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THERE'S ONLY ONE GOD!

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Almost everywhere one goes these days, bring up the subject of religion or one's eternal destiny and you will often hear, "Well, there is only one God. We all worship the same God only under different names and in various ways." To go along with that we are assured that, "We are all going to the same place." Just a day or two ago while knocking on doors, an older man said these very things to me. The tragedy is most people really believe it and it is what they are being taught in their churches, etc. Yes, there is only One God! He is the God of the Bible - Jehovah; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. There really is no god Allah, Brahma, Buddha, etc. These are names given by men who imagine God is as they conceive Him. The Scriptures declare: **"Thus saith the LORD (Jehovah) the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first and I am the last; and beside me there is no God."** ~Isaiah 44:6. Again in Isaiah 45:5 we read: **"I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me..."** Nor is the god worshipped in the Roman Catholic churches, liberal churches, cults, etc. the true God! Their doctrines are contrary to the Word of God. Now this is not popular and many get quite offended if you do not accept the popular notion that God is whatever you conceive Him to be. Men are working to pass laws to stop this sort of preaching. In the world they speak of being "politically correct." Well, in religious circles everybody wants you to be "ecumenically correct" - do not rock the boat! This sort of thinking comes from the modern philosophy that all is relative and therefore, everyone is right even if his beliefs run counter to those of someone else. You may have your own beliefs and few will care - unless you say that those who hold contrary doctrines are wrong. That is intolerable to those who are so tolerable of error!

Then, we are not all going to the same place! There are two places. There are two roads; one leads to a place called Heaven and the other to a place called Hell. Jesus said: **"Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction and many there be that go in thereat: Because strait is the gate and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."** ~Matthew 7:13,14. Note: the Broadway is wide; there is room for everybody no matter what one believes. But look where it ends! Destruction - Hell! Furthermore, Jesus said that MANY follow this road. It is the popular road. You may believe what you want to believe; but in order to get to Heaven; you must be on the right road, the one that leads there. You must worship the One true God and you must worship Him *in the way He prescribes* - not any old way you or someone else has devised. Jesus said, **"I am the way, the truth and the life, no man cometh unto the Father but by me."** John 14:6. You can travel the Broadway and believe whatever you want, whatever makes you feel good. Or, you can believe the Bible, worship the God of the Bible - the only God there is. To do this, you must come to him as a sinner: **"All have sinned and come short of the glory of God."** Rom.3:23. Then, in repentance, ask Him to save you because you believe Christ died for your sins. **"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved."** ~Acts 16:31. There is One God! Do you know Him?

THE KIND OF MAN MOST PEOPLE WANT

*Here's to the man who is wisest and best.
Here's to the man who with judgment is blest.
Here's to the man who is smart as can be --
I mean the man who agrees with me.*

YOUTH CORNER

LOVE AND LOYALTY! Not too many really understand those two words. Love has been reduced to sentimentality, feelings, and loyalty is an unknown quantity to most! Do your own thing, whatever feels good, has almost completely taken over. But God loves you and if you are saved, He expects you to love Him. He is faithful, and He expects you to be faithful, loyal, to Him and His cause. Moses loved God and was loyal to Him - "**he chose to suffer affliction with the people of God.**" Joshua was loyal, he said, "**As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.**" Joseph loved God and was loyal to Him when he said, "**How can I do this great evil and sin against God?**" Paul admonished Timothy, a young Pastor to be faithful (loyal) saying: "**Be thou an example of the believers.**" And he was! God expects you to be loyal to the Church! The Bible says, "**Christ loved the Church and gave himself for it.**" If you are a real Christian, shouldn't you love the Church (the people, not the building)? You should be there every time there is a service, if possible. Though you are a young person, you should enter into its work and ministry wherever possible. If you don't love the Church and are not loyal to it, there won't be any true Fundamental Baptist Church next generation.

THE DOLLAR BILL: Some years ago an Illinois businessman pinned a note to a dollar bill, asking everyone who spent it to write down what it was used for and send it back into circulation. After a month it came back to him with the following story: It was spent five times for salary...five times for tobacco...five times for cigarettes...three times for candy...twice for clothing... three times for meals...once for automobile parts...once for groceries...once for washing...twice for shaves... once for toothpaste. God never had a chance with that dollar. There are millions of others just like it that never see the church offering plate. Which comes first in your life? God or other things? (See Matthew 6:33)

NEVER GIVE UP!

Never give up when the day is dark
And the clouds hang low and gray.
That is the time when you need the Lord
To be your strength and stay.

Never give up when things go awry
And your hopes with wings take flight.
'Tis said: It is darkest before the dawn,
So pray "till the morn brings light."

Never give up when troubles descend,
Leaving you crushed and forlorn.
Remember, Jesus carried the cross
And suffered the spear and the thorn.

So look to Jesus for all you need
Although the night may be long,
He'll take your burden; He'll heal your soul,
And fill your heart with a song.
-Author Unknown

ARE YOU SAVED? "'Today'-not tomorrow, nor later, not when one feels he has time, not when one is down-and-out, not when one is at the end of the journey of life, but 'Today!' There is an urgency in the voice of God as He pleads for a soul." -Tom Malone.
If you are not saved, trust Christ as your Savior TODAY!

WORDS OF WISDOM. About one hundred and fifty years ago J.C. Ryle wrote the following:

*From the Liberality that says everybody is right;
From the Charity that forbids us to say anybody is wrong;
From the Peace that is bought at the expense of truth—
May the good Lord deliver us.*

What would he say today when men are seriously considering making laws to bring such idiocy to pass?

TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

Tozer died in 1963, forty years ago. Things are much worse today, in the world and in the Church. If you are saved, I hope you will take to heart what he said: **"The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light."** The absence of spiritual devotion today is an omen... The modern church is all but contemptuous of the sober virtues - meekness, modesty, humility, quietness, obedience, self effacement, patience. It behooves us to take this seriously. Time is running out for all of us... We have no right to lie idly by and let things take their course. A farmer who neglects his farm will soon lose it; a shepherd who fails to look after the sheep will find the wolves looking after them. A misbegotten charity that allows wolves to destroy the flock is not charity but indifference and should be dealt with swiftly. It is time for Bible-believing Christians to begin to cultivate the sober graces and *to live among men like sons of God and heirs of the ages*. This will take a lot of doing for the whole world and a large part of the church is set to prevent it." How can God's people really affect anything for Him when they are carnal, worldly, immodest, self-willed, etc? It has been well said: "What you do speaks so loudly, I can't hear what you're saying!" One great problem is Pastors who cater to anything to get people in and keep them coming. The truth is most have lost their first love - if they ever had it! Now, you may get angry with me. It would be better if you truly repented! God is waiting!

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GOOD ADVICE FROM ODD SOURCE

The following is from a New Evangelical Evangelist (not Billy Graham). Nonetheless, it contains some excellent and much needed advice for Fundamentalists. "How you relate or do not relate to the Body of Christ directly affects other Christians. We need each other. As Christians, we need to plant our family's roots deeply into the local church. Although my wife and I travel a part of every year, we're not excused from taking an active part in our home church and remaining in subjection to the elders. We feel it is important to consult with them on the major decisions involving our family and sometimes even the entire evangelistic association. My advice to every Christian is the same: Attend church regularly. Follow the prescribed procedures to become a member of your local church. Observe the Lord's Supper and follow Him in Baptism. Become an active member and submit to the leaders' authority. Even though it has faults, don't allow yourself to develop a critical spirit (I Cor.1:10). Your church is your 'family' in Christ. Defend it! Let your children hear you talking about 'our' pastor, 'our' elders, 'our' deacons, 'our' Sunday School, etc. This will help them claim the church as their own as they grow older. I am convinced from Scripture that as I continue getting my roots deeper into the local church, I will be the winner and so will my family and my church. Also, speak well of your church by inviting others." *Ed. The plain truth is, this New Evangelical has more sense than many Fundamental Baptists in this matter!*