

You Have Blind Faith

Category: Blind Faith

Example A)

“A fiction does not die, an illusion never passes away.”

Michael Onfray

Example B)

“Faith is an evil precisely because it requires no justification and brooks no argument.”

Richard Dawkins

Example C)

“Monotheism loathes intelligence.”

Michael Onfray

Example D)

“I am against religion because it teaches us to be satisfied with not understanding the world.”

Richard Dawkins

Example E)

“By all means be open-minded, but not so open-minded that our brains drop out.”

Richard Dawkins

Example F)

“It is time we admitted that faith is nothing more than the license religious people give one another to keep believing when reason fails.”

Sam Harris

Example G)

“What I’m asking you to entertain is that there is nothing we need to believe on insufficient evidence, in order to have deeply ethical and spiritual lives.”

Sam Harris

Example H)

“That which can be asserted without evidence can be dismissed without evidence.”

Christopher Hitchens

Example I)

“Religion teaches us to be satisfied with answers that are not answers at all.”

Richard Dawkins

Example J)

“Religious fanatics want people to switch off their minds, ignore the evidence, and blindly follow a holy book based upon private revelation.”

Richard Dawkins

Example K)

“Beware the irrational, no matter how seductive.”

Christopher Hitchens

Example M)

“Exceptional claims demand exceptional evidence.”

Christopher Hitchens

Example N)

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him will believe in anything.”

Christopher Hitchens

Example O)

“The less you think, the more you believe.”

Richard Dawkins

Example P)

“If children understand that beliefs should be substantiated with evidence, as opposed to tradition, authority, revelation, or faith, they will automatically work out for themselves that they are Atheists.”

Richard Dawkins

Example Q)

“Faith is the great copout, it evades the need to think.”

Richard Dawkins

Example R)

“Faith is belief without evidence and reason. Coincidentally, that’s also the definition of delusion.”

Richard Dawkins

Example S)

"If someone doesn't value evidence, what evidence are you going to provide to prove that they should value it? If someone doesn't value logic, what logical argument could you provide to show the importance of logic?"

Sam Harris

Example T)

"Religion is poison because it asks us to give up our most precious faculty, which is that of reason, and to believe things without evidence. It then asks us to respect this, which is called faith."

Christopher Hitchens

Example U)

"While believing strongly, without evidence, is considered a mark of madness or stupidity in any other area of our lives, faith in God still holds immense prestige in our society."

Sam Harris

Example V)

"It is thought to be virtuous to have faith – that is to say, to have conviction which cannot be shaken by contrary evidence."

Bertrand Russell

Example W)

"So far as I can remember, there is not one word in the Gospels in praise of intelligence."

Bertrand Russell

Example X)

“Faith is surrender of the mind; it is the surrender of reason.”

Christopher Hitchens

Example Y)

“Christianity and all religion is anti-intellectual.”

Bill Maher

Example Z)

“Religion is like a blind man looking into a black room for a black cat that isn’t there, and finding it.”

Oscar Wilde

Example AA)

“Faith is believin’ when you know it ain’t so.”

Mark Twain

Food for Thought

Look at the Atheists’ quotes I’ve listed. It is embarrassing. These self-styled “Brights” sound more like a choir of elderly blue jays. Atheist elders and evangelists recite their creed everywhere. Every time they chatter to a crowd of fresh faces at some university, the gullible, but prideful students are the Atheist’s congregation, and “you have blind faith” is a dependable theme of their anti-faith. Peruse the quotes again. Find anything creative in these chaps?

Okay, I must concede that Oscar Wilde distinguishes himself here.

“Religion is like a blind man looking into a black room for a black cat that isn’t there, and finding it.”

No matter how silly it is, at least it isn't the common gruel the other evangelists are serving.

Folks, the brightest minds in history have been, to my mind, Christian. Consider the apostle Paul, Augustine, Aquinas, Luther, John Calvin, and Jonathan Edwards to name just a few. Every rational scholar admires Edwards' intellect. In fact, admiration is too weak. I dare you to read what unbelieving scholars say in their comments about Edwards' treatise on The Freedom of the Will.

The assertion that Christianity relies on blind faith is demonstrably ridiculous. Give an ear to the apostle Paul.

"For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: That Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time."

1 Corinthians 15:3-8

Look again, Paul says many of the five hundred who saw Jesus at one time were still alive. The readers of his letter must certainly have felt free to go and speak with the members of the five hundred to confirm that Paul's claims were true.

Let's fast-forward to verse 12 of chapter 15.

"Now if Christ is preached that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen. And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty. Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, who He did not raise up – if in fact the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile. You are still in your sins! Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most pitiable."
1 Corinthians 15: 12-19

The apostle asks, rather simply, that we believe in the historical death and resurrection of Christ. Does that sound like “Please believe without any reason to?”

Remember, the best, and supposedly brightest of Atheism’s elders are the fatuous figure heads spouting this absurdity,

“That which can be asserted without evidence can be dismissed without evidence.”

Christopher Hitchens

Do you see how disingenuous these shepherds of the Atheist flock are?

I will tell you how arrogant these self-proclaimed “Brights” are, the quote above by Hitchens is what Atheists everywhere gleefully, and I mean gleefully, tout as “Hitch’s razor”. They write it and pronounce it as if it is the weapon thinking Christians quiver at. Huh? Look, it’s a silly slogan that teenage, would-be Atheists shout around the campfire and nothing more.

I will tell you who has blind faith, it’s not the apostles who died for what they believed without wavering, it’s the Atheists themselves.

They trot out “something from nothing” as the cause of all. They offer you panspermia, which asserts that aliens, somewhere, are sending out meteors and cosmic dust with “life sperm” on them as an alternate way life began. Now they are insisting that you believe this tripe unflinchingly – this is blind faith.

I like to utilize “Hitch’s Razor” against an Atheist in conversation.

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I do not mean to say that there are no people calling themselves “Christian” who do not have “blind faith”. I am merely affirming that no “true Christian” has “blind faith”.