

## Should Christians Celebrate Halloween?

Pose this question to Google and you quickly get many pages of pros and cons: “Why not? It’s just a childhood fantasy!” “Oh... NO! It’s the devil’s birthday!”

Given the fact that our paganized culture makes it impossible to protect the innocence of our kids for very long, how do we adapt? If we say a flat “NO!” and hide in the back room that night, does the young mind get the right message? Should we Christians be teaching our children to withdraw and hide, or to change the world?

If we spend our God-given money on witch and goblin costumes, are we guiltless? Halloween, and its attendant costume industry, is becoming darker and darker. More than ever, it’s all about death, demons and witchcraft. These are things that God hates. Should we be teaching our children that those things can be “fun”?

But this night provides an easy way to teach our children to witness for Jesus *by our own example*, and then to begin teaching our kids those “big issues” as we talk about why we don’t celebrate

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## The Vital Work of Tract Passing

For a long time my vision for using gospel tracts was way ahead of my skill. I knew that the little 24-page Chick booklet carried an important message with eternal consequences. I knew that when I managed to deposit one in someone’s hand that it would likely get read because of the engaging story.

I also knew that the reader would inevitably make a decision: to agree with the message and be drawn closer to Christ, or —scoff and disregard that message. Maybe he would even tear it up and trash it. If he did, I was saddened to imagine his appointment with his Creator on Judgment Day. I could see him objecting: “But... I didn’t know!”

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# Should Christians...

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Halloween the same way as everyone else. The BIG ISSUES: (1) God is real and we need to glorify Him: make as many people as possible aware of His existence and His love, and (2) Satan and his devils are also real and they want to blow up your life. His target is our death. If that fails, he will lie his head off until we are too confused to know what to do.

So, what to do about the costume thing? Witches and werewolves, goblins and ghosts —none seem to help people think more about God. Fake angels aren't that much help, either.

But what if you had a way to spoil Satan's "holyday" by making everyone in your neighborhood think about God for a few moments? Closing the door and turning off the porch light isn't likely to do it. "That's just those 'Christian' spoil-sports at it again." If we go hide, Satan wins.

Well, what about those candy bags? Those cuties behind the masks are looking to have some fun. Fun is part of joy, so show the joy of the Lord and give some fun candy, but add the joy of sins forgiven.

For just a few cents you can give them a little booklet with an engaging story —and the God-glorifying Gospel— all in 24 pages that will fit in the bags, too. And is any parent going to let it go by without checking out what propaganda this kid came home with?

What a chance to deliver the Gospel to neighbors who wouldn't think of going to church with you!

For several years, Chick customers have kept our shipping department extra busy in the six weeks leading up to this infamous "holyday." They tell us that it is a perfect time to "evangelize" their whole neighborhood, all in one night. One (good quality) candy plus one Chick tract that's sure to get READ!

Witnessing never gets any easier than this: on that one night of the year they all come to your door asking for the best

thing you can give. Money can't buy a better witnessing opportunity. This makes Halloween better than Christmas, to be able to give the words of eternal life.

With the wide variety of Chick tracts, sandwich bags of candy and tracts can be prepared for each age level, — including adults. Today, most kids come with their parents who hang in the background. They'll read them, too!

For just a little while, you'll know that almost everyone in the neighborhood is having to consider where they will be 100 years from now (heaven or hell).

And look carefully at the critters on your street. You just might see the Devil himself, coming to check out who's ruining his favorite holiday. You can probably get rid of him in a hurry by offering him a Chick tract, too.

## A Few Suggestions on Doing Halloween God's Way:

1. Start your children young. If they have already gotten in the "Halloween habit" it's going to be more difficult to redirect them.
2. Have your candy and tracts ready to go in advance. If you make bags with candy and cartoon tracts, have them sorted by age.
3. Don't always answer the door yourself. Let your children do it part of the time. They will love handing out the candy and cartoons.
4. Make sure your kids know that when it's all over, they are going to get plenty of candy, so they don't think they lost that by not going door to door. Like all parents, you can control it so they don't eat it all at once.

# I'm coming to your house Oct 31!



For ideas see:  
[chick.com/halloween](http://chick.com/halloween)

Please give me some candy . . .  
and tell me about Jesus!



## Kids love Chick tracts!

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And the Judge of the Universe chiding him: “Don’t you remember that little booklet I sent your way at 2pm on January 21, 2015 that told you about my gift of eternal life that I offered you?” On heaven’s overhead would then appear the very trash can containing the crumpled tract. “You are without excuse. Depart...”

Such is the heavy responsibility of witnessing with gospel tracts. What an invitation to joy we carry—or message of doom!

But two things primarily stand in my way of witnessing freely with tracts. First of all, I must have a vision for the lostness of the lost and a confidence that I carry a vital message available nowhere except in the word of God. The promise that sin’s leg-chains can really be broken, freeing Satan’s prisoner from the bondage of sin, is unmatched in any of the Devil’s counterfeits.

This singular gift of forgiveness is unmatched by any other world religion. Handing out \$1000 bills on the street pales in comparison to the value of the message in a gospel tract.

To be effective in tract witnessing I must have that world view.

On the practical side, convenience is the other factor. If I have to go to the car, rummage in the glove compartment under the vehicle registration behind the gummy bears to get a tract for the fast food cashier, the opportunity is probably long lost.

For the gunslinger, a ready holster was essential. For me, I do not own a shirt without a pocket. And my morning dressing always includes a stop at my nightstand where my bulk stock of tracts is stacked. Half a dozen tracts fit nicely between my cell phone and pocket protector ready for my quick-draw if I am surprised by a sudden divine appointment. In fact, if I have enough time to anticipate

an opportunity, I may draw a single tract part way out of the pack where I am sure to be able to get it without having to look.

With this careful planning, putting that glorious message into the cashier’s hand when she hands me my receipt becomes an easy, natural gesture as part of the smile and “thank you” for her service.

Obedying the Great Commission is the requirement for all who claim citizenship in Christ’s Kingdom. There is no other basic option. Some may be specifically gifted in preaching, teaching, helps, or prophecy, but all of us are obligated to “preach and/or “teach” the good news at every opportunity. The 24-page Chick tract/booklet can both “preach” the good news of salvation and “teach” essential biblical doctrines, all for little more than the deposit fee on a couple of soda bottles.

—G.C. CA.

## Some Religious Freedom Victories

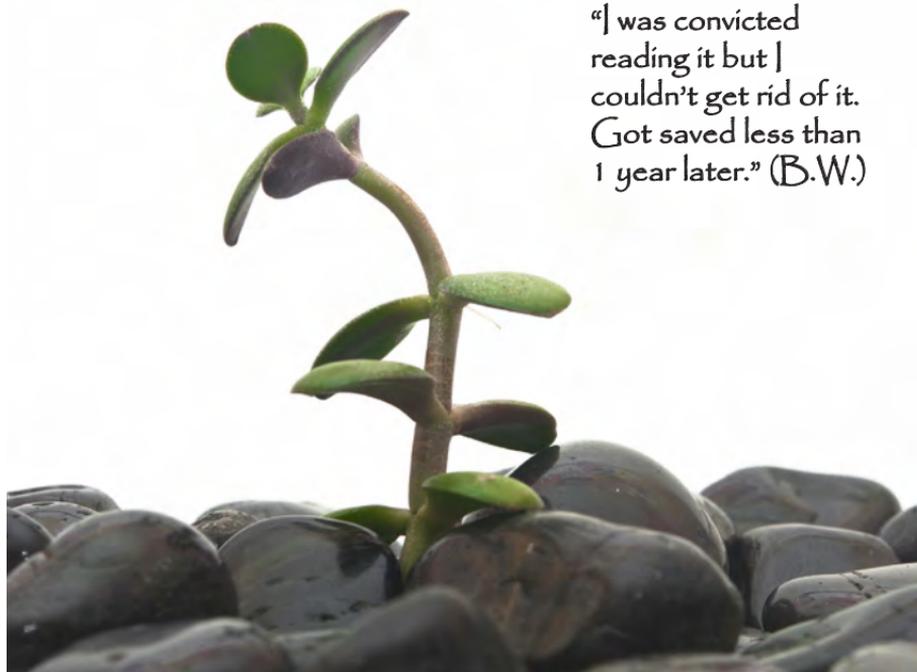
Sometimes there is good news. Christian businesses who have come under fire for resisting the demands for approval by homosexuals have had a successful day in court.

Most publicized was the case of Jack Phillips, who ran a cake shop in Colorado. When asked by a couple of men to prepare a cake for their “wedding,” Jack politely declined and directed them to other shops who would accommodate them.

They complained to the Colorado Civil Rights Commission who slapped Phillips with a heavy fine and demanded he attend re-education classes along with his employees. It took several years for the case to get all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court who agreed 7-2 in favor of Phillips.

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# You never know which seed will sprout



"I was convicted reading it but I couldn't get rid of it. Got saved less than 1 year later." (B.W.)

Jesus taught us to spread the good seed of the Gospel into the field of the world. But we don't know which seeds will sprout. So we sow, and we hope. Some water, and yet others reap.

Chick Publications still gets letters, emails and phone calls from grateful people who found the Lord because someone was faithful to sow.

So let's remain faithful, and creative. There are so many ways to share a tract. And if it's a Chick tract, you know it's going to get read.

Where will you sow today?

# Halloween is Not Satan's Only Holiday

Why is it important to get the gospel to everyone we can? Because Jesus said so is good enough. But if we are aware of some of the history behind the culture wars that we are in the middle of, we might better help someone who is lost in the confusion. A recent holiday in France can give us some background.

It is called "Bastille Day," and celebrated with fireworks similar to our July 4th.

It celebrates a revolution directly opposite to the purpose of the American Revolution. The founders of the U.S. fought for freedom to worship God. But Bastille Day celebrates the French Revolution, inspired by the belief that God was *not* needed in a new world order where science is king and reason his mistress.

Soul winners need to know this history because it clouds the thinking of most of the generation we are trying to attract with the gospel. That generation is mostly schooled by teachers and professors who push evolution and other godless philosophies.

Briefly, the fork in history came when Gutenberg began to print Bibles for the common man. Satan's worst nightmare happened when enough people began to read and believe the Bible to start the Protestant Reformation. But the Devil's response was to start a counterfeit "revolution." Known as the "Enlightenment" movement, it spurned the God of the Bible making mankind the center of the social universe.

Time became evolution's "Creator," using mutations as the evolutionary process and MAN became the present king of the mutants. They now dream of using biotechnology to harness and accelerate the mutations to produce a super human, freed from disease, aging and even poverty.

Where did this godless dream originate?

In the fertile minds of the Enlightenment thinkers who were convinced that God was dead.

The short history of the beginning of the Enlightenment is most revealing. When the common man started reading, he discovered that his bondage came from two sources: the corrupt, counterfeit "church" headquartered in Rome, and the nobility who enslaved them to work the land. It was even worse where these two monsters joined forces.

Meanwhile, the other stream of history, the Reformation, was radiating sunrays of freedom from Great Britain and America. With the bloody French Revolution, an armed correction was mounted against popery and feudalism, but it had a hollow core. Satan was not about to give up without a fight. When the dust settled, popes had been unseated, monarchs deposed, but science and reason had been enshrined as the guiding lights of the emerging "secular" states.

So Satan's grip was still there. In the place of Rome's idolatrous Mary goddess with its wafer worship, universities became the cathedrals of secularism. Today's humanist professors openly belittle the faith of any Bible-believers who dare attend their classes. And the casualties are many, witnessed by recent statistics of the loss of faith by the Millennial and "Z" generations. And of course, with the Bible gone, even the lower grades are now forums of secular, humanist and evolutionary propaganda.

From this brief history you can see how important it is to have a grasp of the roots of the lies that America's youth have been sold. Witnessing techniques that depended on a background of Sunday School stories are not useful with these who have little or no Biblical frame of reference, or worse, someone who has swallowed the anti-Biblical propaganda.

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They found that the government hostility toward Masterpiece Cakeshop and Jack Phillip's religious beliefs violated his freedom of both speech and religion.

This decision tipped the scale on a similar case in the state of Washington. Barronelle Stutsman operated a floral shop and also declined on religious objections to make a floral arrangement for a same-sex union. The government decided to break her resistance with a heavy fine, but she also fought her way through the courts until it reached the U.S. Supreme Court this year.

Since the Masterpiece Cakeshop case had already been decided, the Court sent Stutsman's case back for Washington to

review it in light of that decision. The Court recognized that the blatant hostility toward these Christians was similar in both cases and violated the constitutional guarantee of equal treatment under the law.

Another victory of a slightly different nature in California was also handed down by the U.S. Supreme Court this year. That state passed a law in 2015 mandating that pro-life pregnancy centers must display advertisements where clients could receive an abortion. Called NIFLA (National Institute of Family and Life Advocates) v. Becerra,

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Our church puts on an annual Harvest Festival. This year I felt God call me to not only pass out the [Charlie's Ants](#) Chick tract, but read it to the kids. So we enlarged the tract on regular paper, colored it and laminated the pages. Kids would come into my tent and I would read them the tract. Parents also would stand in the doorway listening to the story about why Jesus had to become a man to save us. We did a craft to go along with the story and sent the kids home with a Charlie's Ants tract and a crayon to color it. Children and parents left the Harvest Festival hearing how much God really loves us. C. NV

With a friendly smile and three happy children, over 250 tracts were passed out in about two hours, with only one refusal! We definitely plan

to do this again next year--but the kids say we'll need more tracts!

K.S. MI

God is good and to Him be all the glory for all the little ones and families changed from reading tracts on such a dark holiday! Keep up the awesome work!!! We love Chick!!!

E., J.T., & L.

We went to Clara Park that was across the street where there was a fair. I gave my treats to kids, teens, and adults. Some kids came up to me for treats. Some people gathered around me for treats. Some people asked me "what is it?", I said "candy and a comic book", and one or more kids said in a happy tone "Oh, candy and comic book!" I gave out 69 treats that night. And Happy Reformation Day. K.E. CA

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The more recent Chick tracts attempt to speak to some of these deceptions. [\*Who's It Gonna Be?\*](#) deals with the question of evil. [\*Faithful\*](#) shows that forgiveness must replace revenge. [\*Limited Time Offer\*](#) speaks to the question of judgment and hell.

The Bible has answers to life's quandaries. A 24-page Chick tract has space to provide biblical answers, along with an engaging story to hold the reader's attention. Then it leads to a final decision to accept or reject the gospel "good news."

## Creative Christians Share Christ on Halloween

Christians across America were excited on the evening of October 31st, 2017. They stocked up on tracts to be ready for the trick-or-treating children, and then took to the internet to share their enthusiasm and plans for the night with fellow Christians. On Facebook, one couple shared a photo of a table stocked with tracts with the caption, "Passing out tracts with the candy. Praying to pass out 425 this year!" "Us too!" Eduel A. responded, posting a photo of a bowl of Halloween tracts and crayons wrapped with rubber bands.



**Mark and Grace L. were ready to ruin the devil's favorite night.**

Many more believers jumped in with their own photos. They showed tracts wrapped in small plastic bags with candy and church flyers, children showing off trays full of tracts and candy, baskets and bowls of candy and rolled up tracts, baggies of tracts and candy bound with a ribbon containing contact information for a local church, and even a creative setup bathed in black light!

When the fun was over, thousands of children had taken the gospel of Jesus Christ home with them. Here are just a few of the testimonies we received afterward:

*"We handed out about 80 tracts and could have definitely handed out many more, but we ran out of candy and tracts, which was awesome. I had no idea if any would go, but it is the best time to give them, as everyone comes to you expecting something. I like to tell the teenagers, 'Don't read the comic, it's too scary.'"* –Skip D.

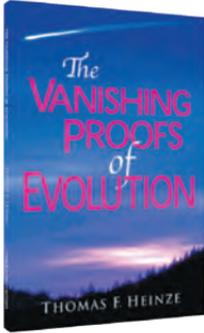
*"Well, I put out 10 bucks worth of candy and about 40 different Chick tracts on our bench by our front porch. The next morning I had about 2 dollars worth of candy left, but the gospel tracts were all gone! I burned Satan on his own day!"* –Michael L.

*"I heard one child say to her group as they walked up our side walk "Oh good, this is the house that gives out comic books"! We didn't get started as early as we would have liked this year because of circumstances, but usually we give these little gems (with the good candy of course) ;- ) to over two hundred children each year. :-D"* –Jim C.

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# Don't let your kids be fooled by evolution's fairy tale.

## Give them facts!



### Vanishing Proofs of Evolution

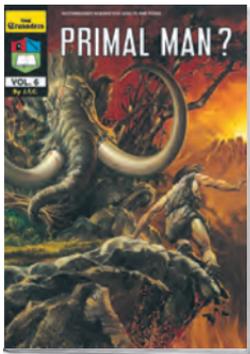
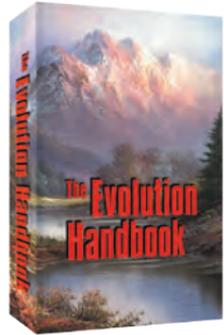
Much of the world has been convinced to abandon God because of a few classic "proofs of evolution" in schoolbooks. This book shows how one after another of these very convincing "proofs" has been proven untrue.

**Item #1250** 96 pages, \$6.95

### The Evolution Handbook

Thousands of scientific facts, disproving every basic area of evolutionary theory. Its great strength is the detailed index. You can look up just about any evolution teaching and find a simple, layman's explanation of why it's wrong! Great science that will build faith.

**Item #1254** 992 pages, \$5.95



### Primal Man

This full-color comic shows a producer of evolution films being shown many proofs that evolution is false. But he won't stop, because he says his god's name is MONEY! Easy reading that kids really understand.

**Item #106** 32 pages, \$2.99

### Big Daddy?

This classic Chick tract shakes people's faith in evolution. Give it to kids to take to school!

**Item #55** 24 pages, \$0.17



# Missions Fund Report

A great big “Thank you!” to all Chick supporters who gave to make the Chick Mission Fund possible. We continue to get requests from missionaries all over the world. They have left their homeland and given all in order to take the gospel to the world, and all they ask from us are the tools to make them effective. Thank you for supplying them.

**Mexico:** Missionary Mike Wallace writes: “Chick tracts get read! We live on the edge of Mexico City and we are so very grateful for Chick tracts. People take them, read them and we have numerous testimonies of people getting saved by reading them. Sometimes I will sit down with someone after I see they have finished reading the tract and with their hearts well prepared by the gospel, I can more easily lead them to Christ.”



Also from Mexico, Missionary Timmy Oakes wrote: “Our church, Ciudad de Refugio, here in Guaymas has been focused on evangelism... Every week a different group from the church goes out in the neighborhood to witness. We have been sharing the Chick tracts y’all blessed us with. We have also been taking prayer walks. This culminated with a 3 day revival this past weekend. We’re all very excited that 12 people received Christ, including 2 police officers, over the three days. . . Thank you for the blessing of having the right tools to work with.”

**Philippines:** Missionary Bruce Hunsaker organizes tract outreaches with many churches on these islands. When the tracts are on the streets, so many people just stop right there and start reading. Young people

especially are ready to hear the Gospel after they are given a Chick tract. In this picture, Hunsaker explains God’s love to a group of students from a local school.



The Mission Fund has sent more than 500,000 tracts so far this year for the many huge outreaches organized by this busy missionary, with another 150,000 on the way. Workers keep crying for more, because of the great openness in this nation. Thank you for helping while the door is wide open!

**Kenya:** “Mama Jo” Smith, the wonderful missionary who refuses to retire, writes: “The last batch of 8,000 tracts were gone within just a few days I had people actually waiting on me to stamp the tracts they were wanting... I stamped around 10,000 in just two days... going to bed very late, but worth it!”

The tracts have now gone into Tanzania! They are spreading like wildfire and I am told in the areas where they are being passed out that people love them and are begging for MORE!

Caleb, one of the graduates from our very first Bible School class has started a second church where he is working and they love the tracts and are learning so much from them. My heart has always been to reach those in the interior of the country and now THAT is where many tracts are going! Once I went on a mission to the interior where a man told me, ‘Mama Jo, We love God, but no one has ever told us about JESUS!’ That broke my heart, but now, through Chick tracts, we ARE reaching many of these precious souls!”

# Many Christians want to provide Chick literature to missionaries.

## *We can help!*

We maintain an account called:  
***The Chick Missions Fund***

Although we are not legally structured to give tax-deductible receipts, we definitely know how to get literature into missionaries' hands. If you would like to help extend the hands of a missionary with Chick literature, please send your donation to:

**Chick Missions Fund, c/o Chick Publications, PO Box 3500, Ontario, CA 91761**



*Most of the world's 1.9 billion children have yet to hear that God sent His Son to give them life. These Indian kids will take these Chick tracts home to their parents.*

**100% of the funds you send to the Chick Missions Fund is used to ship literature to missionaries.**

In just the first three months of this year, your giving has made possible the shipment of 1,300,000 Chick tracts for these countries:

**Argentina**

**Belgium**

**Canada**

**Chile**

**Colombia**

**Croatia**

**Ethiopia**

**Guatemala**

**Guyana**

**India**

**Israel**

**Italy**

**Japan**

**Kenya**

**Madagascar**

**Mexico**

**Netherlands**

**Papua New Guinea**

**Philippines**

**Romania**

**Switzerland**

**Ukraine**

**United Kingdom**

Hundreds of thousands of tracts are already committed, with more requests coming in from missionaries every week!

## Will you help?

# ABS Fixes Broken Leg With a Band-aid

By David W. Daniels

The American Bible Society (ABS) wants to fix what it thinks of as a moral wrong. For over 200 years they have operated without regard to an internal, written statement of faith. Their primary aim was to publish bibles “without note or comment.” But when a newly hired help desk manager began to introduce his “husband” around, management decided it was time to set some guidelines. A document was issued requiring employees to sign that they would attend church, abstain from sex outside of biblical marriage and substance abuse, etc.

Compliance was not required until Jan. 1, 2019, but several of the 200 employees have already left and others are looking elsewhere.

However, it is the Biblical equivalent to putting a band-aid on a broken leg. Since their founding in 1816, they have sought cooperation with the Roman Catholic System. I document this in [\*Why They Changed the Bible: One World Bible for One World Religion.\*](#)

The ABS began abandoning the preserved words of God in English, the King James Bible, for the polluted Alexandrian Bible stream, over a century ago. Once they did, people were able to pick and choose which words, phrases and verses they wanted in their Bibles, through one translation after another.

In surveys in the last 10 years, the people who trust the modern versions have had a crisis of faith. The very doctrines that have been changed in the modern bibles concerning the deity of Christ, the Godhead, heaven, hell, and whether works are necessary for salvation, even whether Jesus told the truth or not and was a sinner or not, are the very doctrines that the modern churches have doubts about.

But the people who believe and read the King James Bible have not had these problems. They believe the basic tenets of the faith.

The ABS, however, over the years, teamed up with over 400 other Bible societies and the Roman Catholic institution, to form the

United Bible Societies. To be a member, one must abandon belief in the King James and other preserved Bibles and trust the Text Critics and their polluted Alexandrian stream.

The ABS now must admit that serious errors have sprouted in their midst. And they want to fix it. But they cannot go to a single Bible as their authority. So they became their own. They established their first statement of faith in over 200 years.

The problem with statements of faith is that they can be changed with as little as a committee vote. Ironically, that is also how the Bible texts of the United Bible Societies were chosen!

You see, they do not have one Bible they trust. So they must “make it up as they go along.” This is no different from trusting a favorite teacher, preacher, scholar or priest. This is what is referred to as “priestcraft.” Another human tells us what to believe, and we are not sure we have a reliable Bible to check it with.

But we do not have to write up new statements. We have them in English in our King James Bible. It clearly prohibits acts now called “homosexuality.” But it goes further. Men are not supposed to dress as females, or vice versa (Deuteronomy 22:5). And men are not supposed to be “effeminate” and act like females (1 Corinthians 6:9). God is very clear about things like that.

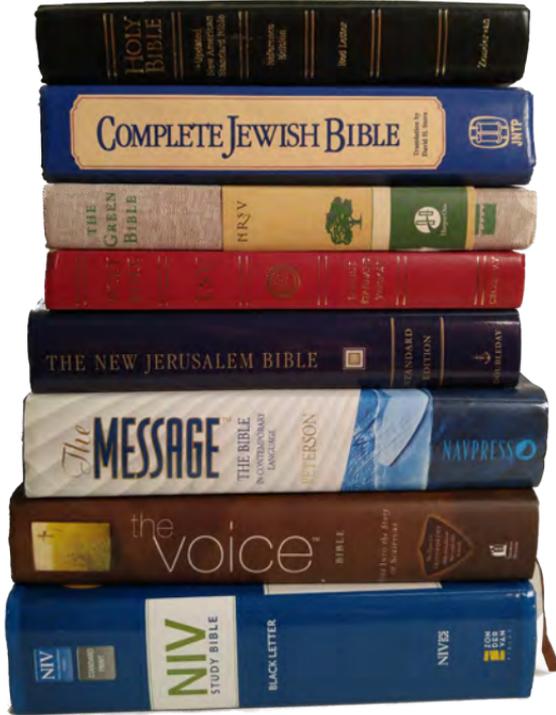
God’s words are not up for grabs. Making statements of faith aside from the Bible cannot replace having a Bible we can trust. Apparently the ABS is worried that they are drifting in the wrong direction. That is a good thing. But a signed confession is just a band-aid. They only have a broken leg to stand on: a corrupted Bible.

They need to fix the real problem.

All they are actually experiencing is the bitter fruit of over a century of Bible doubting.

What they need is to return to God’s preserved words. Let God’s holy words, not man’s committee pronouncements, be their statement of faith.

# Bibles are being changed (Who doesn't know that?)



**Before you buy another Bible, look at what's being left out!**

- See how one left-out word makes Jesus into a liar in 19 modern Bibles!
- See which entire verse was removed to leave room for infant baptism.
- See the verses where adultery is removed from God's sin list.
- Does your Bible warn of hell? Many don't!



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256 pages - paperback

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the Court found that the Government had no business compelling speech from its citizens.

All of these cases are critical for soul winners because they deal with protecting free speech. If the government can dictate what Christian businesses can or cannot say in the expression of their products, it is a short step to squelching witnessing. There is a strong effort already afoot to declare biblical truth hate speech.

But history has not been kind to Bible believers. Our Great Commission requires that we go and teach what Christ commanded. Whenever He taught, people determined to kill Him—which they finally did. Even though He was gracious most of the time, occasionally the situation demanded strong words and actions.

He used a whip to clear the temple and insulted the dignity of the Pharisees with words like “snakes,” and “hypocrites.” He counseled us to be wise but harmless (Matt.10:16 ). This leaves a lot of

room for creativity but not much for hatefulness.

Several years ago some Christians got thrown out of a Muslim festival when they brought in a pig’s head to make a point. However, a seasoned street witnesser quietly circulated in the same crowd and managed to distribute about 4,000 Chick tracts in the process.

In this war for souls, we know that the “joy of the Lord is our strength.”(Neh. 8:10) Someone has added: “But kindness is our weapon.” (2 Cor. 6:6)

Our burden at Chick Publications is to “speak the truth in love.” Sometimes the truth requires tough love, speaking what no one wants to hear. Jesus spoke gracious truth and left it to the listeners to handle their feeling of being offended.

When we eventually face a judge for spreading the gospel, let’s make sure we are guilty as charged, but always copy Christ’s graciousness out of deep concern for those in Satan’s clutches.

## Creative Christians... from [p. 8](#)

Christians in America weren’t the only ones sowing the gospel seed. Connie Y. wrote:

*“We used over 1000 tracts on the different Halloween themes in Tijuana, Mexico. Our group of kids from our children’s home passed out these tracts in less than an hour down the main downtown street of Tijuana. No tracts were found on the ground or trash! People thanked us for them and our kids had a blast passing them out!”*

Brothers and sisters around the world are already preparing for this Halloween. Thousands more children will take the gospel home thanks to their efforts. Join the fun, and reach a few more for the Lord with Chick tracts!



**Angela M. got together with fellow church members and bagged 1,500 tracts with candy and ribbons!**

Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

If you grew up in the USA through the 1980s, you grew up in a “christian” —little “c”— environment. Yes, there were movements against Christianity. But the dominant beliefs were Christian. That meant tolerance of other groups. “I don’t believe what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it.” I learned that quote in my social studies class at my public junior high in the mid-1970s.

Today, we live in an environment where the powers-that-be and upper education establishments are openly hostile to Christian doctrine —and even behavior. “Tolerance” has been reinterpreted to “If you disagree with what I say, you are hateful and [fill in the blank] phobic and must be silenced!!” And they are working hard to make disagreeing with them —even on social media— illegal.

Jack and I discussed this a decade ago in our book, *Hot Topics*:

“Did you notice? An ominous change has taken place. Criticism in any form has been redefined as ‘hate.’ That means Christians cannot criticize any belief or action without it being labeled ‘hate speech.’ But it’s more than that. ‘Hate speech’ is being written into the laws of cities, counties and states as if it were an actual crime.” (Page 25)

We need to pray for our leaders (1 Timothy 2:1-2). I believe God has given us a bit of a reprieve because the USA has recognized Israel’s capital as Jerusalem and moved our embassy there. We blessed Israel, so God is blessing us (Genesis 12:3). But we cannot rely upon government. We need to do what God says will bring faith: let them hear the words of God (Romans 10:17).

That’s why we pass out gospel tracts. We can go to a dis-tracted world and at-tract them to gospel tracts! As you know, Halloween is the one time they come to us begging for “goodies.” What could give them more “good” than the gospel to get them (and their parents) saved?

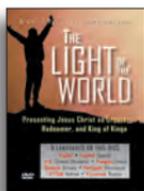
Only God, not government, can bring us revival. God gave us the Great Commission, whether it is “safe” to give out tracts or not. Let’s get the gospel out and see what the Lord will do for us.

In Christ Jesus, and for His service,

*David Daniele*

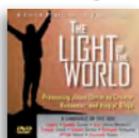


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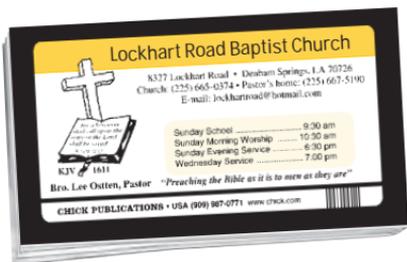
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