
From: Lawrence Krauss <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Friday, September 18, 2015 6:26 PM
To: jeffrey E.
Subject: Re: an article you may both hate. or like.

When I was with him yesterday I told him we were going to =aribbean and he asked where.. He has an island in bahamas, making =ou two the only people I know who own islands.. :) will ask him =f he is free then. He is remarkable in new movie, though the film =tself is not fantastic.. he is also a pretty good guitarist.. his =how with alice cooper and joe perry in la was great.

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On Sep 18, 2015, at 9:08 AM, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:

you can invite depp to visit us when you are in the =aribbean

On Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 4:10 PM, =awrence Krauss <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Ps. My piece argued against =anaticism.

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On Sep 10, 2015, at 12:02 PM, jeffrey E. =lt;jeevacation@gmail.com <mailto:jeevacation@gmail.com> >

wrote:

I think religion plays a major positive role in =any lives. . i dont like fanaticism on either side. .

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On Thu, Sep 10, 2015 at 7:52 PM, Noam Chomsky =span dir="ltr" class=""><

<mailto: > > wrote:

Thanks for sending. A wide area of agreement, =ut not total.

On confronting dogma, I of course agree – =hough in my opinion the secular religions – nationalist =anaticism, etc. – are much more dangerous. And if some =ind rational discussion offensive – as, for example, mainstream =ademics find dismantling myths of “American exceptionalism =9D or “Israeli self-defense” or Obama’s mass =urder campaign, etc., offensive – so be it.

But I don’t see why that should extend to =idicule. That includes astrologists. Astronomers can refute =strology, while recognizing that perfectly honest and deluded people may believe it and should be treated with respect, while =heir beliefs are confronted with evidence. I also don’t =ee why we should ridicule religious dogma, just as I don’t =hink we should ridicule the much more pernicious secular dogmas. Rather, we should respond to irrational belief with argument and =vidence, while recognizing that their advocates (like most of the =ntellectual world in the case of secular dogma) are people who we =hould be responding to but without ridiculing them. It may be hard sometimes. For example, when the icon and founding =ather of sober non-sentimental Realism in International Affairs informs =s that the US, unlike other countries, has a “transcendental =urpose,” and the fact that it constantly acts in contradiction to its purpose doesn’t matter because the facts are just =E2 abuse of history” while real history is “the evidence of history as our minds =eflect it,” then it’s hard to avoid ridicule. But =e should. There’s no point ridiculing virtually the entire IR profession =nd the major journals, even though such extraordinary irrationality =eads to major human disasters.

On Davis, I frankly think that’s a =on-issue. If she decides she cannot do her job as the conditions =f employment require (including following the law), then she can quit and look for another job. As in any other such =ase.

Noam

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&nb=p; hope all is well.

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<http://www.newyorker.com/news/news-desk/all-scientists-should-b=-militant-atheists>

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