

“Wine and Milk (8): A Christmas Gift for the Pagan Majority”

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8 Romans 2:14, 15

- ▼ In the final judgment, how is God going to treat the \_\_\_\_\_?
- ▼ Can a \_\_\_\_\_ remain a \_\_\_\_\_ and still be saved?

8 Evidence for the answer:

- ▼ Genesis \_\_\_\_:3-6
  - God comes to \_\_\_\_\_ Abimelech in a dream and Abimelech \_\_\_\_\_ him.
  - Abimelech was \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ he had from \_\_\_\_\_.
- ▼ II Chronicles \_\_\_\_\_ :20-22
  - A \_\_\_\_\_ Pharaoh was taking orders from the living \_\_\_\_\_ .
  - Josiah, the leader of the greatest revival in Israel’s history, should have obeyed the \_\_\_\_\_ of God through a \_\_\_\_\_ king.
- ▼ Psalm \_\_\_\_\_ :4-6
  - God writes down the names of \_\_\_\_\_ in his Book of Life.
- ▼ Matthew \_\_\_\_\_ :10-12
  - Jesus declares the \_\_\_\_\_ of this \_\_\_\_\_ greater than that of all the saved!
- ▼ Luke \_\_\_\_\_ :47, 48
  - To whom \_\_\_\_\_ is given, \_\_\_\_\_ will be required.
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- ▼ Acts \_\_\_\_\_ :34, 35
  - “God shows no \_\_\_\_\_ .”
  - “In every [pagan] nation whoever \_\_\_\_\_ Him and works \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ by Him.”
- ▼ Acts \_\_\_\_\_ :22-24, 30
  - “I’ve seen all your temples and shrines and altars and gods—I’m impressed—you are a very \_\_\_\_\_ people.”
  - Through the ages God has overlooked pagan \_\_\_\_\_ when there is pagan \_\_\_\_\_ that follows divine conviction in the pagan heart.
- ▼ God loves all his earth children so much—look at the salvation insurance he provides for every new born pagan baby:
  - John \_\_\_\_\_ :9—Jesus is “the true Light that gives light to \_\_\_\_\_ man and woman coming into the world.”
    - ▼ No human being is ever left in total darkness.
  - Romans \_\_\_\_\_ :19, 20
    - ▼ The light of \_\_\_\_\_ shines into the pagan heart with evidence for the existence of \_\_\_\_\_ .
  - Romans 2:14, 15

- ▼ The light of \_\_\_\_\_ shines into the pagan heart with evidence for the existence of a \_\_\_\_\_ code, God’s guiding law.
- ▼ *Education 29:*  
“As through Christ every human being has life, so also through Him every soul receives some ray of divine light. Not only intellectual but spiritual power, a perception of right, a desire for goodness, exists in every heart.”
- Titus \_\_\_\_\_:11—“For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to \_\_\_\_\_ men and women.”
  - ▼ Classic case in point—Nineveh

8 Can a pagan remain a pagan and still be saved?

- ▼ *Christ’s Object Lessons 385:*  
“Wherever there is an impulse of love and sympathy, wherever the heart reaches out to bless and uplift others, there is revealed the working of God’s Holy Spirit. In the depths of heathenism, men who have had no knowledge of the written law of God, who have never even heard the name of Christ, have been kind to His servants, protecting them at the risk of their own lives. Their acts show the working of a divine power. The Holy Spirit has implanted the grace of Christ in the heart of the savage, quickening his sympathies contrary to his nature, contrary to his education . . . and this light, if heeded, will guide his feet to the kingdom of God.”
- ▼ Can a pagan remain a pagan and still be saved? Based on the evidence we have examined here, I must conclude that the answer is \_\_\_\_\_.
- ▼ *Desire of Ages 638:*  
“Among the heathen are those who worship God ignorantly, those to whom the light is never brought by human instrumentality, yet they will not perish. Though ignorant of the written law of God, they have heard His voice speaking to them in nature, and have done the things that the law required. Their works are evidence that the Holy Spirit has touched their hearts, and they are recognized as the children of God.”
- ▼ How could God do that and yet remain faithful to his character and true to his gospel?
  - He does it by remaining a God of unrelenting love and undeviating fairness and judging all his earth children by the identical standard.
  - For in the end God will judge all humans—pagan or non-pagan—on the basis of the \_\_\_\_\_ they \_\_\_\_\_ have.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ will be judged by the light she did not have.
  - *Desire of Ages 239:*  
“Our standing before God depends, not upon the amount of light we have received, but upon the use we make of what we have. Thus even the heathen who choose the right as far as they can distinguish it are in a more favorable condition than are those who have had great light, and profess to serve God, but who disregard the light, and by their daily life contradict their profession.”
- ▼ But beware the dangerous miscalculation: “Leave the pagans alone—don’t disturb them—God will save them on the basis of the light they already have.”
  - The faulty premise: All God’s pagan earth children are \_\_\_\_\_ to

**the light they have.**

- **Which is why we cannot write off 130 million Japanese and one billion Muslims.**
- **Somebody is going to have to go to them.**
- **Will you help me help God help us help them?**

## “For God so loved the world”

pagans, pagan, pagan, 20, pagan, recognizes, obeying, light, God, 35, pagan, God, word, pagan, 87, pagans, 8, faith, pagan, 12, much, much, little, little, 10, partiality, fears, righteousness, accepted, 17, religious, ignorance, integrity, 1, every, 1, nature, God, conscience, moral, 2, all, Yes, light, did, no, one, living, up