

LESSON OF THE ORANGE

A bold unbeliever was lecturing a group on the folly of religious faith in general and the Christian faith in particular.

At the close of his presentation, the speaker invited people in the audience to propound any questions they might have.

In the audience was the town drunkard, who had been converted to Christ. In response to the invitation, the converted alcoholic came up front, took out an orange, peeled it, and ate it without comment.



Patiently, the speaker watched, and then asked the man before him if he had a question. After downing the last segment of the orange, the convert turned to the infidel and asked, "Was the orange I just ate sweet or sour?"

Angrily, the speaker replied, "You idiot! How can I know whether it was sweet or sour when I never tasted it?"

To this, the converted drunkard retorted, "And how can you know anything about Christ if you have not tried Him?"

It is an appropriate question that faces everyone at one point or another.

– Beecher Hunter