
Subject: Re: Jesus

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Berkut wrote on Tue, 29 August 2006 02:37Hmm? Christians referring to their beliefs as a 'religion?' That's odd...

...and what right do humans think they have instructing others how to believe? Inefficient. Realize you can only tell each other what you believe. No ammount of pride can sway a person's mind in an argument. Especially one of such critical nature. Attempting to create with something as destructive as pride...

As far as the teachings of evolution as a science, I have lost all faith in the doctrine. 'A fish in this layer is approximately X billion years old.' 'How do you know?' 'Because of the rocks in the layers.' 'How do you know the age of the rocks?' 'Because of the fossils they contain, of course.' 'So... the fossils dated the rocks, the rocks dated the fossils?' 'Uh...yeah. They did.' 'O...k. Sounds good to me.'

Why am I being told the Earth is billions of years old? If the sun does shrink upon itself as my school once taught, if we spun the clock backwards several billion years, wouldn't the Earth have once been a component of the Sun, itself?

If this truly is a dead-end existance, why do humans persist? What do they hope to gain? What could they possibly hope for? Some empty glory, though they will not exist to realize? A feeling that they were right, even if the feeling would forever remain intangible? If all that you have accomplished, loved, and held vanished, what is your point of life? What keeps the human world from succumbing to entropy, and falling into complete anarchy?

I have wanted answers to these questions my entire life, and those 'teachers' could not find them.

...I found one. The last one; faith.

Yeah, it's obvious that faith can give our lives a meaning. However, why is that? Isn't it because of hope? HOPE is the word it all falls down to, and both religion and science offer it. Religion in the form of somekind of immortality and eternal happiness, science in the form of.....somekind of immortality and eternal happiness! I'm not going to argue about either way of hoping, even if they don't necessarily even exclude each others, but what I'm saying is that the REASON why we persist is HOPE. Hope for a better life in the vague future.

Does hope equal the instinct of survival?

The human race, or better yet, every living being, seems to stubbornly do anything it takes to live on and continue to the future, knowingly and subconsciously. It's how we were built, either by nature or by a higher being. Those who fall and are no longer motivated at fighting and surviving for their future are the ones who have no hope left. They die. Hope seems to equal the instinct of survival, looks like it's just a more elaborate term for it, just like greed or jealousy.

Now the problem is that without the instinct of survival(greediness, hope...), you die. But with too

much of it, you also die. A person with not enough of it doesn't care about himself and dies. If the whole race consists of these types of individuals, the race will go extinct. A person with too much of it doesn't care about OTHERS and eventually dies too , on his quest of terminating other individuals to gain the safest position to continue life from (ultimate anarchy?*). This too results in extinction.

Am I wrong here? Is there a major flaw? I rambled on again, without thinking too much. :/

* Anarchy is used with varying meanings...basically, it just means there's no government/police/guardians of order, which doesn't mean no order. If a race has no survival instinct, it doesn't need "guardians of order", but such a state wouldn't last long. It's used as a word to directly describe disorder and chaos too, though.
