Subject: Re: Jesus

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warranto wrote on Mon, 28 August 2006 05:39people have been quite consistant in the belief that God exists. Far longer than people have been telling us radio waves exist.

Is that some kind of joke? There are a million and a half religions all with their own idea of how God works, and they defend it to the death. It's truely a rare thing to get two random people together and have them agree on religion. The very fact that we're argueing about this now is proof that religion isn't consistant. Meantioning all the wars fought and attrocities committed because of religions would be overkill.

warranto wrote on Mon, 28 August 2006 05:39Sorry, but you're wrong here. How and why are the most important factors of understanding the truth of something. Why do you think people believed that rain was caused directly by a supreme being for so long? No one bothered to answer the why or how for themselves... they just decieded to believe the why and how that someone else of authority told them.

You can't compare the rain and radios. Radios are made by man. They're a tool constructed from raw materials for a purpose. Their inventor (a man), and constructor (also a man), would be considered an authority on how the radio works. If you can't believe them, who can you believe?

warranto wrote on Mon, 28 August 2006 05:39Those are aspects of the human. Not the human itself. If you want to use the aspects of something to prove it's measurability, we could use the universe itself to "measure" God. The only problem is, we can not readily identify what God is reponsible for in order to measure it.

I'll believe it when it happens. How do we use the Universe to measure God? I used to have a pretty crazy imagination when I was younger, but I can't even begin to think of how someone would measure God, let alone using the Universe.

At any rate, humans having measureable aspects is more than you can say for God. You can't even find God, much less measure him/her. How are you going to point at something and say "There, that right there. That's God."

warranto wrote on Mon, 28 August 2006 05:39The human, itself can not be measured. We are not just chemicals making up a body. There are still a multitude of unknowns that prevent us from measuring ourselves.

No, we're not just chemicals. There's a spark there in a live body that's missing in a dead body. Conciousness, personality. That's what you mean, right? Who says that can't be measured? There are personality tests and other mountains of garbage like that. Dating websites and "See-which-career-is-right-for-you" tests are based on being able to measure personality. It may not be perfect, or even accurate in some cases, but it's a measurement nonetheless.

warranto wrote on Mon, 28 August 2006 05:39I don't. But then again, how do you know that the person named "George Washington", actually had that name? How do you know that ANY historical figure actually had the name it did. If you question one historical text, you have to question them all.

The bible has been translated and retranslated more times than either you or I can fathom. I'm sure that there aren't two words next to each other that have been kept the same. No other historical text can boast this, giving the bible a wider margin of error than any other historical text.

If the bible itself did not exist, was never written, all copies were destroyed, or whatever, modern Christianity would not exist. Does that mean that them modern Christian God would not exist? I say he/she would not.