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HOW TO TALK ABOUT ATHEISM

Creation Liberty Evangelism *The atheist cannot justify the existence of the laws of logic, which means the atheist cannot be logical*

FOR GOD'S SAKE

RELIGION, ATHEISM, AND WHY I GAVE THEM UP

Troubador Publishing Ltd *This is the - all too true - story of one person's tragi-comic quest for spiritual enlightenment. Having given up on the (entirely godless) realm of would-be smart London restaurants, he journeyed widely (and frequently wildly) through India, China, Tibet, and parts of West Yorkshire. He also worked for various would-be deeply spiritual organisations. This unflinching quest for truth - incorporating walk-on parts for everyone from Marianne Faithfull to the Dalai Lama - led, not entirely unexpectedly - to a far from enlightened descent into alcoholism and misery. Having sobered up, and grown up (a bit), our hero began to ponder: what is really at the heart of all this spiritual carry-on anyway? And can it be of any use, given the challenges we face? What if we're*

all for it anyway? What's the appropriate response -spiritual or otherwise, to that? All good questions For God's Sake is spirituality without the usual self-help smugness, written by a normal, flawed human being, in the hope of engaging a similar audience. It deals with serious themes of spiritual development, and the role this might play in our current environmental crisis - all in the form of a heartfelt, and often very funny personal memoir.

BATTLING THE GODS

ATHEISM IN THE ANCIENT WORLD

Faber & Faber *How new is atheism? In Battling the Gods, Tim Whitmarsh journeys into the ancient Mediterranean to recover the stories of those who first refused the divinities. Long before the Enlightenment sowed the seeds of disbelief in a deeply Christian Europe, atheism was a matter of serious public debate in the Greek world. But history is written by those who prevail, and the Age of Faith mostly suppressed the lively free-thinking voices of antiquity. Tim Whitmarsh brings to life the fascinating ideas of Diagoras of Melos, perhaps the first self-professed atheist; Democritus, the first materialist; and Epicurus and his followers. He shows how the early Christians came to define themselves against atheism, and so suppress the philosophy of disbelief. Battling the Gods is the first book on the origins of the secular values at the heart of the modern state. Authoritative and bold, provocative and humane, it reveals how atheism and doubt, far from being modern phenomena, have intrigued the human imagination for thousands of years.*

THEISM OR ATHEISM

WHICH IS THE MORE REASONABLE? A PUBLIC DEBATE BETWEEN W.T. LEE AND G.W FOOTE, HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL, DERBY, MAY 15 AND 16, 1895

A COMPANION TO ATHEISM AND PHILOSOPHY

John Wiley & Sons *Philosophers throughout history have debated the existence of gods, but it is only in recent years that the absence of such a belief has become a significant topic of philosophical analysis, in particular for philosophers of religion. Although it is difficult to trace the historical contours of atheism as the lack of belief in a higher power, the reasoned, reflective, and thoughtful rejection of theism has become commonplace in many modern intellectual circles, including academic philosophy where disciplinary data indicates that a large majority of philosophers self-identify as atheists. As the first book of its kind to bring together a collection of writing on the philosophical aspects of atheism both historical and contemporary, the Companion to Atheism and Philosophy stages*

an explicit, constructive, and comprehensive conversation between philosophy and atheism to examine the ways in which atheist thought intersects with ideas and positions from a variety of philosophical and theological sub-disciplines. The Companion begins by addressing the foundational questions and lingering controversies which underpin philosophical thought about atheism, exploring the implications of major developments in the history of philosophy for the modern atheistic worldview. Divided into eight distinct sections, essays consider a range of thinkers who were widely believed to have been atheists—including David Hume, Mary Wollstonecraft, Karl Marx, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton—and survey different kinds of objections to theism and atheism, including logical, evidential, normative, and prudential. Later chapters trace the relationship between atheism and metaphysics, epistemology, ethics, and political philosophy oriented around topics such as pragmatism, postmodernism, freedom, education, violence, and happiness. Deftly curated and thoughtfully composed, A Companion to Atheism and Philosophy is the most ambitious and authoritative account of philosophical thinking on atheism available, and is a first-rate resource for academics, professionals, and students of philosophy, religious studies, and theology.

ATHEISM JUSTIFIED, AND RELIGION SUPERSEDED

RELIGION AND ATHEISM

BEYOND THE DIVIDE

Taylor & Francis *Arguments between those who hold religious beliefs and those who do not have been at fever pitch. They have also reached an impasse, with equally entrenched views held by believer and atheist - and even agnostic - alike. This collection is one of the first books to move beyond this deadlock. Specially commissioned chapters address major areas that cut across the debate between the two sides: the origin of knowledge, objectivity and meaning; moral values and the nature of the human person and the good life; and the challenge of how to promote honest and fruitful dialogue in the light of the wide diversity of beliefs, religious and otherwise. Under these broad headings leading figures in the field examine and reflect upon: Secular and religious humanism The idea of the sacred The vexed issue of science in both religious and secular accounts of knowledge Spirituality for the godless Non-western perspectives on the atheism/theism debate. A key feature of the collection is a dialogue between Raymond Tallis and Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury. Religion and Atheism: Beyond the Divide will interest anyone who is concerned about the clash between the religious and the secular and how to move beyond it, as well as students of ethics, philosophy of religion and religious studies.*

THEOLOGICAL ESSAYS: THE MORAL SIGNIFICANCE OF ATHEISM. THE ATHEISTIC EXPLANATION OF RELIGION. SCIENCE AND THEISM. POPULAR PANTHEISM. WHAT IS REVELATION. THE HISTORICAL PROBLEMS OF THE FOURTH GOSPEL. THE INCARNATION AND PRINCIPLES OF EVIDENCE. M. RENAN'S 'CHRIST.' M. RENAN'S 'ST. PAUL.' THE HARD CHURCH. ROMANISM, PROTESTANTISM, AND ANGLICANISM

PRACTICING ATHEISM

CULTURE, MEDIA, AND RITUAL IN THE CONTEMPORARY ATHEIST NETWORK

Oxford University Press *"Practicing Atheism is a cultural study of contemporary atheism, focusing on how atheists negotiate meanings and values through media. This book examines a variety of cultural products, both corporate-driven and grassroots, that circulate messages about what atheism means - what ideas, values, affinities, and attitudes the term denotes. Through the creation, consumption, and exchange of this media, atheism gains positive content, the term signaling much more than lack of belief in god(s) for those who identify with the emergent culture. Primary source materials for this book include grassroots Internet communities, popular television programming, organized atheist events, and material culture representations of the movement, such as those found in atheist fan art. Practicing Atheism argues that atheist culture emerges from a unique tension with religion - a category atheists critique and resist but also, at times, imitate and approximate. Using a framework based on ritual studies, this book theorizes ambivalence, ambiguity, and "in-betweenness" as the essential condition of contemporary atheist culture"--*

THE OXFORD HANDBOOK OF ATHEISM

Oxford University Press *This handbook is a pioneering edited volume, exploring atheism - understood in the broad sense of 'an absence of belief in the existence of a God or gods' - in its historical and contemporary expressions. It probes the varied manifestations and implications of unbelief from an array of disciplinary perspectives and in a range of global contexts.*

ATHEISM FOR DUMMIES

John Wiley & Sons *The easy way to understand atheism and secular philosophy For people seeking a non-religious philosophy of life, as well as believers with atheist friends, Atheism For Dummies offers an intelligent exploration of the historical and moral case for atheism. Often wildly misunderstood, atheism is a secular approach to life based on the understanding that reality is an arrangement of physical matter, with no consideration of unverifiable spiritual forces. Atheism For Dummies offers a brief history of atheist*

philosophy and its evolution, explores it as a historical and cultural movement, covers important historical writings on the subject, and discusses the nature of ethics and morality in the absence of religion. A simple, yet intelligent exploration of an often misunderstood philosophy Explores the differences between explicit and implicit atheism A comprehensive, readable, and thoroughly unbiased resource As the number of atheists worldwide continues to grow, this book offers a broad understanding of the subject for those exploring atheism as an approach to living.

A HISTORY OF ATHEISM IN BRITAIN

FROM HOBBS TO RUSSELL

Routledge *Probably no doctrine has excited as much horror and abuse as atheism. This first history of British atheism, first published in 1987, tries to explain this reaction while exhibiting the development of atheism from Hobbes to Russell. Although avowed atheism appeared surprisingly late - 1782 in Britain - there were covert atheists in the middle seventeenth century. By tracing its development from so early a date, Dr Berman gives an account of an important and fascinating strand of intellectual history.*

ATHEISM REVISITED

RETHINKING MODERNITY AND INVENTING NEW MODES OF LIFE

Springer Nature *Atheism Revisited is a collection of essays that explore the multifaceted nature of atheism. Starting from the notion that today's atheism is shaped by the defining processes of Modernity—such as secularization and the breakup of science, philosophy, and theology—the first part of the book undertakes a thorough scrutiny of Modern atheisms, from Spinoza and Hobbes to Marx and Nietzsche. The second part of the book seeks to draw practical conclusions from this scrutiny and answer the questions: what is the state of atheism today? What is the role of an atheist in a world affected by religious fundamentalisms? What should the relationship between atheists and religious people look like? The wide scope of the book allows readers to see atheism as a central concern of many intellectual movements, from Marxism and French Theory to post-secularism and the reevaluation of Modernity, and to understand atheism as a focal point of the most important contemporary philosophical debates.*

"WAKE UP AND DIE RIGHT!"

AN ATHEIST WELCOMES THE COMING OF THE COSMIC CHRIST

Xlibris Corporation *How might it happen that a boy of five or six would be tortured by the question of the existence of God? How would this happen, even if that boy were raised to be an atheist by atheist parents? If the boy was never baptized and never taken to church? Was never told about any religion? This book records the spiritual autobiography of a boy who, raised in a household which discouraged belief in anything religious, nevertheless came at a young age to worry about the place of God in his life and family, and suffered from intense fears that he would be condemned to hell because he had not been baptized. Looking back, here is the way the author describes his early years: "I grew up in a household with no place for God or religion. My mother and father were atheists. They did not believe in any divinities, and certainly not in the divinity of Jesus. Perhaps like some of their intellectual friends, they dismissed the idea that Jesus of Nazareth ever existed. This was in America in the 1930's and 40's, a time when scientists and intellectuals challenged the claims of Christianity. For my parents the questions of who Jesus was and whether he had actually walked the earth were irrelevant. "Is there a God in heaven? Is creation a gift to us from God? Does God love and care for his children? These were not questions my parents would entertain. Such statements had been denounced as meaningless by the scientists and the rationalists, who insisted that all discussions of God are pointless." The author recalls his childhood swept by the cold winds of atheism as especially painful because his mother, suffering from the loss of meaning of the atheist's vision, sank into a deep depression and then into madness. She suffered a series of nervous breakdowns and spent most of the author's early years in and out of mental hospitals. As a child the author felt "spiritually bankrupt." He felt he "counted for little in my parents' world. I counted for even less in the larger world. I looked out at the vast universe that the scientists described and saw it as a frightening place. Darkness and frozen space extended for millions of miles in all directions, and there was nothing out there to comfort us or give our lives meaning." The author was born into the Great Depression and went off to grammar school during World War II, both events exerting a terrible impact on his family, contributing to his mother's mental imbalance and his own feelings of insecurity. "I was four years old," the author writes, "when World War II began. As the war grew more widespread and destructive, I watched with terror the newsreel reports of Nazi bombings. I listened horrified to the newscasts on the radio. Every week fresh issues of Time and Life magazines entered our house, and they brought new images of cities in flames or bombed to smoking rubble. There were close-up photos of the dead on the battlefield, of soldiers bleeding to death, of bodies on a beach. "I recall in particular a photo of a boy my age standing in the ruins of his apartment building somewhere in Europe. He looks lost, frightened, and utterly alone. He wonders if his mother, missing since the bombing, is alive in the ruins. Rubble and twisted metal are all that remain of the city street he had called his home. "Turning the pages of that Life magazine, a terrible fear and sorrow seized me. I identified with the boy. I feared what had happened to him would happen to me." The author speaks of how, from a source he could not name, powerful religious emotions, primarily fear of a God of*

Wrath, took hold of him and “initiated me into a secretive life I kept hidden from my father. The fears were brought into focus when I casually used words that had a religious meaning I didn’t understand. The words were these: ‘Cross my heart and hope to die.’ “I had heard other kids utter these words when they wanted to impress one another with the truth of an assertion. They often said them when it seemed fair!

NEW ATHEISM: CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES AND CONTEMPORARY DEBATES

Springer *Whether understood in a narrow sense as the popular works of a small number of (white male) authors, or as a larger more diffuse movement, twenty-first century scholars, journalists, and activists from all ‘sides’ in the atheism versus theism debate, have noted the emergence of a particular form of atheism frequently dubbed ‘New Atheism’. The present collection has been brought together to provide a scholarly yet accessible consideration of the place and impact of ‘New Atheism’ in the contemporary world. Combining traditional and innovative approaches, chapters draw on the insights of philosophers, religious studies scholars, sociologists, anthropologists, and literary critics to provide never-before-seen insights into the relationship between ‘New Atheism’, science, gender, sexuality, space, philosophy, fiction and much more. With contributions from Australia, Germany and the United Kingdom, the volume also presents diversity in regard to religious/irreligious commitment, with contributions from atheists, theists and more agnostic orientations. New Atheism: Critical Perspectives and Contemporary Debates features an up-to-date overview of current research on ‘New Atheism’, a Foreword from Stephen Bullivant (co-editor of The Oxford Handbook of Atheism), and eleven new chapters with extensive bibliographies that will be important to both a general audience and to those conducting research in this area. It provides a much-needed fresh look at a contentious phenomenon, and will hopefully encourage the cooperation and dialogue which has predominantly been lacking in relevant contemporary debates.*

HAPPILY GODLESS: A YOUNG ADULT'S GUIDE TO ATHEISM

PublishAmerica *Almost every young adult today deals with issues of religion, though they may not be comfortable talking about it. Many of them have problems with the Christian influence in their family and society. It’s an important topic and has become the subject of several best-selling books for adults. However, young people have been mostly left out of the discussion. Until now. Happily Godless introduces the main ideas of atheism to the people who matter the most—the generation just coming into society as decision makers. With a skeptical look at the existence of God, the story of Jesus, and the founding of the United States, the book also includes essays contributed by young atheists from all over North America. Happily Godless opens the door for all young adults who are questioning religion or who believe that reason is more powerful than faith.*

THE DEATH OF IGNORANT ATHEISM

EXPOSING MODERN ATHEISM FOR WHAT IT REALLY IS

Xlibris Corporation *There are two forms of atheism, not just one, and in the death of ignorant atheism, James Duncan shows how important it is for both believers and non-believers to understand the difference between the two. The book addresses and debunks the common objections raised by modern atheists against the existence of the creator, and convincingly demonstrates how atheism is just empty fiction that exists within western society due to wide spread ignorance, and that most professing atheists would renounce the idea if they were truly aware of its self-contradictory and illogical nature. This book exposes modern atheism for what it really is.*

SECULARISM, SCEPTICISM, AND ATHEISM

VERBATIM REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF A TWO NIGHTS' PUBLIC DEBATE BETWEEN MESSRS. G.J. HOLYOAKE & C. BRADLAUGH : HELD AT THE NEW HALL OF SCIENCE ... LONDON, ON THE EVENINGS OF MARCH 10 AND 11, 1870

ATHEISM AND NATURALISM

Lulu.com *Have you ever wondered what Atheists believe? You know what they DON'T believe in, but what positive beliefs do they have? Are you an atheist who wants to fully explore the philosophical and scientific issues surrounding your worldview? In either case, this book is for you. This book explores the arguments for God, why they fail, the arguments against God, and argues that Nature is all that exists (Naturalism). This book covers everything from Meaning and Morality to Creationism and Evolution.*

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THE PROBLEM OF PROBLEMS, AND ITS VARIOUS SOLUTIONS, OR, ATHEISM, DARWINISM, AND THEISM

GEORGE JACOB HOLYOAKE AND MODERN ATHEISM

A BIOGRAPHICAL AND CRITICAL ESSAY

ATHEISM: WHY GOD DOES NOT EXIST

ATHEISM EXPLAINED

CreateSpace *Atheism is a subject that draws a lot of controversy into today's society. People are now starting to doubt the existence of God because of all the advancements in modern science and technology that explain many of life's questions. With that being said, there is still a lot of confusion out there about atheism and what its belief system actually is. The only thing that people seem to know is that it is the disbelief in God, but it actually goes much deeper than that. In fact, there are different types of atheists who don't all act the same way about their disbelief. Some of them are open to new scientific evidence that proves them wrong while others are simply determined to not believe in God no matter what. In this book you will not only learn about the general concept of atheism and its effect on the world, but you will also learn about the different types of atheists as well. Religious followers tend to think of atheists as "devil worshippers" and other nonsensical things. The reality is atheists are just people who believe is something that is not supernatural or superhuman. The religious community only holds their "devil" belief about atheists because it contradicts their own religion. But what the religious community fails to realize is that there are many different religions and faiths in the world that all have their own belief system. The actions a person commits in one religion will be offensive to some other religion in the world. Therefore, there is no way to make people of all faiths happy and satisfied. There will always be some group of people out there who gets offended by what you belief and what you do. So if you want to be an atheist then no one should feel afraid to be open about it. Atheism won't even take much time out of your day because there are no churches or group organizations to go to worship atheist beliefs. Another reason this book was written was because atheists travel a very lonely road. Sure there are some forums on the internet where you can chat with other atheists, but in your regular life there is nowhere you can go to meet up with other atheists.*

After all, how many atheists do you know in your regular life? You could probably count the number on one hand. Fortunately, anyone can celebrate being an atheist by simply waking up in the morning and asking themselves what is real to them and what is not. If they are still convinced that God is not real then they will be satisfied with that belief and go about their day. This book on Atheism is not meant to ridicule or put down anyone else's faith. Instead, it was written to actually help people of all faiths to better understand atheism and the viewpoints of atheists around the world. The world is very diverse as it pertains to people's religious beliefs. Many of the wars taking place around the world are formed from the basis of these beliefs. Hopefully, this book will show people of all religions that there is another belief system out there that does not indoctrinate or persecute anyone. Contents: -Preface -My experience with god -What is atheism -Types of atheism -Atheist philosophies -Why god is evil -Morality vs. religion -Do you need religion to be nice -Atheist criticisms of religion -Proof that there is no god -Religious people are less intelligent than atheists -Nonsense from the bible -Reasons for being an atheist! Why choose atheism -Atheism in the USA -Conclusion

ATHEISM OR THEISM?

THE PERSPECTIVE OF SAÏD NURSI

Wipf and Stock Publishers *"Is there a God?" is one of those irrepressible questions that has been debated throughout human history, with scholars from opposites camps making the case for or against the existence of God. It is a never-ending debate. This book first examines the theistic arguments developed by Islamic scholar Said Nursi in the twentieth century. Although his arguments initially seem to be mere presentations of well-established theistic arguments for God--such as teleological and cosmological, and arguments from miracles and morals--it is clear that Nursi takes a fresh approach to these existing philosophical defences. The book then analyses how Nursi tackles certain atheistic arguments--such as the problem of evil and the possibility of existence without a creator--and criticism leveled against the prophets and the Qur'an.*

SERMONS OF THEISM, ATHEISM, AND THE POPULAR THEOLOGY

BIRTH AND REBIRTH

Abbott Press *How can I deal with the harsh realities of this world? How do I find meaning and achieve balance in my life? Who is God? Can he be found? And how do I go about seeking Him? "Birth and Rebirth: The Awakening of a Dormant Spirit" revolves around timeless and universal themes: the nature of the human experience and the reason for human struggle; the realization of humankind's highest aspirations; the final goal towards which all religions aim. Taking a philosophical approach, the book critically analyzes the*

root of human suffering, examines the merits and demerits of both science and religion (as they are commonly practiced), and proposes a method through which each individual human being can overcome his or her obstacles and can move forward in life with confidence and enthusiasm.

WHAT DOES ATHEISM BECOME?

Lulu.com

50 GREAT MYTHS ABOUT ATHEISM

John Wiley & Sons *Tackling a host of myths and prejudices commonly leveled at atheism, this captivating volume bursts with sparkling, eloquent arguments on every page. The authors rebut claims that range from atheism being just another religion to the alleged atrocities committed in its name. An accessible yet scholarly commentary on hot-button issues in the debate over religious belief Teaches critical thinking skills through detailed, rational argument Objectively considers each myth on its merits Includes a history of atheism and its advocates, an appendix detailing atheist organizations, and an extensive bibliography Explains the differences between atheism and related concepts such as agnosticism and naturalism*

PHASES OF ATHEISM, DESCRIBED, EXAMINED, AND ANSWERED

THEISM OR ATHEISM: THE GREAT ALTERNATIVE

DigiCat *DigiCat Publishing presents to you this special edition of "Theism or Atheism: The Great Alternative" by Chapman Cohen. DigiCat Publishing considers every written word to be a legacy of humankind. Every DigiCat book has been carefully reproduced for republishing in a new modern format. The books are available in print, as well as ebooks. DigiCat hopes you will treat this work with the acknowledgment and passion it deserves as a classic of world literature.*

THEISM, ATHEISM, AND THE POPULAR THEOLOGY

SERMONS

CHRISTIANITY, ISLAM, AND ATHEISM

THE STRUGGLE FOR THE SOUL OF THE WEST

Ignatius Press *For many Americans the attack on the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001, was the first time they had considered Islam. Were the terrorists motivated by the true dictates of their religion, or had they hijacked Islam as well as the planes in a political cause unrelated to the teachings of Muhammad? Christianity, Islam, and Atheism argues that Islam is a religion of conquest and subjugation and that in spite of 9 /11 and thousands of other terrorist attacks throughout the world, many in the West still do not know or admit this because it conflicts with their multiculturalism and their belief in the equivalence of all cultures and religions. To meet the challenge from Islam, Christians need to know more about the important differences between Islam and Christianity, yet many have been lulled into complacency by the misleading and largely unexamined assumption that the two religions are similar. The time that Christians spend in pursuing common ground is time that Islamic activists will use to press their radical agenda. In addition to challenging both the multicultural and common-ground approaches, William Kilpatrick also exposes the role played by atheists and secularists in advancing Islam. Despite paying lip service to freedom, radical secularists serve as enablers of radical Islam. The civil liberties that the West enjoys are the fruit of Christian civilization, Kilpatrick argues, and only a reawakened Christianity can defend them against Islam's advance.*

THE TRUTH BEHIND THE NEW ATHEISM

Harvest House Publishers

ATHEISM ANSWERED

Xulon Press *In 2006, Sam Harris made quite a stir with his best-selling book, Letter to a Christian Nation. In that book, he identified the Christian faith as the source of a host of evils, from Sub-Saharan AIDS to the imminent threat of a theocratically directed nuclear Holocaust. Dr. Daniel Horace Fernald first highlights the numerous gaping holes in Harris presentation, and then proceeds to challenge the very basis of Harris thesis: that Christian faith is by its very nature opposed to reason, science, and civil discourse. Fernald dispels this twisted caricature of Christians and their faith by demonstrating that it is actually the atheist worldview that is irrational, and that rationality itself is impossible without the God described in the Old and New Testaments. Using an approach adapted from presuppositional Christian apologetics, Fernald defends the faith and takes the battle to Harris, by showing the intellectual and moral emptiness of atheism. Dr. Daniel Horace Fernald is an accidental Christian conservative. He was born in New York City, studied French literature at the Sorbonne (University of Paris IV), and concluded his professional training by earning a Ph.D. in Philosophy at Atlantias*

Emory University. From these inauspicious beginnings, he found his way to Christ through an odd and circuitous path. A former tenured University professor and refugee from the academic asylum, he is the author of over 20 scholarly works. As a Paris-educated New Yorker, and adult convert to Christianity, he has survived numerous grillings by wary church elders, but is none the worse for wear. Dr. Fernald currently serves as Executive Director of The Christian Lyceum, an independent charitable apologetic, education, and hospitality ministry.

ADDRESSING ATHEISM: IS AUTHENTIC FAITH POSSIBLE?

Lulu.com *Can you believe in God without checking your brain at the door? We live in an age where atheism is on the rise and participation in religion is decreasing. "Just have faith" does not carry weight any more. Is it possible to believe in God today without setting aside our knowledge and reason? If people are to believe with authenticity, they must be encouraged to think critically as well as value their own unique experiences. The roots of faith today grow best in the soil of honest questioning. There is only a thin line separating sincere non-believer from believer. Our human limitations and subjectivity provide common ground for us to learn from each other regardless of belief or lack of belief in God. Within that context, an atheist will have an opportunity to view faith from a broader perspective while a believer will be challenged to use both mind and heart to grow deeper spiritually. By opening up to God in a broader fashion like this, we're better able to open up to each other as well.*

GOD AND THE NEW ATHEISM

A CRITICAL RESPONSE TO DAWKINS, HARRIS, AND HITCHENS

Westminster John Knox Press *In God and the New Atheism, a world expert on science and theology gives clear, concise, and compelling answers to the charges against religion laid out in recent best-selling books by Richard Dawkins (The God Delusion), Sam Harris (The End of Faith), and Christopher Hitchens (God Is Not Great). For some, these "new atheists" appear to say extremely well what they believe to be wrong with religion. But, as John Haught shows, the treatment of religion in these books is riddled with logical inconsistencies, shallow misconceptions, and crude generalizations. Can God really be dismissed as a mere delusion? Is faith really the enemy of reason? And does religion really poison everything? God and the New Atheism offers a much-needed antidote to the extremist claims of scientific fundamentalism. This provocative and accessible little book will enable readers to see through the rhetorical fog of this recent phenomenon and come to a clearer understanding of the issues at stake in this crucial debate.*

THE JOY OF ATHEISM

AN IRREVERENT GUIDE

IGNA Books *An alphabetical, irreverent guide to use to punch out religious bullies*

WHY OUR CHILDREN WILL BE ATHEISTS

THE LAST 100 YEARS OF RELIGION, AND THE DAWN OF A WORLD WITHOUT GODS

Albert Williams *One of the top 5 atheist books to be published in recent times. Will our current Gods and Religions disappear in the next 100 years? The race for the most momentous change in human history has started. Discover the origins of our Gods, religions and why the world will ultimately become atheist in the next 100 years. Reading this book will fundamentally change your outlook of the world. The book fearlessly examines our current major religions, their origins, and the path of their final demise. It examines the evidence we've uncovered regarding primitive religions, evidence dominated by myth, ritual, taboo, and superstition- and shows how so much of each is still present in our current religions. The book then asks if today's gods were really always there, presiding over the world since its creation, each the ultimate Creator and Ruler of our cosmos-or if, in fact, they ever really existed? The human race's powerful dependence and reliance upon religion is then considered in detail. He describes the ordeal of a boy, trapped by a deadly sickness, using his god and religion to find answers. He also explores the psychological impact of religion on human thought and behavior throughout history. Next, *Why Our Children Will be Atheists* tackles the question of whether religion imbues a person with better morals and essential goodness. In particular, it critically discusses research claiming that religious children are happier and more content than their non-religious counterparts. Also examined are the powerful mechanisms that religion deploys to ensure its survival, and the use of the state to advance religion. The final section part of the book briefly outlines our current knowledge of the universe, the origins of life, and its evolution, all of which are gradually replacing our notions of Special Creation. The new, emergent phase of human spirituality is then described, representing a model that will eventually render current faiths irrelevant, heralding the beginning of a religion-free era. The last 100 years of religion is here.*

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CONVERSATIONS WITH MY GOOD FRIEND THE ATHEIST

Christian Faith Publishing, Inc. *Why should Christians care about what Atheists believe? It is easy to discover what Atheists have to say about Christianity and Christians. Pick up a book by any modern Atheist writer, read a few random pages, and the reader will have a sampling of the criticisms Atheists have regarding religion and people of faith. A natural first response is the desire to set the record straight. A person responding this way will quickly find themselves going in circles. This is one point Christians need to accept and understand. From the Christian's perspective, it serves no useful purpose when Christians engage Atheists in an attempt to set the record straight. Atheism is a worldview or a way of seeing the world. Just as the Christian sees their Christian faith as reasonable and rational, the Atheist has the same view of what they believe to be true. Atheists vary in their definition of what it means to be an Atheist. There are, however, common themes found in the beliefs of people identifying themselves as Atheist. It is common, for example, to find people identifying themselves as Atheists to believe the natural world is all there is. This of course, excludes the supernatural and since God operates outside of nature, God is supernatural and is therefore eliminated in the thinking of Atheism. How should the Christian respond when Atheists challenge Christian beliefs? How can the Christian respond effectively unless the Christian understands what Atheists believe? How can the Christian respond unless the Christian understands why Atheists believe as they do? The apostle Paul tells Christians to be ambassadors. Ambassadors need to understand the world in which they serve. This is why Christians should care about what Atheists believe.*