
Subject: Re: Jesus

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The fact is we don't know anything for sure. As Java said, nothing we think we know can be proven to be an absolute truth. You can say you know an apple falls down or that flames are hot or God exists, but we don't know it to be an ultimate truth. Perhaps gravity, a force we don't understand completely, changes at times, and causes objects to push each others instead? However, our world is too complex if we live it like that. For the world to work, a society has to accept some beliefs as an absolute truth, otherwise you could just go and rob everyone and say "I didn't do it" despite you being shown on security cameras. There's still a small chance that there was a weird anomaly in the cameras that made it look like you were in it, after all.

What Crimson, for example, is doing is trying to spread (more or less) the idea that we should accept "God doesn't exist" into the category of absolute truths of ours, and not really spend any more time thinking about such improbable and outright silly things. Same applies inversely to theists.

And as to why atheists are trying to turn theists....the answer is personal of course. Happiness is usually the main argument: some atheists believe we would advance huge leaps in technology if everyone donated to science instead of churches. We could probably find cures for bad diseases. Some just don't want any religions to exist because they often cause conflicts and wars. Some don't think too far into it, they just give into the instinct that makes you believe such large groups of people thinking differently could be a potential threat to your way of living in some way. This all, again, applies to theists too. They also think the world would be a happier place if people believed, or they think atheists as a threat.