

Axioms of Atheism

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Extraordinary claims require extraordinary evidence.

— Carl Sagan

1 Introduction

I am a Christian about to tell you a number of axioms that I believe most atheists actually live by, whether they admit to it or not.

2 The Axioms

1. There are no gods or deities.
2. Coincidences, no matter how improbably they may be, are meaningless.
3. Everything that is explainable is explainable by natural laws and processes.
4. Explanations of the origin of the universe are allowed to be called ‘scientific’ even though they cannot be directly tested by measuring instruments at or near the time and place of the Origin, because all such measurements are, at this time, restricted to the present solar system.
5. There is nothing in the universe that will lead science to go astray from the truth, so long as scientists adhere strictly to scientific procedures and reasoning.
6. There is no meaning to our lives, except what we give to it ourselves.
7. There are no moral principles over human behavior, except what we human decide to live by, if any.
8. The only events that an atheist is allowed to believe in are those which are witnessed and recorded and vetted by a competent scientist.
9. To the rational mind, nothing should ever be accepted until it has been proven scientifically beyond any possibility of future refutation.
10. Let B.C.E replace B.C. and let C.E replace A.D.

Hence, all rationality and truth lies within the domain of science. Secular world without end, amen.

Atheists tell me that I'm only one less God from being just like them. Interesting. I suppose I'm also just one less functioning heart from being dead. I guess a difference of just one item can be significant, after all.