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The God Delusion: Is Dawkins right?

Saturday 24 - Sunday 25 April 2010

A weekend school to be held at Rewley House, 1 Wellington Square, Oxford



Richard Dawkins's book *The God Delusion* has been a runaway best seller. It has stimulated global debate – not always very charitable – about whether Dawkins is right to say that it is probably the case that God does not exist. During this weekend philosophers Marianne Talbot and Stephen Law will discuss the debate from a philosophical point of view. What are Dawkins's arguments? Are they good arguments? Are they conclusive arguments? Where does the debate about God's existence stand now? There will be plenty of opportunity for audience participation.

SUGGESTED READING

Dawkins, R., *The God Delusion* (Black Swan, 2006)

Collins, F., *The Language of God: A Scientist presents evidence for Belief* (Pocket Books, 2007)

McGrath, A., *Dawkins' God: Genes, Memes and The Meaning of Life* (Blackwell 2005)

Ward, K., *Why There Almost Certainly is a God: Doubting Dawkins* (Lion Books 2008)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_God_Delusion

<http://stephenlaw.blogspot.com/>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DMqTEfeqvMM>

<http://tall.conted.ox.ac.uk/testarea/goddelusion.mp3>

Accommodation in Rewley House is in modern, comfortably furnished rooms, all with tea/coffee making facilities, TV, telephone and private bath or shower rooms.

PROGRAMME

SATURDAY 24 APRIL 2010

- 2.45pm Registration
- 3.00pm **A scientific hypothesis?**
MARIANNE TALBOT
- 4.30pm Tea / coffee
- 5.00pm **The strengths and weaknesses of 'The God Delusion'**
STEPHEN LAW
- 6.30pm Bar open
- 7.00pm Dinner
- 8.15pm – 9.30pm **Has Dawkins shown that God is redundant?**
MARIANNE TALBOT

SUNDAY 25 APRIL 2010

- 8.15am Breakfast (residents only)
- 9.30am **Attacking the God hypothesis in other ways**
STEPHEN LAW
- 10.45am Coffee / tea
- 11.15am **Questions and answers**
- 12.30pm Lunch
- 2.00pm Course disperses

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