

# Frederick the Great Quote On Christianity

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While trying unsuccessfully to source the quote, the search - mostly under <http://gutenberg.spiegel.de/autor/friedric...on-preussen-185> -

showed that the quote adequately describes his strong disagreement with Christian metaphysics.

He regarded the claim that Jesus was the son of God a misinterpretation of the New Testament and knew about the increasing distortion of the belief in early Christian history and the oppression of other religions and denominations after Christianity's power grab.

What is relevant in the broader context is that he agreed largely with Christian ethics, which he regarded as instrumental to have loyal citizens, was within Prussia for main stream Protestants the equivalent of the Pope and was in general tolerant to any religious group.

He would interfere when he got the impression that a group tried to oppress other religious groups, had a negative effect on the economy or sided with Prussia's rival Austria.