Subject: Re: hope none of you are them Posted by cheesesoda on Thu, 13 Jul 2006 19:39:16 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Crimson wrote on Thu, 13 July 2006 14:08I believe that IF the more popular faiths are right, then this God isn't going to banish me to hell simply for not believing he exists, if I have strived to live my life without causing harm to others. (Even if sometimes I fail at that.)

Well, I had a brilliant stroke of genius in #apathbeyond one day when we were discussing things about how God would banish his people to an eternity of torture. That, I believe, is a complete misconception. God isn't torturing you... you're allowing yourself to be tortured. Think of it this way... as we are his children: You're a child, you start to wander from your parents at a store. You keep wandering until you parents are NOWHERE in sight. You're scared out of your mind. This, to you, is torture. Now, your parents aren't torturing you by not being there... you've allowed yourself to be tortured by not staying on the right path. I don't believe Hell is this hot, fiery eternity. I think it's more or less you just being eternally lost.

As for being a kind person... so? Again, I'll go with a child-parent analogy. Your parents aren't going to allow you into their house if you treat them like they don't exist. Whether or not you're a kind person. How does that make your parents desire to let you back in their house. They've been there for you, but if you fail to acknowledge them... then why are you expected to be allowed into their house without recognition? This could be turned on the flipside as to why bad people are allowed into Heaven. No matter how bad of a person you may be, your family will be there alongside you... as long as you choose to acknowledge them and love them. You don't have to be perfect for them to love you.

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