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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #51

well, this probably should be taken to another board. I'm pretty sure there are religion boards on ign.

"I agree with Lacan. All the proof for the existence of a god, is the lack of

proof against it."

As for that, I will say that there is more reason to not believe in god than there is to believe in it. I have more to say but this really isn't the place. I don't mind if we have it here but other people do so we should probably move it somewhere else.

legacyAccount, Apr 22, 2003 Report

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #52

mega volt, so far I agree with everything you have said. As far as I'm concerned religion is a way to to teach the difference between what we, as humanans, believe is right and wrong. Through stories and fables people grasp a greater understanding of the ideals that are trying to be shoved into their heads. Just telling somebody to do something won't work. But if you add grave concesscuences, can't spell, like eternal damnation it will have much more affect on the indivitual. Religion is theoretical, they are nothing more than ideas. Some refer to them as mythology, some say they are actual non-fictual accounts, but either way we will find out when we die. Life is short. People are scared of the idea of them not existing. Maybe this is where the idea of ghosts and heaven originated from?

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timmyjoe012345, Apr 22, 2003 Report

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Noob

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Messages: 15,764

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #53

Religion seems more about fear than anything to me. I mean it's like the ultimate cop. He sees you when you're in your house, or in the middle of the night. It's about controlling minds.

There was no "origin" for morality. Some people are good people. Some aren't. Anyone that needs fear of punishment before they'll do anything good isn't really a better person.

That's where I separate spirituality from religion. I'm somewhat spiritual. That's a personal thing, as opposed to the mass marketing you get at a church.

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Level 9999

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theunentitled, Apr 22, 2003 Report

ShadowSora
Guest

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #54

"You cannot prove God exist and you cannot prove he does not. It's impossible."

Actually, there is one way to prove weather he does or does not exist...

Die.

ShadowSora, Apr 22, 2003 Report

MegaVolt67
16-bit Mod

Joined: Jun 7, 2001
Messages: 17,402

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #55

Lol, good point, Shadowsora.

Anyways the point that I was trying to make was that your senses are not always dependable.

True. It's because the stakes are so high that I need solid proof in this case. Mainly because I'm not sure if I've truly enjoyed my life to the fullest. My interest is in not being too much of a hypocrite. So if I follow the bible or something, I intend to follow it to the best of my ability. Which means that I may never experience certain things. If I die, and we all go to the same place; I might regret not having done some things for the sake of always doing right.

Yeah timmyjoe, seeing all of those christian hypocrites try and tell you what to do while they don't follow everything themselves is not inspiring at all. And some do behave like they think they're superior to the common guy on the street. Is that appropriate? Everyone is a hypocrite to some degree, but at least I've met some so-called "bad" people who are honest about what they do and how they feel. Some Christians take hypocrisy to such a grand level, that I can hardly believe that God can stand to allow them to continue on their course.

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MegaVolt67, Apr 22, 2003 Report

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Joined: Sep 25, 2002
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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #56

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Please, elaborate. If people are offended by it, then they are obviously not very mature and they can leave. It's not like this place gets a good conversation going all the time. I say we horde it while it lasts.

~R|D~
Witty movie quote here

-Lacan-, Apr 22, 2003 Report

mikel
Prime Member

Joined: Jul 5, 2001
Messages: 2,708

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #57

"*You cannot prove God exist and you cannot prove he does not. It's impossible.*"

A very diplomatic statement, and a possible one also. But to be honest, how do you know? Just because there seems to be evidence for both sides doesn't mean there isn't something we're missing somewhere...

Remember me as: The Nobody

mikel, Apr 22, 2003 Report

Bucko57
Noob

Joined: Sep 2, 2000
Messages: 2,310

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #58

But once you're dead you can't prove it to the living people, because you're dead. You can only prove it to your own existence.

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Bucko57, Apr 22, 2003 Report

ShadowSora
Guest

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #59

Which is kind of the whole point, Bucko. You don't follow what you beleive in so you can tell other people about it.

ShadowSora, Apr 22, 2003 Report

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #60

A very diplomatic statement, and a possible one also. But to be honest, how do you know? Just because there seems to be evidence for both sides doesn't mean there isn't something we're missing somewhere...

That statement I made was refering to right now. Not about things we may discover later on. As of right now, you cannot prove it one way or another. Neither can you disprove them. I'm speaking from an agnostic perspective, of course. From someone who is religious, you don't need scientific proof. Faith is enough for you to believe. Faith is stronger than science.

~R|D~
Witty movie quote here

-Lacan-, Apr 22, 2003 Report

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Noob

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #61

I would love to exist after my death. But that just isn't what I believe. The idea of life after death is what, in my opinion drives some people into religion. People can't stand not existing, they have to be part of something bigger. What about animals if they don't pray and marry before sex, are they damned to hell.

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timmyjoe012345, Apr 22, 2003 Report

timmyjoe012345
Noob

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Messages: 15,764

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #62

Actually, timmyjoe, most religions beleive that animals don't have souls. Which is bull in my opinion (well, I don't really beleive in souls, but you get the point anyway).

ShadowSora, Apr 22, 2003 Report

ShadowSora
Guest

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #63

I can stand not existing after death. I'll be dead. What will I care?

Religious folk are pretty vindictive and selfish I guess. They want to think that the person who robbed from them is going to be punished and that they are going to be rewarded. What's the point?

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theunentitled, Apr 22, 2003 Report

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #64

sickboarder39
Noob

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Some religions believe that people are rencarnated(not sure bout spelling). Meaning that an animal would have a human soul. Or the same soul that Human had.

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sickboarder39, Apr 22, 2003 Report

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #65

legacyAccount
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Alright Lacan!

The only reasons to belive in god, is the bible and the simple fact that it has been passed down for thousands of years. I have never seen god, never seen an act of god and have never seen a reason for me to believe in god.

Science however has told us many things about our world that we never knew before. Especially about things covered in the bible. Geological things mentioned in the bible such as the flood. According the the Bible the world really isn't that old. We have proof of pre-homosapiens. Proof that we have evolved and yet religion refuses to accept it because it goes against the creation myth.

I won't comment much on the big bang theory because it hasn't been proven and that's what it takes for me to believe something, but there is more reason to believe in this than there is in god.

legacyAccount, Apr 22, 2003 Report

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #66

Animals are inferior beings. Maybe it is because their minds are not as well developed as ours, or maybe it is simply because they were not created in god's image. It depends on what you believe.

I've always believed that no animal is evil. Animals are inherently good without the minds that give them the capacity to do evil. Therefore they would not go to a hell if one exists.

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Bucko57, Apr 22, 2003 Report

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #67

JTeel54
No Longer a Noob

Joined: May 17, 2001
Messages: 66,816
Location: Omaha, NE

I'm tired, so all I want to say for right now is that one scientific group of people that's becoming a larger and larger group of physicists believe science and religion are cohesive, and that God and "the devil" have been known about for decades, but just been passed off. Care to try and figure out what they're talking about? I already know, but I wanna know if you fellows are clever enough to dig it up alone.

struts out of thread leaving people not thinking

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JTeel54, Apr 22, 2003 Report

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #68

That's why I said most (like faith based religions).

ShadowSora
Guest

ShadowSora, Apr 22, 2003 Report

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #69

The biggest problem for me, in the proving that God exists thing is the "faith" aspect. Faith by definition is basically believing in something that

MegaVolt67
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isn't proven indefinitely. I can ask all of you to believe that Zeus is the real God, and that he's working behind the scenes. So naturally you'll want proof of this. Any baffoon can come in and make claims, but you can't fairly expect anyone to believe it without proof. I'll simply tell you to have faith in him, and you'll realize the truth. Yeah...that helps quite a bit.

The Bible has a lot more going for it that any regular thrown out idea because it bases itself in true history. At least at some key points in it's stories.(Adam & Eve period is hard to prove with other records) I think that perhaps the more important thing to appreciate is "belief" and not "religion". Religion is an institution of belief which is handily justified by the idea that it's kind and right to spread that knowledge to others. But I think that it's definitely been used as a powerbase for some totally inappropriate things. So I'd like to believe that "belief" can be something personal and that you shouldn't **have** to be involved in the institution. I suppose "belief" and "spirituality" can be one and the same.

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #70

Science VS Religion could go on forever. For example, pre-homosapiens. Religious people could ask "who created them." The "big bang" therory, who made it happen? Or somin like this. The argument could go on forever.

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sickboarder39, Apr 22, 2003 Report

Talraen
Noob

Joined: Aug 24, 2000
Messages: 486

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #71

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To me, to believe you will "cease to exist" when you die means you believe "you" do not exist in the first place. Which is quite a ludicrous belief to base your life on. I very much doubt I will continue to exist in anything like this form when I die, but whatever is "me," I believe, will always exist in one fashion or another.

James Dowd
Member UDIC
"Deny everything, regret nothing!"
If you don't have something intelligent to say,
don't say anything at all!

Talraen, Apr 22, 2003 Report

mikel
Prime Member

Joined: Jul 5, 2001
Messages: 2,708

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #72

Thinks back to Grimetek's religious thread

Oooh, oooh, Teel, I know, pick me. Angels & Demons, Angels & Demons.

Actually I haven't even read it yet, but I saw it in the book-store a few days ago, and I'm going book-shopping tomorrow, so I just may pick it up.

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mikel, Apr 22, 2003 Report

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #73

Well animals obviously don't know about religion and stuff like that. They seem just fine with their primitive existance. Religion brings up a lot of questions. What about aliens. I know that topic seems trivial but I believe in them. If religion is real then they must know too. Is there a special alien

heaven. If we are reincarnated then could we of been an alien in a past life. Aliens name have been tarnished over the years. No I'm not talking about little green monsters, I'm talking about actual life forms that exist some where in this vast universe.

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timmyjoe012345, Apr 22, 2003 Report

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Noob

Joined: Aug 22, 2002
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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #74

Good for you. You could also just go and turn to page 35 if you wanted.
^_^

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JTeel54, Apr 22, 2003 Report

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No Longer a Noob

Joined: May 17, 2001
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Location: Omaha, NE

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #75

What do you mean animals don't have souls? That's silly. They feel pain. Anything that feels pain has a mind. Have you ever noticed how a dog will be excited to see you when you return home? That right there is another reason.

Granted, I eat meat. But that doesn't mean I can't sympathize with vegetarians (ooh, another touchy subject. Go me).

I eat meat because plants are alive too. They grow. If they don't get water, they die. Vegetarians just hate the idea of eating something that has legs I guess.

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #76

A soul doesn't equal a mind unentitled.

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #77

I've always believed that no animal is evil. Animals are inherently good without the minds that give them the capacity to do evil. Therefore they would not go to a hell if one exists.

I've always believed that too. It seems that humans are the only ones who can't have a balance with nature. We only seem to make negative contributions to this earth. *Remembers Chrono Cross*

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #78

JTeel54:

Unless I am mistaken i believe you are refering to the idea that man has evolved but not without help from god. The idea that man evolved from microbes to the complicated being we are now is impossible. The same goes for everything. Animals, the universe, etc...

That would be all fine and dandy but that's not the story it gives in the bible. God created EVERYTHING in 6 days. Not billions of years. Man was created in his image (he didn't evolve into his image). The world was created a few days, not billions of years.

legacyAccount, Apr 22, 2003 Report

Bucko57
Noob

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #79

Who in here said animals don't have souls? I can't find that.

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-Lacan-
Noob

Joined: Sep 25, 2002
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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #80

Faith by definition is basically believing in something that isn't proven indefinitely.

What is proven indefinately? Hardly anything. It is not even scientifically proven that we even exist. So really, it's just faith that we even exist, not scientific evidence. So it's logical that the lack of evidence doesn't hinder most deeply religious people. Faith is not the belief in that which is not proven, it's the belief in something that you know in your heart to be right.

~R|D~
Witty movie quote here

-Lacan-, Apr 22, 2003 Report

ShadowSora
Guest

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #81

Talraen, I can answer your question. Consiousness is just something produced by your body and brain. The electrical signals in your brain tell you what to think and move and such. It's all physical. When you die, the things that make up your body, brain, and things that react to form your conciousness, all turn into something else. Therefor, yes, none of you truelly ceases to exist. But a soul is just theoretical.

ShadowSora, Apr 22, 2003 Report

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #82

Nope, Brian, you're very far off from what New Physics is. Sorry.

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #83

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Joined: Feb 21, 2002
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No one actually stated that opinion.

"Actually, timmyjoe, most religions beleive that animals don't have souls. Which is bull in my opinion (well, I don't really beleive in souls, but you get the point anyway)."

It was a statement of what some religions believe. I was commenting at that.

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #84

mikel
Prime Member

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Meh, my edit will most likely be missed, so I'll repost it.

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mikel, Apr 22, 2003 Report

MegaVolt67
16-bit Mod

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #85

So Man was created in God's image... How about Angels then? What is their purpose? I've always been curious about that. The Bible says that Angels are superior to us... Yet I find it shocking then that Lucifer could've had such a "human" response and get jealous of God's power. Those are the kinds of things that bug me and also interest me very much.

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Noob

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #86

I myself belive that the earliest life forms was the protozoa. Sea life evovled from it. And sea life ventured on land and then evolved once more. I forgot my point. I'll post it when I remeber.

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #87

BrianS:

The bible saying God created the universe in 6 days isn't fact, any one

knows that. Its to symbolize what god did. There are 2 creation stories in the bible they contradict so it obvious the bible isn't aiming to be a textbook. Its saying, "this is what happened and this is how author 1 thought it happened." then you turn the page and author 2 is giving his opinion. They even call god by different names in each story. The goal isn't to say "this is HOW it happened" its saying "this is WHAT happened." Theres a slight difference there.

jal311, Apr 22, 2003 Report

jal311
Noob

Joined: Nov 12, 2002
Messages: 314

Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #88

If I'm not mistaken, New Physics is the belief that matter is god and anti-matter is devil, yes?

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mikel, Apr 22, 2003 Report

mikel
Prime Member

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #89

I believe a soul is nothing more than what you are. A collective bank of memories and experiences that define you and your beliefs. Biology plays a small part in who you are but unless you are born with a mental defect then it won't play a big part. Animals can't have 'souls' because they simply don't have the complex minds we do. Sure they play and curl up with you but they still lack what it takes to have a 'soul'

legacyAccount, Apr 22, 2003 Report

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #90

According to the Bible we are actually superior to angels, because we are created in God's image. You got it backwards.

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Bucko57, Apr 22, 2003 Report

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #91

The Christian God is too human for my liking. If a God does exist, which is possible, wouldn't It be above negative human feelings like jealousy? Hell, that's a biblical contradiction there. One of the ten commandments is to not be jealous, another one is to not worship another Being. (hehe.)

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #92

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Date Posted: Apr 22, 2003 #93

Well, according to the bible you can fit 2 of every single species on one boat. Not everything in there is meant to be taken literally.

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Witty movie quote here

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Mikel: The "assumption" that we have a will or a consciousness is not an assumption at all, it's a manifest fact. I mean, I have a perspective, and I am conscious. I know this. If, as some believe, humans were just really complex machines, there would be no reason for us to be conscious. Not that it matters anyway - trying to prove to me that I am not conscious is simply impossible. There is no scientific proof *whatsoever* that humans do not have "free will," and there are in fact some theories on where free will could come from (from a scientific perspective).

As for my body, my consciousness/will/soul/whatever is not necessarily part of my body. I personally believe that everything (or at the very least everything alive) has a "soul" in some form or another, so the fact that the same thing happens to my body as everything else's doesn't prove anything. Besides, there is evidence to suggest that at the moment of death the human body loses a small amount of weight (under an ounce) that has never been accounted for. I don't know if I believe that, but it's something to think about. Science is not nearly as cut-and-dried on the idea of consciousness and will as people seem to think.

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"Deny everything, regret nothing!"
If you don't have something intelligent to say,
don't say anything at all!

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The whole Lucifer thing sounds more like a Greek type of story(I say story because, well...why not? ^_^) than Christian theme. In Greek mythology and their grouping of Gods, the Gods are just extremely powerful, infinte humans. So if Lucifer was an Angel(this is what I'm getting from your post, I don't remember much of his story before "the turn"), then either angels are either more than the Bible is letting us know so that we can be more

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grateful once we learn all of it...or there was more than one God in the Catholic/Christian religion, and the scriptures have been written as though God is the only God, because our religion says we only have one God, and that God is good. Maybe Lucifer is called a fallen angel because to call him a God would end up demeaning our own meaning of "God". ?

EDIT: mikel, more or less, yes. Matter is all life, and in everything that coexists. Anti matter upon contact with matter brings about miles of destruction to the point of nil, where it can no longer be met by any sense. Matter meeting antimatter would represent an Armegeddon, in the New Phsyics belief.

as my thoughts emerge, these are those words.
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What is proven indefinately? Hardly anything. It is not even scientifically proven that we even exist. So really, it's just faith that we even exist, not scientific evidence. So it's logical that the lack of evidence doesn't hinder most deeply religious people. It's not believe in what is not proven, it's believing in something that you know in your heart to be right.

Well, I know I exist. I think therefore I am. I feel this discussion and I feel alive. I have sentience. I have an ability to analyze beyond what is necessary for survival on this planet, like all humans do. There must be an explanation. Animals are not like this. I know there has to be something...more to this existence.

Anyways, I'd want to believe much of what you're saying. But... I can't. Some say that there's more than one path to enlightenment or true happiness. But the Bible says the **only** way is through Jesus Christ. What am I supposed to do?

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what would the second creation myth be? Sorry for calling it a myth. That's just the way i've learned to call it from my reading.

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Where does the bible say, "the only way is through Jesus." Jesus plainly says, "Love others as I have loved you." Thats all you got to do and you got christianity mastered.

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According to the Bible we are actually superior to angels, because we are created in God's image. You got it backwards.

No...Angels are stated to be superior. It was discussed with God by the Angels themselves. God had decided to create man, which was something like half angel/half beast.(A Jewish church Rabbi used that comparison too) The Angels didn't understand the point, but God had his master plan thing going.

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I goto a Catholic school. They teach us that the book of Genisis is mostly myth. Creation story and Noah's Ark especially.

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