

**Gospel of
Atheism**

IT'S EASY TO TELL THE DIFFERENCE

1 [Salvation by
atheism](#)

Nobody can deny that some things are good - for example, good feelings. The only problem is in determining how to do what has the most good in it. Despite all the clashes between religions and schools of philosophy it is easy to distinguish right from wrong and the religious tenet that we need to believe in God to do it is a lie. We know for a start that if there is no perfect code of right and wrong we have to choose the best one. It is because there are faults with every moral code that there is so much of a dispute about what is right and wrong.

2 [What is self-
esteem?](#)

3 [Why is self-
esteem
important?](#)

The law is that what is right is what promotes the greatest happiness of the greatest number. This law has rarely been interpreted or implemented correctly. So it should be made a bit clearer: what is right is what promotes the greatest self-esteem and greatest rationality (you can't have self-esteem without correct thinking) of the greatest number. It matches the code of right behaviour that we want to believe in very closely. No system will be perfect so you just have to find the best one and stick to it. Motive is all-important in this for an action is only good when it is meant to be good. If the motive is bad then you defile, hurt and demean yourself. We need rules to make sure people have the right motives for if we let them bend the rules all the time they can do it with bad motives and say the motives were good.

4 [How to love
yourself](#)

5 [You want to be
happy.](#)

6 [You can be
happy.](#)

7 [To love
yourself means
loving yourself
alone
ultimately.](#)

There can be no security, order or contentment without rules. Some say we should stick to rules no matter how much harm it does. "Believe in God and serve him and never do other than these" is a notorious example. Others say we should have no rules but do whatever makes the most happiest. The right doctrine is found when we cross the two approaches and come up with, "Make the rules that are the best for most of us." We should do what is best for most people which means keeping the rules for it is best to be happy yourself and to make another happy for two happy people are better than one.

8 [Fear is the
father of evil](#)

Some things that are called evil are really just neutral, neither good nor bad. But most of the time there is something that can be done that will be for the best.

9 [Nobody makes
you unhappy.
but you](#)

Reason tells us what is right and wrong. Reason forbids the pollution of the environment. Reason forbids parents not supporting their children who depend on them. That's two examples.

10 [Let happiness
come](#)

Some may object: "Why these rules and not others? Order will still be maintained if we permitted little child neglect and a certain amount of pollution. You can't say that permitting these is bad for it causes trouble for the law has to be enforced by causing trouble."

11 [Be easy to
please](#)

The answer is that these two things would be needless evils and evil is essentially an attack on self-esteem.

12 [You just need
to see your
worth](#)

We feel that we want these rules. Even when we feel like breaking them or do break them we prefer them to be maintained even when our breaking them will be secret for they make us feel safe. The way we naturally feel about them would be a sufficient reason to stand by them and preach them for that would guarantee the greatest possible happiness of the greatest number in a harmless as possible way.

13 [Egoism is the
way to go!](#)

14 [Distracted
selfishness is
your salvation](#)

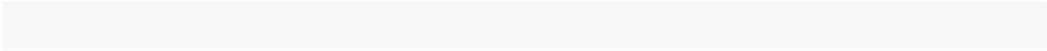
Rules should be confined to the bare minimum. A moral precept that can be done without, eg that a very decent man and woman living together outside of wedlock is a sin, is an extra burden on the world and it slanders the one who contravenes it as bad while the real baddies are the people who keep the precept and preach that it should be observed. The rules need to be as liberal as possible for you don't need a lot of control over people to organise society. Where there is no law we have to live as if there were a law. We have to live out the best code of right behaviour that we can find.

15 [See that you
are not a
sinner](#)

16 [Be your own
person](#)



17 you need is
you!



17a PT 2 Only God
you need is
you!

18 You have a
will but it is
not free in the
religious sense

19 There is no
free will and
we don't really
want it

20 Belief in fate
is not really
that bad

21 Liberation and
guilt

22 Forgiveness in
the popular
sense is a
snare!

23 Hatred in a
spiritual
disguise

24 Probability not
possibility is
what counts

25 Using reason
correctly
means
protecting
yourself
correctly

26 There is no
God - be your
own God

27 Discard the
oppressive
God belief

28 Belief in God
undermines
your self-
regard

29 Don't condone
"God's" often
cruel plan

30 Religion is
harmful

[fantasy](#)

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