

Editorial....

"Know Jesus, Know Peace"

Right on, Greg! Your letter to me was just what I've been looking for. I was hoping for some sort of reaction and I got it. This might sound crazy, but I agree with you. Well, at least partially.

You are completely right when you say, "If everybody in the world lived and loved in the light of their respective religious faiths we would not be faced with dilemma." The dilemma being, of course, the possibility of nuclear annihilation. I'm glad someone around here can see that! For you see, THAT, is exactly the point I was trying to get across in my editorial, "No Jesus, No Peace." This, I guess you could say, is part two.

It's not necessarily that I am so against protests, although there is definitely some truth in that. However, since I'm on the subject, please bear with me and hear what I have to say.

First of all, there are a lot of war "protesters" that are that just for the simple reason of raising havoc. They make a lot of noise which simply offsets the fine balance of peace and order, and of course completely contradicts the reason that they are so vehemently protesting.

And then there are the people who protest because "everybody else is doing it."

And then there are still others that do it because they are natural-born cynics.

Then finally comes the worst type of all.....the multi-purpose protester. You know, the one who can be thrown into any of the above categories, or all three at the same time for that matter. Well, the point is that there is a lot of phony bologna in that racket.

Granted, there are some sincere people who wholeheartedly believe in something and are out there giving it their all. I applaud these people and say keep hanging in there. The rest have my pity.

However being in a "sincere minority" is something that I understand fully. I began to gain this understanding as soon as I became a Christian and started living for the Lord. This "Adaptation," I guess you could call it, came out of necessity. For you see, those of you who don't know, Christians are a minority. So I can understand how it is to go against the establishment.

Now that I have gotten that point across [hopefully], let me get back to what I had originally intended to discuss.

The "protest," the way most people think of it, brings images of riots and junk like that. Those type of protests are a lot of bullarchy. For the word "protest" is often associated with "differing opinions." Duh, I wonder why?

Having a differing view or opinion about something is great [I have a few of my own], but when it comes to rubbing other peoples noses in something, that's definitely uncool! In many cases, protests do this. Not all the time mind you, just in many cases.

I'm not as anti-protest as I might seem [I'm a protestant, Hey!]. At the same time though, I don't consider myself a "protester," but more of a "reformer." I mean if someone or something is being wronged, then I WILL say something about it. If people are going to protest something, why not protest the abundant disbelief that the Lord is in complete control of our fate? He really is you know.

The people that are children of God should have no worries or fears about being annihilated in a nuclear holocaust. For Genesis 18:23-33 says:

"And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked?

Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt thou also destroy and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that are therein?

That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?

And the Lord said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare the place for their sakes.

And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which am but dust and ashes:

Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous; wilt thou destroy all the city for lack of five? And he said, If I find there forty and five, I will not destroy it.

And he spake unto him yet again, and said, Peradventure there shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do it for forty's sake.

And he said unto him, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak: Peradventure there shall thirty be found there. And he said I will not do it if I find thirty there.

And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord: Peradventure there shall be twenty found there. And he said I will not destroy it for twenty's sake.

And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for ten's sake.

And the Lord went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place."

So, the scripture shows that if it's His divine will, the

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"Christians Are Losers"

I realize that's a pretty powerful title, but I feel that I have just reason to say it. Now before you go labeling me as some ultra-liberal, read on.

The first reason that I feel that those persons who call themselves "Christians" are losers is the fact that by virtue of their title it's obvious they never have a good time. I mean after all, you never see one down town drinking and drunk, nor do you see them at any of the fraternity parties in the same condition. Granted, one doesn't have to be drinking to have a good time, but it sure helps. At least that's what most people of this world tell me. And so, those "Christian's" lose out on many a good time because of this.

Another thing you don't see Christian doing is getting high on drugs. I mean, they don't even smoke pot every now and then. It's my understanding that one really doesn't get in contact with themselves until they've gotten high a couple of times. I asked a friend who lays claim to the afore mentioned title, why he never got high. To this he replied that he was on a constant high, and that he was high on his "new" life. Now I ask you, have you ever heard anything more ridiculous? Nobody can be on a constant high, reality is too strong. Everyone needs to go off that deep end every once in a while. And what

does he mean by new life? Does he mean a fresh start, and if so, how? Surely, that would be impossible. Wouldn't it?

There are other pleasures that Christians don't indulge in. You don't hear of single Christians who engage in sex. In fact, a Christian's dating life must be pretty boring. Especially since they are all celibates, until they get married. Another pleasure they don't get involved in is cutting people down. Have you ever been around a whole bunch of people when a peculiar person came up in the conversation, and everyone in the group took turns talking about how weird that person is? When suddenly, someone in that group gets up and abruptly leaves, or worse yet, they stick up for them? No matter how bad, strange, weird or different the person is, a Christian is liable to stick up for them.

Another thing I've noticed about Christians is the fact that they aren't the best looking people around. They are generally rather plain and simple. They don't seem to have the need to spend hours making themselves look good. Yet somehow there is a radiance, a glow that shines in and about them that makes them the most beautiful people around.

And they must not think very much of their possessions. At

least that's one of their most basic teachings. They are taught that whenever anyone asks to borrow something, they are to give it to them, and when anyone ask for something they are not to turn them away empty handed. And they give their money away. I mean literally give it away. They don't belong to any club or organization whose membership guarantees that they will be a Christian, and who'll charge them for it. But instead, they count if a privilege to give money away to help expand their cause. And they don't go around telling everyone the amount of money they gave away from month to month.

It's also very unimportant for them to be the most popular people around. In fact, because of many of their beliefs, they are often the most put down people around. They are laughed at, ridiculed scorned and put down because of their beliefs. And yet they take it in stride.

In view of all this, I feel as though I'm justified in saying that Christians are losers, they lose out on all the pleasures that the world has to offer. I wonder if they realize this. I'm sure they do, after all, I never said they were stupid.

Those poor foolish Christians look how much they have to lose! And yet, they continue to smile. I wonder why?

RUEGGY

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