

THE FOOL WHO SAYS THERE'S NO GOD



INTRODUCTION: “While God has given ample evidence for faith, he will never remove all excuse for unbelief. All who look for hooks to hang their doubts upon, will find them. And those who refuse to accept and obey God's Word until every objection has been removed, and there is no longer an opportunity for doubt, will never come to the light.”(GC88 527.2)

The Lord forces no one to accept Him, He gives **ample evidence and lays it in front of the individual**, but he never compels the person to accept it. May the Lord give us His Spirit so that we can see the truth and accept it regardless of the messenger through whom it comes.

Let's begin our study by looking at the following text...

“The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God..”(Psalm 53:1)

The word “**fool**” here refers to anyone who denies God in any sense, and he's called a “fool” because he's deliberately doing so. The first one we can look at is an

Atheistic Fool.

Atheism is disbelief or lack of belief in the existence of God or gods.

Typical atheists don't believe in the existence of any God or gods. And regardless of the fact that **“the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse.”**(Romans 1:20), they reject the evidence of God's existence. But they will be **“without excuse”** in the day the Lord shall arise to destroy sin and sinners from the earth.

Like Pharaoh they say, **“Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD...”**(Exodus 5:2)

They say “there is no convincing evidence for the existence of God”, O really?

Because Richard Dawkins, a devout atheist, said: **“God speaking from heaven saying ‘I’m God believe in me’, or The same letters appear in the clouds, even the second coming of Christ cannot convince him of God’s existence.”**(paraphrased)

Is it not interesting that these people are saying “we need clear evidence for us to believe” and yet they are ready to reject the same evidence?

They reject the Bible and accept atheistic evolution, **“Saying to a stock, Thou art my father; and to a stone, Thou hast brought me forth...”**(Jeremiah 2:27) **What a delusion!** How can you accept the stone as your father? Does life ever come from none life? Is it not sensible to just accept the first 10 words of scripture(Gen 1:1)?

Thus, **“Professing themselves to be wise, they**

became fools”(Rom 1:22)

Like atheism, Humanism says “there is no proof for the existence of God, any gods, the supernatural or an afterlife. Therefore, we take very seriously the idea that **‘No deity will save us; we must save ourselves.’** We are living the only life we’ll have, **in the only world we know about.**”(https://americanhumanist.org)

But **“Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one.”**(Job 14:4)

That’s why there must be a Saviour, and though the Lord has clearly said **“I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.”**(Isa 43:11, Matt 18:11, Acts 4:12) they reject him and continue foolishly exclaiming, **“No deity will save us; we must save ourselves.”** Pathetic, that’s what it is.

Concerning Atheism during the French

Revolution, we read,

“ And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them. And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. ” (Rev 11:7,8, see also GC88 269.2)

“The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God,’ but he can advance no evidence to sustain his claims; he can only take the position of an objector to the purposes of an all-wise God. Atheism can shed no ray of light into the grave. It cannot restrain crime or quicken the moral energies. It has no power to elevate the character or purify the soul. On the contrary, it always tends to degenerate the human race; it leads away

from purity and peace. An instance of this is given in the history of the French Revolution. That period, when the existence of God was denied, and his commandments were abolished, was the most revolting that is recorded on the pages of human history.”(YI December 24, 1896, par. 7)

“God would have **his people shun the society of infidels, atheists, and spiritualists**. He has warned us of their character and their fate: **‘The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God.’** ‘He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination.’ **‘The transgressors shall be destroyed together; the end of the wicked shall be cut off.’** (ST June 8, 1882, par. 21)

“They have exalted their human wisdom in opposition to the wisdom of the great and mighty God, and have dared to enter into controversy with Him. **The word of**

**inspiration pronounces these men
‘fools.’(3SM 306.3)**

These atheists are running away from God the same way a thief runs away from the Police. Indeed they dislike God’s rules, the same way online drug traffickers dislike social media restrictions.

Without God Almighty, There can be No Single Authority. Without A Single Authority, there can be No Judgement. Without Judgement, There can be No Need of Repentance.

This is what Satan wants the world to believe.

A Religious Fool.

This is someone who has the knowledge of God’s existence, but has said “There is no

God for me” and therefore follows his own will.

Explains the Psalmist

“The wicked in his pride doth persecute the poor: let them be taken in the devices that they have imagined. For **the wicked boasteth of his heart ’ s desire,** and blesseth the covetous, whom the LORD abhorreth. **The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts.** His ways are always grievous; thy judgments are far above out of his sight: as for all his enemies, he puffeth at them. **He hath said in his heart, I shall not be moved:** for I shall never be in adversity. His mouth is full of cursing and deceit and fraud: under his tongue is mischief and vanity ... **He hath said in his heart, God hath forgotten: he hideth his face; he will never see it..”**(Psalm 10:2-7,11)

To this proud wicked fool, God is not a priority.

He **“will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts.”** And while he performs his wicked deeds, he says **in his heart, “God hath forgotten: he hideth his face; he will never see it.”** What a foolish thought! “There is no God for me, he won’t even judge me” so he reasons. Who can even think of escaping the Judgements of the Offended God?

Again the Lord says,

“Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.”
(Exodus 20:3)

“Whatever we cherish that tends to lessen our love for God or to interfere with the service due Him, of that do we make a god.”(PP 305.4)

Thus by cherishing something **more than the Creator**, we make that thing our **“god”** and through our actions we say **“There’s no**

God[the Creator] for me.”

The Apostle speaks of those who are “**lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God...**”(2Timothy 3:4)

And if “God **does not own the pleasure-seeker as His follower.**”(MYP 376.2), then what is his god if not pleasure itself?

Then, too, those “**Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof.**” (2Timothy 3:5) are doing so by their own actions. They look godly, but they are not converted, neither do they rejoice in righteousness.

The Saviour warned against **covetousness**.
Said he:

“...Take heed, and **beware of covetousness:**
for a man's life consisteth not in the

abundance of the things which he possesseth.”(Luke 12:15)

The Pharisees, you know, **“were covetous”**(Luke 16:14), and the rich man in the parable(Luke 16:19-31) is another best example of a covetous person. Concerning him, the servant of the Lord writes,

“This man's aims were no higher than those of the beasts that perish. He lived as if there were no God, no heaven, no future life; as if everything he possessed were his own, and he owed nothing to God or man. The psalmist described this rich man when he wrote, ‘The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God.’ Psalm 14:1.”(COL 257.1)

Surely **“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way...”**(Isa 53:6)

And **“there is none that doeth good. God**

looked down from heaven **upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, that did seek God. Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.**”(Ps 53:1-3)

But Christ has redeemed us “**from all iniquity**”(Titus 2:14), so that the “good” that is difficult for us to do **in flesh may be done through His power.**

No one should, therefore, remain a fool, and the church also must be warned about her

Impending Doom.

Do you remember a Christian fool who says “**God hath forgotten: he hideth his face; he will never see it.** ” (Psalm 10:11)? He is a perfect representation of the the house of Israel

and Judah(the Church), for we are told that

“ The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah is exceeding great, and the land is full of blood, and the city full of perverseness: **for they say, The LORD hath forsaken the earth, and the LORD seeth not..”**(Ezekiel 9:9)

Therefore the Lord says **“ ... as for me also, mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity, but I will recompense their way upon their head..”**(Ezekiel 9:10)

The scriptures, you see, are teaching that while atheists are denying the existence of God totally, **the Church is doing the same thing by standing separate from God and deny him by her own course of action.**

“ The church has turned back from following Christ her Leader and is steadily retreating toward Egypt..”(5T 217.2)

Thus God is about to Visit his Church in Judgment, for indeed **“the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God..”**
(1Peter 4:17)

“... Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and **set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.** And to the others he said in mine hearing, **Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity: Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.**” (Ezekiel 9:4,6)

While she keeps saying **“The LORD hath forsaken the earth, and the LORD seeth not.”**

(Ezekiel 9:9), the ancient men themselves(the elders) have also **“taken the position that we need not look for miracles and the marked manifestation of God's power as in former days. Times have changed. These words strengthen their unbelief, and they say: The Lord will not do good, neither will He do evil. He is too merciful to visit His people in judgment.** Thus ‘Peace and safety’ is the cry from men who will never again lift up their voice like a trumpet to show God's people their transgressions and the house of Jacob their sins. **These dumb dogs that would not bark are the ones who feel the just vengeance of an offended God. Men, maidens, and little children all perish together.**”(5T 211.2)

Since **“...the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness”(1 Cor 1:18),** and since **“the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God”(1 Cor 3:17),** then for the Saving God to save the world that is

perishing in its foolishness, He must necessarily take away from it the so called “wisdom” which is folly to Him and give it the “preaching of the cross”, and who is going to do this work if not His own Church?

But the Church herself “has gone over to the world in transgression of the law, when the world should have come over to the church in obedience to the law. **Daily the church is being converted to the world.**”(COL 315.3)

Thus the Lord intends to remove from her all whom he has not appointed(the **foolish virgins**), and thereafter have not only “**a people pure and true**”(5T 80) but also “a pure, true, sanctified ministry”(3SM 385.3), consisting only of the **wise virgins**, the 144,000(Rev 14:1-5) to receive the latter rain and finish the gospel work. This purification of the Church takes place as a result of “the mighty sifting” in the church.

Then shall the end come and Christ descend to fetch His own. And as **“The foolish shall not stand in thy[God’s]sight”**(Psalms 5:5), then we cannot escape the conclusion that when **“the tabernacle of God”** shall be with men, and when **“he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God”**(Rev 21:3), neither those who deny the very existence of God, nor those who acknowledge his existence but deny him in their actions shall enter the city of God.

Will you not, therefore, brother, sister, cease making the same mistakes and get the wisdom of God? Will you not quickly do so while mercy lingers? Will you not cease from man and cling to the Lord? God is calling, will you hear or will you forbear? Make the right decision before it shall be too late. **Be fools for Christ only!**

May the Lord help Us.