

Why Hast Thou Forsaken Me?

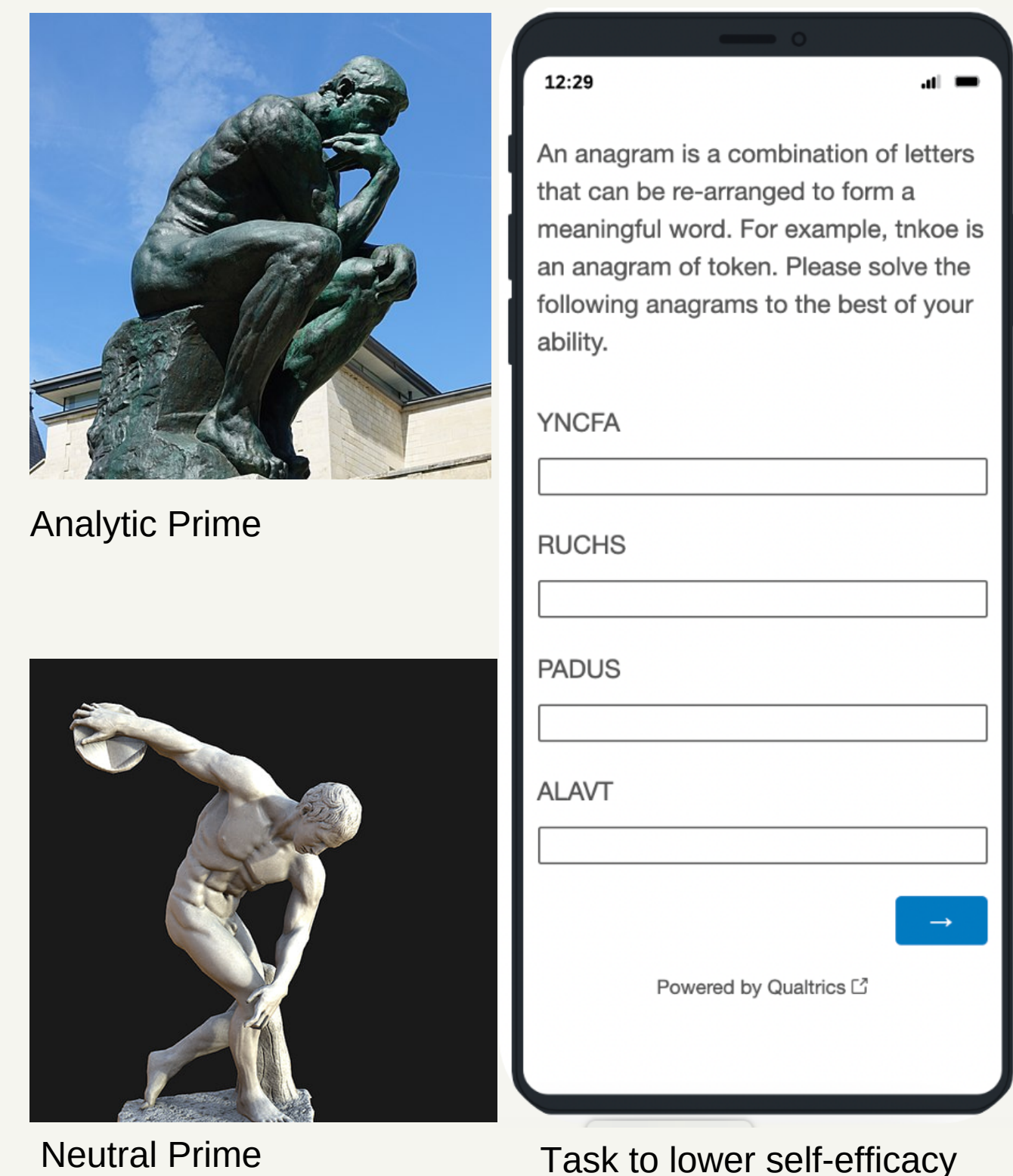
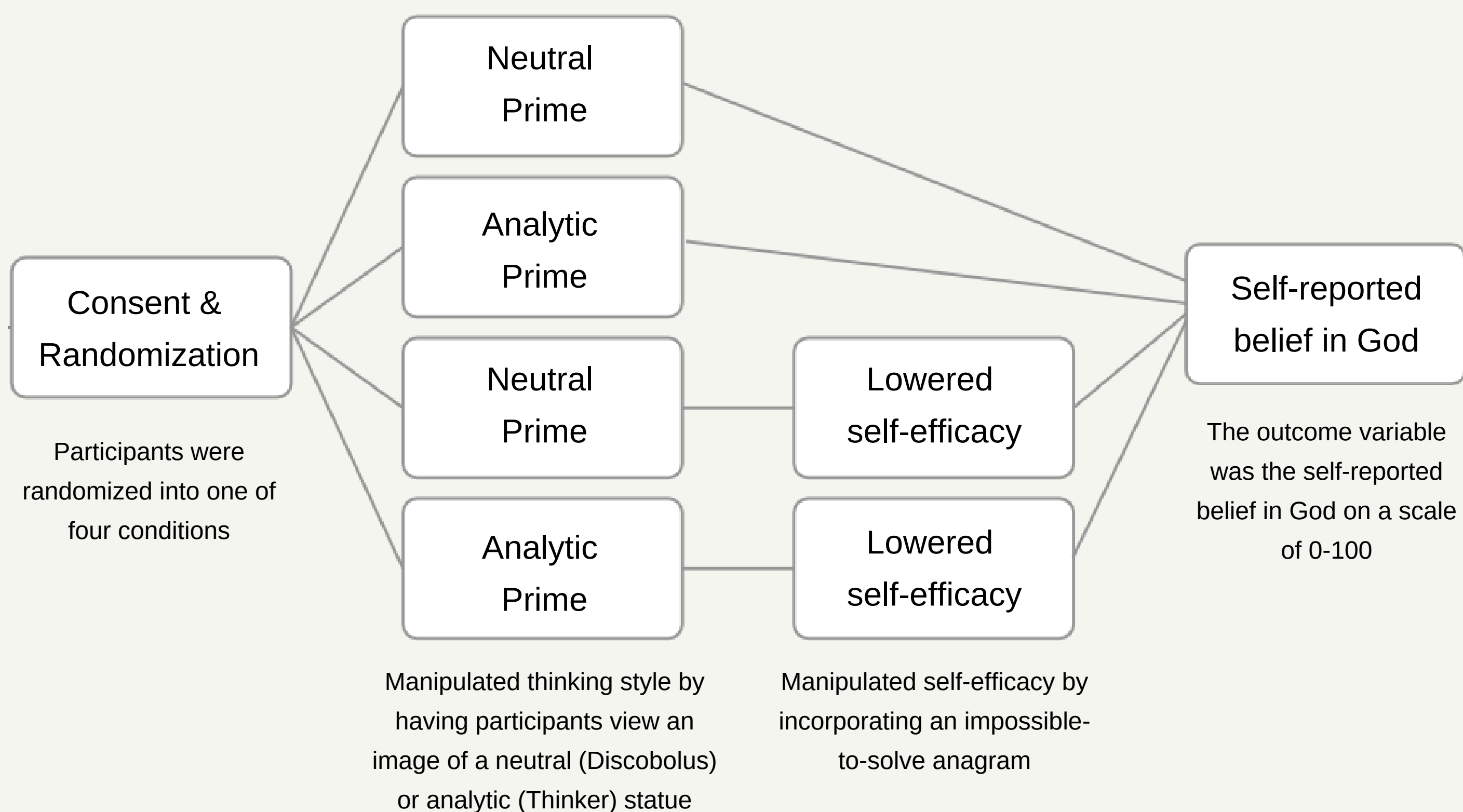
Investigating the effects of analytic thinking and self-efficacy on religiosity

MOTIVATION

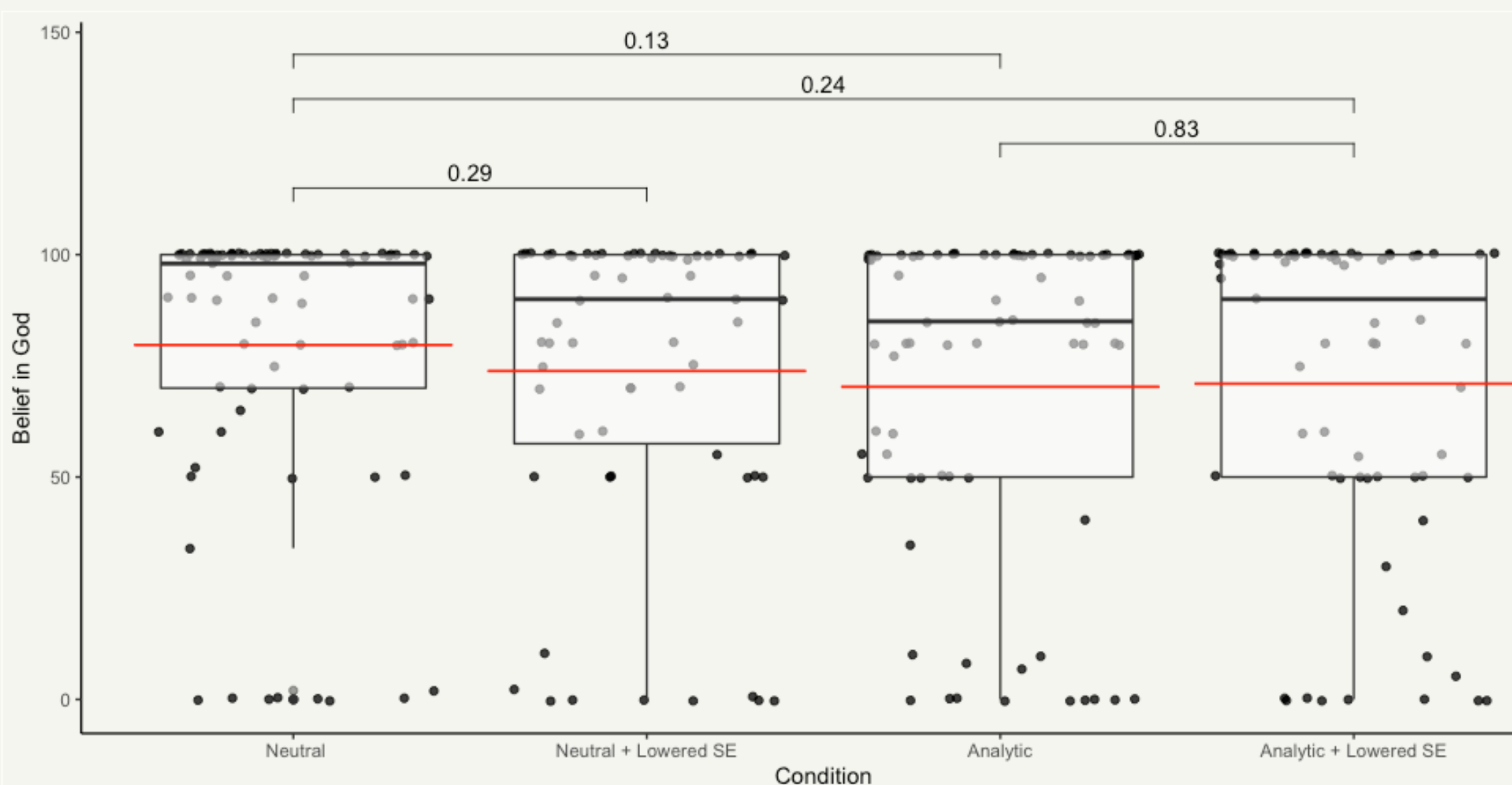
- Religion is associated with **positive outcomes** such as **well-being, satisfaction and pro-sociality**. However, it is also associated with **prejudice, hostility and armed conflict**.
- With significant implications at both the **individual** and **societal** level, there has been growing interest in literature **regarding religious beliefs** and **interventions that can modulate them**.

EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN

n = 283 MTurk participants



RESULTS



FINDINGS

- Neither cognitive priming nor self-efficacy significantly influences religiosity.**
- We consider **our null findings** in the context of our design constraints, sample heterogeneity and limited statistical power.
- Further research** is necessary to determine what effect, in any, thinking style and self-efficacy have on religiosity.

IMPLICATIONS

- We shed light on questions that may help reduce violence associated with religious bigotry, hate crimes, and terrorism.
- Our research can be extended to pursue the practical implications of addressing religious extremism.

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