

## Inside the mind of an atheist

I am no longer a Christian, I am an atheist.

I have a lack of belief or no belief anymore in God or any other God.

I sit quite comfortably in the secular camp.

My apostasy happened one month before graduating from the Bible College.

Why did I wait for so long before coming out in public?

Losing faith is NOT an instantaneous process.

At the end of a class, we all stood up to pray together, and somebody started crying to God, confessing how unworthy they were for God's goodness.

- Adults standing there, crying and talking to nothing
- After leaving the class, someone mentioned they could totally feel the Holy Spirit working there.
- Why aren't I feeling anything?

Next month was a difficult one, as I started questioning everything.

For nearly a decade I was an evangelical person, holding nothing back, to a point of literally being killed for preaching to people who hadn't heard about Christianity.

All of a sudden, I could feel my faith slipping through the cracks, like sand between my fingers desperately trying to hold on to it.

I wanted to be a Christian, I wanted to believe in God with everything I had.

My entire life was built on one thing that would hold me, no matter what, but could not ignore the facts, the evidence, and all the things that I have been so ignorant of before.

With everything pointing me away from Christianity, I cried out to God. If he would show himself, or help me merely continuing my faith, this was the one time I needed Him the most, and my separate pleas were answered with silence.

Next morning I woke up to silence, like being unplugged from the matrix, a heavy weight being lifted off my shoulders, and was ready to face the world.

Questions to ask yourself:

- What are your thoughts on evolution?
- Do you really believe the earth is 6000 years old?
- If you already believe in evolution, then there is no reason to have God in the process.
- For others, where God murdered everyone, included animals on earth through world-wide flood. Where is the evidence?
- Is the bible the epitome of morality? Is this how you know something is moral or immoral?
- Why did God command genocide?
- Why does He not condemn slavery? And using other people as property?
- Is it good to kill two people because they engage in a homosexual act?
- If you were a woman before Jesus was around, you'd considered unclean during your period?
- If certain god was asking you to sacrifice your child, what would you do if you saw someone else attempting to do this?

- Regardless of your opinion on the ways of Old Testament laws today, God's commands are morally reprehensible.
- Does God answer your prayers? Why your prayers? How much this confirmation bias play a part?
- Why does God refuse to answer prayers of people including children who are starving, being raped, tortured or kidnapped?
- If you came across a child being raped, would you stop it? Why would God not stop it?
- If you would take action to stop it, then would you be far more moral than God in this for taking an action to stop it?
- Was I ever a Christian? Did I ever had the Holy Spirit in me?
- Am I going to suffer eternal torture in hell because I have no faith? If you disagree, you might be labeled as heretic.
- If only the two billion Christian people only go to heaven, then why has God failed so miserably, as five of the seven billion people on this planet apparently are going to hell?
- Should people have children if they know some of them will forever tortured in hell?
- Why did God create a holy text that can be easily interpreted in so many different ways? Why make it so hard for people to understand and believe its claims?
- Why are there no observable miracles today?
- How come all healing claims look exactly the same as other faiths healing claims?
- Why is faith seen as a good thing?
- Why is believing is something with no evidence a virtue?
- How can you easily dismiss other religions claims of faith so easily, and turn around and hold Christianity as true?

If adequate evidence is presented, I will have no problems admitting I was wrong, and change my views.

Statement that are presented without evidence, can be dismissed without evidence. This hold true for any paranormal or a pseudo-scientific claim, psychic powers, acupuncture, alternative medicines, out of body experiences, prophetic dreams, ghost, horoscopes, mind-reading, fortune-telling, near death experiences, and others.

But the big question is: does God really exist?

Since Christians have been making this claim, then the burden to prove that is on them.

Don't pity me.

Contrary to being a Christian, I feel immense freedom being an atheist.

I am so excited about my life right now. Having one life is incredible.

I regret going to the Bible College,

And now I have to play a lot of catch-up, as I am far behind where I want to be, both life and knowledge-wise, I wish it didn't take me four years and over \$60,000 to figure this all out.

There are so many different paths I would've take, so many different places, and much better places..

The internet is one of the main factors in the increasing rate of non-Christians or non-religious people today. Information is no longer hidden, this is the age of information.

Taking the bible seriously, made me to become an atheist

Ask and answer questions about:

- Secularism
- Evolution
- Homosexuality and gay marriage
- Abortion
- Demons and ghosts
- Assisted suicide
- Alternative medicines
- Other religions
- Pascal's Wager
- Sin
- Sexual purity
- Pornography
- Swearing
- Morality

We need to have an evidence-based society where there is a reason, and logic and faith has no place in that.

If you are praying for me, don't. Why would God completely ignore my most earnest and desperate prayers in my most time of need, only to answer yours instead?

Take time to understand my point of view.

Read a single book that influenced me significantly, "God is not great, how religion poisons everything" by Christopher Hitchens