

# We Need to Talk

Lets face it - Realists don't trust Christians and Christians don't like Realists. But we do need to communicate in spite of our differences. After all - we are stuck here on this planet together. And - Christians have been around for a long time and they aren't going away any time soon. And - neither is reality. So - we are stuck here together and the way I see it - we better make the best of it. After all - our religion requires it of us since we are all one people on one planet - we are all here together - and we are dedicated to making tomorrow better than it is today. That's our principle of positive evolution, the first of the Sacred Principles of the Church of Reality.

There is a lot of discussion about the relationship between Realists and Christians. We don't trust each other. I did after all write a web page titled Christianity Sucks, and I wouldn't be honest if I didn't admit that I think what I said is true. After all - to a Realist Christianity looks like a primitive religious cult. No different really that the way some Christian look at each other. Jehovah's Witnesses think they are the "True Christians" and therefore need to convert other Christians to their form of Christianity. Those who are not Jehovah's Witnesses think that the Jehovah's Witnesses are seriously off track and believe that they are in fact - a cult.

In fact - and be honest about this - most Christians can name at least 5 other Christian Religions that are cults - and if you know what I'm talking about then you will understand that Realists feel that way towards all Christians. As far as I am concerned - every last one of you is a "True Christian". But what Christianity truly means is very different depending on who you ask. If I were to compare Christianity to an animal species - Wolves are "True Dogs". They are the dogs from which every other breed of dog comes from. But look at the variety. From the outside perspective Christianity is as diverse as breeds of dogs are. After all these centuries - who is to say who are true dogs anymore? After all - even the wolves aren't the same as they used to be.

So - what does Christianity look like from the outside? Did you ever wonder that? Wonder what Realists were really thinking? Well - I see a lot of diversity - not just in belief - but more importantly - Christian culture is highly inconsistent between religions and is also fast evolving. When it comes right down to it - the Bible says anything you want it to say - and there's no level of behavior that's outside of Biblical support. And that scares us.

After all - Christian History is not a pretty picture. There has not been any significant period of time since Jesus departed where Christians weren't at war with someone - many times other Christians - or brutally oppressing someone. And - that is a trend that has continues up to and including today. The Iraq war - for example - clearly has deep religious undercurrents to it. It is clearly in part - a battle between Muslims and the Christian-Jewish alliance..Our President - Mr. Bush - identifies himself as a Christian and he is running the country into the ground. This is a man who had a memo drafted to approve torture, and as a result of that memo we have widespread torture - committed by us - and done in a way to make us look like barbarians.

Now there are several Christian groups who have announced that they have seized control of America - and they are going to use the rule of law to enforce their "moral" standards - a huge rollback of freedom - and replace the science of evolution with the fiction of Creationism. And all children will be taught their prayers in school. And if the Christians are in control of the nuclear arsenal - and the country is in a nose dive - and these people envision the future in terms of Armageddon - the destruction of the world - that scares the shit out of us Realists. Especially when your Christian president was advocating the idea of using nuclear weapons in Iraq during the initial invasion - and it turns out - Iraq had no weapons. Yet is it believed that Bush is somehow being controlled by or inspired by God. That it was God's idea to attack Iraq.

As a Realist - the idea that God is covertly in communication with people is something I don't believe if for nothing else but the fact that God apparently is highly inconsistent. So - God knows who God is really talking to. However - if God ever does show up - I will personally pay for an anger management therapy session to work on that temper problem. If

you are omnipotent you have to be taught that you can't go off and destroy the Earth every time someone pisses you off!

However - having said that - one can not ignore the variety of Christian charities and other organizations who's task is to selflessly help other people who are in need. These organizations are dedicated to the same principles that we Realists share - that we are /root and we do tech support for the human race. Christians become Christians because they have chosen to "do what's right" and to be one of the "good guys" and to be a productive member of society. And this is something that Christians and Realists share. But - as they say - the Devil is in the details.

So - in summary - Realists see Christians as an irrational primitive cult and prone to irrational behavior at times - and has an unhealthy view of the future. You are someone who we are stuck here with and we have the job of trying to protect you from yourself and to help Christians evolve into a positive and productive religion.