

A. Reasons Used to Prove Christianity is false:

- i. Clear evidence prayer does not work, yet Bible promises it does.
 1. Deuteronomy 6:16 - ““You shall not put the LORD your God to the test, as you tested him at Massah.”
 2. Matthew 4:7 – “Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’”
 - a. Exodus 17:2 – “So the people contended with Moses, “Give us water to drink.” “Why do you contend with me?” Moses replied. “Why do you test the LORD?”
 - b. Exodus 17:7 – “He named the place Massah and Meribah because the Israelites quarreled, and because they tested the LORD, saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”
 3. Matthew 16:4 – “An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah.” So he left them and departed.”
 4. Matthew 12:39 – “But he answered them, “An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah.”
 5. There are reasons God tells us that prayers are not answered:
 - a. 1 Peter 3:7 – “Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered.”
 - i. “hindered” – Greek word *endopto* from *en* meaning “in” and *kopto* meaning “to strike or cut”. This is a military word used to refer to fleeing troops cutting, breaking up or sabotaging a road they are retreating on in an attempt to delay the pursuing enemy.
 - ii. Failure to treat your wife in a godly way appears to sabotage your prayers.
 - b. Faithless
 - c. Wrong motive
 - d. Against God’s will
 - e. God may be doing something bigger than your prayer
 - f. Timing
 - g. Our own ignorance in prayer
 - h. Asking for the wrong things
 - i. Sin, impurity, unrighteousness
 - j. Pride
 - k. Failure to actually pray
 - l. Lack of persistence
 6. God does not have to answer a prayer such as “show me you exist” when God has already showed you but you resist. Or, God is not going to show you his will if he already has and you rejected it.
 7. God does answer prayer and promises that if we seek we shall find. This involves commitment and faithfulness.

8. Prayer is not magic.
 9. Atheists are challenging God in their arrogance James 4:6 –“But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”
 10. God works all things in accordance with his plan. And, God’s plan extends beyond today and the temporal world.
- ii. Clear evidence humans invented gods. Christianity is no exception.
 1. There is a spiritual world
 2. Mankind is spiritual and is spiritually aware
 3. God reveals himself
 4. Spiritual world attempts to reveal itself
 5. All cultures made of men will seek and recognize the spiritual.
 6. All cultures have responded to this spiritual climate.
 - iii. Clear evidence religion is propagated through culture by influencing children, not by the gods themselves.
 1. Deuteronomy 32:8 – “When the Most High gave to the nations their inheritance, when he divided mankind, he fixed the borders of the peoples according to the number of the sons of God.
 2. Daniel 10:20 – “Then he said, “Do you know why I have come to you? But now I will return to fight against the prince of Persia; and when I go out, behold, the prince of Greece will come.”
 - iv. Clear evidence Christianity has evolved as human knowledge and understanding changes.
 1. Christianity is indeed always facing pressure to adapt to culture
 2. Scripture has been consistent from the beginning.
 - v. Not all cultures have equal access to Christianity based on time and location. This is unfair.
 1. Romans 1:19 – “For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them.”
 - vi. Christian theology is absurd since it is based on God killing his son so he can forgive others. It is as ridiculous as killing your child so you don’t have to press charges against someone else.
 - vii. Unfair that all are imputed sin because of Adam
 - viii. If there were not so many conflicts in Scripture and logical arguments against the Jewish God and Christian resurrection then all sincere and intelligent people would accept Christianity.
 - ix. People live short lives when compared to eternity, yet failure here results in eternal consequence.
 - x. Murders can confess Christ and go to heaven, but moral people who give to humanity will suffer hell if they reject Christ. Belief is more important than action.
 - xi. The fate of the universe rests on the events of one small planet Earth.
 - xii. Christianity is Full of Hypocrites
 - xiii. Christians are Intolerant
 - xiv. Being a Good Person is Enough