

## **Let's not shoot at people in the name of Christ! (Elder Paissios the of Hoyly Mount Athos)**

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I told someone once: 'What are you? Are you Jesus' warrior or a fighter for the tempter? Do you realize that there are also fighters for the evil one? A Christian ought not to be a fanatic but ought to love all people'.

Whoever speaks without discretion, he harms people even when he is right. I met a writer who was very devout, but when he was talking to laymen, he was very blunt to the extent that they were shocked. He told me once: 'I said such and such to a lady during a meeting'. However, he had talked in such a way that he had 'damaged' her, offending her in front of everyone.

'Look', I said to him. 'You throw wreaths with diamonds at people. But the way you do it, breaks their heads, even the heads which are not very sensitive. Let's not throw stones at people, in the name of Christianity. Whoever... [\(περισσότερα...\)](#)