

God and the New Atheism: A Critical Response to Dawkins, Harris, and Hitchens Dr John F Haught 2008 9780664234713 Westminster John Knox Press, 2008

Best-selling books by Richard Dawkins, Sam Harris, and Christopher Hitchens have drawn an extraordinary amount of attention. Many readers, including some academics, have found these books not only interesting but also, in some cases, convincing. Dawkins's *The God Delusion* says extremely well, though not always accurately, what some scientists and philosophers have already been thinking. These shared assumptions, the intellectual foundation of the new atheism, require a response if we are to get to its roots. In a previous book, *Is Nature Enough?* (Deltete 2010 John FH, title={John F. Haught, "God and the New Atheism: A Critical Response to Dawkins, Harris, and Hitchens." Reviewed by}, author={R. Deltete}, journal={Philosophy in review}, year={2010}, volume={30}, pages={404-407} }. R. Deltete. A critical exploration of the position that God is necessary for meaning in life for mainly undergraduate and postgraduate readers, with some defence of the view that He is not. Read more. Article. Against Atheism: Why Dawkins, Hitchens, and Harris Are Fundamentally Wrong " By Ian S. Markham; God November 2010 - Conversations in Religion and Theology. Borden Painter. Read more. Article. Moral Error Theory and the Problem of Evil. September 2009 - European Journal for Philosophy of Religion. Chris Daly. In *God and the New Atheism*, a world expert on science and theology gives clear, concise, and compelling answers to the charges against religion laid out in recent best-selling books by Richard Dawkins (*The God Delusion*), Sam Harris (*The End of Faith*), and Christopher Hitchens (*God Is Not Great*). For some, these "new atheists" appear to say extremely well what they believe to be wrong with religion. And does religion really poison everything? *God and the New Atheism* offers a much-needed antidote to the extremist claims of scientific fundamentalism. This provocative and accessible little book will enable readers to see through the rhetorical fog of this recent phenomenon and come to a clearer understanding of the issues at stake in this crucial debate. Dawkins, Hitchens and Harris are by contrast gutless soft-core lightweights because they aren't revolutionary or miserable. Haught doesn't really like either end of this scale of cheerfulness, and so they must all be wrong. It's a familiar line of theist reasoning to argue that things you don't like the sound of cannot therefore be true. I had recently finished Dawkins' *The God Delusion* and Hitchens' *God is Not Great: How Religion Poisons Everything* and came across this book in my library. I was excited to see what If you are looking for a decisive, critical, and convincing response to atheism (particularly the atheism advocated by Richard Dawkins, Sam Harris, and Christopher Hitchens), then this is NOT the book to read.