

HUMANISM

The main belief of Humanism is based on Atheism, where an acknowledgement of God or religion in society today is a waste of time. This is considered dangerous and hinders our development as humans, as it is up to us to be in control of our happiness and existence and our own destiny in life. Humanism is a celebration of humankind, and as individuals we should seek pleasure rather than righteousness. We make our own happiness when we are in control, this is viewed as a more positive approach to life. Humanism is a new world order based on socialism, where all resources should be shared equally amongst society.



Humanists don't believe in the supernatural or afterlife, heaven or hell. Only the natural world exists, and this life is the only thing we have. They adopt the evolution theory that all life began with a natural event without God, as there is no creator of the universe. As God does not exist, we should not pray or ask him to intervene in world events or our lives. They believe that Jesus was just another man who lived on earth. The truth about Jesus offends Humanists!

*The fool says in his heart "There is no God".
Psalm 14:1*

Humanism is now a global movement and has become a dominant influence in Britain and Western society. There are now many humanist weddings and funerals services performed today. Humanist weddings are legal in Scotland, but not yet in the rest of the UK. Humanist speakers infiltrate our schools with talks and lectures on their beliefs. Resources for teachers and students, along with activities and games based on humanist values are available for parents. There is also a Humanist Pastoral Support group. Chaplains are available for hospitals, hospices and prison visits, to support and encourage people in their non-religious views.

They celebrate 'Darwin Day' on 12th February every year and want this to be recognised as a public holiday. Charles Darwin spent most of his life trying to disprove the Bible, God and Christianity. They also support and help advance other groups who share their same beliefs and values, such as LGBT. They also support the 'Assisted Dying' belief, that as individuals we have the right to end our own life, and if they are suffering, doctors and relatives should be allowed to assist. Humanist beliefs are contrary to biblical teaching. Not only are Christian values challenged, they are rejected! Christians are labelled as irrational and bigoted, and their values are evil, outdated and unrealistic and as individuals we should decide our own morals.

Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter. (Isaiah 5:20)

As they are a secular movement, they want all religious influence removed from Parliament. Pressure is on the government and authorities to accept the views and beliefs of Humanists.

They want all the Church of England Bishops removed from the House of Lords, as this is viewed as unfair and unrealistic, as church views are not welcomed in our society today as the truth of the Bible is not politically correct. In 1 Timothy 2:1, the apostle Paul urges us to 'pray for all those in authority'.

Humanists devote the majority of their time and effort in attempting to disprove God and removing all the religious influence from our society. They campaign and lobby for the rights of non-religious people and their views. They want Christian values to be illegal, and legal action to be taken against people or religious groups who uphold them. They reject the idea that the bible is the word of God and this was written by humans in a superstitious and cruel era.

The book of Timothy talks about the rise of Godlessness in the last days, people will be lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God and those who oppose the truth. 2 Timothy 3 describes perilous times in the last days, and there will be an increase in the moral decay, sin and deception. Christians will be challenged on their beliefs and values during the time prior to Christ's return. Humanist beliefs are also growing in many churches today, which puts our desires and comforts before God.

"See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Christ." (Colossians 2:8)

Despite man's greatest efforts, they will never be able to disprove the existence and supremacy of God. It is an impossible mission! As Christians, our hope, faith and promise of eternity is far greater than that of humanists.

"I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it". (Matthew 16:18)

The apostle Paul, prior to his conversion to Christianity tried to persecute the church. He persecuted and killed many Christians for their beliefs but only found himself 'kicking against the goad': He was fighting only against God, not society, people's views or values.