

QA: What About the "Yard Sign" At the Church Building? by John T Polk II

All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.

QUESTION: "What about a 'yard sign' at the church building?"

ANSWER: A printed sign was planted in the yard of our church building by non-members which read: "Receiving the Lord Jesus Christ will take you straight to HEAVEN Read Romans 10:9-13." The opposite side of that same sign read: "Believing that Acts 2:38 is God's Plan of Salvation will take you...Straight to HELL!" Since this sign represents so much that is wrong, it should be helpful to notice the following points.

1. God's Word never contradicts God's Word! God's Word is absolute and true!

For when God made a promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, saying, "Surely blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply you. ... Thus God, determining to show more abundantly to the heirs of promise the immutability of His counsel, confirmed it by an oath, that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us. (Hebrews 6:13-14, 17-18)

God's Word is the unchanging "faithful word" so Christians may be able, "by sound doctrine, both to exhort and convict those who contradict" (**Titus 1:9**).

For God is not the author of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints. (1 Corinthians 14:33)

The yard sign makes the Word of God appear to contradict itself, therefore causing needless confusion.

2. Saying God's Commandments will send one to Hell is blasphemy of the Holy Spirit!

And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebub," and, "By the ruler of the demons He casts out demons." ... And Jesus replied: "Assuredly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the sons of men, and whatever blasphemies they may utter; but he who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is subject to eternal condemnation" -- because they said, "He has an unclean spirit." (Mark 3:22, 28-30)

To say that casting out demons was by the power of the Devil was blasphemy (speaking hurtfully, injuriously) of the Holy Spirit. Now, to quote the Holy Spirit-inspired Scriptures, which is the power of God to salvation, as sending one to Hell, is blasphemy of the Holy Spirit. No one can ever be saved believing that God, Jesus Christ, or the Holy Spirit, when followed, will lead to Hell.

If anyone sees his brother sinning a sin which does not lead to death, he will ask, and He will give him life for those who commit sin not leading to death. There is sin leading to death. I do not say that he should pray about that. All unrighteousness is sin, and there is sin not leading to death. (1 John 5:16-17)

Only repentance can deliver one from dying of Holy Spirit blasphemy. Yard sign printers and planters must repent of their blasphemous statement before it's too late!

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