The Old Testament!

The Old Testament is so clearly full of horror, massacre, rape and foolishness that it seems useless to point out these obvious things. But there are those who so believe that a god wrote or inspired this collection of ancient fables that they are blinded to what it really says; somehow they believe the trouble is with their own finite understanding, and not really with the god-book itself. Brainwashing is a terrible thing; it is the very worst kind of child abuse. Every parent – every caring mother and father – should protect the precious minds of their children from churches and their various systems of indoctrination – best described as "mind binding."

Occasionally a group of Freethinkers will exchange stories of their struggles to escape the pious indoctrination of their childhood – put upon them with good intentions by their loving parents. Each struggle is different, but each took great personal courage to face up to the obvious facts that disproved their old beliefs. The spark that set the mind to thinking came from different sources for every person, and the struggle was conducted in various ways, but always it was a lonely struggle; lonely until the person finally found other thinkers who know of the various organizations of Freethinkers that are flourishing in America, and throughout the civilized world today.

In reissuing these old books from an era of the greatest growth in the Freethought religious movement, we hope to set the mind of the believing reader working and growing; we hope this will be the spark that will lead to your mental liberation and intellectual elevation. With Watson Heston's cartoon books as an antidote to superstition, we think you will agree that there never was a medicine more pleasant to take.

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