

What Made Us a Christian Nation?

From Franklin's 2nd Auto Biography

Common Beliefs in Early America

1. Existence of some Deity.
2. That He made the world.
3. We're governed by His Providence.
4. Most acceptable service of God was doing good to Man.
5. Our Souls are immortal.
6. All crime will be punished;
All virtue will be rewarded;
Either here or hereafter!

Franklin preferred that men live by Christianity even though it be objectively false, then by Deism, even though it be objectively true!