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“Christ in You, the Hope of Glory”

Colossians 1:24-29

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Paul's Work for the Church

- 24 I am glad when I suffer for you in my body,
for I am participating in the sufferings of Christ
that continue for His body, the Church.**
- 25 God has given me the responsibility
of serving His Church
by proclaiming His entire message to you.**

- 26 This message was kept secret for centuries
and generations past,
but now it has been revealed to God's people.
- 27 For God wanted them to know
that the Riches and Glory of Christ
are for you Gentiles, too

**And this is the secret: Christ lives in you.
This gives you assurance of sharing His Glory.**

Christ in you, the Hope of Glory. (NASB)

28 So we tell others about Christ,
warning everyone and teaching everyone
with all the wisdom God has given us.

We want to present them to God,
perfect in their relationship to Christ.

29 That's why I work and struggle so hard,
depending on Christ's mighty power
that works within me.

Richard Dawkins:

The God of the Old Testament is arguably the most unpleasant character in all fiction: jealous and proud of it; a petty, unjust, unforgiving control-freak; a vindictive, bloodthirsty ethnic cleanser; a misogynistic, homophobic, racist, infantidal, genocidal, filicidal, pestilential, megalomaniacal, sadomasochistic, capriciously malevolent bully.

Slippery Slope of Atheism

Assumption 1:

If an all-powerful and all-loving God exists,
He would not do such evil things as we see
happening. Therefore, the God described
by the religions of the world is fictitious
and cannot possibly exist.

Conclusion: There is no God.

Assumption 2:

**Since there is no God, these terrible things
are really thoughts and actions
of the human heart.**

Conclusion:

**Because there is no God to declare good
from evil, these things are really not evil per se.
They are just the means of survival and
human beings expressing themselves**

Assumption 3:

**Since there is no God and therefore no evil,
everyone is merely dancing to his or her DNA.
We each do what we do because we are
soft wired and hardwired to do what we do.
It is not our choice,
and we bear no responsibility for it.**

Conclusion:

**There are no boundaries to what people might do.
Everyone creates their own morals values.**

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