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Jack Chick Dissections

A young man goofs when he is talked out of receiving Jesus as Saviour.

This is Jack's hilariously ridiculous attempt to argue with secular people and anyone who doubts or questions the Bible.



"HAW HAW HAW, they forgot to give any of us genitals!"



The way Jack chooses to emphasize words is always amusing. "Hey – THAT'S Bobby! I'd been wondering who Bobby was, and now I know!" "He OVERDOSED on speed. I was just expecting him to take a normal dose, hence my emphasis on the word 'overdosed'."

Yeah, great idea to smoke that with a cop standing right there.

"Hey, guys, come over to where the cop is with all the drugs coursing through your system and your potential partial responsibility for this guy's death to check out this event you can do nothing about anyway!"



"I just can't believe it! He brought so much joy to our lives!"

Yeah, don't feed him oxygen while transporting him to the hospital or anything. Simply putting the mask on his face was totally medical attention enough. If he

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wasn't going to recover from that on-the-scene oxygen tank application, he wasn't going to recover from, y'know, medicine or an emergency room or a doctor or anything, either.

The girl on the left is only thinking about crying, she's not actually doing it. The guy at the bottom's all "meh... it's a Chick Tract."



shake shake shake "Let me in! I need to get to the hospital! Guys? Hello? Open the doors!"

What I can't really understand is, what the fuck is this fundie guy doing here? Does he chase ambulances and hand out Chick Tracts? Does he follow drug addicts around trying to convert them? My personal theory — *nasty coke habit*.

Yeah, this is exactly what people want when their friends die: Withered old balding fuckwads yammering about eternal damnation. "There there, don't worry! It's okay, God is loving. Not only is your friend dead, but they're going to be tortured forever! See? Don't you feel better?"



The more I hear this whole idea repeated over and over, the more ridiculous it seems. I don't know how it worked that there are so many people who've heard this story and subsequently decided it actually made sense. And I especially don't understand how it works in Chick Tracts, where someone comes up and tells someone some story they'd apparently never heard before, and they believe it outright. Either that or they're completely oblivious to the concept, but totally curious about it. Here's an analogy:

"Now comes the BIG question: Will Lord Voldemort feed his soul to the Infinite Sarlacc where he will be tortured in its endless bowels by Torgo the Man-Goat and his army of bearded fire lemons, or will the Choirs of Invisible Ducklings, conducted with the mighty trident of Neptune, lift him to the Paradise Kingdom, where he will enjoy the adoration of seventy virgins?" "HEY — I've never heard *anything* like this before. Does this mean **I'm** lost?"

Re: "Here come de judge", just... just no, okay? No.

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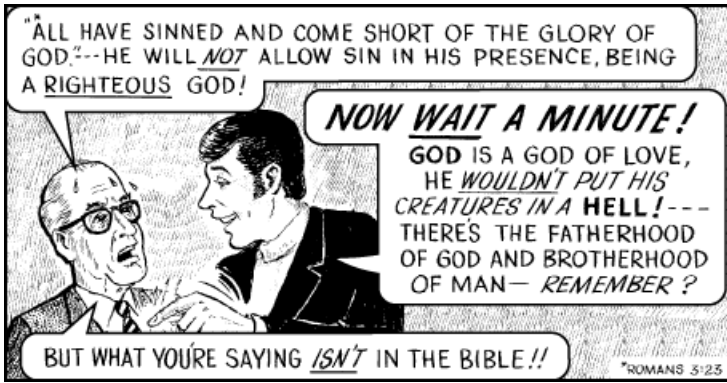
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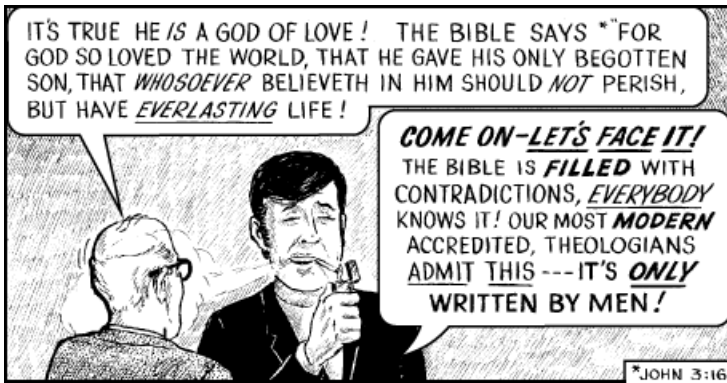


Gah, they've been transported into a formless void!

Know what else "isn't in the Bible"? Pretty much anything about gays, especially gay marriage. Or anything about abortion. Know what actually is? About forty dozen rules and guidelines that fundamentalists never adhere to, like the original Ten Commandments.

Of course, the guy misses the entire point: It doesn't matter whether it's in the Bible. If God tortures people for eternity, then he's not a "God of love", as he's so often described by Christians. And Jack neglects to include the most important part of this argument: If God is such an enormous jerk that he's automatically condemned everyone to an eternity of torture — which is infinitely worse a punishment than any crime a person could commit, because infinity divided by any number is infinity — without working out the puzzle of vague, contradictory and confusing instructions, and then who the fuck wants to go to heaven anyway? Who wants to be with that kind of a petty jackass for the rest of time? Isn't THAT hell?

Why's he sweating so much? Is that hyperhidrosis, or is he just nervous about having to defend his ridiculous views?



So he's... lighting his cigarette, which normally involves sucking the fire into the tip... while somehow blowing smoke that he couldn't have inhaled yet because the cigarette isn't lit.

I don't see how this passage counteracts the fact that we've all been condemned by default to eternal torment to enough of an extent that one could claim "God is love". That's like saying "well, I'm not a bad person — sure I shot you, but I gave you thirty seconds to solve a complicated riddle that I had my friend translate from Latin that would've earned you a Kevlar vest. So, see, I'm really a very good guy — nicer, in fact, than every other person."

A bit of related philosophical wankery that bears mention: Symbols on a page have no intrinsic meaning — we impose meaning onto the symbols and collections of symbols. Thus, if God was trusting his instructions to human language, then he was trusting it to the meaning we'd all impose onto it. And because we all impose meaning in different ways, then each of our interpretations of the Bible — the meaning we each draw from it — must be right. Otherwise, God would've found a much better and less subjective way to convey his message than words and the many translations and interpretations thereof.

Anyway, if it really were the Word of God, then why would it exclusively benefit man, with seemingly no benefit to an omnipotent being? It's just silly.



Those who claim it isn't filled with contradictions simply do not understand it. So there! *ptthhhht*

What a ridiculous assertion. It could be said about anything. I could say "those who don't take this website as the word of God simply do not understand it." Or "those who think bulimia is bad just don't understand it." It's an extremely simple defense of anything one believes in, and it's just as unprovable as the existence of God. How can you prove that your perspective demonstrates a greater comprehension than someone else's? It's like comparing your phenomenal experiences to someone else's — it just can't be done.

"[M]y friend"? Who addresses their friends as "my friend" in this way? "I MADE SOME CABBAGE COOKIES MY FRIEND."



Where the fuck are they? A city block that's been made into an island in some kind of thick, inky sea, in a universe where buildings and cars don't cast shadows?

You know, the only way what he's saying makes sense is if God isn't in any way omnipotent, or if we interpret all of this in a Dickian gnostic fashion. (That is, roughly, that Jesus wouldn't have to "invade" our world if he created it, thus the irrational mad creator God who fashioned the universe — the Black Iron Prison wherein time and space are simply holographic illusions that trap us — is a separate entity from Jesus, and Jesus was a messenger from the *real* God, who invaded this universe to instruct us on how to escape if we could work out his metaphoric riddles.)



And here Jack falls back on his usual tactic of depicting people with opposing perspectives as violent, frothing lunatics who react with such disproportionate anger as to make their perspectives seem wrong by association with their attitudes. The hope is that people will read this and go "but this guy CAN'T be right! He's so CRUEL and OPPRESSIVE!" It also doesn't help that Jack sort of depicts his opposition as putting forth half-arguments that have vague, unrealized points. I know comics are a difficult medium for conveying fully-fleshed messages, but this is an intentional effort to strawman the hell out of things.

By the way, if "if you don't believe exactly what I believe, you'll be tortured FOREVER" doesn't qualify something as a religion of fear, I don't know what does. (Of course, the fear is more ubiquitous, here, than even this. You'll see in a minute.)

Wait a second... Batman action burst? Is... is this guy God?



Ah, Pascal's Wager. It could be applied to nearly anything. I could say exactly the same thing to try to convince a woman into cunnilingus: "Even if I turn out to be incapable of making you cum, you have *nothing* to lose and *everything* to gain!" Or just to start my own cult: "If you believe in me as God, I can bring you to paradise. Think about it: You have nothing to lose and everything to gain!" There are some situations in which consequences can be demonstrated or scientifically speculated about where Pascal's Wager can actually work. But for anything unobservable and untestable, you can apply it to just about anything. Using this argument, then, God and every other unprovable should all be believed in equally. Which, I mean, I guess God is supposed to be everything, but I don't think that's what they mean, exactly.

And again, Chick Tracts are the key to salvation. What self-important bullshit.



Continuing the "don't believe this guy — he's a jerk!" theme. Yeah, anyone who doesn't buy into fundamentalist Christianity wanders around elbowing people in the kidneys.

"Hey, cool it, you turkey! That's totally bogus! Don't work him over — that's so not groovy." Way to deploy the slang, Jack.



Actually, he's missing the cause/effect relationship here: If you buy into this kind of propaganda, you're already afflicted with debilitating mental conditions.

Backs of people's heads make for very enthralling reading.



If that steering wheel were any further forward, it'd be on the hood. And the guy on the left must've severed his hand at the elbow and shoved it into the air conditioner vent as a cigarette holder or something. Gah, the angles are just all wrong, on so many levels.

This kid just throws his entire perspective to the four winds, letting anyone who tells him anything completely determine everything he will or will not believe. "DEAR SWEET FUCK, WILL SOMEONE PLEASE TELL ME WHAT TO THINK? I DON'T KNOW! I JUST... I DON'T KNOW!" Then again, these Tracts seem to be targeted at people who just generally don't think for themselves. I don't think they're meant to convert people who can actually, erm, think for themselves.



Hey, more sparse, goofy, random arguments! God is in the rivers and the birds! There's no such thing as the thetan. You're only as mortal as you think you are. Each man is a god, each man is free! Jesus didn't exist, he was a mylar cabinet filled with hot cheese.

UH-OH! A TRAIN! Will they make it? Oh no, will they make it!?



You know, if he can't tell whether he's going to make THAT, then he fucking deserves to die. Seriously, if he's that fucking stupid that he thinks his car, equidistant from the intersection with the train, is actually going to make it before the train arrives, then it's good he gets weeded out before he can pass on his idiot genes. Just... fuck. How did he even get a driver's license?

I CAN'T WATCH! I JUST... I CAN'T WATCH!



Ohhhh, they didn't make it. Jackasses.

Why is the train impacting with the car making a "YAAAAAAA" sound?



Wait... what? This is completely contradictory to every other Chick Tract. There are some where people sit in their graves until called up by angels, and others where people are immediately taken up for judgment before they die. Apparently, according to this, people go to hell or a hell-like burning place for a while until they're brought up to God for judgment at some arbitrary, indeterminate point in the future. So everyone automatically goes to hell, or semi-hell, immediately after they die, and only at some unknown point after that do they go to be judged and possibly allowed into heaven? Erm. God is love?



"Haha, you lose God's guessing game! Turns out the queen of hearts was on the left. TOO BAD! Now you roast for an eternity. Because to an omnipotent being, there's totally a difference between life and afterlife that makes it just fuckin' *impossible* for him — an omnipotent being — to do *anything* to help you. Your death has defeated God!"



Nobody in this Tract has a name. They're all just "Friend" and "Buddy" and "Fuckwad" and "Dipshit".



WHAT A TWEEST!



HAW HAW GAME OVER — YOU DIDN'T ACCEPT JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR OWN LORD AND PERSONAL SAVIOR. This should be the "you died" screen on every video game.

Duh-uhhh... Free will? What's that?

Hey, sorry, uh, what was that you were saying about a "religion of fear", Jack? Because, I mean, uh... first, you have the guy threatening the kid with hell after his friend just died, and then you have him die a horrible and untimely death immediately afterward while he's still deliberating, and then you have him go to hell where it's revealed that his friend wasn't really a person, but a demon. How are you not utilizing fear, here? How are you not just *proving the very goddamned point you put in your opposition's mouth and then argued against?*

Meanwhile, the implication is that there's no such thing as a secular person — only demons, fundamentalists, and those yet to be converted. What a ridiculous premise. And again — scare tactics! You can't trust anyone — they might be a *demon*. This is such a dangerous thing to convince someone to believe, and it's just incredibly fucking goofy — there's just as much a basis to convince people that everyone they encounter is secretly an angel, or a dragon-human hybrid, or a vampire, or a werewolf, or a creamed corn golem, or a mucus elemental. But it's very effective manipulation.

sigh

Well, if this was Jack's attempt at direct rebuttal against secular opposition, it's pretty fuckin' pathetic.

Until next time. Tell your friends. *And* your enemies, for that matter.

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1. *Felis* Says:

[June 25th, 2007 at 11:11 pm](#)

Great as always. Keep it up!!

Okay, I've been looking at the car crash scene again, and I've been thinking, maybe Chicko's cut a deal with Wendy Northcutt, and is subliminally promoting the Darwin Awards, hmm?

At any rate, he's using the frickin' cliches again.

"Of all the cliché I've ever heard - that clichés the cliché!"

BIFF! *BAM!* *YELL!*

2. *Cacaoatl* Says:

[June 25th, 2007 at 11:16 pm](#)

I like how the demon's human mask looks like it's made of some kind of tissue paper and not the latex you would expect. And why the fuck does a demon need a mask to disguise himself as a human? Can't demons cast illusions an' shit? And where do his horns go when he is wearing the mask? Do they fold down? If not they would stick out of the mask. Why do some many Chick Tract villains wear turtle neck sweaters and blazers?

3. *Molly* Says:

[June 25th, 2007 at 11:24 pm](#)

Thank you. I really needed this tonight.

Also: The kid appears to be about twelve. And he's driving.

4. *il-Palazzo* Says:

[June 25th, 2007 at 11:59 pm](#)

NOTE: I really love this reverse Scooby-Doo ending.

The demon guy even suggest you to follow the ten commandment. Combining with the Johnny Depp demon from 'Wounded Children' kinda make you think that demons aren't so evil after all. And their job is even easier than we thought, which is already easy in the first place.

"Hey. You can do good things, that's cool. You can even believe in God, it's in the first of (both versions of) the ten commandments and that's cool too! All we have to do is make you believe that the J-guy is not God then BOOM, you spend an eternity with us. Man, we really love it crowded here"

5. *Obscuratus* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 12:17 am](#)

Personally I believe this to be the most pathetic attack on ordinary atheists, or anyone with different beliefs to Jack's paranoid fundamentalism: We're all violent demons with cardboard masks. I guess what we're seeing here is Reductio Ad Demonica; Rather than attempt to with Biblical phrases with questionable relevance he goes 'all-out', reducing any shred of credibility by describing non-believers as demons, while continuing to hold his 'holier-

than-thou' attitude.

Hey Jack guess what? Every last black person that disagreed/disagrees with slavery is going to hell.

Why's that?

Titus:2:9: 'Bid slaves to be submissive to their masters and to give satisfaction in every respect; they are not to be refractory, nor to pilfer, but to show entire and true fidelity'

Once more we see the complete-and-utter brutality of Jack's God: Damning a kid to hell for the sole reason that he didn't even know about God. I do so love your compassion, Oh Benevolent One.

Every time a Chick tract is released God seems less like a 'higher being' as opposed to a narcissistic ass.

6. *Rose Says:*

[June 26th, 2007 at 12:27 am](#)

Awesome dissection!

When someone dies, does Jack Chick actually walk up to the bereaved three seconds after the death and force his tracts on them? He needs to be sent to etiquette school or a crazy house or something.

"But what you're saying isn't in the Bible!" Is it me, or does that not make any goddamn sense? I wonder how Jack Chick would react if a (there are way, way, WAY too many to choose from, but let's just say) Muslim were to look at his anti-Muslim tract and say "but none of that is in the Qu'ran! What, you used that argument, why can't I?"

My brain exploded trying to fathom the stupidity. What does that suit guy actually believe in? He seems to be mixing a whole bunch of different philosophies. If he really wants to trick people, why not pretend to actually adhere to something to make it more plausible? Then again, his target was a total dumbass, so I guess it wasn't necessary.

7. *DJ Particle Says:*

[June 26th, 2007 at 12:39 am](#)

There's actually an animated version of this tract somewhere...having trouble finding it right now, I haven't actually seen it in a few years *heh*.

8. *Jabberwock Says:*

[June 26th, 2007 at 2:07 am](#)

DJ Particle: It's part of the [Hot Chicks](#) DVD, which I strongly recommend buying.

9. *Randy Says:*

[June 26th, 2007 at 2:35 am](#)

I think the aliens in the "V" mini-series were roughly based on the last panel.

And even when I was a gung-ho fundamentalist, I still didn't trust the theory that Hell is not the same thing as the "Lake of fire". I call it the "dual hell" theory: God allows Satan and the rebellious demons to torture lost souls after they die, but before the end of the world/Armageddon.

In this theory, God allows Satan free rein to torture "the lost" in Hell in ways that aren't possible on earth. I've honestly heard some preachers, and read some books where writers wax poetic about how demons can cut up lost souls who remain conscious so that a disembodied mouth can still beg for mercy, or they can trick souls into committing physical cannibalism, and getting trapped in a cannibalistic daisy chain. It's strange that despite the Evangelical Protestant contempt for Catholicism, Dante's inferno still serves as a source of inspiration for them.

Then, at the "Day of Judgement", Satan, the demons, and the unsaved humans are all thrown into the "Lake of Fire" where God takes over and evens the whole thing out — everyone who's "unsaved", as well as Satan and the demons are all punished together and equally by burning forever.

It's strange to me how Hell and the Rapture are interpreted by a similar technique: take one or more long passages about a topic, and harmonize them with one or more verses out of context, by claiming they are two distinct events.

In the case of the Rapture, you have the "Last Days" account written about in Revelations, ending with the Judgement and Lake of Fire. However, a verse in Thessalonians says that the dead in Christ will rise, which gets interpreted as an event that happens just before the Last Days, and called the Rapture.

Numerous verses mentioning Hell are similarly harmonized with a brief mention of the Lake of Fire in Revelations, which are then interpreted as two separate hells, one before the end of the world, and another for all eternity. I don't know if the Bible itself makes any distinction between Hell and the Lake of Fire the way Evangelicals do.

In short, if you want to start your own religion using a text you create, you'd better include many vague references and statements. Your followers and disciples will do the hard lifting of trying to decide what you meant and try to harmonize conflicting passages with each other.

10. *lessthan* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 2:39 am](#)

Uh guys? I think my human mask is stuck and my horns itch. Does anyone know how to get these off?

11. *Randy* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 2:58 am](#)

I suddenly feel nit picky: This tract says Jesus can't save you from Hell when you're there, he can only prevent you from going there. Doesn't that technically make him a "Preventative" not a "Savior"?

12. *Kate* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 3:18 am](#)

Randy - And that's funny, considering how much God apparently hates prophylactics.

I like how the fundie's argument is subtly undermined 3fold - first, you've got a demon arguing that following the 10 commandments is a good idea. 2ndly, shouldn't a demon, who's likely been around for thousands of years, have a better notion as the nature of God and the truth of the bible? Seems like it'd make more sense to take his word for it. And lastly, it's not saying 'non-religious people are jerks', it's saying 'demons in disguise are jerks' which I think most people could guess.

Honestly, I get more good arguments for fundie-bating from this site. LOVE it.

And, hey, if it turns out you're a demon in disguise and you end up gloating in our faces after we're all roasting in hell... It's cool. Don't worry about it.

13. *Crane* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 3:57 am](#)

Y'know, you're right about the angles... Very Lovecraftian. Maybe Chick isn't actually a man at all, but Chick'thulhu, ancient slumbering horror from beyond the stars... Look at his Wikipedia entry, hardly anyone has ever seen him, and there's only one recent portrait that is -alleged- to be him!

Ph'nglui mglw'nafh Chick'thulhu El'aeh wgah'nagl fhtagn!
[Lit: In his house in LA, dead Chick'thulhu waits dreaming"]

14. *Randy* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 11:10 am](#)

I just checked it out myself: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jack_Chick
Interesting reading, but the best part was near the bottom, in the list of links titled "Anti-Chick websites":

EnterTheJabberwock's humorous dissection of Jack Chick's tracts.

Whoo hoo!

15. *Rarend* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 1:32 pm](#)

That train that ran the car over was the very embodiment of natural selection. Evolution forever

16. *Rose* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 1:49 pm](#)

Randy: That's how I came across this fine website. Wikipedia's great, ain't it?

Hey, look at the fourth to last panel. I think that could be some sort of perfume commercial with exaggerated homoerotic undertones. You know the ones, with classical music playing in the background and everyone stage whispers, and then there's one final screen that says "OBSESSION by Calvin Klein".

17. *Feathered Dinosaur* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 2:44 pm](#)

Ok, this is a total piece of crap. Just curious, but exactly how high is Jack's IQ?

18. *Feathered Dinosaur* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 2:45 pm](#)

Ok, this (the comic, not the dissection) is a total piece of crap. Just curious, but exactly how high is Jack's IQ?

19. *Johan-ghost* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 2:49 pm](#)

Well, If Jabberwock and other Chick dissectors turn out to be demons wearing skin like that bug-creature from "Men in Black", then at least well know Hell will be at least somewhat amusing.

20. *Shaun* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 3:08 pm](#)

So, wait, this guy finds out his friend is really a demon, and he's been tricked into spending eternity wallowing in despair and fire, and the only thing he can say is "You Goofed"? Gee, watch out for that guy. He gets vicious.

21. *Shaun* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 3:13 pm](#)

And is it just me, or does the brilliant guy in the first two panels (the one blithely using illegal drugs right in front of the cops) kind of look like one of the band members from the Chick Tract, "Angels?"

22. *Garrett* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 3:27 pm](#)

on the plus side, the "evil" guy in this one was actually semi-good looking, compared to Chick's normal demon infested dipwits.

Apparently, demons look good, Jesus looks like Batman, and gay men sometimes look good. Oh, and Fundies look happy and peaceful too of course.

23. *truth seeker* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 3:51 pm](#)

why does the devil remind me of the fonz or and italian. maybe it is symbolism that all dark haired ppl are evil demons.
great dissection by the way

24. *Linkage* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 3:57 pm](#)

That would explain how he kept fixing the jutebox. Heyyyy.

25. *Jon* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 4:06 pm](#)

Rips off face

"Hey! Chick was right about the Demons! Who 'da thunk it, ya know?"

26. *Lith* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 4:26 pm](#)

Non-fundies in these tracts just can't think for themselves, can they? They have to be following one thing or another. Maybe it's cos Fundieism can't convert Freethinkers...

27. *Sei* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 4:33 pm](#)

So...it's the kid's fault for not accepting Jesus, even though the person preaching to him was a complete stranger taking advantage of his other friend's death to attempt a conversion and the person who ripped up the tract and told him it was garbage appears to be one of the kid's best friends.

Yeah. Real fair.

28. *paleone* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 5:24 pm](#)

I was particularly impressed with the mucus elemental and creamed corn golem ideas, I think both would make fantastic D&D monsters. Chick is so incredibly ridiculous, if you actually look through the bible, you'll see that Hell is described simply as a separation from God and his love. The lake of fire is a separate event, which occurs long after earth and heaven and hell have been destroyed (and remade ?), during which time apparently you must directly rebel against god, AFTER already being dead and knowing the real score.

29. *Chelonianmobile* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 5:50 pm](#)

paleone: And, IIRC, the Bible says the FIRE is everlasting, it DOESN'T say that so are the souls in it. So, potentially, it actually meant that there's a brief time in the fire and the souls burn away. Or come out the other side fine. Still not fantastic, but it's a damn sight better than burning for eternity.

30. *Mau de Katt* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 6:12 pm](#)

And is anyone at all creeped out by the fact that a 12-year-old-looking, smoking-and-driving little kid is best buds with an *adult* man who looks to be in his 30's?

31. *Mom* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 7:31 pm](#)

Another great job! Keep 'em coming. This Jack is really insane. I don't know if he is a "Christian" and trying to convert us or an agnostic and trying to unite us. He sure doesn't make me want to go to church. God doesn't seem very fair or kind in the world of Chick. These tracts are outrageous!

32. *JTR5353* Says:

[June 26th, 2007 at 9:51 pm](#)

How about this one for your next dissection? It's like Dark Dungeons with Batman Actions, ugly antagonists, and all we've come to love from a Chick Tract. http://www.chick.com/reading/tracts/5012/5012_01.asp

33. *Obscuratus* Says:

[June 27th, 2007 at 4:54 am](#)

Also I'm kinda confused as to what the whole 'Here comes de judge!' 'joke' (if that) was about. I mean, Chick's a bit 'off' but that was really out of left field. Gotta love fundy humour!

34. *Breathing Meat* Says:

[June 27th, 2007 at 5:06 am](#)

The fundy expels tracts from his pants and tie when you elbow him thusly.

35. *Breathing Meat* Says:

[June 27th, 2007 at 5:13 am](#)

[i]And again, Chick Tracts are the key to salvation. What self-important bullshit.[/i]

No it's just marketing. Look at this for a more blatant example: http://www.chick.com/reading/tracts/0945/0945_01.asp

36. *Randy* Says:

[June 27th, 2007 at 10:08 am](#)

JTR5353: I just reread that one. There's so much dogma a true refutation would take a small book. But I do like the way in some panels, the female characters are replaced by men. And one line, where a witch is introduced to someone and she says, "Charmed, I'm sure!" OK, even with Chick's warped sense of humor, he can still write an actual, intentionally funny joke once every dozen tracts or so.

Obscuratus: It's just dated humor, referring to a catch phrase from the Show "Rowan and Martin's Laugh In", popular in the late 60's and early '70s. It's left in there for about the same reason "Big Daddy?" still uses "Crazy, man!" Grooviness never dies.

37. *Rarend* Says:[June 27th, 2007 at 2:09 pm](#)

HAW HAW, become an evangelical or roast in the Jesus BBQ

38. *Walter Lovecraft* Says:[June 27th, 2007 at 2:30 pm](#)

All the fun people will be in Hell. That's the problem with Hell, really. You can't convince me that a person who is a good and kind human being but doesn't accept Christ deserves the same punishment as Stalin. Of course, not even Stalin deserves to be punished for eternity, so no one really deserves the fundie concept of Hell. Most of the Christian-like people I know believe in a general Heaven, but not Hell. I personally don't care either way, because even if there is a paradise-afterlife, I'll still live for my happiness and wellbeing here in this life.

Speaking of afterlives, when's the next Judgment Day? It was so much fun in New Year's of 2000, I want another apocalypse party.

Oh, wait, actually, according to Nostradamus, this current Pope is the last one, and the next one is the Antichrist. Let's hope the current Nazi-Pope dies soon, so we can get to waiting for the endtimes. That's gonna be so much fun!

39. *Warren* Says:[June 27th, 2007 at 2:54 pm](#)

As always Jabberwock, I love the work! Please dont stop!

40. *Feathered Dinosaur* Says:[June 27th, 2007 at 4:35 pm](#)

http://www.chick.com/reading/tracts/0034/0034_01.asp

Do this later.

41. *Mau de Katt* Says:[June 27th, 2007 at 9:33 pm](#)

Re: the dated "Here comes da judge!" joke.... There's a secret about Chick tracts — he recycles them! He rewrites old ones with "updated" material. That is probably why the girl-with-AIDS is so calm about her death sentence in *That Crazy Guy* — when that tract was originally written, it was before AIDS was a big "witnessing" issue. Ol' Jackie Boy just re-writes some dialog to bring the story "current" with whatever is the hot topic du jour, and probably edits some art here and there to match. That's why you'll find so many anachronistic and dated images and jargon, and so many disconnects between images and dialogue.

42. *Grassdragon* Says:[June 28th, 2007 at 12:20 am](#)

"I was particularly impressed with the mucus elemental and creamed corn golem ideas, I think both would make fantastic D&D monsters."

That's not funny. My father drowned in a mucus elemental.

43. *Obscuratus* Says:[June 28th, 2007 at 5:59 am](#)

Thanks for the responses to the 'Here comes de Judge' question. It stills seems quite off, though anything created after the 40's is Satanic, and as such is subject to half-assed-barely-comprehensible-Fundy-criticism. Groovy, my friends!

44. *Shaun* Says:[June 28th, 2007 at 9:01 am](#)

What I want to know is, why are Chick's demons always so.. well, horrendously ugly. I was always kind of under the impression that demons were kind of hot; I know I'm way more likely to follow someone into Sinful Desires and Hellfire if they're a sight more good-looking than these horned, sharp-toothed, vaguely blobbish shapes.

But maybe that's just me.

45. *nimue* Says:[June 28th, 2007 at 2:27 pm](#)

While i was looking at "the nervous witch" linked above, i found this one: http://www.chick.com/reading/tracts/0093/0093_01.asp

which i think could prove amusing. I would like to see it done.

as those above have stated, this dissection was awesome, keep up the good work!

46. *nimue* Says:
[June 28th, 2007 at 2:56 pm](#)

oh, one more thing, if you decide to look into the tract i linked, here's a wikipedia article that will help:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taxil_hoax

47. *Akasuna no Sasori* Says:
[June 28th, 2007 at 6:36 pm](#)

Awesome dissection. Incidentally, the demon's disguise looks a lot like Reggie Mantle following some weight loss. Coincidence??

48. *JTR5353* Says:
[June 28th, 2007 at 7:58 pm](#)

You have to do this one.
http://www.chick.com/reading/tracts/0033/0033_01.asp

Pedophile Jesus!

49. *Felis* Says:
[June 28th, 2007 at 8:59 pm](#)

Obscuratus: That's probably because Chick still lives in the '40s. Even friggin' Buddy Holly is satanic to him.

Oh yeah, Jabberwock, speaking of that, you should really dissect *Angels?*. "Elvis is Satanic!" . . . what?

Randy: As for buzz words and worn-out phrases, Chick'll soon start making his characters say "Hey hey hey!" Hoo-haw, that cracks me up.

Oh no, I forgot, Fat Albert was black, and all black people are evil and are going to Hell because they didn't like being slave-driven!

It's interesting how ze misled child doesn't seem to be in any anguish or discomfort, having just realised he's being tortured for all eternity.

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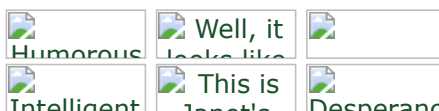
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