


The New Testament!

 The New Testament is seen in many ways by the different people who have read it. There are devout Christians that believe the New Testament to be inerrant and without fault, and there are other Christians that believe it is a guide that must be taken allegorically, as the stories and statements are not literally true. Then there are non-Christians that see the New Testament as a collection of ancient fables, and question, with justification, whether the man-god Jesus was not really just another myth like Zoroaster, Apollo, Moloch and the many other man-gods of pagan antiquity.

And there are secular scholars who, knowing well the bloody history of Western Civilization, regard the New Testament as an unmitigated evil that has plunged society into religious wars of extermination and bloody Crusades of unrelenting fury; they see it as the cause of the persecution of witches wherein thousands of innocent women and men perished horribly and needlessly; and they know this book created an atmosphere of hatred and persecution against the Jewish people that has lasted into modern times – the Holocaust of World War II being just another horrible chapter in that ongoing religious madness. We could recount other evils that can be traced to the New Testament and the incomprehensible verses contained within its covers.

But in this work by Watson Heston we find yet another view; we find the comical expression of many of the absurdities that are in the New Testament. Heston shucks away the blinding awe and reverence that deludes the believer and presents the people of the New Testament in their true condition, as primitive and uneducated tribesmen wrestling under their over-load of superstition, much as dung beetle wrestle with its over-sized burden. Once the force of the comical is realized, and the awe becomes a chuckle, there is hope that the spell can be broken and the mind made to see these old fables in the light of reason.

Religion is a personal thing that one must do for ones self. It is not possible to hire another to be religious for you. The gods, if there be such, must look with scorn upon those who seek to belong to some organized assembly to gain favors from above. For a human being to give his or her soul, if there be such a thing, to another human being who can know no more the way of the unknowable than the deluded victim, is foolish. The immoral force of organized superstition that control so many lives for its own power and profit is a great danger to our nation and to the world. Let us raise up our heads, open our eyes, get up off our knees and stand erect upon our own two feet and question boldly the fables that bind us. No one is free who's mind is steeped in superstition. If you are a Freethinker, enjoy this book; if you are not a Freethinker may this book be the beginning of your emancipation.

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