

Re: Tautologies and Empirical Truth

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Lester Zick wrote:

> *On Thu, 28 Oct 2004 11:15:44 -0500, Albert <alwagner@tcac.net> in*

> *comp.ai.philosophy wrote:*

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>>*Lester Zick wrote:*

>><*snip*>

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>>>*patty, you really need to take that web of belief back to the church*

>>>*where you bought it and get a refund. It doesn't matter where ideas*

>>>*originate. It matters where they wind up through demonstration.*

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>>>*Problematic means contingent.*

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>>*Come on, Lester. You didn't even investigate her link. If you*

>>*had, then you wouldn't have replied with that stupid remark*

>>*above. Here, try again:*

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> *Back in the Prince Albert mode, I see.*

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> *Why should I investigate patty's link?*

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>><http://www.ditext.com/quine/quine.html>

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>>*You claim to hate philosophers, then you attempt to philosophize*

>>*without reading the works of people smarter than you and millenia*

>>*older than you. What arrogance.*

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> *I have to confess I've never actually met a philosopher millenia older*

> *than myself, but I promise not to hold their age against them.*

Your failed attempt at 'cuteness' just reveals your poor reading comprehension. Why would you expect to meet a 3000 year old man?

All I suggested was reading their works, so that you would not have to repeat the accumulated accomplishments of millenia of

thinkers. Apparently, you think that you can, in fact, toss out that previous body of work without even bothering to read it. Your arrogance is even more profound than I thought.

> *What*

> *the hell, wonders probably never cease in that little philosophical*

> *dreamworld of yours. Back in the can, Albert.*

Your attempt at control by condescension not only fails, but is totally unflattering to you by revealing a juvenile mindset.

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"Don't you see that the whole aim of Newspeak is to narrow the range of thought? In the end we shall make thoughtcrime literally impossible, because there will be no words in which to express it."

-- George Orwell as Syme in "1984"