

Ancient Solutions *for*



MODERN PROBLEMS

Psalm 14

For the director of music. Of David.

¹ The fool says in his heart,
“There is no God.” They are
corrupt, their deeds are vile;
there is no one who does good.

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2 The Lord looks down from
heaven on all mankind to see if
there are any who understand,
any who seek God.

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³ All have turned away, all
have become corrupt;
there is no one who does
good, not even one.

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⁴ Do all these evildoers know
nothing? They devour my people
as though eating bread; they
never call on the Lord.

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⁵ But there they are,
overwhelmed with dread, for
God is present in the
company of the righteous.

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⁶ You evildoers frustrate
the plans of the poor, but
the Lord is their refuge.

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the Lord restores his people, let
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When Americans Say They Believe in God, What Do They Mean?

Nine-in-ten Americans believe in a higher power, but only a slim majority believe in God as described in the Bible



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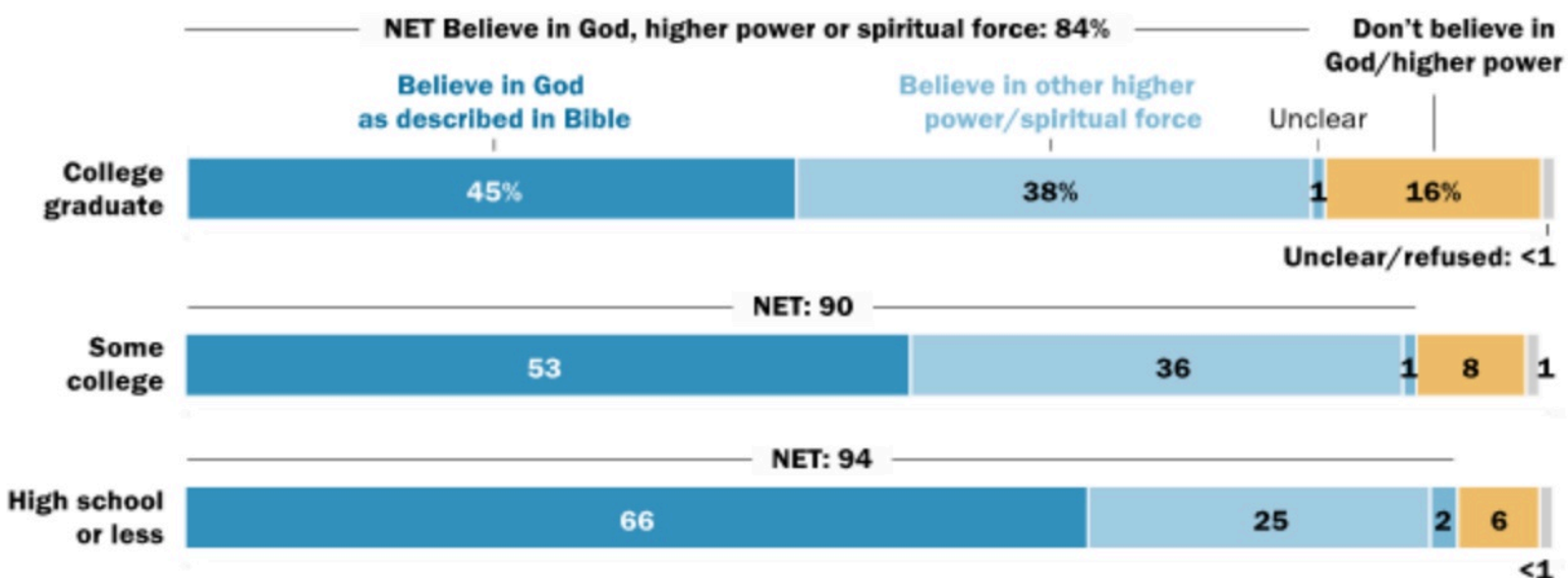
Highly educated Americans less likely to believe in God of the Bible

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College graduates less likely to believe in active, involved deity



% who believe God/higher power ...

Loves all people, despite their faults

Has protected them

Knows everything

Has rewarded them

College graduate Some college H.S. or less

70% 76% 84%

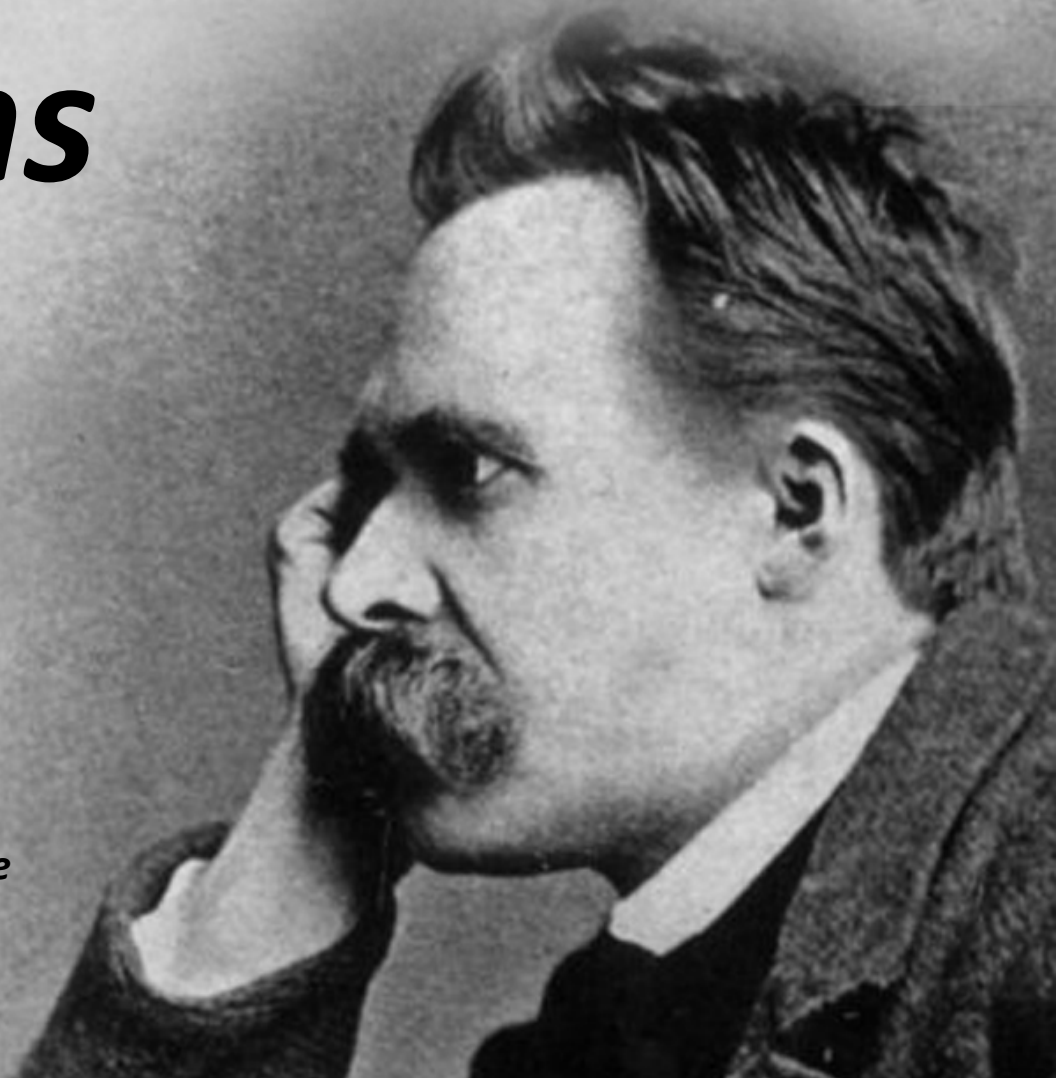
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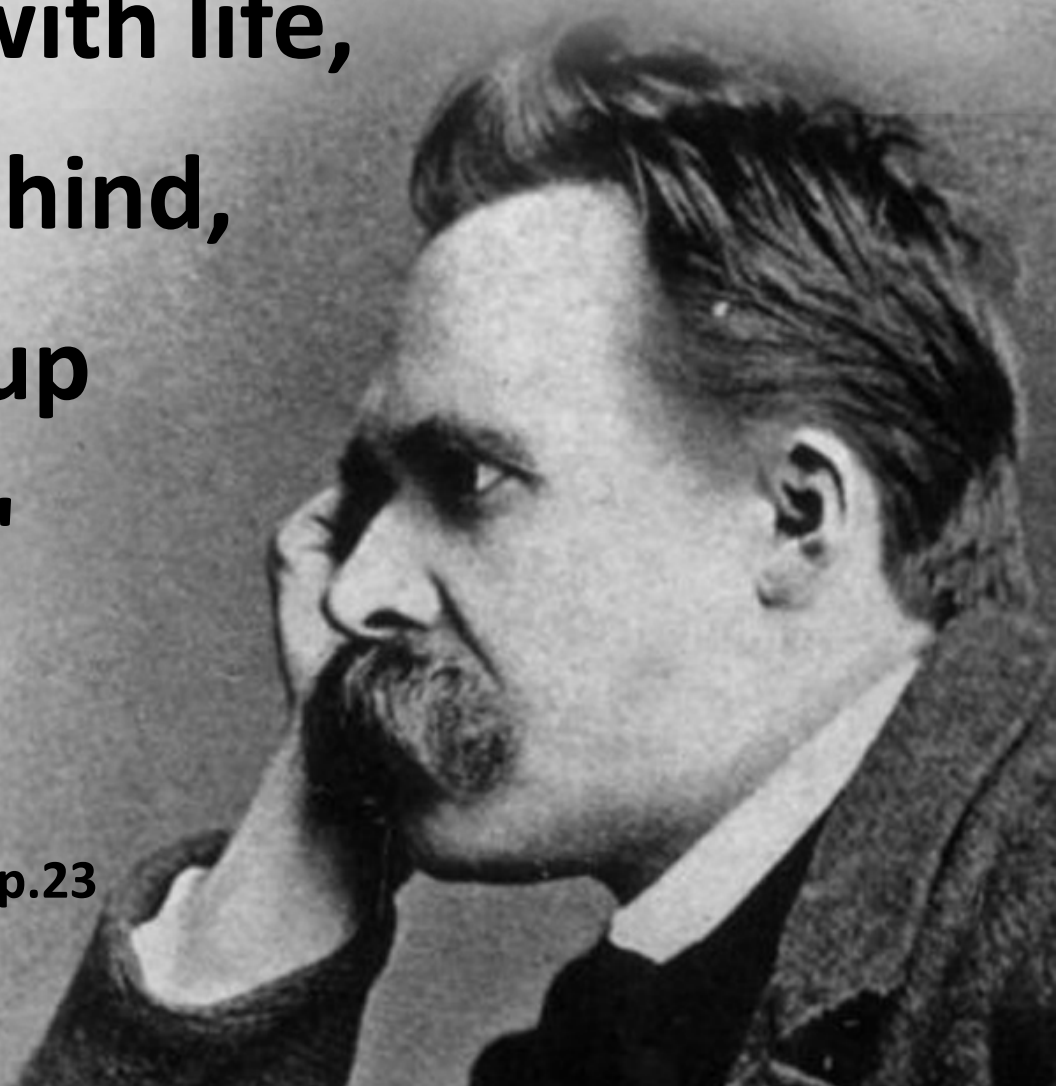
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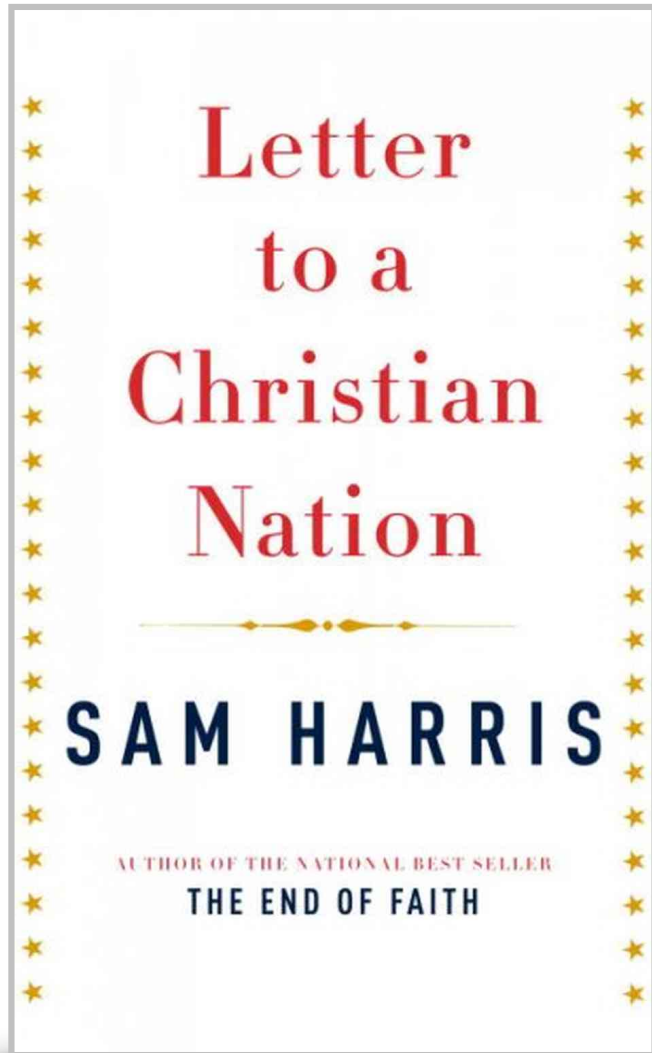
Fredrick Nietzsche, 1882 collection *The Gay Science*



**Christianity was from the beginning,
essentially and fundamentally, life's
nausea and disgust with life,
merely concealed behind,
masked by, dressed up
as, faith in "another"
or "better" life.**

Fredrick Nietzsche *The Birth of Tragedy*, p.23



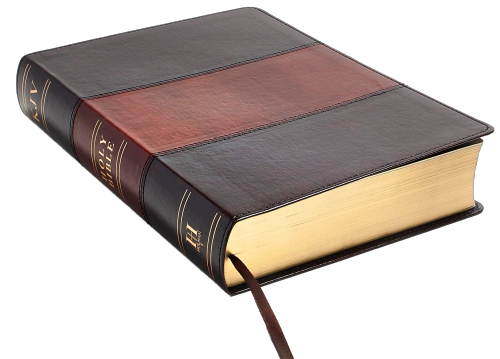


Atheism is not a philosophy; it is not even a view of the world; it is simply an admission of the obvious.

**TO SAVE TIME
LET'S JUST ASSUME
I KNOW
EVERYTHING**

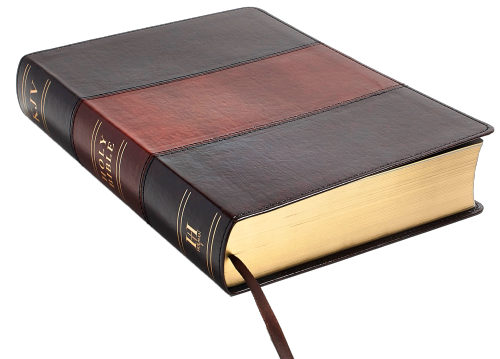
Proverbs 18:2

*A **fool** finds no pleasure in understanding but delights in airing his own opinions.*



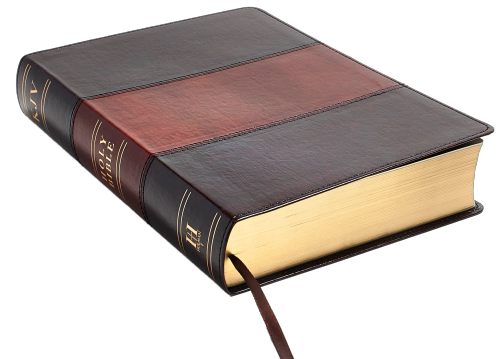
Proverbs 17:12

*Better to meet a bear
robbed of her cub than a
fool in his folly.*



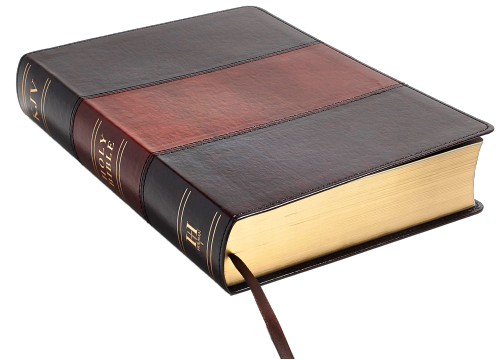
Proverbs 26:11

*As a dog returns to its vomit,
so a **fool** repeats his folly.*

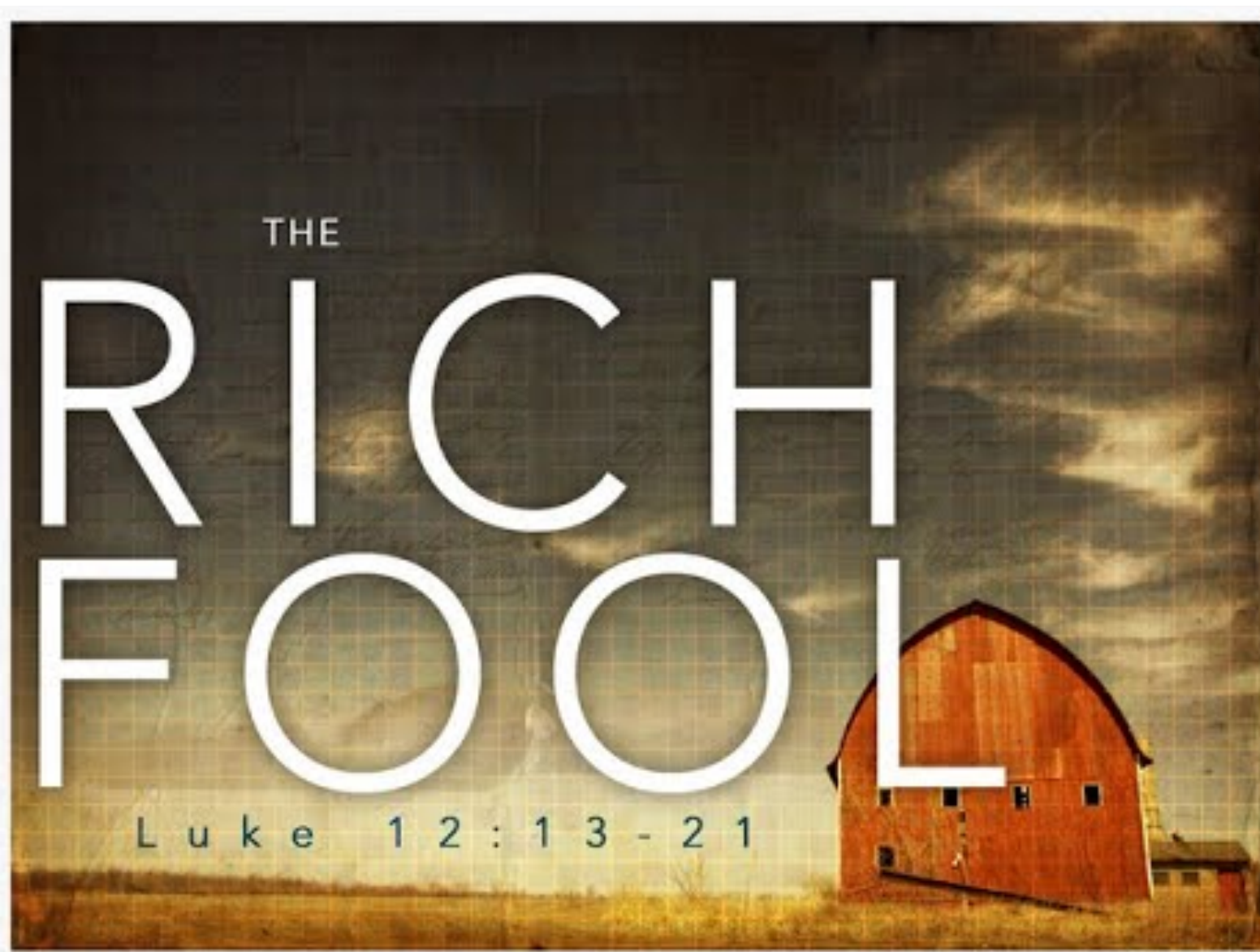


Matthew 7:24-26

*“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a **wise man** who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a **foolish man** who built his house on sand.*

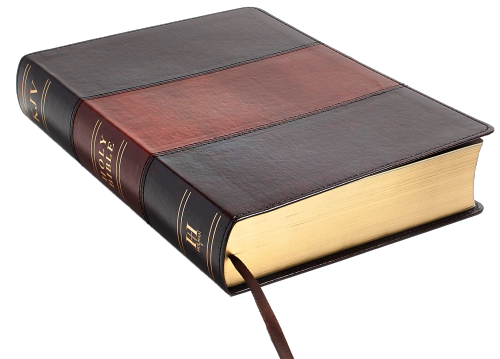


Luke 12:13-21



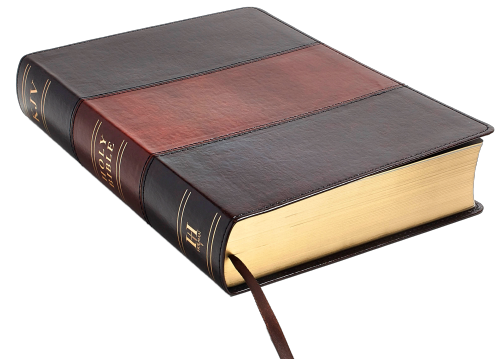
1 Corinthians 3:18

*Do not deceive yourselves. If any one of you thinks he is wise by the standards of this age, he should become a “**fool**” so that he may become wise.*



1 Peter 2:11 & 15

*Dear friends, I urge you as strangers and temporary residents... ¹⁵ For it is God's will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of **foolish** people.*



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