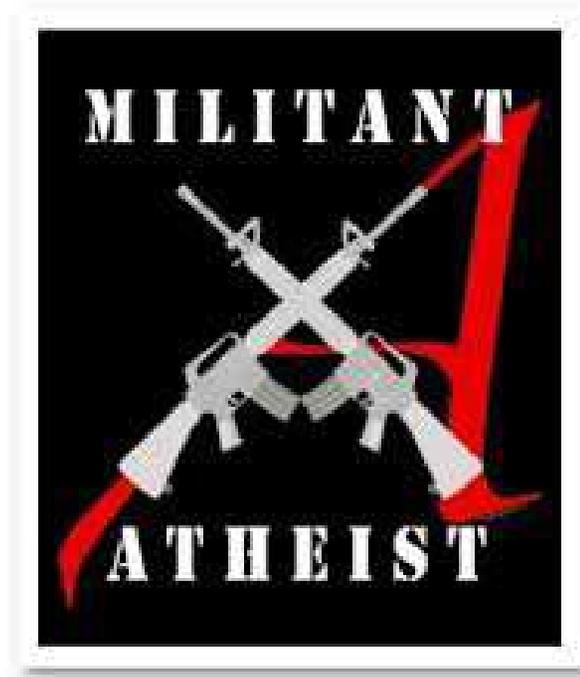


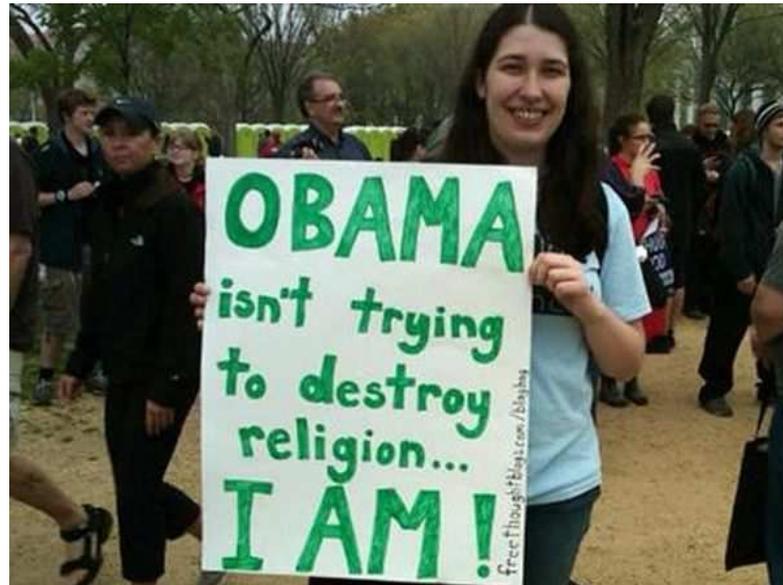
How to Respond to Atheism?



Presented by Karma Carrier, PhD

Why do we need to answer Atheism?

- We live in a age of science
- Conflict between science and faith hurting Christianity
- Anti-science approach is not working

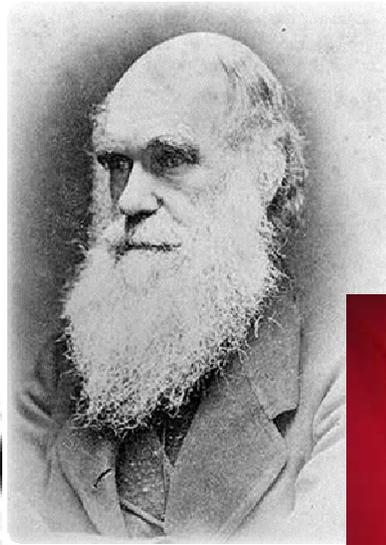


We Need to Spread the Gospel

- Top universities and technology companies
- Scientists are a great mission field
- How will we reach them?



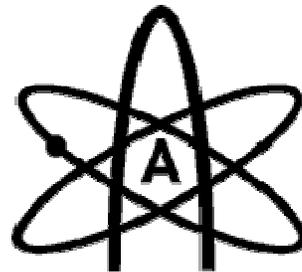
A Little Science Leads to Atheism



A Lot of Science Leads to Theism

What is Atheism?

- “The disbelief in the existence of a deity.”
- Diverse atheist movements:
 - Materialism, Marxism, Nihilism, Humanism, Naturalism, Fascism, etc.



The Rise of Militant Atheism



- The New Atheists
- Promote scientism and scientific naturalism
- Want to eradicate religion and belief in God

Discussion

What are some objections that atheists raise against Christianity?



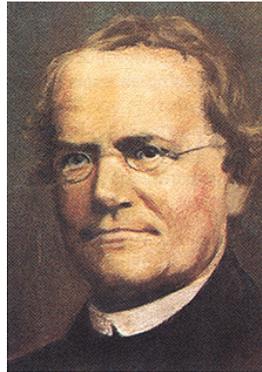
1. Science Disproves the existence of God!

- There are no published experiments disproving the existence of God.
- Atheists have been unable to provide evidence disproving the existence of God.



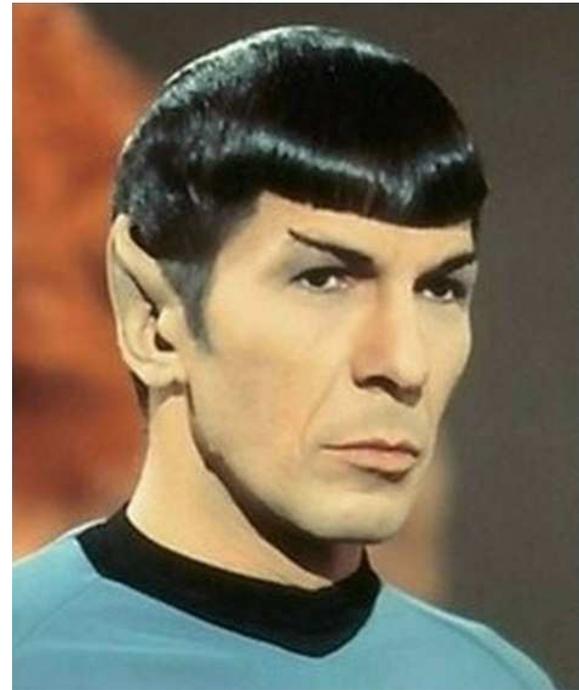
2. Scientists can't be Christians!

- Science developed as a branch of Christian theology.
- Many scientists believe in God.



3. Rational people don't believe in anything without proof!

- All scientists believe in things without proof.
- Faith is an important part of being a scientist.
- Non-religious more likely to believe without proof.



4. The Burden is Proof on Christians!

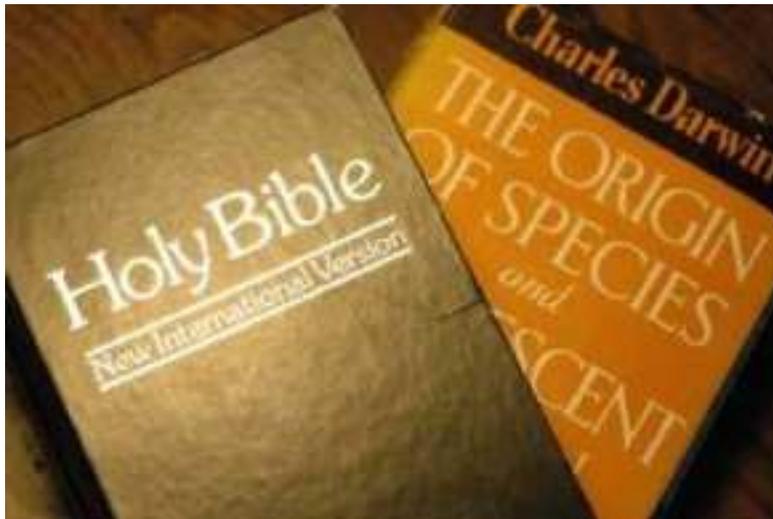
- All claims require burden of proof
- Default position is “We don’t know”
- Any claim without proof is a faith position



5. The Bible is Not Compatible with Science!

“Anyone who says science and Christianity are in conflict does not understand science or does not understand Christianity or, more likely, does not understand either.”

-Brother Guy Consolmagno
Vatican Observatory



6. There is No Evidence to Believe Your God Exists!

- Christianity is faith position but so is atheism.
- Good theories are falsifiable
- Can Christianity be falsified?



7. Nothing Exists Outside the Measurable Universe!

- Quantum theory predicts the existence of parallel universes and alternate dimensions.
- The biggest proponents of these theories are atheists.



8. Religion is a virus of the mind!

- Scientific evidence suggests that people are hardwired with a desire to seek God.
- A belief in God is a natural part of being human.



9. Christians have Committed Atrocities!

- Jesus inspires wonderful acts of kindness
- What about atheist atrocities?



10. Christianity is Declining and Atheism is Growing!

Christianity is growing worldwide and atheism is declining

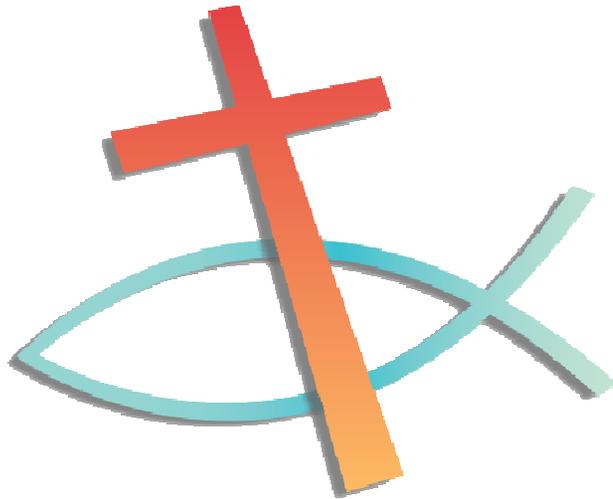


A Little Love Leads to Christ

Scientific arguments & lives of Christians.

Faith in Jesus is what saves you

-(Romans 3: 21-26)



Respond with Love

Group Discussions

- What are some atheist objections?
- How do we respond to atheist objections?
- Why do we need to respond to atheist objections?