

A FALSE GOD

In the last issue of this magazine, I published a very unfair, slanderous, and bitter article which appeared in a religious paper called the "Gospel Advocate". This paper is published in Nashville Tenn, and the writer of the "review", as he calls it, is the Rev. G.C. Brewer, pastor of the First Church of Christ in that city.

So untrue was the entire article, that I reproduced it in full, more to show the attitude of those professing "salvation---and the baptism of the Holy Ghost" than for any other reason. As this issue of the magazine is five times as large in circulation as is the usual issue, I think I shall reproduce here a couple of letters among many hundreds, that Mr. Brewer received from students of mine who took offense at the article. I inserted in about a hundred copies of this magazine, a little letter, asking my students to write this man, and tell him their reactions to my teaching. This many of them did, perhaps to the amazement of this man and his paper.

I dont know how much mail he would get if I were to ask ten thousand students to write to him; and most of them would if I asked them too. I only asked very few though, as I didnt want to fluster this gentleman of "god" at all. ~~For~~ For the benefit of thos who did not see the article, (now out of print), let me say that this Gospel Advocate is a religious paper, coming to us from the famous "bible belt". What they didnt say about me and this work wasnt worth saying. If ever I got a real honest-to-goodness lambasting, this holy brother Brewer gave it to me. And I take it he must be holy, else he would not attempt to criticise or castigate another man who perhaps is "pastor" of a church around the world, which "church" has perhaps hundreds of times as many "members" as he has. And a man must be a holy man to do that.

At any rate, according to this review, the impression given out was that I am a ~~grafter~~, and everything ~~also~~ thats bad. I know nothing about God at all. I do not put any letters after my name indicating what I am a "doctor" of, nor do I know anything but "bald unadulterated bunk". I am sorry that this issue containing the "review" was sold out in short order, as I would have liked every student to have read that review. It will bear me out in the first article in this issue. Perhaps, and its quite likely, I shall run the "review" again, for I want every last one of my followers and students to know the effects of the "church god and his religion" in the life of at least one of its followers.

By their fruits men are invariably known, and this type of an editorial must show the "beautiful spirit of Christ" which, I suppose, controls the life of the writer of that "review". I note in another issue of that paper they have an editorial department called "SWORD-SWIPES". It seems they are quite expert in the use of the "sword". If you look down the ages, though, you will find that "Christians" have always been that. The trouble is that so many differing sects and denominations and "faiths" are included in the word "Christians" that, like Josephs coat, it covers many sins. In their "sword-swipes" in the issue I saw, they are having words---or sumpin---with Butler university. "Contending for the faith"---I presume they call it. But they evidently forget that others can, and will "contend for their faith" just as intelligently, and perhaps more so, than the "Advocate" does for its faith.

However--here are the letters. I shall only publish two, although I have many copies of letters sent in to Brother Brewer. The first one is from a very beautiful character, a lady student of mine, who has found God--(not the church "god"--Yah-veh--but the Living God. Here it is:-

The second letter comes from one of my first students who lives in Ohio. This man speaks a little plainer than Miss Osborne did, but he is just as much in earnest as she was. Here is the letter. In both of these letters the address is, for obvious reasons, deleted. I have the letters in my files though.

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Dear Mr. Brewer:-