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### Incinerating Presuppositionalism: Year Three

Today we reach the third anniversary of [Incinerating Presuppositionalism](#). Yes, on this date in 2005 I began this blog, and it seems like yesterday. But so much has happened since then, a lot of material got published, and it seems that presuppositionalism is finally being abandoned by many who enthusiastically championed it. This past year was particularly productive for me, with the rollout of several series focusing on specific interactions, including my comprehensive review of Bahnsen's defense of supernaturalism.

Below is a listing of all the blogs which posted since the second anniversary of my blog.

91. [Incinerating Presuppositionalism: Year 2](#) - March 26, 2007
92. [Virginia Tech](#) - April 18, 2007
93. [Christian Reaction to Virginia Tech](#) - April 22, 2007
94. [Would an Omniscient Mind Have Knowledge in Conceptual Form?](#) - April 24, 2007
95. [Pike on Concepts and Omniscience](#) - April 27, 2007
96. [Pike's Pique](#) - April 28, 2007
97. [More Piqued Pike](#) - April 29, 2007
98. [Jet's Flimsy Denials](#) - May 2, 2007
99. [Answering Ecualegacy, Pt. 1](#) - May 13, 2007
100. [Answering Ecualegacy, Pt. 2](#) - May 15, 2007
101. [Answering Ecualegacy, Pt. 3](#) - May 17, 2007
102. [Answering Ecualegacy, Pt. 4](#) - May 20, 2007
103. [A Succinct Summary of My Worldview](#) - May 21, 2007
104. [The Moral Uselessness of the 10 Commandments](#) - May 22, 2007
105. [The Problem of Saul](#) - June 30, 2007
106. [The Role of Imagination in Christian God-Belief](#) - July 17, 2007
107. [The Presuppositionalist View of Man's Consciousness](#) - August 1, 2007
108. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 1: Introduction](#) - August 13, 2007
109. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 2: "The Reproach of the Transcendent"](#) - August 15, 2007
110. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 3: "Defining the Metaphysical"](#) - August 17, 2007
111. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 4: "Fundamental Distinctions"](#) - August 19, 2007
112. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 5: "A Comprehensive Metaphysic"](#) - August 21, 2007
113. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 6: "The Christian Metaphysic"](#) - August 23, 2007

114. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 7: "Distinguishing Appearance from Reality"](#) - August 25, 2007
115. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 8: "Ultimate Questions"](#) - August 27, 2007
116. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 9: "Suprasensible Reality"](#) - August 29, 2007
117. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 10: "Pure Motives?"](#) - August 31, 2007
118. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 11: "The Case Against Metaphysics"](#) - September 3, 2007
119. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 12: "Logical Positivism"](#) - September 5, 2007
120. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 13: "Double Standards and Begging the Question"](#) - September 7, 2007
121. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 14: "Philosophical Self-Deception"](#) - September 9, 2007
122. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 15: "Further Difficulties"](#) - September 11, 2007
123. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 16: "No Predictability"](#) - September 17, 2007
124. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 17: "Naturalism versus Supernaturalism as Worldviews"](#) - September 19, 2007
125. [Bahnsen on "Knowing the Supernatural" Part 18: Final Assessment and Conclusion](#) - September 21, 2007
126. [Roadmap to Bahnsen on the Supernatural](#) - September 23, 2007
127. [Singling the Greg Bahnsen Blues](#) - September 25, 2007
128. [Lord Oda on Faith](#) - October 2, 2007
129. [Lord Oda's "Problem with Pain"](#) - October 4, 2007
130. [D. James Kennedy's Impotent Jesus](#) - November 26, 2007
131. [My Chat with a Presuppositionalist](#) - December 27, 2007
132. [Van Til vs. Bahnsen](#) - January 2, 2008
133. [A Response to Vytautas](#) - January 6, 2008
134. [The Imaginative Basis of Vytautas' God-Belief, Part 1](#) - January 11, 2008
135. [The Imaginative Basis of Vytautas' God-Belief, Part 2](#) - January 13, 2008
136. [The Imaginative Basis of Vytautas' God-Belief, Part 3](#) - January 14, 2008
137. [The Imaginative Basis of Vytautas' God-Belief, Part 4](#) - January 17, 2008
138. [The Imaginative Basis of Vytautas' God-Belief, Part 5](#) - January 18, 2008
139. [Presuppositionalism and the Evasion of the Burden of Proof, Part 1](#) - February 1, 2008
140. [Presuppositionalism and the Evasion of the Burden of Proof, Part 2](#) - February 3, 2008
141. [Presuppositionalism and the Evasion of the Burden of Proof, Part 3](#) - February 4, 2008
142. [Quixie on Witherington on Doherty](#) - March 16, 2008

There's still a lot of work yet to do. So I now embark on the fourth year of Incinerating Presuppositionalism. I didn't get to everything I had planned to do in the third year, so the fourth year already has its work cut out for itself. I have lots of stuff in the mill, some almost ready to roll out. Hopefully I'll be able to carve out some time in my schedule so that I can finish it and post it up on this blog. So stay tuned, keep your eyes on the bouncing ball, for it moves quick.

by Dawson Bethrick

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posted by Bahnsen Burner at [6:00 AM](#)

### 3 Comments:

[Zachary Moore](#) said...

Congrats on another year! It does seem curiously quiet from presuppositionalists these days, aside from Gene Cook, who keeps simmering away. Maybe it's something that goes in-and-out of style...

I sure hope these essays will be available in compendium form on Amazon at some point...

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[M](#) said...

Congratulations!

This is one of the best blogs out there; I am strongly thankful and full of encouragement for you, Mr. Bethrick.

I would hope that one day you would amass your criticisms into a book; sadly, there exists merely a few chapters in the apologetics literature (in print) dedicated to addressing the intellectual perniciousness of presuppositionalism. Much of it that would be applicable, if any, seems to be directed more or less at criticisms of "Reformed Epistemology" (Plantinga, Wolterstorff, Clark, Alson, et al.)

Best,

M

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[Kevin Brown](#) said...

I too echo praise for Dawson's work, and I join the chorus asking where are the defenders of Christianity? Perhaps they are seeking their fantasy YHWH whom like Baalim in the 1 Kings 18:17-40 periscope is otherwise busy.

Behold, 1 Kings 18:27 "And it came to pass at noon, that Elijah mocked them, and said, Cry aloud: for he is a god; either he is talking, or he is pursuing, or he is in a journey, or peradventure he sleepeth, and must be awaked."

Pray Christian. Pray. Let us see the power of your god. But instead of a demonstration, we shall see that the Christian is simply delusional. Watch the video. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HVuw1wEuaAQ>

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