
Subject: Re: Catholic adoption agencies and homosexuality

Posted by [Altzan](#) on Sat, 24 Apr 2010 03:29:51 GMT

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Spoony wrote on Thu, 22 April 2010 05:58Altzan wrote on Wed, 21 April 2010 20:55Spoony wrote on Sun, 18 April 2010 20:44perhaps you can name one true dictatorship that worked out well? Seeing as how every dictatorship I know of was run by fallible human beings, no. so is the dictatorship you propose.

Whether you believe in a God or no, surely you don't think he's human...

Spoony wrote on Thu, 22 April 2010 05:58Quote:Well, I don't think the Earth has been around longer than over 8 millenia or so.

well, that's not a view you can come to by actually studying evidence critically.

Actually, it is and it was.

Spoony wrote on Thu, 22 April 2010 05:58Quote:Islamic morality hardly involves the definition of dictatorship being wrong.

you said you objected to islamic morality. what if the islamic revelation was correct? if you object to it, if you think its rules are evil, then the concept of dictatorship falls...

Why?

Islam may believe in a dictatorship, but not agreeing with it hardly topples the dictatorship system.

Spoony wrote on Thu, 22 April 2010 05:58Quote:Spoony wrote on Sun, 18 April 2010 20:44As for doing whatever we want, no. We do want laws, to uphold the basic human rights, to protect citizens, their rights and their property. But when it comes to the laws, we want the right to decide them democratically.

The system can be as perfect or corrupt as it can or will.

sure, and you'll invariably find that the more religious a society is, the more corrupt it is.

Not accounting for the religions that did help a society's way of life?

Spoony wrote on Thu, 22 April 2010 05:58Quote:That doesn't chenge the fact that once it and the people within it are gone, they're gone for good... if there's no afterlife.

Yes, but the party will go on. The human race goes on, the planet's still here, our friends and relatives are still here...

For a time. But it all will be gone eventually, it isn't eternal.

Then what's left?

Spoony wrote on Thu, 22 April 2010 05:58"Your actions will have been for nothing" if there's no afterlife. If there is, then your actions will mean a better deal for you.

Or a worse deal. There's two sides to the coin.

And the deal applies to everyone, not just me.

Spoony wrote on Thu, 22 April 2010 05:58Excuse me? I've gone to quite some trouble to respond to the "evidence" you posted, and pointed out how laughably feeble it was. If you've got any more, go ahead. Don't post a whole mess of links though; put it all in one place.

I'm not going to run it by you again, because you've already proved that you aren't interested. If I did, you'd likely laugh it off and ignore parts of it again.

Spoony wrote on Thu, 22 April 2010 05:58Quote:Spoony wrote on Sun, 18 April 2010 20:44Quote: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.
And why did the author write and publish this book?
Do I really have to explain? It's obvious as to why he published an article of that nature.
I would like you to answer the question.

Since I don't see where you're getting at, I won't.
I'm sure you're capable of making a point without it.

Spoony wrote on Thu, 22 April 2010 05:58Quote:Well, man has been naturally religious for quite some time. The vast majority of every tribe or civilization has had some sort of higher power in their beliefs.
And I expect you would probably agree that the overwhelming majority of religions that have been believed over the centuries have been incorrect.
Furthermore, let's never forget the way religions propagate; through violence, threats, and most importantly, by lying to children.

Sure, sure. But this basic human attribute of looking toward a higher power had to have come from somewhere.
Which leads to...

Spoony wrote on Thu, 22 April 2010 05:58Quote:Also, here's another question:
"The creative power of the mind amounts to nothing more than the faculty of combining, transposing, augmenting, and diminishing the materials afforded to us by sense and experience."
(David Hume)
Do you agree with this statement?
I can see why he said it, and I can see why a religious person would jump on it.

Ok. But do you think he is right, or wrong? It's not an opinion he's stating, it's a true or false fact.

Spoony wrote on Thu, 22 April 2010 05:58What about that evil rape law we discussed earlier? It was never repudiated, remember. You made some weak bleating about how it must have been something to do with the culture at the time.

It's a sensible point, one you countered with, "You don't know that for sure."
