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Thread: [Tom Cruise and religion](#)

bevc - December 30, 2021, 10:40 am

You know something interesting? I think Tom Cruise might be unique amongst all living humans, as he's probably the only person on planet earth who could single handedly bring down an entire religion. Think about it - if Tom Cruise woke up tomorrow, and said "Meh, now I think about it, Scientology is a load of shit", the whole thing would collapse.

Right? I mean.....right? It would, wouldn't it.

Doesn't that make Tom Cruise weirdly powerful? The guy from Top Gun could destroy a world religion with a sentence or two.

This is the lounge, so, that was just a thought I thunk. Weird.

Omniscient - December 30, 2021, 10:57 am

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?nxy - December 30, 2021, 11:29 am

Tom Cruise is a dork. About all I have to say lol.

Ninja™ - December 30, 2021, 11:34 am

(Dec 30, 2021 11:57 AM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Hey anyone ever watch The Master (movie)? The plot looks interesting. Will watch and share my review.
Thnx for the suggestion.

Ultras - December 30, 2021, 11:58 am

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bevc - December 30, 2021, 12:26 pm

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SIM-2756310 - December 30, 2021, 12:27 pm

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Haha.. I totally agree!!

Ultras - December 30, 2021, 12:41 pm

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Maybe you are right, but I think most people believe in the idea rather than the person sharing the idea? There has been many bad popes and catholicism is still around. If Fauci said tomorrow that the pandemic is fake, would most people admit that they've been fooled? I don't think so.

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bevc - December 30, 2021, 12:47 pm

(Dec 30, 2021 01:41 PM)Ultras Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Btw, "onto his big balcony" made me laugh. A lot. ?
I nearly added "wearing his funny little hat" but I didn't want to offend any catholics.

I dunno, I don't know that anybody actually believes in Scientology, I'm not even sure what its tenets are tbh - an alien god from a billion years ago and nuclear bombs in mountains, but that's just from South Park. Seems to me like it's one of those things that most people could be convinced to drop fairly easily.