Subject: Re: Debate on Altruism.

Posted by R315r4z0r on Wed, 11 Feb 2009 23:15:41 GMT

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Unfortunately I can't give you an example without making myself look like an elitist. But maybe I can put it another way:

Do you have any sort of 'routines' in your life? Like what you do in the morning when you wake up? Or your general way of dealing with people you don't know? Or a way of doing a specific chore or something? ect. If you do, do you have any ulterior motives to doing it that way? For example, it is the way you got used to doing them.

Well, if you can have those sorts of routines for doing certain things and acting certain ways, then why can't you do the same with acting in a kindly manner to others? Simply putting others first out of reflex rather than out of charity or for personal gratitude. The only ulterior motive being "it's how I know how to act."

Would you consider that a personal beneficial reason?

Quote:When did I EVER say that doing something nice for someone else is a chore? I never said you did. What I said was:

Quote: Why do you keep on talking as if doing something for the sake of someone else is some chore you have to go out of your way to do?

Quote: That just proves you have no clue what this debate is even talking about.

Well, you are right about one thing. It does prove something.

However, what it proves is that you don't understand my position in this thread.

I'm not even debating on topic, if you haven't realized. But if I was, I would be on the same side as you are. We are in agreement. I evem said so 2 or 3 of my posts ago. The only thing that I disagree with is your point that people require a selfish motive to want to do something. (Positive or negative)

Seriously, if you don't believe me, go check my first post!

Quote:I can't agree with this. Although I somewhat agree with your statement, your point is easily contradicted.

I'm agree with you that altruism can't exist. But I am just disagreeing with that one single point you made. I'm not arguing on the same topic as everyone else, only against a single point you made.