

## PRAYER IS SEEING LIFE AS A DIVINE GIFT, BUT THAT UNDERMINES RESPECT FOR LIFE

Prayer assumes that God owns your life and makes it and provides for it. Prayer is therefore a gift. Life is therefore a gift.

If life is a gift from God, then you have the right to choose to return the gift or refuse it. You don't even have to give a reason. A gift is not a gift if you do. Morality is pointless if it cannot tell us why we should tell a person not to commit suicide if they decide to. It clearly cannot and the gift of life doctrine is the reason why. Morality is pointless if it cannot tell us we must not kill ourselves. Suicide is so important that nothing else compares.

If God in a sense is morality or the chief reason to be moral then God is useless from the moral perspective. God is not only irrelevant if you have moral worries. God opposes your worries and your desire for a valid morality. We have a duty to find God offensive if morality is real.

Prayer to a morally irrelevant God and/or one who undermines it is inherently evil. It may reflect how we tend to prefer good that has a bad side. A terrorist culture will get better treatment among pro-immigrant activist that one that is not. That is that preference at work.

A morality, especially one that is sanctioned or confirmed by God - which only makes it worse if it is bad! - cannot safeguard against war and will destroy us soon.