

LIE #14: God doesn't mind if we use religious statues, pictures or medallions as aids to worship.

Exo 20:4-5 - Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them (See 2 Cor 6:16, 1 John 5:21)

LIE #15: You can get yourself saved anytime you want just by saying a prayer telling Jesus that you accept Him as your Saviour.

Acts 15:8 - And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as he did unto us;

Jonah 2:9 - Salvation is of the LORD.

Mat 7:21-23 - Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

Mat 18:3 - And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

(See also Matt 15:8, Luke 13:3, John 3:3, 2 Cor 13:5)

LIE #16: God doesn't care what we expose ourselves to (music, radio & TV programs, movies, reading material, etc.) as long as it has a positive message.

James 4:4 - Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

Psa 101:3 - I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes

LIE #17: You are legalistic if you speak against specific sins.

Rom 6:1,2 - What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

2 Pet 3:14 - Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

John 7:24 - Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.

LIE #18: You can lose your salvation.

Rom 5:11 - And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

John 3:18 - He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

1 John 5:13 - These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

John 10:28 - And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

Jude 1:24 - Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy

LIE #19: Evangelism is only an activity for Christians who have that gift.

2 Cor 5:20 - Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

James 5:20 - Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.

Mat 10:32-33 - Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

LIE #20: Mormons, Jehovah's Witnesses, 7th Day Adventists and Roman Catholics are all members of legitimate Christian churches.

Rev 22:18 - "If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book". The Mormons added the Book of Mormon, The Jehovah Witness Watchtower organization created the corrupt New World Translation bible, Adventists added Ellen G. White's writings, and the Catholic Church added the Catholic Catechism, and all are used to elevate the teachings of these organizations above the Bible. The Bible teaches salvation by *grace alone*.

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I HAVE NO GREATER JOY THAN TO HEAR THAT MY CHILDREN WALK IN

TRUTH [3 John 1:4]

Many well meaning yet mis-taught Christians and others who claim to be Christians are preaching lots of things that sound 'good' on the surface but at the root are anything but true. Some of these lies (modern unscriptural ideas about Christianity) are discussed below as a wake-up call to all true born-again Bible-believing disciples of Jesus Christ.

LIE #1: God wants his children to be rich.

Mat 6:19-20 - Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal

Luke 18:22 - Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me.

Mat 8:20 - And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.

2 Tim 3:12 - Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

LIE #2: If you have enough faith God will give you whatever you ask for.

James 4:3 - Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.

1 John 5:14 - And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us

LIE #3: Don't speak out against sin or against error because you might offend someone.

Gal 4:16 - Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?

Jude 1:3 - Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

Luke 17:3 - Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, **rebuke him**; and if he repent, forgive him.

1 Tim 5:20 - Them that sin **rebuke before all**, that others also may fear.

Mat 15:12-24 - Then came his disciples, and said unto him, Knowest thou that **the Pharisees were offended**, after they heard this saying? But he answered and said, Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up. Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.

Mat 24:10-11 - And then shall **many be offended**, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

LIE #4: Unity is more important than doctrine.

Psa 138:2 - ... **thou hast magnified thy word** above all thy name.

2 Tim 4:3-4 - For the time will come when **they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears**; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

LIE #5: Christians should work together with whoever is pro-family and pro-life.

2 Cor 6:14-17 - **Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers**: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore **come out from among them, and be ye separate**, saith the Lord

LIE #6: Christians can divorce or remarry provided the spouse committed adultery.

Luke 16:18 - Whosoever putteth away his wife, and marrieth another, committeth adultery: and whosoever marrieth her that is put away from her husband committeth adultery.
(See also Matt 19:6-12, Mark 10:11-12)

LIE #7: God LOVES all sinners and he has a wonderful plan for their lives but many of them just don't know about it yet.

Psa 5:5 - The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: **thou hatest all workers of iniquity**.

Psa 11:5 - The LORD trieth the righteous: but **the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth**.

Rom 9:13-15 - As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but **Esau have I hated**. What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? God forbid. For he saith to Moses, **I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy**

Rom 9:21-23 - **Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour?** What if God, willing to show his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction: And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory

LIE #8: Jesus died for everyone.

Mat 22:14 - For **many are called, but few are chosen**.

Mark 13:20 - ... but for **the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen**, he hath shortened the days.

John 15:16 - **Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you**, and ordained you ...

Acts 13:48 - ... and as **many as were ordained to eternal life** believed.

(See also John 1:12-13, Eph 1:4-11, 2 Thes 2:13)

LIE #9: All babies and small children that die go to heaven because God would not condemn anyone who has not reached 'the age of accountability'.

Psa 51:5 - Behold, I was shapen in iniquity, and **in sin did my mother conceive me**.

Psa 58:3 - **The wicked are estranged from the womb**: they go astray as soon as they be born, speaking lies.

God sovereignly determines which infants, children and adults He will ordain to eternal life no matter how short their lives may be.

LIE #10: Signs and wonders are evidences of being a Christian - a true child of God.

1 Cor 12:30 - Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret?

1 Cor 14:11 - Therefore **if I know not the meaning of the voice, I shall be unto him that speaketh a barbarian, and he that speaketh shall be a barbarian unto me**.

Mat 12:39 - ... **An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign**; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas

It is not tongues speaking or any other miraculous signs that confirm our conversion to Christ. True signs of salvation consist of a changed attitude about God and sin as evidenced by a love for holiness and a love for the brethren, the lost and biblical truth.

LIE #11: You can commit blasphemy of the Holy Spirit if you question the source of someone's tongues utterances, tongues interpretations, or messages from God.

1 John 4:1 - Beloved, believe not every spirit, but **try the spirits whether they are of God**: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

Rev 22:18 - For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, **If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book**

LIE #12: We should not question someone's salvation.

1 John 4:1 - Beloved, believe not every spirit, but **try the spirits whether they are of God**: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

Mat 7:15-16 - Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. **Ye shall know them by their fruits**.

LIE #13: Saturday is still the Sabbath day.

Acts 20:7 - And upon **the first day of the week**, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them

1 Cor 16:2 - Upon **the first day of the week** let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.

(See also Col 2:16-17)