Philosopher Declares, “God is No Longer Dead, I Just Ran into Him at the Supermarket”

After a recent trip to his local supermarket, world-famous philosopher Edward Nittenbalm has made a startling discovery: God is not dead. Nittenbalm claims to have seen the deity formerly known as God in line to buy an assortment of items. “He had a six-pack of diet coke, condoms, and toilet paper in his basket,” said Nittenbalm. He continued, “He was wearing a Black Sabbath shirt and dark sunglasses, but I could tell it was him because the store was filled with hundreds of trumpeting angels and intense bright light. Nietzsche must be rolling in his grave.”

Acting on his hunch, Nittenbalm approached the man and asked him directly whether or not he was God. As a benevolent supernatural being, it had to answer truthfully – thanks Descartes, and told Nittenbalm that it was, in fact, the old testament’s Divine Being. When Nittenbalm asked why it had been gone for so long, God allegedly responded, “I just woke up from a bender. I was celebrating the Jews retaking my Temple from the Greeks and I guess I had a bit much to drink. I had a weird dream where I reincarnated like my buddy Vishnu and spoke to some fishermen, but I’m hazy on the details. If you wouldn’t mind, could you go away, I have a wicked hangover.”

Nittenbalm is being hailed as a prophet and has received international acclaim for being the first to correctly identify God. When questioned about his newfound status, Nittenbalm took a brief pause from his orgy and said, “I mean it was pretty obvious. I’m surprised no one else could tell,” before he returned to his orgy of devoted followers.

All around the world, reports are coming in of miracles which seem to confirm Nittenbalm’s claim. The residents of the Fun Times Sunshine Retirement Community in Florida have aged backwards to infantile states, all Pepsi products have transformed into their Coke counterparts, and America has passed strong gun control laws. We reached out to the pope to get his take on the matter. Unfortunately, every employee of the Vatican, including his holiness, is currently occupied shredding all documents they have available on the history of the last 2018 years pertaining to the crusades, the gays, and their sexual abuse scandals.

In the wake of these events, places of worship including mosques, synagogues, and churches have been flooded in a new wave of attendees. We asked Rabbi Yehuda Krinsky his opinion on the matter. He responded, “Whatever gets them inside is good. If God is real, that's great, but what really matters is that we’re strengthening the community.” After a lengthy dvar torah, Krinsky ended services by asking for donations to fund the temple’s brand-new hallway television to display upcoming events and bar-mitzvahs.

God was last confirmed to be in the Israeli Holocaust Museum loudly shouting, “What the fuck,” and could not be reached for comment.