Truth, Logic, and Eternity

This last week, I've noticed something very bothersome while reading and watching the news, talking with people around the county and checking into Facebook.

It seems that people these days not only lack a functional BS filter, but have no desire to logically examine statements and arguments they hear.

So it seems that I'm almost constantly hearing statements like "well, that's true for you, but not for me", "There's no such thing as objective moral truth", and "9/11 proves that all religions, especially 'fundamentalist' religions are the major source of evil in this world".

Each of the above statements contain are both logically false and either directly or indirectly deny the clear truth revealed in the Bible. Yet, I still either read or hear these or similar statements on an almost daily basis.

What's REALLY sad is that when I point this out, the usual response is 'yeah, so what?'.   I'm frustrated by the large number of people who seem to simply not care whether what they believe is true or not, as long as it is culturally correct and makes them feel good about themselves.

But whether the subject is as important as how to be in right relationship with the Creator of the universe or as relatively mundane as the political hot topic of the day, or even whether the Bible is a reliable text, THE TRUTH MATTERS. Not 'my truth' or 'your truth', but THE truth. It matters because we serve a God of truth, who expects us to both believe the truth and live truthfully. More importantly, it matters because whether you believe the truth and act on that truth appropriately will determine your eternal destiny.

And two of the most important tools that God has provided us to determine truth are His Word and the laws of logic, and you don't have to be a genius or take a bunch of college classes to effectively use either one.

Therefore, the overused 'that's true for you, but not for me' dodge is not only logically ridiculous, but leads to a worldview that at best will destroy any passion for spreading the Gospel, and at worst (and most likely) a belief system that leads straight to hell. The other objections to Christianity I mentioned earlier are no different in that regard.

We are commanded and compelled by scripture and the Spirit to do whatever we can to rescue as many as possible from this fate. To do so, we MUST be prepared to gently, firmly, and persistently recognize and identify to ourselves not only that these kinds of statements are false, but how they are false and what the consequences are for holding them.

That's why we have Curly's Corner. It is here (and at www.cc.wofblogs.org) for two reasons:
     1) To equip us to expose these lame and ultimately nonsensical objections to Biblical Christianity for what they are. By doing this, we help open the door for God's Spirit to enable doomed and dying people to see not only what the REAL reasons they are running from Him are, but for them to see their need for Him.
     2) To give reasoned, rational and well thought out evidence for our faith to those Christians who haven't gone beyond the 'warm fuzzy, feel good' (non)gospel rampant in the churches of America today.

I don't believe the Gospel because it makes me feel good. I don't believe the Bible because I necessarily like what I find in it. I don't follow Christ because it is easy or financially profitable or makes me feel like I fit in with a certain crowd.

I do it because the Gospel is TRUE; not just for me, but for everyone, whether they believe it or not. Knowing the consequences of unbelief, the most hateful thing I could do is to let others deny God's truth without having at least confronted them with both the truth of God and the fallacies of what they follow.

—— Curly