

Any statement like that is blasphemous. God has called us into this world to win souls for Him. That is the primary thing. Separation from unbelief is perhaps not a secondary thing but it certainly is not the primary thing. But other matters far less direct in our relation to our Christian belief often assume a first position. We had a young fellow who graduated from here-- a bright fellow who did very well, and he wanted to teach the Bible. But a good Christian college of the denomination in which he believed said, We believe a professor in the field of (one of the scientific fields, I forget which now but in which he had been trained in college) and they begged him to come and teach. He said, Can't I teach some Bible. They said, you can teach one course in Bible and four courses in this other subject. He went. He did his best to help that college. Then they said after a couple of years, We want you to go and get a Ph.D. in this field of science. He went, and spent three years getting his Ph.D. He came back and taught a few more years. Then they put into the stand of that college that God had created the world in six days of exactly 24 hours each, of the type of hours we have today. He knew there was no such thing taught in the Bible. In fact I don't know when the word "day" is used in the sense of 24 hours in the Bible. If any of us were to be watched for 2 mo. and if any of us were to use the word "day" and were checked to use it to mean 24 hours, I don't think three times we would find that we used it in that sense. If I meet you tonight at 11 p.m. and say, Isn't this a lovely day? You'd say, What are you talking about? It isn't day, it's night! A day is a period of activity, which is normally the daytime.