my 20 cents, even if I'm more of an agnostic than atheist.

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