# What is the cause of Atheism and deception into False-Religion.

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Theories on <u>causes of atheism</u> and deception into false religion (rejection of Jesus):

- Intelligence "Christians are dumb."
- Strength "Some people need religion but I do not."
- Righteousness "Their God is too evil for me."
- **Unrighteousness** Bible says <u>God sends **delusion**</u> (atheism and false religion) to <u>unrepentant sinners</u>. If an individual starts to <u>keep Christ's commandments</u> (and <u>agrees</u> with his commandments) <u>God will make them believe in Jesus</u>, they will not remain atheist.

Whichever cause (or combination of causes) is truly responsible we should be able to make a model with predictive power, a model which **fits with every observation** which can be made. It is not good enough to have it fit with some of the observations.

#### Intelligence - "Christians are dumb."

• This fails because some Christians are smart and others are dumb just as some atheists are smart and others are dumb. Some Christians are educated, others are less educated. Some atheists are educated, others are less educated. Some Christians were raised Christian, others were not. Some atheists were raised Christian, others were not. There is no relationship between these factors and occurrence of adult Christian-belief (ACB).

### Strength - "Some people need religion but I do not."

 This fails because some Christians are weak (needy) and others are strong just as some atheists are weak and others are strong.

### Righteousness - "Their God is too evil for me."

• This fails because if righteousness was the cause of atheism then the worst atheists would be better than the best Christian. There is no common morality (righteousness) among atheists, so it cannot be said they are all more righteous than another group.

#### **Unrighteousness** – God sends delusion (atheism and false-religion) to unrepentant sinners.

- This fits because all atheists have one thing in common, they do not agree with or live by Jesus Christ's commandments. And all Christians live by his commandments (according to Scripture) with those who say they are Christians who do not keep his commandments being deemed false-Christians (according to Scripture).
- This would mean all unrepentant sinners (**the wicked**) are going to hell and all repentant sinners (**the righteous**) are going to heaven.
- It would mean the wicked cannot receive a warning of their damnation.
- We would expect to see those who reject Jesus reporting that they "see no evidence" to support faith in Christ.
- We would expect to see both intelligent Christians and dumb Christians and intelligent atheists and dumb atheists.
- We would expect to see people from all backgrounds (no matter how evil or clean) becoming Christians, often suddenly and unexpected, even if it costs them.
- We would expect conversion to Jesus Christ to be unavoidable for some and impossible for others.
- We would expect lots of the logic and evidence put forward in support of Jesus Christ to be shunned as foolishness by some but accepted as good evidence by others.

There is no observation which can be made which does not fit with this model. Despite this fact, as the model predicts, many will find the model to be foolishness.

# **Christians Against Faith Alone – Doctrine Summary:**

- God makes repentant sinners (the righteous) believe in Jesus. God makes unrepentant sinners (the wicked) unable to believe (delusional). Belief and unbelief are involuntary.
- He who believes in Jesus is saved. He who does not believe is condemned.
- He who obeys Jesus is saved (true believer). He who does not obey is condemned.
- The righteous are on their way to Heaven. The wicked are on their way to Hell.

God loves the righteous (Psalm 146:8). God hates all workers of iniquity (Psalm 5:5). It is God's will that all come to repentance (2Peter 3:9). He cannot save unrepentant sinners.