**Don’t Be A Fool**

Psalm 14:1 KJV

*The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good*

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ronically if you’ve ever studied the book of Psalm, you would have noticed that this text appears twice in the book of Psalms. The other place that this particular verse is located is tucked tenderly in Psalm 53:1. But why is it repeated twice— it's because once is enough for us who honestly read and not rational our bible. Now, when something is repeated in the Scripture like this, it means that we need to pay close attention to what God is saying. God does not repeat because He is senile and forgetful having a bad case of amnesia—but because He’s omniscient and has something is very important to convey. So this text deal and dialogues directly with the person who thinks there is no God.

This Psalm 14 is a psalm by the penmanship of David. And interesting enough the very first word to come out of David’s mouth as he pens this psalm is “fool.” Now I have a problem if someone calls me a fool—to call someone a fool is to use very strong and harsh language to someone. And just like me, I do not think anyone appreciates being labeled as a fool. So, “**Don’t Call Me a Fool**” while you’re being vindictive trying to label me as a fool! Because it’s one thing about a fool—"A Fool Can Recognize a Fool." So if you’re going to call someone a fool, you must have proof that the fool is **EXACTLY THAT** a fool!

Furthermore, I think being called a fool is one of the more insulting things that can be said about someone’s character and personality. This word is so grave that Jesus said if we were to slanderously call our brother a fool, we are in danger of hell fire (Matthew 5:22).

David begins by describing what many people say within their hearts, “*There is no God.*” This is the very ideological view of atheism. In fact, this is not a new invention that we face in our battle for the Lord. There have always been and will continue to be people who will not believe that there is a God. David says that those who say in their hearts that there is no God are fools.

But this is not really just a matter of theoretical atheism. The fool is not only the person who has a belief that there is no God. Some of the translations use italics in the statement “there is no God” on the words “there is” to show that these words are added by the translators. Literally, the fool says “no God, no God.” Essentially, the person says that there is no room for God for me. No God for me, please, no God for me.

Therefore, we are not merely dealing with the scholarly of the world who believe they can prove that there is no God. We are also looking at those people who by their actions show that there is no God in their lives. These are the people who live with no room for God in their lives are called fools. Why would David say these people who make no room for God in their lives are fools? They believe that there’s “**No God!**”

So, maybe you’re thinking, Pastor, I’ve never seen this God? I realize this, but this is also true with gravity and oxygen that we’re both enjoying right now! You see, you don’t need to see Him physically to experience Him spiritually! Do you know what’s amazing about this Psalm? This Psalm begins with people who don’t believe in God. Moreover, there are **41,173** verses in the Bible and God gives one half of one verse to the atheist! There are **774,746** words in the Bible and God gives the atheist **11** words.

**Story**: There was an atheist who was complaining to his friend that there’s no holiday for the atheist. Christians have Christmas, Thanksgiving and Easter. Then his friend said, “Then why don’t you take April 1st!”