

## Getting Burned By What You Built

1 Corinthians 3:10-17 According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire. Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are.

## Getting Burned By Schools You Built And Empowered

"These schools" resulted in cursing the brotherhood with a swarm of renovating preachers." "These preachers introduced higher-criticism, church-federations, and power-centralizing into the church." (Daniel Sommer, 1891)

"A brotherhood paper, or school, or orphanage, or a brotherhood anything else will prove itself to be a dictator and usurper of the Church of Christ, and an octopus that grips the interest and life out of the church."

C.M. Pullias, *Tidings of Joy*, 1919 p.1)

"Keep the school out of the church, in the realm of secular institutions, where it belongs." (Foy E. Wallace Jr. *Firm Foundation*, August, 1922. p.4)

"Institutions are inclined to assume power as they grow and, consciously or unconsciously, to control preachers and churches."

"Churches in the future may become what the schools have in their power to make them." (Foy E. Wallace Jr., *Gospel Advocate*, 1937, p.170)

"Spread within and without the local churches today, a mass of other organizations interwoven within the framework of the church is manifest. It forms an umbrella round about the church, hovering over it. It is the "para-church," foreign to the Bible, but well known to all the 20th century. "Missions organizations, benevolence groups, medical units and edification-growth businesses are springing up outside the framework of the local churches but vying for funding of the churches."

(Roy H. Lanier, *Gospel Advocate*, March 1989)

"The congregations closely associated with Pepperdine, Abilene, and Lipscomb, which use instruments in worship, years ago rejected the inspiration of Scripture."

(*Reflections*, Gregory Alan Tidwell, editor of the Gospel Advocate, *Truth Magazine*, January 2018, p. 25.)

## Getting Burned By Entertainment

**John 6:26** Jesus answered them and said, Most assuredly, I say to you, you seek Me, not because you saw the signs, but because you ate of the loaves and were filled.

**John 6:66** From that time many of His disciples went back and walked with him no more.

**1 Corinthians 11:22** What! Do you not have houses to eat and drink in? Or do you despise the church of God and shame those who have nothing.

**"The Christian Church emphasizes society and the physical man by appealing to the carnal nature, with church carnivals, bands, plays, choruses, dramatics, church kitchens, church camps, and elaborate fellowship halls; the church of Christ does not. (*Why I Left the Christian Church*, Floyd A. Decker, 1944)**

## Back To School Party

**"The Summer is winding down, and it's time to celebrate! Come out and have fun with us, the day will include inflatables, water slides, carnival games, family games, prizes, food and more! Don't miss out on the fun!"**

## Cardinal Drive Church of Christ

**"We are having a revival of feeling but not of knowledge of God. The church today is more guided by feeling than by conviction."**

**(*This Little Church Went To Market*, Gary Gilley, p. 100)**

**"Fun (i.e. Entertainment) has become the criteria by which a large number of people are choosing the church they will attend." (ibid. pp. 102-103)**

**Ecclesiastes 1:9** That which has been is what will be, That which is done is what will be done, And there is nothing new under the sun.

**"Those who do not learn history, are doomed to repeat it". (George Santayana)**

**"The definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again, but expecting different results" Albert Einstein**

**Matthew 21:12-13** Then Jesus went into the temple of God and drove out all those who bought and sold in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. 13 And He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you have made it a 'den of thieves.'"

**1 Timothy 3:15** but if I am delayed, I write so that you may know how you ought to conduct yourself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

**2 Corinthians 6:17-18** Therefore "Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you."