No belief, not even a true belief, is a necessary condition—and so constitutive—of authentic existence.

The most that any belief can be is representative of authentic existence.

Still, the difference between being representative of authentic existence and being misrepresentative of it remains—and it is an important difference.

The point is only that that it cannot be so important as to be in some way a necessary condition of authentic existence, and so constitutive of it.

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