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Subject: Re: Question for Christians

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Quote:I expect this does make sense to the religious; I personally find it laughable. I like the fact we can choose for ourselves what we want our lives to be all about, so long as we maintain a healthy respect for others. It doesn't strike me as particularly appealing to think that we're all under the command of an unchallengeable dictator (and it surprises me how many Americans don't have a problem with that either).

You aren't listening to me either. God doesn't dictate us. We ARE free to 'choose for ourselves what we want our lives to be all about, so long as we maintain a healthy respect for others'. Just because he made us, doesn't mean we have no free will.

Quote:Well, what if my hypothetical scenario was true? You found out that you were created by a deranged lunatic in a lab? If he created you, wouldn't that mean you were HIS serf? In my position I think I would want to see him arrested.

Me as well. That doesn't compare to God though. Sounds like you're expressing your opinion that God is evil and deranged.

Quote:Origin of life from a creationist viewpoint: the creation OF god. Not by god, OF god - and nobody's explained how that could have happened.

Alright, I misunderstood you. So we don't know how God came to be. We don't know how these 'extremely primitive forms of life' came to be either.

Also, I don't completely identify with this quote, but I agree with its view.

Stomper saidI don't fool myself into thinking faith can ever be rational. How does that make me delusional?

There is no such thing as rational faith. That's an oxymoron. Of course you would rather debate someone willing to walk into that trap, and fool themselves into thinking they can "prove" anything about faith. But its not really a debate if you get to make all the rules and define the terms so that you never lose.

Why do you fear the possibility that there are parts of the human experience beyond the reach of empiricism? That's part of the beauty. I embrace that possibility -- and your only response is to dismiss me as a loon. Wow. THAT's a compelling argument.

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