



# DUPED?

QUESTIONING THE LOGIC  
OF POP SPIRITUALITY



## Part 1: Why Start With Jesus?

Humans need help not merely in dealing with their past wrongdoing but in living good lives in the present. We need more information about how it is good to live, and we need help to live in that way. It would be a lot easier to understand how to live a perfectly good life if we have an example of someone doing this.

~ Richard Swinburn  
*Oxford Philosophy Professor*

Homo sapiens have had spiritual beliefs since the dawn of our species. Spirituality is one of our basic human inheritances. It is, in fact, an instinct.

~ Dean Hamer, *The God Gene*

Let me tell you why you are here. It's because you know something. What you know you can't explain but you feel it. You've felt it your entire life.

~ Morpheus to Neo in *The Matrix*

I have only one philosophy. I want to seek the company of those who are seeking the truth. But I want to run away from those who have found it.

~ Deepak Chopra, *ABC Nightline*

I was asked on a radio interview what my mission is, and I immediately blurted out, "God realization." God realization is the place where in your heart you take your thoughts and ask yourself, "Are they in harmony with the source I originated from?"

~ Dr. Wayne Dyer, [www.drwaynedyer.com](http://www.drwaynedyer.com)

We have a culture where we spend what we haven't earned to buy things we don't need to impress people we don't like, and now the situation is such that we are being drawn to find the real meaning in our lives. When we shift from consumption to relationship, then we will be doing what Jesus would do.

~ Deepak Chopra, *Time Magazine*

My mind is part of God's, I am very holy, my holiness is my salvation and my salvation comes from me.

~ A Course In Miracles  
*(Workbook, Lesson 70)*

Those who have knowledge of God are God.

~ Deepak Chopra, *Time Magazine*

If you contemplate the Golden Rule, it turns out to be an injunction to live by grace rather than by what you think other people deserve.

~ Deepak Chopra, *The Third Jesus*

Christ is your essence or "the self", as it is sometimes called in the East.

~ Eckhart Tolle, *A New Earth*

Christ refers to your indwelling divinity, regardless of whether you are conscious of it or not.

~ Eckhart Tolle, *A New Earth*

Our old history ends with the cross; our new history begins with the resurrection.

~ Watchman Nee

**I am the resurrection and the life.**

~ Jesus