Subject: Re: hope none of you are them Posted by NeoSaber on Wed, 19 Jul 2006 00:27:16 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Crimson wrote on Tue, 18 July 2006 18:24I'm not sure how I can "betray my ignorance" but you are missing the point. The funny part is that I know you are smarter than that, so you're just picking apart my words because you can't refute the actual argument. Care to try again? Let me make this really really clear for you so that you can comprehend, ok? You do not believe in the ancient Greek gods. You know that Helios doesn't cart the sun across the sky. You know that Thor doesn't throw lightning bolts down. You disbelieve in all these other gods that have been created by man. I just disbelieve in a little bit more than you disbelieve. Is that clear enough for you? I hope I didn't leave any other lingual oddities in there for you to pounce on to dodge the issue.

The existance, or lack of existance, of Helios, Thor, Baal, etc. makes no difference to me. Sure I don't think Helios drags the sun across the sky, but even if he did, he wouldn't be worthy of my praise. A 'god' is the concept of a being with greater power than a human. The concept of 'God' is that of the Creator, that which always existed and made all that was created. A 'god' is finite. A 'God' is infinite.

You've asked us to think about why we don't believe in the ancient greek gods. I don't worship them because even if they exist, they are finite like I am. They have their Creator, just like me. They wouldn't be any more worthy of praise than I am. I give reverence to God because I give praise to the Creator. All other things are His creation.

The more I question if a Creator exists, the more certain I am that one does. Everything I know, everything I learn, every opinion I hear, and every challenge to it I've faced ultimately points me back to that premise. That's why I don't worship ancient Greek gods, or others like them. They aren't the Creator, just more created. It's not a 'my god is better than your god' argument. It's an issue of what makes something worthy of praise to begin with. Nothing about 'the gods' makes them worth a second thought. 'God' is another story entirely.

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