

When you love freedom you give freedom

forum, freedom, free-speech

ecxod #1 August 30, 2021, 9:06am

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When You Love Freedom You Give Freedom Pt. 2

TheLastProject #2 August 15, 2021, 1:49pm

Actually, it was auto-hidden based on community reports.

I was one of the people who flagged it as inappropriate.

Here's why:

1. Completely irrelevant: you didn't try to help the person, just berate them for their choices.
2. Complete nonsense: "The land of sunrise" (you surely meant "The Land of the Rising Sun") is Japan, not China.
3. Your (non fact-based) opinion on COVID was irrelevant to someone wanting to get into F-Droid.

You can have your (honestly, stupid) opinion. Just don't be an asshole about it and spam it onto completely irrelevant support requests.

6 Likes

relan #3 August 15, 2021, 1:58pm

ecxod:

And when I see what was censored, it is obvious by whom the store is infiltrated here.

By whom? Please name, I'm curious 😊

1 Like

ecxod #4 August 26, 2021, 11:25am

Today the society is completely devided. Even the basic rights are disputed. Freedom is not displayable. Freedom is binary. This is not about apps without ads and protection from trackers. It's about freedom. Hammer it into your heads.

4 Likes

TheLastProject #5 August 15, 2021, 2:32pm

Freedom is not binary. Your freedom to refuse to get vaccinated limits the freedom of those who are immunocompromised to go outside and live their lives.

But that is the last I will say because I will not be dragged into a long discussion with someone who has trouble keeping China and Japan apart.

1 Like

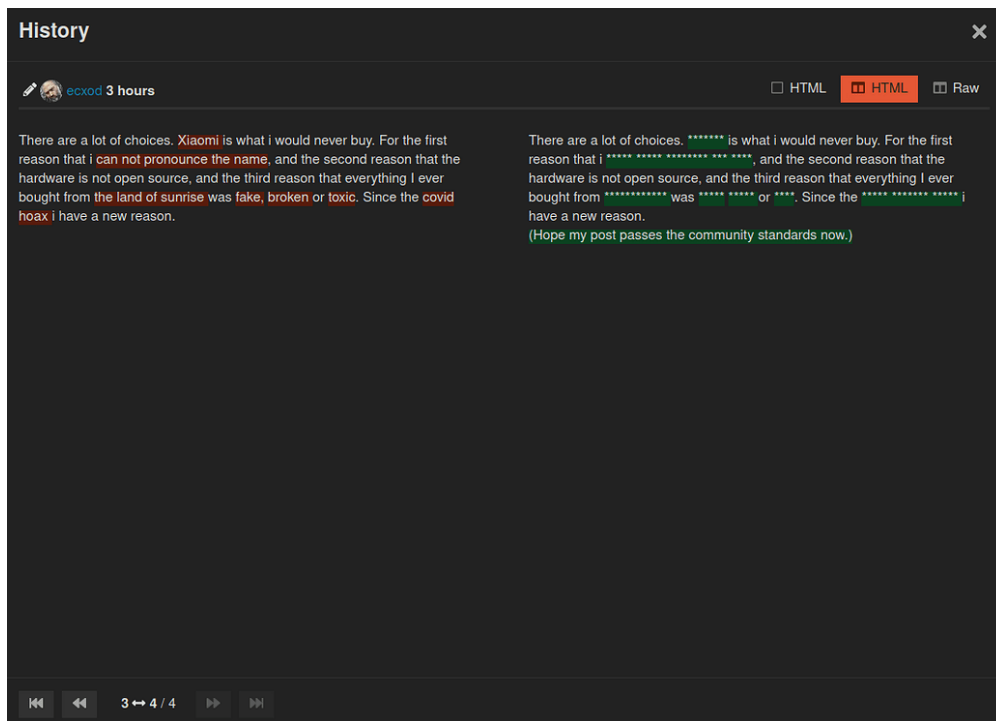
ecxod #6 August 15, 2021, 2:52pm

In my post there was nothing about vaxx. You just switched the topic to get the general opinion on your side.

2 Likes

TheLastProject #7 August 15, 2021, 3:06pm

Such a shame Discourse keeps the edit history and allows us to confirm just what you did type about the "covid hoax", doesn't it? **First smartphone, a little unsure about some things - #5 by ecxod**



2 Likes

[justsomeguy](#) #8 August 15, 2021, 3:39pm

the store is neither for freedom, nor is freedom lived here. It is only pretended.

The store is for “free software.” That is different. There is also a preference for user privacy, to some degree. Free software has a precise definition. When it comes to free expression of opinions, it strays from that and becomes difficult. You are correct: censorship is used here, and in the store. It is applied inconsistently. Some people get away with pushing their own agendas, subtly spamming their favorites, or insulting others. Some are suppressed. I’d use the L word, but that’s probably over the line. Also it’s impossible to simply categorize a group of people and bots, accurately. I feel your frustration.

1 Like

[ecxod](#) #9 August 15, 2021, 6:04pm

Yes, and it nothing about vaxx. :))
Its about the chinese or not chinese debate.
Stay humble.

1 Like

ecxod #10 August 15, 2021, 6:18pm

The Free Software Definition written by Richard Stallman and published by the Free Software Foundation (FSF), defines free software as being software that ensures that the end users have freedom in using, studying, sharing and modifying that software. The term “free” is used in the sense of “free speech,” not of “free of charge

Free speech is the freedom of expression.

Please do not redefine everything to make it fit with your ideology. I am 55 years old and i lived 24 years under a dictatorship, it is hilarious to see people teaching me what freedom is.

3 Likes

Tryder #11 August 16, 2021, 1:58am

Couple of notes here, not that my two cents bear a whole lot of weight.

First off, I think we don't really know a lot about the people we speak with on-line. I think we don't really know a lot about the people we speak to in general, but especially on-line.

This guy is saying he used to live under a dictatorship. Now the level of manipulation that goes on under a dictatorship really can't be understated. The tools they employ to stay in power are devious, sadistic even. Living under a dictatorship you'd be surrounded by lies and propaganda everywhere you went and almost every second of your life.

It's not just some dictator on TV spewing a bunch of obvious lies, there would be a parade of “experts” all corroborating the official narrative. Anyone attempting to see through those lies would be targeted for defamation to discredit their character. In the event of failure they'd be brought up on trumped up charges and thrown in jail if not outright murdered. Anything to keep them from causing disillusionment.

You can't expect someone that comes out of an environment like that to suddenly start trusting government like none of it ever happened.

Additionally, try to understand more about what motivates people. The assumption here is that freedom is good, that freedom is right and that people try to do that which is right so all that need be done is ensure people know what constitutes freedom and they'll do just that because it's the right thing to do.

The problem here is that people only pay lip service to goodness and righteousness. In reality most people care not about what is good or right, but what they perceive to be in their best interests.

Most people are incapable of surviving on their own, they need to be accepted as a member of a particular social group. So if a person were confronted with, call it the truth or call it revelation of wrong doing, but that truth conflicts with the conduct of their social group they will side against the truth in order to maintain status in that social group as a means of survival.

Again, this is because they are incapable of surviving outside of that social group and conducting themselves in a manner that is not in accordance with the group's standard of acceptable behavior means exile.

Of course, they would never admit to that. Few, if any, would even admit it to themselves as doing so would cause considerable cognitive dissonance. Instead, they'll fight tooth and nail to defend falsehood and wrongfulness as truth and righteousness. In the event their arguments become indefensible they'll either run away or turn violent in an attempt to defend themselves against the pain that comes from acknowledging the truth.

5 Likes

[justsomeguy](#) #12 August 16, 2021, 2:46am

ecxod:

written by Richard Stallman

Sure. Ask RMS how well his exercising his free speech rights in areas away from software worked out for him.

Then ask how free you are to use "free software" in *any* way you may wish.

[SophistiCat](#) #13 August 19, 2021, 8:13am

You have written correctly.

You have written right.

You have defended right.

Keep up the good work.

Jesus said to him, "**I am the way, and the truth**, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

4 Likes

[ecxod](#) #14 August 20, 2021, 4:33pm

All i want to say is : Amen!

2 Likes

justsomeguy #16 August 23, 2021, 1:32pm

destviz:

Holy fuck why are we bringing Jesus into FOSS

See OP title.

1 Like

Tryder #17 August 24, 2021, 2:45am



Damjan #18 August 24, 2021, 7:08pm

I just want to say that every single comment(out of 3 in total xD)I left on instagram either got deleted, or got a very nice amount of hatred. So I'd say that this site aint that bad 😊

As for Jesus, isn't that why they killed him? Defending their falsehood and to stay in power?

Tryder #19 August 24, 2021, 8:25pm

Probably, but maybe not for the reasons one might think. I'm not convinced that it's really about greed and power. It seems to me that the displays people make along those lines generally tend to be for the purpose of concealing their fears and frailties. The bully, as they say, presents an image of power and strikes the fear of great retribution, but this image is actually meant to frighten potential threats away, to keep them from probing deeper where they might find the frightened insecurities that lay beneath.

People do not believe in the righteousness of their own existence. Indeed challenges to the righteousness of their existence come from all sides, at all times and in a great many forms, both visible and invisible. People of various personalities and backgrounds find differing ways to meet these challenges. Wealth and power, as we believe them to be, are not a manifestation of the individual's level of greed or lust, but rather the level of fear they have or the level to which these challenges to the righteousness of their existence have succeeded in convincing them that they are not worthy of the air they breathe.

The accumulation of material things and the degree to which those things grant a level of control over others is a means for one to frighten their challengers away and prevent them from discovering or proving to others the truth as they believe it to be; that they are entirely unworthy of their existence. Of course, they are worthy and have no need to prove it. They know not that their challengers only present the challenge in the first place because they are, themselves, making an attempt to prove the righteousness of their own existence by disproving the that of another and they only need to do so because they too are afraid of what the truth may be.

This is why it is said that love is the answer. Love, as they say, tolerance and acceptance. Because the refusal to tolerate, accept and embrace the righteousness of the existence of others brings into existence a Pandora's Box of debilitating problems that can be solved through no means other than a return to the aforementioned.

3 Likes

Morgoth #20 August 24, 2021, 8:36pm

Damjan:

As for Jesus, isn't that why they killed him? Defending their falsehood and to stay in power?

That is a much more complex question and I don't think it is the right place to discuss it.

2 Likes

aotektrue #21 August 25, 2021, 10:45pm

Well having hepatitis c in public also limits healthy non immunocompromised people from going out

and living their lives as well due to the fact that if they even sneeze on a any surface, it can stay active for days and even weeks. But we don't force people with hepatitis c to put anything in their bodies more than they already have, or make any kind of legislation to force them to either. And even if we did, it doesn't make it Constitutional to do so.

If you want to live on a planet where you are free from other human beings and all the pros and cons that come with them, then you should of been born on venus.

1 Like

justsomeguy #22 August 25, 2021, 11:25pm

aotektrue:

Well having hepatitis c in public also limits healthy non immunocompromised people from going out and living their lives as well due to the fact that if they even sneeze on a any surface, it can stay active for days and even weeks.

Fact? No. Some reading on how Hep C is spread is needed. If you're sneezing blood, doctor visit is recommended... <https://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/abc/index.htm>

1 Like

Tryder #23 August 26, 2021, 1:03am

If you don't live in the states you might not be familiar with this particular argument.

Here in the states you have groups of people that trust the government, except when the opposite party is in office, and groups of people that don't trust the government, except when their party is in office.

Ask one group what they think of the pharmaceutical industry one year and they'll tell you that, Big Pharma, is a group of evil greedy corporations that price gouge the elderly into early graves and let minorities die in hospital waiting rooms. Ask that same group the same question four years later and they'll tell you that the pharmaceutical industry is the savior of the human race and anyone that doesn't trust them is an idiot.

Ask that question to the other group one year and they'll tell you the pharmaceutical industry is a shining beacon of free enterprise fighting to keep free enterprise free. Ask that same group the same question again four years later and they'll tell you the pharmaceutical industry is part of a government plot to weaken individual freedom.

3 Likes

aotektrue #24 August 26, 2021, 4:59am

Fine, TB then, it really doesn't matter, pick whatever disease you want that (which there are and plenty more deadly than covid) we've had e.g. small pox, influenza, leprosy, and Insert its name where I put Hep C.

The fact is, there are thousands of different known things that we humans do out in public every minute that can affect anyone and everyone and even kill them, but we aren't making any kind of immediate legislation or social pressure attempts at forcing masses of people to put anything in their bodies because it can affect a small or even medium group of people if they don't because " it takes their Freedom away ".

We all agree it isn't Freedom to make it illegal to touch kids for pedos, but that is something we all (as society) overwhelmingly agreed about that shouldn't happen and that it is worth negating someones Constitutional Freedom. The difference is: getting sick is not within Humans control (as much as we like to pretend it is with Laboratory Discoveries) as much as what private parts we touch on other Humans is.

" Our body, our choice " right?

Forced Vaccination is Unconstitutional as much as "Forced" Birth (even though deciding to engage in consensual sXe invalidates that).

Since the very begging in Feb.2019 I was in full support of paying everyone that had a negative lifestyle of destroying their bodies by exesess parties, or being obese (no exercising), the elderly, or just "immunocompromised" to 'stay home" since they are the primary fatalities of this, and most other "pandemic" diseases; and then let everyone else that benefited from having a healthy lifestyle; Go To Work or just live their common social life!

We would have saved Billions in my state alone in unemployment & unemployment fraud if thats what would have happened along with the likely outcome of lower fatalities.

2 Likes

SophistiCat #25 August 26, 2021, 9:37am

Damjan:

As for Jesus, isn't that why they killed him? Defanding their falsehood and to stay in power?

When the people want to discuss it, why there are people who want to suppress the discussion? Is this freedom?

Or is this the beginning of censorship?

They (Pharisee) fulfilled the prophecies. They thought they were eliminating the competitor, but it was the predetermined path that God had announced to them even in the scrolls of the prophets (Old Testament). The Scripture was fulfilled before their eyes and they didn't see it, they didn't understand

it because they didn't believe, that Jesus was the son of the God.

- The birth of the Messiah in Bethlehem: Micah 5:1-2.
- Birth by a virgin: Isaiah 7:14.
- Entry into Jerusalem on a donkey's colt, welcomed as king: Zechariah 9:9
- Judas' betrayal for 30 pieces of silver: Zechariah 11:12
- Jesus being beaten and spit on: Isaiah 50:6 & Micah 4:14
- Jesus' suffering and death: Psalm 22
Being pierced with a spear on the cross: Zechariah 12:10 & Isaiah 53:5
that he will be given vinegar: Psalm 69:22
Being numbered with the criminals: Isaiah 53:12
And buried with the transgressors and the wicked: Isaiah 53:9
- Jesus bears the sins of the people and men will reject him because he wasn't splendid enough in their eyes: Isaiah 53:2-12.

And NOW there is FREEDOM.

Choose.

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SophistiCat #26 August 26, 2021, 12:08pm

justsomeguy:

Fact? No. Some reading on how Hep C is spread is needed. If you're sneezing blood, doctor visit is recommended... <https://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/abc/index.htm>

Here is a fact: Tuberculosis is a global pandemic, killing someone approximately every 22 seconds — about 1.4 million in 2019 alone.

[[Source](#)]

Where is a lockdown for this reason of deaths? 🤔

3 Likes

ecxod #27 August 26, 2021, 11:21am

In german language we say :

“Eine Krankheit die keiner hat, verursacht von einem Virus der ungefährlich ist, wurde mit einer Impfung die keine Wirkung hat, erfolgreich bekämpft.”

English Translation:

A disease that no one has, caused by a virus that is harmless, has been successfully combated with a vaccination that has no effect.

2 Likes

ecxod #28 August 26, 2021, 12:01pm

Ok, let me tell you something. There is no right and wrong. There are only opinions. You can agree with a already existing opinion or have your own opinion. Even lies don't exist. Very simple thing. They are not lies. They are fairy tales or fantasies. All very human habits.

The covid fairy tale has many true parts and it is very instructive. It cannot be that only Little Red Riding Hood and Cinderella have a monopoly on the childhood of our children.

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SophistiCat #29 August 26, 2021, 12:18pm

This is NOT a fairy tale!

“Ihr habt den Teufel zum Vater, und nach eures Vaters Begierden wollt ihr tun. Der ist ein Mörder von Anfang an und steht nicht in der Wahrheit, denn die Wahrheit ist nicht in ihm. **Wenn er die Lüge redet, so redet er aus dem Eigenen; denn er ist ein Lügner und der Vater der Lüge.**”

[Joh 8,44]

“You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. **When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.**”

[Joh 8,44]

1 Like

SophistiCat #30 August 26, 2021, 12:32pm

aotektrue:

We all agree it isn't Freedom to make it illegal to touch kids for pedos, but that is something we all (as society) overwhelming agreed about that shouldn't happen and that it is worth negating someones Constitutional Freedom.

I hope you meant to use the word “legal” instead of illegal.

But some people think differently in this matter. See **“Die Grünen” (The Green Party) in Germany**. Or the **“Helmut Kentler scandal”** in Berlin...

And perhaps the Green Party is a part of the government after the election in September 2021...

1 Like

Tryder #31 August 26, 2021, 5:07pm

People don't do the things they do for the reasons they say they do them. People are using the virus in ways they hope will improve their social status. Now this depends, of course, on the group they've become intertwined with.

For some, they wish to paint themselves as freedom fighters, rising through the ranks of their social group through acts of heroism in the face of tyrannical onslaught.

For others, they wish to present themselves as diligent caretakers of the less fortunate, wearing their gold stickers like a badge of honor in a proud display of loyalty to the group.

What they're really after is validation.

ecxod #32 August 26, 2021, 5:15pm

Yes, it is a fairy tail. A very important one. It is a political replacement for every question that has no answer yet. We must learn to say "I don't know", we must learn to accept that there is not one answer. We must understand that for every question that we learn to answer 10 new questions rise up. We must never give up, and document everything for later generations, because certainly we will die stupid.

justsomeguy #33 August 26, 2021, 6:11pm

@SophistiCat

Tuberculosis

Where is a lockdown for this reason of deaths?

"While mitigation measures (curfews, closing businesses) are not used for TB, they have been necessary to combat COVID-19 in many countries, due to failure of containment measures and rapid community transmission." <https://www.journalpulmonology.org/en-tuberculosis-covid-19-interaction-a-review-articulo-S2531043721000040> (note: written pre-vaccine for covid)

Note: The "mitigation measures" taken for covid also help reduce transmission of others.

@Tryder

People don't do the things they do for the reasons they say they do

Why not use first person "I" or "we" more often? Do you realize you write a lot about others' thoughts, feelings and motivations. But you seem only really qualified to write about 1 or 2 people.

@ General

Could we get some more religious diversity involved here? Why so few Muslim, Jewish, Hindu, Buddhist or other (edit) than Christian (bible) religious apps in f-droid catalog?

SophistiCat #34 August 26, 2021, 8:32pm

Yes, it's true, I don't know everything. But if you are a newborn child of God, then this is your way:

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

[Joh. 16:13]

For the actual situation there are some good information you can find [here](#) and [here](#).

1 Like

hotlittlewhitedog #35 August 26, 2021, 6:24pm

On <https://www.jdfarag.org/> too.

Look the weekly videos called the Prophecy updates (uncensored on his site).

There is also a forum.

Tryder #36 August 26, 2021, 6:44pm

Normative social influence

Normative social influence is a type of social influence that leads to conformity. It is defined in social psychology as "...the influence of other people that leads us to conform in order to be liked and accepted by them." The power of normative social influence stems from the human identity as a social being, with a need for companionship and association. Normative social influence involves a change in behaviour that is deemed necessary in order to fit in a particular group. The need for a po...

If I'm not mistaken the reigning theory here is that social validation or normative social influence are evolutionary traits. The idea here being that the homo sapien was not the strongest nor the fastest among earth's creatures, their strength was in their ability to cooperate and coordinate. Thus, from a survival perspective, it was important that a person be able to maintain their membership in a group.

Tryder #37 August 26, 2021, 7:30pm

For the record, I'm not Christian. For that matter I'm not atheist, buddhist or Hindu either. I created my own religion based upon my experiences and what I learned reading religious texts from a wide variety of established religions.

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SophistiCat #38 August 26, 2021, 8:24pm

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;
[2. Tim. 4:3]

Tryder #39 August 26, 2021, 10:37pm

This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.

But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.
[Matthew 15:8-9]

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justsomeguy #40 August 26, 2021, 11:20pm

Starting to look like spam, a worthy reason to censor, here. 😏

1 Like

SophistiCat #41 August 27, 2021, 3:37am

Tryder:

This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.

But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.
[Matthew 15:8-9]

Perhaps you forgot verse 7:

“Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophecy of you, saying,...”
[Matthew 15:7]

Here is this prophecy:

“Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men: Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people, even a marvellous work and a wonder: for the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid.”
[Isaiah 29:13-14]

Here lurks a great danger, if one knits his own doctrine and sells this to others for right...!!!

“Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!”
[Isaiah 5:20-21]

Damjan #42 August 27, 2021, 8:24am

yeah, I'm a bit sad that people aren't getting along... I constantly try to remind myself that it's more important to get along with people, not cause unnecessary bad emotions to them, than to prove my point... I love proving points though, so it's hard for me...
but what's the point of censoring?

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SophistiCat #43 August 27, 2021, 1:24pm

This post was flagged by the community and is temporarily hidden.

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hotlittlewhitedog #44 August 27, 2021, 10:36am

The flesh (survivalism...) is opposed to the spirit.

If you go in the way of survivalism, you will kill, steal, destroy to get what you want. We are not animals, we are more than that.

1 Like

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Tryder #45 August 27, 2021, 3:47pm

I posted this excerpt from Hopi prophecy on my website a few days ago. Seems appropriate now considering you were asking for religions other than Christianity to be represented here.

"...Only those who return to the values of the old ways will be able to find peace of mind. For in the Earth they will find relief from the madness that will be around us. Many people of this time will be empty in spirit for they will have no Sompacu, no life force in their eyes.

As we get close to the time of the Purifier there will be many who walk like ghosts through their cities, through canyons they have constructed in their man made mountains.

Those who walk through these places will be very heavy in their walk. It will appear almost painful as they take each step for they have become very disconnected from their spirit and the Earth. After the arrival of the twins they begin to vanish before your eyes like smoke. Others will have great deformities both in their minds and upon their bodies.

There will be those who walk in their body that are not from this reality, for many of the gateways that once protected us will be opened, there will be much confusion. Confusion between the sexes, the children and their elders. Life will get very perverted and there will be little social order in these times. Many will ask for the mountains themselves to fall upon them and end their misery.

Still others will appear untouched by what is occurring. Those who remember the original teachings and have reconnected with their heart and spirit, those who remember who their mother and father are, The Pahana who left to live in the mountains and forests..."

P.S. While, like any religion, things here are open to interpretation, for what it's worth the people who "walk in their body that are not from this reality" are liars. People who lie to others and themselves especially. The lie is the reality they live in, but it is not this reality for it doesn't really exist.

For those who are not familiar; the Hopi, Hopi meaning Peaceful Ones, are a tribe of American Indians. They find that their beliefs most closely relate to Buddhism. When the Europeans arrived they were forcibly relocated and later had their children kidnapped and forced into christian re-education.

That's just the ones that survived. Many were slaughtered and millions of American Indians, not just Hopi, died from disease when the invading europeans intentionally infected them with smallpox, a disease for which they had no prior exposure.

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Licaon_Kter #46 August 27, 2021, 3:55pm

Pls use your blog to post stuff, not this forum.

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hotlittlewhitedog #47 August 27, 2021, 3:58pm

Please close this topic.

The goal is not to debate if God exists or not...

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Tryder #48 August 27, 2021, 4:07pm

As I understand it the European's own account of events during the Spanish invasion of South America has Spanish soldiers taking native infants by the ankles, swinging the babies over their heads and smashing them on the ground. Apparently they even fed live babies to their dogs and forced the mothers to watch.

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justsomeguy #49 August 28, 2021, 12:41am

Damjan:

but what's the point of censoring?

Stop wasting F-Droid resources - emails are sent, server time and space is used, posts are flagged and reviewed; Stop wasting people time - emails are read, posts are read, reviewed, flagged etc; It's no longer in any way on topic for F-Droid purposes...

Tryder #50 August 28, 2021, 1:33am

Yeah, but what if the thread participants are still engaged in the conversation? I like to let the conversation take control of itself. What a wonderful thing I think, you never know where a freeform conversation is going to go.

You might start out in modern day Germany and end up in Ancient Egypt with brief layovers in the primordial universe and Tibetan sand mandalas along the way. A freeform conversation can be so enriching and I think the experience is made more so when you throw people from different backgrounds and world views into the mix.

There is so much to learn and we all bring our different life experiences with us to share. Sometimes the things we learn are frightening and maybe we want to make them to go away. Myself, I am of the personality type that embraces new ideas and experiences so it can seem foreign to me when others don't share my love for adventure and dive deep into the unknown, not knowing for sure if you'll make it to the other side or die along the way, maybe two or even three times over.

Some things seem foreign to me. It is not my intention to upset people.

2 Likes

SophistiCat #51 August 28, 2021, 5:31am

Who are you?

Are you a f-droid Mod or a simple User who want to have power over other users?

What is your mission?

Is it your task to denunciate users who use their freedom to speak?

4 Likes

Damjan #52 August 28, 2021, 8:50am

Indeed it will spam other people who are uninterested in the topic, and don't unsubscribe from the thread...

if no one flagged the posts, no mods would need to review it, not much to do there...

the resources spent are really negligible... I would estimate that this post takes less than 1mb of storage.

as for the server time used to serve this post to clients, I would imagine that people would use that same server time to look at other posts, if this one didn't exist.

True, this topic has nothing to do with tech, but people want to talk about it anyway? I don't think it's fair to delete it... If the person who created it wasn't interested in it, he would have closed it...

If there was foul language involved, then it would be a different story.

4 Likes

Tryder #53 August 28, 2021, 6:47pm

hotlittlewhitedog:

If you go in the way of survivalism, you will kill, steal, destroy to get what you want.

Here in the states there are a lot of people who would call themselves survivalists and I can honestly say I've never heard anyone refer to them as thieves, murderers or destroyers. There are those that really don't like survivalists, mostly because they tend toward conservatism, and even they, to the best of my knowledge, don't consider survivalists thieves and murderers. This is quite the unusual view of survivalism that I'm hearing for the first time.

Having said that, I wouldn't consider myself a survivalist anyway. We get our food from food pantries, my girlfriend often volunteers at these pantries herself. I used to volunteer too, but we decided it's best not to leave the campsite unattended, for reasons beyond the obvious, and she's more of a people person than I. I usually run into town when we have a package to pick up or something.

Several times we have considered picking up a compound bow and learning to hunt so that we may increase our options in terms of places to settle, but have decided against it largely because the police here in the states have a tendency to shoot and kill people at the slightest possible indication of potential threat so we thought it best not to have a weapon at all. But also because it's generally illegal. You need a hunting license, for one, and you're only allowed to hunt during specific months of the year, unless all you eat are squirrels and mice.

Considering the state of international relations, however; it may not be a bad idea to learn how to live outside of civilization.

justsomeguy #54 August 28, 2021, 8:34pm

This forum is for discussing F-Droid and related topics. You are free to run your own forum or find other venues for other topics. An occasional rant off-topic is one thing, but re-posting blog posts here is too much IMO. The “F-Droid Contributors” are coming out of the woodwork to tell you this. A word to the wise should be sufficient.

PS. Condolences to the victims of brutality in Afghanistan.

PPS. On a lighter note...

This is the thread that never ends.

It goes on and on my friends.

Someone started writing it not knowing what it was,
and they'll continue writing it forever just because,

(then repeat back at top)

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Tryder #55 August 28, 2021, 11:41pm

I was wondering what, specifically, I said on my website that upset you so much. I almost asked you what it was a couple of times, but figured, whatever it was, you were too upset about it and clearly anything I said to you would only stoke your anger towards me.

I understand why you feel the way you do. I have to admit, I knew it wouldn't go over well, but I'm not trying to win any popularity contests here. I stand by what I said and make no apologies. If you'd like to tell me what you think of me and my opinion on the subject to get some type of closure you're welcome to PM or email me.

P.S. I realize my thoughts and opinions are terribly unpopular, but that's me, you know, that's what I believe. I can't change it, only conceal it. I put them on my website in a place that is not obvious or highly accessible so people have to deliberately go there to see what I've said.

I tend to stay away from forums, social media and other public places. I only came here to see about remedying my problem with Carpe Diem and thought while I was here maybe I'd give social interaction another shot. Guess not.

How long did it take this time?

2 Likes

Tryder #56 August 29, 2021, 12:17am

Oh what the hell, I'll tell you how I understand why you are upset.

They say you should never meet your heroes. The reason for this is that you will invariably be disappointed upon realizing they are not the people you believed them to be.

Like many, the United States is your superman. He is perfect and infallible in your eyes. I showed you that he is, in fact, far from perfect and certainly not infallible. As I could've expected, the blow was too hard for you to accept. Rather than see your superhero fall to pieces you chose to attack me, the messenger, so you could preserve the pristine image you've built up in your mind.

justsomeguy #57 August 29, 2021, 3:27am

Oh what the hell, let's get flagged.

Upset or angry. Nah. Sad or sorry for you, more like it. You crave more, real, social interactions, but refuse to pay the price to get it. You try to use online interactions as a substitute, but it is inferior, and you know it. You're stuck because of your choices, but blame everyone except yourself. That, and you write like you're high or manic, sometimes paranoid, usually over-confident in your flawed jump-to-conclusions mat.

But thanks for sharing your experience with solar micro-power. I've not bought plastic folding panels for camping, because it seems obvious UV light will quickly degrade the plastic; your description confirms. Biolite thermo-electric generator wood stove works OK, if you can get away with having a small fire. Maybe at night when your battery runs low and you crave more web surfing. Can't speak to how well it holds up with long-term daily use.

Tryder #58 August 29, 2021, 3:54am

That's right, let it all out.



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Tryder #59 August 29, 2021, 4:36am

I really don't know why everyone's so concerned about their posts or threads getting flagged or locked. People post about locking a thread like it's some kind of threat. What's the threat? That other people won't get to read what I said? How's that my problem?

And this talk about F-Droid contributors coming out of the wood work? What the hell is going on on this forum? The F-Droid royal family shows up and everyone shits their pants.

Tell ya what, how about I post whatever I want, whenever I want, wherever I want, however many times I want and you can lock the thread and ban me whenever you want.

Speaking of disappointments. I've looked around the forum you know. Tor Browser's a lemon, the other app developers are circling like vultures and heaven forbid you insult everybody's favorite cash cow Android. Yeah, great community you guys have here, I'll be sure to walk on egg shells so I don't get kicked out.



2 Likes

Damjan #60 August 29, 2021, 6:42am

What are you talking about? Android is not so bad... Google tries, but they really should have used the mainline linux kernel...

Other than that, the OEMs are to blame for everything else. They hide their source code like a snake hides its legs 😊 android would be much more fun if oems made phones(software & hardware) open source(i know, a nice fairytale)... All the cool kids who spend their time writing shims and whatnot would actually spend it making android unique... but it is what it is...

I'm just waiting for serenityOS to get ported to phones xD

1 Like

Damjan #61 August 29, 2021, 6:45am

But google made android open source as a buisnees strategy, so it could beat the competitors... Let's not forget that

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Tryder #62 August 29, 2021, 5:29pm

I thought about it and figured it'd be a good idea to clarify the effectiveness of polyester fabrics in the sunlight in case anyone here were considering a portable solar panel for their outdoor needs. Plus it sounds like [@justsomeguy](#) might do a little camping himself and I'm enjoying our little chats.

In laboratory tests comparing the UV resistances of nylon and polyester under simulated sunlight researchers found that their nylon fibers lasted only six days while their polyester fibers lasted twelve months. It might have been six months, but I'm pretty sure the article I remember reading said twelve. Clearly there's no contest when it comes to UV resistance, polyester blows nylon out of the water.

Nylon offers slightly improved abrasion resistance and higher tensile strength than polyester which makes it well suited for industrial needs and load bearing applications, but polyester has higher water resistance and, obviously, higher UV resistance which makes it well suited to outdoor applications.

Our oldest polyester sheathed Anker 21 watt panels have lasted four years of daily use and still haven't fallen apart. Plenty of people don't even keep a cell phone that long. I've had to rewire it a little and the fabric has degraded quite a bit, but you can't expect something to take a beating like these do and not need a little maintenance now and again.

When we picked up our newest solar panel we decided to paint the polyester sheathing with a solarproof coating from Amazon that claims it can double the lifespan of your sun exposed fabrics. I'm sure that number is inflated, but I expect we'll see a little extra mileage.

Once the fabric finally falls apart I plan on designing a new housing in Blender and printing it out through Shapeways, but if all you're doing is camping a few days out of the year, I doubt you'd ever have a problem with the fabric.

[@Damjan](#) Google makes most of their money through Google Ads. Their primary business is gathering as much information about you as possible so they can sell it to interested parties. Android was made, first and foremost, to facilitate this.

That's why Google doesn't charge OEMs to use or modify Android. They don't make their money off of Android, they make their money off of the data Android enables them to collect. By giving it away for free they increase their userbase and therefore the the treasure trove of data they can collect.

My guess is that they decided to use a modified Linux kernel so they could bring Android to market faster. The Linux kernel is licensed under the GNU public license 2.0 which requires derivative works be made open source so Google had to open source the Android kernel.

This didn't mean they had to open source all of Android though. This is only speculation of course, but I would venture to say it was largely open sourced to cater to the open source community. Essentially they were inviting developers to their platform thereby encouraging app development, knowing that it was this content that would ultimately sell Android based phones.

That's why Windows Phone failed, very little content compared to Android and IOS. A PlayStation 5 may have all the bells and whistles, but without games it's just a paperweight.

P.S. By contrast, Apple makes their money from direct sales of their devices, such as the iPhone. They contract manufacturers to build their designs, buying finished product in bulk, then selling those devices direct to the consumer or to third party retailers and service providers who then sell them to the customer.

Unlike Android, IOS wasn't built for the purpose of data mining. In order to attract application

developers, though, IOS does still facilitate data mining so developers can monetize their apps through ads and data collection.

The Apple product ecosystem is often referred to as a walled garden as Apple maintains strict control over what a user can and can't install on their devices and what third party products can interact with those devices and how.

Apple's strategy is really more traditional. One Apple device is designed to sell other Apple devices. If you buy an iPhone and you want it to interact with your computer you'll get more functionality if you buy a MacBook. If you want to interact with a smartwatch you need the Apple Watch. If you want to develop apps for IOS you pretty much need MacOS.

It's called a product ecosystem because one product supports another, much like Earth's ecosystem where one organism supports another.

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Morgoth #63 August 29, 2021, 9:13pm

Tryder:

Apple's strategy is

It is to promote itself in this way in order to sell at exorbitant prices while pretending not to be doing data mining, when they do.

Hell, they even want to backdoor encryption. Probably already do.

The difference is that at least on Android you can modify that and, among other things, remove the Google Play Services trojan.

4 Likes

Damjan #64 August 29, 2021, 10:43pm

Most people just don't care, and so data collection gets away with it...

For example, I told at least 5 people close around me about newpipe. Do you know how many bothered to install it? 0. After I installed it for some of them, only my wife kept it(it was too complicated to use for the other two). My wife uses it mostly when showing me videos on her phone, because she knows that i'm annoyed by ads 😊

3 Likes

Tryder #65 August 29, 2021, 11:50pm

@Morgoth I didn't mean to imply Apple was better than Google.

I think it was last year or so when it was discovered troves of user data was being sent from MacBooks to Apple servers and wasn't even encrypted. Who's to say exactly what Apple does with that data. They say they use it internally to market their own products and improve their software, but with developers being given the opportunity to bypass Apple's payment methods on the app store now they're going to need new ways to bring in money. We might see them turn more to that treasure trove of user data.

Regardless of whether they are now or will in the future sell that data, it's certainly not safe from government warrants.

@Damjan I agree, not enough people care strongly enough about their data privacy to make a difference. The potential for misuse is enormous and costly, but most people are so overcome with debt, work, marital issues, childcare issues and healthcare issues and depression they simply don't have the time, resources or will power to add another concern to their plate.

"There will be, in the next generation or so, a pharmacological method of making people love their servitude, and producing dictatorship without tears, so to speak, producing a kind of painless concentration camp for entire societies, so that people will in fact have their liberties taken away from them, but will rather enjoy it, because they will be distracted from any desire to rebel by propaganda or brainwashing, or brainwashing enhanced by pharmacological methods. And this seems to be the final revoltion" -Aldous Huxley

2 Likes

SophistiCat #66 August 30, 2021, 6:52am

"If we understand the mechanism and motives of groupthink, it will be possible to control and direct the masses, without their knowledge, to our will."

Edward Bernays

Here are additional information about mind control and manipulation of the masses:

1. "Battle For The Mind" written by William Sargant
2. "The Rape of the Mind" written by Joost A. M. Meerloo

But 🙄 don't talk loudly about and close quickly this thread... 😏

4 Likes

[Licaon_Kter](#) closed #67 August 30, 2021, 9:07am

[Licaon_Kter](#) #68 August 30, 2021, 9:08am

Let's chill for a bit...

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