

THE WORLD'S MOST WIDELY KNOWN FUNDAMENTALIST

Text: Ephesians 6:11

INTRO: The dictionary defines a fundamentalist as a person who believes the Bible is divinely inspired, and means what it says (eg., virgin birth, judgment, resurrection...)

Many people are fundamentalist in theory, but not in practice.

I. THE DEVIL BELIEVES IN GOD.

James 2:19, You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe--and tremble!

Gen 3:5, For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, & you will be like God, knowing good & evil.

II. THE DEVIL BELIEVES THAT JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD.

Mark 5:2, 6-8, And when He had come out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit... When he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and worshiped Him. And he cried out with a loud voice and said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I implore You by God that You do not torment me." For He said to him, "Come out of the man, unclean spirit!"

NOTE: This necessarily includes the belief in the virgin birth.

III. THE DEVIL BELIEVES THAT THE GOSPEL IS TRUE AND POWERFUL.

Luke 8:12, those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.

A. He knows that the gospel is the power of God to save souls, Rom. 1:16; James 1:21.

B. He knows that unbelievers will be condemned. JN 3:16-18; MK 16:16; JN 8:21, 24

C. He knows that the disobedient will be lost.
2 Thess 1:6-9, It is a righteous thing with God to repay with tribulation those who trouble you, & to give you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power.

D. He knows that a child of God can sin and become lost.
1 Peter 5:8, Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

Luke 22:31-32, And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and when you have returned to Me, strengthen your brethren.

Judas, John 13:27; 17:12.

IV. HE BELIEVES THAT GOD HAS SET A DAY TO JUDGE THE WORLD & METE OUT PUNISHMENT TO HIS ADVERSARIES.

Matt 8:29, And suddenly [the demons] cried out, saying, "What have we to do with You, Jesus, You Son of God? Have You come here to torment us before the time?"

Rev 12:12, Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time.

V. THE DEVIL KNOWS THE TRUTH. HE BELIEVES
THE SCRIPTURES—BUT HE WILL NOT OBEY.
Matt. 7:21; Heb. 5:9

James 1:25, But he who looks into the perfect law of
liberty & continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a
doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.

Acts 10:34-35; 2 Thess. 1:8

Jonestown, TX, September 14, 1969

Springhill, LA, September 20, 1970

KBSF Radio, Springhill, LA, May 30, 1971

La Porte, TX, January 25, 1976

Exton, PA, September 14, 1986

Susquehanna, Marietta, PA, November 20, 2005