



**WHAT'S WRONG  
WITH THIS?**

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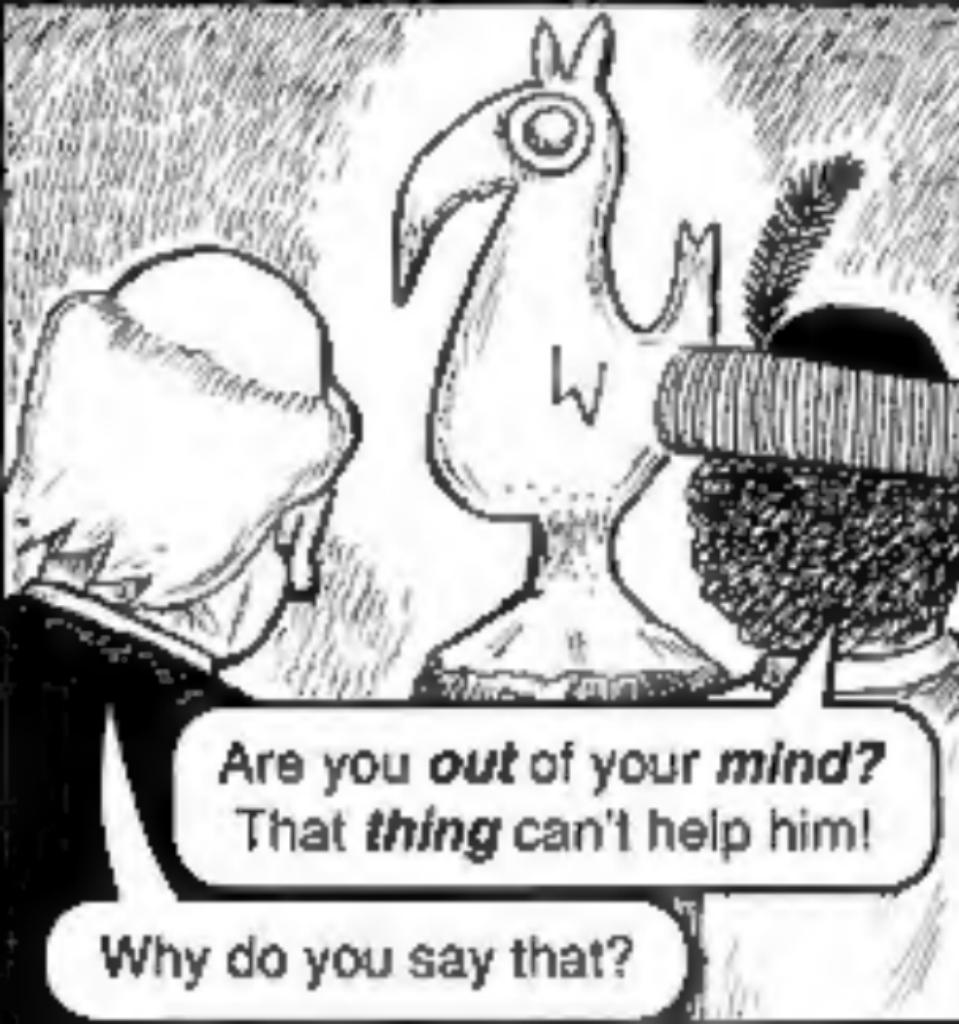


But that's *his* god  
and he *prays* to it.



He talks to his god and tells it all about  
his troubles... and *asks* for help.





Are you *out* of your *mind*?  
That *thing* can't help him!

Why do you say that?

Because he *made* it! That thing  
*can't* see or hear... It's a *dumb idol*!



No one does that in  
the civilized world.

You really think so? Do you know when it all started?



No. But I suppose **you** do,  
**Mr. Know-it-all!**

Back before Noah's flood, the people turned away from God.

And do you know what they did?

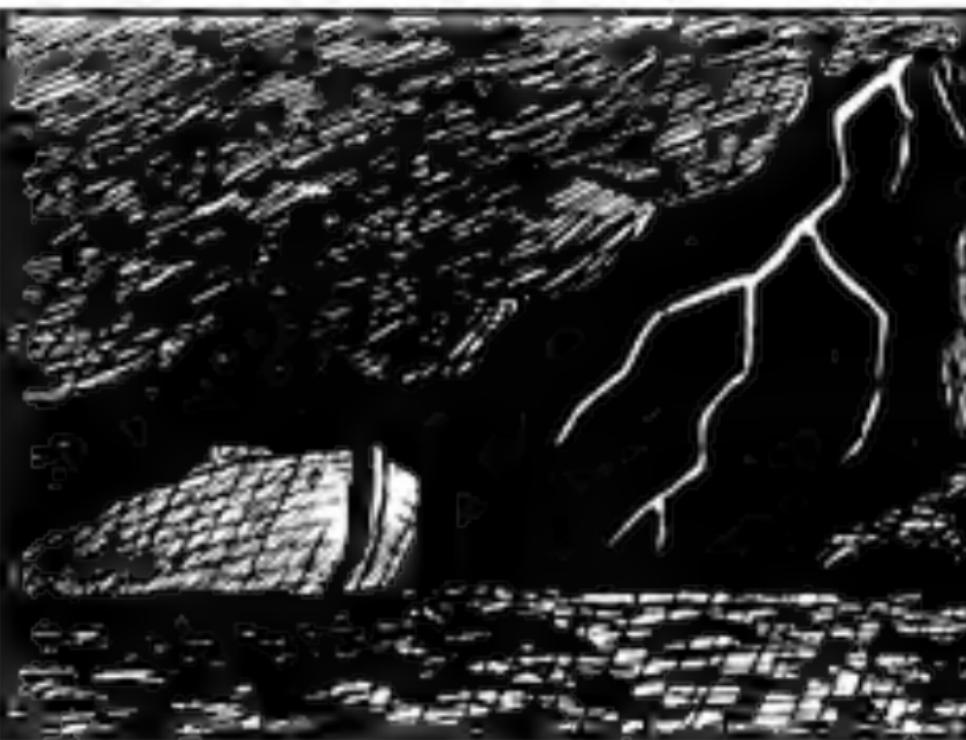
What?

They all bowed down to little statues.



And turned their backs to the  
God who created them.

Only Noah walked with God... so God  
saved his family – 8 people in all.



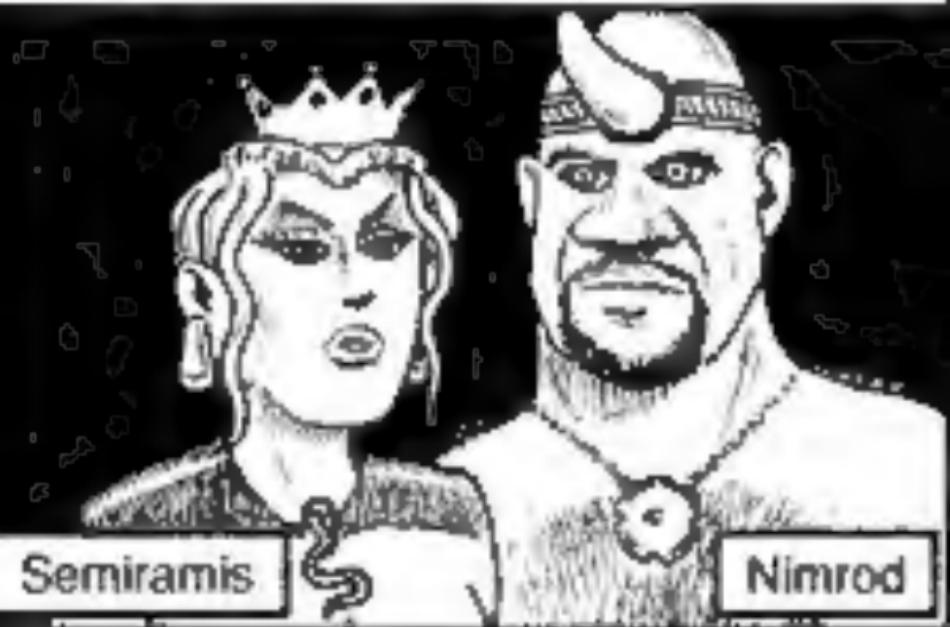
God washed all the *idols* away, but it  
didn't wash away the sin in their hearts.

After the flood, the population grew.



And the people built  
a city, called Babylon.

Their queen was very wicked  
and wanted to be a goddess.



Semiramis

Nimrod

So she and her son began  
a religion that gave her  
*tremendous power*.

Nimrod died. She bore a child, claiming a miracle had happened: Nimrod was reborn as "The sun god",



...making the queen a goddess.

Idols of the mother and son spread everywhere, with different names.



People talked to their statues and told them their troubles.

I bet God didn't like *that* one bit.



No... because  
they went back  
to the way it was  
*before the flood*.

As generations passed, this evil  
religion kept changing forms to fit  
into every culture.



Didn't they  
*know* any  
better?

The people were **trapped** because they **believed** their religious leaders.

Why, that's **stupid**.

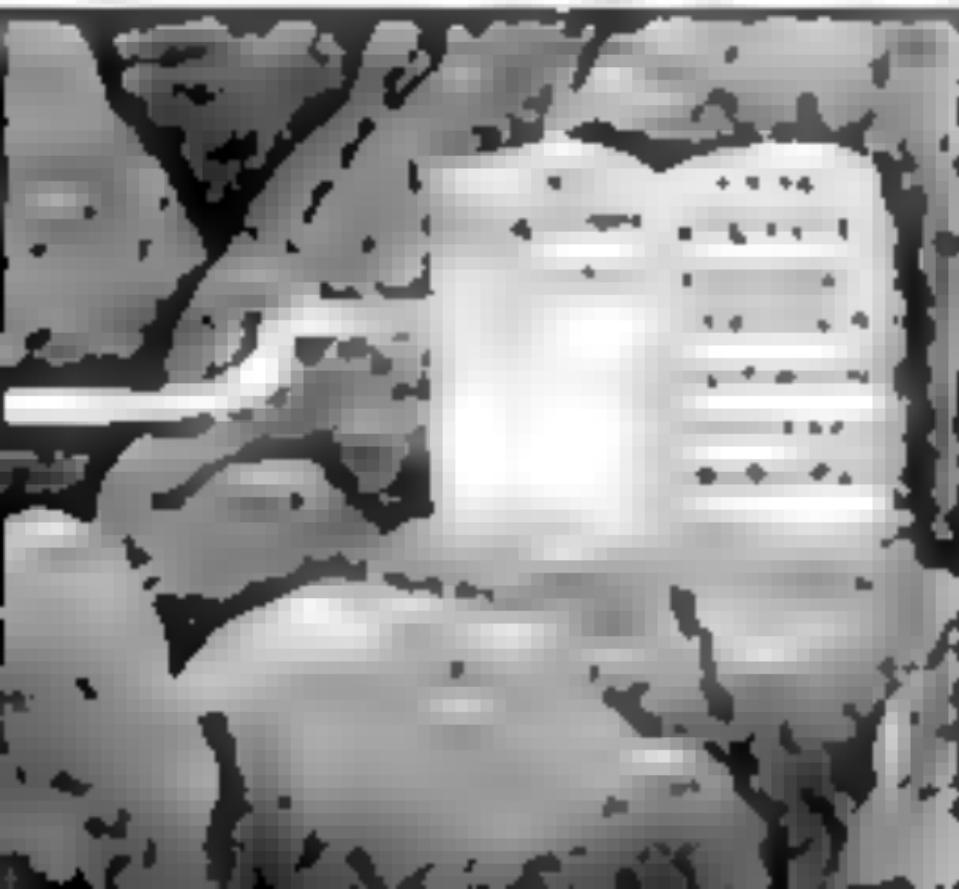


The darkness was spreading **everywhere**. And then **God** stepped in.



1. Do not bow to idols

Commandments to obey



The 1st commandment  
Beloved the Queen of Heaven



You shall not make unto thee any  
graven image or any likeness of any  
thing that is in heaven above



Now listen  
to this

You shall not bow down  
unto it or them and serve them  
for I the LORD thy God am a  
jealous God Exodus 20:5

He is talking  
about idols  
and statues

Ohh





That includes *paintings*  
which can be worshiped.

Jesus left heaven  
to stop all that  
nonsense. And He  
paid a *terrible price*.

He sacrificed Himself to pay for our sins.

"For God so loved  
the world that he  
gave his only  
begotten Son, that  
whosoever  
believeth in him  
should not perish,  
but have everlasting  
life." John 3:16



He shed his precious blood  
(God's blood to wash them away)  
He died and was buried... but then!

He arose from the dead  
as the King of Glory



He went back to heaven to build  
mansions for *all* who believe in  
Him as their *Lord* and *Saviour*.

It's so *simple...* Believe  
on the Lord Jesus Christ  
and thou shalt be *saved*.



Is that how people  
get to heaven?



"I am the way, the truth, and the life:  
no man cometh unto the Father,  
but by me." John 14:6



He's like a defense attorney,  
protecting you from the judge's anger.



'Hebrews 13:5

When you come to Jesus, He becomes your Saviour, your Lord, your defender and protector. He'll never leave you or forsake you.'

When we sin and ask *forgiveness*,  
He *does*. It's like we *never sinned*.  
The blood of Jesus *washes it away*.





God's plan to save us is *simple*. . .  
so *easy* that people *stumble* over it.

They want to feel that *they* had something to do with it. And that's where *religions* – and the *devil* – step in.



They work as a *team* . . . to destroy the *simplicity* of getting saved.

They *hate* that all you need is *faith* to do it. So they demand you do "good works" and set *impossible* goals, to *control* you.

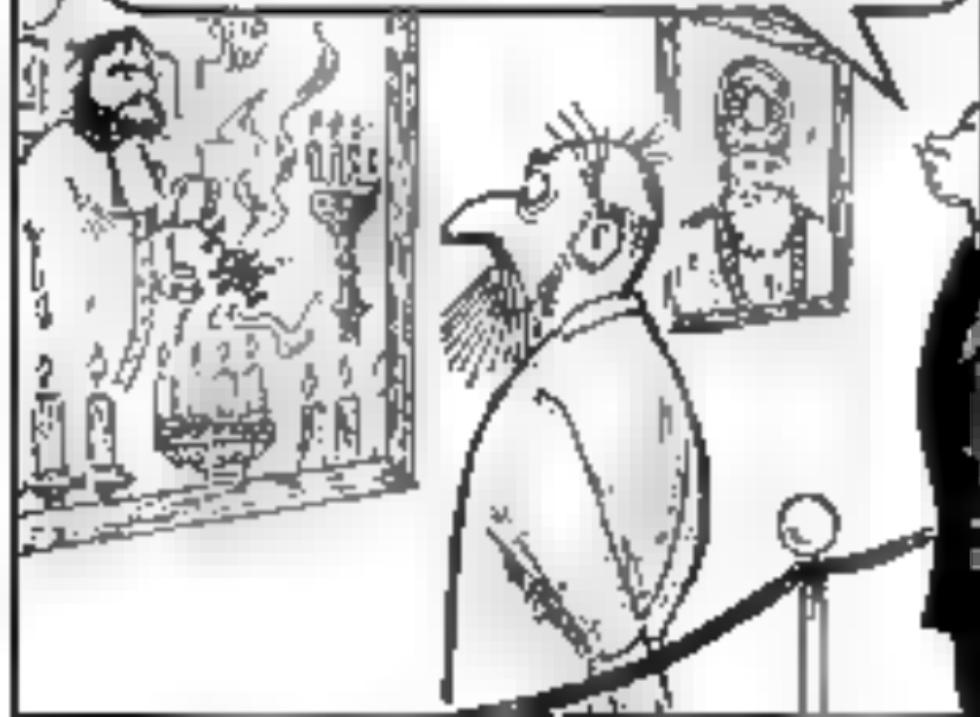
Jesus is our **only** mediator with God \* But to block this



Religion places **all kinds** of "mediators" in front of the followers. In the form of idols, statues, paintings and dazzling religious ceremonies.

\*1 Timothy 2:5

*Instead of going to Jesus, they pray to these deaf, dumb, blind statues of all shapes and sizes - begging for guidance and help.*



Religion shows no mercy. Traditions and laws put chains on their followers.



They're bound by religious rituals, desperately hoping to earn their way to heaven.

Some are taught to chant, use prayer beads, meditate on ideas others worship ancestors, animals, religious leaders, all for one reason.



And that is?

To get them to *miss* God's precious gift of *eternal life* through Jesus Christ and *billions* will *miss* it.



Like this!

My dear lady, that's just simply religious *junk*. You don't *need* it.



You know something?  
That's *me!*



And I'm in trouble  
with God... just as much as *he* is!

How do I get *saved*?



He told her. And this is what she prayed...

Lord Jesus, unless You save me...  
I'm *lost* forever. I *believe* You  
died on the cross for me.

Please *forgive* me and make  
me *clean*. *Thank* you, Lord.



It's ***that*** simple...  
It's done!

Nothing but ***faith*** in  
Jesus Christ will get  
you to ***heaven***.

"For by grace are ye saved through  
faith; and that not of yourselves: it is  
the gift of God: Not of works, lest any  
man should boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

# THE BIBLE SAYS THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO HEAVEN!

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6

## NOBODY ELSE CAN SAVE YOU. TRUST JESUS TODAY!

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Rom. 10:9

1. Admit you are a sinner. See Romans 3:10
2. Be willing to turn from sin (repent). See Acts 17:30
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you, was buried and rose from the dead. See Rom. 10:9-10
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus into your heart to become your personal Saviour. See Rom. 10:13

## WHAT TO PRAY

Dear God, I am a sinner and need forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ shed His precious blood and died for my sin. I am willing to turn from sin. I now invite Christ to come into my heart as my personal Saviour.

If you trusted Jesus as your Saviour, you have just begun a wonderful new life with Him. Now:

1. Read your Bible (KJV) every day to get to know Jesus Christ better.
2. Talk to God in prayer every day.
3. Be baptized, worship, fellowship, and serve with other Christians in a church where Christ is preached and the Bible is the final authority.
4. Tell others about Jesus Christ.

Here's help to grow as a new Christian! Read *The Next Step*, available at [www.chick.com](http://www.chick.com).

