Biblical Separation

WHEREAS there has been a continual attack from various sources in recent years upon the doctrine so clearly taught in the Bible, and espoused by our Association, of separation from unbelief; and

WHEREAS there is an ever-present danger that this principle of separation may be ignored, watered down, or even opposed by succeeding generations that arise in our Association; and

WHEREAS church history bears witness to the fact that many movements have lived to repudiate the very principles that gave them birth; and

WHEREAS the process of deteriorating conviction may take place even while lip service is being paid to historic positions;

BE IT RESOLVED THEREFORE that we, the messengers of the churches in fellowship with the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches, meeting in Annual Conference at Winona Lake, Indiana, June 23–27, 1975, strongly urge our pastors, churches, and approved agencies to continue to hold firmly to the Biblical doctrine of separation from apostasy and from those compromising with apostasy, and that we all combat the subtle temptation to use speakers or to cooperate with movements which, while holding many Biblical truths, repudiate or at least ignore in their official and public statements and activities, this doctrine of separation.

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