Subject: Re: Catholic adoption agencies and homosexuality Posted by snpr1101 on Thu, 01 Apr 2010 07:03:52 GMT

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Spoony wrote on Thu, 01 April 2010 01:40snpr1101 wrote on Wed, 31 March 2010 03:46Ah ok, I think he may have been called spoony by some as a nickname at some point. That's quite likely to have happened at some point.

Quote:Yea that was my bad with the "i know what I'd prefer statement" - sometimes I don't read my own shit properly. It was a loose statement, reinforcing the "brightness" (Yea i know you don't think it's bright. but I couldn't be fucked coming up with another adjective describing the vast contrast between heaven and a rotting corpse in the ground that you'd agree with) or better looking potential future.

no problem, but if the best argument is that heaven/hell is supposedly more comforting than the likelihood of death being final, regardless of whether it's true or not, if we're only talking about wish-thinking and not about truth, then let me respond by saying what *I* find comforting. for example, i've never been told by a religious person, never, that i will go to heaven. i've been told many times that i will go to hell. in every single one of these cases, the justification the person used was not "you deserve this because you did such-and-such evil action". in every case, it was "you deserve this because of what you believe or don't believe". well, like i said earlier and like starbuzz illustrated with an account of his own life, i could pretend i believed all this christianity crap. really, i could. i could also pretend i was morally okay with it. what i can't do is just flick a switch inside my mind and actually believe it, or make my moral objections to it go away. so i'm fucked, if it's true.

please don't tell me i'm supposed to find this comforting. the only comforting thing about this is precisely the fact there is no reason to think it's true.

i'm a grown man and i can handle being spoken to in this manner, and i don't want anyone telling the religious person that they shouldn't say this to me if it's what they think, but it's plain evil to talk to children this way.

you say this wasn't your argument but what you think someone else might say... fine, i responded to it regardless.

back to altzan, i'd just like to repeat something so there's no way you can say you missed it.

Spoony wrotel'm going to emphasise a part of this quote, and then I'll throw it out here and we'll see whether you have anything to say about it.

"Children must be put to the sword."

you replied to the post containing this statement, and replied to most else of what i said, but did not seem to have anything to say about that part. let me tell you, if someone else had posted that, that is the part which would provoke the strongest moral objection from me, the part above all else i would absolutely make sure i replied to. so let's just exhaust the possibility that you didn't see me say it.

Hypothetical:

Think of it this way, paradise after death, (no religious strings attached)OR nothingness as your corpse rots in the ground. I would presume that you would pick paradise. NO religious criteria applies to this choice. I personally would find it comforting if I knew I could enter such a place after death, and I certainly would chose it over the latter. Just consider your answer with the hypothetical provided, don't challenge it, it doesn't need to be challenged. We're talking about what you'd find more comforting out of the two choices. I know that the promise of paradise does not make sense without religion, but make the choice anyway

Edit: @HaTe - I just found it interesting, period. It just sparked some thought and prompted me to add to what you said.