

Part I: What is atheism?

INTRODUCTION TO ATHEISM

Definition

- ⦿ Lack (Unclear)
 - Atheism is a lack of a belief in God(s).
- ⦿ Disbelief (Choice)
 - Atheism is the belief that there is no God(s).
 - Atheism is the belief that there's no justifiable reason to believe in God(s).
- ⦿ Non-Theism (Rational Default)
 - Atheism is a set of all beliefs that are not explicitly theistic.
- ⦿ Anti-Theism / Certainty

An Atheist

- ⦿ Difficult to speak about atheists in general.
- ⦿ Construct an idealised (not necessarily ideal) individual to speak about.
- ⦿ Idealised/Specificity may be irrelevant *to you*, but not in general.

Paths to Atheism

⦿ Rational

- By argument.
- *Of Note: Debate Tactics.*

⦿ Sceptical

- Incredulity
- *Of Note: X-Files and Superstition.*

⦿ Ethical

- Choice between frameworks.
- *Of Note: Movie Goer's Guide.*

Being Atheist

- ⦿ Ethics
 - Moral Relativism & Points of View.
- ⦿ Meaning of Life
 - Freedom
- ⦿ Death
 - Alternatives
- ⦿ One Life

Limits of Atheism

- ⦿ The Inadequacy of Reason
 - Questions of life:
Who, What, Where, Why, When?
 - Defensible Theism
- ⦿ The Problem of Death
- ⦿ Radical Agnosticism
 - Equally weighted possibilities of creation?
- ⦿ Notable: Limits of Atheism