

"THOU THAT REPLIEST AGAINST GOD", #1

INTRODUCTION

- I. Read Rom.9:19-21 (KJV)
 - A. Paul asks some pertinent questions in this text that suggests a rebellion to God.
 - 1. In v.19, he asked a question that suggests some resisted God's will. (Read)
 - 2. In v. 20, he asks about the audacity of man (the created, or "clay") actually questioning God (the Creator, or "Potter" about the way he was made. (Read)
 - B. To resist the will of God is to **reply** "against" God, as some versions read.
 - 1. We ask, WHY should anyone resist God's will, and who are WE to reply against God, and question His power, authority and integrity?
 - 2. The world has ALWAYS rebelled against God and His will (or word, as they are joined together, Prov. 30:5,6; Jn. 12:48).
- II. Now let's see how some people actually DO reply against God.

DISCUSSION

I. 1st, some reply against GOD AND HIS POWER.

- A. Atheists and skeptics reply against God's EXISTENCE.
 - 1. God has declared His existence many times and in many ways.
 - a. God declares such through His miracle book, the BIBLE, which is thousands of years old, and without flaw. Psalms 19:7; James 1:25; Isaiah 45:9; 1 Corinthians 8:5-7A
 - b. God also declares His existence through His CREATION. Genesis 1:1; Isaiah 45:18; Romans 1:20
 - 2. Men are foolish indeed to reply against the idea of GOD. Psalm 14:1
- B. Some believe the earth has always existed, and that there is NO God had anything to do with it.
 - 1. God, in His wisdom, simply SPOKE, and all material things came into existence in perfect harmony. Psalm 33:6-9
 - 2. God's final demonstration of POWER will be in the last day, when He will raise the dead and destroy all wickedness. Matthew 22:23, 29; John 5:28, 29
- C. Then some reply against God by claiming He did not form human life as He states in the Bible. Genesis 1:26-28; 2:7
 - 1. Evolutionists claim that somehow life began with a single cell millions of years ago, and going through various types of physical life, human beings finally came into existence.
 - 2. They cannot explain the origin of that single cell, the origin of life, or why evolution is not still taking place, for man is basically the same as he has been as far back as we can trace human history.

II. 2nd, some reply against the BIBLE, THE WORD OF GOD.

- A. Some hate the Bible because it opposes their way of life, and leaves them with NO "justification" for their conduct. Romans 2:1-9
 - 1. The Bible is a collection of books written by some 40 different men from all walks of life, in all parts of the world, over 1500 years, and without conflict, and it all fits together without contradiction

2. The Bible is inspired of God, and will face us in the judgment day.
2Ti.3:16f; Jn.12:48

B. Voltaire, a noted French philosopher and skeptic of the 18th century, prophesied that within 50 years, the Bible would be a forgotten book. After his death in 1728, the Geneva Bible Society owned his house and was used to **print** Bibles, and to **store** Bibles for public distribution.

CONCLUSION

I. Those who **reject** the word of God by **replying against** it, are in reality rejecting the word of God **against themselves**. Lk.7:28f; 2Pe.2:1; 3:16

II. Will you reply against God's warning and invitation by rejecting it? He.2:2f