

General Topics :: A Litmus Test

A Litmus Test - posted by murdog (), on: 2007/7/30 22:53

Saints,

Here is a sure way to know if the preacher you are listening to is true or false if you are unsaved....

You love everything he has to say. Cute stories, prosperity, etc.

You hate everything he has to say. Convicting, the wrath to come, etc.

Murray

Re: A Litmus Test - posted by LiveforGod (), on: 2007/7/30 22:56

Good one murdog. :-P

Re: - posted by murdog (), on: 2007/7/30 23:08

LiveforGod,

It actually just popped into my head when I was feeding the baby earlier this evening.

And truthfully the total opposite is true of the saved man. You grow to hate those stories about puppydogs and grandmas, because then you become conscious of the preacher's manipulation tactics to build you up in emotion and not anointing. You also end up getting offended by the prosperity gospel, because to see people peddle the word of God is just so wrong. You also begin to love the hard preaching that actually wakes you up out of your coma.

You come to realize you never got past that first thing Jesus said about losing your life in order to find it! Thank God for the few faithful ministers there are. Unfortunately most of them are dead, but at least this site has preserved much of the treasure.

I truly don't know where I would be without this website and this community of believers.

Probably at a West Coast Believers Convention!

Murray

P.S. I love puppydogs and grandmas, just not as a sermon.

Re: - posted by tjservant (), on: 2007/7/30 23:20

Quote:

-----love the hard preaching

Amen brother. But I mentioned Grandmas in my last sermon...am I going soft? :-?

Grace and Peace brother

Re: - posted by murdog (), on: 2007/7/30 23:24

tjservant,

There is still hope for you brother! :-P

Murray

Re: - posted by tjservant (), on: 2007/7/30 23:26

Quote:

-----There is still hope for you brother!

:-)

Re:, on: 2007/7/31 8:17

Here's a good test to know if you're listening to a false teacher...

You're listening to him on TBN.

Krispy

Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2007/7/31 8:25

Hey, y'all! Paul wrote to Timothy and mentioned *his* grandmother! Methinks you just might be in good company! :-)

From a nine-times-over grandmother,
ginnyrose

Re: - posted by murdog (), on: 2007/7/31 8:32

Krispy,

That is hilarious!

Murray

P.S. They do occassionally have true people on, remember Paul Washer was on when Kirk Cameron was hosting something. Well actually that is the only instance I can think of. ;-)

Re: - posted by murdog (), on: 2007/7/31 8:33

Ginny,

I thought I clarified I was pro-Gramdma!

Murray

Re: A Litmus Test - posted by MSeaman (), on: 2007/7/31 10:49

Hey Murray...

funny how you addressed this to Saints and then talked about the unsaved...
It kinda hit my funny bone. but you do have a great point!

Krispy,
you are too funny. :-P

Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2007/8/1 12:36

Quote:

-----I thought I clarified I was pro-Gramdma!

Indeed! lol

I have been thinking about your original question. This is the question that concerns all true believers, not wanting to be deceived because it will take you to hell. I think the most tragic thing that could happen to a person is when you appear before the judgement seat of Christ and be told "Depart, ye workers of iniquity!" The rejoinder is "but have we not prophesied in your name? Done many wonderful works?" We see where one can even be a miracle worker and miss it totally.

Then yesterday I ran across this verse and I thought this may help one to discern who is a false teacher. Or better yet, it may teach us on what we need to watch out for so we do not become deceived. Consider Obadiah 1:3: The arrogance of your heart has deceived you..... Arrogance - similar to pride, is it not?

What do you think?

ginnyrose

Fear of God - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2007/8/2 11:31

Murray,

Your question dogs me....so when I read Jeremiah this morning a couple verses shown out like a beacon and I saw it: Yes, this is a litmus test to discern a true prophet from a false one. Or you could say it is the divide that separates the godly from a professing Christian.

Here it is: Jeremiah 32:38-40: (NASB)

38 "They shall be My people, and I will be their God;

39 and I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear Me always, for their own good and for the good of their children after them.

40 "I will make an everlasting covenant with them that I will not turn away from them, to do them good; and I will put the fear of Me in their hearts so that they will not turn away from Me.

The characteristic here is 'fear of God'. This emotion, act is downplayed as being archaic, having no use in modern Christianity. I think I will opt to believe it applies today.

Hope this will help...

ginnyrose