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A couple of years ago I was having a conversation with a JW named Kilroy here is the statement he made to me followed by my reply. Statement by Kilroy J.

“JW are the most educated people in the world. What other organisation has 900 language website and 120,000 congregations in 240 countries unitedly and peacefully teaching the same bible-based message in hundreds of languages simultaneously? No academic, no university, no matter how 'high' their education has ever achieved anything close to this”.

My Answer:

After reading the above answer by Kilroy J, I thought that someone should remind him how dangerous it is to play the ‘Numbers game’.

He makes three statements that are all, to be frank, totally Ridiculous & without any factual evidence whatsoever.

ONE: “JW are the most educated people in the world”.

TWO: “No academic, no university, no matter how 'high' their education has ever achieved anything close to this”.

THREE: “unitedly and peacefully teaching the same bible-based message”.

ONE: A recent report conducted by National public radio shows that in America only 9 percent of JWs obtain an undergraduate degree well below the national average of 30.4 percent. And the LOWEST of ANY faith group.

Further, Among the 100 former Witnesses interviewed for the report, most said they felt short-changed of getting a better education to be able to reach their career plans. “The lack of higher education can translate into more tangible problems for Witnesses. Pew research shows that Jehovah’s Witnesses are among the lowest earners of any religious group,”

See the report here:



<http://www.religionwatch.com/jehovahs-witnesses.../>

We also must bear in mind the fact that they use so called ‘Apostate Christendom’s scholars, to back up, and lend weight to their claims, People like Vine & Strong, Westcott & Hort etc (Many of them Trinitarian). This is because recognized scholars within the JW religion are about as hard to find as a ‘meowing duck’.

TWO: It would seem, that Kilroy J is inferring from his statements that numbers make all the difference, (Big is beautiful) when he states numbers like 900, & 120,000 & 240 (See his answer) So if this is the case and God’s blessings revolve around numbers, consider the following facts.

As of 2014, there were approximately 15,082,028 Mormons worldwide according to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. There are also 29,253 Mormon congregations and over 140 temples. Mormons also maintain an extensive missionary program with 83,035 missionaries and 406 missions worldwide. Mormons serve on a voluntary basis.

Further:

There are over 279 million Pentecostals worldwide, and the movement is growing in many parts of the world, especially the global South. Since the 1960s, Pentecostalism has increasingly gained acceptance from other Christian traditions, and Pentecostal beliefs concerning Spirit baptism and spiritual gifts have been embraced by non-Pentecostal Christians in Protestant and Catholic churches through the Charismatic Movement. Together, Pentecostal and Charismatic Christianity numbers over 500 million adherents. This means that, according to this analysis, Pentecostal and charismatic Christians together, make up about 27% of all Christians and more than 8% of the world's total population.

Further:

There are an estimated 1.2 billion Roman Catholics in the world, according to Vatican figures. More than 40% of the world's Catholics live in Latin America - but Africa has seen the biggest growth in Catholic congregations in recent years. Figures released in 2008 estimated 271,602 physical churches. However, that number probably does not include mission churches, independent churches, and many other orders. So Kilroy may wish to re-think his numbers game.

THREE: consider the word 'Unitedly' and visit the following site..

 <http://ajwrb.org/>

This site is run by Current Jehovah's witnesses, who wish the Governing Body to reform the current, non-biblical stance on Blood transfusion. It would seem that everything in the watchtower's 'United' Garden, isn't so rosy after all.

Now of course I am not saying that you need a degree to work for God, neither am I saying that 'Big means right'. I am just pointing out the foolishness of Kilroy Js' statements, who obviously believes anything the watchtower tells him and doesn't check out the facts for himself.



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