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Lakeside Freethinkers

Those present Chad, Tom, Henry, Steven, Si Seifried, Jack, Margritte

Date January 20, 2016 4:05pm–6:00pm

1.1 President's Remarks

Chad read and discussed several documents, namely

1. What is Atheism by American Atheists
2. Eight Myths about Atheists
3. 10 Questions About Hell From an Atheist by Herb Silverman

<http://www.nadineloveshenry.com/chapala/ft/docs/americanAtheists.pdf>

<http://www.nadineloveshenry.com/chapala/ft/docs/mythsAboutAtheists.pdf>

<http://www.nadineloveshenry.com/chapala/ft/docs/10QuestionsAboutHell.pdf>

Several books were recommended:

1. Nailed by David Fitzgerald
2. Beyond Belief and The History of God by Elaine Pageles
3. Did Jesus Exist? by Bart Ehrman

Chad said that many “journalists” who were contemporaries of Jesus never mentioned him in their writings, casting doubt on his existence.

Stephen said that Christianity is lethal to spirituality, since spirituality is connectedness to your world and Christianity emphasizes your connectedness to the “next world.” Christianity is all about submission.

Read the bible as a political document, not a religious document.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00pm.