Pope Francis says Satan is a very smart person you should not argue with

'This is evil, it is not a diffuse concept, it's a person'

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The Devil is an actual person rather than a concept, Pope Francis has claimed.

Satan is smart and should not be argued with, the Pontiff told TV2000, a Catholic broadcasting network.

"This is evil, it is not a diffuse concept, it's a person," he said.
"Satan is smart, he tells us that when we kick him out he will go, but then after a while, when you are distracted after a few years, he comes back, with seven companions worse than him.

"He is very polite, knocks at the door, rings the bell, comes in politely, and in the end he comes in with his friends."

He added: "It's important to be smart, to spot, and to have the ability to discern Satan's lics.

"With Satan you can't argue."

The Pope recently called for a change to the wording of the Lord's Prayer, arguing it is Satan and not God who leads humans to sin.

The prayer, also known as "Our Father," asks God to "lead us not into temptation," but Pope Francis said: "It is also true, we have a Satan who leads us into temptation."
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He added: "I am the one who falls. It's not him pushing me into temptation to then see how I have fallen. A father doesn't do that, a father helps you to get up immediately.

"It's Satan who leads us into temptation, that's his department." ●

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DavidsArmy2
2 months ago
The man of Perdition revealed.. Now to all those who doubt me, Go nurse on your baby bottle your wife feeds you while I eat meat with the King.. it's not for you to know my name yet, but it is right for you to know that I am who I am and i will not compromise with this darkness in any way nor will i yoke with unbelievers..

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Flemming H
6 months ago
Go stellar! :) Enough of the metaphors. Become a natural scientist in our own life - and discover the reality. Stop being a philosopher! Res Un Sunt!Stop having fantasies and get to know where you are. Wake up :)Eventually you guys will. Anyway things grow slowly in reality, so there you grow ... infinitely. Leaves a lot of space for stepwise corrections. Only one way to really know. No thoughts. Just practice. Meet up - and stop speculating. We already met up. Daddy is a patient ... infinity I guess ... you might get a lot of breaths before you go (unless radically traumatized?)My cat seemed to know when he was going. Spend some time with the dying even animals and experience some infinity heads up in the gateway as you may already adjust to it.Cheer up. Take the clues. It is appalling to see when somebody does not have a clue. Lack of experience. A pitch you were never on - yet but destined for. No thoughts here really. Just happened to get lucky when I opened the door - and sucked onto the pitch. Who is there? In any case you learn the truth and can redirect.Drop out of your cocoon, drop some TV hours (hypno box) and go look at the real thing instead of having fantasies about it. Knock. Knock. Open the door. Try out some prayer ... another word for that living in that community.Daddy is God of course. Satan is not behaving as a brother - but guess God loves all
his kids - so no really got exterminated. But neither is I - I may be evil as well. Trying to convert - taken a short life time. Good luck! Best of all from brother F. Be nice to your "family"! The other side is kind of the other side of things - the inverse concepts of worldly adoration here in many ways. Anyway, a comfort for you guys is … you’re not in control! That is the basic deception. The ego is the basic evil. Live the inverse - and life becomes good and resourceful. An energizer bunny driven by the sun - rather than batteries. Go stellar! :) Enough of the metaphors. Become a natural scientist in our own life - and discover the reality. Stop being a philosopher! Res !In Sunt!

jaakari
Talk about fruit loops

Mikeonbike
Jesus was an end of time preacher telling his followers to leave family behind and give no thought for tomorrow. The RC church are sensible enough not to follow that or they would be held in derision.

Shshuk
I agree with the Pope.

amanda1666
He is not right in the head is he??

Edden
Amanda is not a psychiatrist, is she?

vzc1943
Pope might have been a bit cynical in saying that Satan is real and not just a concept. What he probably meant is one should avoid evil Satan by all means lest be harmed unnecessarily. Well, a good advice nonetheless.

Mikeonbike
Why not say just avoid evil. Satan is a myth from biblical times.

Tolpuddle
Myths are often true - King Arthur, for instance, was a real British king.

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tonyrey
God is the Creator, not the Doctor.
God is the Creator not the Destroyer...

_FearOfSoap_ 6 months ago
Is he? What was that whole flood thing about then?

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_Tolpuddle_ 6 months ago
Well, God could - but He's also a libertarian who permits His creatures to be Free - and thus, in some cases, evil.

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_Mr Quilp_ 6 months ago
"Satan is smart, he tells us that when we kick him out he will go, but then after a while, when you are distracted after a few years, he comes back, with seven companions worse than him". So the moral of the story is, don't throw Satan out, better off living with him. Strange advice for the Pope!

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_tonyrey_ 6 months ago
Misinterpretation! The moral is to be always on your guard against temptation. Pride has been the downfall of many - especially those who have power and wealth...

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_tonyrey_ 6 months ago
The deluded fools are the ones who worship the blind goddess - Chance - who is supposed to have created rational beings with the power of self-control and unselfish love.

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_Edden_ 6 months ago
tony.......All flyingtecapot is, is a name caller, nothing else. He thinks that by opening his mouth means what he says is true or untrue. He has never attempted to prove anything in his blogging life.

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_Edden_ 6 months ago
Flyingtecapot......Still making unsubstantiated claims? Please prove your claims about the Christian faith? Demonstrate to us how silly it is? Of course you cannot do that because that would take an educated mind. But you will probably pretend that you have not read this won't you? But it gives me some pleasure addressing your petty replies and demonstrating what an uneducated Dumbo you are. And I will continue to do this and you do not like it!

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Please provide a shred of evidence for the existence of your god; for the existence of miracles; for the efficacy of prayer; for any of the supernatural events portrayed in the bible.
Edden
6 months ago
Fear of soap...... Please believe the evidence for God and no denial please! The evidence for God for thousands of years has been His very own words in Holy Scripture. And please note fear of soap that it is not for you to decide what is evidence and what is not evidence. It is for you to believe the evidence OK. Now are you a believer of an unbeliever? Or will you chicken off?

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Dub. ......believe the evidence and stop spouting denial. It is not for you to define evidence ok.

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Philip Henderson
6 months ago
what a load of nonsense.....

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6 months ago
Is a fictional entity more intelligent than a person that believes in him?
Tricky.

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Tonyrey
6 months ago
It's far trickier to believe intelligence is derived from mindless molecules...

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FearOfSoap
6 months ago
I don't think so. After all, at least molecules/atoms/electrons can be shown to exist.

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Tolpuddle
6 months ago
God can be shown to exist - the universe exists and only God could have created it. As for Noah's Flood - that was God showing Tough Love to an increasingly evil human race; Love, since humanity still exists.

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David Clark
6 months ago
Evidence ?

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Andipat
6 months ago
How about you having a word in the ear of your "BOSS" Frank..... Tell him to stop sending out the wrong message your Pedophile Clergy! TO STOP LEADING THEM IN TO "TEMPTATION" WHEN THEY'RE AROUND KID'S!
Are paedophiles confined to the clergy?

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Tonyrey

Naked apes are incapable of doing wrong because they are only doing what comes naturally - like raping females and killing rivals. After all, self-control is an infantile illusion and evolution has proved we exist by chance for no reason or purpose whatsoever and evil is a human invention!

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David Clark

Our father, who fart in heaven, Harold be thy name!

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Tolpuddle

Why blaspheme your Creator, but for whom you wouldn't exist?

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Leesheep

Mad as a box of frogs on acid

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50men5

"Person"? I thought the bible painted Satan as a fallen angel or is that just when it suits Christians? he's a person today apparently.

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Joy

Satan is a fallen angel, a created being, not a person! The pope is the false prophet spoken of in Revelation!

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FearOfSoap

Thank you for clearing that up.

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Mikeonbike

So God created Satan knowing he would fall into sin? which would mean God is less than competent.

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Baby Love

Oh dear. Does this man get paid for what he says?

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Unicorno

You really couldn't make this stuff up...oh wait

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Looseen
Leesleep
Why should we respect unjustified beliefs? We should respect people's right to free thought, they can believe what they like, but we shouldn't automatically respect the beliefs themselves, particularly when they don't have a good reason to believe them to be true.

Tolpuddle
6 months ago
Why should we respect Atheist beliefs then? After all, they're very absurd. E.g. believing in a self-assembled IKEA universe.

Tiffany
6 months ago
No he doesn't. A good man trying to make the world a better place for all of us, not just his lot. Well said NorthernRocker.

tonyre
6 months ago
Indeed. Atheist regimes have committed countless atrocities and are still doing so at this very moment...

tonyre
6 months ago
Those who disagree are obviously unaware of what is happening to dissidents at this very moment in China. Marxist regimes are notorious for their intolerance and persecution of minorities.

FearOfSoap
6 months ago
"He has consistently spoken out against injustice and the excesses of capitalism" Umm. Though there is that whole protecting paedophiles thing, money laundering for organised crime, protecting priests that committed genocide in Rwanda, destroying the lives of countless women in many nations by opposing contraception. Oh, and living in a palace while preaching against the rich...

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Tolpuddle
6 months ago
God has revealed His wishes to us via the Bible and the Church. So yes - we can understand the supernatural.