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Angyl Nihthasu Yaaay, now you can read MY book without fear for your immortal soul.
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Bucky Dent You shouldn't base the definition of Christianity on what you've listed.
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Megan Corinne Westerfield Lowe Amen, Anne! Let's be followers of Christ!
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Brian Altman Democrats are what is wrong with this country.
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Saroya Poirier Worship the way you want, God knows, humans are not gods, nor do they have the final word.
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Aileen MacPherson Amen! Way to go Anne! I've always said that I enjoy my relationship with God, talk to Him daily. It's His groupies that I can't stand!
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Jasmine Josephs GO YOU ANNE! Follow your heart, that's all you need!
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Lisa Gravely Amen. lol
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Maureen Brigid Refior Thank you for having the courage to post this.
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Sheri SciFi Myers Christ accepts me as I am. The church... Not so much.
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Lori McCadle Barger I have newer understood how being Christian meant being anti-gay or anything else. Isn't "love one another as I have loved you" what Jesus told us to do?
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Kelsey Aeilts You constantly prove to the world that religion doesn't have to be labeled, its in your heart no matter what people say. Thank you for never conforming to what the church or other people want you to believe. You are a role model for people ...
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Susan Elizabeth D'Auria Wow, Ms. Rice, those are powerful statements to share with the FB community. I congratulate and commend you for being brave and unafraid to speak your mind freely. I believe you have many on your side and in the same mind as you, including little ol' me. Many blessings on you.
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Erika Lara Good for you Ann!! you're finally free to be you :)
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Alissa Garcia I feel the same... so what does that make you then. Not that I'm looking for a label, but I know you have faith and beliefs. How do you explain it. I struggle with that when Christian friends ask me.
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Amélie Mahot So are you goigno be athée or are you changing religion ?(sorry for basic english, I'm french! :))
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Rozz Ritzmann Good for you Anne!
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Amélie Mahot going**

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-  **Christine Jennifer Lawton** In the name of Christ – you are one of his true followers.
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-  **Bruno Malta** This is very nice. It is good to see that you still retains all your intelligence and moral stand as always.
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-  **LaMonica Williams** As an Atheist..I thank you Anne.
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-  **Jocelyn Amado** sweet!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
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-  **Gail Swanson** Totally understandable. You quoted, yesterday I believe, the Ghandi quote about Christ and Christians...I have quoted that myself for years because I think it holds very true. Sad, but true.
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-  **Marcus Kendziora** You're my hero!
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-  **Brian White** Yahoo!
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-  **Boney Kay** Amen...
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-  **Paula Schaffer** I always thought Jesus would have made a great Taoist.
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-  **Alyson Cannon** And they shall know us by our love. They shall know Him through our love. Amen.
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-  **Jodie Samuels** Thats great!!
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-  **Thom Duncan** bless you Anne...just one more reason to love you.
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-  **Rebecca Sweeney** I'll say a Hail Mary for you Anne.
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-  **Hilda Ann** I am none of those things, but I am a Catholic.
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-  **Tess Wysocki** I so agree with you. I'd never call myself that even if I did believe we needed salvation by Jesus's blood. I do love Jesus with all my heart though, and I'm sure that's good enough for him.

It took me a long while to learn that Christ and...
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-  **Dawn Marie Scoggins** And I quit being a fan since you just insulted my religion and called me many things that I am not. Goodbye. :)
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-  **Maureen Conklin Campbell** There are some choice words in the New Testament for those who cause a brother or sister to stumble, and I wish that the hateful Christians would remember them.
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-  **Danielle McGuire** AMEN!
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-  **Peggy Villar** As long as you follow Christ, you will remain a Christian, Anne. Renouncing organized religion is something else altogether. I applaud you for that.
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-  **Jean DeJavanne** kudos! I believe in a greater power, but I refuse to follow what man may write in his name. Ironical that there is so

-  much judgement and hate in the majority of Christianity.
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-  **Robert Flaherty** YES!
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-  **Sandy Dorland** She hasn't left Christ at all. ♥ She has left the fake churches and political posturing that never had anything to do with Christ. She's doing exactly what Christ told her to do.
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-  **Joe Pennington** I understand how you feel. I love Jesus Christ and would die for him with out a second thought. But I feel the same way. i have been told I am going to hell because i have two children with a Jew. i have been told i am going to hell because I love the romance of Vampires and bare the tatto of Vampire bite on my neck. I believe God and Jesus have more important things to worry about then those silly things.
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-  **Jessica Loyer** AMEN!!!!
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-  **Andrew Miranda** This is why you still one of my heros, just do what makes you happy Anne... You are a great person!!!
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-  **Maggie McGuire Shuster** Amen
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-  **Luis Hernandez** Those are big words coming from you! Will you still be devoting your writings to Christ though? Because for me in particular those are your best books.
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-  **Hunkydorey Burleigh** all them things that you quit are Catholic, not wholly Christian
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-  **Teresa Dunyati-Long** I think you are true Christian Anne. Christ's words and works were about including all people in God's love, not excluding or judging others.
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-  **Génesis N. Torrealba** ♥
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-  **Olympia Craft** you don't have to belong to a religion to believe in God. Religion was created by men...God doesn't need anything to be loved.
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-  **Dovie Crofutt** Isn't it tragic that organized religion is SO intolerant? Holy doesn't have to mean holier-than-thou. I'm right there with you, Anne!
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-  **Melanie Schroeder** Bravo Anne! You have zeroed in on my thoughts and feelings exactly. I am not "religious" - I am "spiritual". My God is about love, not hate. Thank you for saying it better than I could.
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-  **Charity Francis** Well put Anne!!! You just summed up exactly how I've been feeling and the exact thoughts I've been feeling guilty over. Time to stop feeling guilty for who I am!!!
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-  **Kimba 'Newell' Wawrzyniak** If you still believe in Jesus Christ, then take pride in being a Christian...but you don't have to be a particular religion. Remember that Faith & Religion are not the same.
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-  **Jason Parry** You go girl!
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-  **Jennifer Lamberth Kendziora** Believing in Christ and God and being a Christian of today are indeed 2 completely different things. So much hate and division, it is terrible! Thank you for taking that brave step - you have sent a very powerful message, and we love you for it!!
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-  **Luis Alberto Sanchez Sanchez** Any action to press the love must be rejected!
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-  **Angello Adrien** u go girl!
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-  **Cléo Dangoin** It's great to see that people who believe in God are

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-  able to stand for modern and positive things.
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-  **Anthony Campagna** We have something in common then.
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-  **Mickey Mayhew** Anne I love you, plain and simple – you have enriched my life no end
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-  **Jessica Colonel Cohen** So, if you still believe in Christ, but do not consider yourself a Chirstian; what do you now consider yourself? Is there any "category" you feel fits you?
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-  **Lori Corby-Brown** wow Anna that is powerful and thank you for sharing
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-  **Allene Marcum** I was raised Christian myself, I was always taught that Christ wanted us to love one another no matter what. As I grew up I realized that the values and guidelines were about discriminating instead of loving each other. I commend you on a very tough decision.
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-  **Johnathan Putnam** I totally agree with this post Anne. The life i have had to live due to the beliefs of others has been difficult at best. I rise above. I know there are true people out there such as yourself. Thank you for being the wonderful person you've proven to be.
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-  **Jeffrey Baughman** Bravo!
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-  **April Hall Tracy** I totally agree. I am pro everything. The bible teaches us to love thy neighbor and not judge thy neighbor
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-  **Linda Taylor** AMen. Love to you! LOVE IS WHAT MATTERS ♥
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-  **Victoria Carrizo** CONGRATULATIONS! and I mean it! God's heard my prayers!
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-  **Agnes Jordan-Gondorek** good decision
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-  **Edgar Hiram Pérez Hernández** Be what you want to be, believe in what you want to believe because you feel it and not because others do
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-  **Alice B Toklas** Amen. ♥
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-  **Teshawn Jenea Massey** I heard tell that you were going back to writing about your vampires? I was just wondering if this had any hint of truth to it....
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-  **Anja Karpacz** wow!i can absolutely understand your decision. too many things have happened in the past .especially the catholic church is still in the medieval times...
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-  **Carole Valenciana Branning** Very brave of you. I am the daughter of a Baptist Pastor and although I am a spiritual person, do not attend a church do to conflict with dogma involved. I don't believe that one religion is right while all others are wrong. Blessings sent to you, with light and love attached.
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-  **Cindy Ann Pritchard** Anne, I respect your point of view, as the same gave me pause in my journey. However, I have taked a different attitude. In the name of Christ, I vow to take back Christianity from the anti-gay, anti-feminist, ect. and primarily to take C...
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-  **Grace Bonifatti** I support you 100%! ^^
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-  **Michelle Klitzka** Thank you for being a fine example of how a person can make their own choices and have their own beliefs instead of blindly having the same opinions of a flock.
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-  **Darla Smith-Godin** wtf?
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-  **Jon Running** Whatever decisions you make, you are loved and supported--Always and forever. Jon
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-  **Conrad Frankowski** God and Christ want us to be good people. And that's what defines us as God's people, capability to do good and condemn evil.
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-  **Mischa Cheverie** Unfortunately organized religion has a way of messing with your spirituality and in the end, your view and relationship with god.
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-  **Shane Prince** Good luck with that....hope you have your speech ready when you stand in front of God. Just sayin'....being a Christian is SOOOO MUCH more than your short list. It is helping your fellow man/woman. It is spreading the message of peace. It is about doing your best to improve this world through faith, hope, and charity. But hey, those don't matter...right? Oh, and btw, believe it or not there are republicans who are Christian.
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-  **Jerri Wilfong Hulett** There is a big difference between Christianity and being a Christian. One is a religion the other is a belief. I have a distrust of organized religion but I have faith in "God"
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-  **Teri Zapp** I feel the same way. I believe in Christ but not in Christianity as well. I'm honestly glad I'm not alone in this belief. Thanks Anne!
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-  **Shauna Egan** "I like your Christ. I do not like your Christians. They are so unlike your Christ." -- Ghandi
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-  **Traci Ford** Can I hear an AMEN?! My sister in Christ, I completely identify!
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-  **Amber Mekus** :)
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-  **Pt Chii** One doesn't need organized religion and a label to remain faithful to God. I support you !
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-  **Marlina Othman** I'm Catholic, but I don't pray to saints or Jesus, I Pray to "God" the father almighty, one God of no other. I don't need people to tell me what to believe. As long as I know my own beliefs, God is the only one to judge me.
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-  **Kaleigh Hall** I believe in God, not organized religion. As long as I truly believe in God, and I try to be a good person, then I don't need any Pope or priest telling me what is right and what is wrong.
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-  **Anam Rafiq** I wish you the best of luck for this new chapter in your life, Anne. You give me hope, you give me strength. :)
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-  **Shane Ezio Warren** amen,x
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-  **Rachel Sheffield** I am 100% - totally with you!
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-  **Astrid Krog** I have nothing against God, but I dislike his fanclub.
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-  **Johanna Jonsson** A very smart person, I don't remember who, once said "I have nothing against religion. It's the fanclub I can't stand." Jesus himself preached a message of love and tolerance, and these religious leaders take his words and pervert them. Mayb...
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-  **Eddie Nunez** Committing oneself to Christ should be a personal spiritual journey, not an -ism.
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-  **Matthew Irwin** Love you Anne! I feel the same way!
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Brian Skillings I was just told to never give up being Catholic, months after I did. Your reasons are mine. An exact match.
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Norman Nomein I do care, i know the years wear down and tire even the most resilient person. However you Anne are not just anyone, you helped define an era and will forever be immortalized by it. Wether you like it or not i will always wait for you to come and save the world from the shit Vamparie fantasy that infests it. Because there simply is no one else. Im happy you decided to follow the calling of your hear and not the convincing words of others.
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Shannon Winters Anne, I can't imagine how hard this decision is for you, but I DO congratulate you. It was scary for me to leave the church and the faith, but what I have found makes so much more sense to me.
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Christina Kroeger Good for you-- I knew you'd figure out the hypocrisy of it all.
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Juan Carlos Romero Perez I am glad that after a decade of pondering what the right path is, you have made the right decision and wish you the best. I have been following you through this transition and it has become my own internal struggle as well. Thank you for showing me the way as well.
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Renee Gizzy Gadut Gandhi famously said: "I like your Christ, I do not like your Christians. Your Christians are so unlike your Christ."
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Chris Topher Robert Harper Christianity would not be so bad if it were not for the Christians. actually that is a huge movement. Christ consciousness would be worth looking into.
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Tina Marie Duvvuri Congratulations on this realization, welcome back to your freedom. You show that Spirituality is what brings us closer to our Divine source, not dogma. Blessed be!
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Emma Beveridge Amen., Anne, your not alone, so many of us feel as you do ♥ x
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Melonie Cole-Fernandez wow. Now that's an awesome statement.
I just want to love the Loving God.
When other's perceptions & rules come into that, then... I'm out too.
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Peter Schwab Often the most bigoted are in services Sun morn regardless of "flavor"
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Mary Jordan very good and honest statement...I agree completely...Christ would be ashamed of his followers...they have missed his message...it is so simple....just love each other.
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Dana Seidlinger its good to have you back
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Elizabeth Marie Rosales xoxoxo
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Reginald Hanna !!!
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Heidi Hunter Oh Anne...I'm so happy..you always say things just the way I need to hear them...beautiful! Does this mean I'll get one more vampire novel? How about a Christian..or recovering christian vampire? I've read every thing you've done..you rock
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Lyndsay White Embry Amen
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Sonia 'Essy' Bathory wow! no1 could have said that better (:
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Grace LaRossa Kudos to you. There is nothing more honorable then standing by your convictions.
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Holly Buckley If more people believed like you, Anne, the world would be a better place

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-  **Renee Gizzy Gadut** You dont need to be a "Christian" to love Christ, and know the God is and always will be. live your life as Christ lived his. loving things. Jesus did not condem. he forgave... he loved. he accepted.
/that is all
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-  **Shayne Barrett** ANNE RICE FOR PRESIDENT!!!
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-  **Paul Priest** ...and why, pray tell ; have you not bothered to find out if the Church really is anti those things ? I really do wish you'd research the Church as much as you research your books – no offence Ma'am – but you're not the enemy of the Church ...
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-  **Eric Gregory** Anne, you might see about the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion. Fractious as ever, but the three-legged stool of Scripture, Reason and Tradition as the method of discerning truth (in and through the Spirit) makes for much less fi...
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-  **Nicole DrkAngl Bailey** Thank you for being such an inspiration...both as a writer and in general. I stand behind you one hundred percent. Being raised in a Christian home and being a preacher's kid, it has taken its toll on me. I try to be a good person without...
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-  **Rachele Lou Nigro** Anne, it's almost like the cliché "Hate the sin, Love the Sinner".
I am Catholic but I do not go to church anymore. I still consider myself Catholic and cannot stand those who tell me I'm not going to Heaven because of the church and the on...
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-  **Cherie Ann Turpin** Again, you are on target here. I think many people are moving in your direction, albeit quietly. What was the final straw for you?
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-  **Jay Wilson Lamborn** Anne, remember that the church is made of people, imperfect people. Being a Christian doesn't mean you have to be any of those things above ... in fact, you shouldn't be most of that (I'm a little leery of saying that about secular humanis...
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-  **Nicole J. Rawding** It's a heart breaking decision to make. I made the same decision years ago myself. I grew up strict catholic and thank God every day for giving me a good enough brain and strong enough heart to THINK for myself. And I have found since I've been dealing with God on my own terms that I have grown more enlightened and closer to Him than I would have ever been capable of spoonfed. You're part of the 2012 mass shift in consciousness now Anne, you're "waking up!"
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-  **Michelle Reale-Opalesky** God Bless, Anne! I support and agree. Can Lestat say a few words regarding your decision? (i am not trying to make light of it, I am being sincere. I think he would have a profoundly sympathetic and heartfelt response to this!)
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-  **Christian Von Hesse Phd** Faith is not found in a building but rather in our heart. God is not found on a wall decoration but rather in our soul.
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-  **Anne Cantera** Amen Sister
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-  **Maya Beech** My favorite quote from Bjork
"I do not believe in religion, but if I had to choose one it would be Buddhism. It seems more livable, closer to men... I've been reading about reincarnation, and the Buddhists say we come back as animals and they ...
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Tonya DeSarno BIG EMPATHETIC HUG!!!!!!
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Roger Wilson Christian doesn't mean all those things. Christian means "little Christ." If you're striving to be Christ-like, then you are Christian. Regrettably, all of us imperfect believers and disciples bring a little shame to his name, but that's why he died for us.
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Shane Prince @Dawn...AMEN TO YOU! Anne wants to lump characteristics on Christians that ismply aren't valid. I am republican yet, gasp, still a Christian! I am not "anti-science" yet still a Christian. I feel genuine sorrow for Anne that she cannot see...
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Jennifer Lamberth Kendziora @Shane - lighten up.
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Brian B Baker I never could get past the groupies who follow Christianity, and change it for their own needs, wants.
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Ricardo Manzano Serrano Congratulations, Anne, I quit being a Christian some years ago, I couldn't belong to a community that didn't recognize me and my rights. In the name of Christ, congratulations, you have seen the light.
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Tanya Worsley McDowell A true Christian doesn't do any of those things. A true Christian loves everyone, even those who do or believe or advocate things we don't agree with. There's a difference between "hating" and having a different set of morals and beliefs. Unfortunately most people choose to group anyone who calls himself a Christian in with the crazies and it keeps so many from coming to Christ. I'm sorry you are disheartened by Christianity, but remember, He loves you just the same:)
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LaMonica Williams As an Atheist Anne...Thank You.
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Bucky Dent The more I think about it the angrier I get. For you to label all Christians by that litany of reasons you give is a cop out.
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Injie Radwan Hallelujah :)
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Gems Lilith Silver Gregory I did that a long time ago. I'm too open minded to conform to a narrow minded lifestyle and way of thinking and believing. Good on you Anne for standing up for your beliefs also. :-D
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Diana Christine Pratt i love you, Anne
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Lynn Rue just how I feel as well...
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Morena Mordhorst it must be hard....soo hard....but i undrestand it....they forgot the tollerance once shown by christ himself...and to read your books about his life are a good reminder of it...
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Wendy Lynn Swearingen Don't be anti-christian. Be Pro pagan, gnostic, atheist, buddist, taoist.... You get the idea. :)
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Lorenzo Salamone you are so wise, anne!
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Brandie Smith Those are the parts of being a Christian I struggle with as well. I believe in God and pray and believe in his teachings, it is the churches teachings I sometimes struggle with. Just because I may not go to church on a regular basis does not mean I do not live my life with love in my heart. I truly try to not judge others and accept everyone for who they are. I think that is what is at the basis of what God wants us to do.
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Eve Bare As you stated above, THOSE are the reasons I quit, as well....I couldn't belong to a religion that believed my Mom was going to hell for being a lesbian. In my mind there's Good and Evil...that's it. You're either playing for the good of th...
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Yuri Cooley Amen Anne!
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Emily Pacansky Good for you Anne. I couldn't have said it better myself. Will you finish the third book in the Christ the Lord series?
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Gina Campbell Blessings Anne you made my day by sharing this. :-)
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Tabitha Stapleton-Napier You are still a Christian if you believe in Jesus' teachings...humanity added the bad stuff.
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Dave Cate That is your choice for sure Anne, and I support you in your right to make it, but as I am sure that you know Christ will never quit on you, and it is our God Given Free Agency that allows us to make the choice to quit on him, and that mean...
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Kim Thompson Owens It's what's in your heart that counts. Anyone that tries to dictate how your relationship with God goes is not being true to Christianity. I cringed when I read this, but I'm guessing it's more symbolic than anything.
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Patrick Moore Being a believer comes down to a personal relationship with God...nobody can believe for you and following a set of rules that the church dictates doesn't make you a believer. Each person must make that personal decision and live based on how they feel led to live their lives. I know what you mean in your statement and may God bless you on your journey :)
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Shari Kampitsis You know, Ann, you don't have to belong to any group to be at peace with God. I left Catholicism at 14 for the same reasons you are talking about. I'm pretty sure you've done the same thing previously, too. The difference between then an...
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Darla Smith-Godin being a christian doesn't mean belonging to a group.being a christian is believing in Christ and following in his actions.Christ gives good and bad to all people.If Christ makes it rain,does it rain on the bad people only? no,it rains on go...
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Georgie Pendragon Shane I have never believe the phrase about rubber and glue so much right now.
AMEN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
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Amanda Lucille Matthews There is a different between whatever religion name you follow and whatever faith. I hope you aren't giving up your faith, just the men who claim to know it better than you.
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Mae Sally-Rouge Pax "Therefore, if any man swear by Tash and keep his oath for the oath's sake, it is by me that he has truly sworn, and it is I who reward him. And if any man do a cruelty in my name, then it is Tash whom he serves and by Tash his deed is acc...
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Jessica Anderson AMEN!!!!!! Mostly I refuse to be Anti-Science! Don't tell me there can't possibly life on other planets. How vain and nieve can you be to think that this whole universe was made for us alone. If it was, what a waste. We certainly aren't doing it justice.
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Andrea Smith Il hope you change your mind about many things you said above. But only God can change people, man cannot. I will always be a fan though and that will never change. Good luck to you.
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Wendy Lynn Swearingen Michael Greene, and Thomas Moore are great examples of open minded Christians. Why throw the baby out with the bathwater?
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Jennifer Jones You can love God and the teachings of Christ with out loving or appricating the followers and subsquent Churchs built in his name! My mother hasn't been to church in 10 years at

least but still loves Jesus with all her heart and prays to him often if not every day. Kudos for realizing that some times the best way to love a deity is to do it of your own accord and through your own heart and ritual!

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Alyx Sul Weinblat Thank God! Anne, it's between God and you alone... No "man" or establishment should tell you what to believe or how to LIVE your life!

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Margaret Schermerhorn Religion was constructed to make the populace REQUIRE the church in order to contact God.. and Christ, by extension ... Each of us has the Holy Temple within us, where we meet with God. No one or no entity has the right to supersede this...

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Sharon Brooks Desruisseaux Amen to that!

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Pascal Emond-Larocque You are a very intelligent person, Anne Rice.

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Roanne Trattle I agree with you Anne! I had to come to the same conclusions myself in the past.

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Katia Aldana Wow, that's very surprising. But it is reasonable, unfortunately christians don't really act by what they preach. I am a catholic but I've distanced myself from the church because of their radical views on life. I can't be anti-gay or anything of the things you said, that would be to deny the sons of God and I can't do that. We are all the same to his eyes.

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Valeria Petruzzi ♥

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Edward J Munoz Anne you just have to quit being a Christian who follows man.. A Christian who follows Christ is a totally different being... you, i believe from following you on here are that person. I've said this before, I never read your books because I wasn't a big vamp fan.. I do have Out of Egypt and will read that.. there are two kinds of Christians in this world.. the ones when you look at them you see the heart of Christ and the ones when you look at them you go "Oh Dear God"

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Kennedy O'Connell God knows your heart, Anne. That is all that matters. A bunch of lost and hateful followers have corrupted the simple message of LOVE. Don't let them place a wedge in your own relationship with God.

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Stella Ramsaroop Anne, I have always loved you, but today you have won another level of respect from me. Thanks for being honest to yourself.

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Raven Richards Yes i 100% agree with you on this and i have thought this way for a long long time. The so called "christians" in this world are nothing but liars and rule makers of unfounded things. I know that God and Christ see what is in my heart and that is all that matters, i need to follow any group to have this light in me.

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Layla Earls That's pretty weak. You're a sad person.

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Deidre Kelch So, how do you define yourself now? Or do you choose to be undefined? Do you feel others will not try? How do you feel Christ defines you, now? I look forward to your answers, Ms. Rice – knowing that many people on FB take your words as in...

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Allison Lee Harris Welcome fellow liberated sister in Christ. I don't subscribe or conform to any organized religion but have a deep love for and strong, organic relationship with our master and creator that has nothing to do with the tedious constraints of a label.

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Christie Dickson I agree completely. Organized religion is corrupt, in all forms, but there is nothing wrong with believing in Christ, or whomever you believe in which I do, but that is between me and the higher power out there.. The teachings of helping ...

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JoLina Bild Amen to that! I have become God-conscious and dropped the name Christianity completely! There is a God – Jesus was here on earth, he did what he was supposed to do – we choose, yet again, to twist it all around and do alot of bad under his name – Christianity is lost!
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Louis Hillary Park Miss Anne, I respect your decision but am troubled by it not only for your life but for the lives you may influence. I wish you would perhaps do a "note" in which you could not only explain more in depth your decision but also your continue...
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Lindsey Coe I love you, Anne. You just made my day.
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Kelly McBrien I have always thought that religion was a bad idea. When it is used to further intolerance, it is evil.
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Georgie Pendragon Roger there is shame in believing we bring shame to him. We bring shame to ourselves when we dont act on our hearts.
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Manda Hohmann This is a powerful statement, Anne. I wish you luck on your new journey – it's one I committed to long ago. I hope it brings you peace!
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Cheryl Moore I also gave up being a Christian after a gay friend of mine was rejected from our church. (20 years ago) I completely respect and empathise with your decision. Respect for those we love outweighs the rules set out by certain religious bodies. (All be it from a Protestant perspective.)
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Metallijedi Valadez If you get to the basics of what Jesus Christ said I think that you'll remain a Christian, Anne. What's wrong is the stupid and twisted interpretation that all different Christian groups give to the message. I doubt that Christ is anti ...
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James Christopher Lestat would agree, too. I'm behind you, Anne. It's beyond time that we stood up against the hatred, bigotry, manipulation, threats, persecution, and injustice infesting the Christian faith. Personally, I believe the Bible, for all it's goo...
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Jerrell Smith Amen.....may we all live with integrity before our consciences
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Kat Brinnier Wow, this is huge for you. Really?
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Charlotte Charle D Whatever u chose to be, I support u Ms. Anne. I agreed with u too, as long as there's Christ in ur heart, u're a Christian...:)
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Diana Holman Grajeda Remember those ideals are ideals of man, not ideals layed before us in the Bible. Not all Christians sects have those ideals either.
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Maya Beech Religion is the ruin of the world.....Love is the universal spirit that unites us all....
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Diana Hartig That's how I feel!
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Jennifer Rich Thank you Anne. I have been struggling with this for years myself, telling people that I believe in God, but that I do not agree with most of Christianity. I am so proud that there are others like me, that we understand each other.
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Wendy Hite Basing this on my beliefs, God gives us unique gifts that we can use to spread his word. You have been given a great gift to reach the masses. Will you be prepared to make this statement on the day of judgement when God asks you why you used your gift to send people away from Him rather than bring them to Him?
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Jennifer Coley Amen to you Anne.
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Laura Sweeney I came to the same decision for myself earlier this year. I'm from Ireland and it was the child abuse scandals and cover ups and the refusal to accept full responsibility for the atrocities these Catholic institutions instigated that pushed...
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Martin Aguilera Anne -- good for you! GOD BLESS YOU!
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Jeanette Farrish Yes yes yes, Anne. Me too. With all my heart ♥
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Bob Farrell I'm kind of sick of stubborn intolerant people on both sides (Anne you are not included in that group). I follow the Bible. I'm a Christian because I follow CHRIST.
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Krissy Kramer Good for you Anne
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Kris Poulakis Johnson Wow!
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Bryan Brock Matthew 22:36-40 (The Message)

When the Pharisees heard how he had bested the Sadducees, they gathered their forces for an assault. One of their religion scholars spoke for them, posing a question they hoped would show him up: "Teacher, whic...

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Hong Hai Huynh Anne, you're my idol
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Spartan FromSpain It's your choice. I'm agnostic but culturally christian (cathollic). I don't go to church, I don't pray, I don't believe there's another life after death, I'm not sure if I believe in God (I don't care too much, really).

However:

I'm not ant...

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Mario Arturo Hernández García Great Anne!
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Diana Hartig I want to quote this
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Frankie Lewis i fully understand your choice & reasoning, Anne. i tried throughout my childhood & teenage years to be a good christian, to believe, to practice & to behave as i believed Jesus wanted us to behave. i could never quite "get" it though, ther...
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Michelle Knoll How is refusing to be those things... "quitting Christianity"? How can you quit being a Christian, which means "follower of Christ".. in the Name of Christ!?

Anne, just because you're upset with humans acting like the fallen souls that th...

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Ayona Drake I had religion forced fed to me my whole childhood. Dad a preacher, mom a deaconess. Things went on in that church, in that home, that made me go running from both as soon as I graduated. The hypocrisy was suffocating any good will. The dirty deeds were covered up with scripture that was distorted to make justification. Congrats on being set free ... your heart knew what was right all along.
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Tanya MacGumerait Anne, that is an excellent list of reasons to quit. Thank-you for standing up and being counted!
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Kris Meredith Sulzberger One does not have to be a Christian to believe in Christ and desire to follow his teachings. Throughout history, Christians have isolated, hated, and killed others in the name of Christ, so I completely understand Anne's reluctance to be id...
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-  **Karla Korkodilos** Goddess Bless.
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-  **Kristin Warren** Amen and hallelujah! I'm with you Anne! It's time to start loving people and stop condemning people because they are not the same as you are. It's time to stop using Christ as an excuse to be hateful or mean.
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-  **Monique Perea** Then i see you have no idea what being Christian was to begin with. We are none of those things. Just because some groups believe this way dont lump all christians into this group. Each person is an individual and someone as open minded as you are I would think you would understand this. You took one group and made it into a crusade. There is no right religion, there is no perfect one at that. You do the best you can and you live your life the way you see needs to be done. CHrist understood this too.
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-  **Mary Boyle** Hmm, as someone else said here, the church constantly screws up, and although the vatican might say and demand one thing, very few actually listen or heed it as their common sense over-rules it.

I'm Catholic, but I love and care for my gay a...
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-  **Tonya DeSarno** Lets not forget, Jesus, was not a Christian!
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-  **Nate W. Nelson** You refuse to be obedient, which is no surprise. Your readers who enjoyed your blasphemous depiction of God and glorification of Satan in Memnoch the Devil will be thrilled by your reconversion to their way of thinking. May St. Michael the Archangel protect all the souls your writing has and will lead astray.
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-  **Laura Solís** wow! I realy admire you Anne :)
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-  **Erin Carr** You're what a Christian is supposed to be.
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-  **April Draven** I learned a long time ago that no religion has it totally right. I take bits and pieces of what feels right to me and that is what I believe. Good Luck on your new path. Maybe you will inspire more people to be Eclectic Christians :)
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-  **Janet Rosenthal Froschheiser** I'm sure you did not reach this decision lightly, and I hope all is well in your world.
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-  **Ken Nunemaker** Anne,Does this mean you will go back to writing Vampire Novels??
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-  **Nicole Walls** in my opinion: for any group that makes you choose "not " to support another isn't very Christian. Thought one of commandments was Love thy neighbor
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-  **Pamela Coon** Is that an oxymoron or just ironic?
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-  **Cesar Lopez** I love you!!!!
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-  **Eddie Nunez** And Nate is what a Christian shouldn't be. Intolerant...accusatory....psychotic...
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-  **Emily Goodwin** Yo! Tell um why you're mad, Anne!!
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-  **Megan Knight** right on!!!
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** Nate? She ran further into the light, not back into the woods. That was ridiculous, just so you know. Michael may help you out , though.
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-  **Barry Robela** Religion seems to be the divisive denominator, especially to those who seek

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Sherice Antoinette I agree with Monique. Anne appears to be lumping all Christians into one group. Sounds pretty ignorant to me. A follower of Christ is Christian. How can one follow Jesus Christ and claim not to be?

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Matthew Data Saxon christ never mentioned the need for religious organisation, only to love god and love your neighbour. Living by this code is all that god requires of us. I learned this lesson a long time ago, and it was a hard lesson to learn. My best wishes to you anne, im sure you will be fine, and you have a number of people here, myself included who are more than willing to help if you need anything. X

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Becki Fields Wright I completely understand where you are coming from but I'm not sure everyone does -- I quit being a Christian as well and, instead, label myself a Christ-follower. I saw something recently on Facebook which really hit home with me - "Going to church does not make me a Christian anymore than standing in a garage makes me a car."

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Martina Faillace I understand your choice very well and I'm with you!

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Tammy Farrell I support you 100%

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Diana Hartig So you choose to love instead of hate.

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Cecilia Tecza great news, Ann, don't label yourself that way

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Kristin McKibbage Gross AMEN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Mario Cubas I underwent a similar struggle and decided the same thing. I decided that I could not continue to align myself with any organization that preaches love but practices bigotry.

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Sharon Nichols GO, GIRL!! Perhaps you'd like the Episcopal church better... Catholicism with the bullshit removed. Priests who are gay, female, agnostic, supportive of AIDS victims, death-row prisoners, etc. From what I've seen, they truly embody the ethics of Jesus. I'm agnostic, but I occasionally go to an Episcopal church because I like what they represent.

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Janet Marie christians are pushy aren't they??? if you don't agree with each and everything they say then "you are not a follower of christ".. "you are lost"...trust in your faith...live your life being the best person you can be to others and yourself...help those in need that you can...love...that's what its about...i agree with your decision.

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James Micheal Irvine Gray it was a struggle i had since childhood. i struggle no more. my faith found its true path. as soon as i stood in synygouge in the Navy, i knew my heart had found its home.

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Alex Leal As long as u believe in GODtemple is were u make it.

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Joseph Iovino I love you. You have been an undying inspiration to me.

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Maddie Harris I think you speak for a lot of us here when you say that.

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Beth Dodd Being a Christian has nothing to do with any of those things! Being a Christian means you love Jesus and want to follow him.

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Ashley Hamman Jackson I do not believe in organized religion - but I believe in Christ and his teachings and the Golden Rule. I have been a believer my whole life; I struggle with a lot. I do not attend a church. But I pray in my heart and meditate in my mind. M...

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Cindy Bridges I'm not anti-gay or anti-feminist or anti anything you stated above. And I consider myself a Christian. Why? Because I have a relationship with Christ. I also believe that God loves everybody, no matter what. Many have told you that God can see what's in you're heart, and I believe that's true. Don't let over-religious people ruin what you believe is in your heart. God bless Anne.

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Holly Christine Phillips I'm actually thinking of a gay friend I have...He is Christian..or Mel White, the founder of the gay, Christian church. I myself am both gay, and a Christian. We have refused to "opt out" or quit. We choose to stay, fight, and bring change about from within. It just reminded us of a Jewish carpenter who chose to fight the system. He did die for it...but it had a real happy ending.

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Lillyan Perennite Just being a good person.

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Vidura Barrios Dear Anne, I actually saw that coming for some time. You have my full support. In the name of religion people have done terrible things to each other. We are all one, we should all be caring for each other and the environment and think of o...

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Jean Claude de Lioncourt love u!

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Linda M. Alvarez Pilger Anne I applaud you. You know what you want and plainly do it. God Jesus was real and he has a place in my heart. I love my maker and he loves me. I dont believe what the church does and I dont attend but I do pray and read the bible. I also have a relationship with my Lord. So my thoughts for you. Do what you like. I did for me and its working

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Johnathan Olivo This decision has made you more of a real Christian, the way God intended, than any "Christian"

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Conrad Frankowski And also it takes a lot of courage to make this step.

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Meghann Mason i completely understand what you are saying here. I am a Christian who follows CHrist, not the closed off intolerant people of Christianity. It's very frustrating. Good for you. :)

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Ken Nunemaker I hope you bring your Vampires back,I am not sympathetic to all this Gay right stuff,but i do think your a great writer,and would like to see you bring Real Vampires back...NO TWIGHlight NO Sunlight!

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Rosa Elena Nava join the saints Anne! i for one, will continue my path of sinfulness in the path of Christianity! Amen.

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Michael McGregor Bravo, Anne!

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Madeleine Maria Wow... though I need to ask: how come you made this decision now?

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Brandy Burgess Sooo.... I feel like all Christians were just labeled as "Evil" and this is just more fuel for people to hate them. Great. So you're saying if I call myself I Christian- I'm all of those things (which I'm not) which means I'm evil. I unders...

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Dan Nicolle Anne, come and join the Church of England. You can be pro all those things and still be a Christian. As long as you are not anti-tea and cake it's fine

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Pasquale Naccarata Sadly I quit almost 20 years ago. Jesus was a man of such love and compassion and accepted everyone into his group, and the current religion has taken his wonderful philosophy and work and twisted it into a judging and hypocritical place. It's very sad!! Thank you Anne for your post.

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Connie Whiting well said and I agree



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Sarah Newcomb I quit being christian for those very reasons... I celebrate the Lord in my own way for God is Everywhere.
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Stefano Martorana sorry anne, but I'm not agree with you, because it is one thing to be a Christian, an 'another is to follow what the Pope says ... because he is always and only a man can say and things not quite right John Paul II had not the same ideas of this new Pope
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Ashley Cricket Good for you Anne, religion doesn't make you the person you are, your heart and mind do :)
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Dara Vajas Does this mean you will go back to writing Vampire books????? PLEASE!!
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Carissa Schmidt And that makes you a stronger person than so, so many people will let themselves be. You just gained major points in my book, Anne.
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Kimieri Frank A brave choice. Not many people are willing to admit just how twisted Christianity has become and leave it behind. I commend you!
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Heather McAlendin Christianity is a term used and created by human beings not by Christ himself. One does not have to be a self professed "Christian" to have faith or believe in god. Men chose to turn the term into something that is no longer respected by their own actions. When you have faith and believe in yourself and in a higher power than your own...there is no need for terminology or to label oneself. The only one who can truly see within your heart and mind is God and that is a personal, private relationship.
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Adrienne Neff-Sadler all these things have nothing to do with my god and me being a christian.this is all man made propaganda to control the masses ways of thinking. my god gave us these pleasures on his earth for us to indulge and enjoy, hopefully together but that is not how it is.we are the ones who choose hate in the name of god. i choose love in the name of god.
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Margaret Schermerhorn A soul takes on the onus of what a person is in alignment with.. those groups with whom you join, also share the debt of their "sins" with you... those for whom you vote, share the responsibility of their crimes against humanity with you... to leave the cloak of the Pope is a great act, for the "sins" of the Church are great and not forgiven... The Catholic way is disintegrating before your eyes because humanity is beginning to think on it's feet.. and we know in our guts what is wrong....
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Frank L Wood Amen sister!!
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Mike Kent Will you continue with the vampire series then?
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Cassara Scott We, your loyal fans, will remain behind you and support any decision you find is best for yourself. This is a brave decision for anyone to make. Go you!
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Annette Escamilla "I like your Christ, I don't like your Christians, your Christians are so unlike your Christ" ~Ghandi~
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Michelle Tyler-Hernandez I have always loved and respected you as an author and a person, I do so even more now....I quit a while back and choose to be considered an Agnostic-Humanist. I have pondered the hypocrisy for a long while and that is what I myself came up with. xoxo to you and your journey.
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Natalie Martin I agree with this Anne! Sad to say.
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Bobbie Cruse As a non-christian, spiritual person. I understand. So much evil has been done in the name of God and Christ that I just cannot see past. Instead, I believe we were put here to love one another, be tolerant/respectful of one another, and to find our own little piece of happiness. If you follow these, how can you not be living in God's light?
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Glorybelle Lillie You are in my thoughts Anne. I'm not sure what you're going through but I hope your heart and mind are light.
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Randi Ertz You speak the truth Anne. Good for you for sticking to your moral beliefs. I have always believed to have a true relationship with God you listen have to your heart and he will lead. Believe and he will believe in you.
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Monica Casas-Powell Much love and support Anne.
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Bobbie Cruse In a selfish note, I do wonder where this declaration will take you next. There will never be another like you, and your talent...
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Wendy Dupont Rupe Anne, this is probably the most logical statement I've ever heard. Thank you for sharing!
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Bethany Ray Goodman My thoughts and love are with you. Be true to what you believe. People who believe in God have beliefs that span multiple "religions". Do what feels right. You readers are always with you!
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Jennifer Marie Hall Weldon Have you ever read "A Generous Orthodoxy" by McLaren or "Stealing Jesus: How Fundamentalism Betrays Christianity" by Bawer. Those are pretty neat books by folks who, I think, feel the same way.
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Stephanie Nicole Dear Anne Rice, I believe everyone must follow a path to find their true selves over years of some type of oppression that they have faced in order to overcome the oppression and regain who you are. I've read your posts and your endeavours ...
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Dena Brown Fife You can still believe in a higher power without being Christian. God (Higher Spirit) is in my heart and in my home. I am spiritual, a believer of all and all of my prayers have been answered in some form or another, yet I haven't stepped inside a church since I was young.
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Susan Kaden Thank you, Anne. Amen.
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Tyson Perna Love you! You can follow Christ without calling yourself a Christian, can't you? Is it true that he never even meant to start a new religion? That he just meant to reform Judaism? Organized religion is lame.
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Jennifer Sponheim Hampson Oh Anne, I am heartbroken. Not that you are leaving the church, but that you have been driven out by a system that fails to understand that it needs to deal with contemporary issues and that does not allow for a person of conscience who di...
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Teresa Elizondo Yay Anne! Your body is your temple, so you can worship anywhere, anytime without a label. God is love not hate and fear. We are God so, we are love. St. Therese says LIVE IN LOVE...you don't have to step into a building or be part of a religious community to do that. Hugs and Love to you Anne you're FANTABULOUS!! :)
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Ana Elisa Papoff I'm totally agree with you and in some way is the same that happened to me a few years ago... I quit being a "Catholic" and I became a "Believer in God". It's been almost 10 years now since I make this choice and the "revelation" wasn't so ...
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Kay Wilkinson Gardner Christ would be horrified at the Hate and Intolerance, the sheer bigotry and hypocritical "fundamentalism" advocated in His name. I quit many years ago. Bravo, Anne.
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Katy Bowman I believe there is a way of Faith without attaching all of the rules/stigmas of religion. You can believe in God but without sacrificing your beliefs. I appreciate your honesty and agree with what you're saying, thank you for your statement.
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Luisa Ostacchini I took very much the same path a couple of years ago. I would describe myself as spiritual, but I couldn't take the contradictions that seemed to rise up in the religion. Thank you so much. Just reading this made me feel less alienated in my decision to be spiritual but not religious. I read this out to my boyfriend in joy when I saw it, and it made both of us smile. Thank you. :')

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Amber Renee Good, now, will you start writing the Chronicles again?? Please? ;D

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John Dallas Miller Christianity is a fraud and it always has been.

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Francesca Bell my personal Standing Ovation for your great words!!! ♥

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Lauren Rachel Taylor-Farris Anne. I read this and told my husband... We are soooo happy for you. This is the way that we feel also. Both of us grew up in church and were told that we did not belong, even very explicitly by ministers. You can love Christ and not be a C...

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Meiju Haapasalmi Pure awesomeness, Anne. I respect you even more.

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Natalie Trammell Goforth I have always found faith and religion to be 2 different things. Congrats on your awakening. Now could you please write some more vampire chronicles and mayfair witches.

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Devon Gray Anne – YOU ARE LOVED...Peace to you today. And to those of you that criticize and take this as an opportunity to be self-righteous and condemning, I think you missed Anne's point...that behavior is so NOT Christian. It's the root of the problem. Open your hearts...don't be haters!

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Brigitte Jens This is why I have said for years I'm no longer Christian I'm a Catholic because to many things are done on the name of Christ

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Jessica Vance what next, Anne?

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Marvin Summers Anne you are a part of everything of nature & all that is out there!!! Embrace your new freedom by the brook gives thanks to the universe!!! Hug & feel the energy from the trees & birds!!! I just want to say thank you !!! We are here for you Love U!!! Light & Love

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Shannon Donovan-Roszkowski It is confusing...Whatever is good for you is good for me! I still love you Does this mean you will continue your vampire series?? ;)

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Elizabeth Heidel-Ward Me Too!

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Inga Rós Vatnsdal I know how you feel Anne.

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Natasha Wright That...in a nutshell...is what I've been trying to tell my family and friends.

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Shelby Stahl this is a beautifull statement anne :) you can very well god without following and understanding blaspemy and hypocrisy

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Vincent Anthony Martini I am a Catholic... and from what I read here (and especially from Anne) is a very poor understanding about the Faith. I would LEAVE the faith as well.... if I had the same understanding!! I don't know any devout/practicing Catholics who ...

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Lou Cordell Dear Anne Rice I admire you & your humanity. I have rantd about this on twitter today. You are right to follow your heart - not an organisation. x

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-  **Dan Frank Bolton** Its nice to have you back... now lets talk about lestat...
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-  **Amanda Clark** True Christians should be obvious by their compassion and love for each other and all human kind. Most of the reasons you are outling Anne are the same reasons I left evangelical churches and turned to Messianic 'Judaism'. As Christ said, t...
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** Vincent. You use the word mislead like you're not.
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-  **Tony Baldwin** I concur.
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-  **Candie Dushane** Yes!
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-  **Kim Davis** Once again, I'm in awe of the amazing Anne Rice! I sooooo agree with you, dear Anne! If only more people in the world would see the wisdom of these words . . .
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-  **Marvin Summers** Remember Anne stay in the heart!!! Light & Love
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-  **Donelle Darkes** Dear Ms. Rice: I am a huge fan and for the first time ever, I am writing on your wall. Your post brought tears to my eyes. Please do not let the faults of man alter your core of Chritianity. 'What Would Jesus Do' is not merely a saying but...
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-  **David Markiowsky** Anne, you embody the values, morals and actions that Christ was trying to teach. No matter where you kneel to pray or who is kneeling beside you, it is far better to be Anne Rice than to be a Christian.
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-  **Tina Smith** WELL SAID!!!!!!! Of course coming from you we should expect nothing less!
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-  **Denise Seah** I quit being a Christian and now I have a better understanding and relationship in who is and was.
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-  **Alexandria Turbeville** you are awesome Anne!!! In another life you and I would've been best friends!!!!!!! xoxo Being a good person doesn't have anything to do with being a christian and you are one of the best people in the world.
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-  **Dawn Anderson LaVigne** All true 'Christians' do not believe the same things – except for one: they all believe in Christ as the son of God & their personal savior from the inherited human condition of sin. Please don't lump all Christians into one boat as being ...
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-  **Patricia Russell** Well, I feel sad about this. I wish you continued blessings and peace. I don't think you have to be against those things to be a Christian though. Maybe you have to to be a Catholic. I am not a Catholic so I know very little about the doctr...
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-  **Mariam Arroyo** Christianity is almost about power, fear and money, in my opinion... And I think Chryst speaked about love... I couldn't find the match between one and other!
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-  **Hyper Jake** Check this topic– <http://www.facebook.com/topic.php?uid=102112606492103&topic=74>
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-  **Paula Jaramillo Stewart** I haven't quit believing in God, (Or higher power) I'm just questioning the Christianity part...
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-  **Linda Przygodski-Biersdorfer** Anne -- I say good for you. There are ways to be religious without involving yourself in archaic traditions that are divisive. I quit years ago. Cheers.
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Amanda DePane I very much understand where you are coming from, Anne. Keep your faith in God, but not be associated with those that shun the world. I'm proud of you.

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Tamara Garcia heck yeah, anne! you don't have to be a christian to love christ.

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David Rex Burruss Ah, but Christ was always the defender of the outsider. Being a Christian is much more than following the dogmas of a particular church. Being Christ-like has a much grander calling than most churches know how to approach. Many of them, in calling themselves "Christians" are taking God's name in vain.

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Marissa Kollenstart It doesn't matter what you are, as long as you are true to yourself. Be who you want to be and forget what you are. What we are is the very thing that limits us. If we go back to who we are, there are no limits to what we can become.

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Kim Jacobi Oh Anne, Anne. Surely you know the "church" (as well as ANY religion) is dictated by men. I know you believe that Jesus Christ was/is the corporeal embodiment of the divine. You can quit being a catholic, I did long ago. But I don't think you can so easily quit a core tenet, a concrete belief. Man has many agendas; few are benevolent; all are self-serving. God's only agenda is love. Now why would you want to quit that?

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Vincent Anthony Martini @Georgie: re-read. Read the word "mislead" in the context of the sentence.... rather than being hostile. To believe that one is HATEFUL towards a person.... because they are opposed to ACTIONS/BEHAVIORS of a person is NOT hate. This ki...

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Adrian Max Tjandra Like Vincent, I'm a Catholic too. I wasn't brought up Catholic, but I found my faith when I was 10 years old (oh Jesus found me). It is so strong that I will never leave it no matter what (though my sexuality is always a major problem to the Pope)

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Rosa Jimenez-Hernandez More than anti-feminist, Christianity is simply anti-woman.

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Christine Church GOOD FOR YOU, Anne!!!! =]

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Diana Reviss So back to the vampire books I hope? I've been missing a REAL good and engaging novel about your vampires. This Twilight thing isn't doing it for me. Its like reading kindergarten books.

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Steven Loos I'm not sure if many understand Ms. Rice's statement fully. She still embraces her relationship with the Christ, but rejects the label Christian for what it has become. This suits her, as she's always been one who transcends the categories and the labels people attempt to shoehorn her into. She's a category all her own, a complex person with a great intellect and passion for storytelling. Anne, as always, I am behind you one-hundred percent of the way.

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Ricohardt Von Pyres Nice! Yeah, being Christian is one of the least Christ-like things a person can be.

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Daniel Strauss amen!
you say what we all are thinking, i left the church 2 years ago, because i didn't like their ideals....sure there are things i commit myself to in Christianity, but i think believing needs no religion, after all, religion needs leadersh...

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Leslie Manley Amen, Anne!

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Angel Kolter I love you!!! Thank you "Anne for the triumph of intelligence over doctrine. Love over hatred.

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Orandon Marie Oh My Baby, I Love You! What a shock...! I just send you a million angel hugs and kisses!!! Thank You for being such a brave woman! One who allows herself to be informed and empowered... One who intentionally shares the power and

empower...

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Nichole Swanson sad post, Anne.

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Rebecca Carver Even though I'm not religious I commend you for your intelligence and your courage to listen to your inner voice. Not many people can and I personally feel the most intelligent of us have it the hardest in life. We can't listen to illogic...

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Saskia Vanessa Vieth I guess it's a choice for just the right reasons ^^

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Berkley Hall So well said. !!!!!!!

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Ken Nunemaker Anne, I don't know what the chances are of you ever reading my post is...and I know this is off topic... (I'm a little tired of this, fine if you believe what you're doing is right then more power to ya). I was wondering if you have ever thought of doing a collaboration novel with Stephen King?? Now That would be something!

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Christine Church That's because Twilight is Young Adult, not Adult novels!

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Troi Jordan I love Anne Rice.

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Katherine Rose Barber I have to say I can't blame you. :) I myself am not a Christian, never have been, and never will be. You shouldn't have to fit in with the beliefs of other more extreme Christians to have your faith though. It doesn't matter what other Christians do... do what's right for you.

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Sandra Maseda you can't quit Anne ... I believe that once you believe you can never truly un-believe... don't hold God accountable for humans messing up religion. Jesus is Christ the Lord and we need to share that with others. You're such an inspiration = don't desert Christianity!

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Sheila McPhie Rasak You are a woman with an amazing spirit who knows truth when she sees it. You are "Christ" like, but not Christian. He would be proud of you.

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Tobias Stehl thank you for your honesty.

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Jessica Collins Good for you for having your own opinions Anne.

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LauraPearl Thomas Good for you! I'm a believer in Christ, but not religion's bullshit mind games and following twisted haters.

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Jennifer Rodriguez-Ricciardi Anne I respect that. I myself have been put off by folks claiming peace and forgiveness only to stick their collective feet in their mouths. Buddhism appeals to me a lot more.

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Andrea Weaver Wow, Anne. Kudos to you for staying firm to your faith whilst at the same time not sacrificing your beliefs and ideals. Good for you!!!

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Lisa Reddy welcome back to the land of the living - we've really missed you

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Barry Smith When people ask, I tell them I am a Catholic. Everyone knows, of course, those papests are so tied up in their rituals and crap, they don't have time to be anything else. They usually leave me alone after that and rarely ask what I believe. I let them believe what they want.

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Jean-francois Gauthier So you will become a muslim ?

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Sean Patrick Doty Dearest Anne, there is no harm in dropping



the labels. I sometimes feel the same way. Please never lose your faith in Christ. The true Christ is none of the above. I believe there are true Christians and churches that believe as we do. God knows your heart. I love you as a sister and I am proud to follow Christ with you.

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Elaine Spencer "I like your Christ, I do not like your Christians. Your Christians are so unlike your Christ." Mahatma Gandhi

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Belén Hruschka I dislike fundamentalism. I'm agnostic. -- I still think that not all the churches nor all the priest are like that. I do like what Jesus means. Religion is a tool of good and bad things.

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Valerie Jaafari good summ up of what religion asks us to be ..i've quit too

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Shannon Donovan-Roszkowski WOW I find it VERY interesting while reading the comments above that its the CHRISTIANS that are being nasty unkind and unforgiving to Anne's thoughts and feelings! and its the NON CHRISTIANS who are full of love and openmindedness offering understanding to Anne! you christians really need to think where your lives are leading. I feel sorry that you all live in such torment! worry about yourselves!

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Janet Cheshire Bateman I'm sorry you feel this way....Christ and God are one...you cannot have God without the Son....I will remove you from my friend list and pray that you will see the truth and the truth will set you free

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Wendy Rae Welcome home Anne. ♥

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Marcella Cucinotta I admire you. Totally. Maybe someone could think that your statement is sad, but I see in it the most genuine search for goodness and truth. I wish I could be like you someday, Anne :)

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Beleth Black its about time

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Colin T. McLetchie Namaste.

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Bradley Anderson God is unknowable Ms Rice. The literal bludgeon most "fundies" thrash around with in terms of bible interpretation is something I have personally rejected. I think there are aspects of context, and requirements of personal grace and humility that believers must adhere to and i don't let anyone dictate my christianity to me, least of all nuts like Westboro or that lame Minnesota punk band.

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Henry Grevenberg Agreed. The institution has long past it's usefulness. A spiritual life, in the end, is only hindered by it, for what can be spoken of is not truth.

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Kathleen Golas Amen, Anne. I'm with you 100%.

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Debra M. DuHoux I commend your tremendous strength in this matter. You are truly an inspiration to many! I admire you all the more for it!

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Jack Heaton Ann, for me the entire teachings of Jesus boiled down to one thing "treat others as you would have others treat you" if you do this your a good Christian. To those of you trying to claim her as an atheist stop reading your own lack of faith into what she says.

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Rachel Coda i smell more vampire cronicles xD

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Helen van Bentum Amen Ms Rice. Amen. Until this point I was afraid that believing like this was wrong and somehow anti-Christ. Thank you for opening my eyes and showing that I don't have to agree to any of that to be a follower of the Lord.

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Charles Cj Joseph Killmeyer This is a shallow view of the faith you just abandoned. I don't know of any Christian that is Anti-Gay, well not in the way you think anyway (it's thier lifestyle we are anti, not the gays themselves), Anti-Science (God is behind all scienc...

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Bradley Anderson i should have said "aspects of God are unknowable." TO US, given our lowly human status. The bible exists, WE can read it and work it into our lives, but we have no right to dictate and enforce the living conditions of others, or their vision of what God has revealed to them about Himself. I hope you reconsider.

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Victoria Porter Anne, I've been struggling with the same issues you are. I'm Catholic, I converted to the Church about 7 years ago and I no longer feel it represents what I believe as far as its current public policies. I find myself developing an interest in the Episcopal faith, as they seem to be more liberal and open-minded. As of now, I'm drifting and doing some serious soul-searching.

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Julia Cameron Amen to that

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Brian Beltrán Wow! That's GREAT!

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Patricia Russell Shannon: read my post before lumping me in like you did, please. I am a Christian and I was not nasty. Not in my nature or my belief system.

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Marie-Michèle Cyr Arseneau Anne, I really admire you for your honesty, and I support you !

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Peter Cantelon One may as well quit being human for all the good we do (Christian or otherwise)...but in that I suppose we have one advocate who refuses to give up on us even at our worst and most divisive...thank God for Christ and for not quitting us.

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Patrick Connelly The Greek word for Christianity Χριστιανός simply means follower of Christ. It doesn't denote a specific religious sect. In the first few centuries there were many people who called themselves "Christians" followers of Christ. They disputed who, and what, Christ was and how best to follow him. Christianity is really an ethereal term. Maybe you are breaking with a narrow branch of Christianity but likely not Christianity itself.

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Krista L. Joseph Anderson Join us Atheists! We have the best parties! :-) Proud of you Anne!

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Adrian Max Tjandra My own parents hate and condemn my sexuality. Does it mean I should quit being their son too and refuse to be the family member ?

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Belinda Martin Campbell I see you as more anti-religion, Anne.

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Isaac Gaeta-Tollette Amen.

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Michael Freeman Do what you feel is right Anne, congrats.

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Sonya Meikle May God bless you Anne. I truly believe the most humane and honourable people I know find no place in organised religion even though many of them have great faith in God. I was brought up a catholic and did go back when my children were ver...

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Cynthia Smith Now, back to the "pagan" Goddesses, and the interesting spirits that roam realms that we cannot conceive (except few, like you)? :) I so happen to be reading your passage on Isis, the Egyptian (?) goddess in Pandora, and, because of you, ...

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Elisabeth Pedersen Happy to hear it!

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Shannon Watson Oates I wonder, are you quitting the "Christianity" that bigots believe in, or the Christ-like definition of what being a "Christian" is? I am a Catholic by choice, and there is nothing or no one whose words, thoughts, actions, or beliefs

could e...

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Jason Cann So...you're abandoning Christianity...because of people. People are flawed, imperfect, many are hateful, selfish, deceiving, bigoted, and evil. Jesus was none of these things and you know that, yet, because of people, you're abandoning Christianity. Yeah...makes perfect sense. Jesus founded a faith, not a church. That's why I don't go to church...because of PEOPLE! After some of the evil I've seen, I'm thinking of abandoning humanity. Anyway, still love your books! Good luck.

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Jennifer Skaggs Washburn Thank you, Anne, for saying what not many would. You are truly an inspiration. You are greatly admired.

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Lisa Kaiser Anne, you have my deepest respect for wrestling with this issue, for working hard to make an informed decision, for following your conscience. And while you have ceased to call yourself a Christian, you are a person of deep faith and connection to God. As always you are in my thoughts and prayers. Shalom. Pax et bonum always.

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John Porter I'm a Christian. I belong to Jesus Christ.

I am also pro-straight, pro-gay, pro-civil union, a hardcore pro-feminist, pro-science, pro-evolution, pro-artificial birth control, anti-hate, pro-love, pro-low tax rates, anti-big government, pro...

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Jennifer Millikin-Parker good point

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Linda Rodriguez As long as u are happy and honest to yourself that is all that matters.

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Linda H. The "-ian" is not in Christ - it is outside of Christ. I've often thought that the "-ian" after Christ was a distortion of "I am."

I empathize with you, Anne. I hope you find peace in the struggle and forgiveness in the resolution.

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Todd Nettleton Are you anti-sin? (Note that I didn't say anti-sinner.) Do you believe it's possible to show love to the sinner while still hating the sin?

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LaDonna Edwards-Hunt I quit organized religion. I have seen first hand the harm it has caused. I love Christ. I believe in what he always stood for which is love and acceptance. I'm glad I am not alone. Thank you Anne!

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Trisha L. Nierode I will read your comments further, because I have many similar objections to the parameters Christians try to force on other Christians. I am for all the "antis" you mention too, but I am not going to "quit": I don't care if my definition of Christian does not agree with a single other person's on Earth. My faith is not based on them, it is in Christ, which is why I retain the name "Christian."

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Christie Brandenburg wow....awesome perspective

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Emily Rose I quit organised religion. I am my own person and I can think for myself and make my own decisions and abide by my own beliefs. You are amazing. ♥

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Monte Yukio Pescador Here's what I find sad about this statement: You denounce not because of the beliefs of yourself but because of the beliefs of others, specific denominations, no less. That I find sad.

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John Wylie I applaud Anne Rice's sentiments & conclusions! My full reaction - <http://blog.jjwylie.com/2010/07/anne-rice-christianity.html>

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Tami Tipps Good for you, Anne, I couldn't have said it better myself! I was raised Christian, went to a Christian school my entire life, Church three times a week and all that. My

- grandparents used to make us pray for our parents, who were not devout,...
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-  **Amoritia Strogen** I think you just embodied everything I've ever felt into words, religiously speaking. Welcome to the club, Anne. :)
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-  **Marie-Kimberly Nadijwan** Very well said...I couldnt have said it better myself...GO ANNE! :)
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-  **Cassandra H.S.** Personally, we should stop acting like CHRISTIANS and start acting like CHRIST!
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-  **Jessica 'Steve' Brewer** Well done Anne, welcome back and good luck to you.
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-  **Audrey Tomlin Whittle** Somehow in my reading of the Bible I don't remember Christ being anti-gay, anti-feminist, touching on birth control, anti-political or any of the other anti's you cited. I will admit some of his followers didn't do so well such as Paul. S...
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-  **Cris Martinez** God bless you. It is hard being a Christian. The main point is to never forget the first and most important commandment LOVE!
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-  **Belén Hruschka** Maybe we dislike Christians whom are not real Christians: hypocrisy. But there are Christian ppl whom are still good ppl with good values. There is a priest in my country who believes in homosexual rights... even if my country church policy...
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-  **Sarah Simington** dig it sister!!!!!!
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-  **Nancy Edwards-Muscarella** Well its sounds like you just meant yourself I have always thought mine own way and believe in doing good . I sort of believe in something but i can't believe in things i can't see .. So if you want to stay unseeable (word??) thats your ...
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-  **Pamela Jo Delk** It seems like the ability to understand figurative language escapes a great number of "Christians" as well. I would be a wreck discussing Revelations with most of them. I am a Christian, but have hidden it deep within my heart. It's the safest place.
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-  **Chpr Chpr Chpr** now u've gone the full circle ;-)
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-  **Carea Kuhn** Good Luck Anne. Many of us struggle with all the same concerns as you do.I felt like checking behind each issue you listed because I feel EXACTLY the same way. God help us all.
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-  **Miles Coverdale** Good for you. Not one religion in this world has got it right. Follow your heart.
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-  **John Porter** "In times of persecution, theoretical Christianity will collapse."
- Brennan Manning
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-  **Brianna Hunter** You've obviously thought about this for a long time. It's a shame that cristianity squeezes so many rules and simply refuses to bend with society's growing acceptance with gay culture and science's strides.
- At least you gave it an honest to ...
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-  **Stacey Waples** Bless your heart, Anne Rice! You are an amazing woman.
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-  **Elaine Spencer** I follow the teachings of Jesus, not religious

-  doctrine dictated by men whose true agenda is to use fear to have power over others.
" Perfect love casts out fear."
"I like your Christ, I do not like your Christians. Your Christians are so unl...
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-  **Martha Wisdom** I am not christian, I follow christ. I am not a label, I am a person.
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-  **Donald MacMelville** There should be a "Like A Whole Lot" button.
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-  **Cara Cavie** The heart knows and feels what is right. God loves us all. He just wants us to learn to love him, love eachother, and have love for ourselves to do what is right. Bless you, Anne, in your bravery of a faith without walls.
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-  **Michelle Maltby-Ng** You know, Anne, you can still be a Christian and still be anti all those things. Just be anti-Catholic. But, you can convert to Episcopalian and still be apart of Christ and be anti all those things. It's only the Catholic religion which is anti everything you said.
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-  **Jean Allan Russo** You can love god without hipocracy. May you find a place you can worship freely and still get the ritual you need. Perversion has made the church what it is today.
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-  **Kirby Reed** :{ God will never quit on you. You are my literary hero Anne, and this decision must be hard for you, I have made it before, not long after my bapitism. But I even though I was convinced my beliefs were enculturated and tested by argumentation. We are always going to be at battle with ourselves. You are not alone, even if you chose to be. ♥
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-  **Noelle S. Ward** Totally understand! Amen...
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-  **Gillian Naquin** I know it sounds so cliché but...YOU GO, GIRL!
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-  **Kirby Reed** *But I came came back even though I had recently lost a child and even though I was convinced...
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-  **Deborah Newman** Bravo Anne! I have tried like you and it did not work. I was brought up a Christian, went to church every Sunday, etccccc.. When the church refused to help my brother who was sexually molested by one of the parish priests with a known record, i quit! I quit! I quit! I now follow native spirituality and have found my piece. i hope you find yours.
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-  **Tiff Cavazos** I grew up thinking we had to go to Church because my mom went. When I asked 'why do we go to Church?' my mom told me because her parents went, and so we had to go too. When I was old enough to understand, I realized I didn't understand all t...
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-  **Chiara Di Benedetto Brown** Amen.
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-  **Debby Ward-Duchaine** Ahh, I love you Anne. Welcome home. I too was raised Catholic but, it left me with to many unanswered questions. I became agnostic in my twenties & thirties. Then something happened.I remembered He gave me the greatest gift ever. Free will....
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-  **Tori Davila** Um.....????
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-  **Luis Javier Rivera Leal** I am happy to hear you said that...
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** Yes but when you're entirely in the public and you write the most awesomest books and thousands who relate the word Christian to the horrors that have been posted here....and Pat Robertson.. anyone remember that fracas? These are cafeteria p...
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Anna Champ Several years ago I stopped identifying myself as a member of any religion after a lifetime of following various religions. I still believe in Powers That Be and Their unconditional positive regard for us humans, but no more organized religion for me. Best of all good things and peace to you, Ms. Rice.

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Marie Myne God is with you Anne – God is in your conscience, not in anyone's church. You need the approval of no man.

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Kirby Reed ps. you can be whatever you want to be, and not feel bad for it bc something 2000 years ago was written out of our context and timeframe–understanding–said not to– we all are born with a moral conscience, know whats right from wrong, and we...

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Tori Davila The ticket, Anne, is to follow the teachings of Christ without cashing into what has become mainstream Christianity. A majority of the people that claim to be Christians are in no way concerned with Jesus's message; they just want power and...

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Katie Wildauer Bless you for your constant battle out in the open, you make people like me feel less alone.

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Stephanie Thorne Such a powerful statement, Anne. Thank you.

I quit organized religion and identity as "Christian" a few years back, myself. Not that I don't believe in God or Jesus, but moreso that I do not believe in the mandates humans have set as "law" ...

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Lisa Cerezo Might I respectfully suggest to Ms. Rice and to all who read these many comments that perhaps part of the downfall of organized religion is due to people quitting rather than working for change? Think, for example, of what this country would...

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Christine Kahle Truly powerful words Ms. Rice. I have admired you since discovering the VC and do so now more for standing up for your convictions. Personally I am far too cynical to follow any organized religion. I simply believe in doing what is right at a human level.

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Giovanna Diaz Good for you Mrs Rice

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Susan Reynolds Agreed. Thank you for saying it and for being honest, Anne.

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Louise Scott – I'm proud of you Anne, way to be true to heart and still keep your faith! You continue to inspire me and have ever since I read one of your books over 20 years ago.

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Jessica Pauline Workman In my opinion the teachings of Christ are much better followed by not being a part of an organized religion. Organized religions seem to inevitably become corrupt, and most Christian organizations become nothing but sad hypocrisy, preaching...

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Pamela Jo Delk I liked Elaine Spencer's Ghandi quote, I found another that is appropriate: "If Christians would really live according to the teachings of Christ, as found in the Bible, all of India would be Christian today."

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Amanda Pike I fully agree with and respect what you are doing. You can be spiritual without being Christian.

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Jennifer Maxwell Nawrocki I believe it sounds more like you stopped being catholic. Their rules and regulations to be even remotely involved are racist and prejudice against everyone who has an ounce of a different opinion. I think it's ridiculous! Having a relationship with God is all that matters in his eyes anyways. He sees the steps you have taken to build that relationship up and that's what he is going to look at when you come face to face with

him.

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Marie Symeou Good for you, Anne. Just be true to yourself.

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Beccah Kovacs Mulvey I have nothing to say about the religion debate but I admire you honesty and courage Anne.

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Raquel Vásquez I admire you even more (if it is possible). It reveals an incredible powerful woman every word you have said. You have described almost every thought that had lead my life for the past years, bless you Anne, I don't know you, and you are one of the people that I have loved since I was a little child and read your novels, and now that you keep in contact with all of us, your followers, I feel even closer to you. I wish you nothing but the best.

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Van Shawe LOVE!!

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Nancy R. Wilde Amen. Bless you Ann.

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Rebecca Harteis So, then it is you dont believe Christ held sacred the Tanakh or the Torah (first 5 books of Moses)? These are the words from God. Do you take only what part of God you desire and discard the rest of him as if you created him?

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Jeff Wills Sounds like you quit religion, not Christianity. I once read a bumper sticker that reflects how you probably feel, 'Dear Jesus, please save me from your followers.'

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Ernie Lopez You don't need a label or name to unite you with God. Bypass all the dogma and go straight to The Source. Nothing can impede or interfere with that relationship.

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Diana McGee That is the problem with this world now. Too many people are quitting instead of fighting back. Instead of stopping being a Christian push until the non-Christians stop being anti everything.

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Mickey Diaz welcome to being christ like sister. Love is everything. always remember that..The lord be with you always.

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Sabrina Bingham Stringer Christian or just Catholic . . . I'm sad to say that I'm not surprised as you had quit on the church before.

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Alexandre Richard Keep your conviction, Anne. I'm really proud of you and of the choice you've made.

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Donna Durham The message for all mankind has been lost. Everything has been re-written by man to suit his needs and fears. It's all about control of the masses. The more educated people are the more they question. Just be good, kind and loving towards each other.

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Michelle Webre-Rich As always Anne, you are my hero!

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Linda Lee-Defrank Do you really think Jesus believes in those awful things?? No . Man has corrupted in the name of Christ . I will always believe Jesus is the Christ , who died for our salation. I just may not be associated with any certain church. Do I think all churches and all Christians are bad?? Absolutely not !!

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Jesse Meza Thank you Anne for your openness, your honesty, your continued quest for knowledge and willingness to make such hard decisions where circumstances call for it. You truly are an inspiration beyond your books. There needs to be a movement to bring back the undisputed teachings of Jesus, and his message was ever so simple...love one another.

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Paul David Menser I don't think you'll get an argument from Jesus on that, Anne.

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Cammie Suttile Amen to that and can Lestat come back out to play now?

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-  **Monte Yukio Pescador** I'm reading some of these and it reminds me of a statement a former student of mine said to me. I looked on his Facebook page and said, "Well, you're Christian, right?" "No, I'm Catholic. We don't believe in those Christian things," was his response :-D
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-  **Elli Mathers** I am a Christian...I will not denounce Christ....I hope you change your mind and not run from something so needed in life...It isnt the the act of the people but the response from those who aren't strong enough to stand and make clear what it all really means. You have a large following, imagine what lies on your shoulders when it comes time to ask if you lead those who followed you to Christ. I will say a prayer for you.
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-  **Marion Rhapsody** So when asked about your religion, what will you say?
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-  **Sasha Erfanian** Don't suppose you also refuse to anti-vampire?
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-  **Chris 'thegoth' Wilcox** That crowd are the youngest faith, and act like it in far too many ways. If it doesn't work for you then walk away.

Always the best option for your soul that, rather than getting it crushed.
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-  **Lynsey Johnson** Thank you Anne, I have also felt the same for many years. I tried to go to church many times, but the last straw was when they told me that I needed to give money before I could be a member. I thought that, how is that being "christian".....anyway, kudos to you and your openness. And thank you for all of your wonderful books. I have read them all and am looking forward to reading more.
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-  **Mike Hargreaves** Did any of you so-called Christians that are disowning Anne for her VERY PERSONAL decision actually TAKE THE TIME TO READ HER POST?

She didn't say she was giving up Christ. She said she's giving up organized Christianity and all the hatred ...
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-  **Júlia Díez** awesome!! i can not agree more. first you have to be a person, then comes everything else.
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-  **Meaghan Pope** Never conform! I love you!
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-  **Valerya Couto** Great for you! I am not religious, but I believe you can be religious without belonging to an organized religion. You can still have faith and believe whatever you want to believe. Thanks for sharing!
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-  **Rachel Mireles Santilli** My Mom did the same thing and for the same reasons. About 10 yrs ago. After attending Presbyterian church devoutly every Sunday for the first 60 yrs of her life.
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-  **William Rumley-van Gorp** What you are saying here is that you reject hatred. I give you all my support for that Anne. I am proud of you and hope you have great strength from this. You have a great love in your heart. You have shown that to us in all your works ...
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-  **Crystal Gonzalez** One day Jesus Christ is going to come back to Earth, take one look at human beings and go, "That's not what I meant!"
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-  **Don Lambirth** Anne. I appreciate the willingness to continue to follow Christ despite not wanting to be labeled with bad connotations. But most of the things you put on your list are not things that you necessarily have to be anti to. I would disagree ...
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-  **Joe Ferguson** Welcome! (-:
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John Connolly Religion are for those afraid of going to hell. Spirituality are for those who have already been there.
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Sarah Schuur two words; Anne Lamott. her book Grace (eventually) gave me great inside on all the things you have listed Anne. She is a Christian who is pro-gay, pro-choice and Democrat etc. She showed that being a Christian doesn't mean you have to follow the church rules, Just Gods: LOVE. ♥
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Tasha Vladimiroff again, CONGRATULATIONS!
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Arne Hasdale Good for you, Anne! Welcome Back!
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James B Satterfield Forgive me Anne, but why are you letting others define for you what it what it would mean to be Christian? You're a strong willed and tolerant follower of Christ uniquely positioned to help re-define the contemporary meaning, for the better.
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Marion Rhapsody @Elli – I didn't hear Anne saying she denounced Christ. On the contrary, I think she's just denouncing the popular masses of Christians who follow blindly, Christians who worship Christ while banging a child in private quarters, Christians...
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Rodney Charles Caruana Giving up being a "Christian" yes, their loss as a consequence of abusing the "Name of Christ", but instead of seeing this as giving up on Christ, I feel it brings me much closer to him instead IMO. I'll quote a friend who passed me these words cause they can't be put any better, "I like your Christ. I don't like your Christians. They are SO unlike your Christ..." – Mahatma Gandhi"
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Jessica Keely Being "goth" growing up in close minded Cincinnati, Ohio sadly led me on to seeing their judgemental hypocritical hateful ways a loooooong time ago.
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Jill Jacobs Anne, there are churches that support your views. The Episcopal and Lutheran churches have enlightened and more liberal views on the things you hold dear. I stay in church and remain a part of Christianity because it says to do so in the ...
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Richard Cano wow beautifully put
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April Williams Anne, I have always admired your honesty and willingness to discuss religion openly. I denounced organized religion years ago, but have maintained a close relationship with God. You can do the same and you will be happier, just don't forget to spend time with others who feel similarly; fellowship is an important part of it all.
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Joseph Raven Rose May God Blisse You dear Anne.
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Bobby Lee NEVER Conform? What else could bowing to all of the "popular/celebrity" stances be called? Stepping back to reflect on faith and how it causes you to feel about each topic individually would likely lead to a variety of outcomes – not just a...
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Stuart Rivas I never liked the singing part of church so half the time im in agony. LOL Not that I havent heard an Angel sing before which is great. Church can get repetitive with the same message in different ways. The most important questions cant be answered,yet. Having a personal relationship with Christ and God is the way!
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Kristen Anderson AMEN!
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Jim Barnett Funny, Anne, that I had already suspected this coming. However, I remain a Christian Roman Catholic Gay man who continues to practice, because being a Christian means NOT flying away when disagreeing but staying and fighting within -- with love. However, your conscience needs to be your guide, so you travel well on the road you have taken. This step will never mean I disrespect you or stop supporting your work, Anne. We

will always be friends -- even if only on this small concept called Facebook.

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Sarah Genevieve Martel I totally agree with you Anne. I dont like what organized religion does the the world and although I feel I have a good relationship with the God of my understanding, I refuse to let a bunch of people tell me how that relationship should be. (:

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Carey Ann Smith Walker uhm, what? that "prayer" was so sad. u just told Christ u gave up on Him!!! it's SO sad, and look at all the ppl who r following u. they r so confused!!! U have a very BIG responsibility, and unfortunately, ur getting some really bad t...

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Belinda Dillard I agree Anne, I did that long ago and I am always amazed by people who do get it! Think about it people!

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Grace Looney Last I checked Christ wasn't a Christian either... You can be Christ centric and avoid the dogma, rhetoric and hypocrisy - much easier to contend with...I've been this way for years...Welcome sister!

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Kara Jorgensen I understand completely what you mean. I used to go to church week after week, and normally, there really wasn't anything political. Recently though, every week they have something to say about some new legislature or we should vote no to g...

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Richard Kidd A Christian is a follower of Christ so you did not quit. Those who call themselves Christians and live opposite of Christ's teachings quit long ago.

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Abigail Dunleavy I understand. They're not leaving us much room for true compassion, are they?

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Pauline Battaglia Cox Organized religion(Catholicism{sp?}, Baptist, Methodist, etc) and true Christianity are 2 different things. What you have quit is organized religion. if you have a personal relationship with Christ that is a completely different thing(and the most important thing).

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Lisa Gouget Wigman Oh Anne, I have so much respect for you right now!!!! You can still believe in The Lord without having to follow all the ridiculous bull crap "rules" that religion made up! You're too intelligent a person to let a religion tell you what you have to accept or not!!

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Elli Mathers We are all humans...are you going to denounce humanity as well...are you going to stop being a human...look at all the things humans have done in this world to other humans regardless of there claim on religion, You dont walk away from Christianity or what you are, you simply stay aware of those who are falsely claiming Christianity and pray for there souls....Such a smart woman as you, I hoped you knew the difference.

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Brenda Watson Glassman Bless you Anne...you don't have to call yourself anything. Your relationship with God is between you and him and no one else. I admire you for many reasons but I highly admire you for sticking up for yourself and your son. I seen so many C...

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Teresita Contreras Pardo-Prieto This along with other reasons is why I love ya :)

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Christopher Loughran ANNE,before yo throw the towel in ask yourself the question,why is it so many people on here congratulate you on losing your faith?you refuse to be anti gay? Would jesus of condemned the homosexual?I dont think so.Would he have approved of i...

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Lucas Huntington For what its worth, Anne, I think you're doing the right thing. If anyone tells you different, either ignore them or tell them to FUCK off.

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Sarah Macdonald Ann, people are always wanting to put a label on their own set of values. I think it's best to move away for that. However it seems you keep being asked 'what are you then?' - call yourself an existentialist and let those around you seek meaning from that. Brave post from a brave and ever thinking woman. May God go with you.
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Amanda Ferguson I agree wholeheartedly! I decided long ago that God does not care if you go to church or not. He just wants you to have faith in Him and believe in Him!!!!
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Ana-Maria Niculae Don't quit! If some Christians understood the message of Christ wrong, it does not mean that the message was wrong. Being a Christian means to believe in him, to believe in God and Love, not in his sheeps.
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Derek Clendening I don't think man is re-writing scripture to suit his needs at all. Scripture is just understood differently. It was, after all, written by mortal men thousands of years ago.

It's important to take note of liberties that people take, like h...
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Julie Owens YOU GO ANN! I'm right there with you, Sister!!!!!!!!!!!!
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Heather Sorensen Thank you for this Anne. It really means something.
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Joaquin Amadeo But Anne, how could you not be a christian when you speak of the name of Christ?
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Anna Stott 2 Questions: Maybe I am slow? But why can't you continue to be a Christian--one without a church? I consider myself a Christian but I have no church that I belong to because I am a Catholic and I don't agree with their policies--such as ...
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Jenna Carter There's no need for a label on what you believe in and what you don't. As long as you're at peace with who you are and what you do, that's what matters.
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Agata Rybicka I hear ya, Anne, and I'm proud to be your fan!
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Shawheen Blount Amen sister. Glad you're not conflicted about that anymore.
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Heather Brown Good for you! This is such a personal choice, but you still have god, you just don't need to follow another persons warped view of what is "right". Follow your heart!
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Kristin Snyder This might sound strange for me to say, since I'm pretty much agnostic, but.. I think you have the right idea of it, Anne. You believe in and follow Christ and his message, and that always seemed to be the key factor in having faith in him (from how I saw it).
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Maria Montgomery Good for you Anne for taking your mind out of that box!
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Matt Beller By the way if your so concerned about the treatment of gays, Christianity shouldn't be the starting point.. Muslims MURDER PEOPLE for being GAY! Find me some Christians that go that far TODAY?
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Elizabeth Dyer Barrett I came to the same conclusion myself many years ago. My love for this life and the earth is much broader than the exclusive "cliques" of organized religions. It hasn't changed my love for Jesus and all the things he taught and stood for. ...
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Martha Page I never could understand why there was so much hate in churches! I refuse to believe that God hates like that!
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Ivy Gm Eata Well-said, Mrs. Rice. Do what you feel is right. You have the support of so many of us that feel exactly the same way you do. Bless you.
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Inès Sol WOOHHOOO GREAT THATS IT ANNE THATS RIGHT YOU ARE TOTALLY RIGHT
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David N. Glassman It took you long enough to realize that if you can not follow the rules of engagement than whats the point of being member of the "club". I live in Italy and do not have an desire to be Catholic.

I highly suggest that you read Spinoza's...

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Matt Beller I still can't get over the fact "I quit being a CHristian" as if it is a club, or even a religious sect such as a Catholic.... All it is is "Christ-like" Its no popularity group...
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Raquel Escrhuella Nebot Good for you!! I couldn't agree with you more.
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Debra Gilbert No matter...God i s LOVE...and I will always love you!
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Michelle Lamb Anne, I couldn't agree with you more. Exalt Christ's name by exemplifying LOVE in everything we say and do...and I think we will make progress. We have to find a way out of this swamp of hatred and bigotry.
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Dawn Peat McNamara RIDICULOUS!!!!
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Amy Wilkerson Hall Dear Anne....you are such an intelligent lady....being Christ-like has nothing to do with being anti-anything....Christ loved ALL, He died and sits beside His Father in Heaven, giving you and I time to trust in HIM and not the world we live in. You, more than anyone, know that there are demons that walk among us and whisper into our hearts all the lies that Satan wants us to believe...don't let this world and it's hypocrisies keep you from Him....In Christ name, I pray.
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Walda Clark I am a Christian, long time ago I did stop to be a Catholic.
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Walda Clark perhaps you should try a Christian Community Church.
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Stephen McCreadie I'm going through the same struggle anne. I love god and Jesus but I cannot be apart of anything that is anti-gay and all the things you succulently summarized in your post. I pray daily. But I must follow my heart.
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Piñeiro P Charpantier u can be christian (in the original meaning and philosophy) and being a scientific at the same time. Being christian like Cristo is ok. Being Christian like the pope is nt ok.U see may see the difference.
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Linda Jones I ♥ you.
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Walda Clark and OMG!
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Jeannie Clark Marsden It sounds as if you are anti-church rather than anti-christian. All you have to do to be Christian is love Jesus. Most of the rest of that is man-made stuff.
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Theresa Lepak Anne,
I know yu have done what is best for you! God bless and love you! T. Lepak
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Lu Brooks Anne,
You have been and still are such an inspiration to me. You are absolutely brilliant.I never comment but now I feel the need to. Those are the reasons why I never became a Christian. I think Christians should at least respect you for tr...
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Dawn Peat McNamara REMEMBER MARCEL FROM THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS????????? THINK ABOUT IT ANNE!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Sandra Koren Mrs. Anne, you're kind of a great person. ♥

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Patty Russo I support a separation of church and hate.

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Linda Harrison I love this

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Ali Higgins GO ANNE!!!!!!!!!!!!!! You can be spiritual without following the Bible. Follow your heart! That book was written thousands of years ago and sometimes I wonder if there's even much truth to it! I'm an agnostic atheist – which means, I don't know, and I don't think anyone else does either!

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Christopher Gonzalez is that anti-christian or anti-catholic?

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Galadriel da Vincii Brava!! At last, someone willing to make a decision based on conscience rather than staying affiliated with the church out of fear or tradition.

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Ali Higgins @ Christopher Loughran -- I didn't learn right and wrong from the Bible – I learned right and wrong from my parents. I have a conscience not because of GOD but because of the morals and values my parents instilled in me. YOU CAN STILL BE ...

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Paula Schmidt Clauser Yep, I came to that conclusion a few years ago also.

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Georgie Pendragon Loughran... you'd do SO well with an OUNCE of Anne's FAITH. A mustard seed worth.

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Georgie Pendragon @Dawn Peat.. is that bragging? I can't identify that word.

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Ali Higgins And obviously the majority of people here know nothing of what the Old Testament says because GOD IS NOT A LOVING, FORGIVING GOD according to THAT BOOK! How can you like re-write something and say, oh, we were just kidding, he's an all-lov...

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Jennifer Kickliter @ Matt Beller – How about these?

<http://blogs.alternet.org/speakeasy/2010/07/28/disgusting-anti-gay-marriage-groups-activist-sign-suggests-lynching-same-sex-couples/>

I wouldn't be so quick to judge Islam; they worship the same god as Chris...

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Linda Jones @Luis Hernandez. All of Anne's books are the best. I love Interview with the Vampire above all others because it is my first love. But they're all a part of her remarkable journey. They are a solid, cohesive body of work. You can't separate them out from each other. I've never been able to just read her latest book. I start all over from the beginning and work my way through the cycles.

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Cheri Snyder I don't understand... how can you just quit something you felt so strongly about? Particularly religion. Your Faith in GOD, should be in GOD, not in a religious sect. Your relationship with GOD should be a personal one... not about the part...

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Daniel Cardoso About time, Anne Rice! :D

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Cheryl WhoDat McGinnis I understand totally. You are not anti Christ, just anti-organized religion. I am with you. I'm sick of people who hate in the name of Christ.

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Carrie Hyman FWIW – the people you describe that you are distancing yourself from, aren't real Christians anyway. If you read about the parable of the wheat and tares, it explains that the church is full of people who are not the real thing. I'm also a believer who detests organized religion for all the same reasons. And all you people sitting in a church with that church telling you WHO or WHAT TO VOTE FOR, for crying out loud, are fooling yourselves.

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Jennifer Rose Good for you, Anne. I'm a retired Catholic for many years...I consider myself spiritual in my own way. And just because I don't go to church or conform to those Catholic/guilt ways, that doesn't make me a bad person or someone who doesn't b...

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Heather Anderson Vaught In response to the ones talking about Ms. Rice losing her faith: Deciding to not be a Christian does not mean that you have to decide to not believe in God. God is the same God, no matter what your "faith" is. If everyone would just see ...

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Lisa Williams Refuse with you, D'Arcee!

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Shannon Donovan-Roszkowski Patricia please don't have a guilty conscience my comment wasn't just toward you

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Cheri Snyder Let me just add... you're never going to find a religion that's going to fit with all your different ideals... because GOD is above all of that. It's like asking God to mold to being a gay, feminist, democrat who supports artificial birth c...

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Judy Johnston I am very confused?

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Ali Higgins @Heather, I wish more people thought that way, I have lost my faith that there is a higher power at all, but I do believe the world would be better if there were NO religions. If we were born in a different country, chances are, we would ...

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Lauren Starcevich ooh anne im so glad to hear that your going to stick up for your beliefs *hugs*

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Asia DeVinyl Friendsonly YAY! I can be your fan again! I've missed you so much!

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Sergio Garduno Amen girl!

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Claudia Dutcher Be a Christ follower one step at a time.

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Carrie Hyman There is a movie called "Lord, Save Us From Your Followers" and it really goes into all this, how all the vileness is pushing people away from their faiths rather than towards it. Just know that it's some PEOPLE who are getting it all wrong. My faith in a higher power was fine as soon as I lost my faith in people. I mean some people are good, but as a whole, you are better off putting your energy in cats and dogs. Or goldfish.

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Monika Czarny amen indeed!

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Catalina Clavero Valdés What you believe; what you stand for, it's between you, and your maker. I think there's nothing wrong about being a christian, what's wrong it's to leave the decisions about your faith in the hands of the institutions that claim to have "the truth" about god when they are nothing but human. God made us equal, no other human opinion about politics, gender or science it's more valuable than your own. You can still be a christian without being linked to any church.

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Georgie Pendragon @Asia, grow up. She left that kind of derision, dont hand it back from the other side of extreme.

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Suzie Lidstone I still love you Anne, and so does Jesus. The churches today are filled with sin and hypocrisy, but you can still follow Jesus without believing in the Catholic church or other denominations. I will pray for you. A fan and fb friend always.

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Kristi Sustrick Wow Anne! That's powerful stuff :) Faith is all you need no matter who you follow or what your beliefs. That faith is in humankind and that which cannot be seen. Love to you and your awakening :)

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Silvina Rinaldi You ROCK MISS RICE!!!! :D

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Asia DeVinyl Friendsonly Um, Georgie, who the hell do you think you are??? What gives you the right to say something like that to me??? Oh, right, judgemental.

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Shannon E. Hall Welcome.

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Shane Prince Christianity: "of, pertaining to, or derived from Jesus Christ or His teachings:" So, Anne is turning her back on the teachings of Jesus? How very, very sad. Oh wait, let me guess....the entirety of Christianity is a scam or bad, right? People, Christianity is what YOU make it! To turn your back on something you have believed in all of your life shows cowardice. It is much easier to run than to stay and try to fix things. Period.

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Eric Gramling You just regained your hero, and favorite author status! Thank you Anne!

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Asia DeVinyl Friendsonly It was my personal choice not to read Anne's books from the past 10 years. I thought she had left us. But now she's back, which makes me happy. What's wrong with that???? I'm hoping that while she's done with Christianity, she's not done writing. I will in fact be reading her next book whenever it is released.

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Asia DeVinyl Friendsonly NICELY put, Eric!!!

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Jess Winslow YES!!!!!! Thank goddess!

More vamp novels, PLEASE!!!!!!

♥♥♥♥♥

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Christopher Weidig Well good for you.

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Maria Mora Barzuna I think the real Anti-Christ is the Roman Catholic Church, well known as a whore of Babylon according to revelation's book. I have read about the Dark Ages the Catholic Church. They never mention that slaughtered over 150 million Christia...

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Micheal Holcomb fantastic. love how you put that;)

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Georgie Pendragon @Asia.. judgmental.. you were rude, I told you.. you were rude. You may have horns, dont care. Only care about the rude part and there you go again.

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Georgie Pendragon She never left us. You shut your eyes, there's difference.

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Tania Alejandra J I do believe in GOD, but i don't believe in religions.

i think the most important things is love, respect, tolerance and all of those positive human feelings, and always no matter what, Stay true to yourself (:

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Georgie Pendragon @Shane...No.

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Blackie Sansone I will let God hate who he will hate and do what he has commanded us to do "love one another !" God bless you sister in the name of Jesus Christ you have my full support !

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Georgie Pendragon @Shane.. she found what she believes in behind a cloud of people such as yourself. You obscure.
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Corey Wade Welcome back to the dark side. We have better cookies.
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Ali Higgins @Shane, I have been through more in the past 10 years than more people comparatively go through in a lifetime. Don't EVER EVER call someone a coward because they lose their faith and question whether there is a god or not. You, sir, are a very good example of why it hurts me to even TELL people that I no longer believe. To see/hear the disappointment, and the JUDGMENT, and the nasty remarks. To say someone is showing cowardice... How DARE you. Some "Christian" you are!
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Jeannie Aranas I've never written before but I am a huge fan. I grew up catholic and feel the same as you. I believe in God, pray and look to some of the saints. I am pregnant and will probably baptize my child. But I have never agreed with those doctrines. I do not attend any church. When I had fears and some other things going on when I was younger, the Vampire Chronicles brought me out of that bad place and actually took away my fear of death. I don't even know why psychologically. Thank you Anne! You are a wonderful writer.
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Vincent Giordano Jesus would probably be a buddist.
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Malek Hussein Manan This is an age where the masses have simply overlooked the true essence of religion and find themselves obsessed with institutions that claim to be religious instead... essentially mass hysteria of epic proportions...
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Ali Higgins Why should I "stick around" for a god who has never been there for me? When I devoted half my life to him and saw no love in return? Only despair.
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Thomasina Knight Bravo Ann Rice! Thank Goodness.....I am sure you may have watched "Secrets of the Inquisition" on PBS lately...and along with that the area of the Vatican that hold those inquisition documents are not allowed to be viewed by anyone! How much senseless killing and manipulation has been in the name of religion!!
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Georgie Pendragon Those footprints may not be yours.
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Renae McElmore beautiful words, filled with a beautiful sentiment, Mrs. Rice.
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Michael Van Dusen Well, I am extremely sorry to hear that...but does that mean that maybe we can finally get to hear tell of Bianca's Story. I desperately want to know what happens to Bianca after becoming a Vampire!!
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Raif Logan Have I told you lately how much I love you, Anne?
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Jennifer Hancock Ann--are you also going to quit being a woman? because woman are whiny, they lie, they manipulate, they value money over love, they do drugs while carrying a child, they want to rule the world, they backstab each other while claiming friendship and they out men down constantly. Just some food for thought.
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Kevin Ragoonanan wow
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Jennifer Lamberth Kendziora Shane. You are right about one thing. Religion IS what you make it. She has merely decided that the way most hypocrites practice it is not for her. Don't judge - it's not your decision.
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Samuel Moran What's made you quit Anne
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Ali Higgins @Jennifer Hancock - Are you freaking kidding me?
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Georgie Pendragon @Corey , keep your dark cookies. There's a whole buffet where she is.

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-  July 28 at 5:40pm · [Like](#) · [Flag](#)
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** @Jennifer that was bizarre.
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** @Jennifer Hancock, that is.
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-  **Asia DeVinyl Friendsonly** @ Georgie... seriously, take the stake out of your ass and get off of your high horse. Stop POLICING THE INTERNET, you are truly embarrassing yourself.
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-  **Monika Kucharzyk** Im soooo happy!!!!!!ACH Thank you ... The true church is in our hearts, not in buildings of stone and concrete
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-  **Jennifer Lamberth Kendziora** lol, Georgie – I agree. Discussions like this bring all the ones out of the woodwork!
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-  **Leah Callen** I'm Christian and I'm not anti– any of those things. Maybe you should look into Anglicanism. lol
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-  **Clay Reid** Anne, I am very proud of you. Standing up for your convictions. We all follow different paths to the same final destination; we all have a different way of getting there. I am proud that you've stood beside what you believe, and not what...
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-  **Brenda Green** Amen to that...I don't deny Christ, but Christianity? Jesus called the organized church a den of thieves & I believe him.
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-  **Mark Carter** good for your Anne and trust me God will understand
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-  **Greg Spano** I must say this is a brave thing, but I believe one can be Christian, and be completely sick of all the bull that is associated with the stupidity of the "church". The problem is not with the teachings of Christ, Moses, or anyone else, it ...
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-  **Ivory Affolter** God knows your heart Anne...that's all that matters. No more explanation necessary.
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-  **Don Lambirth** Anne... Please read Phillip Yancey's "What So Amazing About Grace". Please do yourself this favor. And anyone else go check out this book. He struggles with many of the same questions everyone here is struggling with.
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-  **Galadriel da Vincii** .Anyone seen the movie Stigmata?..
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-  **Jennifer Ponce-Landa** CLAY REID " Very Well said " I agree with you. ANNE I support you, you are my favorite writer, the religions books did deter me.....but I'd love to read your next book. Everyone deserve respect and equality.
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-  **Ivory Affolter** Loving God is not about a title...it's just about loving God. I see many here who are completely misunderstanding Anne's point. She isn't throwing her belief in God away...she simply refuses to have a label. She chooses to walk with God ...
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** @Greg, gorgeous.
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-  **Tiffany Waldrum** Woohoo!!!!!! Congratulations! We have a free thinker over here. AMEN! Love you Anne. ♥
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-  **Anjuli Marquez** Amen sister! i know how u feel
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-  **Shane Prince** Ali, you gave up on God. God didn't give up on you. And yes, it is cowardice to ever give up on something you believed in SOOO much that you wrote novels about it. There are many things I don't like about my friends but do I abandon them? Nope. We sit down and work it out. If you really believe it is harder to run than to stay, then you, Ali, are an enigma.

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Shane Prince @Georgie...I have stopped listening to your arrogant comments long, long ago. You are holier-than-thou and your comments are unwelcome.

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Kris Sherman I am a Christian in my heart, which means I practice my religion my way. I do believe that the bible was rewritten many times, to make it fit the powers that be, at the time. I am a lesbian, and proud to be so. I don't believe I'm going to hell because of it, actually I don't really believe in a Hell. I don't think I should be punished because of loving someone of the same sex. Jesus preached love, how can love be wrong?

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Brenda Jernigan Sherer @Jennifer Hancock... what sort of BS is that? If you're trying for an analogy; you've failed miserably. Or, are you that sort of woman. If so, get help.

Anne, I was an atheist before I had my daughter. When she was born, I knew love tha...

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Jill Jacobs Ms Rice, I think people have misunderstood your statement. It's clear that you're not giving up on Christ and God, just in the Christian name and affiliations. Can you please clarify so there will be no more confusion?

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Vincent Giordano Buddhist*
Correcting my spelling from earlier!

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Georgie Pendragon @Shane, Ali is an enigma and I am arrogant... woooo boy what that leaves for you.

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Ali Higgins @Brenda, that is the most complete, wise comment I've read in this thread all day!!

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Scott Riggs Why cant more stand up and be like you instead of hypnotized sheep?

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Galadriel da Vincii Nice correction there Vince, better late than never lol.

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Megan Moosey Briscoe Is it really a contradiction to be a follower of Christ's teachings and still be a pro-choice, birth control using, feminist thinking registered democrat? (I love science too!) I've never been baptized and never been to church but I've read...

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Shane Prince @Asia...Amen. Georgie is a classic internet bully who appears to believe she is so much better than anyone else. It is disgusting. She acts like an insecure little girl who will rail at anyone for some much needed attention. Pathetic.

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Georgie Pendragon @Shane cowardice is name calling and if you believing something your whole life for whatever reason if it ends up not being good for you, then you go and find your own way. Making someone stay where they are sick and cold.. please. Oh wait., thats what youre all about.

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Carina Busca Anne, I can't agree more with these words. Too many so called Christians act exactly the opposite of following what Jesus taught. I feel the same as you. I love your wisdom and your works. Never quit being this brave.

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Galadriel da Vincii @ Greg your quote is from the movie Stigmata.

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Megan Moosey Briscoe @Brenda and Carina It's positive comments like this that really make reading the comments in Anne's posts worth it. All the bickering about who's right and who's an asshole kind of ruins the opportunity for learning for the rest of us :)

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Whitney Picco i LOVE this post. way to go anne!

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Georgie Pendragon @Shane. Sing it , baby. You could have

-  stopped at classic.
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-  **Gretel H. Berthet** Today (hm, yesterday) is a great day :).
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-  **Kim Jackson** i feel the same way.... just seems so hateful.
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-  **Nik Smith** Good for you! I've been waiting for the person who wrote so many amazing books to return to us. :) It looked (to me, an outsider) that when you had some very difficult and horrible life events that you turned to religion, like many people do...
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-  **Joy Santangelo** You can't quit being a Christian and still be a follower of Christ. To be a Christian is to be Christ-like. You are contradicting yourself and I am weary of your contradictions. I am a Christian and I'm not anti-gay, anti-feminist, anti-...
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-  **Kitty Cross** =] You ma'am, are brave and are truly amazing. I know I'm not a Christan; I'm Wiccan, but those are brave words... you disown a title and d your own thing. I'm sure this is what TRUE religion i.
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-  **Kitty Cross** is^
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-  **Ivory Affolter** And I feel the need to point out one more thing... Anne didn't stop writing about vampires and witches because she felt it was somehow sinful or wrong. She simply wanted to do something else, something her heart was telling her that she n...
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-  **Debbie Underwood** How does a person still follow Christ but quit being a Christian? Just wondering
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-  **Buzz Bellmont** YEE HA---Anne has truly seen the light!
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-  **Gay Adams Barrett** Welcome back to the fold, Queen Anne..you are always welcome amongst the followers of Christ who reject "Christianity".

We, the outsiders, understand everything you have posted today. It isn't always easy being an outsider, but it sure se...
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-  **Dana Michelle Fox** Well, Jennifer Hancock, you might be that kind of woman but I'm sure as hell not. I'm pretty sure Anne isn't either.
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-  **Rick Rangno** I like your Christ, I do not like your Christians. Your Christians are so unlike your Christ.
Mohandas Gandhi
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-  **Erika Schmidt Russell** Congratulations. The belief is what is important, not the trappings thereof. I've been back and forth with church going for more than 20 years, and it's because of the bickering and anti-ness that I've left again. Thank you for taking a stand, although I wish you would remain in the church. Anne, you and I and others like us must take our stands where and when we can. Maybe if enough of us renounce the labels the anti-s may learn something, though I doubt it.
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-  **Richard Alan Scott** I am so with you Anne. Came to that conclusion a few years back.
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-  **Emily Dean** I totally support your opinion, Anne. It is true that most religion becomes warped and twisted to others desires. Christianity doesn't even follow the rules and regulations that it started and is making constant war between brethren. I b...
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-  **Melinda Smiley Skoller** Spiritual enlightenment is a journey without a necessary path.
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Shane Prince Georgie, run from your problems because that is what you do best. And don't be hypocritical. You don't like being called a name...then don't insult people to begin with! Try that and you might, just might, have fewer people thinking you're a bully.

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Sandi Gutierrez Big fan Anne. I think I have read almost all of your books. I concur Anne. Definitely not feeling the Christian thing as well. How could anything group claim to love in the name of Christ and yet they are at the heart of the most bloodiest of wars and are intolerant of other people's views.

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Tammy M. Fielder Wow!!!! I couldn't have said it any better!!!! Then again I am not a famous writer lol. Seriously, you can believe in Christ and follow him and not be a Christian. We all have our own interpretations of God and Jesus and Christianity. ...

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Amanda Alter Why do we need labels, anyway? So you're "Christian," I'm "Jewish," they're "Muslim.." We all believe in one God, the same God. Whether we call Him "Jesus" or "HaShem" or "Alla" makes absolutely no difference. And I know that OUR God does n...

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Melissa Cross I admire your strength, your courage, and your commitment to your relationship with God.

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Brenda Jernigan Sherer @Ali and Megan... thank you for your kind words.

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Asia DeVinyl Friendsonly @Ivory Your beautiful post really put it into perspective for me. You are absolutely right. Instead of saying that I am now her fan again, what I *should* have said was that I've always BEEN her fan and that I hope that along with her new life decision she returns to writing fantasy that I would like to read. I don't have to like everything that she's written in the past few years any more than she has to start writing what I want her to. But I can still hope!

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Georgie Pendragon @Shane... I know what I am. I don't care what your opinion is, flatly. You are manipulative, and exactly the people being described here today. It's old. You're not going to get what you want. If YOU call me pathetic, you do me well. I truly love everyone. Even you. Thanks.

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Nicole Jennifer Zerwas Anne I LOVE you. From the bottom of my heart I thank you for this status :) I'm a Christian but apparently not a "good" one, because of the exact reasons you just stated. Believing in God and trusting him is all that you should need.

You re...

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Stephanie Williams Schillaci Anne, not all Christians are legalistic morons. Please stay ...

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Daryl Morazzini Welcome back!

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Brett McDougall :-)

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John Bowman from me and mine welcome home

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Michael Ochoa How sad Anne. But I will say your statment is conflicting when you say you refuse to be "anti-life" but at the same time support abortion and the use of birth control. How funny it is that those "intellectuals" like yourself think your ju...

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Natasha Bostick See that's the Anne we know and love. Always believe in what you feel is right. Everyone has their path just need to foolow your heart. I get berated and told that I am a satanist. I am not but I do have a friend who is and he is very gentile and caring so odd. I do not condone his ways but it is his path as for everyone here. There are good christians out there as for me I am a Witch and proud of it lol

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Destiny Davis I'm with you, Anne, I don't blame you for giving up on Christianity and church altogether.
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Matthew Graybosch Sounds like my wife. She respects Jesus, but not the church.
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Shane Prince Georgie, I welcome love. What you spew is hatred and shows exactly how self-loathing you are.
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Shane Prince @Michael, I will be bringing my Anne Rice collection to Half-Priced books and taking the money to make a donation to my church. While I'm there, I plan on lighting a candle and saying a small prayer for Anne. I hope she realizes that while she has turned her back on Christian beliefs, God still loves her..
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Gilbert Mello I'm with you, Anne
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Ashton Mcg Amen. Be who you are and just be. Believing in Him comes from within not by some sect and their ridiculous rules.
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Kitty Cross @ Michael... she never said her judgement is superior. Do you personally know Gd? Do you PERSONALLY know what he/she thinks or feels about everything? How do you even know the Bible is his word and not that of a sexiest man? Stopping being a fan of an author because she refuses to fall in the same 'herd' you do is rather idiotic. She believes in God and I do not. Yet I still cherish her work no matter what. Anne deserves your respect.
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Kitty Cross God^
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Brenda Jernigan Sherer @Michael Ochoa... how VERY Christian of you...
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Leslie Chaney Amen sister.
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Ricardo Omar Ochoa Tapia Christ did not come to bring organized religion, as long as your faith remains strong and you keep kindness in your heart God will be with you, it doesn't matter how you choose to designate yourself, God cares about whom you love, whom you include, not whom you hate and whom you segregate.
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Rebecca Wyman Congratulations, Anne. You can still be a deist and forget organised religion. That's how I roll and its great. You're a loving person, an inspiration to many, and you speak up regarding things you're passionate about. That's all God cares about, I'm fairly sure. He/She/It has more important things to worry about than what religion you follow!
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Rene Spindler welcome home anne!
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Brenda Cloutier I've finally labeled myself as a "spiritual agnostic" I believe, but I cannot tell you all that I believe because there are no words.
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Eric Brown Anne, I think no one can pretend to know your heart or exactly what you're confronting personally. But it is impossible to be committed to Christ and divorced from institutionalized Christianity, for the very Christ you know from Matthew, M...
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Marcia Nelson-Perone I hear you, sister! If God is love then what's all this hate about????
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Andrew Smith You are a logical thinking compassionate person facing those tough questions about the church. And you were brave enough to believe what your heart tells you, and made the right call. And coming out publically about this shows how truly br...
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Ricardo Omar Ochoa Tapia I just read a message of a guy saying he's not gonna be your fan anymore. How fucked up is that?! So this person doesn't care about art if the artist does not

believe in the same stuff he does? isn't that utterly stupid?!

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Jamie Ohl-Benson Just keep to your spiritualism like I do. Spiritualism is not the same as religion. I understand how you feel. I am an independent, with both conservative and liberal ideas. I lean towards traditional life. But am pro-choice, etc....hahaha...people can't figure me out either. I am just a good person and that's all I can be.

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Julie Finger I find there are alot of people who call themselves Christians like it's some kind of club. One which they use to judge others and feel holier than thou.. But in reality they don't pay attention to Christs teachings. That's not Christianity...

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Crystal Gimesh I don't really understand putting down an entire segment of people for a minority of "bad nuts." I am Jewish, and hence fundamentally disagree with large and important parts of Christian doctrine. I live in the Bible belt and have had plent...

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Tricia Tahara You're a brave, wonderful woman, and no matter what the label, you're more in line with Christ's teachings than many of those that wear the "official" moniker. God bless you.

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Nancy Shipley What a cop-out Anne. Christianity isn't about being anti-anything. It's about having a relationship with Christ and doing unto others as you would have them do unto you. Refusing God is all you're doing now and that hell you questioned us about last month is something you're gonna know all about when your life here on earth is done. God help you.

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Derek Botelho It's amazingly brave to make this statement as many people in this country equate not being Christian with being Un-American. Especially as a public figure and popular writer, this could alienate some fans, but isn't that what America is about? The freedom to be what and who you are? Thank you for sharing your heart.

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Don Lambirth So let me ask a question? If someone is a republican; pro-life; against birth control; doesn't agree with all feminist causes; doesn't agree with Darwin ect. ect..... That somehow makes them a bad person? Aren't you then being guilty of th...

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Leslie Crawford Wow. So sorry to hear of your disappointment with the Catholic church. I have been there. It's heartbreaking to feel so at odds with something that should bring peace and comfort. This is a hard thing to do for one who has faith and believes strongly. I truly hope you find some peace, as well as all those who feel very much the same. As a public figure I am sure it is difficult to deal with all the pressure to conform to the churches doctrine (at least when in a public forum). I applaud your honesty..... Follow your heart.

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Brenda Jernigan Sherer @Nancy Shipley... Judge not lest ye be judged...

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Bill Maly So eloquent and accurate. Thank you.

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Kitty Cross @ Nancy Shipley... ahhhh. What Brenda says. :) Doesn't the BIBLE say that only GOD can judge?

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Shane Prince @Don....PERFECTLY SAID!!!

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Shane Prince Oh, and this whole "judge not lest ye be judged" is hypocritical non-sense! EVERYONE judges and if you say you don't, well...then you must be God.

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Suzanne C Garcia I love you Anne Rice having a personal relationship with God doesnt mean you have to label yourself a Christian. Now a days Christians forget what it means to follow Christ and began to be so judgemental and have a holier than thou attitude...

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Laura Moran To those of you berating her for this absolutely fantastic decision; you people do realize that she has made it clear that she's ditching YOU, not Jesus, right?

Christianity isn't about Jesus, it's about being in a club and being in a club ...

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Claudette Buria Well, you could be Protestant then and come to your own conclusions about God, Christ, and the Bible. I think at some point, as we grow, we do make up our own minds.

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Brenda Hensley Greene NOW you're feeling what I've been feeling for YEARS! Happy you're taking a stand against what's wrong with this world!

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Jon Souza Anne, good for you, I made a similar decision three years ago.

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Rocio Camarena CONTINUE WITH THE VAMPIRE CHRONICLES!!! It was left with a giant cliffhanger! Please continue!! :D

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Glenn Woods anne, come with us into the the episcopal church. it is everything you want in Christians without the judgment on these issues. i have found a mission statement i can live with while practicing all of my personal beliefs. Christ in all o...

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Bettina Hudson anne, God can handle your confusion. Bring your struggles to Him and not to facebook. It is all about relationship with the Living God through the Son whom He has sent. You can never be saved by church membership, even though we are called to not forsake the assembly. Find some born again believers and stop trying to fit the lifestyle of your son into the Word of God. Sorry, can't be done. Just pray for Christopher to truly come to God and know God, instead of playing pseudo Christianity.

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Shonel Bates Here I was thinking all followers of the church were sheep. Congratulations, Anne, for having the intelligence of mind to see the hypocrisies, and the courage to act on your beliefs. Here's hoping others will wake up too. Love your work, Anne, never stop writing. :)

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Shane Prince Sorry, when has Christianity ever excluded anyone? There are female pastors, there are openly gay people in the pews, there are even (gasp) Republicans and Democrats alike sitting next to each other and praying. Christianity has no criteria other than a belief in God. So what exclusions do you speak of?

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Kathy Rieck Porter And I am anti-stereotyping Christian people .

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Marci Stivers-Wurzauf It's tough and sometimes we go through trials and tribulations, look at what Jesus went through! I wouldn't totally dismiss your faith. I agree with you on so many levels and sometimes I'm skeptical of organized religion. God knows your ...

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Patricia Russell I commented way back at around the 250 mark and came back to check in on the thread.... I have to say I am very saddened by so many of the viewpoints being expressed by both sides. This is a time to be thoughtful and support a fellow human ...

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Zafer Karagoz Will you write another Vampire Chronicles book now? Please? The last one sucked.

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Ni'kol Ko I've been following some of the threads in the Amazon world, and watching kind of the journey you've been on...I just want you to know you aren't the only one to feel this way, and I'm proud of you for examining your faith and deciding who/...

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Diana B Christie-Robitaille Being a Christian has nothing to do with agreeing with every human derived and driven doctrine concocted under the umbrella of religious institutions. Most well educated theologians will concur that self proclaimed Christians of every strip...

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In Argentina, the church fought against gay marriage, saying it was unnatural and that being gay was being sick, among other things.

They organized marches promoting hate and discrimination

July 28 at 8:51pm · [Like](#) · [1 person · Flag](#)**Robin Provorse** I think thats about the most beautiful thing I've ever heard. follow Christ and his teachings of love, mercy, and forgiveness – and all will be well.July 28 at 8:52pm · [Like](#) · [Flag](#)**Katrina McCrannon** I agree with many others. You don't have to be in the organized part to be a follower of Christ. Do your own thing. I think that'd be the best thing for you! *HUGS*July 28 at 8:53pm · [Like](#) · [Flag](#)**Shannon Winters** What a loser – taking his books by you to the used book store. Is he afraid he's going to catch anti-Christian cooties from them? I didn't understand her re-found faith, but that didn't stop me being her fan for past works. All she has said...[See More](#)July 28 at 8:53pm · [Like](#) · [3 people · Flag](#)**Heather Montgomery** I refuse to be anything but proud for someone who thinks critically, figure out what they believe themselves, and then can be proud of it.July 28 at 8:54pm · [Like](#) · [1 person · Flag](#)**Shayne Barrett** Michael O. : You won't be missed. And if I don't believe in god? Where does that put me? I believe in the human race, good and bad. Organized religion has caused more death and destruction than all political and racial disagreements COMBINED! And organized religion is so self serving. If you are a good person, you will go to heaven or have eternal life? Why can't you just be a good person – PERIOD?July 28 at 8:55pm · [Like](#) · [1 person · Flag](#)**Nikos Santorineos** Congratulations Anne, people like you keep the world sane.

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-  **Brenda Jernigan Sherer** @Shane... I don't believe in a god, but the Bible does say that about judging. Was just showing her she wasn't following her own theology. You are also correct that *SOME* Christian venues don't exclude... however, that is not the norm.
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-  **Ashton Jaymz** Beautifully said, Anne!
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-  **Ashton Jaymz** P.S. Nancy Shipley (see her post above) is a shit.
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-  **Martie Jacobs** I nevee comment on your posts because there are usually so many comments. I often don't voice off about religion or whatever one may call their belief system. This time I am going to jump in!
- I believe that everyone has a right to believ...
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-  **Rhiannon Bond** Have you seen Dogma? They have a great quote about Religion and Faith. Rufus: He still digs humanity, but it bothers Him to see the shit that gets carried out in His name – wars, bigotry, televangelism. But especially the factioning of all ...
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-  **Javier R.** Welcome to reality
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-  **Ashton Jaymz** LOL, why am I not surprised this Nancy Shipley is from Kansas? Home of so many hateful, crazed fundies.
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-  **Bruno Malta** Nancy Shipley is a big time loser. It is one of those stuck people who can't respect people opinions and all that is against her believes will go to hell. Way to go. You just proved Anne's point.
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-  **Maria R. Hernandez-Serra** omg, you took the words right out of my mouth!
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-  **Valerie Bowman** amen
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-  **Julie Rogers** same reasons i don't go to church.....the people:(
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-  **James Vale** Are you still a who dat?
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-  **Sissy Madden** Don't you mean that you are quitting organized religion? If you still love Christ and his teachings, then you are still a Christian in your heart.
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-  **Jacqueline Reissant** Lets be reminded that Christ did not create Christianity. His followers did and they added their own rules, interpretations and beliefs along the way. He remains the beacon of light and compassion. Sticking a label of Catholic or Lutheran or Baptist etc. all under the umbrella of Christianity does not make it the truth and/or the only way. Anne is refusing to condemn and hate by using her heart and mind, by being compassionate she is following her God.
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-  **Janet Lindell Thorson** As Jesus Christ taught and modeled, I "love God with my whole heart, soul, and mind, and my neighbor as myself," as much as humanly possible. I've seen and heard of too many people who hurt others in the name of Christ and I believe he wou...
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-  **Shane Prince** Imao@Brenda!!! Do I really have to? Come on, I'll play weally weally fair if you'll be my wittle friend again! I love how some people can presume to tell you what to do. If you would have bothered reading, Brenda, you would see that I am tr...
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Mark Horton Wow , U keep on blowing me always with such statements. You so Heavy . I feel ya <but i need time to truely digest whats next . I mean somethings gotta give. there is just too much to keep down and i feel the walls starting to shake , nowhere is safe when the truth is told.God Help us all!!!!????make your MARK Leave a impression????
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Laura Dockery I agree with you Anne too many Christians are hypocrits and look for the bad instead of the good no god that is as good as my god would condem someone due to who they fall in love with. We believe alot alike Anne
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Shane Prince Oh, and Brenda....if you can show me one Christian sect that refuses people at the door, you let me know, okay?
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Melissa Libres I agree...
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Georgie Pendragon @Don, welcome to the missing the point club. What you see is a personal list of decisions, all positive. The word 'bad' is not present, only you used it.
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Lola Leroux Well done, Anne!
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Aline DeWinter Wow Anne! That is something for you. I hope you're OK. You had a beautiful Catholic childhood that made you the person you became. i think you can still be loyal to that.I left the church a long time ago after much toing and froing and thou...
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Aline DeWinter Also Anne- Pope Benedict is gay and practicing...Its the hypocrisy that gets me.
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Jordan Hume Bravo! It takes courage to stand up to such an established social standard.
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Pablo Adrián Ruiz aww anne, I love you more and more, you keep being yourself! it doesn't mean you stop believing in jesus. love you
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Georgie Pendragon @Bettina Hudson...Chris has a place with God, Jesus , and this beautiful world, I question where you plant your feet to be able to say such a thing.
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Karen Borter that is the best news I have heard in a long time. Christian's (and most over zealous religious people) are some of the most hypocritical persons existing on earth.
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Georgie Pendragon @Shane. I love me to death. And everyone else. All there is to it.
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Jessica Lauren Penate Amen!!! :D
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Margo Carmichael Dear Anne, Just stick with the love letters in the Bible. Know that Jesus is God, John 1:14. That we are saved by faith, Ephesians 2:8,9. That the whole Bible is good for equipping us, 2 Timothy 7:16. Know that God hates the sin but loves t...
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Shane Prince Georgie...that is wonderful. We should all love ourselves. Glad to hear it.
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Misravot HaMavis It sounds more like you are anti religion not anti Christ. Why would you reject being a Christian because many of those that label themselves as Christian don't understand the heart of Jesus?
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Devan Crable way to go Anne. I love God, yet I don't always go along with what christians say.
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Kathleen Fenton Oh NOOOOOOOOO!!
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Leanna Clarke Congratulations!

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-  **Margo Carmichael** PS--in my own profile, I state that I'm not religious, I just love the Lord.
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-  **Angela Collins** Anne, I'm sorry to hear you are hurting. The one thing I can say is, hang in there. It doesn't matter what ppl say or think, in the end all that matters is God. We all have trials that are put upon us(my son had leukemia when he was 5--he st...
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-  **Brenda Jernigan Sherer** @Shane... I'm really not interested in talking to you but you did get one thing right... that you are simple. ::smile::

@Georgie... thanks for taking Bettina to task about Anne's son. I was going to do that... but you said it very well.
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-  **Paolo Sese** I liked your page just to applaud you for finding your own path. I got fed up with my religion frowning down upon gays and lesbians, so I left it.

I am tired of Catholic dogma dictating what I should and shouldn't support, and I am glad to s...
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-  **Bonnie Randall** How can anyone read Anne's post and construe, from that, that she is 'Giving up God'? She's giving up a label she feels has become synonymous with intolerance and political agendas. As for her belief system? Seems to me that in repeating 'In Christ's Name' she is being pretty clear that her faith is unshaken.
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-  **Karen Moore** Anne,

I'm very confused and sad when I see people are congratulating you for this decision. And I wasn't sure what to say. However, I was at a small faith community meeting tonight and we listened to a prayer that touched my heart. I hope...
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-  **Paul Dawson Dunst** Somehow felt this coming from you. Thanks for speaking your mind.
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-  **Scarlett Hopkins** i love you ms. rice!
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** *headdesk*
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-  **Christina Lauren Kelly** Anne,

I am a christian and I am not anti gay. If I have any gay children I will love them with every ounce of my being, I will know that the Lord loves them. Being a Christina simply mean you believe the Jesus Christ is your Lord and Savio...
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-  **Bonnie Lee** You are spiritual. It is all you need. Congratulations!
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** @Shane, if you loved yourself, (not a metaphor).. you wouldn't do this. Did you miss the rest of that sentence?
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-  **Becky Van Note** If Jesus' prayer is ever heard and followed by us, it will be a wonderful thing... "that they may become perfectly ONE, so that the world may know that you sent me" John 17:20-26
"christian" is just a label, you are still a follower of Jesus...
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-  **Brenda Jernigan Sherer** @Georgie... LOL!
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-  **Brittney Marvin** and this is why we love you my dear
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-  **Sable Wharton** Good for you...
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Tara Vanflower The very people who are persecuting gays etc are the same who crucified christ. He will say "I never knew you" to them....

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Chris Noll Ann I love your work, but I have to say there is not much logic in that statement.

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Usagi Matsumoto I'm glad you finally put all of that behind you Anne, I was almost worried I couldn't be a fan of your wonderful work anymore...

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Shayne Barrett I recently had a "discussion" with a woman on FB. I was encouraging people to get involved in their community and volunteer. She informed me that she did not trust any charities because she didn't feel they truly helped those in need. She said that she believed "the Lord will help those who are truly in need and deserved of his love." So, the lord told her to sit on her a** and do nothing and he would take care of everything? More proof that organized religion breeds ignorance.

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Heather K. Parks There are others that feel the same as you, Anne. Never lose faith in Christ and He will continue to direct your path and light the way. Be vigilant in asking Him for wisdom in every action and trust that your decisions will show His light to the rest of the world.

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Debbie Stoyanof Hear hear!

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Robin Desantis Sorry who cares? your literary work is brilliant . Your personal life brings you.. but what I read in your work (Your art) is what matters,will always just matter..

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Georgie Pendragon @Brenda.. :-D Wasn't kidding! Glad you're happy though!

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Kok Aun 101% agree with u.

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Georgie Pendragon @Chris-Noll... It makes perfect sense.. great sense... I'm glad you put it that way though. logic is often a stumbling block of faith.

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Nancy Shipley Why call me names because I don't agree with YOU. I feel YOU are the type of person who is repelling Anne from Christianity. I find it ironic, that YOU are doing exactly what you profess to hate.

Everyone sins. Some sinners just happen ...

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Patricia Russell @Karen Moore: Thank you for sharing that. I am in tears right now. I hope you don't mind but I would like to share it on my page, as well. I have been deeply affected by what I have read on this thread, as well. Deeply saddened, disheartened.. Thank you so much. I needed that post so badly. Love in Christ, my dear sister.

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Rosanna Klopach Funny, some people are saying as a Christian we don't exclude and in the same comment, they judge you to hell. That's awful. It is this blatant disregard for their own sins that give Christians a bad name. In the same time, I pray you don't throw the baby out with the bath water and that you find a way to stay in faith and be at peace in your soul and mind. I love you.

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Marcia Ortquist Christian means Christ-follower. He taught peace and loving your neighbor. He didn't get involved in politics or anti-anything-except hypocrisy. I am sad you've decided not to follow these teachings. You are a role model for so many searching souls. By making this statement you are leading so many of them away from the peace Christ can give them.

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Georgie Pendragon Marcia, read it again. She's following Jesus not the churches frailties and crimes.

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Georgie Pendragon @Brenda.. that had to be the worst post I have ever seen. I had to chew my lip for a second, thank you.

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-  **Will Strong** Kudos, Anne.
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-  **Shane Prince** Georgie, she never said she is following Jesus. Never. You try read it again. Invoking Christ and saying she is going to follow Jesus are completely different. Oh, and don't use childish word games to make a point. Beneath you.
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-  **Katie Brown** To everyone with any opinion on Anne's public announcement about HER life and how she worships in her own way.....

Are you Anne? No. She has decided this to better herself. She knows what's good for her, she's an adult and she is very, very ...
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-  **Kimieri Frank** Honestly. All these people who claim to be christian don't understand what that entitles. What their religion is saying about hundreds of thousands of people. I was christian until my third year of Highschool...I wasn't confused or question...
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-  **Shane Prince** @brenda...for someone so big as to condemn me for 'causing trouble', you sure do set yourself apart by insulting people. Those were my eyes rolling. Do you not see your hypocrisy?
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-  **Shane Prince** ^reading
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-  **Brenda Jernigan Sherer** @Nancy... if that YOU was me... I'm not a Christian nor do I play one on TV. So, sort of doubt I'm the one repelling Anne from Christianity. (doesn't mean I won't quote the Bible... another fine book written by man... more people should r...
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-  **Shane Prince** Ummm, Katie...if she didn't want public commentary on this subject and open herself up to both positive and negative comments, she wouldn't have put it on FB. She knows she will get both positive and negative and last time I checked, she appreciates all viewpoints. In fact, she even said so recently. Haven't seen one person insult her for her decision. People have either agreed or disagreed but not one person has said "You're a bad person".
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-  **Jessica Dinunzi Jones** @Marcia, I think she is saying the exact opposite of what you think. To be more like Christ and less like the hate mongers who use the name of Christ to further their own ignorance is what she wants. To be Catholic or Christian is a title...
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-  **Brenda Jernigan Sherer** @Shane... wrong. Nancy Shipley said Anne was going to hell. Oh wait, not talking to you.
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-  **Jeana Lancaster** If you put Christ in perspective with all the other outstanding prophets we've seen over the centuries...it makes perfect sense. It's when he is idolized and misinterpreted to the point of bastardizing his words and his actions that we los...
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-  **Shane Prince** That is not what she said. Try quoting next time. It helps. Okay?
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-  **Brenda Jernigan Sherer** "Nancy Shipley What a cop-out Anne. Christianity isn't about being anti-anything. It's about having a relationship with Christ and doing unto others as you would have them do unto you. Refusing God is all you're doing now and that hell you...
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-  **Shane Prince** You and Georgie have a real problem with reading! She thinks Anne's post read that she is still following Jesus. I didn't see that. I still don't know if Anne is. She turned her back on Christianity so logic dictates that she turned her back on Christian ideas...the main one being the belief in God. If she still does believe in God, GREAT! But nobody here knows that for sure unless they personally know Anne.
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Shayne Barrett @ Karen M. & Patricia M. R. : instead of sitting in a room every week with a few like minded people and reading and quoting words from a book that was written and interpreted by other human beings (from it's original Hebrew and Aramaic text) why don't you actually leave that little room and go out into the real world and help those in need. The bible would be alot more useful if it were edible.

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Georgie Pendragon @Shane, yes all comments.. constructive would be awesome, and not contain words like "weally" or purposefully unsolvable , un-meaningful conflict. You take advantage.

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Derek O'Gorman I have loved your books for many years, but I was a little confused and concerned when I read your first statement – that you quit being a Christian. However, after reading everything you had to say, I don't think saying that you quit bein...

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Karen Moore @Patricia Russell...Glad I was able to share. That's what it's all about. I hope you are ok.

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Bonnie Randall uh....put me in the remedial class if need be but if Anne has turned her back on her faith than who is it she is praying to in her post when she ends it with 'Amen'? Just askin'.....

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Brenda Jernigan Sherer @Shane... wrong again. But thanks for playing!

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Joe Wallace Spirituality is like sex. When it becomes a group activity it gets very confusing.

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Roseanne McArdle unfortunately alot of people use "christianity" as a means to foster hate and progress...

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Ashton Jaymz Nancy Shipley: "Not a judgment by me, but a Biblical fact."

Besides the laughable nature of the term "Biblical fact" which ignores the necessary religious ingredient of faith in an attempt to mimic the movement of evidence-based scientific t...

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Shane Prince Georgie, so "headdesk" is CONSTRUCTIVE in your world? Gotcha!

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Shane Prince @Joe...omg! Imao!!!

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Ashton Jaymz @ Bonnie: Is the distinction between organized religion and the belief in a god or gods so very difficult to understand?

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Shane Prince @Brenda.....does your hypocrisy know any limits??? wow! You can insult me but I can't insult you? I didn't get the memo on that one. Got a copy?

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Ashton JaymzThere are apparently many idiots who fail to see this distinction posting here, however.

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Georgie Pendragon @Shane.. "in the name of Christ, I quit Christianity". It doesn't say in the name of Bobo the clown. No. CHRIST. AKA JESUS.

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Jonathan Helix As you may discover Anne, and others ... there are far more "christians" who don't find churchianity attractive than you might think. Welcome to the family :)

<http://spritzophrenia.wordpress.com/>

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Shane Prince @Ashton...seeing as how the belief in God falls both INSIDE and OUTSIDE of organized religion.....pretty sure that leaves it up to an individual belief. So using 'idiots' to desribe such a subjective group is productive. Check. Gotcha.

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-  **Ashton Jaymz** A big LOL to Georgie Pendragon: someone who who isn't an imbecile!
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-  **Cindy Vantok** Oh religion. The only fairy tale that still tricks people after puberty.
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** @Ashton.. it was touch and go, LOL. Thanks.
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-  **Shane Prince** Hey, Georgie....INVOKING a name DOES NOT MEAN you follow such a person's beliefs!!! You show me where she explicitly said "I follow Jesus still". Can't, can you?
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-  **Brenda Jernigan Sherer** @Shane... I didn't insult you, I said you were wrong. If you take that as an insult, so be it. You can now go sell all my books for half-price and pray for my soul. ::shoos you off::
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-  **Shane Prince** tricks people puberty???
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** @Shane yes. Wasnt my head. ;-) Love yas.
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-  **Bonnie Randall** @ Ashton – apparently, yes, the distinction eludes many (And -eeek! – I WAS being goofily obtuse in that above post, no mistake!) To me it was clear off the hop that Anne's faith is intact but she's deeply saddened by the directions 'Chr...
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-  **Don Cicchetti** Anne, Anne, you're throwing bombs again...
You know that you don't need to believe any of that to be Christian. Christianity has a broad spectrum of belief on these issues.

Let's have dinner sometime and we can discuss it further.
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-  **Sharon Lambertson** Witnessed, and Welcome to the non-Christian group! For all the reasons you have listed, and more I am right there with you, Anne! Even if America is predominantly Christian (which I'm sure is not the case), the most popular religion in the world is Islam, followed by Buddhism. Not that I think you should convert to another faith, just a bit of perspective.
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-  **Cindy Vantok** Shane, you are religious. In laymen terms, this means any argument you have is automatically invalid.
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-  **Shane Prince** Georgie, where? Must've missed it in the 10 times I read it. Let me see..."As I said below, I quit being a Christian. I'm out. In the name of Christ, I refuse to be anti-gay. I refuse to be anti-feminist. I refuse to be anti-artificial birth control. I refuse to be anti-Democrat. I refuse to be anti-secular humanism. I refuse to be anti-science. I refuse to be anti-life. In the name of Christ, I quit Christianity and being Christian." Nope, don't see a mention of following Jesus' beliefs in there. Sorry.
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-  **Shane Prince** Brenda....your books???? You Anne?
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-  **Shane Prince** Oh, and Brenda...you called me "simple". That, sweet cheeks, is an insult.
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-  **Shane Prince** Cindy, so you don't like religion? Tell me, what does logic and religion have in common?
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-  **Shane Prince** on second thought, don't bother. You're just not worth the time when I have intellects like Georgie to bother with! lol!
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-  **Cindy Vantok** Religion is the lack of logic.
Are you angry, you simpleton?
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-  **Ashton Jaymz** @ Bonnie: Hope I didn't come off as rude to you,

-  because obviously you aren't going along with these others (e.g. Shane Prince) who can't see the distinction... either they're really that dense, or they're just looking for a reason to argue. :)
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-  **Shane Prince** Imao! So you're basis of argument is insulting people? Imao!! okay, cindy....you are very bright and I mean that sincerely!
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-  **Roger Cotton** you can stay stay a christian without been anti anything anne,but good luck with your new journey xxx
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-  **Shane Prince** awww, Ashton. Sure wish you could look beyond your prejudices to see the logic of what I am saying. Is that asking too much???
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-  **Bonnie Randall** @ Ashton – No, I did not think so – that was just what I gets for deliberately bein' a smart a\$\$:))
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-  **Shane Prince** Ashton...answer me...can ALL people believe in God?
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-  **Cindy Vantok** My basis of argument is insulting idiots that center their lives around bronze age dogma developed by people who believed the world was flat and the sun circled the earth.
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-  **Li Sherling** yall niggas postin in a troll thread.
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-  **Shane Prince** I center my arugments around my belief in God. So, Cindy...do you believe in God?
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-  **Cindy Vantok** P.S. Your beliefs are the same ones that have hindered human development for the past two thousand years. Please, it's the 21st century, why is religion still around?
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-  **Shane Prince** Oh, Cindy...didn't realize you didn't like religion. So sorry for you. Good luck.
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-  **Shane Prince** rather, sorry you don't believe in God. Still...best of luck on that one!
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** @Shane simple is usually a good thing.. but you're abusing it. In the name of Christ. Plain as day. Even when you copy paste it.
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-  **Cindy Vantok** To be honest, the only people I feel sorry for are your kids. They have to bear the burden of your ignorance :(
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-  **Jessica Dinunzi Jones** @Shane, not trying to add fuel to the fire, really. But Anne did say in the post just a few minutes prior to this one, and I quote "Today I quit being a Christian. I'm out. I remain committed to Christ as always but not to being "Christian..."
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-  **Ashton Jaymz** What sort of question is that, Shane? Of course they can't; I certainly don't. And I don't understand what is so difficult about comprehending the distinction (so famously observed by Gandhi in the quote Anne posted recently) between Christianity and Christ himself – why would the abandonment of organized religion mean the abandonment of belief in God and/or Christ? Ever read Tolstoy? "The kingdom of God is within you," etc? This is not so very difficult.
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-  **Shane Prince** Georgie...I go by empirical evidence...not subjective. That is why I am a Christian. God is evident in everything...birth of a child, the sunrise, a cancer patient recovering...He is everywhere! Subjective thoughts of what she MIGHT have meant do not take precedence over empirical facts!
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-  **Brenda Jernigan Sherer** @Shane... I wasn't insulting you when I called you simple. You called yourself that and I was agreeing. I have the text this time that you seem to require: "So you can hate me all you want but I'm just a simple Christian trying to help ..."
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-  **Bonnie Randall** @Jessica: I wish I could've clicked 'like' a few dozen more times on that post!
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-  **Shane Prince** But yet you will still RAIL against a follower of Christ!!! why is that, Georgie? Questioning your faith or just hate me?
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-  **Jessica Dinunzi Jones** @Bonnie, no problem :) I love a good debate.
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-  **Shane Prince** @Brenda...different contexts and you KNOW it! Don't play stupid...you are not suited for the part. Think on that before you respond because I am giving you a compliment.
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-  **Jacqueline Thompson** Wow....well said.....
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-  **Shane Prince** Ashton...you give credence to Ghandi? Great. He is a MAN! Does that mean he knows God's heart? no! Answer me this....can a person BELIEVE IN GOD and not be a Christian? simple, huh? Answer
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-  **Stacy Murphy** Amen!!!!!!
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-  **Brenda Jernigan Sherer** @Shane... maybe I do know it... maybe not. Ahh... so many unanswered questions...
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-  **Patricia Russell** @Shayne Barrett : Listen and listen good.... I am only going to reply to you this once b/c I refuse to hijack this thread like so many have done.... why do you think you can judge me b/c I commented specifically to ONE person and told her ...
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-  **Shane Prince** okay, slow readers...READ MY POST ON ANNE'S WALL!!
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** Neither Shane. Balancing out your torpor with humour. Yes someone can believe in God and not be Christian as has been evident all day long, and Gandhi was a GREAT man,. We all know Gods heart. Oh no. I wasnt railing. There'd be staircases everywhere if I were railing. I am quite sedate thanks.
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-  **Anthony Santana** This was the path I took before I eventually became an Atheist.
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-  **Bonnie Randall** Can you be a 'follower of Christ' but not a 'Christian' in the way North America has come to define / assess it? Yes. Absolutely. And clearly, Anne is doing just that. She could not possibly have made it plainer.
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-  **Shane Prince** sorry, Georgie...what is torpor?
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-  **Shane Prince** Bonnie...NORTH America makes the world??? huh?
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-  **Li Sherling** Jesus fucking christ is this what Anne's posts boil down to is squabbling about religion?
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-  **Shane Prince** Brenda...then why don't you hold off judgment of me until you know for sure???? CRAZY, right???
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-  **Bonnie Randall** okay, then, Shane (since you're so eager and rabid to split hairs) '....Christian in the way THE WORLD has come to define / assess it. There. And the answer is still YES
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-  **Shane Prince** Bonnie..well, I have a simple request. prove it. can you?
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-  **Brenda Jernigan Sherer** @Patricia... you have said something important. I agree it had to be a painful choice that Anne made today. I do wish the best for her.

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Shane Prince and Georgie...that is why I love you!!
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Shane Prince Bonnie..sorry...what does geography have to do with this?? Really...North America? Really?? that the best you have?
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Bonnie Randall Prove it? Why? By faith you're saved. Period. Anne's choosing not to be judgmental, a practice modelled by Christ Himself.
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Georgie Pendragon Main Entry: torpor ltor-pur
Pronunciation: \ 'tôr-pər \

Function: noun
Etymology: Middle English, from Latin, from torpēre
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Oliver Clayton Bedard Good for you dear author. I have great respect for your politics and a deep and abiding love of your art. Long life to you, your loved ones and your novels!
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Georgie Pendragon @Shane, yes, I'm sure I'm more lovable when completely mindless.
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Shane Prince Bonnie...do you have that WORLD definition handy??? Yeah, don't think so.
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Shane Prince Bonnie...you said crap about North America. PROVE IT!!
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Je Spe organized religion is dangerous
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Belinda Griffiths Menahem You are one grounded intelligent being Anne. We love you :)
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Shane Prince Georgie, so you are calling me a person of "mental inactivity with parial or total instability"??? AND YOU ARE SUPERIOR??? YOU ARE NOT A HYPOCRITE?? REALLY??
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Oliver Clayton Bedard And I don't really have to say long life to your novels because so many of them are already considered by many to be contemporary classics, and I would agree with that statement. Keep on creating!
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Shane Prince Oliver, her artistic creations are astounding!!! But will never have them in my house. Just my pov
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Georgie Pendragon Who asked me what torpor was when they have the internet in their face. All I wanna know. Not superior not a hypocrite.
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Shane Prince AND I will encourage all my FB friends to NOT buy her books. Sorry, not following Jesus = don't deserve our money. Just my opinion!!!
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Kerri Lohse Kudelka I have to totally agree. I believe in God 100 percent. But I don't believe in religion. Religion is out to make money, and hurt people. I love my fellow man no matter what his sexual preference, political ideals, or even their own religious beliefs. To each their own!! Amen
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Jessica Dinunzi Jones @ Shane, she is following Jesus. Just read her post before this one.
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Shane Prince Ummm...jessica...I did. Where did she EXPLICITLY SAY she followed Jesus? PLEASE!! TELL ME!
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Pegi Emiliani YOU GO !!
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Shane Prince Kerri..amen.

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-  **Oliver Clayton Bedard** Shane Price commented: "Georgie...I go by empirical evidence...not subjective. That is why I am a Christian. God is evident in everything...birth of a child, the sunrise, a cancer patient recovering...He is everywhere! Subjective thoughts o...
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-  **Larissa Lynn Sneider** You have found what I have found, churches do not represent the views of Christ. Its all political.
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-  **Bonnie Randall** Shane: I said that the attitudinal definition of 'christian' has become something different than 'Following Christ'. I was making a distinction between two very separate concepts – one being a word, the other being a Faith and I was abs...
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-  **Jaylyn LaRae** i have to admit, i feel very disconnected from the christian anne rice...i tried to read the first couple books, but i just couldn't get into them... if this mood sticks, i can't wait to see what you'll end up writing about it! even if there is no revival of beloved witches or delectable vampires, to see you give yourself permission to explore characters i can relate to again would be a truly awesome moment for me. i love how your mind works, and how you work your mind thru your characters... just brilliant ♥
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-  **Shane Prince** leave it up to a liberal to refute God!!! He is there. DISLIKE GOD ALL YOU WANT, OLIVER!
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-  **Jessica Dinunzi Jones** She says in the status update immediately previous to this thread we are replying to (11 hours ago).

For those who care, and I understand if you don't: Today I quit being a Christian. I'm out. I remain committed to Christ as always but not t...
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-  **Shane Prince** Oliver, how long have you hated God? just curious
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-  **Shane Prince** Who hates God? Olive, yeah..... but who else?
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-  **Philip Gray** I'm not religious. If anything, I'm irreligious. I doubt the Bible. I doubt Jesus ever existed. I personally abhor the practice of having faith as opposed to having beliefs based on empirical evidence. As such, I don't view Christia...
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-  **Georgie Pendragon** Shane WHY must YOU TALK LIKE THIS?!
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-  **Oliver Clayton Bedard** Mask your own inept methods of thinking with self-righteous delusion all you want, Shane!
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-  **Pegi Emiliani** Shane, she has said it repeatedly. You are probably to angry to read it correctly.
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-  **Valerie Lobianco** When you think about it, all these "anti" beliefs are so ANTI-Christian. There seems to be so much suppression in some of these Christian practices. So much intolerance toward others. I rather belong to a religion that is accepting of others, NOT judgmental like some of these fanatical Christians are.
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-  **David Haberman** Awesome very cool Anne
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-  **Linda Jones** I'm just here to send this to 1000 comments. \o/
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-  **Greg Buns Mills** Of course, Christ wasn't a Christian. So you're in good company.
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-  **Pegi Emiliani** Also Shane, I think it is intolerance like yours that is fuelling her need to quit calling herself a "Christian" although she still believes in Crist and will follow his teachings. Is that maybe part of the reason you are so angry. You know in your heart this is true?
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Brontë Gabrielle Wright You are being more Christ-like in this way than Christian in this way. Christians today are so unlike Christ. And Christ was a cool guy. Anne, I applaud you. ♥
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Ashton Jaymz Shane, you're retarded. As an atheist, you would doubtless have a major problem with me were I to state that I would be discouraging anyone from books written by believers... I hold no such stupid sentiments; that would be disgusting of me,...
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Oliver Clayton Bedard I don't hate God, Shane. I think he's a very interesting and significant fictional character whose archetype can be evidenced in many great stories. A deity figure such as the Christian god (and his opposite) can be and has many times been a very effective metaphor representative of humanity's conflict with morality, a result of our sentient intellect; the great gift of our evolutionary progress as a species. That's just my p.o.v.
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Shaun Rice I'm with you entirely... I love the Christ, but I'm not fan of most Christians...
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Ashton Jaymz Well put, Oliver. I would also bring up the simple idea that it's very hard to hate something that doesn't exist as far as one is concerned. :)
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Annette Maxberry-Carrara Christ wasn't anti anything except passing judgement on others, hurting others, and refusing to help others. When you refuse to be anti-gay and anything else that is hateful, you ARE being Christian. These others who are filled with hate are not following the teachings of Jesus. They may call themselves Christians, but they aren't at all. God is Love. Anyone who teaches anything other than a loving message of compassion is not teaching what Christ taught.
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Steve Mitchell I'm glad you stopped worshipping the sun, it shows you're smarter than most people who become "Born Again".
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Oliver Clayton Bedard You have great taste in books and films by the way, Ashton.
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Ashton Jaymz Thank you very much, my friend. :)
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Patricia Russell @ Oliver: Sincere question here... you seem contemplative and intelligent and I have longed to ask this question of someone who has your beliefs.... can you respect me and my beliefs as a Christian... see me as an intelligent person with m...
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Mike Richard Fulop GOOD FOR YOU! Welcome back to the REAL WORLD, Anne.
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'Seth' Dennis Olson Well said Anne. I dropped that label years ago. I coined the term "Christinese" because if you don't speak it properly or abide by the social "accepted rules", you're an outcast. Labels, who needs them. God says to seek out your own salvation, people loose track of the big picture within the minutia. Big Hugs from someone that's been there.
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Steve Mitchell @ Shane, people like you deserve to die horrible, agonizing deaths. It's already been proven by people with a little something called INTELLIGENCE that not only was Jesus pure fiction, but that your religion of idiocy is also Polytheistic, and based on celestial bodies, you braindead sun-worshipping hypocrite!!!!
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Ashton Jaymz I'll answer that question too Patricia, being an atheist... and the answer is yes, of course. I have many problems with religion, I can assure you, but I do not think the world would be better were everyone atheists...that would be entering the realm of single-minded judgment that I critique so many Christians for dwelling in. I may think my conclusions are correct, but there is no single mode of thinking that works for everyone.
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Steve Mitchell Oh, and in the bible (if you bothered to read it, which you obviously didn't) Jesus was extremely judgemental,

 bigotted towards women and wealthy people regardless of character, and had a mean streak a mile long actually demanding at one point his enemies be brought before him and put to death. What a great guy, huh?

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 **Patricia Russell** Thank you Ashton! I am relieved to have found someone with an atheist belief system who does not outright condemn me. I would be so interested in hearing more if you don't mind. If you ever want to share please feel free to message me on FB...

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 **'Chelsea Morriss** You're a wonderful artist...keep creating. So glad that you are so grounded and firm in your personal beliefs that you will not let organized religion destroy them. I applaud you!

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 **Staks Rosch** It's about time Anne, I am glad to hear that you have separated yourself from the greatest evil humanity has ever known.

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 **Ashton Jaymz** Sounds awesome, Patricia. :)

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 **Don Lee** Welcome back. I was worried that we'd lost you. – A science grad student.

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 **Mark Norrie** All I want to say is "Amen, Anne ... Amen"

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 **Ashton Jaymz** I have a biiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiig mouth but I agree that Steve should realize that ANY ideological or philosophical extreme is a precarious one.

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 **John Spencer Daniel** Anne, I know this must have been a difficult decision for you to come to for many reasons. Thank you for sharing (and I hope continuing to share!) your journey with us. I wish the best for you, and I look forward to continuing to read your thoughts and questions.

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 **Holly Green** Anne, you are and have always been my hero.

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 **Tim Timmons** Totally in agreement, but don't be a follower of the Christ. Be a follower of Jesus, the Christ. Paul was a follower of the Christ and then encountered Jesus personally...big difference.

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 **Steven Wade Parker** @ Shane Maybe you should stop buying all books since you have no reading comprehension skills. She is not leaving Christ, she is following Christ more closely since she no longer chooses to lag behind all the men who claim to know how she and we should live our lives. You know, the priests and preachers and nuns and ministers and Fathers and Sisters and all that clergy jazz. We so not need others to set our path for us. You would step out of that line yourself if you were a thinker.

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 **Sandy Dorland** Shane, I have given up friends who either were bullying themselves or destroying our relationship with their delusions. Same applies to a human church. And like it or not, churches are now human. Christ is not human, Jesus is not... but the...

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 **Cory Tucholski** At the risk of sounding like I'm self-promoting my own writing, I wrote a response to you renouncing Christianity here: <http://blog.godisnotimaginary.info/2010/07/blog-for-wwgha-lauds-ann-rice-for.html>. Just to be emphatically clear, I am NOT questioning your salvation in ANY WAY, since that comes by faith in Christ alone. But, sanctification can be called into question due to your refusal to heed Scripture on certain points.

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 **Dennis Herren** So no more Easter, Christmas, or Feasts of Saints, or Eucharist or Confession?

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 **TeresaLynn Zimmerman** "DITTO" Anne, I decided the same several years ago. I am a Christian, in the true sense of the word... meaning.... Christ-in-uity.....Christ is my savior and lives in me. Which is whats us Christians anyway. I choose not to belong to an...

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Fab Brandt Whoopee! Halleluia...I'm there!
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Leis Marie Jansen I have never understood why all that has to define Christianity and Catholicism. But that's just me.
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Ashton Jaymz @ Cory (and his blog): Wow, it's hard to believe that there are still people in the 21st century promoting the "functional subordination" of women (e.g. a pathetic attempt to make "sexism" sound somehow intellectual) as a positive thing. Disgusting. If that's what your precious Scriptures say, fucking ditch them.
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Ashton Jaymzwhich is of course to say nothing of the homophobia you fundie Bible thumpers get off on, LOL.
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Ashton Jaymz Make that Bible "humpers."
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Patricia Russell @Ashton: Please just keep in mind that just b/c he belives this does not mean all Christians believe it. I was just having a discussion the other day with a loved one about the fact that there are not two ppl on this entire planet that hav...
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Patricia Russell "freedom of choice" aka "free will"... please don't thrash me over that ppl. I'm tired... it's late.
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Ashton Jaymz Yes indeed Patricia, thus why I made the distinction in my post of "fundie bible thumpers," LOL. Usually when I make jokes or mock religious people it is a specific brand of religious people that I'm pointing at, not theists as a whole.

And...

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Patricia Russell => I like your Atheist butt, Ashton. *lol* I am a bit loopy from serious lack of sleep tho. ;-)
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Mikél Leon YEaaaaa!
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Ashton Jaymz LOLLOL! Thanks. Let's pull another bit of Deuteronomy out for people like Cory...

"But if this charge is true [that a woman is not a virgin on her wedding night], and evidence of the girls virginity is not found, they shall bring the girl t...

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Ashton Jaymz Or:

" But any prophet who claims to give a message from another god or who falsely claims to speak for me, must die." – Deuteronomy 18:20–22

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Patricia Russell @Ashton: Yikes. Yep, the Old Testament has some powerful and fearful things about it for sure. This is all very serious, too. It's why being a Christian is not for the light-hearted as I said in an earlier post. It is hard.... faith always is... and it always draws question after question.... *sigh* no easy answers for sure.

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Ligeia Poe I did the same not long ago...
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Natasha Jz READ END STATEMENT IF YOU DONT WANT MY SCHOOL HIRL ANTHOM haha... -,-'

anti-gay, well not extremist anti-gay like that west bap-whatever church.

anti feminist, if you believe the church does not have a valid reason it does not permit female ...

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Steven Wade Parker BRAVO!
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Xavier Loza BRAVO! Tears I'm my eyes. So proud og you for drawing a line. You have Christ in your heart and tales.
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Natasha Jz more like an objective just to live my life. God didn't tell me to do anything, unless you want me to be a prophet.
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Natasha Jz that was a joke --' just gonna add.
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Eloi Molina one of the most remarkable insights [for me, at least, just a humble reader] about Christ would be Shusaku Endo's SILENCE... it's quite different from the Western vein, please check it out if you have time. i find it amazing. brilliant writing...
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Carol Poulin Amen
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Joanne Syvertsen Jesus would really be upset by the chorus of "nope" we hear so much of these days. Equal rights, respect for other religions, stewardship for our planets resources are all emetics for right wingers. Jesus was into handing out food and multiplying the loaves and fishes. He promoting healing, not hate. He commanded "non judgement". Too bad that the Christians deleted Jesus from their religion but added wealth worship, political power plays and gay bashing.) arghhhh!
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Natasha Jz My church doesnt ask for money unless its for the envelopes that hold the money that i could give them haha. Pope Benedict has been pretty scilent so far, he isnt in the good books of ALL Catholics. I think he needs time. As far as gays go, got a lot of them at my church, no one has said anything haha.
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Valerie Lobianco Man, Shane is dense. Let me make this as grade school as possible Shane. As someone else has already stated (which you would have SEEN if you didn't have your head so far up your butt thinking about the next attention getting, holier-tha...
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Ashton Jaymz *Gasp* Don't mock the mentally disabled, Valerie!
:)
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Natasha Jz Don't get this shane so heated. You are giving him what he wants. he has really no valid conversation under this status. Im not judgin, just sayin.
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Seth Michael Nathan You are so amazing.
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Wendy Day Blessed Be
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Valerie Lobianco LMAO Ashton. I guess that wasn't very "Christian-like" of me. LOL
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Naemah Raheem " I have learned So much from God That I can no longer Call Myself A Christian, a Hindu, a Muslim, a Buddhist, a Jew. The Truth has shared so much of Itself With me That I can no longer call myself A man, a woman, an angel, Or even a pure Soul." – Hafiz
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Geraldine Kevins I wish you the best Ms. Rice.
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Natasha Jz that is what everyone should accept, religious or not. Though Hafiz does not call himself by a label. Thanks Naemah!
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Alicia Sankar Welcome back to sanity Mz Rice, I can proudly say now that I am a fan of yours and a collector...♥
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Michael Hall This is the most awesome news I have heard all year. Congratulations on your emancipation. Christianity at large has lost the plot and by and large has nothing to do with the teachings of Christ. Good on you, I hope it feels like a great weight has been lifted.
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Naemah Raheem Your very welcome Natasha! Ms Rice has been writing about personal relationships with God for so long, but alot of the fan base overlooked it! I'm glad she has made her decision and stayed true to herself and her path!

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Patricia Russell @Valerie: Please don't lump me in with what your opinion of "Christian" is. Please, please, please stop. I know Shane has not done many favors today but there have been some others on the other side who have equally held themselves in a ba...

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Natasha Jz Don't get upset Patricia. Some people listen to propaganda too much and assume on both sides. Doesn't make either right nor wrong, it just makes people over emphasize and hard headed. Keep an open mind to haters and extremists, you can find yourself a better person in the end.

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Trip Fantastic I could see your beliefs tearing themselves apart as I read Memnoch. The surest path to atheism is to do the research you did for those books and learn what the doctrine really espouses. It's horrific, the extent of this crime perpetrated upon humanity by its alleged betters. Bravo for calling it like it is.

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Patricia Russell Thank you, Natasha. If you were here I would hug you right now cuz I just might be able to go to sleep with your comment. => Beautiful name, too, btw! Always loved , loved, loved that name. Muah!

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Ashton Jaymz I think you've got to remember also Patricia that conversation often requires some generalization, just for the sake of being concise.

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Natasha Jz research is a pillow for most books. Simplest of great research was for The Divinci Code, and that had the news circling for about a month. Hard evidence towards religion is also found historically. There is so much and so little of it.

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Natasha Jz That was directed to Mr Trip. :)

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Patricia Russell @Ashton: Yes, perhaps... but this has been a very hard and grueling day for any Christian following this thread, too. We have not exactly been held in a good light and you can see how emotionally draining it would be to be immersed in post...

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Anthony Keyes BRAVO BRAVO BRAVO BRAVO BRAVO BRAVO BRAVO BRAVO BRAVO!!!! I have so enjoyed your fiction over the years...and without casting any shadow over your previous decision to submit yourself to any religion, because we all have things we must taste...

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Patricia Russell last should be least... sorry. ^^^^

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Natasha Jz When someone makes a joke or comments saying that a Catholic or Christian is a preacher or is hypocritical It sorta hurts as much as someone who says that they hate the skirt I am wearing that day and then they say "oh no I am just kidding"...

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Natasha Jz That was directed to Patricia

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Patricia Russell @Natasha: Words can cause wounds that never heal. The pen is mightier than the sword. The tongue can wound someone so deeply they never recover. Words are powerful, powerful things. They should always be taken seriously. I agree with you that most ppl probably don't. That is sad. Words can kill or they can save. Words can wound or they can heal. Truly powerful and should be used with great care.

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Natasha Jz Well, Its up to the individual to interpret, than again this is facebook, not Ecumenical Council 3. (sp?)

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Inês Martins All said and done!

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Ray McIntyre Anne, it's hard isn't it? There are days I think of giving it all away and becoming something much less stressful. I applaud your courage and your stand.

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-  **Joe Bentley** Yesssss!!!
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-  **Stephen Time Lord Schudel** Yes.
A thousand times over, Yes.
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-  **Steven Wade Parker** Why don't you women friend each other, and get some sleep. LOL
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-  **Jennifer Lester** @ Patricia – I feel your pain and confusion, but you clearly have nothing to fret over, sweet lady. The condemnation that I have read towards "Christians" in this thread (and, I have sat here for hours reading every post) are in regards t...
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-  **Patricia Russell** Thank you, Jennifer... thank you from the bottom of my heart. (((((((warm hugs))))))) I needed that ... those words... a salve on my raw and wounded heart. Thank you a thousand times over. I am going to bed now... for an hour or so, at least. *relieved sigh*
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-  **Ashton Jaymz** Good night. :)
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-  **Clémentine Amaranthys** best decision ever
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-  **Jennifer Lester** <Allow me to be clear that this next post is in NO WAY directed towards the Christians, like Patricia Mayhew Russell and many others, who have exhibited the love of Jesus in this thread to Anne and others>

I am BLOWN away by the hypocritical...
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-  **MiChelle Whittal** Quiet agree. I was brought up with non-practicing parents from both Catholic and Baptist backgrounds and I wake up in the morning without prejudice or guilt. I am by no means a Saint or a sinner and I try to treat people as they treat me. I...
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-  **Jennifer Lester** You are so welcome. Good night, Patricia. :)
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-  **Sarah Schroeder** Amen... I have my belief. I have my faith. But too many years of study have made me believe that man has twisted the message, picking and choosing what they deem as important. I just try to be a good, fair, compassionate person. And I don't pray, I talk to God. It might be kind one sided, but I believe he answers back in his own way.
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-  **Heather Henderson** Thats wonderful!
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-  **Chuck Nichols** Well Anne, you can consider yourself what alot of us are calling ourselves, 'Alternate Christians'. We believe in the Christian faith but are more open minded to the possibility of things like re-incarnation, the idea of God wanting you to live your life the way you want to, not being forced to create life where there isn't a suitable place for it to flourish, not being close minded to the lifestyles of others, The possibilities of life on other planets and ancient aliens, the list goes on.
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-  **Dp Astor** Love you Anne! :)
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-  **Alex Thorrington** well done!!
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-  **Jennie Flores Broadhurst** I am so glad you said this. To be honest, I was really shocked and disappointed when I learned you became a Christian because so many of the teachings go against my values, against basic human rights. Having read so many of your books, I never would have imagined someone as open-minded, creative and intelligent as Anne Rice would willingly, as an adult, adopt those beliefs. Thank you :)
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-  **Jeff Kline** Here, Here!

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-  **Ryan Smith** Where? Where?
It's Hear! Hear!
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-  **Jonas Krauspe** I came here from Reddit just to like this post. I will gladly like you in the process.
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-  **Stephen Houldsworth** Thanks goodness. I thought John Preston must have been rolling in his grave through your entire Christian period. But, even Dylan had a Christian period, I am sure you will be fine now that you are out of that lifestyle.
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-  **Shauna Larrabee** Oh thank goodness!
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-  **Harry Tucker** Too many people confuse the Christianity of Jesus Christ with the man-made construct sold to us as "Christianity". Too many people use Christianity as a hammer to control others or for their own gain as per your comments.

We can love o...
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-  **Druidsong Champions** Congratulations Anne. I always wondered how you reconciled your "human" side with Christian doctrine. Never made any sense. Happy to have you back!
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-  **Jacob Krueger** Does this mean you'll become a Unitarian Universalist? We're pro- all those things, AND we like Jesus (and Buddha, and Muhammad, and Lao Tzu, and the Hindu pantheon, and...vampires!)
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-  **Troy Beissel** @Wendy Hite: Easily? She struggled with Christianity for most of her life. No former Christian gives it up easily.

@Anne Rice: It's commendable that you've made the decision to leave organized Christianity for moral reasons. It can't be ea...
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-  **Michael Kelly** I just want you to know that your courage is an inspiration. You could have walked silently away but you chose to use your platform to show the hypocrisy committed in the name of Jesus. While I am not a religious man I can still respect Jesus and what he wanted to achieve. I hope you can still find inspiration in his word.
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-  **Roxanne Sapra** Ha, you're Anne Rice. Christ is within you and all around you, and so on... I've always been a staunch Agnostic and your books, any and all of them, are the most intelligent ways of making sense of belief to me. If anyone could turn me towards fully believing in Christ it would be you. And i'm not trying to kiss your arse here either, you do what you do wisely and perspicaciously. If anyone feels the need to label themselves, maybe 'believer' is the most honest term.
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-  **Barry Smith** I'll say this ... You got a reaction big time! I think you struck a major nerve. I believe you said what a lot of people are feeling but don't know how to phrase it.
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-  **Barry Smith** Just ... don't quit us, ok?
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-  **Nancy Barr-curtin** ive met so called christins who werent very christian -like.im with you ms. rice
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-  **Nico DolceVita** ACIM :)
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-  **Terri Sartoris** Yay!!! Can you write some cool new vampire books? I miss Lestat :D
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-  **Sarah Rutledge** hmmm... soo Ms. Rice does this mean that the sequel to Ramses may soon come out??? just sayin lol, i very much enjoyed the first two of "Christ the lord" series but i just got to read "ramses" and really want to know what happens .
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-  **Roy Grider** Righteous!



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Steven Dundas I can certainly understand although I am a Christian I find that the crass, un-charitable and un-Christlike behavior of many "Christians" and churches to be absolutely repugnant. Like you I refuse to be defined or be anti-all the things that you mentioned. It wears me out and has pissed off some of my more "Christian" friends. Good on you for still being committed to Christ. Peace and blessings. Steve+

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Danielle Suzanne This is one of the best status messages I have ever seen!

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Stacy Arnold Aaaaaaand she's back!

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Jakub Lakomski common sense > god.. anyone that follows religion , is a blind fool. make up your mind, live and believe in yourself.

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Kim L Lancaster Well said! I am also a big fan of Jesus, but feel that today's Christianity does not reflect his teachings. The best way I can marginalize the Haters in our culture is to laugh at them.
LOL Haters!

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Daryl Morazzini As a former Theologian (Yale Divinity MAR 2005, dropped out of my MDiv at Andover-Newton Seminary, and then ThD program at Boston University), I feel the same way. There came a time, twice actually, where I could no longer deal with nor sta...

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Jakub Lakomski if no one believes = religion doesnt exist.

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Bruno Malta So Anne, i'm really excited to hear from you again and kind off worried that you haven't spoke more since your last status update.

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Lindsay Smart-Fish Amen. Let it be so.

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Rondria Singleton Way to think for yourself!

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Sylveey Selu Have you ever seen a feeding frenzy that compares to what you see within Christianity? I spent a little over twenty years in Christianity only to find my way back to my roots. Only to find that what my great Grandmother said, is true. She a...

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Margo Carmichael PPS Anne, I just have to wonder how a Christ-follower can refuse to be against secular humanism, though. Humanism says man is in control, not God. By definition, Christ is not secular. And I have to wonder, too, and I see that you've probably been hurt and are frustrated, but is it possible that all these anti- things are wrong, but now, anti-Christianity is right? Without meaning to, you have painted with a very broad brush and have dissed a lot of good people over a few issues. God bless and give you peace in all of this.

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Jeff Pearce It's not usually like me to weigh in on these things, but I must share my convictions as well: I am about having a RELATIONSHIP with Christ. I am NOT interested in participating in a RELIGION ABOUT Christ. In any relationship, there are u...

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Samantha Marie Austin Andes Exactly!

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Noemi Velasco Dear Anne: do as you want, but dont forget that a Christian follows Jesus Christ, not "Mens Church", SO dont stop following Him because of some silly who think they really are in possession of The Truth.

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Cindi Raffield I felt a need to reply to a comment made by someone on here named Shane Price, but since he has the ability to message him directly turned off, guess I have to do it here. He said...

"Good luck with that....hope you have your speech ready w...

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Megan Hurley I am brought to tears.. I am moved so much by this... this has been my sentiment as well for all of my adult life. How beautifully concise – thank you, Anne, for all that you do for me with your posts. I look forward to them everyday :)

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Kirsten 'Bunny' Graves Just saw this on STFU Believers. Salute to you good woman!!! :D

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Corinne Barrasso Troiano I believe.....in myself!

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Lisa Anderson good for you :)

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Andrew McFarlane yeah!!!!!! yer free!!!

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Luigino Martinez Gigante You are an inspiration to us all!

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Kelly Aguirre Anne, can you not see that He has been using you to bring these issue to light? I see 1139 people who's lives are affected here. How many do each of those affect. Your conversion was a huge win for God. Your "quitting being a Christian", – a huge win for not god...

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Joe Judge Amen

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Christine Grabig I found myself tackling this in my college years. I couldn't bring myself to proclaim that I was of the "true" faith and say all others were wrong, as I don't have the authority to say what is true and what is not. That and the hypocrisy. A...

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John Dumabok Wow!

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Katie Follinus Anne... I can't tell you how glad I am to hear this. As an individual of your status in society, your actions can make a difference. And you raising this issue speaks volumes. I can completely understand wanting to follow the precepts of Jesus, but not wanting to have any affiliation with 'the Church' and what 'Christianity' has become today. Terrible things have taken place 'in the name of God'. May we all speak out together, a united voice against such wrongs! Bright blessings to you! ♥

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Mark Judge Thank God. Honesty.

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Bill Brown I hate Jerry Falwell and his ilk, and I don't believe it my job to tell others what to do with their lives, I believe in evolution, scientific rationalism, and the Holy Spirt. Chick out the Religious Society of Friends!!!

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Dre Burton Amen..... to that i was brought up christian but never beleived they was right been wiccan sence i could walk

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Roxanne DeBord good for you! I was worried when I saw you last year on a talk show.

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Amanda Linson Amen

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Anastasiya Sakhnovskaya Jesus is cool...not so much a fan of his fanclub though.

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Carol Viana Came here from Reddit just to "like" this post. Well said.

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Melanie Krause O'Brien If that's what you think Christians are, then you have some soul-searching to do.

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Tegan Bachelor Check out the Baha'i.

<http://info.bahai.org/bahauallah-basic-teachings.html>

They're what you want--while you seem to know quite know what you want or don't want.

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Andrew Hackman Great cartoon on this:
<http://www.nakedpastor.com/wp-content/uploads/2010/07/lambaste.jpg>

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Brooke Monfort Dearest Anne – I feel for you. I was raised Christian (Catholic, but left long ago. I never had any difficulty feeling close to or aligned with Jesus, but Christians and what they try to do in that great Master's name is atrocious. "Christian" is just a label, after all. It's our hearts and actions that matter.

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Hope Flotes I can now be a fan again.

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Steven Richter That's like giving up crack for cocaine!

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Shannon Lucas I'm so sorry you feel this way. True Christianity isn't anti. Its a relationship with God. I'll be praying for you.

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Tracey Solomon Bummer Anne... if everyone quits who feels the same.. there's no one left to fight for love.

I choose to fight for life, and love and grace.

Peace friend. Be careful, painting a people group as all the same is still prejudice.... we aren't ...

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G. Dwayne Johnson Anne, are you saying that you don't believe in Jesus as the Christ? Or are you only rejecting the corrupt "religion" people practice in his name?

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Bruno Malta Please Jeana spare us from you nonsensical bs. She said that she still believes in God and Christ. She doesn't need to be in your little merry group to be saved.

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Chris Nolen Welcome home from the void

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Rafael Saldaña i love you anne!!!! :D

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David N. Glassman I have one question: How does one leave Christianity yet still believes in Jesus? This is akin of saying you are no longer a Buddhist but deny Buddha. Christian is from Cristos which is from the Hebrew Moshah which means messiah. The u...

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David N. Glassman Note: Moshah literally means "annointed one" but in the context of use it refers to the man or era that will do the 3 key acts. World peace, open and pray in the new temple and bring EVERY Jew back to the holy land. (Michah 4:1 and Ezekiel 40-45) (Isaiah 11:12; 27:12-13) (Isaiah 2:4; 11:5-9 and Michah 4:3-4).

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Charles Bennett I understand you Anne, the whole term Christian has lost its meaning... in some circles the Nazi's are regarded as Christians... what is Christian about bombing an abortion clinic... I saw a news commentator refer to a "Christian" militia g...

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Bill McPhie What fantastic courage. I admire your decision to Cast Your Own Shadow.

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David N. Glassman Shannon "True" Christianity" is technically a form of Judaism which died 100 years before the council of Nicea in 325. Original followers of "THE WAY" never believed in Jesus as a deity or trinity. Your understanding of Christianity is from the NT which was created in 325 ace. and edited over 1500 times until the 1600's. On or bout the time of the council of trent in 1550 do you have an NT that finally became a stable document.

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Jennifer Lindsey Woah, does this mean we are getting our ol' Anne back!!! omg. tears of joy!! I never thought I would hear you say this. I understand your frustration with the church but...WoW!! Thank you for being sooo honest with us. Thats why we love

you...

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Johnny Simmons I appreciate your honesty in admitting that (for want of a better term) "liberalism" and Bible-believing Christianity are incompatible.

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G. Dwayne Johnson I'm confused by all these comments about getting the atheist Anne back. Unless I'm misreading, Anne says she is renouncing the RELIGION -- not God. If that's so -- back off, atheists. You haven't got her back yet. LOL

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G. Dwayne Johnson @ Jennifer. A woman is discussing her spirituality, and you're asking about vampires and witches?!? Sadly, I think many are reacting to this post in a similarly shallow manner.

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Caitlyn Allen I know with all the comments you probably won't read mine, but it's okay to have Faith, but having religion is nearly impossible.

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Christine Lam :)

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Watelet Chantal You'r right

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Melody Wainscott Congratulats, Anne. How about "So may it be" instead of "Amen", though. I say "Awomen!" "Amen" is what Christians say, not non-Christians.

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G. Dwayne Johnson Any more anti-Christian tips for Anne?

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Kathleen Hanna Aw Anne--I don't believe you are anti-Christian, just anti-bigotry. I am a liberal Christian and it is hard sometimes to hang in there but not impossible. You may not-- but I need the fellowship of other believers in Christ to keep my sanity...

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Mande Hubbard Woohoo Anne!

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Dawn Matson I LOVE YOU!!!

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Christina Z Christina Z You are the strong woman I remember reading in the 80's who helped shaped much of my psyche and take note of aesthetics. I'm so happy you've grown to an even more amazing woman! I am elated!!

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Gladys Garcia Neroda This is FANTASTIC!! God bless Anne Rice!!

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Tim Keller Good... now that you've got that out of your system... could you please start writing vampire books again? The crapfest that is twilight needs to flushed...

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Liva Stale AMEN!!!

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Jessica Vance I don't get this, Ann. You quit writing about were wolves and deamons and wennt back to being Catholic, which is Christian, and now you have quit that too. Good thing you are not a governor, people would be up in arms... ;-)

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Vivienne O'Regan Well said Anne.

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Elgin Lee Baker i love you

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Jennifer Carrasquilla I am so glad for you!!!

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Cindy Duff The professed christians out there should read their Bible a little better and with more of an open mind. They would then realize that their judgemental, hypocritical views are not accepted by Christ or God. They are the breeders of hate and

racism and all things anti—I Amen Ms. Rice!
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Steven Wade Parker Jessica no you don't get it better you think on it a while and then comment. She still follows Christ. She does not rely on any Church to spoon feed her Sacior to her. Now she follows the teachings of Jesus on her own terms. It is a personal relationship with Christ. She is leaving the group punch bowl. The kool aid was starting to smack of poison.
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Melissa Grivas Lift a rock and he is there, split a piece of wood and he is there. You don't need a building to be a good Christian. I believe in what you are saying with my whole heart. Thank you for this status.
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Steve Davis just because you're a christian doesn't mean you are anti—all this stuff. christians still have their own mind and can interpret the bible the way they feel is right. i am a christian, but i am not anti-gay. my brother is gay. HE is a christian. many christians are not against all these things u mention. if u follow christ, ur a christian. u just dont want the label because ur worried about what the world thinks of you, and you should only care what god thinks.
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Eric True In the spirit of Anne's move, I quit being human.
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Paula Schmidt Clauser David, This is the exact conclusion I have come to after years and years of reading and going back, back, back to the time of Jesus. When I read "The Way" by Berg I had an "ah-ha" moment. With all the books available to us now that weren't...
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Heather Cruikshank Most of the so-called "Christians" these days ought to call themselves Paulists. If people stuck with the words of Jesus only, we'd all be a lot better off. Paul wasn't God.
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Donny Pauling I quit being a carnivore, but I'm still eating meat.
 Anne, being a "Christian" has nothing to do with other people who follow Christ. It has to do with YOU and HIM. If you follow Christ, you are a Christian. That's quite different than ...
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Orandon Marie YAY! YAY! YAY!!!! LOVE YA LOVE YA LOVE YA LOVE YA!!!!!! YES! And why not rescind ALL that junk with words of power while we're at it?! YAAAAAAYYYY!!!!
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Julie Potuck Fleming I was raised Catholic. How many of us love Christ but have a difficult time with the church and its "rules" !?! Organized religion..its great for those who need the group for support or motivation. Its wonderful for those who come out of th...
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Ian Mullane I support you, Anne!
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G. Dwayne Johnson I think most of the people commenting on this thread are hypocritical, wannabe-intellectuals. Anne Rice is not responsible for you people, though. I do not reject Anne Rice because of her fans. Get it?
 (Let those who have an ear, hear.)
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Sheree L. Knotts I dont' think everyone posting really understands what you said. You aren't athiest, just not Christian. You still believe in God and you don't have to be Christian to have such a belief. It is the 'church stuff' that you can't stomach, ...
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Paula Schmidt Clauser I didn't think Anne stopped writing about vampires because of any beliefs. I thought she had just exhausted all she had to say and moved onto other areas where she did have something to say.
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Alexandra Wall Evil always finds a way to power, even in religion. It is after all the easiest way to control the masses.
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Patricia Russell @ Donny Pauling: That is why I have been so confused. I don't understand how one can follow Christ but refuse to call themself a Christian. My original post to Mrs. Rice about this was around the 250 mark. I pretty much indicated the same ...

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David N. Glassman I am truly amazed on what Christians think their faith is. Think about this: If there was NO NT you would have no faith called "Christianity" nor would you have people following this being called "Jesus". Christianity is in fact ...JESUS...

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Jack Riversea Duggan Religion is the opiate of the people. One more non-Christian is a step in the right direction. I envy those who live in the days where humans can look back on Christianity as nothing more than a mythology, similar to the Greek and Norse mythologies.

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Maryann Spikes She doesn't want to be associated w/ the Pharisaical legalism part of the church has become. That's quite understandable. I'm glad she can distinguish between being fed up with the church, and being fed up with Jesus.

<http://www.examiner.com/x-26772-San-Francisco-Apolog-etics-Examiner>

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Charlotte Sometimes @G. Dwayne Johnson, I think sometimes you are talking to a brick wall with some posters and that is not just the Atheists. I've tangled with a few zealots here too. Though, I am an agnostic. I leave room for God if God ever decides to want anything to do with me. I live my life the way that I would think any God that I could believe in would want me to. Still, I do get exactly what Anne is saying. She has not lost her beliefs, just her faith in some humans and the way that many are interpreting the bible.

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G. Dwayne Johnson @Charlotte. That's my understanding of her post too, Charlotte. If it is, I understand what she is saying too. I think every Christian goes through a period when they realize that the earthly religion/church is not God. I am saddened at all the people who would rejoice at a person's crisis of faith, though -- even if they don't respect the person's faith.

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Caroline Chue I'm behind you too Anne. :)

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Justin Hanvey the interesting thing though is that it didn't start out as a name picked by those who followed Christ to represent themselves. It was a derogatory term thrown at them by those who hated Jesus. "Hah, you're just a follower of that Jesus dud..."

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Gina Cottrill You know that Christ, were He walking around the Earth today, would not be "Christian" either.

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Patricia Russell @ Charlotte: Yes, I do understand her to mean that, as well. She is rejecting the organized religion of Christianity.... or perhaps it is even more narrow than that and she is actually rejecting Catholicism. That I am not sure of since mos...

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G. Dwayne Johnson @Justin. Well said. You articulated what I could not.

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Michelle Patenaude Today's church is so unlike the religion as it was in the beginning. It has gotten corrupted and twisted into something else. "I like your Christ, I do not like your Christians. Your Christians are so unlike your Christ." Mahatma Gandhi

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Patricia Russell @G. Dwayne Johnson: Indeed. I have posted myself a few times on how this must be extremely painful for Mrs. Rice. One does not just make the statement she did without ALOT of soul searching. Faith is so very personal and any crisis of faith...

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Sandy Smith When we were born God gave us life not a tattoo on our ass saying we had to be Catholic, Baptists, Lutheran etc. We do this to ourselves I think it's when we finally grow to understand that he loves us and only wants good for us that we don't n...

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Michael Hughes It's possible to follow the example and teachings of the man and be pro-gay, pro-science, pro-feminist, a humanist, etc., and many do, but sadly those voices are drowned out by proponents of a particularly hateful strain of fundamentalist i...

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Ayssa Altahif I am doing a happy-dance in your honor.

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Sheila Carpenter St Charles I applaud you Anne! I know this took great conviction too come out and say this. A lot of people I have met tell me the same and they either refer to themselves as Deist or spiritual because they as well, don't want to be associated with christianity. I've been Agnostic for 3 years now and the most freeing day of my life was walking away from christianity. Best of luck to you Anne!!! Stay Strong!!

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Justin Hanvey I was just thinking that one of my most favorite movie quotes of all time fits this crisis of faith. I love you Anne Rice for going through it, because it's one that needs to be gone through, and I'm thankful to others who are encouraging h...

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Dave-Brendon De Burgh Anne, I applaud you. :-) Let's hope that this get's the ball rolling, and that many people come to realize that they can indeed have faith and lead good lives but don't need to be part of a human-controlled religion. :-) Welcome to the club!

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Effy Wild Hurrah! I knew this day would come, Anne, and I'm so happy it has.

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Jerry Mazzola See Bible Betty's explanation of a bible based marriage on youtube .
The true fundamental details of whats outlined in the bible as the real explanation of a marriage by God himself , if we are to believe that the bible is the word of God...

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Shane Lockwood Congratulations Ann, you've taken your first step into a bigger world.
Largely, you've stepped out of "Paulism" and into what Jesus / Buddha were actually about.

How can one be Christian and Republican at the same time?

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Heather Cristofaro I have been hoping and waiting for you to transcend the cloud of misogynistic, fear-mongering, unenlightened texts surrounding christianity and all those that abuse it for their own hypocritical means. Those viewpoints seem to me the ultimate blasphemy. May they be as lucky as you have been. Good luck in your new perspective, and much love.

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David Ravicher sweet!

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Kevin Saunders Yay! Three cheers! I'd quit along with you, but I already have.

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Jessica Carey I'm always glad to see someone follow what feels right in their heart rather than follow the group mentality, just because it's easiest. Congrats

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David Michael Taylor All the best to you, Ms. Rice, and sincere congratulations on your having had, learned from and grown past this experience.

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Constance Williams Brutus can we have another vampire or witch book now?

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Jim Morrissey thank you anne for standing up for gay people, feminists and all oppressed people over the world.

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Michelle Frost To be sure, today's Christianity has absolutely nothing to do with Christ's teachings. I commend you - this

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couldn't have been an easy decision to make, but as a mother we always must stand with our children, and let nothing get in the way of that love.
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Ogun Holder check out UNITY. we love ALL that! www.unity.org
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Nicole Beraldi In 245 AD Constantine had the Bible assembled (Council of Nicea) and this is also where Tarot cards come from. (Books not in the Bible were illegal to posses at the time and the stories were kept alive this way) All I'm saying is don't ge...
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Nicole Beraldi I mean 325
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William LeJeune Crazy Anne. After the letter I sent to you about James Dobson and after reading your response to me I did not see this coming. But as you said to me and I have not forgot "loving everyone is what matters" you rock Anne! Thank you for what...
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Wendy Curvin I live by the passage "work out your own salvation with fear and trembling" It's between you and God and no one else my dear. So be in your heart this wonderful person that God tells you to be.
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Sandy Dorland @Dwayne, as I once told a dear friend, anyone who thinks a crisis of faith is not part of the spiritual path in any church home has never read St John of the Cross. :-)
Photo of St John of the Cross
G. Dwayne Johnson @Charlotte. That's my unders...
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Linda Urton I second those statements ;)
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Jim Helms I refer to myself as an Un-Orthodox Christian. I follow the doctrines of Jesus NOT Paul of tarsus like most orthodox christians do
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Rachel Lynne Cabrera I admire your bravery. Stay strong.
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Bethany Blunt Force-Trauma We fully support your decisions and hope all is well.
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Paul Kenney Ghandi once said, I like your Christ. I'm not fond of your Christians.
I understand where you're coming from Anne. Having been raised an evangelical christian and then coming out in mid-life, I couldn't deal with the bigotry, animus and ge...
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Marie Clewley I remember being horrified years ago as I accepted an invitation to sit in on a service at one of these big born again places, will not specify and it does not matter as there have been so many over the years with this revival since the ear...
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Sandy Dorland @Marie I had a similar experience and it scared me and woke me up. Hence some of my allusions to prophets, false images of Christ and etc. A lot of the backlash to Christianity is aimed at thesde types of megachurches, and not just at Cath...
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Elora Basabe Well said and well done, Anne.
♥
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Melissa Calvert You seriously could not have said any of this any better. I stand with you and these last two posts about this gave me chills. Much love. It's supposed to be LOVE! ♥
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Scott George So, the Christians are anti-this and anti-that. Now you are anti-Christian. How are you different from them?
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Pablo Gerber It would be beautiful if everyone quit any and all religions which are anti-gay. anti-feminist. anti-artificial birth control. anti-Democrat. anti-secular humanism. anti-science. and anti-life
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Scott George Have you ever been to <http://www.narth.com/> ? It tells about possible causes of hlmosexuality and about people who have left that state. Have you ever read Romans 1? Christ wasn't anti anyone. But there are some things he will not put up with. He loves people, but hates some of the things people do. They will not come into his Kingdom if they continue to do them. And that's that, whether we like it or not. Does the clay scold the potter? God says not.
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Scott George Someone here talked about Christians being Paulist. But Anne quoted John 1, and John 1:14 tells us Christ is the Word. The Bible is Christ. And the Word includes the writings of St. Paul. And all the rest of scripture.
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Jason McDowell Scott...that's kinda like me. I don't hate religion. I just hate the stuff all those religious people do.
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Iris Villalobos christ is not christianity, lucky for us, hes so much better
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Dawn Setzer About a week ago, I had a conversation with someone who left the Catholic Church. She's Latina and the Church is very important within her family and her culture; but she has a gay sister who has a young child that she is nurturing with her life partner. This person's love for her sister and her niece has overpowered her need to belong to an organization that torments people who are LGBT. Christ taught us to love! Therefore, any "Christian" organization that rejects loving relationships, is anti-Christ.
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Brian Wilkes One of the founders of our denomination, Quanah Parker, said "The white man sits in his church and talks ABOUT Jesus, the Indian sits in his home and talks WITH Jesus." Jesus hangs with us in the Native American Church, but we're not "Christian" enough for some people, either. Welcome to the autonomous outskirts of Christendom!
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Marie Clewley Yes Sandy, so true! If the Universe IS God, and we are children of the universe, what is there to fear? It is just a bigger and more wonderful story of bigger angles (angels)! It is just the same simple truth of our existence within the mac...
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Griselda Tello Dear Anne, it is refreshing to hear about your news.

I am a bit sad that the Catholic Church has lost someone with such good heart and clear mind...I was tagging along for the ride with Anne thinking soon enough I would see her in Rome mak...
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Paula Thomas Oandasan i totally get it. i am the same way. i won't be anti anything that i feel is right even if 'the church' says i must. i am responsible for my soul and me alone
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Willy Tee Anne Rice taught me more about being a good person thru her vampire chronicles than the church ever did. I too left the church (UCC) about the time Anne stopped writing the VC. Sure missed you Anne!
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Cat Hogan-Thomas Keller Bless you Anne!!!!!! I have loved reading your work since I was very young so now that I'm middle aged and on the same journey away from all the nastiness of religion I couldn't be more pleased to know what good company I'm in!!!!!!
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Ellen Cranos OMG about time. Was thinking you'd never come around!
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Neo Adine please check this out:
<http://www.gettoknowtheoriginal.net/>
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Shane Prince @Ashton....do you know how to bring something to the table of debate or do you simply insult? It is sad that you can

-  simply say "you're retarded" and think you have made any point whatsoever.
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-  **Chris Gallagher** Everyone has to sample religious life; but only long enough to realize how self-centered they really are.
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-  **Asia DeVine** Friendsonly Boy, nuthin' stirs up the shit at the bottom of the pond like a bit of God Talk, eh?
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-  **Marie Clewley** It's about time this pot got stirred! LOL! ;D
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-  **Georgina Tena** Completely agree!
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-  **Laura Money** Anne, I did the same thing about 10 years ago. I felt guilty about it though, as I had been raised to be a Christian. It took many years of researching and studying to realize I made the right choice. Man is corrupt, not God. :)
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-  **Ashton Jaymz** As I said in my PM, Shane, it's not my fault that you can't read anything longer than three words, or you might have read and even possibly "gasp" contemplated the rest of what I had to say in my responses to you.
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-  **Phil Brucato** Given the behavior of so many so-called "christians" in our midst, the Christ himself would quit being a Christian.
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-  **Gene Letts** I love you for that. I'll bet that God does, too!
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-  **John Shirley** I understand completely Anne. And agree with Phil Brucato there ...
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-  **Margie Edmonds** Anne, this must be a very hard day for you. I read it first in the Huffington Post and came here to see if it was true. Struggling with your own beliefs and those of the wider world is a rough journey at times. You are travelling that road with honour and dignity. Blessings to you.
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-  **Angie Howard Ray** I am so proud of you.
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-  **Becky Diaz** If I could like this a thousand times, I would! You go ANNE!!!!!!
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-  **Karen Sullivan** Awesome, awesome, awesome!!! ♥
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-  **Ashley Jones** this is so good
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-  **Martine Grace Montfleur** HALLELUJAH!!!
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-  **Ashton Jaymz** It's hilarious how quickly people like Shane Prince flee from an argument. Shane is funny when he tries to act intelligent, LOL.
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-  **Jeffery Pritchett** Lestat come back I summon you forth!
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-  **Martine Grace Montfleur** Anne Read the Nag Hammadi Scriptures if you haven't already (I know how well read you are:)) I think you'll find inspiration in them. These are magical times we are living in!
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-  **Michelle Munger** AMEN!
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-  **James Troia** This gay man here, has one thing to say.
Thankyou for taking a stand, and say hello to a huge gay following:-)

We love you!
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-  **Tim Ward** "I refuse to be anti-gay." Thank you.
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-  **Yardley Hickey** Your totally correct in throwing out that old hat! YOU ROCK!
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-  **Colleen Arcury** Dearest Anne, Hooray for you! I do not consider my self a Christian, though I was raised a fundamentalist Protestant Christian in a Catholic neighborhood! Humans created the religion, the Christed One did not. Humans have often distorted his...
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-  **Frank Lucchese** Good for you Anne. Freedom of conscience is always a good thing.
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-  **Augustine Valdivia** I admire you. I have felt the same way for the past 20 years :) Good for you and thank you
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-  **Lisabeth Dillman Place** Beautifully put
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-  **Mark Alan Willett** What an incredibly superb sentiment...
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-  **Christie Lea Smith** I do not only like this status, I love it!
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-  **Brook Silvernail** I understand what you mean. I follow Christ in the love one another lessons. I always feel the people who use Christianity to hate those who are different give everyone else a bad name.
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-  **Rich Jimenez** i'm with you, my dear anne. ♥
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-  **Dixy Enid Iglesias** thank you
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-  **Candice Nance Davis** I couldn't agree more! That's why I became an atheist.
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-  **Erika Hock DiPietrantonio** I have always felt you were pro-heart; that you write with your soul and put that into your characters and their evolutions.
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-  **Connie Wagoner** I am with you on this all the way
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-  **April Dryburgh** So does that mean that until she made the decision to "quit being Christian" she was- anti-gay, anti-feminist, anti-artificial birth control, etc...? That she was all of those things while she attended church and all of a sudden is not bec...
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-  **Catherine Diane Austin** However, FYI, Catholicism does not equal Christian. It may be DISGUISED as Christian but in fact IS NOT Christian.
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-  **Natasha Jz** Giving up something takes no courage at all, unless someone is going to go to your house and strangle you for choosing to give up or to go a new path.
In Anne Rice's case, sure. Who knows.

Maybe She does understand every line, every part, eve...
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-  **Heather Greywolf** Speaking as one who is a mostly-solitary (these days anyway) Witch ... I hope that you are able to find your own spiritual peace outside of the construct of the Roman papacy and the dogma of the Church. My heart's belief has always been th...
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-  **Jennifer Laporte Wooten** Thank you!!
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-  **Melissa Mutschler** amen sister:)
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-  **Steven Wade Parker** Blessed be, what ye send out comes back by

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-  **three!**
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-  **Amy Lubchansky** OH thank freaking heavens for this, Anne!!!!
Makes me proud to have stood in the snow in Providence for hours to get a signed book from you.

Does this mean we can get more hot and raunchy Exit to Eden type stuff now?? ;)
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-  **Karla Henderson** You go!
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-  **Luis Manuel Roballo Alvarez** I SALUTE YOU! I share your ideas!
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-  **Rachel Moore Ross** btw, secular humanists despise Christianity...so good luck with that
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-  **Kenneth Walsh** Be at peace with your decision. The church is so far away from that of the Christ. I am a protestant minister and a gay man who has a love=hate relationship with the church. However, I have decided to work from within to make the changes and in time they will come. The will be room for all one day.
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-  **Jonathan Greenlee** I am so happy to see you take the first step toward sanity and away from Christer crap. I understand how tempting it was considering your life's tragedies, but truth is a better healer than fantasy.
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-  **Howard Jones** Wow! This comes as bit of shock, but then it doesn't. Must say I very much understand your reasoning. Would like to read more about this when you are ready to say more on it. Just please don't give up drinking TaB!!
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-  **Anne Rice** Thanks for these many wonderful posts. I am reading them all and will continue to visit to see the new ones. Beware of the news stories; sometimes they do not give the full picture.
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-  **Peter Grabosky** Be hopeful, rest in the light, live your convictions, whatever you choose that will bring peace--solace to you then move with the spirit/light. I too am ashamed, angered, disappointed with organized christianity. Blessed Be!
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-  **Irene Sanchez Tanya Meyers** we support you 100% -- We love God but don't study God, we experience God everyday.
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-  **Steve Brisk** As a Buddhist -- Christian (unlike other religions Buddhism down not ask you to denounce your previous faith) I cannot agree with you more. Let the Tao (Holy Spirit) guide you....Blessings....
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-  **CJ Sellers** Thank you for sharing this Anne, since you've also struggled with doubts, I am not afraid of offending you by posting a few of my own. Better to ask forgiveness...

My favorite parts of the Bible are written in RED but I don't worship the boo...
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-  **Mara Copland** Right on, Anne. I really hope this makes you happy. I've loved God my whole life, but I simply can't stomach the people who tell me I'm going to hell because of how He made me.
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-  **Luis Manuel Roballo Alvarez** I've always look up to you since the first time I read one of your novels (interview with the vampire 11 years ago). I admire you as a writer I wish I would be like, and now I admire the way you evolve and think about the elements that surr...
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-  **Timothy Robbins** Thank you.
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-  **Jennifer Lester** CJ Sellers -- I have long said that Paul all but ruined Christianity for us, but never with such eloquence and intelligence as you did in your post. Thanks!
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Roger Wolsey Anne I fully support you. I just wish more folks knew that not all forms of Christianity are judging, excluding, damning, oppressive, or in any way hating. I for one refuse to allow the religious right to co-opt and monopolize the word Chr...

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Marie Clewley All of us are along for this ride of life whether we like it or not or however we wish to define ourselves just by virtue of being alive. We are, basically, after the fact of our existence. If you are alive, you are a conscious witness of y...

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Jamie LaPearle I feel that you cannot attribute Christianity to all these particular statements, and by doing so, you are stereotyping anyone who is considered a Christian. What is the difference then, between judging a "gay" person and a judging a "Christian"? you are just pointing the finger in the other direction. I feel offended by this status.

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Pauline Carrillo I call myself a Christian because I believe in Christ. I've wrestled with my conscience over the laws of the Catholic Church and decided years ago to come to my own conclusions as to what is right and what is wrong. I am pro choice but not...

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Anna Busack You can still believe in Christ and be a Democrat, be Pro-Choice, Pro-Gay rights, and a feminist. I am all of those things. People who call themselves "Christians" and have been "saved" forget Jesus' teachings of love and acceptance. It's sad really. Welcome back.

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DNeece Fields Becka I understand the frustration with many churches and Christians but Christ has said that He is the head of the church, they are His body, and He is coming back for his bride - the church. Can you say to the foot I have no need of you? Absolut...

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Rich Zebro =====
Anne, I just read about your statements. It sounds to me like you've made the distinction between being a spirit-filled follower of Jesus and being "religious." I think this is exactly why Jesus called the "religious" institutio...

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Rachael Buchanan Thank you for standing for what you believe in.

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Cyril Bagin Anne, as a committed believer in Christ, you remain my sister spiritually, regardless of labels. Sorry, my thoughts are all over and there is so much I could say. But part of me would want to listen more than talk. But Christ's Body, the ...

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Alina Garcia In response to April Dryburgh comment: Mrs. Rice is not saying she is anti-Christ. It's the Church & Christianity she is letting go. The Church for so long have denied basic human rights. African slaves have gotten apologies & we are ...

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Cade Agbugba Adams Thanks for being real... maybe Mohandas words might be comfort to you.

I like your Christ; I do not like your Christians. Your Christians are so unlike your Christ.

Mohandas Gandhi

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Julie Small I totally agree with you Anne. I refuse to be all of those things also. I believe in my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, but I do not believe in all of the things that some Christians believe in.

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Erin DeMerchant THANK YOU, Ms Rice for being honest and true to the world. THANK YOU for deciding to be true to yourself, your morals and your beliefs. You have mentioned some of the reasons why I find it so hard to label my "religious" beliefs; all religi...

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by Michael JacksonHold Me
Like The River Jordan
...[See More](#)July 30 at 2:23am · [Like](#) · [Flag](#)**Carol Lewis** I'm not sure why you are still holding onto Jesus and the Bible, honestly. Why not subject the Bible to the same criteria that you subjected Christianity? 1 Corinthians 14:33-34, "Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience as also saith the law. And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church." Kudos for your choice, but how about a little consistency?July 30 at 2:47am · [Like](#) · [4 people](#) · [Flag](#)**Risa Benedict** Dear Mrs. Rice (I can't call you Ann as I do not know you personally and do not feel I have earned that right either!)
GOOD FOR YOU!!!!!! To often we are told WHAT we are supposed to do, What we are supposed to Believe, WHO we are suppose...[See More](#)July 30 at 2:59am · [Like](#) · [1 person](#) · [Flag](#)**Julie Small** Carol, some of the laws in the Bible do not apply to our world today. That doesn't mean that we should give up completely on the Bible and on Jesus. Things changed from the Old Testament to the New Testament. People no longer had to make animal sacrifices because Jesus sacrificed himself, etc. So things have also changed since the writing of the Bible verse that you cited to present day.July 30 at 3:15am · [Like](#) · [Flag](#)**Jeffrey Lynch** Congratulations! Looking forward to a new REAL vampire book now – please?July 30 at 3:44am · [Like](#) · [1 person](#) · [Flag](#)**Marie Clewley** When someone says "but Christ has said", it bothers me and I want to ask them who told them this and where is there any proof of anyone named Christ who said anything? There is no writing ever found by this "Christ" either. The linguistic s...[See More](#)July 30 at 3:44am · [Like](#) · [2 people](#) · [Flag](#)**Katie Hall** Right On! Totally get where you're coming from, although never believed you were any of those things! I sometimes wonder if Jesus himself would want to be a christian today....July 30 at 3:53am · [Like](#) · [2 people](#) · [Flag](#)**Aleaha Sisson** I agree!!!July 30 at 4:13am · [Like](#) · [1 person](#) · [Flag](#)**Laura Hicks** Anne you're a hero to me! It takes a strong person to not set aside what they feel is right. I agree with you're beliefs and I hope others will see that something needs to be done!July 30 at 4:21am · [Like](#) · [1 person](#) · [Flag](#)**Brian Trent** Ann, I never joined that gang for many of the very reasons you listed, but I can add one additional one: I actually read the Bible, as I did the other holy texts of the world, and found it to be a litany of cruelty, intolerance, violence, g...[See More](#)July 30 at 5:32am · [Like](#) · [4 people](#) · [Flag](#)**Lynn Taylor** I can't agree with you more. How can the church be so anti? Is this really Christ? I don't think Christ is so Anti.July 30 at 5:51am · [Like](#) · [1 person](#) · [Flag](#)**Steven Ambrose-Ramsey** Anne, you may get some heat from this, but you are a strong woman. You had to say what needed to be said. I am a follower of Jesus, not a follower of man. Some "Christians" out there are some of the most hateful people walking. T...[See More](#)July 30 at 5:58am · [Like](#) · [2 people](#) · [Flag](#)**Betty Prat** I support you doing whatever makes you happy! Blessed be.July 30 at 6:18am · [Like](#) · [1 person](#) · [Flag](#)



Susanne M. Van Cleave Hip hip hooray! I was wondering how you could square your seemingly open heart with the dogma. You have restored my faith. Thank you. ♥
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Robert S. Smith I'm so glad to see a public figure express these sentiments. I was beginning to think I was the only one who saw this. THANK YOU!
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Bruno Paul Etienne Merci !!!
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Jose Dos Ramos Thank you Anne! I missed you and Lestat :, and don't worry the true faith and love is inside of us, not in the temple.
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Allison Russell Wow! As usual, so much better said than I can do myself. Thank you for sharing this with the world.
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Philip Willson Anne I have been a huge fan of yours since I was in high school. Your Vampire books changed my life and help me get through a very tough period. I was raised in fundamentalist household where the trappings of Christianity were ever prevalen...
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Gabriel Arocha Welcome back Great Mother!
Is good that you finally saw with your own eyes what Christianity really is and means.
Go on ahead and keep believing in the Figure but not on His heralds!
I think the obvious question is, and I think it has been m...
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Scott Fillmer This post and the majority of the responses posted here is truly a very sad display of the outright rejection of the saving grace of God, and His son Jesus.

Just as the Israelites "did what was right in their own eyes" and not God's, such is...

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Kimberlyn Amg Crowe Welcome to Unitarian Universalism! ;-)
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Gabriel Arocha I have noticed that die-hard religious or Christians have to write a lot to express what the religion in to them, and on the other hand, the rest of the people just write a couple of lines and it's concise and to the point. Christianity and...
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Kristin Shoffeitt Amen Anne! Love you!!!
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Carla Schave-Hatch All the things you have mentioned not liking are man made not Christ made...most are Catholic church...I will always be a Christian but I am not anti-gay or anti anything except anti religion. Religion to me is a man made thing. My spiritual journey is with God and Christ...not man.
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Benoit Monchotte Anne I find quite amazing. and you are right... we can feel close to gods without went to a Christian brotherhood. gods is always close to us, gods is simply in our heart, car we can all have the force of gods, we all have: love and peace. ...
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Annie Sisson Good for you! :)
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Anna Etemadi I fell off the Christian train in 1983, after reading Holy Blood, Holy Grail – way before the DaVinci Code was written. I got on the Anne Rice bandwagon only after seeing Queen of the Damned – not the best version of your books, but now I have all of them, thanks to that movie. I wasn't surprised you returned to religion after your husband died—many people do. And even if you haven't finished grieving (and do we ever?) your core ethics and beliefs have finally surfaced again. Welcome back.
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Constantin Giakoumakis If that makes you happy i am extremely happy for you .

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-  **Nate Partlow** AMEN! AND UNDERSTOOD!
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-  **Erica Jones** I applaud your choice to think for yourself and not be taken in by selfish and fallible human interpretations of the Lord's words. I feel that Jesus is not anti--anything as his main tenets are to honour your God above all others and love y...
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-  **Dennis W. Zerull** Love and compassion matters more than any political or egoic opinions.
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-  **Cello Boots** Well, hallelujah, amen and thank god! That's the best news I've heard all day. It was like sitting on pins and needles waiting to see if they were going to overturn Roe vs. Wade...whew...close one...
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-  **Elaine Luniuck Olson** Thank you
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-  **David Hubbard** Congratulations!!
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-  **Crystal Brooke Oehlerking** the organized hating should end.
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-  **Marie Clewley** That is amazing Anna Etemadi, I did the same thing, so true. I think this is more to do with what is subjectively in our hearts and ethics, especially the Golden Rule and ten commandments, the soul's living journey after death and agape/lov...
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-  **Shondolyn Gibson** Yeah, I rather like being pro-gay, pro-feminist, pro birth control, pro Democrat, pro secular humanism. And pro-science too. Those are good things, I think.
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-  **Hyla Glor** wow.
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-  **Tracey Ripley** Amen
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-  **Bob Shaw** Sad
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-  **Lynne Allen** Much respect to you. I have always believed in the Creator...but not in the christian way. Many, many believers in the church are some of the most vicious people I know and hear about. For me Jesus was a great teacher and we are all the children of God...PERIOD!
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-  **Marie Clewley** @Scott You do exactly that of which you accuse which is the very blinder-vision hypocrisy people are so fed up with continually perpetrated by the established Church which was created by usurping the throne of the Merovingians in Europe. Ag...
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-  **Bob Young** I posted this at JesusCreed.org, but wanted to include it here, too:

I can't blame her. What church was Jesus trying to get people to join? Or the apostles for that matter? Wasn't it rather an embracing of the kingdom of God and its values ...
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-  **Yusef Wateef** "I refuse to be anti-artificial birth control. I refuse to be anti-Democrat. I refuse to be anti-secular humanism. I refuse to be anti-science. I refuse to be anti-life."

-Anne Rice

As an Atheist / Secular Humanist I used almost the exact s...
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-  **Bambi Watson** Couldn't have said it better myself!
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-  **Trina L Dashiell** More Mayfair Witches, plz?



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Theresa Bridges East Amen Sister! I am a Unitarian Universalist and I am Pro-Christ but Anti-Christianity. Love this status update. :)

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Joseph Adkins Mrs. Rice, I understand your sentiments as a Graduate student in sociology I too struggle with my faith and connecting it to the greater social picture. I love christ, but hate the message of the some churches doctrine of intolerance and ul...

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Angela Chow Evans I don't know if this will actually get read amongst the slew of comments, but today, this really spoke to me as how I believe. It's been rather disheartening to think is there something "wrong" with me that these things I feel so strongly against, that go so much against love and what Jesus taught. I just had a hard time compromising the two. I applaud you and thank you for speaking up and saying this.

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Justine MacNeill Does this mean we get Lestat back?

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Anita Louise Cabrera 2 thumbs up!

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Sara Rachel Amen and congrats!

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Carlton Walter How can you "quit being a Christian" when you never were one? A wolf cannot quit being a sheep because it was never a sheep. Being a Christian is born-again, a new creation - Christian. Christ said He did not come to abolish the law but to...

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Melissa Rector-Starr Dear Ms. Rice, Maybe your choice of words, for such a wonderful writer is, at this point, not the best. I understand the point you are trying to get at. You do not believe in the rules that the HUMAN element of Christianity is imposing on its ...

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Shon D Cope good for you!

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Lee Bowen Muckenfuss But you did say as always you remains close to Christ.....you do not have to be affiliated with organized religion to be a Child of God. Religion is man made.....But Being a child of GOD is something that is an undeserved gift from our Lord and savior. When he died on the cross, he said.....IT IS FINISHED.....

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Morigán Darkmoon "Following Christ does not mean following His followers". I couldn't agree more. In my opinion, faith and religion are two different things : faith takes place in the heart and soul, whereas religion is just a means of gaining power... Than...

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Doug Fishback Individual conscience is the wellspring of all meaningful religion.

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Phil Brucato Yeah - THIS.

http://www.sinfest.net/archive_page.php?comicID=3615

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DeAnna Fuller AMEN ANNE!!!! You are now a member of the LOVE movement!!!

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James Garman Anne, the sentiments you express are right on. While there are SOME churches out there that do not teach the hatred you have seen exhibited, they are not the ones yelling the loudest or making the most noise so that "admitting" to being Ch...

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Calvin Lawson It's OK, Anne, Jesus wasn't a Christian either. And if he knew people were worshiping him as if he were God he'd be pretty darn pissed!

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Pamela Anthony I won't say that i'm happy you quit Christianity, I will say that I too saw all the bad things that it represents and wanted no further part of it. I had a recent conversation with some family members on this very topic, and I got responses like, "don't you want to be with us in Heaven". How do you respond to that? I usually just change the subject, works better that way. Myself, and I'm certain your many other fans will support you in whatever decision you make, that's what love is.

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James Stottman Could not agree more.

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Charlie Blackford Well put!! I couldnt have said it better myself!!!

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Francois-david Trublin Totalement d'accord !

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Frank Hrin You are finally free. You can still remain committed to Christ and not "belong" to any religion.

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Sandy Smith Anti Gay is not just Catholic made. I have a lot of friends who belong to diffrent churches who have horrible views of what Gay means to God. I agree with Anne when you say that you cant stand behind a group that expects you to be anti gay,anti science ect but we cant just blame the Catholic Church the Lutherians,Baptists,Anglicans ect are ALL just as guilty.This problem is not Catholic made alone it is a Christian problem.

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Red Bean I just think you are a beautiful person. You tried. True Humanity starts with yourself and your own beliefs, and there are others like yourself out there. You are not alone!

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Kittredge Cherry Believe it or not, you can be Christian AND support gay rights and feminism! I'm a lesbian minister and author who blogs about gay, lesbian, bi and trans spirituality and the arts at <http://www.jesusinlove.blogspot.com/>. There are thousan...

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Randall Stewart Amen Sister! As Bill Maher said: "If you belonged to a political party or a social club that was tied to as much bigotry, misogyny, homophobia, violence, and sheer ignorance as religion is, you'd resign in protest."

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Anthony Bernal Hmmm...I am a Christian and stand for all the things you say you do to. As much as I love and support you Anne, I think you need to look deeper into the Catholic Church as I think that is what you are against, not Christianity. I am not a Catholic and strongly oppose most of its teachings, maybe that is what you really mean? You don't have to be a Catholic to be a Christian, nor do you have to belong to any one particular denomination. Continue with your beliefs and faith in Christ and that is the best you can do.

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Surazeus Simon Seamount My world view encompasses all religions and I admire the visions each religious leader has added to the conversation about our understanding of the universe.

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Susan Plumley Folks get upset when you mess with the labels. God is love under all names and titles. You are a brave woman and very much admired and respected.

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Crystal Jean Nix AMEN to that! ♥

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Amanda Zeller I don't blame you. With the way the world is, it is Jesus Christ, not the the religion of Christianity, that saves souls.

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Charyl Russell Malanaphy Can I borrow this?

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Annova Moon Thanks for standing tall and being brave and speaking your truth!

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Colin Carroll MY SENTIMENTS EXACTLY.

This is why i prefer to identify as a "Christ-Follower".

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Rebecca Wamsley Van Nuys WOW!! I never thought I was anything but Pro Christ!! And in that way of thinking it makes me Pro Life, Pro Family, Pro Self Control and Pro Organized Faith!!! The way you make it sound anything goes. I don't read to think for myself in ...

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Dina Turner I have a question. Does leaving Christianity mean you are leaving the Church? Christ loves the Church. The Church is among those He died for. One cannot say they love Christ and not love His Church. Lets face it, as long as the Church is made up of imperfect people it will always have problems. Read 1 & 2 Corinthians. Their problems were no different, and leaving the Church was never an option. Of course, I don't know if this is what you are saying, so that's why I'm asking.

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Kendra Williams In my opinion there are fanatical false Christians, and there are true Christians. It's a fine line. Some of the most loving, kind people I know are gentle Christians who are secure in their relationship to their God and don't try and cram ...

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Théophile Conrardy Thank you for your courage

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Sandy Gompf You'd make a good Unitarian Universalist, Ms. Rice! :) All good wishes on your spiritual journey.

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Krystal Rains thank you! I to believe and trust in Christ, but do not wish to claim the title of 'christian', which should be spelled with lower case letter, as a testament to their low behavior and actions. Much love now and always

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Dianne Shook Brubaker I am SO glad you aren't giving up on Jesus. Being a follower of Christ isn't bound by the four walls of a church. It's about following His teachings and living according to the rule of God. Not the rule of the Church. The Church is where HUMANS get involved and screw up what God and Jesus so lovingly planned.

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Ellen Jane Sheridan For all the reasons you cite, I am an Episcopalian. "I refuse to be anti-gay. I refuse to be anti-feminist. I refuse to be anti-artificial birth control. I refuse to be anti-Democrat. I refuse to be anti-secular humanism. I refuse to be anti-science. I refuse to be anti-life. "

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Heather L. Harrison Anne, labels are not important. You know what you believe in your heart. I agree with you completely God Bless you Ann for following Christ with out hypocrisy. Your faith will keep you strong.

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Matthew Hawkins Anne, pray for the church, it needs it. "Christians" are one thing, but followers of Christ are totally different, and I believe you are distinguishing yourself as a follower of Christ. In your refusals, you describe the reality of perverte...

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Chloe Faust Does this mean Lestat will come back to us? We really need him.

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Sarah Cleary ♥

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David D. Jones YES LORD. JESUS WAS NOT A CHRISTIAN!!!!!!! By George, I think you've got it Ms. Rice!!! =)))

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Marie Clewley Who are these people or sheeple calling you this or that, not one of them ever knew this Jesus or read anything in a book that he wrote. The historical teacher that had his identity stolen from the Patrona of Rome for their purposes was a r...

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Janet Walsh Rotz Glad you still have faith in Christ.

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Edy Waiter I knew that a smart woman like you would come to her senses and give up all of the evil done in the name of kindness. Such crap. I respect you again Anne. I was so worried for you when you became Catholic. Been there done that. I also

used to be Mormon. All we need really is our good sense, good hearts and a really good sense of humor. Life just is.
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Connie Works You don't have to stop being a Christian. Being a christen is an inner spiritual state that follows the teachings of Jesus and God. I stopped believing in formal religion years ago but never stopped being a Christian. Formal religious is...

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Lisa Elliott-Payne Those who follow the crowd usually end up lost in it. Good for you, one of the few who knows what it means to be truly'Christ-like'.

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Curt Norrod Dear Lord, protect me from your followers. Amen

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Marnie Schwartz-Hanley amen!

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Marie Clewley @BM: What does this have to do with Anne making a stand on the goodness of Christ in his way and merciful love, refusing to be a mean person that condemns other human beings??? Who is judging or teaching or speaking to who about this Melchizedek in Heb 6:6-9?, and why are you intimidating others with this obey or we will punish you by withholding your salvation crap here? Who is saving who? Why? is someone already guilty? How does this relate?

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Mark Wheeler Amen.

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Rick-Maddie Gonzalez I was wondering with all respect, if you were quitting your faith in Christ or organized religion? A great quote "Religion is a man in church thinking about fishing, Spirituality is a man fishing thinking about GOD"(We are spirit beings ha...

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Natasha Jz Both of you are right. It is good to remember that Christ is a Part of Christian.

At my church everyone drones out the same old frases at Mass. However, I don't take this as ALL Christians are bad or whatever everyone is stereo typing.

I hav...

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Bee Ross HELL YEAH!!

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Marie Clewley Tabula Raza, Blank Slate; using your scripture as an oracle...I like the appeal to the goodness and this is much closer to the true spirit of the Christ we are taught about in Sunday school, but let us remember it was first the Egyptian Maa...

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Guillaume Higgins this is the most sensible break up i ever read . i especially like the anti-life part,how can they honor god and creation by being so lifeless,funless.it seems to me i saw too many good christians smile because they HAVE to be good,but waht about true happiness,the greatest ode to life . you can be thankful and respectful without having to look pre -embalmed about it.

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Tom Webb We as Christians should not hate anyone for any reason, we accept people how ever they are, we may not believe in their lifestyle but we accept them, it is Jesus' wish that we do so.

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Marie Clewley So true Guillaume, well spoken! ;D

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WonderBoy Al well spoken Lady, you live up to your belief without bowing down to principles of intolerance, that's what I call true faith.

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Jennifer Williams-Wager Good for you Anne!

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Gonsalves Curtis You are my hero, Miss Rice.

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-  **Nicole Pelkey** Amen
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-  **Stephanie Hubbard** Love You Anne – I waited patiently for you to see the division caused by the zealots.... Welcome to gnosis!
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-  **Virginia Rubio** Thank God!!! Thank you Anne!!!
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-  **Larry Torre** good, I did'nt care for those last few religious themed books.
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-  **Heather Cruikshank** That didn't take long!
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-  **Dave Hartung** The word "Christian" means "Christ-like". Does this mean you are giving up on being like Christ? Is it even possible to love Christ yet not want to be "Christ-like"? Jesus said: "If you love me keep my commandments." He also said: "Whoever ...
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-  **Susan Carr** OMG! :p
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-  **Rafael Maurin** So, Anne, you become Christian Refusenik...Thats good :)
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-  **Lancaster Cali** A Discussion Board devoted to your courageous words and the Love beneath them!

Your strength encourages us all! Anne we put up a Thread on our Local News Page will you grace us with a comment in support of our outreach efforts on this issue...
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-  **Shari Ligorio** This is amazing. Thank you Anne to be such an amazing person, world needs people like that. We love you!!!
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-  **Marcie Collins** Im a bit confused on the "quit being a Christian" I think you are still a Christian...you believe in Christ and youve been baptised, I think you have just quit being Catholic or like me not really following any organized religion. It is not mans place to condemn others to hell. How can you show others the love of God when you are always busy telling them what is wrong with them. Follow your heart Ann, keep faith in Christ and not some building and people telling you the way you must act to get to heaven.
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-  **Charles Fogarty** Amen.
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-  **Adam Wolfe** amen
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-  **Dave Kelley** Understood. But darned if all those Christians who take stands non-central to Jesus aren't related to me in Christ anyway. In fact, when I look in the mirror, I see one of them.
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-  **Dave Kelley** Oops. I should have said "some", "many" or "most", but not "all".
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-  **Adrian Tallent** Mrs. Rice. A word, if I may? I agree whole heartedly with your sentiments, but you can't let the negativity and corruption of the church distract you from the core of Christianity. Personally I've always believed that the path to God was mo...
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-  **Adrian Tallent** And by the way. Ever since I read Memnotch, I've felt you've been truly inspired. I think that, whatever you decide to do...vampires or no, church or no...as long as you truly believe, God's got your back.
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-  **Kimber Becker** You just be you and we will love you for it
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-  **Angel Portland** If you refuse to take the stance being asked of you, you were never "in" to begin with. I applaud you.

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-  July 31 at 7:24pm · [Like](#) · [Flag](#)
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-  **Lynda Zanfagna Wallace** I wholeheartedly agree.
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-  **Lynda Zanfagna Wallace** Also, very surprised that you ever went that way. I saw you on the 700 club and I was practically mortified. Their rhetoric is dangerous.
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-  **Janice Meyer** I don't think I will ever give up my Christianity because I believe that we were all put here to become more like "the Christ"....this has nothing to do with religion or dogma. It is the spiritual aspect that connects Christians. Churches ...
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-  **Ashley Trujillo** Good for you!
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-  **Steven Wade Parker** Any of you ever think maybe Christ is reaching out to all of us here and now and using the voice of his faithful daughter Anne Rice to reason with us? Perhaps He wants us to work through this together so those among us who have fallen will ...
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-  **Renee Taylor Leachman** not a sinlge one of the things you refuse to "be" are required to be Christian.
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-  **Maria Lopez** Anne, i like you, have done the same as you and for the very same reasons. I still have faith in Christ but refuse to be considered a sinner by Religion and the followers for what I strongly believe in and how I live my life. I do good things, i love happiness, I pray and when i die, the real judge will decide how i did. :-)
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-  **Jessica Anne Shelby** Good for you, Honey. You follow your heart!
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-  **Marie Clewley** Just wanted to quickly mention that the person (initials BM) who put in the post with Hebrews reference removed herself after my rebuttal and questions incase you cannot make sense of my reply to her comments which were using that passage I...
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-  **Charles Janus Monroe** Thank You so much !!!
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-  **Mike Bailey** It's ironic -- and sad -- that Christianity has become the antithesis of what Jesus envisioned: institutional religion divides and alienates people, rather than bringing them together to recognize our true interconnectedness. Jesus never in...
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-  **Michelle Rose Rickenbaker**
There are a lot of us Followers of Christ who have been fed up with organized religion and churches for decades. The churches have been corrupt from inception and have only gotten more money hungry and power hungry over time.

Most churches ...
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-  **Michael Robinson** I have to say that this really made me respect you more Anne.
Religion will never disappear completely judging by the endless number of once believed but now obsolete, utterly man made fairy tales, a few of which still persisting today. As I...
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-  **Zach Rigole** amen.
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-  **Mark Williams** The early church had many women leaders! I believe Magdalene was one of the primary teachers of the early Christian movement! God loves all people.
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-  **Cathy Pridgen Cross** Christ wasn't anti--anything, with the exception of anti--evil. It's the rest of the "translators" that have it screwed up.
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Jim Davis In the name of Christ, only saves ones eternal soul, in the name of Christ only gives hope to dieing sick and needy. in the name of Christ is the faith in our fellow men and women. wasn't it Christ that said - physicians Heal yourselves? - he also told us to go without sin- so ... I will understand Christianity - and give instruction from the Bible to those who hate and refuse to help - so be it.

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Nanda Soares Bravo, Anne. To believe in God is to be human and have compassion. Christ isn't responsible for all the misinterpretation of the Bible, for the Wars, for the prejudices and so on and on. Not accepting that is part of believing in God. I respect and admire you even more for your decision.

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Wilber Chavez Amen!

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Guillaume Geraldès c'est une belle décision qui a du sens, qui se préoccupe des êtres plutôt que des entités de croyance et de religion. Une force nous surveille et nous anime mais la seule vérité reste notre vie! Autant que notre mort!

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Pete Bulanow It is because of Ann's faithfulness to Christ that she is quitting Christianity. I get this. I love this. Wake-up call to all of us.

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Paul Ford Right on girl!!! :)

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Peter William Lount You GO GIRL! ;:)]

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David Tarradas Agea The right decision !!!

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Kathy Mcdonald i also agree !

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Skate Free I'm sure your publicist is very pleased.... Your book signing tour bookings will no doubt be financially enhanced by your recent renouncement.

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Florence Weibel It's very good! I am with you!

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Christine Carlson Whittington I am with you.

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George Rice Jesus si! Church no!

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Roger Scott Montano "If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated Me first. If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you. Remember the words I spoke to you: 'No servant is greater than his Master.' If they persecuted Me, they will persecute you also... They will treat you this way because of My name, for they do not know the One who sent me." --- Jesus Christ, John 15:18, NIV

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Roger Scott Montano "Since God chose you to be the holy people He loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience." --- Colossians 3:12, NLT

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Zeke EqualRights Fread Dear Ann, I Admired You As An Author. I Admire You Even More For Standing For Your Beliefs To Refuse To Associate With A Religion That Would Preach Against God's True Words And Teachings. That Being, God Loves All His Children Equally and The Free Will He Blessed Us With, God Bless You Ann.

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Ramee Pullin I made this very decision about 3 yrs ago, when something struck me as odd while my youth pastor was explaining something to me. anyway, to make a story short, follow ur heart, it never leads u wrong.

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Krist Wilovich that's just beautiful.

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Roger Scott Montano "O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times? A wicked

 and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas." --- Jesus Christ, Matthew 16:3b-4
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 **Naruto-kun Uzumaki** shame on you Anne i'm a devout christian and proud of it and i'm not ant gay but i don't support gay marriage that's not what Jesus would want unless he's a hypocrite, i'm not anti feminist i think woman should have more freedom in cou...
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 **Neal Phillips** It takes an ocean of courage to have shared those words. I'm a minister who struggles with those very issue...how the body of Christ is & acts vs. how Christ IS.

I am going to look at more of the articles that have come out and listen to so...
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 **Eddy Maxwell** I feel the same way, except I remain a Christian. Peace, Anne. :)
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 **Michelle Brunton Kerr** I have been a fan of Anne Rice for 24 years. But never have I been as proud to say so as after reading this brave and liberating post. I am deeply moved. Thank you.
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 **Carmela Amoroso** you have given me strength again... your words and wisdom are always a beacon of light. Your struggle has been my struggle and I find we have come to the same conclusion and that gives me the power I need to take another step; confused or n...
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 **Ted W. Bendixson** It takes courage to do what you just did. I wish more people were this honest.
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 **Chris Rogers** We love you Anne... You tell it like it is... I'm behind you girl...
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 **Darvin Dowdy** HEY ANNE: your problem is that you didn't study. you did not sit before a real prepared theologian who teaches from the original Greek / Hebrew transcripts. One who teaches isagogically, categorically and exegetically. One who understand...
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 **Ruth Taylor** Anne, I had the privilege of meeting you in the late 90's at a book signing in Houston. Your writing style was a great influence and inspiration for me. I am currently authoring my own first fictional novel. I'm sorry to hear your sentiments about Christianity. Just know that, although you are rejecting this wonderful grace gift God gave us, you will always be saved. Salvation is never taken away, and when God calls you home, the Lord will welcome you. I hope you will discover the truth and change your mind once you find it.
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 **Elizabeth Sands** You sound like a Unitarian Universalist. That is a path you should consider.
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 **Bob Shier** In reply to your statement Ms. Rice I say, "Amen sister, amen!"
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 **Gabriel Bonilla** ¡Anne Rice... You're the best! I love you!
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 **Jolene Hill** I can see why you find yourself to be an "outsider" in the Christian community. I feel the same way at times. I just want to share w/you that I feel I can "better" be a Christian as a so called "liberal". I can love better w/o the judgement...
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 **Brian Haines** Given that you are obviously still "Christian" - as in a believer and follower of Jesus Christ - I find your statement confusing, but I applaud you for making it. I pray that Christians reading it will begin to ask God in prayer what values...
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 **Dana Cormaney** Organized religion thrives on control by fear. Fear nothing, for you are the light....

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Jacki Joy Ponsart Hooray Anne---You are back to being a spiritual person without the stupid human rules-- my mum is a good catholic, she taught mee how to see where the Higher Powers spoke and when "a human" decided make their own rules. Yaaaaa, May you enjoy your own way to God/Jesus/Godess--May we all! You Have Made My day---Blese Be!
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Antonio Matta It is not you who should leave The Church, dear Anne, but all those anti-evangelical people who have turned The Church of Christ into a reign of lies, hypocrisy, and authoritarianism.
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Junior Jimenez I Love U,I Love U I Love U... I walked away first from the church, then from your books when u decided to write about Jesus... I believed you saw that as a "calling". I was raised Catholic and for many, many years shared the same view that today you share... I don't wanna be part of the "chosen ones", the ones that think they have the "holy" rights to do so much harm and damage... I rather be part of the outcasted... interesting enough that was another teaching from Jesus! Stay Strong!!!!
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Diane Sargent Joswick You are amazing, Anne Rice! I wish I knew you. I wish that I had your way with words. In the name of Christ, I join you. Amen.
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Jason Smathers from: <http://blog.witnessesuntome.com/2010/08/ann-rice-left-catholicism-not.html>
Ann Rice left Catholicism, not Christianity
"Ann Rice claims to remain committed to Christ, however, the teachings of Christ are the very reason she left Catholi...
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Bryan Keith Davis Jr. I agree with your feelings b/c organized religions of Christianity are fraud. But your personal faith should be unique spiritual and seperate from the church crowd. These Christians can be racist and sexist.
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Judi Luna I fully support you. You publicly said what I have believed for many years. Thank You.
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Martin Abraham you're amazing... ALWAYS!!!!!!!!!!!!
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Patricia Williams I am heartened. Hope is restored when I read all the messages here, there are so many who do not have the well being of humanity at heart, and a great many are foaming at the mouth to bring the world and the nation under a theocracy.. Usin...
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Kathleen D Stutler-Kouki hmm I am not sure what to say - it's about time... glad to have you back... whatever the case, your post intrigued me to dig up info again.
After you stopped writing the vampire novels I stopped reading, literally, I haven't read a book sinc...
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Hippie Threads be true to your heart and err on the side of love
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Teresa Sanson I am so glad you see the light...now go back to writing that awesome fiction I came to love you for!
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Ashley Thorpe Dislike. I am Catholic and only one of those things applies to my faith.
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