

Three Choices

You Make Every Day



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Elijah Confronted Israel

“And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD be God, follow him: but if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word” (1 Kings 18:21).

- Israel halted between obeying the LORD or Baal.
- Elijah told them – If the LORD is God, obey Him!
- Elijah told them – If Baal is God, then obey Him!

Elijah Lesson

- If Jehovah is God ... then obey Him and Him only!
- If Jehovah is not God ... then gorge on worldly fun!
- Halting between these opinions is foolish lunacy!
- Man up ... and declare yourself all in for the devil!
- Or man up ... and declare yourself all in for Jehovah!









Elijah Results

- **With the fiery display, they said the LORD was God!**
- **Elijah did the right thing and killed Baal's prophets!**
- **You do not need a fiery display – you have the Bible!**
- **You are either with the LORD God ... or against Him!**
- **Why halt at all? Key choices should be done quickly!**



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Jesus Confronted Laodicea

“I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth” (Rev 3:14-16).

- **Jesus told them – It would be better if you were cold!**
- **Jesus told them – It would be better if you were hot!**
- **What Jesus cannot stand is a lukewarm Christian!**

Jesus Lesson (1)

- Jesus is the most glorious and fearful King ever!
- **HOT** – *sold out, on fire for God and truth* – is best!
- **COLD** – *atheist friend of the lost world* – is better!
- **LUKEWARM** – *world-loving, lazy Christian* – is worst!
- Jesus Christ will spew you out of His glorious mouth!

Jesus Lesson (2)

- You have no idea how bad your life can actually get!
- You are dealing with the creative King of heaven!
- Nebuchadnezzar was one form of humbling pain!
- God can and will tear you up from the inside out!
- He can and will sup with you, if you truly love Him!







HOT

COLD

**LUKE
WARM**

Jesus Results

- You have never heard anything good about Laodicea!
- You never will hear anything good about Laodicea!
- They are gone and forgotten – just like you will be!
- Be totally sold out for God or be an atheist! Choose!
- But do not be lukewarm ... for it is wicked hypocrisy!



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What Are the Three Choices?

- There is a God ... and ... live like there is one.
- There is no God ... and ... live like there is not one.
- There is a God ... but ... live like there is not one.
- There are no other options. You are in 1 of 3 doors.
- You choose one of these every day by which to live!



There Is a God ... *and Live Like It!*

- **These are the righteous ... from Abel to Timothy.**
- **This is entirely consistent by Jehovah's Existence.**
- **This is living for Jehovah ... this is hot for Jesus Christ!**
- **Since God wrote the Bible ... you live by the Bible.**
- **This is David! This is Paul! This is Ruth! This is Mary!**

There Is No God ... *and Live Like It!*

- **These are the wicked ... from Cain to Goliath to Judas.**
- **This is truly consistent, but stupid against all facts.**
- **This is living all out for sin and devil without restraint!**
- **You must reject the whole Bible, for it is about God.**
- **This is Pharaoh! This is Jezebel! This is Herod!**

There Is a God ... *but Don't Live Like It!*

- **These are the hypocrites ... from Lot to Demas.**
- **This is entirely inconsistent and naively stupid.**
- **This is playing church Sunday ... loving sin Mon-Sat.**
- **You have the Bible ... but do not learn it or obey it.**
- **This is Samson! These are true belly worshippers!**







What if God is $\frac{1}{2}$ what the Bible Says?

- He is 100% worthy of total worship without reward!
- He is able to ruin your life painfully in this world!
- He is able to send your soul to the eternal lake of fire!
- He is able and willing to bless you here and hereafter!
- Loving and obeying Him is the greatest life goal ever!

**Let us close the choice denying God,
as not feasible for most hearing this.**

**Therefore,
the God of the Bible exists.**

**If you live as if there is no God,
for yourself and the world,
you are like this animal:**







Wild Ass (1)

“Doth the wild ass bray when he hath grass?” (Job 6:5)

“For vain man would be wise, though man be born like a wild ass’s colt” (Job 11:12).

Wild Ass (2)

5 Who hath sent out the wild ass free? or who hath loosed the bands of the wild ass?

6 Whose house I have made the wilderness, and the barren land his dwellings.

7 He scorneth the multitude of the city, neither regardeth he the crying of the driver.

8 The range of the mountains is his pasture, and he searcheth after every green thing.

Job 39:5-8

Wild Ass (3)

“A wild ass used to the wilderness, that snuffeth up the wind at her pleasure; in her occasion who can turn her away? all they that seek her will not weary themselves; in her month they shall find her” (Jer 2:24).

“For they are gone up to Assyria, a wild ass alone by himself: Ephraim hath hired lovers” (Hosea 8:9).

Wild Ass (4)

- It is a very swift animal, faster than most horses.
- It is exceedingly wary, with very perceptive senses.
- Disposition is very intractable, defying domestication.
- It travels over large areas looking for green grass.
- They have an insatiable appetite or lust for mating.

Wild Ass (5)

- God compared men to the wild ass, so believe it!
- They are intractable and unable to be taught.
- They are insatiable in lusts for grass and mating.
- If you are hot, you are far better than a wild ass!
- If you are cold, you are a wild ass feeding on grass!
- If you are lukewarm, you are worse than a wild ass!



What Is a Lukewarm Christian?

- One not on fire for God, but not scandalously wicked.
- A Christian loving worldly pleasures more than Christ.
- You pretend to be a Christian by attendance w/o love.
- You talk the talk when you must, but there is no fruit.
- You are bored and frustrated to worship with saints.

What Is a Hot Christian?

- **Spiritual things are most important above all else.**
- **Bible reading and prayer are at or near lifetime bests.**
- **You are bearing the fruit of the Spirit and joyfully so.**
- **You love Christ, serve Christ, and want to know more.**
- **You love Bible reading, prayer, singing, preaching, etc.**



How Do I Get Hot Again?

- Jesus gave the simple formula to Ephesus (Rev 2:4-5).
- Consider your situation! ... Repent! ... Do first works!
- Remember where you were or should be spiritually.
- Repent fully, and come totally clean with the Lord.
- Do those things you once did or lovers of Christ do.

God's Word to You

“But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.”

Hebrews 11:6

“And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear” (I Pet 1:17).

Miscellaneous

- Each choice is by faith – for or against God’s existence.
- Lukewarm is by faith – you can get away with sin!
- Cold door has pleasure – but short and always costly.
- Lukewarm door has pleasure – but short and guilty.
- You are choosing a door right now – this very minute!

For Further Study

Hot, Cold, or Lukewarm ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/hot-cold-or-lukewarm.pdf>

Three Assumptions of Faith ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/assumptions-of-faith-1987.pdf>

The Heart of David ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/heart-of-david.pdf>

Fellowship with Christ ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/fellowship-with-christ.pdf>

Filled with Fullness of God ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/filled-with-god.pdf>

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