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TO WHOM SHALL WE GO???

*John 6:47-59. Symbolical lesson turned them off

Much of our generation also offended by God's truths as taught by Jesus.  

LESSON: Appreciate Jesus, OUR WAY, more if consider the alternatives. To whom Go?  
WHERE SOME GOING? The Aesthetic.

I. GO TO THE NATURALIST. (Follower of Nature.)

A. ARTIST-hides away in landscapes, scenery, mountains, streams & back-country. Find God?  
B. MUSICIAN-loses self in beautiful tones of stringed melody. What instru. tell about Jesus?  
C. BIOLOGIST-finds seclusion in glades & forests. Fellowship life of all kinds. Giver of life?  
D. PHOTOGRAPHER-disappears into the sunset or beautiful sunrise, meadow of bluebonnets, valley of indian blankets. Blue lake, etc. What SPECIFICALLY these tell you about God, Christ, Origin, Destiny, salvation??????

ILL. Sunday hiker, "My religion is in the green fields, brown hills and blue sky, the orange sunset, and the purple shadows. I can worship God best out here!!!"

Preacher friend: "You cannot and you will not! Nature never led one lost soul to God. Only the gospel can do that! Rom. 1:16-17.  
Proof: African savages have sat for years near earth's most beautiful rivers, lakes, streams and waterfalls. Their splendor and beauty surpass anything we have seen!! Yet, Nature has not led ONE to Christ. Only Word!!

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II. GO TO PHILOSOPHER.

A. Philosophy: Lit. "the love of wisdom." The science of reality: logic, ethics, theory of knowledge, aesthetics and metaphysics.  
IN SHORT: "What's this world all about?"

Which philosopher?: Thales, Pythagoras, Empedocles, Anax-agoras, Socrates, Plato, Plotinus, Bacon, Descartes, Nietzsche, Kant or Karl Marx?
B. SCHEMA: The student debunks the teacher by further research, meditation and study. All wisdom is relative. Due for improvement!!


III. GO TO THE SCIENTIST. (True scientist direct/to God

A. Recent series, "SCIENTIFIC BOLDNESS" in Midtowner June 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 was reprinted in FF Aug. 19, 1975. Article pointed out scientific speculations, conjectures, guesses, surmises and theories.

WORDS USED: suggesting, at least, may, almost, believe, some, generally agreed, likely, speculate, tentative, probably, seems likely, undoubtedly and indefinite.

B. Comment: Appreciate all true Scientists and True science. No quarrel with them.


IV. TO JESUS. Why? Vs. 67. (Ch. 6 of John).

A. His words alone lead to eternal life!!!!

B. Vs. 69. We BELIEVE and are SURE! J. 20:30-31. Peter was THERE! Saw all. Heard all! Knew all!

COMMEND JESUS TO YOU: Savior, Lord and Friend.

John 14:27. No peace without HIM.
No rest without HIM.
No joy in life without HIM.