

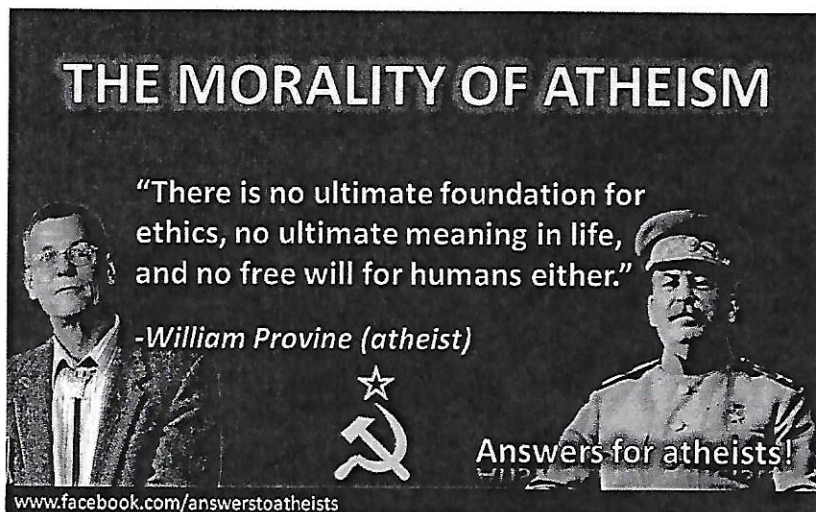
The Moral Argument

Please watch the great introductory video at
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OxiAikEk2vU&index=2&list=PL3gdeV4Rk9EfL-NyraEGXXwSjDNeMaRoX>

The moral argument for God's existence is as follows:

- 1) If objective/absolute moral values exist, then God must exist.
- 2) Objective/absolute moral values do exist.
- 3) Therefore, God must exist

Some people would say that as we evolved from single celled organisms (Darwinian evolution), that our morality evolved along with it. Outside of there being no proof of this at all, are these people really saying morality has its origins in chemicals and blind chance? The whole point of morality is that you are doing what you 'ought' to do, not what is in your genes or survival instincts to do. They cannot explain where this 'ought' comes from. Christians explain it by saying God imprinted His moral code unto our conscience. Granted our conscience can become 'seared' from not listening to God's guiding but to others leadings. And according to the Bible, we are in a 'fallen' state, so our conscience is fallen also.



- You either believe that morals are _____ (the same for everyone) or _____ (not the same for everyone).
- if they are the _____, what do we do when my morals interact with yours?
 - if they are _____, whose _____ do we use?

The impossibility of denying absolute morals:

To deny _____, you have to make an absolute denial...this is self-contradicting. It is a suicide statement. **Example; I can absolutely state that there are no absolutes.**

Values or morality don't change greatly from one culture to another but they're _____ do.

Just because some cultures have values that are different from our culture, doesn't mean that values are relative. It could mean that some values are _____ to others, like polygamy or cannibalism.

The acid test...when talking with someone who says they believe in relative morality, treat them disrespectfully and watch their reaction. They expect you to treat them & their ideas respectfully, thereby establishing an absolute value (that we should treat people with respect). A nation that believes in relative morality will never produce a social reformer like Mother Teresa or Martin Luther King, Jr. How could they? Social reformers always refer to an absolute morality.



If absolutes aren't unchanging & eternal, they're nothing more than relative morality over longer periods of time. This is why we need a transcendent (above human thought) source for our morals. This source needs to be eternal & unchangeable. That's why Christians choose God's morals because He made us and knows us better than we know ourselves. Some may say "But I don't believe in your God". Ignoring or disagreeing with a truth doesn't make it less true. _____ of belief doesn't make your belief true. You can be sincerely _____.

Most people who claim to live by relative morality, don't! They just live by another set of absolute morals.

A good example of this is the American & French revolutions. The French revolution was based on the "perfectibility of man".

Consider the following points:

A...don't confuse _____ with their _____. Hindu's don't eat meat, Christians do. But Hindu's don't eat meat because of their belief in reincarnation. They believe if you eat meat, you could be eating your deceased Aunt Mary. Both Hindu's & Christians believe you shouldn't engage in cannibalism (eating deceased Aunt Mary) but they express it differently.

B...without an _____ moral standard that doesn't change, you couldn't say that something like _____ is always wrong. You can only say it's not you _____ or it's against the agreed upon rules that a group of people have set.

C...we shouldn't deny _____ morals just because we have _____ knowing the answer in a few different situations.

D...Princeton University professor & Darwinist Peter Singer has used Darwinism to assert that "the life of a newborn baby is of less value than the life of a pig, a dog or a chimpanzee". He believes that parents should be able to kill their newborn babies until 28 days after they're born. The immediate question that pops to mind is "Why 28 days?". What's the difference between 28 days and 2 years?

E...James Rachels, author of "Created from Animals: The Moral Implications of Darwinism", says that because we humans are animals, that we could be used as laboratory subjects or even as food for other people or animals (shades of the 1970's movie Soylent Green).

F...the experiments the Nazi's did on humans can't really be condemned by darwinists as from the Nazi viewpoint, they were trying to better their race by these experiments.

G...consistent darwinists can only consider murder or rape as personal dislikes, not real moral wrongs.

H...in real life, most people believe in an objective, absolute moral standard. They just haven't thought it thru enough to realize this.

Reference books:

"I Don't Have Enough Faith to be an Atheist" by Geisler & Turek

"What's So Great about Christianity" by Dinesh D'Souza

"Jesus Is Involved in Politics" by Neil Mammen

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<http://crossexamined.org/312/>

<http://rzim.org/just-thinking/must-the-moral-law-have-a-lawgiver/>

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