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Faith Is Not From Opinions

[Jesus asked His disciples,] saying, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" So they answered and said, "John the Baptist, but some say Elijah; and others say that one of the old prophets has risen again." (**Luke 9:18-20**)

Jesus did not say:

- (1) "Everyone is entitled to his own opinion;"
- (2) "Truth is found somewhere in the middle of these opinions;"
- (3) "It doesn't matter, everyone is just following a different prophet to Heaven;"
- (4) "Actually my disciples can believe all of this and be saved!"

Jesus asked for the God-inspired truth that showed all those opinions to be mistaken, for Peter answered and said, "The Christ of God." Paul divided an assembly of Pharisees and Sadducees by preaching the truth of Jesus' resurrection, which neither side believed (**Acts 23:6-7**). Bible truth is not the combination of opinions!

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**The Immigration Problem**

When "illegal immigration" has become an overwhelming invasion of non-citizens who assume their right to government giveaways and constitutional protection, it raises doubt and confusion in our minds as to whether citizenship means anything anymore. For an earthly country, constitutions and people must decide.

For Christians:

Our citizenship is in heaven (**Philippians 3:20**)

[And] the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: "The Lord knows those who are His," and, "Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity." (**2 Timothy 2:19**)

Only those are "added to the church daily" who were willing to:

Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins. (**Acts 2:38, 47**)

God does not offer spiritual "amnesty" to anyone who refuses to obey His rules for citizenship!

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Understanding God

For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes 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**)

God is not in the Creation, but His handwork clearly shows that He has left His imprint all over the place! "Understood" literally means, "using your intelligence!" The evidence is in the Creation, but we must draw the conclusion! **David** said:

The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork." (**Psalm 19:1**)

Paul declared:

God, who made the world and everything in it. (**Acts 17:24**)

Jeremiah spoke as we should when he said:

Let us search out and examine our ways, And turn back to the LORD; Let us lift our hearts and hands To God in heaven. (**Lamentations 3:40-41**)

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