Subject: Re: Catholic adoption agencies and homosexuality Posted by Altzan on Mon, 19 Apr 2010 00:11:19 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Spoony said:Quote:He created it all, and he set the standards. There is punishment for those who don't follow.

the same feeble defence could be offered for any dictatorship with crappy laws.

Mmm-hmm.

Yet it still hasn't been shown that every single dictatorship is wrong. The only seemingly-bad aspect is how the people don't have equal status.

Spoony said:Quote:If there was a sign warning people not to stray near thin ice, it wouldn't matter who walked over it: a punk who wants to show off, a man who thinks it's safe enough, a person who doesn't think that the ice will break if he's careful - if they walk that ice, it will break. then what will you say when you stand before god and he asks you why you didn't follow his more recent revelation to you through his prophet Mohammed? you didn't think the ice was real? it's still gonna break!

I'd rather believe in a sign that has evidence of being placed there by someone who knew what they were talking about, and not a sign placed by one man who had a vision.

Spoony said:it's not clear at all that this is not what it means. obviously you aren't sure what it does mean.

Oh, its obvious it doesn't mean what you were trying to pass it off as.

Spoony said:Quote:Spoony wrote on Wed, 14 April 2010 07:44Quote:Fossils created? No, the living beings they used to be...

If life slowly spread over Earth and not just suddenly appeared, there wouldn't be fossils just mass-appearing in groups. They'd be showing up in small but increasing numbers.

i've never heard anybody suggest that the population (in animal terms) of the earth at 4000 BC was very small.

Isn't that the point?

uh no, it's the opposite of the point.

How? If nobody ever hinted at the animal population starting small, that's against evolution and for creation.

Spoony said:Quote:Spoony wrote on Wed, 14 April 2010 07:44Quote:Spoony wrote on Mon, 12 April 2010 10:13so it's the same as the mafia protection, then. we're being "saved" by the guy who put us in the danger in the first place.

We're always 'in the danger' as it is from the start, then, because there are no other options other than accept or refuse...

...and who put us into that situation?

I already answered that.

sure, but you didn't seem to hear what you were saying.

the mafia protection analogy still holds.

I hear what you're saying, and I made a response for it. Then you tunneled into one specific aspect...

Spoony said:why should the system not be an unchallengeable dictatorship?

Why can't it be? What is it about the basic definition of a dictatorship that's so horrible?

Spoony said:why should the system not have such appalling laws?

If the system decided to conform to anyone's standards, you can bet there will be people arguing against it just as vehemently as you are now.

Spoony said:well, these are very old questions. i'm by no means the first to ask them. asking them is basically the beginning of the road to freedom, and freedom starts when religion ends.

Right, the freedom to believe that you can do whatever you want in this world... and when you die, you will cease to exist.

People will forget you, your actions will have been for nothing.

Spoony said:ah, "inspired by god"... shame there's absolutely no good reason to think that's true.

Correction: you think there's absolutely no good reason to think that's true.

Spoony said:it's very easy to notice that the only reason christians keep saying this is because the "evidence" is so laughably feeble. if they did have proof of christianity, they'd raise the roof and everybody knows it.

I've been studying something called "The Case for the Existence of God", and the "evidence" is anything but laughable - a lot of it makes sense.

Spoony said:the "evidence doesn't apply here, duhhh" (aka 'faith') is the biggest con trick mankind ever played on itself, it's extremely easy to see through but it's astonishing how many people have fallen for it.

Let me ask you then: do you think man as a whole is rational?

Spoony said:Quote:Spoony wrote on Wed, 14 April 2010 07:44Quote:Spoony wrote on Mon, 12 April 2010 10:13if you're making no distinction as to the actual likelihood of the claim, i'm not sure on what grounds you say one god is real and all the others aren't.

My grounds is my belief, I'm not trying to declare it as absolute fact.

you don't really believe it, then?

I just said I did...

i don't find that very convincing. if you don't think it's a fact i don't see how you can say you believe it.

I'm not trying to decare it as absolute fact to whoever I mention it to. I acknowledge it as unproven. But that does NOT translate to "I don't believe it."