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Subject: Re: Jesus

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Crimson wrote on Wed, 30 August 2006 07:001) Christianity and maybe other religions tell you that those who don't believe are going to hell and may even tell you that we're EVIL. I don't want you praying for me or worrying about me.

2) You are my friends and I believe several of you are intelligent enough to really step back and examine your faith. I'm waiting for someone to swallow their long-held pride and ask the difficult questions you may not want to know the answer to. I'm waiting for someone to be brave enough to take a small journey in the path of an atheist and see what makes us tick. I've taken a tour through the Christian faith and have spent many a sleepless night discussing with my brother who is still a theist but becoming less so every day as we talk. If you really want to know my path relating to religion in detail, I will be glad to share it. However I do currently believe I have had more exposure to your religion than you have to my non-religion. (speaking in the most general of terms I possibly can, of course)

3) From where I currently am in my path of theories and playing with ideas and debating with my brother, I am of the current mindset that religion is often more harmful than good and if I can help just one person see that and see why I think that way, then maybe it will help speed us along to the day I see when religion is categorized as insanity and humans experience life completely differently than we do now.

1) How is being prayed for offensive? As you care for us as friends, that's the same sentiment that we share.

2) I've examined my faith... a lot. I am no longer the brainwashed Christian that my high school made me. I was blind as to why I believed what I believed. I thank public education and a maturing brain for my release from the religious prison. I have questioned my faith. I have also brought in the Big Bang and other evolutionist ideas into my beliefs. I still believe God is the ultimate authority, is infinite, and I do believe in a Heaven and Hell. However, I do see that the Bible is more or less a story book. Not in the sense that you see it as, but in the sense where it's telling historical events in a more children story book type of way.

3) Religion is harmful. Religion is very much corrupt and evil. However, belief isn't. Believing in a higher power poses no threat to mankind. However, joining everybody together and shunning the rest of the world and considering them heathens is bad. Fortunately, that's not what true Christianity is about.

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