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It is true that, in America, there are many who love Jesus Christ and who believe the Bible to be the Word of God and who will acknowledge Jesus to be their Lord and Savior. However, there was a survey done by the "Barna Group" and the results should be very alarming to the Christian in America today.

The Barna research report said that nearly two out of three adults in America contend that one religious choice or faith, over another, is irrelevant; because *all* religions teach the same basic lessons about life!

It seems that increasingly, Americans believe that Jesus Christ is fine, but He is only one option, among many options. This perspective is called, "Pluralism." Through pluralism, we are called to believe that all religions are "equal" and that we are somehow, *un-American*, if we do not embrace other religions and other faiths and say that, "Your religion is just as good as mine."

Is this truly what Christians *should* do? Are all of the various denominational doctrines of Christianity and all other religions and their doctrines to be acknowledged by those professing Christianity to be recognized as "equal" to the **One True Singular Truth of God?**

Some in America may wonder how it got this way. How did our society and *culture-at-large* become so far-dethatched from the moral-moorings of God and Country of years past? There can be no excuses for the American Christian, for there are no viable excuses which can be offered.

The evil of this world is a constant active and moving pressure and does not rest! The active work of Christianity cannot sit idle nor become complacent in the everyday affairs of man and then expect that evil will not overcome!

This means that the Christian man and woman **must** be active, in the realms of "*Spiritual,*" "*Political,*" "*Economic,*" and **all** "*Civil and Civic Affairs,*" with their faith; their "*Christianity,*" clearly and obviously being represented in what defines **all** of their fundamental choices! This does not mean that the "*Political*" realm must consist of 100% Bible-believing Christians – but it does mean, that every Christian's preference, choice and decision, must be dictated by their faith!

God never intended for Christianity to be impacting – but *only* in a stealth or covert manner! God is not resigned *only* to a desired "*End Result,*" as a matter of His Truth for man on earth! God expects for there to be, **joy, fanfare** and **celebration** from His Children as they believe; profess; and live; in obedience of His glorious Truth throughout **all** aspects of their lives!

We cannot "*Season*" or, "*Be the Truth and the Light,*" if we do not stand for the "**One Singular Truth of God,**" in every aspect of our daily lives! We cannot be a glory to God if "we" know the Truth – but fail to openly, and conspicuously and "**JOYFULLY**" stand for that Truth – to the extent that "we" actually have an impact upon our contemporary culture – of which "we" are a part!

**Question:** If the current "*Spiritual-Condition*" of America today is **less** than it has been in America's past – is that so – because God's Word is, "**Weaker today than it was in the past?**" Is it possible that the Word of God has become *less compelling; less appealing; less accurate; or, less True?*

**Answer:** I do not think that God's Word has become diminished or, "*less,*" in any capacity! I think that those who have professed Jesus Christ, have forgotten the commands, of God, and have become, *less sincere; less desirous to serve; less concerned for the lost; less concerned for obedience to God's commands; and consequently, have less "LOVE" for God!*

We must once again in America, profess Jesus Christ – in "*Truth and Spirit*" – **ONLY** and not concede to the establishment of a consensus in America, that Jesus Christ is only – one of many choices!

We have a similar example from scripture of exactly what the America Christian is up against in *our* contemporary culture, by observing what Paul contended with while he was in Athens.

Idolatry was purely rampant! Athens was strewn with gods and idols of every possible kind. Athens was *the* recognized center for education and philosophy. It was a culture of cynicism and snobbery. It was a city that was filled with debate – very much as America is today.

Paul dealt with these things in his experience in Athens:  
Paul met, "Idolatry," and Paul met, "Sophisticated Philosophy."

In America today, idols are everywhere! What is an idol? An idol is anything that you, love more, fear more, serve more or trust more, than Almighty God! An idol is anything that is in *first-place* in your life.

Note: "Idolatry" is the *greatest sin* that man can commit! Why? Because it transgresses the greatest commandment:

**Mark 12:29-30** <sup>29</sup> "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one,' <sup>30</sup> Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

What are our idols today; the god of self; the god of materialism; the god of money; the god of wisdom; the god of pleasure, etc. All these things that have become more important than the commands of God are idols!

What about the worship of creation more than the Creator? Today there seems to be more reverence for "**Mother Earth**" than for "**God the Father!**" People choose to worship dirt – rather than Him who created the earth!

If every Christian today would simply refute the nonsense of *so-called*, "Global Warming," and **all** of the other false claims that "Creation-Worshippers" profess - that man has the power to destroy God's Creation – truth could be restored and these *false-fears* could be dismissed!

In, **Acts 17:17**, Paul addressed the Jews and the God-fearing Greeks. Even back in the first century, there were those who professed to love God, but did not keep His commands! They were very religious and orthodox – but wrong! With all of today's *man-made denominational-doctrines* that vary from God's, "One and Only Singular Truth," can we not easily observe the same problem today that Paul contended with in Athens?

"Sophisticated Philosophy." Has there ever been a time when "we" thought ourselves to be more intellectually enlightened? We face those today. Ever have an occasion to talk with an "Ivy League" educated person; or perhaps more accurately, *be talked-to* – by an Ivy League educated person?

**Acts 17:18** If you think that you haven't, then you are forgetting about our recent United States Presidents! How do you like their perspective on life, on morals and on God? They do not even try to veil their arrogance and contempt for God, and most certainly – those *foolish* Christians!

Have you ever noticed how negatively modern-day philosophers view life, humanity, and God? It was no different in Paul's day. He mentions those philosophers (Epicurean) in verse 18 who contended that the best thing that man can do in this life is to be lovers of pleasure! Sound curiously familiar to the philosophy of today?

Paul also encountered the Stoic philosophers. This crowd believed in a form "Fatalism." They believed that everything was just happening to us, that there was really nothing that we can do, that we don't really have any choices – they were what we would call today – "Pantheists." They believed that everything was god and god was everything. Therefore, we are just caught-up and swept along with it. Life has no real meaning (as we know meaning from the Bible) they believed that man was to just sit back and flow with it. It was nothing more than, intellectual pride – they smirked at others who thought that there was a purpose.

In America, there was a very popular ad campaign for a beer that professed just that: "**You only go around once in life, get all the gusto you can!**" And also, with the promotion of another beer, "**It doesn't get any better than this!**"

Now, can we see these two philosophies of, "Pleasure" and "Pride" with us today? Are Christians doing what we can to identify and refute these prominent philosophies?

What did Paul do?

**Acts 17:19-22** <sup>19</sup> Then they took him and brought him to a meeting of the Areopagus, where they said to him, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting?" <sup>20</sup> You are bringing some strange ideas to our ears, and we would like to know what they mean." <sup>21</sup> (All the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there spent their time doing nothing but talking about and listening to the latest ideas.)

<sup>22</sup> Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: "People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup> For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of

**worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you.**

**<sup>24</sup> "The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. <sup>25</sup> And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else.**

If every Christian today would simply refute the nonsense of so-called, "Global Warming," and **all** of the other false claims that "Creation-Worshippers" profess – the foolish beliefs that *man* has the power to destroy God's Creation – or, even more laughable - **save it** – truth could be restored and these *false-fears* could be dismissed!

Paul also identifies that God is the God of personal love:

**<sup>26</sup> From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. <sup>27</sup> God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. <sup>28</sup> 'For in him we live and move and have our being. As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.**

Idolatry is the worst sin because it is the repudiation of the very purpose life! He is the God of infinite love! God loves us and desires that we love Him!

Why do we exist, why does this planet exist, why this creation? God made you – He created you – *to know Him and to love Him!* – and down in your heart, you have a desire to know Him.

**<sup>29</sup> "Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by human design and skill. <sup>30</sup> In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. <sup>31</sup> For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead."**

Paul was a very educated man for his day, yet, is says that some of those he spoke to sneered at him and belittled him. Are you willing to be laughed at for your faith? Paul was willing to be thought a fool for Christ's sake.

***32 When they heard about the resurrection of the dead, some of them sneered, but others said, "We want to hear you again on this subject." 33 At that, Paul left the Council. 34 Some of the people became followers of Paul and believed. Among them was Dionysius, a member of the Areopagus, also a woman named Damaris, and a number of others.***

Are you willing to be sneered at and thought a fool? Young people will be told by their sophisticated and highly-educated professors at school that they are fools for believing in God.

I had heard a story of a man who was observed praying with his family at a restaurant and another man asked him what he was doing; the man said, *"Praying and giving thanks to God for this food."* The man then said, *"You are a fool."* The man who was praying said, that was true – *"he was a fool for Christ's sake."* Then he asked of the man – ***"whose fool are you?"***

Bob Dylan (of all people) wrote a very poignant song: ***"You're Going To Serve Someone"*** The underlying and irrefutable truth of the message of the song was that, while you can choose not to serve God – You **WILL** serve **someone!**

Some Paul was speaking to just laughed, some just put it off – but – ***some became followers!***

The material, pagan and idol-driven culture of Athens, which Paul recounts in Acts, can very easily be compared with America today! The most significant, and ***shameful*** difference for *American Christians* today – is that the ***Living God*** was an unknown to those in Athens!

American Christians have God's Word! It should dictate every choice and every action we undertake in this country and in this life – in and out of the church building!

I can say that presently – by majority - that is not the choice of today's American Christians! If you do not like the progression of the demise of this once great country – become active in the faith that you profess!



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