

**Danger in the Academy:
Pitfalls Christian Academics Face and How We Can Respond to Them**
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Pitfall #1: Dualistic Thinking.

How do we respond to the pitfall of dualism?

Pitfall #2: Myopic Worldview.

1. An epistemologically truncated worldview that is narrow and disregards Christ's Lordship over everything in the cosmos.
2. A missiologically truncated worldview that is not truly global and neglects the mission of Christ to all peoples and all nations.
3. A spiritually truncated worldview in which Christ's lordship is abstract and cerebral, but not personal and passionate.

How do we respond to the pitfall of a myopic worldview?

Pitfall #3: Pride.

How do we respond to the pitfall of pride?

Pitfall #4: Cold Dismissiveness.

How do we respond to the pitfall of cold dismissiveness?

Pitfall #5: Fear.

How do we respond to the pitfall of fear?

In closing....The Scholar's Prayer

Lord and Savior, true and kind, be the master of my mind;
bless and guide and strengthen still all my powers of thought and will.

While I ply the scholar's task, Jesus Christ be near I ask;
help the memory, clear the brain, knowledge still to seek and gain.

Here I train for life's swift race; let me do it in thy grace;
here I arm me for life's fight; let me do it in thy might.

Thou hast made me mind and soul; I for thee would use the whole.
Thou hast died that I might live; all my powers to thee I give.

Striving, thinking, learning still, let me follow thus thy will;
till my whole glad nature be, trained for duty and for thee.

C.G. Moule, Anglican Bishop of Durham, 1901-1920