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Subject: Re: Catholic adoption agencies and homosexuality

Posted by [Starbuzz](#) on Tue, 20 Apr 2010 18:42:22 GMT

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@ Altzan,

Religion, like ideas, progress in different levels. The type of christianity that I see widely practiced in America is what I call "phoney religion." It is nowhere close to what was practiced 200 years ago. The fact that only a few renegade churches remain as a remnant of the past shows how much your religion has "modernised" itself by discarding anything that seems absurd.

The "new age" type christians that go to the mega non-denominational churches simply prove this point beyond doubt.

Most of the silly parts of christianity are outright rejected because it is just plain absurd. For example, saying out loud that you got sick because god is judging you for your sins won't fly here (anymore). But it is absolutely accepted back among Indians over there (btw, they think they are the real christians compared to American christians). They are just not advanced enough yet in their thinking. Give it a hundred more years and future generations of Indian christians will be just like American christians...i.e, clueless phoney religious folks enjoying life under christian branding.

I am only saying this because you (2nd time I believe in this thread) have tried to shake off this important aspect from your religion in a way that suggests to me "that because we don't do it over here, what they do over there doesn't count and is not part of my religion." Sorry, but that is just incorrect.

Many christians I have spoken seem to understand this and say that atheists cannot blame the past versions of christianity because, similar to what you said here earlier, life was different back then. They are just too thick to understand what this really means; that this is a man made story that has been garbled and re-garbled over and over again.

In fact this is true of all religions. I had an opportunity to observe the lifestyle of some younger Hindu friends when I stayed over at their place couple weeks ago; they are basically modernized Hindus. Their religion is also undergoing the same generational changes as yours.

Quote:(Follow the strait and narrow path, there will be few who walk it.)

This is another spin off the ancient superstitious practice of sacrifice and self-sacrifice to obtain certain rewards. "If you give up this and that, you have greater reward blah blah."

Let's see if this "narrow path" was all worth it a thousand years from now...it will be as worthy as the actions of misinformed priests throwing away their lives and vowing to a life of celibacy for the greater [illusionary] reward.

Spoony wrote on Mon, 19 April 2010 14:47Spoony wrote on Wed, 14 April 2010

07:44Quote:Spoony wrote on Mon, 12 April 2010 10:13Quote:When Jesus established his church and ascended to Heaven, God's direct influence ceased and won't return until the second coming. First time I've heard this from a Christian...

I'm surprised...

What do the Catholics/Christians in your area think, then?

i hear all the time that god is intervening in world affairs... every time a natural disaster happens, for example. there's no "christians in my area" about this; we get it from christians all over the world all the time. you're the first christian i've ever heard suggest that god does not interfere in current events.

Muslims too.

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2010/apr/19/women-blame-earthquakes-iran-cleric>

Where do you think they got this idea? Quite obviously the old testament.

It's a big deal when a christian tells that god doesn't interfere.

I was told the entire opposite and instead of listing everything, the impression of the christian god given to me was that of a cosmic Big Brother. Enough said. I would instantly reject anything that says he is not because its obvious that's just another "interpretation" from the new age christians. So obvious how bogus these new age christians are...modernized folks who are keeping up with the times.

The other side of this is how much undeserving credit this god gets for no reason whatsoever.

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