

## **‘Choose your god’**

I recently saw a commercial for an online game based on Greek mythology. It spoke of armies, mythological gods, heroes, and quests. What got my attention was the description of how to get the game started. You go online to register, chose your god, and then build your empire. Wow! Choose your god!

Those words, though presented casually in the ad, struck me as being one of the most dangerous things about our world today. In a game, it may be important to choose a god and start playing, but in the real world that choice can have serious consequences.

We read stories in the Old and New testaments of how people chose the God in heaven which lead to a peace and prosperity. And those who chose the gods of this world, such as power, money, prestige, and so on lead to their destruction.

The same goes for today. The gods of this world are empty and vain; they cannot give peace to one’s heart. As we celebrate the birth of our Savior, may we choose the God who deserves all our love and dedication. May the peace of the newborn Savior come to all of you as we celebrate the real reason for the Christmas season. Amen.

***Merry Christmas from my family to yours,***

***Deacon Mike***