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(Romans 1:20)

The Invisible Things

We wanted to start this week by republishing an article that first appeared in Ben Shapiro's publication TR. The article is titled “Artist Makes Millions Selling Invisible Art, It may look like a blank wall, but no, it's art”. Larry O'Connor 9.26.2014



“A 27-year-old New York artist has invented something called "invisible art" and she is making millions selling it to people who absolutely must have it.

A documentary team from the Canadian Broadcasting radio network traveled to Lana Newstrom's empty studio to learn more about her art that isn't there.

"Just because you can't see anything, doesn't mean I didn't put hours of work into creating a particular piece," Newstrom told the CBC. "Art is about imagination and that is what my work demands of the people interacting with it. You have to imagine a painting or sculpture is in front of you."

The most amusing aspect of the story is the image of snobby art collectors walking through an empty studio studiously staring at blank walls with track lighting properly illuminating the nothingness on display. Some of the art afficianados actually stop and soak in the lack of art that is not hanging on the blank wall and tilt their heads in a deeply thoughtful way as if to project their profound understanding of the message sent by the brilliant young artist and her stunning ability to not create anything.

Newstrom's agent, who is undoubtedly raking in a nice commission by his client's ability to not do anything, says, "When she describes what you can't see, you begin to realize why one of her invisible works can fetch upwards of a million dollars."

Does this remind you of anything you remember reading from your childhood? How about “The Emperors New Clothes”? When we read “The Emperors New Clothes” we can remember our reaction to the story back then and the complete and total absurdity of trying to pull off this scheme today and that moment when the one young boy blurted out the obvious truth, the Emperor is naked!

To state the obvious, “The walls are naked, there are no paintings there.” It's a fairy tale!

So, these “snobby art collectors” are helping to fulfill the verse:

“Professing themselves to be wise, they become fools.” Romans 1:22

Interestingly in the same chapter of Romans, it talks about invisible things.

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There is so much evidence of God in His creation that there can be no doubt whatsoever that He exists, and that those who deny His existence “are without” excuse.

“The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork.”
Psalm 19:1

Colossians 1:15-16, tells us very plainly how this invisible God manifested Himself to us.

“Who (Jesus) is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven and that are in earth, visible and invisible.”

“Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known, Philip? He that hath seen me hath seen the Father.” John 14:9

Jesus was God the Father in human form.

In 1 Timothy, chapter one, we read:

“Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever.”

And what about Moses, he forsook all the wealth of Egypt and the throne by being able to see what was invisible.

“By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.” Hebrews 11:27

The Bible is pretty blunt about unbelief in God!

“The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God.” Psalm 14:1

There are several instances in the Bible of invisible beings appearing out of seeming nowhere. Here are just a few examples. We are sure you can find more.

“And behold, there appeared unto them (Peter, James, and John) Moses and Elias talking with him, (Jesus). Here are two men, long dead, appearing from the invisible world to Peter, James, and John.

Here's another one. “The earth did quake, and the rocks rent; and the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, and came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.” Matthew 27:51-53

That must have been something, this time a whole bunch of dead people coming from the invisible world and appearing unto many!

One last example is found in the book of John, chapter twenty, verses nineteen and twenty-six.

“Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, “Peace be unto you. And after eight days again his disciple were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you.”

Jesus seemed to appear out of nowhere, but not really, He appeared in the midst of them from the unseen invisible world.

Unseen invisible art work from the secular world, no, the invisible unseen God, seen and manifested in His Son Jesus, yes.

“While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.” 2 Corinthians 4:18.

“If thou shalt call to wisdom, and utter thy voice for understanding; and if thou shalt seek it as silver, and search diligently for it as for treasures; then shalt thou understand

the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God.” Proverbs 2:3-5

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