Subject: Re: Questions I would like to pose to athiests Posted by Spoony on Fri, 22 Apr 2011 08:01:26 GMT

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shippo wrote on Thu, 21 April 2011 21:34I used those 3 examples to prove that moral values based on just society alone is subject to the whims of man.

and i proved you don't need to base moral values on the majority or who's in power, you just need to ask one person who'll be the victim of what you're talking about.

does anyone want to be murdered for being the wrong religion? no? then don't be the one doing the murdering. do you want to be a slave? then don't be a slave-holder.

design the rules of society as if you didn't know whereabouts in that society you would be. for example, say slavery is wrong because you don't know whether you might be a slave or not.

Quote:If man decides what is right or wrong, then we have no moral absolutes and hence nothing to say what is right or wrong.

good lord, see what i said before about how much damage religion can do. it's completely shredded your moral sensibilities.

firstly, you seem to define a "moral absolute" as a moral idea that was decided by something non-human. well, suppose the ideas in your bible really did come from a god, though they look like they came from men - primitive, barbaric men at that. doesn't mean that god has any fucking clue about how to run a civilised society. see the rape rule - this god has NO FUCKING CLUE. his moral ideas are TERRIBLE. get that word, shippo - TERRIBLE. if your god's moral ideas are "absolute", they're absolutely awful.

secondly, if there really was no such thing as a moral absolute, it would in no way follow that there was "nothing to say" on right and wrong. maybe your preacher has been telling you otherwise, but he wasn't telling you for your own good, just like whoever told you the absurd ideas about evolution didn't want you to be educated on the subject.

thirdly, your argument destroys itself. if you think humans can't decide right and wrong, then you can't decide who can decide right and wrong for you either. see? you have such a low opinion of humanity that we have "nothing to say" on morality; then how do you know this god of yours is good?