

Paul Kurtz

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Only a fool of a scientist would dismiss the evidence and reports in front of him and substitute his own beliefs in their place.

~Paul Kurtz

Humanists hold that ethical values are relative to human experience and need not be derived from theological or metaphysical foundations.

~Paul Kurtz

Secular humanism is avowedly non-religious. It is a eupraxsophy (good practical wisdom), which draws its basic principles and ethical values from science, ethics, and philosophy.

~Paul Kurtz

No diety will save us; we must save ourselves.

~Paul Kurtz

A skeptic is one who is willing to question any truth claim, asking for clarity in definition, consistency in logic, and adequacy of evidence.

~Paul Kurtz

Parents have no right to impose their religion on their children... A Fundamentalist Protestant parent has no right to expect the state to support his own narrow conception of education.

~Paul Kurtz

Life, when fully lived under a variety of cultural conditions, can be euphoric and optimistic; it can be a joy to experience and a wonder to behold.

~Paul Kurtz

The skeptic has no illusions about life, nor a vain belief in the promise of immortality. Since this life here and now is all we can know, our most reasonable option is to live it fully.

~Paul Kurtz

Three key humanist virtues are courage, cognition, and caring - not dependence, ignorance, or insensitivity to the needs of others.

~Paul Kurtz

Secular humanism proposes ... the complete implementation of the agenda of modernism ... what is necessary for it to occur is a ... New Enlightenment.

~Paul Kurtz

We cannot remain silent when someone of the Pope's stature and credibility confuses religious principles for science

~Paul Kurtz

No one is infallible, and no one can claim a monopoly on truth or virtue. It would be contradictory for skepticism to seek to translate itself into a new faith.

~Paul Kurtz

Most humans feel the transcendent temptation, the emotional drive to festoon the universe with large-scale meaning.

~Paul Kurtz

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