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Dialogue between a Geron (Elder) and an atheist

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The Holy Image or "Mandylion" (also known as the Shroud of Turin). For proof that this cloth is indeed the burial cloth of Jesus Christ that is venerated since early Christian times in Syria and then in Constantinople, see these two books: http://www.amazon.com/Holy-Faces-Secret-Places-Wilson/dp/0385261055 and http://www.amazon.com/Crucifixion-Second-Completely-Revised-nded/dp/1590770706/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1254215747&sr=1-1

One morning, the holy Elder ("Geron") Epiphanios Theodoropoulos (1930-1989) was in a conversation with 2-3 visitors at his home. One of them was an ideological atheist and a communist. Suddenly, someone from outside came rushing in, and informed them that the city of Athens had been flooded with photographs of Mao Tse Tung, with the inscription "Glory to the great Mao". It was the day that the Chinese dictator had died.

Geron:

That’s the way things are, my child. Atheists do not exist. Only idolaters exist, who take down Christ from His throne and in His place they enthrone their own idols. We say: “Glory be to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit”. They say: “Glory to the great Mao”. You pick and choose which one you prefer.

Atheist:

You also choose your drug, grandpa. The only difference is, that you call it Christ, others call it Allah, or Buddha, etc. etc…

Geron:

My child, Christ is not a drug. Christ is the Creator of the entire universe. He is the one Who governs everything wisely, from the multitudes of infinite galaxies, down to the minutest particles of the microcosm. He has given life to all of us. He is the One Who brought you into this world and has bestowed you with so much freedom, that you can actually doubt Him, and even deny Him.

Atheist:

Grandpa, its your right to believe in all of those things. But that doesn’t mean they are true. Do you have any proofs? (περισσότερα…)