Subject: Re: Jesus Posted by Dover on Sun, 27 Aug 2006 21:14:36 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

warranto wrote on Sun, 27 August 2006 09:56Dover wrote on Sun, 27 August 2006 10:22History has proven things like:
-DNA testing for parental testing
-Electron microscopes
-Those brain-activity-measure-doohickies
-Telescopes
-Radios
-Wireless internet routers
-Electricity

-Hard drives

To hold truth almost all the time. The same cannot be said for God.

Oh? You mean youre going to believe what someone said, in some book? YOU have not proven it, therefore all you can do it take the word of someone else, who could very much be lying in some sort of grand scheme.

DNA is only available as proof, if you believe the person interpreting the results of an experiment, that you did not do, is correct.

the measurement of brain activity in no way proves a conciousness exists. It just measures... brain activity.

Telescopes prove nothing, other than you can see what the telescope tells you to see. You didn't follow it through the production stage, so you have no way of knowing if what you say is true. It could very well be a large-scale lie in order to get you to believe something is a certain way.

Radios also prove nothing. You have no way of knowing if it is "radio waves" that are transmitting the voice, or some sort of magic. You must rely on what someone else told you that things are they way THEY say they are.

Once again, you have not proven that electricity exists. You are chosing to believe what someone else told you about it's existance. For all you know, it could, once again, be magic that makes things run.

Hard drives are simply a device that we are told is used to store data. We don't actually know if data is being written to it. We simply choose to believe what someone else told us about it. For all you know, it could be little creatures that can only carry small things, and those creatures are what transport the "data" to our screen.

If you'll notice, I said that history has proved these things to be true. While I may not be an expert on the way radio waves are supposed to function, I know that when I turn on my radio and tune to a certain frequency, I hear my favorite radio station. I know this, because it has happened every time I turn it on, without fail. The same with the other things. I know electricity exists, because when I flip the switch in my room a light comes on. Is that switch connected to magic? Are my parents getting a monthly Magic bill? I don't visually survey my hard drive when I install Renegade on it, but I know it's been installed and by whatever means, Renegade's data has been stored on my hard drive. I don't pretend to be an expert in any of these things (Especially the electron microscopes and DNA testing), but I believe they work, because up until now they've worked.

God is a different story. God moves in mysterious ways. God helps those whom he/she chooses. You cannot compare the two at all. All these (modern) technologies that you listed are in measureable quantities and above all, they're consistant. These are two qualities that religions as a whole lack.

So is what I'm saying that I'll become a believer when someone can bottle God? Yes. Not when I touch it, or I see it, or I feel it, but when you can put it in a labratory and examine it and pick it apart. The day preists and other religious leaders stop shrugging their shoulders whenever you ask them something that isn't a default bible-answered question is the day I become a holy-roller.

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