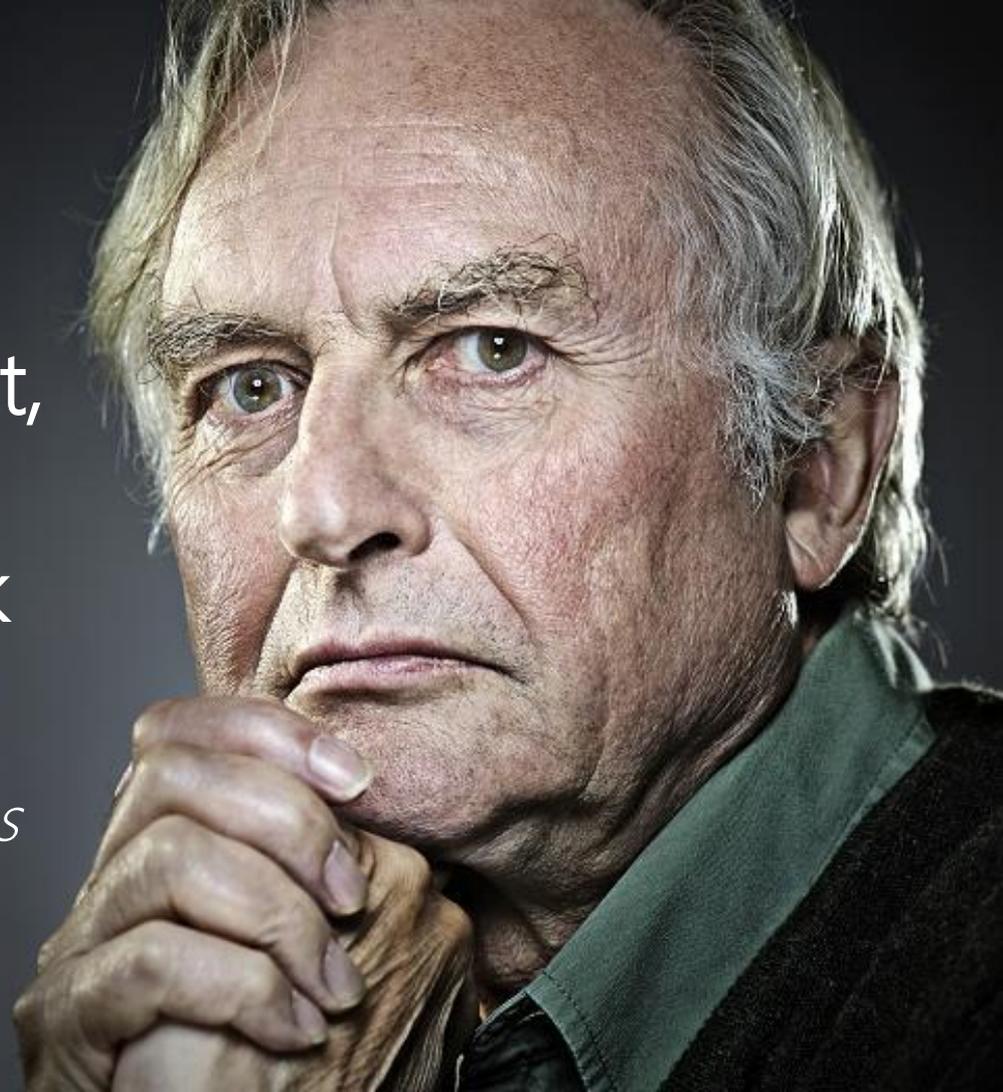


BE CHURCH
...and you will be My witnesses...

Faith is the great cop-out,
the great excuse to
evade the need to think
and evaluate evidence.

- Richard Dawkins



FAITH

REASON



FAITH and REASON



REASONING WITH
Thessalonica

Using the mind

Explanation and proof was needed

The OT points to Jesus

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FAITH and REASON



**REASONING WITH
Berea**

Using the heart

Receive every thing in the World With Joy

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and to do it and to teach his statutes. - *Ezra 7:10*

STUDY it

“Like newborn infants, crave the pure spiritual milk,
that by it you may grow up into salvation”

1 Peter 2:2

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DO it

“be doers of the word, and not hearers only”

James 1:22

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TEACH it

“by this time you ought to be teachers...”

Hebrews 5:12

FAITH and REASON



**REASONING WITH
Athens**

Using the culture

Knows and understands the culture of Athens and its religion



CHURCH

