

Is This Realization Enough to Convince an Atheist to Change His Mind?

Tristan is an avowed atheist, but there was one thing he couldn't explain: Creation.

"I essentially saw the order of life," Tristan tells evangelist Ray Comfort. "I saw the order in plants. I saw the order in leaves. I saw the order in animals. I saw the order in man. I saw the order in nature ... there's undoubtedly an order to the world, there's some type of higher power."

This realization caused Tristan to soften his heart and explore the idea that God very well may be real after all.

Comfort used the earth's origin story to launch into a deeper conversation. Watch the video to see what happened next.

Pope Francis Officially Changes the Lord's Prayer

Pope Francis has officially approved a change to the Lord's Prayer in Matthew 6:13 that replaces "lead us not into temptation" with "do not let us fall into temptation."

US Catholic reported Monday that the Vatican enacted the change on May 22.

The Pope believes the new version is better because the first

translation implies that God leads people into temptation, an action that is against his nature as a good and holy God.

“A father doesn’t do that, a father helps you to get up immediately,” Francis said of the line in question. “It’s Satan who leads us into temptation, that’s his department.”

For years, Christians have wrestled with the actual meaning behind, “Lead us not.” After more than 16 years of study, some biblical researchers say a better translation of the scripture would be: “Abandon us not when in temptation.”

The late theologian Charles Spurgeon explained during a sermon in 1863 that the word “temptation” in Matthew 6:13 actually holds two meanings, both the temptation toward sin and the facing of trials and tribulations.

While, Spurgeon agrees that God does not tempt us, he does argue that God will send us into trials and situations in which temptation toward sin is ever-present.

“God tempts no man,” Spurgeon said. “For God to tempt in the sense of enticing to sin (is) inconsistent with his nature, and altogether contrary to his known character; but for God to lead us into those conflicts with evil which we call temptations, is not only possible but usual.”

The Catholic Church is using the Latin Vulgate translation of the Bible to try to determine the best phrasing. But Spurgeon argues in his sermon that he believes the original Greek version, which says “lead us not” is best.

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Megachurch Pastor: What Believers Misunderstand About Grace vs. Hypergrace

Grace is more liberating than you believe, James River Church Pastor John Lindell says. But sometimes people get caught up in their own sin and buy into the lies that they can never experience freedom. Other people believe that they are exempt from transforming their lives to be like Christ and buy into a hypergrace message.

That's why Lindell penned *Soul Set Free*, out now.

"Grace doesn't say, 'Well, how far can I go, and God still love me?'" Lindell shares with Dr. Steve Greene on the "Greenelines" podcast.

"What grace says is, 'God loves me so much. And it set me free from so much. I just want to use who I am, what I am, to love God,'" Lindell says.

"I'm not under law, I'm under love. I'm in love with the Lord, and I want to use my life to honor Him."

Lindell continues, "What hurts a lot of Christians is they only got part of the message of grace, they only got part of the good news of grace. So consequently, they're missing some important components that, once they understood them, would energize a life of holiness in them. They would understand that God would be working in them. God wants us to serve Him with joy. The joy of the Lord is our strength. And when a person understands grace, it produces such joy in God—such desire and love for Him—the result is you find yourself just

wanting to please Him all the more.”

Listen to the podcast for more.

Archaeologists Just Discovered One of the World's Oldest Churches in Egypt

An excavation in Egypt may have uncovered the oldest church ever discovered in the North African nation.

While working on the ruins of an ancient Basilica, research teams discovered the ruins of an even older structure, which is likely to “offer new insights into the growth of early Christianity in Egypt and elsewhere in the Mediterranean,” according to *Ancient Origins*.

The incredible discovery was made by a team of Polish archaeologists, led by Dr. Krzysztof Babraj, from Kraków's Museum of Archaeology. The group were involved in a dig at the ancient port of Marea, near the city of Alexandria, when they happened upon the incredible church.

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Francis Chan, Ravi Zacharias Issue Urgent Warning to American Christians

Although the United States is the land of liberty, it can also be the land of laziness.

“There is something about our culture that can soften us. What can we do about it?” pastor and author Francis Chan asked during a recent question-and-answer discussion with apologist Ravi Zacharias.

While Christians around the globe face the worst persecution in modern history, American Christians often choose distraction over spending time with the Lord.

“Does that mean we just resolve and go, ‘Well, I live in America. We can only go so far in our walk with the Lord ‘cause we’re not persecuted’? Absolutely not. But there are things we need to do just even in our own prayer lives when Scripture says to be sober-minded and self-controlled for the sake of your prayers,” Chan said.

“That thought of being clear-minded rather than filling your mind with mindless texts and Facebook posts and videos and movies so where, when it’s time to pray, our mind is going everywhere and we lose touch with reality. And that’s the problem. That’s what keeps us from some of this depth and this time with the Lord. I see it. I feel it slipping away.”

Watch the video to see their full discussion.

Evangelists Share the Gospel With 40 Celebrities, Including Madonna, Paul McCartney

Franklin Graham states emphatically, "The only hope for America is another spiritual awakening."

National repentance and gospel proclamation brings transformation but what's essential is Christians recapturing the vision for evangelism.

Luke 15 gives three parables revealing God's heart for reaching the lost. He gave his Son to die for everyone and in our generation He is reigniting a passion for reaching everyone—our families, friends and even seemingly unreachable high profile personalities.

Watch this third installment in the interactive interview with Daniel Kolenda, leader of Christ for all Nations ministry, and evangelist and cultural commentator Larry Tomczak. You'll be inspired and equipped to believe for family members and others whom God and you want to see radically converted in these turbulent times.

At the conclusion, watch the supernatural power of God touch the body of a crippled woman who is miraculously healed before over 100,000 observers.

Jesus came to "seek and save the lost" and our privileged assignment is to take the baton and finish the task. This compelling video will help you immensely.

WATCH: David Platt Lays Hands on Donald Trump in Prayer

President Donald Trump surprised David Platt's church on Sunday when he showed up unannounced after leaving his private golf club.

According to the White house, Trump was stopped at McLean Bible Church in Vienna, Virginia, "to visit with the pastor and pray for the victims and community of Virginia Beach."

Platt, a prolific author and former president of the International Mission Board, called the president on stage to pray over him:

Oh God, we praise You as the one universal king over all," Platt prayed with one hand holding an open Bible and the other hand on Trump's back. "You are our leader and our lord and we worship You. There is one God and one savior and it's You. Your name is Jesus and we exalt you, Jesus.

And we know, we need Your mercy. We need Your grace, we need Your help, we need Your wisdom in our country. And so we stand right now, on behalf of our president, and we pray for Your grace, and Your mercy, and Your wisdom upon him.

God, we pray that he would know how much You love him. So much that You sent Jesus to die for his sins, our sins, so we pray that he would look to You. That he would trust in You. That he would lean on You. That he would govern and make decisions in ways that are good for justice, and good for righteousness, and good for equity, every good path.

Lord we pray, we pray that You would give him all the grace

he needs to govern in ways we just saw in 1 Timothy, chapter 2, that will lead to peaceful and quiet lives, Godly and dignified in every way.

God, we pray for your blessing, in that way, upon his family. We pray that you would give them strength, we pray that you give them clarity, wisdom.

Wisdom. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. Fools despise wisdom and instruction. Please, oh God, give him wisdom. And help him to lead our country, alongside other leaders.

We pray today for leaders in Congress. We pray for leaders in courts. We pray for leaders at national and state levels.

Please, oh God, help us to look to You. Help us to trust in Your word. Help us to seek Your wisdom and live in ways that reflect Your love and Your grace, Your righteousness and Your justice. We pray for Your blessings on our president toward that end. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

Trump then left the stage without public comment.

Watch the video to see the full encounter.

'Aladdin's' Naomi Scott Declares Her Identity Is in Christ

Naomi Scott has received widespread attention and praise for her phenomenal performance in Disney's new, live-action

retelling of *Aladdin*, but the actress is also gaining some accolades for boldly speaking out about her Christian faith.

In a recent interview with Compassion U.K., a Christian organization that helps kids in poverty, Scott, 26, proclaimed that she's not sure how she would do life without her faith. The actress' comments came when she was asked how her faith has shaped her life and career.

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"My husband and I were actually talking about this yesterday. Sometimes we get asked the question, 'How do you juggle your faith and what you do?'" she said, "But for me, I don't know how I would do life without my faith."

Scott said she stays grounded and focused with the knowledge that she is "loved and valued." She explained that she doesn't see her faith as some sort of separate part of her being.

"Quite honestly, I don't see it as this separate thing, this add-on thing," she said. "My faith is just a part of who I am and what I do."

And Scott wasn't done there. She added that she and her husband, Jordan Spence, often talk about "God's grace" and the fact that they aren't defined by what people say or what happens in life.

In the end, her identity is based on God—a truly powerful message from a Hollywood actress who has a major megaphone right now, considering the success of *Aladdin*.

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"To know that doesn't inform my identity in any way shape or form (although it's easier said than done sometimes), that's going to be the thing keeping me going," she said. "Keeping the main thing, the main thing throughout."

You can read the entire interview [here](#).

This isn't the first time Scott has discussed her faith, as she also openly spoke about Christianity's role in her life for an April interview and cover shoot with British Vogue.

"[My faith is the foundation] of every decision I make, and of my marriage," she said. "And [my husband Jordan Spence and I are] are young people with big aspirations—I want to be a power couple, I want to make all the money and have a big house."

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Scott continued, "But sometimes Jordan and I say, OK, if I never acted in a movie again, if he never set foot on a football pitch, would our world fall apart?"

And a final fun fact about her faith: both of Scott's parents are pastors in London. For more daily, inspiring content, be sure to visit the [Pure Flix Insider](#) blog. {eoa}

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WATCH: Christ Appears Twice to Man in ISIS Captivity

A Yazidi man who was brutalized by the Islamic State says he saw Christ twice while in captivity.

“Thanks be to God for that!” the man tells musician and evangelist Sean Feucht in a new clip for “Heart and Hands: Iraq.”

The Yazidi man says Christ spoke to him, but he couldn’t say specifics because it was a promise between the man and Christ.

ISIS tortured the man when they found out he was a Christian, culminating in the Islamic militants drenching the man with 20 liters of gasoline.

“They burned me, but I didn’t burn,” the man says.

Talk about a miracle!

Watch the video to see more.

Why God Made This Young Woman Walk the Painful Path of Infertility

Meghann Bowman desperately wanted to have a baby, but doctors told her it was impossible.

“My body doesn’t work like other people’s bodies,” Bowman said. She was diagnosed with hypothalamic amenorrhea. “When your body doesn’t ovulate, it’s hard to have a baby.”

The Bowmans tried all sorts of treatments with no success.

Miscarriage followed miscarriage, and Bowman wrestled with the Lord over deep theological questions about His goodness and her worth. She asked painful questions, but the Lord began to

reveal himself.

“When we delight ourselves in the Lord and all of his goodness and He will give me the desires of my heart, that doesn’t mean ‘Love God and He’ll give you a baby,’” Bowman says.

“What He has in store for us may or may not be what you hope for or expect,” Bowman says. “Regardless, His love and goodness are always present.”

But still she struggled—until she found a prayer that really began to revolutionize her spiritual life.

Listen to the podcast to hear more.