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One of the signs of the end times is a great proliferation of false doctrines and teachers ([Matt. 24:11,24](#); [2 Pet. 2:1](#)). So, I wondered, what group would be considered the most dangerous of these false cults today? Could it be the Mormons, the Jehovah Witnesses, the Masons?

The question was taken to one of today's foremost defenders of the faith, Eric Barger, the founder and director of [Take a Stand! Ministries](#) headquartered in the Dallas area. Eric is an authority on the cults, the New Age, and rock music today. From his past as a former drug addict and rock n' roll musician who was deeply involved in the New Age movement, Eric has emerged since he gave his life to Jesus Christ to become one of today's greatest defenders of Christianity in America.



Eric Barger

You, too, might be surprised which cult Eric says it actually the most dangerous.

Eric, just which group do you believe is the most dangerous cult out there?

I believe the most dangerous cult is any person, church, or denomination who doesn't faithfully represent the First Century Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is those who claim to be Christian, but do not present the Biblical truth. And, they are all around us.

I have often said the Liberalism that teaches another Gospel inside our churches is way more damaging then all the satanist getting together on Halloween night to pray out in the middle of a clearing and do a ritual.

More people will go to Hell who are sitting in a church on a Sunday morning thinking everything is hunky-dory because they have been baptized, or they're good people, or they have heard a message, or they gave God their one hour a week, or whatever it might be — some other way then through the cross and blood of Jesus. That is what liberalism teaches, that it is all about good works. That's called the "social gospel." We have seen it take over the mainline denominations who were once very evangelical a 100 to 150 years ago.

Christianity is not a self-styled religion. We have beliefs, and the beliefs have been left behind. We have doctrines that held us together. Paul's charge to Timothy was to go preach the Gospel and reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all long-suffering and doctrine.

We better know what those doctrines are. People think that it is out-of-bounds to mention that somebody who would call themselves a Christian is a cultist. When you look at the central or essential doctrines of the Bible, if people are not holding onto those central doctrines, like for example you would find in the Apostles Creed, what makes us Christians? What could possibly make that term stick to us?

What are the essential core doctrines that we are talking about? Well, they are the blood of Jesus, how you are saved, about the inerrancy of the Scriptures, about who God is, and about the deity of Christ. Those are the central doctrines of the faith.

Now, we can disagree about prophecy and all those other issues, and how to baptize someone, sprinkle or dunk, all those issues. We can disagree on those things and be agreeable and loving and call each other "brother." But, when someone comes to me and says, "Well, I am a Christian, but I don't believe the Virgin Birth." I will say, "Well, listen, you can call yourself a Christian, but I can't call you brother. If you don't believe that Jesus was born of a virgin, then He couldn't have been the Savior."

Why are we monkeying around with Christianity or something called Christianity, or somebody who says the Resurrection is irrelevant? Those two things — the virgin birth and resurrection — are the big things. Those two things seem to be the hot buttons, and they are the things that have caused the liberal theologians of 150 years ago or so to begin to disavow many the doctrines of the faith and pull so many into cultic apostasy.