

# ATHEISTS IN SEARCH OF GOD



Bill Donohue comments on the atheist quest for God:

On June 22, CNN ran a piece on atheists in Cambridge, Massachusetts, a veritable religious wasteland, who meet on Sundays in a “rapt conversation” led by a “chaplain.” Described as a “church without God,” the poor souls are experiencing “Sunday school for atheists” at these “atheist services” and “atheist congregations.”

On June 24, the *New York Times* reported that in Baton Rouge the godless ones meet on Sundays to experience “exhortations to service.” There is “swinging and light swaying” at the “atheist service,” complete with an “impassioned sermon” led by a “hard-line atheist.”

On the front page of today’s “Metro” section in the *Washington Post*, there is a story about an “atheist” who starts every day on his “knees” where he “lowers his forehead to the floor and prays to God.” But is he really praying? “In a sense.” Which means, not really. Yet he speaks about “God” and his “conversion,” even attributing it to a “miracle.” We also learn about “secular chaplains” at major universities and a British book titled *Religion for Atheists*.

Atheists say they reject God. It would be more accurate to say they are trying to reject God. Which is why atheists are really agnostics in a hurry.

Notice how they not only appropriate the lexicon of

Christianity, they even choose Sundays for their “services.” Why not Mondays? Why do they need a “chaplain”? What’s with the “swaying”? Do they have second collections? Why are there no books called *Atheism for the Religious*?

If someone were served a jelly donut without the jelly, he would feel robbed. Atheists feel robbed, too. Fortunately, it’s not too late to put the jelly back. Now that would be something to sway about.