



The Glory Cloud
of a False Christ

Doctrines of Demons (Contents and Download Access)

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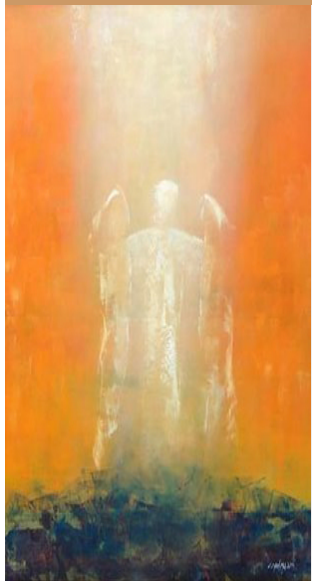
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Doctrines of Demons (Part One)

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines [taught by] demons... (1 Tim 4:1 NKJ)

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You know the speech that contains the stirring words: "I have a dream..." (Martin Luther King, I believe). Well, I feel like starting this article - I HAVE A NIGHTMARE!

You see, God took my hand (metaphorically) and led me to the screen of history, and what I saw coming our way was the culmination of all the heresies that demons have produced on the earth since the Garden of Eden.

It seemed like things I have been talking about, writing about and saying for YEARS all came together in my mind and went BANG! And it all made sense. Horrible, terrible sense.

I feel I need to write and warn you about what is being planned. God does not allow his people to walk blind and ignorant into danger. We cannot prevent snares being laid, but God shows us where they are, and then only the foolish go ahead and walk right into them unheeding.

SUMMARY

Overshadowing

For years the New Agers have openly taught that an OVERSHADOWING will occur. This has to do with the man they call the World Teacher, or Maitreya.

However, a more subtle and deceptive spiritual overshadowing is due to take place in the apostate churches. They believe it to be the empowering and infilling of the Spirit, but it will be a major new invasion of deceiving spirits.

Joel's Army

There's been a growing militancy in the churches, fuelled by the belief that the anointed ones are to be forged into a "mighty army" for the Lord, which they mistakenly see in the book of Joel. Now talk of judgement on the "rebellious" is routine fare for prophetic revivalist sites.

Apostles and Prophets

We are hearing more and more about the need to raise up Apostles and Prophets in these last days to edify the Body and bring it to fulness and unity.

These endtimes Apostles and Prophets are far from simple church leaders as we used to understand the meaning of the word. They are seeking the authority to act as Christ Himself in dominion over the Body.

Third Day

If you have read my "[New Thing](#)" set of articles on this site, you may recall that I spoke of the concept of a spiritual "third day" or "third era". This idea was already deeply rooted in sonship groups, but is now making headway in revivalist circles. The third day is a spiritual new age, characterised by revelation knowledge. The written word is superseded by direct communication with the spirit world.

Glory Cloud

You may also remember that I have written about the likelihood of a spiritual "coming" before [or even instead of] the physical return of Jesus Christ to this planet. This is seen as the Shekinah "glory" now supposedly appearing in church after church throughout the world. Eventually, it is believed, the glory will dwell permanently with his people, as the manifested Christ on earth. The gold dust falling is a visible manifestation of this glory.

Seal of God

A more recent, but associated nightmare is the possibility of a visible sign, a mark, appearing on the bodies (foreheads?) of those who believe they are the "anointed overcomers" of the New Order. Alternatively there may be strong pressure to join an elect number of believers who have received a spiritual sealing or mark of God in the forehead. All this will be explained later in the article, but for now I just want to say that this most dangerous and blasphemous sign must be avoided at all costs!

The problem with writing this article is that I know many people will be scratching their heads in disbelief and saying "she's really flipped this time".

I find it difficult to believe, myself - the idea of the churches falling into such a deep pit of heresy. But then I felt this way when the Toronto Blessing first appeared.

I worried, then, that I was going too far; but everything I said has come to pass, and MORE!

The Lord seemed to say, at that time: "Don't hold back your articles because you think what you say is too wild and could never happen. Not only will it happen, but they will go further still. They will do things you could never imagine..."

Now I feel the same way. So I can't hold back, because this may be my only opportunity to warn you before it's too late.

Latter-Rain/Sonship was the seed

Way back in the days before this madness, when there was time to study and read books, the Lord gave me a foundational knowledge of the Latter Rain doctrines. (Little did I know, but He was doing the same thing with other people that I would later meet, and we had all been steered by the Holy Spirit in the same direction - to seeing that these heretical sonship doctrines would return and take over the Church in the endtimes.)

That education on the sonship/latter-rain became vital in the early 90's when the Kansas City Prophets appeared, and even more crucial in 1994 at the outbreak of the Toronto Blessing. Hardly anyone could see that these events were part of the sonship agenda at the time. However:

Now, almost everybody who writes about the Toronto Blessing has a chapter about the Latter Rain doctrines and their foundational influence on the Revival movements!

Now, sonship doctrines are openly taught as part and parcel of the Revival, and anyone who studies the Toronto movement acknowledges the Latter Rain input.

Now, the leaders don't even try to disguise their love of the sonship doctrines, whereas before they denied all knowledge and involvement in them. So much for their honesty!

Latter Rain doctrines have become central to today's heresy in the Church. What Satan could not do in the 1940's, he's done today - changed the thinking of thousands of believers and launched an entirely new way of reading scripture. However, the roots of those heresies go back further than the 1940's - MUCH, MUCH further back. The only NEW aspect is how widely it has been accepted today, whereas in earlier centuries it was always identified as heresy and rejected.

Don't think for a moment that we have in this revival a "new revelation" from the Holy Spirit. This is not new at all, but very old, very satanic and it is the DOCTRINE OF DEMONS.

(I hope you are familiar with the "New Thing" series of articles, because they contain much information and background knowledge useful to understanding what is happening in the Church today. See the contents and download the article in PDF format if you prefer. Click here: ["New Thing" Contents List](#)).

The Relevance for Believers

Ordinary Christians may be tempted to think that, as long as they leave the revival people alone to stew in their own juice, there's no real danger. The false

We have to remember that the events leading up to the Return of the Lord will affect us ALL, every man, woman and child on this planet. We cannot escape by sticking our heads into the sand and hoping things will carry on the same old way for ever. Whether we like it or not, the false doctrines will bring pressures to bear on us for which, perhaps, we are unprepared. The revival plan to "open the gates" to allow full communication with the spirit world will result in the greatest influx of demons ever known on this earth!

It will also plunge us into a battle against evil on an unprecedented scale, and those who turn a blind eye to the build-up in these days will be least prepared to stand against the devil and all his armies when the time comes.

Also, understanding the events and manifestations surrounding the revival has never been easy, but outside the context of the sonship doctrines it becomes impossible. Only those who do a bit of homework now will perceive the REAL dangers in the future.

Allegorical Interpretations

It must not be forgotten that these false doctrines are "based on" scripture, although they are not truly biblical. Some people are thrown when the Bible is brought out to support new doctrines and, because they are not fully grounded in the word of God, they let one or two isolated scriptures sway them into accepting heresy.

Truth is not simply "based on" scriptures - it is consistent with the bible AS A WHOLE. God's truth never contradicts itself.

Secondly, people will take the same beloved verses that we are familiar with, then re-interpret them according to a symbolic or allegorical meaning to suit their own revelations. Beware of accepting biblical terms and phrases at face value in the revival, for often the meaning has been changed out of all recognition. The new doctrine is based on a different view of scripture (that "new paradigm") and follows a different pathway but using the same terminology.

A good example is the use of the word "rapture" which ordinary Christians know as the catching away of believer into the air to meet with the Lord at his Coming; but in some circles today the same word "rapture" has come to mean the ecstatic joy a Christian experiences when the glory comes in fulness and transforms the anointed ones into spiritual beings on earth. "Carried away in God" is one new meaning of the term "rapture" - another is being "caught up" to a new spiritual level of anointing and authority. The term "Rapture" can mean a variety of different things according to the doctrine of each minister, not necessarily being taken to be with the Lord. So - beware!

For example, Richard Riss - a writer at the heart of the current revival - has this to say in part two of "PREPARING FOR THE COMING OF THE LORD" (New Wine Archive-Date: Tue, 9 Aug 1994):

"In Ephesians 2:2, Satan, or the "spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience," is called "the prince of the power of the air." The "air" in this context is a place, or atmosphere, of spiritual authority. At the time of Christ's coming, we will be caught up into this place of spiritual authority (I Thess. 4:14-17)

To be caught up in the clouds of glory to meet the Lord in this atmosphere of spiritual authority does not necessarily entail a

literal bodily removal from the earth. In fact, if it did entail our removal from the earth, it would be a permanent removal: "and thus we shall always be with the Lord" (1 Thess. 4:17). But the entire thrust of Scripture is that we will have a resurrected body on earth, and that the heavens and the earth will both be regenerated, or renewed (Acts 3:21, Matt. 19:28). If there is to be a bodily removal of the saints at all, it can only be temporary.

The entire bible, and especially the book of Revelation, is treated allegorically and spiritually by many leaders today. As "apostle" Chuck Pierce says, "we live in different times, so we must think prophetically".

The events of Revelation are not as we know them to be. The objects seen and events taking place are given a whole new interpretation. Never assume, when reading material on the web or talking to others, that the terminology is understood in just one way. Today, you need to check what people really mean.

AN OVERVIEW OF THE PLAN

Before I get into the sonship Plan in detail, I want to lay out the structure and timetable for you. This will help you to grasp an overall picture rather than focussing on one or two controversial points in particular.

(I should point out that not all leaders teach the same doctrine. Dealing with heresy is like trying to pin a jelly to the wall - it keeps moving and changing. While God's truth is basically the same wherever you go in the Christian world, these doctrines have many variations from group to group. None the less, the overall aim and events remain the same.)

1. **Restoration:** Not long after the birth of the Church, it became stifled by tradition and laws, and the vibrancy and spiritual power of the Early Church was lost. This needed to be RESTORED, and the process took centuries. From time to time, certain individuals or groups would gain access to the secrets of power and authority, and they would begin preaching the "kingdom message" but up until this century they were seen as heretics and rejected by the established churches.
2. **Latter Rain:** Sooner or later, once the flesh of the dry-bones-Church had been revived by the restoration of early church principles and government, the Joel outpouring of the latter days would begin, and this would bring back spiritual gifting, revelation, and apostolic authority to the Church. The "new thing" would come, the skeleton would rise up empowered by the Spirit, and world revival would follow. Several groups began claiming the latter-rain outpouring from the early years of the 20th century, notably the 1940/1950 Latter Rain Revival in Canada. However, all these prototypes fizzled out, and were later proclaimed to be "mere sprinklings and drops of the rain to come."
3. **Baptism in the Spirit:** The turning point came in the 1960's with a worldwide renewal accompanied by spiritual gifts. The conversion experience was seen as the Outer Court of the Tabernacle, Baptism in the Spirit moved the believer into the Holy Place of Ministry. However, the Holy of Holies containing the Presence of God had yet to be entered! - [NB: I do not deny the true biblical infilling of the Holy Spirit].
4. **Five-Fold Ministry:** [1960's onwards] One important feature to be restored in this latter-day church was to be the ministry of apostle, prophet, teacher, pastor and evangelist "For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ" (Eph 4:11-13). This verse was reinterpreted from its traditional meaning, as we shall see.
5. **New Revelations:** [1970's onwards] Once the new structures had been set in place, and the people were willing to submit to them (shepherding and

covering schemes all helped this process along), the PROPHETS would introduce NEW DOCTRINES by direct inspiration of the Spirit. This would begin the next phase of development, from the old structures to the new paradigm. Now not only the structure and form of the churches was changing, but the core beliefs. For example, literal pre-millennial understanding of eschatology altered to post-millennial allegory.

6. **Apostolic Authority:** [1980's onwards] Upholding and enforcing these new doctrines would be the renewed priesthood ruling the churches, the "anointed" apostles. These were not to be mere servants of the people, but kings and rulers, beyond contradiction. To question these apostles was tantamount to rebelling against God, since the Apostles were representatives of Christ on earth. Being "saved" was not now enough. Believers had to be "disciples" of the leadership, passive and obedient, to qualify for a part in the New Church. A network of interconnected and related apostles was to be set up in every city, having headship of all the new churches.
7. **Unity:** A most important factor in the restoration of the worldwide Church was to be the unity of all believers, for without this the glory could not return to the spiritual Temple. Remember, that Ephesians verse promising fullness, perfection and Christ-likeness had said "Till we all come in the unity of the faith..." Accordingly, all dissent and inter-denominational strife had to be silenced (or, swept under the carpet). Treaties and covenants were drawn up for ministers to sign, wherein they vowed not to "criticise each other". The Roman Catholic Church (especially and mostly its charismatic wing) was also incorporated as part of the Restored Church..
8. **Impartations of Spiritual Power:** [1990's onwards] Having reformed the structure, teachings, headship and "tabernacle worship" of the Church, the next phase was to cry out for the Latter Rain outpouring. This arrived on cue in 1993/94 and was trumpeted as the "new beginning", the first manifestation of the returning GLORY. The spiritual power now falling on meetings was NOT Baptism in the Holy Spirit but the entrance into the Holiest. This new inner-court anointing for the Endtimes progressed the believer into the Shekinah-Presence of God. The Glory was at last beginning to return to the "Ark" of the Church, and the River of Life that would eventually renew the entire earth was beginning to flow from the "Temple".
9. **Fulness:** The final stages of this Restoration process are believed to be very near. The aim is to establish the Kingdom rule of God on earth. Soon the Glory will be manifested permanently as GOD INDWELLING HIS PEOPLE on earth. This will transform the prepared remnant-believers into spiritual beings, full of wisdom, knowing all things, irresistible and immune from all harm. Those so blessed will have received the "sealing from God" in their foreheads, the mark that distinguishes them from the rebellious and disobedient. They will become the new spiritual rulership of earth, God incarnate. (This is supposed to be the Rapture). This is known as the Adoption of the Sons, or the Manifestation of the Sons of God. Note that only the "sons" are at this time transformed. The rest of the world Church (the Bride) has yet to be purged and made ready for her spiritual marriage.
10. **Judgement:** What follows is the most worrying aspect of all this. The new Government of the Church and World will take upon themselves the task of ridding the earth of all God's enemies in a cleansing action, helped by the angels of heaven. They will "purify" the Bride and make her ready. (I hardly dare imagine how). Eventually the Bride will submit to her "lord" - the Corporate Christ on earth - and her marriage to the "son" of God will be consummated. All those who refuse to submit to the glorified sons of God will be removed from earth, so that a New Heavens and Earth are created. Only then will Jesus return physically to "claim his kingdom".

After that short preview, you will of course want to see evidence of the Plan in the words of the revival leadership. There is more than enough evidence, but it is not easy to digest. The danger lies in being swamped, but I am going to press right on with....

THE MAIN POINTS

I feel an urgency from the Lord to get this article out. It is important information that must be placed in the hands of all who need it. Over the last couple of weeks I have amassed reams of relevant data and quotes, with supporting material, and I have been working on an explanatory overview to set it all in context. Yet the prompting of the Lord is such that I am going to "cut to the chase" and get right away to the main point so as to emphasise the really IMPORTANT message from the Lord at the heart of this article, which is:

1. Do NOT receive any mark/sealing that is offered, as a spiritual "impartation" or anything else, and
2. Beware of a spiritual overshadowing of "love and unity" that is supposedly bringing the world into a new era of goodwill.

To explain the "sealing", I must first explain the significance of the gold. The gold-teeth and gold-dust miracles are undeniably happening so we cannot deny them. The revival leaders are keeping quiet about their prophetic meaning. David Pyches has said he "doesn't know what they mean". Perhaps. Or perhaps he's being guarded about the meaning of the gold miracles because he knows the ordinary Christian public are not ready for Latter Rain doctrine, and he knows that the gold miracles cannot be explained satisfactorily outside of the sonship timetable and allegorical interpretation of scripture.

These appearances of gold are but a prelude to a far greater event. The gold represents the Presence of God, or the Glory supposedly about to descend upon and INTO the Church! It is the heralding of a GOLDEN AGE about to come to the Church (supposedly)!

At the same time, the gold is also a precursor to the mark or seal of God that must come upon all those who are part of that elect endtime "remnant" body - the only ones who will escape the coming judgement.

The scriptures in Revelation 7:3 are being spiritualised so that they now refer to a small number out of the Church (instead of the Tribes of Israel) being sealed by the angels in preparation for a cleansing action against all rebels. Here's a reference found on a website that links together the gold miracles and the seal of God:

The Seal of God

[Rev 7:3] [The Angel went] saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God upon their foreheads."

[Rev 9:4] they were told not to harm the grass of the earth or any green growth or any tree, but only those of mankind who have not the seal of God upon their foreheads;

[Eph 4:30.7] And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

[Acts 2:3.11] And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

[Rev 3:18.8] I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

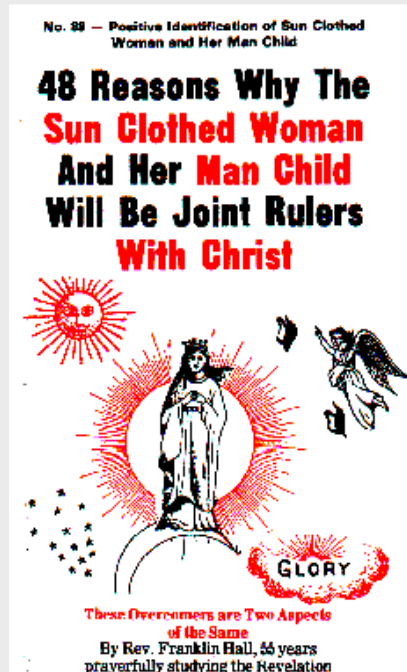
People today all over the world are are experiencing the outpouring of God's Holy Spirit, being manifested in one dramatic way by gold miraculously appearing in their mouths, in their teeth, on their hands, and on their foreheads!--- I don't know if people

**MUST* have gold appear in their bodies by the Holy Spirit to be sanctified as Christ's Bride and Church....[MY NOTE - BUT I THINK HE'S HINTING IT COULD POSSIBLY BE THAT WAY --- and please note, the sealing of God does not appear on the*

hands, only the forehead. It is the mark of the beast that is in the hand or forehead.]

FRANKLIN HALL PREDICTS THE GOLD DUST

(extract from Al Dager's [Kingdom Theology](#))



Franklin Hall's booklet: he taught that the Manchild Company would be rulers on earth, filled with the Glory of God

It was during this time (1946) that Franklin Hall wrote his book, 'Atomic Power With God Through Fasting and Prayer,' which was to have a significant impact upon the world of Pentecostalism.

Many people, little known at that time, were greatly influenced by Hall's literature. Gordon Lindsay's publication, 'Voice of Healing,' helped spread the fasting message, as well as did Thomas and Evelyn Wyatt's worldwide radio broadcasts.

Hall's newsletter records how others received his message: "Rev. Walter Frederick, former Assembly superintendent in Canada, sent Brother Hall's literature to every Pentecostal preacher in Canada....A few of the others (not too well-known then) ministers [sic] who had major fasting experiences by our writings in the 1946, 1947 to 1950 fasting era and who also became famous are:

In the fall of 1946, a "major fasting and prayer daily revival center" was established in San Diego, California. Under the leadership of Franklin Hall (assisted by Jack Walker, father of child evangelist "Little David" Walker), the teaching of fasting as a means of bringing about revival and the "restoration" of the Church spread throughout the Pentecostal world. Other ministers who helped establish the fasting and prayer center were: Dr. Waltrip (Kathryn Kuhlman's husband); Stanley Comstock; Earl Ivy; Tommy Baird; Myrtle Page; and Franklin Hall's brothers, Delbert, Harold, and Virgil. (Delbert Hall and his wife, Florence, were pastors.) Spreading The Word Hall and his wife, Helen, sold off some assets and borrowed against their home to finance the printing of "millions of pieces of literature" to send to people all over the world. The Hall's claim this mail campaign resulted in the great healing revivals of the late forties and early fifties.

- Wm. Freeman
- Gordon Lindsay
- A.A. Allen
- O.L. Jagers
- Gayle Jackson
- Oral Roberts
- David Nunn
- Wm. Branham
- W.V. Grant
- Wm. Hagen
- Dale Hanson
- Tommy Hicks.

Hall's writings on fasting and diet as a means to spiritual restoration might easily be seen as the primitive beginnings of today's "Christian holism."

Occult Influences

That there is a definite occult influence on Hall's career is evident in other writings. His book, 'The Return of Immortality', suggests that Christians can learn how to become immortal through stages of spiritual growth. This involves experiences with "UFO's, and the UIO gravitational and levitation control."

His teachings on attaining immortality in this life through psycho-spiritual exercises and righteous living were the foundation upon which many in the Latter Rain and subsequent movements based their immortalization theories.

Hall's main point in his immortalization theory is that "the sleeping, so called, unfoundationally built church" must awaken to "a real cause and calling, that when God's word is completely acted upon and complied with, will result in bringing about the real gushers and torrents of the long, past due, RAIN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, a rain of IMMORTALITY UPON THE EARTH that so many prophets have written about and portrayed in their prophesies". (emphasis Hall's).

Hall's premise is not, however, predicated upon God's promise of immortality for the faithful after their resurrection.

This is evidenced by his following words: "Permanent, lasting freedoms from all sickness, harmful accident things and defeat will come about. Freedom from the imprisonment of all gravitational forces will also be brought upon the whole man. This study teaches one the power and secrets of space flight. Space floatation [sic] and hovering ability. It gives the Bible formula for weightlessness, the 'raising up' power of those who come to immortality." (Jn.6 chapter and Rom.2:7)."(11)

In his book, Hall gives "evidence" of his already having attained a degree of "immortality" (which allegedly affects everything that comes in contact with the immortal person's body): "Brother Hall's light colored jacket is seven years old and has never been pressed or cleaned or aired in 7 years, since new, yet it

has been worn repeatedly in many overseas countries and regularly in all crusades everywhere (excepting one). It has been on more than 200 airlines in travels. It has no spots, stains, discoloration or body odors anywhere on it or inside it - similar to the children of Israel's clothes under the Glory, Immortality Cloud of Fire Power." (12)

The attainment of "Immortality blessings" are alleged by Hall to be more successfully attained through open-eye prayer. "Coming with closed eyes," he stated, "destroys faith." (13)

Hall claims that there is an "Immortal Substance" that comes upon the believer who feeds upon it "from within Christ's now body" - the "FIRE - IMMORTAL - PACKED - BODY"(Emphasis Hall's).

This "Immortal Substance" is claimed to be seen on those who attend Hall's meetings, as a fine gold and silver, sparkling material that emanates from sometimes visible "Immortal Heavenly Objects" (IHO's), "Unusual Heavenly Objects" (UHO's), and "Unidentified Flying Objects" (UFO's).

In Hall's words, "The sparkling shining FINE GOLD and SILVER are seen upon their SKIN, brought about through the faith-power of impartation. The polished brass, the beryl stone appearances are even now manifested today."

He challenges the reader to see and behold these phenomena by attending "the International Holy Ghost and Fire Seminars of Brother and Sister Franklin Hall."

This sparkling material Hall calls, "The shiny metal like, Jesus' substance." While Hall has many excellent things to say about fasting from the standpoint of good health, when it comes to spiritual matters he often transcends sensibility and delves into areas of the occult.

Hall's writings are replete with strange, even weird statements difficult to decipher. The following, though a bit lengthy and poorly written, are examples:

'So much has been said about the travels of the astronauts, about conquering space and even going to Venus or Mars, about the power behind the saucers. The overcoming saints, however, are hundreds of years ahead of our scientists. These heaven projected saints will be so clothed and covered with the Immortality, supernatural, ZOOMING sparkling Substance, that it will be no more trouble at all for them to take off.

"Where will they go?

"They will fly right into the Glory Cloud residence of our Lord and Savior, Heaven in Him. Into His Cloud Fire Body. (Rev.12:5)

"What distance will they go?

"The distance, at first, may not be very far away, however, as the 8th church from out of the 7 churches of revelation, called the 'overcomers,' become more and more adjusted and acclimated to Holy Ghost Space flight, great distances taken, will seem like no distance at all.'

"Jesus taught a small, but precious group of His followers - those who were able to bear it, that gravity would be completely loosed from them, in the last days, when they learned how to train their appetites into a different channel. We must learn to labor for the meal that endures unto everlasting (IMMORTAL) life. The meat that draws us away from gravity holding things. Jn.6:27. "

"The 'not-perisheth' menu is the menu of Immortality, weight releasing power. The 'endureth unto everlasting life' menu."

"...The quickening power of the Holy Spirit brings about Immortality REVERSE ENERGY EMPOWERMENT."

"Gravity-freed, great people will run up walls, not break rank, and if they fall on a sword, the Immortality power from Jesus' body, on them, will protect them. It appears that, they also can walk or run upside down. See Joel 2:3-11."(emphasis Hall's in all quotes).

Many prominent teachers credit the empowerment for their ministries (especially healing ministries) on his book on fasting and prayer. It's clear that Hall's teachings are a blend of occultism with Christianity. And since his teachings formed the basis of those that came after, and since the influence of those teachings upon neo-Pentecostalism is so great, close scrutiny of every ministry they touched is necessary.

(End of excerpt from [Al Dager's major work on Latter Rain and Kingdom Theology](#).)

You'd think that nobody in their right minds would accept the sort of occultic nonsense that Hall churned out. Quite the contrary! Not only did hundreds of leaders in the churches adopt Hall's fasting regime and search for the Glory at the time his book came out, but they have continued to hero-worship the man ever since. These teachings are now part of the revival along with other sonship/latter-rain and manifested-sons teachings that ought to have been thrown in the bin on first reading.

As you see from the current outbreak of gold miracles, if you demand unbiblical signs and manifestations, they will be provided for you - but not from the Lord! Satan is now being permitted to produce JUST the very manifestations that Hall and his followers expected, and as a result, they are also seeking after the Glory and even in many cases the immortalisation.

But Franklin Hall is by no means the ONLY teacher in this field. Many others are being held up as the Fathers of the Latter-Day outpouring.

The Coming of the Glory

Suddenly, revival networks are all abuzz on the subject of "the glory". Over the years, revival churches have had many temporary visitations of the glory cloud, but a permanent covering and indwelling of this glory (the Shekinah, the very Presence of God) has always been expected. Now they believe this event is very near.

A taped message by Tommy Tenney called "The Glory of God" spoke of his longing for a PERMANENT habitation for God ON EARTH. (Tenney is the author of "The God Chasers" and see below for his name listed as a speaker along with many other influential leaders including C. Peter Wagner).

"I thank God for what He has done. I bless Pensacola. I bless Toronto. I thank God for all of these moves of God, but I am going to tell you something, we have not yet seen what happens when the glory of God falls in a city.What we have got to have in the church today, we must have the manifest presence of God on display for the world. We have all been in services where we have

had visitations of God. I have had enough visitations. Something has to change so that we can have habitations. We must shift from momentary visitations to places of habitation where there is an indwelling glory of God in our midst and on our people. I wonder how many times we have had a visitation of God in our services as He stood at the backdoor in His coat and tie, and we said "the glory of God is here." But too soon it escaped us, because we didn't know what He was looking for. We begged Him, "why don't you stay"? Why can't we keep these minutes? I'll tell you, it is very simple, we have not yet built the mercy seat that will hold the glory of God. There is no where for Him to sit. ...

I want to prophesy something, the church that gains the ability to build a mercy seat, when He comes, He will stay. ... If we build a mercy seat, the bible says that He is enthroned in our worship, and in our praise. What happens is that God literally moves His throne from heaven. When this happens the church is building a chair, a seat, a place for God to come. We can stand and beg for Him to come all that we want, but until there is a place for Him to come to, He will visit, but He can't stay.

They will tell you in Toronto and Pensacola, that is not revival yet, we have yet to see it. But some church somewhere, if the glory of God is going to cover the earth like the waters cover the sea. It has got to start somewhere, someplace, some group somewhere is going to build a seat for the glory of God, and the water that flows from that place will eventually cover the earth. The fountains of the deep are going to be open, and the glory of God will cover the earth. ... "

The sprinklings of gold are but a precursor to the main event, which will be the return of God to the earth, not as Jesus Christ, but as the Spirit IN and UPON the Body, bringing it to completion and fulness, having the Spirit "without measure" and becoming the very Christ Himself upon earth - the Corporate Christ.

One Toronto follower saw in a vision the gold dust being created and blown through Heaven's door by the stamping hooves of the WHITE HORSE with its rider waiting impatiently to come. The door at present was open only a crack, but they are working passionately on "opening the gates" to let the "King of glory" through. What will happen then to all those who do not subscribe to such beliefs?

When "the glory" comes in fulness, it is believed that ONLY the "anointed ones", the so-called Overcomers or Remnant or Manchild of the Woman will be transformed and sealed for service. These prepared ones will be "perfected in holiness" and will be protected and immune from all that follows. (Some even teach they will be immortal, as we have seen from Hall's teachings). They are the "144,000 sealed Remnant" according to this teaching.

While the Remnant are thus sealed by the angels from all harm, the cleansing on earth will begin. Just as in Egypt, the Israelites were protected and "passed over" while the destroying angel went through the land. And in Ezekiel the angel is commanded to slaughter all the unrighteous and "begin at my Temple" while the righteous are sealed for protection.

Everyone else, including the major part of the world church, will come under intense persecution and tribulation, because there must be complete obedience to God before the Lord can return physically and in Person.

Unfortunately, these events can lead to nothing but PERSECUTION AND TRIBULATION for all normal, ordinary Bible-believing Christians. As Al Dager comments below, it is those who refuse to submit to the authority of the new Apostles and Prophets who are in line for judgement. On the other hand, those who have chosen to throw in their lot with the Manchild will be exempted. They will be distinguished from "the rebellious" by the sealing upon their foreheads.

Obviously, then, only the SEALED will escape the Tribulation. The distinguishing mark of the protected few will be the mark of God (his name) upon their foreheads. Everyone else will be fit for the fires of judgement. There will be intense pressure to receive this sealing and thus be protected from harm!

Let Al Dager (writing in [Kingdom Theology, Part One](#) on this site) link together the spiritual coming (the glory), and the sealing or mark upon the foreheads of believers:

"Essentially then, Kingdom Theology sees the Second Coming of Jesus in two stages:

- first through the flesh of the believers (and in particular the flesh of today's apostles and prophets), and then*
- in person to take over the Kingdom handed to Him by those who have been victorious (the "overcomers").*

In some circles it is believed that the overcomers will have become immortal - they will have attained what is called "resurrection life."

Whether immortal or not, it is generally agreed in Kingdom Theology that the overcomers must purge the earth of all evil influences. "Evildoers" must be converted or they will be punished and/or "destroyed from off the face of the earth."

"Evildoers" have been variously described as drug pushers, murderers, child molesters, thieves, prostitutes, and other such "scum" that Jesus died for. It will interest the reader to learn, however, that for many who teach Kingdom Theology, the term "evildoer" applies to anyone who refuses to submit to God's authority (the latter day apostles and prophets).

Those who do submit will be sealed with the "mark of God" in their foreheads, and will escape the coming judgment."

Now, I don't know exactly why Al Dager made this comment, but one thing I do know - he will have made it in the full knowledge, after long research and the reading of many books, that the leaders actually DO teach this! Al Dager is no sloppy researcher and we can take his word for it, the mark will be urged upon all those who want to avoid the coming judgement.

JAMES McKEEVER (Editor and publisher of 'Endtimes News Digest,' author, lecturer, and financial consultant) also speaks of this sealing as immunity from harm. In an article entitled, "When Is The Rapture?" McKeever states that the Great Tribulation will be a time when God's people will supernaturally destroy their enemies:

"When the children of Israel went into the promised land, God could have caused all the evil inhabitants of the land to disappear. However, that is not God's pattern. He uses His people as an army when He wants to get rid of evil people....

"People ask me if I am afraid to go through the tribulation or if thinking about it makes me gloomy or sad. The exact opposite is true.

I am excited about going through the tribulation, as a bonds slave of God. I am excited about getting His seal on my forehead and being protected against Satan, because we know that the victory is ours in Jesus Christ."(James McKeever, "When Is The Rapture?", 'End-Times News Digest,' Special Introductory Issue (Medford, OR: Omega Ministries, 1985, p.8.

The Corporate Christ or Many-Membered Body of Christ will escape the coming judgement and Tribulation they believe. Everyone else is judged but they are spared!

Certainly there will be judgment on the earth. For during this glorious Day of the Lord, Satan and all his hordes will be raging, having been cast out of the heavens and knowing that his time is short. All who are not sealed by God in their foreheads (Revelation 7:3, 14:1) will suffer the wrath of that awful day. But we are not appointed unto wrath (1 Thessalonians 5:9), but to obtain full deliverance and salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. And though Satan rages for awhile, he is defeated. And though the nations drink of the cup of the wrath of God, as they certainly deserve, yet in His mercy He shall send them deliverance in the person of His Son, His many-membered Son! --- He is imparting special abilities unto those who are His own, and to ye who will believe it, He gives the fulness of His throne. A new name has He written in thy forehead, and hidden manna for thee to eat; have no fear of the adversary, for God's army suffers no defeat. " (Bill Britton "Light From The Shadows".)

THE PROPHET'S TIMETABLE

Rivermail Archives: January 1999 [NEW-WINE]

Prophetic Intimations for 1999

From: Mike McClung

Dear Family in Christ, The following are some of the things I believe the Lord has been indicating to me that will transpire in this coming year: The sealing of God's remnant will begin this year (Ezek. 9, Rev. 7). Bob Jones and others have commented on this more in depth and in greater scope.

BOB JONES: SHEPHERD'S ROD FOR 1999 - THE BRANDING IRON

The Lord then displayed a "Branding Iron" coming from heaven. The branding iron is for the purpose of placing the seal of God upon those who have allowed the purging and consecrating work of the Holy Spirit and lamented over the sins of the church and this nation. This Divine Mark is for the purpose of bearing a clear distinction between those who are wholly His and those who are not. "You shall also make a plate of pure gold and shall engrave on it, like the engravings of a seal, 'Holy to the LORD.' (Exodus 28:36) And the LORD said to him, "Go through the midst of the city, {even} through the midst of Jerusalem, and put a mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh and groan over all the abominations which are being committed in its midst." (Ezekiel 9:4) Then those who feared the LORD spoke to one another, and the LORD gave attention and heard {it,} and a book of remembrance was written before Him for those who fear the LORD and who esteem His name. "And they will be Mine," says the LORD of hosts, "on the day that I prepare {My} own possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his own son who serves him." So you will again distinguish between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve Him. (Malachi 3:16-18)

The Lord has a Book of Remembrance and in it the names are being inscribed of those who have listened obediently to the Voice of

the Spirit in the Fear of the LORD and esteemed His name as Holy. Their names are being recorded in this book to clearly distinguish between the righteous and the wicked, clearly displaying those who serve the Lord and those who do not serve Him. [thus, if you don't have this branding, you are not in the Book of Life!!]

The Lord sees the sincerity of a heart and will distinguish between these by placing His seal of "HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD" upon those who have served Him in righteousness and obedience. An angelic host will be sent through the earth marking on the foreheads the seal of God for those who have groaned and sighed over the abominations being committed in the earth.

The Corporate Christ has been "hidden in the womb of the Woman, the Church" for centuries, and remained only a topic of conjecture and speculation in sonship books until the latter part of this century. However, since 1994 this "manchild" has been "birthed" progressively by the intercessors in revival churches, complete with labour pains and pushing. The Remnant are already in process of being anointed by the Toronto outpourings; the glory is already on the way, and shortly the Remnant company will receive the "fulness" of the Spirit as the Glory descends permanently from heaven.

This puts us close to the sealing of the Remnant. Personally, I believe the Lord is saying that the "sealing" (whatever this turns out to be) is nearly here; although one thing's for sure - the prophets of this revival have no idea when or how! They are stabbing in the dark.

"The Remnant Seed", a prophecy by Bob Jones at Hamilton, Ontario, March 1998:

".And now my government is in place, and in a time of great stress I shall bring forth my next step, for Toronto was a step, Brownsville was another step; My next step will be my glory, and signs like you have never seen before..."

One e-mail to a prophetic site repeated a view that is becoming more popular, that the number NINE is significant and therefore the coming date of 9/9/99 will bring the birth of the Corporate Christ:

"I believe that we have been having birth pains since 1987 and then we moved into labor pains in 1997 and we will begin to see the unveiling of Christ as the Head of the Corporate Child begins to be seen on 9-9-1999. Those nines will roll over starting a New Day and a New Year on 9-11-1999 which is the Jewish New Year and the Feast of Rosh haShanah."

Those who see these things allegorically say that nine is the "number of the Holy Spirit" since there are nine spiritual gifts (Bill Hamon), and that nine is the gestation of a child, thus nine months from January to September this year brings forth the Holy Child, the Christ on earth through the womb of "Mary" the Church (Bob Jones):

BILL HAMON: *The Word of the Lord for 1999 (Excerpt from the message delivered by Dr. Bill Hamon on December 31, 1998 - "The Church Aligned in 1999 To Arise and Shine In God's Appointed Time")*

We have never had one-nine-nine-nine before. Nine is the number of the Holy Spirit. One is unity. With one, unity/God and triple Holy Spirit or Godhead, there must be something good in this year! But everything that's good for God's people becomes judgment to the wicked.

Now that we are well into the year 2000 and the nine months turned out to be another fraud perpetrated on the Body of Christ, the nine months gestation has been shifted to July 2001, according to this new "prophecy" by Chuck Pierce given October 19, 2000, at the 14th annual International Gathering of Apostles and Prophets at Christian International Ministries Network. (Founder, Bill Hamon):

"NINE MONTHS OF TESTING ON MY PROPHETS" -- A Word through Chuck Pierce, Global Harvest Ministries (www.glory-of-zion.org)

"The Lord would say to us. This is a time, nine months of testing will now be upon My prophets saith the Lord. And, I say do not despise this testing. For this testing will produce an enlargement. And, I say to you this 9 months of testing will not only create enlargement. But, it will bring to birth that which I want to present to this world for the future. So, I say the 9 months of testing is now beginning. But, birth will come. And, as birth comes mid July to the end of July, I say you will begin to be sent forth as the reformers of lands saith the Lord. I say to you the water level is now rising. I say get ready for you are about to be thrust in over your head. --- I say also I am beginning to create a synergistic wave that is about to hit you, knock you upward and lift you up and, bring you into new places saith the Lord. --- And, I would say to you this is the day of restoring My tabernacle. But, not only will it come through praise, worship and prayer; but, I say now the prophets will wear a new warfare mantle. And, as they war, restoration will overtake the earth saith the Lord."

Notice that restotation is now increasingly linked to WARFARE. As a matter of fact, if you do study the scriptural use of the number nine, you'll find it refers to JUDGEMENT, not the Holy Spirit! Let me place here a paragraph from Bullinger's book "Number In Scripture" which ought to worry us in the light of the above -

The number nine is a most remarkable number in many respects. It is held in great reverence by all who study the occult science; and in mathematical science it possesses properties and powers which are found in no other number. It is the LAST of the digits and thus marks THE END; and is significant of the CONCLUSION of a matter.

It is AKIN TO THE NUMBER SIX, six being the sum of its factors ($3 \times 3 = 9$ and $3 + 3 = 6$) and is thus significant of the END OF MAN (six) and the summation of all man's works. Nine is therefore THE [BIBLICAL] NUMBER OF FINALITY OR JUDGEMENT.

I now turn to a timetable of events as previously envisioned by Chuck Pierce. (He appears to have moved the goalposts since then!)

CHUCK PIERCE (now known as "Apostle" Chuck Pierce) has been appointed Peter Wagner's Director of the World Prayer Center in Colorado Springs which is "a nerve center that coordinates, develops and establishes a network for the worldwide prayer". He also serves as Prayer Leader of the Spiritual Warfare Network Intercessors and Vice President of Global Harvest Ministries. (C. PETER WAGNER is International coordinator for the United Prayer Track and the Spiritual Warfare Network of the AD 2000 and Beyond movement, and founding president of Global Harvest Ministries. In addition, he serves as Professor of Church Growth at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California.)

Chuck Pierce travels widely, teaching on intercession and spiritual warfare, and works closely with a number of other influential figures in the Revival. He advertises conferences with Robert Stearns, Mike Bickle, Reuven Doron, Che Ahn, Frank Hammond, Cindy Jacobs, Bill Hamon, John Eckhardt, Bobbie Byerly, Dutch Sheets, Jack Hayford, Jim Goll, Frank Damazio, Ed Silvano, Carlos Annacondia, Claudio Freidzon, Roger Mitchell, Ted Haggard, and Tommy Tenney.

I will be mentioning some of these "names" in the Revival movement in connection with the sonship doctrines. As you will discover, the networking amongst all these people means that the doctrines are planted and taught throughout the Church, not confined to a small sonship niche.

On the subject of networking, Chuck Pierce states his intention to relate to a number of Latter Rain teachers: "One of the prophecies from last year said that there will be much bridge building going on in the prophetic and apostolic among many groups. Already in 1999 I'm going to be a part of several group meetings where the prophets are coming together. In late January, Paul Cain, Cindy Jacobs, Peter Wagner, Jim Garland, Rick Joyner, myself, and many others are going to be joining together."

Pierce states that "Spiritual Timing is the key this year. This is what I see the Lord doing by Quarters, this year".

- First Quarter (Jan-March) PREPARATION - means to erect the frame, set in order and be ordained to perfection and completion.
- Second Quarter (April-June) EMPOWERING & RELEASE - a new immersion of God's love within his people; this will produce a new manifestation of the Spirit of God within us and will equip us for harvest.
- Third Quarter (July-Sept) WARFARE - We will be warring from a new level of anointing. This will create the openings in the heavenlies that will release God's blessings. Revelation 12 will become key for us at that critical crossroads in the history of the Church [NB: Revelation chapter 12 is the woman giving birth to the Manchild and the War in Heaven, etc]- the Breaker Anointing will be upon us. Churches all over America should have their prayer strategy and prayer room positioned and operating. He will give them a new mantle with new authority for their region.
- Fourth Quarter (Oct-Dec) HARVEST - Prepare your storehouse and make ready, the harvest is ripening.

Aspects of the Sealing - Various Mentions

Here are a number of mentions of the sealing, showing that the doctrine is already taking hold. Perhaps you know of other books or websites that mention the coming mark?

*At **Bobby Conner's Prophetic website**- a site that links to Bob Jones, on their "Shepherd's Rod" page: "Pressure on the Forehead" - The next event that happened to me was that I suddenly had pressure on my forehead. It was as if a very hot hand was being pressed against my forehead directly above my eyes. I feel this is a sign of the Lord's marking or branding upon the foreheads of his servants.*

New Wine Archives, November 10, 1998

Subject: Vision of Kneeling Saints & House of Refuge

Dear saints of the Most High God,

---I saw a woman in labor pain, and many of these people have been faithfully crying out to God. ---The light [in the vision shining upon them like a searchlight beam] represents the angels that God has sent out to His people and in the days ahead. God will seal not only individual people but there are instances when whole families are being called and sealed by the Lord for His special work.

The house of refuge [in the vision] represent saints whose whole family has been sealed by the Lord's angels for works of great importance. As in the days of Joseph, so you will shine and your whole family will be sealed and will be set apart. And people around you will see, and people surrounding you will be amazed and they will know that my favor is upon you.

John G Lake (an old-timer much revered by the Word of Faith fraternity and hailed as an Apostle who manifested the fulness of God within). He experienced the sealing of his forehead as follows:

"Then I became conscious of a change coming over me, instead of the rain, currents of power were running through me from my head to my feet, seemingly into the floor. These shocks of power came intermittently, possibly ten seconds apart. They increased in voltage until, after a few minutes, my frame shook and vibrated under these mighty shocks of power. Then as I shook and trembled, the shocks of power followed each other with more apparent rapidity and intensity. My forehead became sealed. My brain in the front portion of my head became inactive, and I realized the spirit speaking of His seal in their foreheads. I could have fallen on the floor except for the depth of the chair in which I sat. Again a change. The shocks of power lessened in intensity and now have taken hold of my lower jaw. It moved up and down and sidewise in a manner new to me. My tongue and throat began to move in a manner I could not control. Presently, I realized I was speaking in another tongue, a language I had never learned. O, the sense of power. The mighty moving of the Spirit in me. The consciousness it was God who had come. (John G. Lake: The Complete Collection Of His Life Teachings, Compiled by Roberts Liardon - Page 79)

This portion illustrates both the nature and result of the "sealing". It is said by some to be the "receiving of the mind of Christ".

GOD appointed who would meet with Him in the Feasts. All the males of Israel were to keep the Feasts and appear before Him in the place where He put His name; so the Feasts are especially for sons....In Old Testament economy that was first in the tabernacle in the wilderness and later in the temple at Jerusalem. In New Testament fulfillment it is first of all in Jesus Christ and then in His many-membered body. The name of the Lord, which means the nature of the Lord, was recorded in the life of Jesus Christ and now is being sealed in the foreheads of His firstfruits company who are putting on the precious mind of the Christ. (Preston Eby "Looking For His Appearing")

There is much I could say about that, but I will restrain myself for now in order to press on with the main message. However, notice that John Lake's mind became passive and paralysed. Receiving the mind of Christ is often associated with a spiritual awakening with direct communication between the spiritual realm and the earthly realm. Clearly this parallels the New-Age "opening of the third eye" which resides in the middle of the forehead. One New Age mention of the sealing is by Barbara Marx Hubbard:

Remember that "israel" means those people who choose to believe in one God with all their heart, mind and spirit. It is not as biological Jews, nor as biological Christians, that you will be selected. The selection is based on your inner awareness that God is one, that you are the heir of God, and that you desire to follow the intention of the Creator with all your might.

These believers are the ones who are most sensitive to God's Design. Each shall be "sealed" with the seal of the living God.

This means that they shall be marked, visibly identified, first to themselves, then to others. This means that their inner eye in the forehead will be fully opened by this touch, henceforth separating them from all who are still asleep in the womb of selfcenteredness. It is those of you who are now hearing an inner voicetelling you to put this purpose first, to put the love of the Kingdom first, to put the love of evolution first; You are now being visibly touched by the animating hand of God You are, even now, visibly different from those who live in the darkness of self-centered consciousness. ("The Revelation" Page 139)

Apart from anything else, this sealing with the mind of Christ has the result of transforming the mind completely and utterly, changing it to a "new paradigm" and altering the thinking to such an extent that the old ways are completely overthrown. It also opens up the natural mind to hear and see in the spiritual realm. (This is all part and parcel of the "overshadowing", too, of which I will speak later.)

WHAT FORM WILL THE MARK TAKE?

Before I get too far into this section, I must ask the question, will this sealing be a VISIBLE mark or just a spiritual experience?

I think at this stage I have to say, I don't really know, yet somehow I believe there could be a visible element to the sealing. Why? Because the Church has recently been prepared for this event by VISIBLE signs in the form of gold teeth and gold dust appearing on their hands and foreheads.

God has once again been gracious and loving to anyone remaining in the churches who has doubts about what is coming. God has given a forewarning of events to come. Those who could not square the gold miracles with scripture and/or who discerned their origin from deceiving spirits, took a step back and mentally put it on the back burner. It was their "wake-up call" from God to examine the way things are headed!

The gold has provided yet another dividing line in the Church. Those who accepted it without thought, or study, or prayer, without seeking God as to the meaning or origin, showed themselves ideally suited to accept any other manifestation that comes along. Others were in doubt and sought the Lord for answers. Even though they may have unwillingly half-accepted the manifestations, there were alarm bells ringing in their spirits. These are the ones who will draw the line at a sealing on the forehead, and part company with the apostates as they rush headlong toward their appointed end.

So, the gold dust and teeth have been a preparation, both for the doubters (in rejecting it) and for the unheeding (in showing themselves to be open to error). The fact of a permanent physical sign in the form of gold leads me to believe that there could be a visible element to the spiritual sealing of the anointed manchild company. (However, even without this, the danger of deception is very real and the warning is equally valid with or without a physical mark.)

There has also been a preparation for a physical anointing on the forehead, as this e-mail shows:

GLOBAL PRAYER INITIATIVE - Sign Of The Cross Used - "It has come to my attention that the people in our area that are praying, like Meyer, are connected to the Kansas City Prophets and Rick Joyner. They are making the sign of the cross and anointing with oil whenever they can."

Now the relevance of this comment will be seen with the following statement by a Catholic priest teaching on the mark of the cross in Baptism. Roman Catholics are already fully prepared for the idea of a sealing:

Baptism: We Are Marked by God.

Receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your forehead and upon your heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified. In Ezekiel 9, the Lord calls for the seven men who have charge over the city. Six come with battle-axes. He sends them out to kill. "[Don't show] pity or compassion. Slaughter old men, young men and maidens, women and children, but"--what a blessed word!--"do not touch anyone who has the mark" (Eze. 9:5,6). Before the warriors brought vengeance, God commanded the seventh man, who did not have a weapon but a writing kit, to go out among the people. Whoever repented and wept over the sin of God's people, he was to be marked on the forehead. The mark consisted of the last letter of the Hebrew alphabet, which originally looked like an X. Those with the mark lived. It's still the same today. "Receive the sign of the holy cross," the pastor says, as God gives the mark of life in Holy Baptism--the mark that conquers death, sin, hell, and Satan.--- For there are only two kinds of people: Those marked by the cross and those who aren't--those who will live forever and those who won't. --- It is the seal that names him--and us--as God's children forever. (from <http://www.lcms.org/wor/83bapt.html>)

Here's another sign of the preparatory work the devil is doing in getting people to accept the idea of a physical mark. More and more Christian youngsters are getting tattoos on their bodies, despite the direct condemnation in scripture for this practice - "Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon you: I am the LORD". Leviticus 19:28

Reporter Douglas Todd of The Vancouver Sun visited the Vineyard Christian Fellowship in Langley, British Columbia, and found that tattoos are the newest "in thing" for Vineyard Christians. Amy Bonde, who is a staff member at the Vineyard in Langley, has a large Celtic cross tattooed on the small of her back. Encircling the cross are Hebrew letters that allegedly mean, "I am my beloved's, and he is mine." Bonde says the tattoo signifies that she looks upon Jesus Christ as her "lover." Another Vineyard member, Peter Davyduck, has a tattoo of the word "SIN" on his ankle. He says this is a message to "judgmental Christians that everyone is a sinner and should be accepted in spite of it."

Bob Jones in the quote above prophesies that there will be a BRANDING on Christians. Branding originally meant the searing of flesh with a hot iron to produce a scar with an easily recognizable pattern for identification or other purposes. Branding, formerly used on human beings (salves) is more commonly used for animals today. Branding today is often done with chemicals, tattooing, paint, tagging, or ear-notching. Its primary use is for the "proof of ownership" according to one Encyclopedia.

One youth's personal Web page proudly boasts of Christian tattoos and says " . . . The word I like to use is tau-too. Tau is a Hebrew letter that means cross or mark, so it is a cross mark for God."

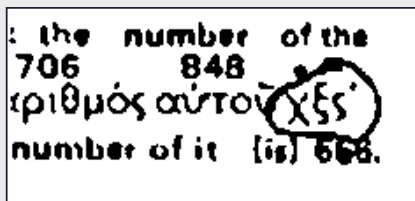
This lad also promotes a book on Tau-tooing and the Bible, although TAU (as well as being a Hebrew letter of the alphabet) is today a widely-recognised occult symbol. It is the gibbet-cross, the basis of the Egyptian ANKH, and a Masonic symbol.

"Tau (Heb.) That which has now become the square Hebrew letter tau, but was ages before the invention of the Jewish alphabet, the Egyptian handled cross, the crux ansata of the Latins, and identical with the Egyptian ankh. This mark belonged exclusively, and still belongs, to the Adepts of every country. As Kenneth R.F. Mackenzie shows, "It was a symbol of salvation and consecration, and as such has been adopted as a Masonic symbol used by the ancient Mexicans -- as its presence on one of the palaces at Palenque shows -- as well as by the Hindus, who placed the tau on the brows of their Chelas. [H.P. Blavatsky, Theosophical Glossary]"

There is ample evidence, I believe, for the equal-armed cross to become the sacred mark received by initiates in this sealing "of God".

The cross is near enough to the true Christian symbol to deceive the unwary. Remembering that the mark of God upon the forehead is "His Name" and bearing in mind the teaching that "His Name is His Nature" then the nature of Jesus Christ and his special sign is shown forth in the death on the Cross, and adopting it would signify to a believer the SPIRITUAL DEATH of the believer and his/her oneness with Christ.

Of course, the Christian cross does not have equal arms. However, the Greek letter CHI is written as X. This has therefore become a recognised shorthand in Church circles for writing "Christ"! Recall that the word Xmas means CHRIST-mass. X therefore is the NAME of Christ - will this be what appears on the foreheads of the Remnant?



(I should point out that the mark of the beast also incorporates the Greek letter X, for the number 666 is written in Greek CHI+XI+STIGMA The letter X has the numerical value of 600)

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5516. ΧΣ chi xi stigma, kee xee stig'-ma; the 22d, 14th and an obsol. letter (as a cross) of the Greek alphabet (intermediate between the 5th and 6th), used as numbers; denoting respectively 600, 60 and 6; 666 as a numeral:—six hundred threescore and six.

The cross is a VERY ancient and meaningful symbol. It could hardly be a better choice for this deceptive mark, since it means all things to all men! To the Catholics it is the sign of baptism, denoting their allegiance to Christ. But to the occultist it means the meeting-place between heaven and earth where the spiritual meets the natural.

One book describes the cross this way -

The Cross: A universal symbol from the most remote times. It is the cosmic symbol par excellence. It is a world centre and therefore a point of communication between heaven and earth. It is a cosmic axis = the cosmic Tree, Tree of Life, mountain, pillar, or ladder of ascension into heaven. The vertical axis = celestial, spiritual, intellectual, positive and male; the horizontal axis = earthly, rational, passive, negative female. It is dualism in nature and the union of opposites, and represents spiritual union and the integration of man's soul into full life.

All this is perfect for describing the interaction between God and man supposedly taking place at the time of overshadowing and the reception of the sealing of God. It also perfectly symbolises the open communication between the spiritual and natural realms that will result in receiving the "mind of Christ".

THE LAST LETTER - TAU

We know that Jesus Christ said "I am the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last" He is the Beginning and the End. He is the one who fires the starting gun of our spiritual race, and the one who flags us at the finishing line, the Author and Finisher of our race.

So once again Jesus is symbolised as the One who appears at the END of time as the LAST LETTER of the alphabet.

In Hebrew that last letter is called Tau. In Hebrew today that letter looks square, but in ancient times it looked LIKE A TRANSVERSE CROSS (X). Not only that, but almost every ancient alphabet, including Greek, had a cross for the last letter of their alphabet.

Considering all this, I believe there is a good chance that any visible mark on the "sealed ones" would have to be the equal-armed cross, and probably that cross would be of GOLD.

IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

A good question that somebody is bound to ask is - would receiving this false seal actually be "taking the mark of the Beast"?

My own personal feeling is that a more literal and obvious mark will come into play once the Man of Sin appears and begins his rule. HOWEVER, this dry run in the churches can only be a preconditioning for the 666 mark and may even be a spiritual counterpart to it. Receiving this touch from an angel or a minister to receive a sealing of the mind or a mark of ownership is about as dangerous as it gets.

I have more to say about the sealing, but in the interests of speed and keeping this article small enough to load reasonably quickly, I am going to continue the discussion in the next portion. There I will look at:

- The spiritual implications of the sealing for believers

- The genuine seal of God
- The results for the worldwide Church and true Christians
- The methods the leadership will use to force believers to submit
- The Overshadowing of believers and what it will mean
- ---and much more ---

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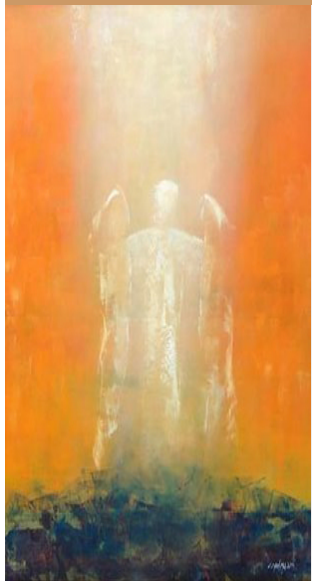
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Doctrines of Demons (Part Two)

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines [taught by] demons... (1 Tim 4:1 NKJ)

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IN PART ONE I dealt with the possibility of a physical or spiritual sealing upon the Remnant Christians or "overcomers".

Before I move on, I am going to finalise that section with a few more facts, and also look at the scriptures that speak of the true seal of God.

Although we are dealing with heresies here, we cannot simply dismiss them. They represent actual events that will take place on this earth, affecting every one of us.

Although the sonship doctrines are unbiblical, they do represent events of the Endtime, events that will literally take place shortly before the Return of Jesus Christ.

Oftentimes, in the quotes you will read here, the events have been spiritualised or changed beyond all recognition yet they are not mere fantasies. This is the problem. Satan is covering his tracks with lies, preparing Christians to accept the coming events as part of God's Plan for Restoration! We need to be wise enough to perceive what is being spoken of, and thus to avoid what is coming.

So, with the seal of God upon the foreheads, we must work out what it means in everyday life for us as Christians. We must also understand what it means biblically.

THE TRUE SEAL OF GOD

Christian are ALREADY sealed! This seems to have escaped the notice of the revival movement. The Bible fully describes our sealing by and with the Holy Spirit, and explains its meaning. Unless we understand God's present-day seal upon us, we won't understand why the coming future "seal of God" is so terribly wrong, so please read the following carefully:

- Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. Cor 1:21-22
- In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory. Eph 1:12-14
- And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Eph 4:30

I don't see any hint in these scriptures of a FUTURE sealing for born-again Christians, do you?

When we accepted Jesus Christ, and made Him our Lord, we became his servants or slaves. We entered his household and belong to Him.

It was customary, when a person purchased goods of any kind, for him to mark his property with his seal in order to distinguish it from the goods of another; it was also customary to set a seal upon what was dedicated to God, or what was to be offered to him in sacrifice.

Just like the householder of old, God - having bought us - placed his seal upon us to mark us out as HIS PROPERTY. In that way, he knows "those who are his own". The seal is the equivalent of the brand that some owners burnt upon their slaves and animals, denoting ownership.

If you have committed your life to Christ, you have the SEAL OF HIS OWNERSHIP upon you, and that seal we are told is the Holy Spirit that we received when we were born again, making us partakers (fellowshippers) of his nature.

Importance of the Seal of God

The seal of the Father also acts as a promise of inheritance, a divine guarantee that we will one day share the inheritance with the Son, Jesus, because it is a GIFT of something precious and full of meaning.

A signet ring in olden days carried the personal mark or insignia of the owner with which he authenticated documents and other objects, impressing his ring into the hot wax of the seal. Thus, to hold the signet ring of the king meant that you would be able to act in his name, as his authentic agent in his realm.

To give a signet ring on a permanent basis to a servant or member of the family was akin to our modern-day custom of giving the "keys of the house" in a ceremony for those who have come of age. It means you have the right to the inheritance in due time. When God, therefore, gave us the Holy Spirit (his seal) as a guarantee, it was his own personal assurance that we would inherit as a son of the house! He also gave us the authority to act "in his Name" as his ambassadors. This puts us in a highly privileged (and responsible) position in God's household, a position we should never abuse.

Now, knowing that we already have this promise and guarantee, do we have any need for another sealing in the future? NO. We are already under God's wing

of protection, members of his House. We belong to Him.

What then does the seal of God on the forehead in the book of Revelation mean?

"Then I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God. And he cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea, saying, "Do not harm the earth, the sea, or the trees till we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." And I heard the number of those who were sealed. One hundred and forty-four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel were sealed..." Rev 7:2-8

I see no reason to disagree with the scriptures - it says here that certain of the tribes of ISRAEL were sealed to protect them from the coming disastrous events on earth. Not all the Jews were sealed, but certain ones known only to the angels and to God - these are the foreordained and predestined of Israel, the Remnant, who would ultimately be saved. However, at the time of the sealing they have not come to Jesus and so would need this sealing in advance of their salvation to be kept from harm.

The Danger of Receiving Another

Knowing then the meaning of the seal, isn't the danger of receiving an alternative, counterfeit, seal now obvious?

Since we belong to God, and since the seal of ownership and our guarantee of redemption is the Holy Spirit, doesn't it mean that a counterfeit seal in the churches would mean a change of ownership and the receiving of another spirit?

Doesn't it mean we would be willingly 'casting away our crown' and laying down our future inheritance in the heavenlies in order to take up the consolation prize of earthly rulership?

The way we have come in these last years has been a continual realignment according to our choices, whether we would serve God or not. Just as in the wilderness, God is testing us to see if our hearts are for Him. At first these tests were easy, but now we have almost reached the ultimate test, and a new dividing line is appearing along the fault-lines of a new deception. Will we remain loyal to our first sealing or abandon it in favour of another?

Oh, but you argue, does the reception of a counterfeit seal really mean that we have to abandon the true seal of God? Well, I HOPE not, but hope is not much to go on. The Bible teaches that we cannot belong to two masters at the same time. We cannot have two brands of ownership upon us at once. We cannot serve two masters! (Matt 6:24) Are you willing to take the risk?

Intolerable Pressures To Accept The Seal

God has been warning the way to leave revival churches where they are being fed the poisonous new doctrines. It has been dangerous to hang around, soaking up the atmosphere and lazily submitting to the teaching, even for those who said they did not entirely agree with what was going on.

Now we see why. The "sealing" and other doctrines will be taught in the same atmosphere of mesmerism and hype, with believers held in thrall to the leadership. It will be presented using scriptural teaching that is apparently indisputable. AND, it will be urged in an atmosphere of fear and threat that will be almost irresistible.

For anyone deeply involved in the current revival, when this teaching comes along it will take a super-human effort to resist, because of the pressures brought to bear on the mind, emotions, will and spiritual situation of the believer.

Dramatisation of the Sealing

Imagine for a moment that you are a young Christian in one of the revival meetings. After the usual warming up of intense praise and worship, accompanied by the sense of the "presence" and all the excitement and tension of the meeting, the prophets begin to shout and call out in terms of the utmost urgency of God's judgement soon to fall upon all his enemies. It is prophesied with such tangible power that the whole room falls into a hushed and awed silence, struck by the knowledge that a dreadful destruction is about to befall the entire world.

No-one doubts the words of the prophets, such is the intensity of their pronouncement. In the aftermath, the ministers step forward to testify that they, too, have received a word from God of impending destruction and persecution. They use many scriptures to back up their statements.

Then, they speak of the obedient few who will escape, those who have prepared themselves in holiness and the fear of God, those who have been wise enough to receive the anointing oil so that their lamps do not dry out in the coming darkness.

In the churches - they say - only the rebellious, the "religious", the pharisees, the jezebels, the blasphemers of the Spirit will come under judgement while the remnant-company will be protected from God's wrath. Those who reject the River of God's blessing are hindering the emergence of the kingdom of God on earth. Now, the time has come to "remove all that offends" so that the glorious gospel may go out without restriction and the world might be saved.

As he speaks, there is a cloud appearing in the meeting place, becoming thicker and thicker until all can see and feel it. Then the minister, with massive anointing and manifestations, calls out that the angels of God have come to support his message to them, and they hold in their hands the "writer's inkhorn" to record in God's book of remembrance who is willing to be on the Lord's side.

The angels have a mission from God to mark those who sigh and cry over the abominations of the earth, and thus anyone who is the Lord's, and who wants to be under his wing of protection during the Tribulation, must submit to their ministry. Submission is the key. Believers can do nothing of themselves to secure their own safety, but if they submit to what God wants to do and simply receive, they will be truly his.

The minister cries out - the angels have touched him! LOOK - on his forehead there is golden dust! And, wait, is it taking the shape of a cross? And it's appearing on the other elders, too! The people gasp and fall down under the weight of this revelation. They cry out for the angels to mark them, too... give us the gold that we might be marked for God!

(Or this could be presented in a variety of different ways, but you get the idea...)

Either In or OUT forever

All the while you - the young believer, remember - have been watching and listening. You know yourself to be the Lord's. You desperately want to obey Him. Of course you want to avoid the coming judgement. You are not one of the blasphemers, one of those harsh, unloving, judgemental, anti-spirit people, of course not. So why not take the sealing of the angels?

Those scriptures - the blood on the lintels, the Ezekiel passage about the angel with the inkhorn, the verses in Revelation --- how can you argue with all that? It's undeniable. You've been told to check out everything with the Bible, but this is biblical, isn't it? And it's happening - it must be from God...

And all around you, every one of your friends is blissfully receiving - you think to yourself, what will happen to me if I leave this building unprotected from God's wrath? I can't endure under tribulation, I want to escape it... and furthermore, if I refuse to side with the Remnant I can NEVER come back to this church again.

If I refuse to submit to this, I will be on the other side for ever, a rebel, an outcast. I can never see my friends again, or even my family. I will be alone, doomed, rejected, and probably lose my salvation ----- because I rebelled, I had doubts, I questioned the move of God, I haven't got what it takes - and I haven't got the sealing of God in my forehead and mind.

In a situation like that, ONLY the man and woman whose heart is TOTALLY dedicated to God will walk away and leave their church behind.

This sacrifice is too much for the double-minded. This is make or break time. Either you belong to the sealed Remnant, or you are part of the "woman" who is due for purging and purification from now on. Which would YOU choose?

"God desires to seal his servants on their foreheads. One either has the mark of the Beast system (worldly thought structures) or the mark or seal of Christs' kingdom: (the mind of Christ). People have to learn to put on the mind of Christ." [Forehead Seal of God vs. Forehead Mark of Beast]

I pray you will never let yourself be put in that situation, which is why I urge you to make up your minds NOW, before that time comes. If you are in any doubt about your ability to make the right choice, and refuse this "angelic touch" then don't go to the meetings!!

Things may not work out exactly as I have said - this is only an imagination of mine. It may happen under very different circumstances. I have also said I am not sure whether there will be a visible element to the sealing. But are you willing to take the chance?

A Little More Information on the Mark

Before moving on, I would like to offer a few more comments about the cross as being a possibility for a counterfeit mark or seal of God. If you recall, I examined the reasons for this in Part One of the series.

The cross on which Jesus died, however much we revere it as symbolic of our redemption, should not become an object of idolatry or adoration. We must remember that it is JESUS who is the Saviour, not the Cross on which he died.

Some religious people have made the cross into a talisman, an object of worship and a magic charm. They make the sign of the cross upon themselves as if doing that will in some way protect or sanctify them, whereas we know all grace and protection comes from God, not the cross.

Gold Teeth Marked with Cross

Some who have received gold teeth say that they are marked with the sign of the cross. That is interesting, since God does not usually sign his handiwork with a divine logo. Nor is the cross mark in itself a sign of holiness. (I will be examining the connections between the gold miracles and the new doctrines later in the series. There are some startling claims being made, and you should know about them. The gold miracles can ONLY be explained satisfactorily as part of the endtimes "manifestation of the sons of god".)

The cross, in fact, had existed for centuries before the time of Christ as a powerful symbol of interaction between man and the gods, the spiritual and earthly. That Jesus was nailed to such a symbol is only another indication of the "coincidences" surrounding his death. It was meaningful to those around him, and the equivalent today would perhaps be nailing the Lord to a swastika or satanic five-pointed star. Surely we would not then worship and revere that symbol, however sanctified it had become in our minds?

When the Apostle Paul said that he gloried in the cross of Jesus Christ, he was not talking about a physical object or charm, but the CRUCIFIXION and thus the central doctrine of the death of Jesus for our salvation. The Bible never talks about the cross in any other terms.

The cross was known by the Babylonians and Egyptians and, if Tertullian is to be believed, the sign of the tau cross was made on the foreheads of those initiated into the Mysteries of pagan esoteric religion. Surmounted by the disc of the sun, the tau cross formed the ANKH, the sign of life in Egypt. The Egyptian goddess Isis was shown with a cross on her forehead according to archeologists. The cross is found on the altar of a ninth century BC Mexican "Temple of the Cross" in Palenque. And so on.

As this illustration shows, the cross was the sign on the forehead of Bacchus, Greek god of wine and mystic frenzies. His worshippers fell into ecstatic trances in which they united with their god in a spiritual marriage. As Dionysus and Tammuz, he was the god beloved by women mentioned in Daniel (Dan 11:37)

There are other intriguing reasons for pinpointing the transverse cross "X" as a counterfeit seal or mark of God. Please see the [appendix](#) at the end of this article.



The Overshadowing

And so to the main subject of this second article, the overshadowing. What is an overshadowing, you may ask. There are many definitions, but all of them have this in common: overshadowing is the interaction and union of the spirit world with the natural world bringing a lasting change or transformation.

I intend to look at the concept of overshadowing from a number of aspects, all of which are in common use by one group or another. These aspects are as follows:

- OVERSHADOWING AS CONCEPTION AND BIRTHING
- OVERSHADOWING AS EXTERNAL MANIPULATION BY A SPIRIT BEING
- OVERSHADOWING AS RECEIVING THE MIND OF CHRIST OR SEALING
- OVERSHADOWING AS THE GLORY CLOUD INDWELLING THE CHURCH
- OVERSHADOWING AS THE GOLD COVERING OF THE DIVINE NATURE
- OVERSHADOWING AS THE TRANSFIGURATION OR RAPTURE

1) Overshadowing as Impregnation with the New Christ

The following is Todd Dawson's firsthand account of the meeting held on December 7th 1997, at Immanuel's Church, (Silver Spring, Md.) at which Tommy Tenney ministered:

*[Tommy Tenney] said we are in the year of Jubilee, and that God isn't going to let a generation go by without letting them see his glory at least once. Hence the outpouring of his Spirit at this time. He said that when Gabriel was giving Mary the news about the birth of the Christ, he had no words to describe it--he just said "some... *thing* is going to come.... And that's what he (Tommy) believes is happening right now.. .some *thing* is going to come.... That God wants to draw us under his wings...so he can "overshadow" us.*

There are a number of verses in scripture that the teachers refer to and allegorise when teaching about the overshadowing. One of the most useful is found in Luke 1:35 "And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God."

This act of divine creation which resulted in the birth of God in human form is, they say, about to recur on a global scale. It was a pattern of the way God would bring his Christ to fulness in the earth.

The Church is now a corporate "mary" and when the glory-cloud overshadows her in spiritual intimacy, with the passion of a bridegroom, she will bring forth the Christ that is to rule the world with a rod of iron, her manchild. This holy child will be both god and man just like Jesus, a union of the human and divine, but it will be composed of certain special "headship" believers.

In this instance, therefore, the overshadowing refers to an act of spiritual marriage and union (consummation) where Christians and the Glory merge so closely that Tommy Tenney's "something" is born of their union.

"Three nines represent the nine fruit of the Spirit, the nine gifts of the Spirit and the nine months of birth for the apostolic order... The scriptures declare that Mary believed the Word that was spoken to her and the Holy Spirit overshadowed her in an illuminated cloud imparting the Word within her. The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. This same sequence will occur among the apostolic order that will be soon emerging." [Bob Jones; Shepherd's Rod for 1999]

"Secure this thought in your mind: when the Spirit of Christ comes into the physical world, He must enter through a physical body...When Christ first entered our world as a child, it was Mary whom God chose to give Christ birth. Mary's life symbolised the qualities the Church must possess to walk in the fullness of Christ...[God is preparing us] as He did Mary to give birth to the ministry of His Son. Even now, in the spiritual womb of the virgin Church, the holy purpose of Christ is growing, awaiting maturity; ready to be born in power in the timing of God...the virgin Church is "in labour and in pain to give birth" (Rev 12:1-2)... even now, hell trembles and the heavens watch in awe, for I say to you, once again, the virgin is with child. Before Jesus Himself returns, the last virgin Church shall become pregnant with the promise of God. Out of her travail, the Body of Christ shall come forth, raised to the full stature of its Head, the Lord Jesus. Corporately manifested in holiness, power and love, the Bride of Christ shall arise." (Francis Frangipane: "In The Presence of God" New Wine Press 1994)

This kind of teaching - about the Church as "mary" or a womb, and the word as a seed implanted within her, bringing forth the manchild - has been around for centuries! But only in this day has it been applied on such a global scale, with all the impetus and authority to make something happen as a result.

Way back in the 17th century, a mystic called Jane Leade of an apostolic group called the Philadelphians wrote about the birthing of the Manchild through the womb of the Church. She received her doctrine by the same process of "divine illumination" as is common with today's leadership (i.e., the teachings are imparted by voices, visions, dreams and prophecies direct from the spirit realm).

To Jane Leade was revealed not only the birth of the endtimes corporate christ child but the METHOD by which he would be birthed:

"Hearken, O Daughter of Sion, Behold thy Bridegroom cometh no more a Servant, but to be served by all Flesh; The Word that was manifest in flesh reigns in Spirit, to prepare for Christ's Kingdom to come into a visible dominion here upon the earth, by signs and miracles, wrought by the Spirit in forms of flesh to confirm Christ the Lord is coming to appear in his saints, to set them over the earth. For to the Daughter of Sion the dominion shall be restored through Marriage Union with the Lamb of God. [Jane Leade, The Enochian Walk With God]

And it was given me to see, how this Church would be gathered.... And as it was thus typified out by a Virgin-Woman that brought forth CHRIST after the figure of an Human Body... So likewise, according to John's prophecy, a Virgin Woman is designed of a pure Spirit, and of a bright sun-like body, all impregnated with the Holy Ghost, that shall travail to bring forth the First-born, that will multiply and propagate into such a Body, as shall be filled with the Spirit, Power, and Temple Glory of the Lamb of God.

This is the Church that shall be called The Lord our Righteousness; Because God himself will tabernacle there, and Sign them with the Mark of his own Name, and adorn them with Miraculous Gifts and Powers, beyond what-ever yet hath been. Whereby all Nations shall be brought in, so that the Increase of this Priestly Kingdom will be very great...

"O how strange and amazing will this Lordly Birth be! Who will it live to see? This provoked the Virgin Spirit in me to send forth groans and cries yet more ardently. For that must be the way, as it is shewn to me, that must unlock this long shut-up Womb; that

so the mere and pure Acting Ghost may appear and go forth to do greater works than in the Day of Pentecost." [Jane Leade: A message to the Philadelphian Society 1696].

Notice that Jane Leade is shown that "groans and cries" as in the act of "travailing" or bringing a baby to the birth is the method of opening the 'long-shut womb' and manifesting the manchild.

Unless you have been living on a desert island for the past five years, you'll know that the revival participants specialise in this groaning and crying, even so far as adopting the squatting position of giving birth. Now you know why!

Although talk of impregnation, womb, divine seed and birthing may seem strange to us, the concept is all over the Internet and the Revival sites as an accepted fact.

"As Jill [Austin] was preaching on the glory and the cross, the atmosphere in the room changed. It began to feel like the whole room was 'pregnant' with God and became a womb.... The intensity was heightened and a depth of God was evident as the atmosphere literally became alive and thick with the presence of the Lord. It was as if Jesus was almost visible and walking throughout the room. The anointing was a living, breathing, vibrant, deep, and tangible entity. Suddenly people began receiving gold teeth and fillings as well as physical healings!" [Rivermail Bulletin Board report]

The glory, the overshadowing and the impregnation are ALL linked to the GOLD (I hope to show just how in due course). The birthing is by necessity linked to the overshadowing work of the Holy Spirit, because without that there would be no insemination. Here is one of many such quotes on the divine conception, by Mark Chironna, Pastor of Higher Call Christian Centre in North Carolina:

"Two women are described in the Book of Revelation. One is a harlot and the other is a Bride. One is called Babylon and the other is the City of God... she is married to One who has overshadowed her with His Glory and has placed a royal diadem on her head - she has been endowed in her mind with the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of God. This woman, the true church, is pregnant. Her lover will produce in her His Seed. This Woman is dressed in readiness for she knows that the Bridegroom has come forth out of his chambers to be joined to her, the power of the Most High overshadowing her - this virgin is in travail and labour, and is about to give birth, for the holy seed within her is the [corporate] Son of God - her seed is destined to rule the nations, and when this seed is brought forth, all powers must bow down and worship him. [Article in "Destiny Image" magazine, Sept/Oct 1994]

And some even more graphic ones from a book called "The Pattern" by J. du Cille.

"In order to be filled with the divine nature, we must be overshadowed by the divine.... The Song of Solomon speaks of the love between Christ and the church, and the final act of planting the seed of life within the soul, the womb of the church. This is God's divine order of bringing forth life...

"It takes male and female to bring forth life. Christ the male and the church the female are necessary for the bringing forth of seed. God is bringing forth seed in the earth like Jesus Christ Himself. To carry out the whole analogy, the man must marry the woman, which is the relationship between us and Christ, and the fruit of such a marriage will be the perfect man which must come forth as the sons of God. The wedding feast, therefore, is the new thing which God is doing in the earth at this time, in which He, the Spirit of God, is overshadowing the elect and INSEMINATING their souls with His own DIVINE NATURE... [block emphasis in original]"

"God's smile, His good will, and His permissive will are all that the church seems to have been enjoying until now. But now is the time of the overshadowing, when the manchild church is being brought forth within the woman church. We are moving into a time when nothing but the perfect will of God will be acceptable. "And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars." (Revelation 12:1) This is not Mary, the mother of Jesus. This chapter was written of the future and not of the past. Mary was overshadowed by the Holy Ghost and brought forth Jesus Christ, the son of God. The church is being overshadowed by the Holy Ghost again to bring forth the Christ in us..."

I don't think it could get any clearer than that. The scriptures are made into allegories and patterns in which the birth of Christ is replayed on a global scale.

This has very serious implications. Not only does it require the Church to seek impartations of power to "birth" a new order of divine rulers on earth, but it endows those rulers (the apostles and prophets and other leaders of the Church) with Christ-like authority to command, control and judge. Believing themselves to be Christ on earth, they will stop at nothing to establish their government over all the earth.



As it would be wasteful of time and space to fill this article with work I have already done elsewhere (even though very relevant work) I urge you to read my 1995 report "[The Birth of the Manchild](#)" which gives many more quotes about impregnation and birthing even at that early stage of the revival movement.

2) Overshadowing by an Avatar, Angel or Spirit

The next aspect of the overshadowing focusses on the union of God and man. This has been the primary understanding of the term in the occult world. Consider this explanation of the term "overshadowing" from a new-age glossary:

Overshadowing: A voluntary co-operative process in which a Master's consciousness temporarily enters and works through the physical, emotional and mental bodies of a disciple.

Clearly this is a description of demonic possession! Notice the word "temporarily". In my [article](#) on this website about the demonisation of believers, I said that we misunderstand the work of the demonic world when we assume that anyone who comes under the influence of a demon is thereafter permanently "possessed". That is by no means the case.(2)

Please see my [notes](#) at the end of this article. I know that a lot of people will be confused and perhaps angered by my beliefs on this subject, but I stand by

them as being the biblical truth. (Whatever your position, please don't let it cloud your understanding of this article.)

Here is another, lengthier, description of the overshadowing in the run-up to the New Age:

When the hour has come, many cases of overshadowing will be seen and will demonstrate in a threefold manner...

First. An impression upon the physical brain of the man or woman, of thoughts, plans for work, ideals and intentions which (emanating from the Avatar) will yet be unrecognized by him as being other than his own; he will proceed to put them into action, unconsciously helped by the force flowing in. This is literally a form of higher mental telepathy working out on physical levels.

Second. The overshadowing of the chela [disciple] during his work (such as lecturing, writing, or teaching), and his illumination for service. He will be conscious of this, though perhaps unable to explain it

Third. The conscious co-operation of the chela is necessitated in the third method of overshadowing. In this case he will (with full knowledge of the laws of his being and nature) surrender himself and step out of his physical body, handing it over for the use of the Great Lord or one of His Masters.

These methods of overshadowing will be largely the ones used by the Great Lord and His Masters at the end of the century...

Naturally, the first group will be the largest... The second group will be less numerous, and the last group will involve only a handful, or two or three in certain countries. [Alice Bailey: Treatise on Cosmic Fire; Thought Elementals and Fire Elementals.]

Thus the particular overshadowing envisaged by the occult side of the Plan is either through (a) simple influence of the mind, (b) inspiration by remote writing, prophecies, visions, channeling and so forth or (c) complete possession. In each case the "avatar" is taking over some function of the personality he wants to use rather than allowing that person to make a fully-functional and freewill choice in educating himself towards the goal in question.

But while this is to be expected when dealing with a non-Christian belief-system, the same ideas are being presented in biblical language for the Church.

The aim in many meetings is not so much to worship God but to create "an open heaven" - spiritual communication between the earth and the spiritual realm in which manifestations of angels, revelations, prophecies and all manner of influences can come about in the meeting, and ultimately the return of God himself in the form of the Glory.

Worship is often just an attempt to punch holes in the heavenlies in order to create direct communication.

"On Tuesday night, as we began worship, it seemed that the waters were rough - sort of like we kept trying to poke a hole in the brassy heavens, but weren't able to get through. After three of four songs, I began to pray and come against any hindering or blocking spirits. I sensed that others were praying along these same lines -- 'God, we just want to break through into your presence...' Soon, there came this great sense of God's presence, and the worship leader stopped all of the music, and we all began to pray quietly...some singing softly...some singing in the spirit...the tangible thickness of the Holy Spirit seemed almost physically touchable." [New Wine list - Jan 1999 Bill & Barbara Cassada, Altoona PA]

"According to Tommy Tenney's newsletter: 'The purpose of these meetings is to encounter God - to pursue His Presence. We are going to pray for an open Heaven ... while modeling what we think it takes to create and maintain a repentant, open-hearted atmosphere that invites and makes welcome the Presence of a Holy God . . . We are anticipating a great season of worship and with a limited agenda from man. None of us really care whether or not we speak or when. We want to be sensitive and open to the Holy Spirit. As such, there will be no announced speaker, as to particular time slots . . .'

"What we are really after is a God encounter - not a crusade, not a conference, not a camp meeting ... just an encounter with the Manifest Presence of God. [New Wine list: Tommy Tenney in the San Francisco Bay Area. God is once again sending beloved brother Tommy Tenney (along with Joseph Garlington, Marc Dupont, and Dr. Kingsley Fletcher) to Shiloh Christian Fellowship, Oakland, California.]

"God chaser Tommy Tenney said, 'His presence just keeps getting deeper and deeper, He just keeps coming in. Open the door to His presence, by entertaining His presence. We are holding the door open for Him, be a living door stop. Angels are going in and out to minister in the city.' Someone has brought in a real door as a symbol of what was happening in the Spirit. The people go forward and go through the opened door, some laughing, crying, dancing, crawling. Some go lay upon the altar while others put an offering upon the altar. [Report of Baltimore services with Tommy Tenney]

Those who do not have "an open heaven" are said to be falling behind in their dedication and will not be able to participate in the next move! From a revival prophecy entitled "Glory or Terror" we read:

"Prepare! For the day is coming when those who have not already established an open heaven above them will not be able to do so. ... But know that for those who call themselves by My name, yet have not established an open heaven, the spiritual darkness shall be so great they shall not be able to pierce it. ... And what, you ask, is an "open heaven"? An open heaven is the spiritual atmosphere produced when the veil of your flesh that separates the natural realm from the spiritual realm, is rent in two thus allowing free interchange between the spiritual realm and the natural realm. Those walking with an "open heaven" shall be able to receive supernatural provision for the whole man - body, soul and spirit. Whereas those whose heavens are brasses over will not..."

There is a fear that the Shekinah Glory will not come and create the Manchild rulers if they cannot open the gates between heaven and earth to create this "free interchange" between the spiritual and natural realms::

God has put such an urgency in my heart; we need to be in-line by the end of this summer or we could really miss what is about to happen. At best, individuals will be stumbled and miss out on what He is about to do. At worst, there won't be enough of us praying in unity, (that critical mass), for an open heaven and lasting victory. [Rivermail Posts: A word through Deborah Kerekes, June 30, 1999]

(NB: "critical mass" used to be a new-age term meaning if you can get a high enough percentage of people to agree with one concept, you can affect the Global Consciousness of mankind and change the course of world history and evolution. NOW, it seems Christians are being taught the same thing!)

Unity is Paramount

Unity is of paramount importance to both the new-age movement and the churches. To have ONE MIND and ONE THOUGHT is vital to the Plan. And the way to achieve it is by placing the same spiritual mindset into each willing recipient:

"The only way that a company of diverse people could be of 'one mind' is if they all learn to take upon themselves the mind of Christ.... The only way that a company of believers can be unified is by taking on Christ's mind over their own wisdom, discernment and will. [Forehead Seal of God vs. Forehead Mark of Beast]

How interesting that when we turn to the scriptures about the state of the world just before the judgement of God on Babel we see the very same unity of thought and mind being promoted by Lucifer, bringing all men into harmony so that they could overthrow God's rule and do as they pleased:

"And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech. ... And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do". [Gen 11:1-9]

This same unity of thought will again be achieved under the reign of the False Christ at the other end of time. Another tower to glorify man's achievements is being constructed!

A recent development in harmonising all humanity is presented in a pseudo-christian book called "Healing Codes for the Biological Apocalypse" It purports to give "healing tones" found in the Bible that actually reverse the disintegration of mankind at Babel.

"Speech, tones, sounds, music, the vibratory essence of Spirit, and its mathematics and frequency are all the most vital areas of growing knowledge during this revolutionary "End Times" era of religious history and human/spiritual evolution. That is the Divine focus of the book! Delivering this critical knowledge to the Spiritually mature masses, then them acting on this knowledge, holds the power to rectify the primary problem that has plagued humanity since the "Tower of Babel," since socially cultured men fell victim to the manipulations of a few who successfully divided people from each other, and from God, by dispensing foreign DIALECTS. [their emphasis] Thus, humanity no longer spoke Spiritually uplifting syllables, and were thus immediately cut off from the free flow/love of God and each other."

Clearly, a major part of satan's plan is to reunite mankind in "one mind" and "one thought" and this is the importance of the overshadowing with the "mind of christ".

"And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. These shall make war with the Lamb...". [Rev 17:12-14]

The mind of Christ needful for unity is said to be "received" direct from heaven rather than developed by walking with God day by day in the biblical manner.

This "just-add-water" concept of spirituality where all we need is dropped down from heaven instantaneously is becoming the hallmark of the Revival churches.

Instead of an intelligent, prayerful, studied, rational and conscious participation in the work of God we are presented with teaching that is more or less channeled straight from God in gasps and shouts, by teachers who feel it is more spiritual to roll on the ground, laugh, scream, double up, or run around "under the influence" in order to deliver a word to their congregation. Or, as in the meetings above, all attempt at teaching is abandoned in order to seek a tangible divine "presence" and communication with the spirit world.

Nothing is deemed worthy of attention these days unless it is attended by signs of a powerful spiritual "anointing" because studying the word of God is "old manna" and knowing something about biblical theology makes you a dry old book-person, whereas shooting off some trite soundbite direct from heaven, in an awestruck voice that is hardly audible for shaking, is considered a true sign of the overshadowing of the Spirit!

The difference may not seem great in practise, but it is a CRUCIAL CHANGE from a biblical system of active co-operation with the Holy Spirit in mental and spiritual growth, to one of passive submission to a spiritual overshadowing which is supposed to bring instant results. And when the Church is overshadowed by the glory, the mind of christ will be imparted so that teaching will be divine wisdom and spiritual revelation:

"From within the Church one out of a thousand will emerge in maturity as the Lord's temple, gifted with discernment and with understanding. These will be given insight with understanding manifesting divine wisdom from the sevenfold Spirit of God... The discernment from these consecrated ones will be according to the Spirit; not natural human discernment that has its root in suspicion. These will not judge by what their eyes see nor by what their ears hear, but according to what the Spirit reveals. The Lord stated "What was stolen from us must be restored to us". The true anointed revelation of visions and dreams with proper interpretation and application giving insight to the body of Christ must be totally restored." [Bob Jones Shepherd's Rod for 1999]

We can't consider the subject of overshadowing while staying coy and living in denial on the subject of Christians coming under the influence of demons. If I understand things correctly, and I believe I do, demons (seen as angels in the churches) will be more active than ever before as a result of these teachings, bringing revelations of new doctrines, giving powers, and causing signs and wonders that will astound everyone.

Those who steadfastly believe that no Christian can be demonised or manifest demonic activity in a Christian meeting are at a disadvantage because they will misunderstand what is going on. They should realise that such things have accompanied every major spiritual renewal since the time of the early church.

The witnesses of historic revivals have been honest in their testimony of demonic activity in and through Christians whenever there is a resurgence of spiritual activity in the Church. We must not, in our turn, deny the truths that are so apparent to the discerning eye.

Summoning Angels

Today, demonic activity is not only acceptable but actively sought by those involved in the revival! They believe this is the ministry of angels. As I ferret round the web, I see many statements encouraging and expecting the ministry of angels, and even summoning them to work alongside ministers in the work of the kingdom, for instance this report from the School of the Prophets Conference (Jan. 28th-31st 1999) held in Colorado Springs (speakers included: Paul Cain,

Bill Hamon, Mike Bickle, Rick Joyner, Chuck Pierce, Cindy Jacobs, C.Peter Wagner, etc. There were between 2500 and 3000 people there. The second night offering for the World Prayer Center was \$400,000.)

"[speaking of Freemasonry]... The angels will be used to war with us to remove this idolatry and abomination from our country. A number of the prophets saw and called upon the angels to assist as 'ministers to the heirs of salvation'. Michael was specifically summoned. There were many dreams and vision about the role of arch-angels and angels in the administration of salvation attributes."

This interaction with angels is a dangerous game, and can only lead to demonic encounters and manifestations. Let me say at once that I DO believe in the ministry of angels and have even in my own life encountered one or two (many Christians can say the same thing) but this was not by my summoning them, nor by working with them, nor anything other than the merciful hand of God intervening in my life at a moment of danger.

We are nowhere instructed to summon angels, converse with them, or get guidance from them! Nor do we see anywhere in scripture where we will work alongside angels in the work of the ministry. Angels, commanded by God, do minister to believers, usually unseen and unacknowledged. However, that is a far cry from our calling upon and summoning them, and commanding them to minister!

Here is another report from the same meeting (above) which confirms the revival leadership's unbiblical practice of seeking guidance from angels:

Cindy (Jacobs) led and saw angels out over the borders of our country. She had Bill Hamon call them forth into our midst to give us the battle plans. They were unable to give us the plans because of the pollution in the prophetic stream.... The other thing I've heard is that this is the year when God will be dispatching his angels to mark the foreheads of those who weep and mourn for the abominations in the nation. It's in Ezekiel. [Eyewitness account by Kit Hackett.]

And here is what happens when you let angels take over your worship. This is taken from an anguished letter I received from a worship leader in a Restoration church in the UK:

"The music got louder and louder that day until my keyboard was suddenly taken over. It started to vibrate, then it revved up like a motor bike. It changed its sound and many sounds of wailing voices, screaming, different instruments and noises came out! That day we had five singers, two keyboards and one guitar, but on the tape it didn't sound like it. Everyone ended up on the floor in a heap and they all said, 'the angels visited us!' In 1994, the tape was sent round the world after our "angelic visitation". This tape then became quite famous. I don't know to this day what it was but it was extremely powerful. It broke my keyboard and afterwards it had to be mended. I have just found the tape and am sending it for you. See what you think. Is it a mixture, or deception? False or true? This tape went to America, Australia, Sweden - everywhere, all over England, saying it was angels. You will hear that J--- is leading the singing. I am on keyboard with my son on violin, one other keyboard and guitar. It takes a while to get going. J--- says after a few minutes "we have an open heaven" - please listen carefully after this. This is when my keyboard was taken over!!! It's also strange, as it all ends after ten or twenty minutes. Is it Jesus or not? As you will see, some of the sounds are like the

eerie noises you get in films about aliens..."

Angels sealing men and women on the forehead will come as no surprise to those prepared to accept the summoning of angels into Christian meetings.

Marc Dupont, a senior leader in the revival, actually offered the seal of God to several of those who attended a meeting led by Wes Campbell. He went on record as saying that angels would come to seal men and women with the cross:

"Talk about paradigm shifts, many people are losing their paradigms and that's what needs to happen...I believe God wants to put his mark on many of you, even right now...he wants to put a mark on you...we're going to, uh, I see in the Spirit the angel, an angel, I don't know if it's the angel of the Lord, but angels are going to come and the Holy Spirit is going to put a cross on some of you..."

This next quote shows where the teaching leads, and introduces the idea that the "mind of christ" is received by spiritual impartation in the glory cloud.

"In a parable, Jesus suggests that angels are not in any way prohibited from contact with man's "soul" (Lk. 16:22). And even fallen angels are allowed by God to alter the activities of men (and necessarily, of their minds; Read II Chron. 18:18-22). The very brainwaves of man are controlled by the angels, at the behest of God. The brain, after all, is simply a collection of brain-cells; thoughts (the scientists tell us) are simply electrical currents passing through synapses. It would appear that man's brain is controlled by the different kinds of angels, depending on the basic orientation of that man. If your life is dedicated to Christ and His Kingdom, the heavenly host of God, the "Spirit-Cloud," ministers to you and advances your sanctification." ["Demonic Delusion vs. Angelic Synapses." Vine & Fig Tree 12314 Palm Dr. #107 Desert Hot Springs, CA92240]

3) Overshadowing as Receiving the Mind of Christ

John G. Lake is a hero of the revival, being one early example of a minister who (according to his biographer Keith Davis) demonstrated all the attributes of a latter-rain apostle. Davis writes that "Lake taught that it was the tendency of the average Christian to stop at the redemption of their spirit. He believed that it was equally as important for the believer to allow the Holy Spirit to sanctify the soul and the body in order for the individual to become the habitation of God. The sanctification of the soul literally involves the impartation of the mind of Christ."

George Warnock, the grandfather of the sonship doctrines, also wrote of a drastic and radical change of mind, a transformation of mind, brought about by an impartation. He pictures it as a "precious jewel" placed "on the forehead of the bride". This transformed mind is not just the renewal brought about in the ordinary Christian life by feeding on the word of God. It is a change out of the human mind into the VERY MIND OF GOD:

"It is not merely in the mind being activated to enjoy an intellectual concept of Truth, and to appreciate from a rational standpoint the facts of redemption. It is rather in the mind being 'renewed' and renovated so completely and so drastically that it verily [in truth and reality] becomes 'the mind of Christ.' There is a complete TRANSFORMATION (his emphasis), a complete change, out of the natural and into the spiritual, out of the soulish and into the realm of the Spirit of God." [George Warnock: "Evening and Morning"]

But we do not receive a ready-made "mind of christ" as a kind of brain-implant from outside by being overshadowed by a forcefield, but by growing in the knowledge and understanding of the things of God.

The real "mind of christ" is not a spiritual impartation, but right thinking brought about by right belief. It is found by forsaking worldly thinking and living out the words and nature of God by the Holy Spirit - a day by day, gradual and lifelong process for every believer.

In the new doctrine, however, both the sealing of God and the overshadowing are described as receiving the mind of Christ. And this concept is not limited to the churches, but is found also in occult circles. Here a New Pentecost is promised:

"By mentally overshadowing all mankind simultaneously, He will come into telepathic rapport with all humanity everywhere, and we shall hear his words silently entering our minds, in our own language. Thus will be repeated, only now on a world scale, what happened at Pentecost; and in celebration of this event, Pentecost will become one of the major festivals of the new world religion which the Christ will eventually inaugurate. Our response to his call will determine the future of the world." [Description of the overshadowing of the Maitreya.]

The next quote confirms and amplifies this teaching. Although the new-age Maitreya is not (in my belief at least) the antichrist, these people are receiving information from demons - the doctrine of demons - that prepare them for what is to happen in the last days. Both the new-age and the Church expect a powerful spiritual overshadowing that will change men's minds. Although the details differ, the delusion is exactly the same.

"Let me make the facts somewhat clearer and enlarge somewhat upon these three modes of His appearing, of His coming, His advent and of His physical recognition by humanity:

- 1. By His overshadowing of all initiates and disciples ...This overshadowing or influencing will be His primary work upon the mental plane. This will constitute one of His most effective methods in His proposed spiritual interference in world affairs.*
- 2. By the pouring out of the Christ life or consciousness upon the masses everywhere and in every nation. This spiritual inflow will bring about the reorienting of human desire and will evoke the emotional reaction to His Presence. ...The masses everywhere will be responsive to the work and the message of the Christ, as it is implemented from the mental plane by the disciples and initiates, overshadowed by the mind of Christ...*
- 3. His physical appearance among men... [From "The Day Of Declaration" on a site promoting the Maitreya]*

On a site called "The Latter Rain" we find a strange mixture of Christian, gnostic, apostolic and occult teaching which sees the implanted 'mind of christ' as the collective consciousness of man:

"The prophetic collective will reveal the Manifest Sons of God ... Jesus won't come back until we unite ourselves to His body and attune our minds to His, not the mind of man.We as a church will not be all we can be until we are able to harness the psychic energy of the historical collective consciousness of the mind of Christ."

The same ideas about overshadowing, the impartation of a new mind, and the bringing forth of a new order of christ-men on earth (the Manifest Sons) are found in so many religions that we must conclude the Plan for the antichrist rule has been planted in minds and hearts the world over, even in the Christian churches.

Under the cover of spiritual allegory and scriptural patterns and types, new doctrines - the doctrines of demons - have been sown in the Church.

Demonic manipulation of mankind is called "overshadowing by the Spirit"; implanting demonic doctrines into men's minds is called "receiving the mind of christ"; the worldwide reign of the antichrist and his thuggish followers is called "the kingdom reign of God"; and the terrible persecution of the saints is "the purification of the Bride" and is conducted not by the Beast and his fallen angels, but by "the manchild" and his angelic helpers!

This "mind of christ" they are receiving is unfortunately making them incapable of seeing the truth even when it's in front of their noses. This new mind changes the scriptures out of all recognition and alters the meaning of everything. It turns black into white, and white into black. It turns error into truth and truth into error. It portrays God's obedient and discerning remnant as heretics fit only for the fires of hell, and it elevates blind, aggressive, scripture-twisting false prophets into divine "sons of god".

The Seal of God on the forehead as the Mind of Christ

One aspect of the coming seal of God is the impartation of the mind of Christ. One writer says:

"The fact that certain judgements were prophesied to come on those that 'have not the seal of God in their foreheads' (Rev 9:4) clearly indicates that there is a seal that God places on those who are His own. I believe that this seal is the 'mind of Christ'.

The forehead represents the mind." [Forehead Seal of God vs. Forehead Mark of Beast]

Warnock also said, as many modern writers do, that the seal of God on the forehead, received by the overcomers, the Remnant, or the 144 thousand firstfruits unto God is the impartation of the mind of Christ:

"The Overcomers: Let us consider briefly the character of these overcoming ones. Sealed with the seal of God in their foreheads. It's about time we lift our foreheads to God to receive His seal, instead of talking so much about the mark of the Beast! The mark of the Lamb of God will make us totally immune to the mark of the Dragon! The mark and seal of the Lamb of God is the mind of Christ.... In union with the Son they have partaken of the Father' nature. Therefore the Father's Name is in their foreheads... not blasphemously spelled out in some earthly language, nor visible to the eyes of men among whom they walk... but spelled out in the language of the Spirit, by the imprint of the Father's nature and character in their lives. " [Warnock: From Tent to Temple]

Notice that these overcomers, or chosen Remnant, by the overshadowing of the glory cloud have partaken of the divine nature of God and have received the mind of Christ, which is the same as receiving the sealing on the forehead.

A new-ager would agree, for the "third eye" of spiritual understanding is located in the centre of the forehead, and anyone who has known the overshadowing of

the Avatar has become enlightened in his third, spiritual, or inward eye!

"The world disciples are beginning to be governed and controlled by the throat and heart centres, and are also beginning to transfer the forces which have thus been raised to the heart and throat, to the ajna centre between the eyebrows, in the middle of the forehead. When this has been done, the man is then an integrated personality. [Alice Bailey, "Seven Rays" Vol2, Chap2]

Christians, because of such doctrines, are beginning to expect an anointing, an overshadowing from above, that will place within their minds a NEW MIND, symbolised by the seal of God in the centre of the forehead.

But it's much more than this! The event will not only alter the physical structure of the brain, it will alter the physical body so that it resembles the resurrection body of Jesus. This event (variously called the "adoption of the sons of God", or the "redemption of the body" or even the "rapture") is also the seal of God being placed on the foreheads of the chosen:

"This 'sealing' is nothing else but the placement of adoption spoken of in Romans - 'And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.' [Bill and Elaine Cook: Shofar Letters]

"And thou shalt make a plate of pure gold, and grave upon it, like the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD. ...And it shall be upon Aaron's forehead... (Exodus 28). The High Priest's mitre is one of the last parts of the priest's garments to be put on and it signifies the sealing with the mind of Christ, by our High Priest. This company of overcomers will receive authority and a commission to act in that authority at the sealing (with the mind of Christ). They shall experience the redemption of the body, spoken of in Romans 8.... ". [Larry and Betty Hodges, Shofar Letters, PO Box 728 Linwood, NC 27299]

Now we see how so many different aspects (sealing, the mind of Christ, the overshadowing, the transfiguration, the glory cloud, angelic ministry, an open heaven...) intertwine and tell the same story. In the quote above, we see how the GOLD is the plate upon the forehead bearing the engraved sign dedicating the person to God, and this is of course no less than the seal of God upon the forehead of the Remnant. So the gold also plays a part in this story.

But all, ALL, is a web of deception and the doctrine of demons. The two doctrines (Bible and new revelations) are being combined and introduced as a MIXTURE, here a little, there a little, line upon line, precept upon precept until the whole sinks in and infects everyone. I have presented here the raw doctrine, but you will never find in the churches these doctrines presented openly and fully. They are introduced slowly and carefully, one here and one there, but slowly the minds of Christians are changing to accept them. Hear what the Lord says about it:

"But they also have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way; the priest and the prophet have erred through strong drink, they are swallowed up of wine, they are out of the way through strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble in judgment.

For all tables are full of vomit and filthiness, so that there is no place clean.

Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts.

For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear.

But the word of the LORD was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken. (Isa 28:7-13)

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APPENDIX AND NOTES:

Constantine and the Sign of the Cross

There's much misunderstanding and error associated with Constantine, for some teach that he was converted to Christianity and so introduced the Christian era of peace and relief from persecution in the fourth century after Christ. Constantine's vision or dream of a cross is well known and is often treated by historians as a genuine vision from God.

However, the facts belie this. Constantine was, and remained, a sun-worshipper to the day of his death. (Remember that the cross is, above all, a sun/fire-symbol and emblem of the sun-god in all cultures. Some commentators have stated that the prehistoric cross sign was associated with FIRE because it represented the two fire-sticks that were rubbed together to create a spark.)

The story goes that Constantine, on his approach to Rome in the attempt to assert himself as Emperor, came to the barrier of the Milvian Bridge. There he sought his gods for favour. It is reported that he saw the sign of the cross in the sky and later in a dream heard a voice saying "in this sign, conquer" and after inscribing his banners and the breastplates of his soldiers with this cross, he won his battle and became emperor of Rome.

However, evidence from the time tells us that it was not the SIGN of the cross, but the NAME of Christ in the form of the transverse symbol "X" that was marked on Constantine's banners. Lactantius, the tutor of Constantine's son, writes: "Constantine was warned in a dream to make the celestial sign of God upon his soldiers' shields, and so to join battle. He did as he was bid, and with the transverse letter X circumflexing the head of it, he marks CHRIST on their shields. Equipped with this sign, his army takes the sword." (1)

This tells us that the X is a recognised emblem of the NAME of Christ in religious circles, and according to scripture it is the NAME of Christ that is marked on the foreheads of the Remnant.

An inscription of the period referring to this incident has the "X" as the sign Constantine used. In the Roman catacombs the inscription reads:

IN HOC VINCES

X

Although Constantine is often held up as the saviour of the Church, he was in fact its destroyer. He used the Christians in the same way that American politicians rise to power on the backs of the Christian lobby, knowing that there is influence over the common people to be gained in Christian circles.

Making Christianity the state religion, he threw open the Church and the faith for an invasion of pagan worship, and created a mixture of biblical belief and sun-worship that remains to this day. Overthrowing the customs of the early Christians (many of whom were Jews) he demanded that church worship take place on the "day of the sun", Sunday.

I am saying this because the cross of Constantine still stands for a COUNTERFEIT FAITH, and satan rarely lets a good idea go to waste. In the end of time he is still promising his leaders "in this sign (X) conquer". To the fact of a replacement or alternative cross symbol, the New Agers testify:

"The cross is not, as you well know, simply a Christian symbol. It is the great symbol of light and of consciousness and signifies the vertical light and the horizontal light, the power of attraction and the power of radiation, soul life and service.

The cross as now made in the Catholic Churches, touching the forehead, the heart and the two shoulders is the sign of matter...

The cross which the [esoteric disciples'] group will make is the cross of christ and of the christ consciousness. Gradually this cross of christ (the cross of the risen christ) will supersede the cross of matter and of the Mother aspect. Its likeness to the swastika

is obvious and will be one of the reasons for its disappearance". [Alice Bailey in "Glamour, a World Problem", Section 3]

(1) The actual words of Lactantius are these: "Communitus est in quiete Constantius, ut coeleste signum Dei notaret in scutis, atque ita proelium committeret. Fecit ut jussus est et transversa X litera summo capite circumflexo, Christum scutis notat. Quo signo armatus exercitus capit ferrum."

(2) Demons are drawn to anyone who indulges in spiritual interaction with their realm (even if it takes the form of misdirected "christian" worship). They seek to influence and use anyone who opens up to their guidance or power. But if they are subsequently thwarted or driven away or frightened off by the power of the Holy Spirit they will once again leave a believer, no matter what his or her spiritual condition.

They will then try again to see if that person is ready for more of their activity, and if so, will once again manipulate the soul and body of the person, regardless of whether he/she is born-again in the spirit or not.

They set up a yo-yo, come and go, arrangement in which the person is used whenever they are available. Only after a long period of familiarity, with no real repentance on the part of the believer does the demon consider that person his own possession or belonging or home, into which he is welcomed at any time. Thereafter, the person exhibits the nature of that demon on a more or less permanent basis, but still only when the demon is summoned, not at other times, and only in the SPECIFIC area that manifests the demon's nature. Thus, the believer most likely goes to church, prays, reads the Bible, watches Christian TV and listens to Christian music, and conducts most of his life as a normal Christian, unchanged from his normal nature, apart from that one area where the demon is motivating him. (Of course, if several different demons are allowed to use his/her human "house" the believer will exhibit more than one manifestation of demonic behaviour.)

It is entirely possible for believers to be propositioned by demons at any time they wander into their territory, and even to be temporarily influenced, without defiling themselves permanently. So long as the sin or activity is laid down and repented of, and put under the Blood, no lasting harm ensues. The sin lies in both embracing demonic influence and refusing to repent of it, not in being propositioned in the first place! (NB: not every sin brings a demon).

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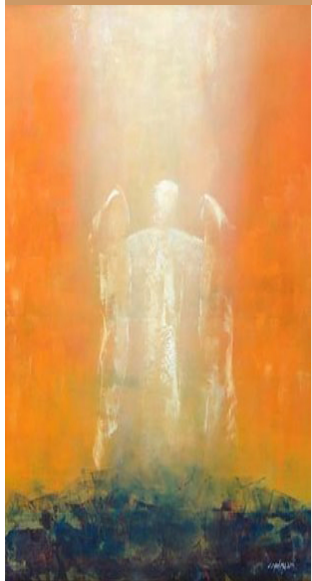
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The Glory Cloud
of a False Christ

Doctrines of Demons (Part TwoA)

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines [taught by] demons... (1 Tim 4:1 NKJ)

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In Part Two, several aspects of the coming "overshadowing" were exposed. These involved the birth of a divine manchild, control by a spiritual force of some kind, and the receiving of a new mind.

In Part Three we will move on to examine other important aspects of this "overshadowing" - although all that we discuss is really part and parcel of the same experience of overshadowing. The experience is described by a number of related prophetic parables, and contains a number of different aspects that intertwine and correlate to one another:

- **OVERSHADOWING AS THE GLORY CLOUD INDWELLING THE CHURCH**
- **OVERSHADOWING AS THE GOLD COVERING OF THE DIVINE NATURE**
- **OVERSHADOWING AS THE TRANSFIGURATION OR RAPTURE**

All the while, it's necessary to remember that these doctrines are founded on a misunderstanding of scripture and represent the doctrine of demons.

That is, demons whose task it is to deceive Christians have implanted these teachings at the heart of the Church. These doctrines do not represent sound biblical teaching, even though they use scriptures as proof texts.

HOWEVER, they DO represent a preparation for major events that WILL take place in the Church sooner or later. That is why we expose them.

The actual events will probably be far more subtle and devious than the events as described by Revivalists and Apostolic ministries. The devil has a tendency to exaggerate. But in the days just before the Lord's return, there will be signs and wonders, deceptive events and spiritual pressures upon us all to conform to these new doctrines. If we know about them in advance, we are much more likely to resist them.

Interrupted by the Lord

The introduction above was written in preparation for Part Three of the series. But something happened to interrupt the flow of that nicely organised little piece of research! The Lord seemed to direct me to warn of what is coming in practical terms, and how to cling to Him - the Lord of All - in response.

This was not my intention. However, I now feel that it would be good to offer this portion of the series as part 2A, inserting it as an additional piece before I move on to Part Three.

This part of the series now contains my description of the overshadowing as it might affect YOU, and ministry from the Lord on how to withstand it. This could become very important soon.

If I am totally wrong, then you can just bin this and forgive me for being alarmist. I'm not perfect and don't pretend to be. Neither do I pretend to have a direct hotline to heaven that receives everything like reading the morning's newspaper. However, on occasion God does use me to warn people in advance about things.

Although there's always a risk that what I say here may turn out to be wide of the mark, there's an even greater risk that - if I hold back - I will have missed the opportunity to help you. So in that light, here goes...

The Eagles are Gathering

First, let me give a report of an apostolic/prophetic conference where the leaders gathered to organise their New Order on behalf of all Christians! This conference spoke openly of the "overshadowing of love" and the coming of "the glory".

The events were prophesied (in August 1999) to happen almost immediately. (Clearly this did NOT happen as predicted! The leadership of this revival have presented a hundred-and-one prophecies of the "new wave" and the "overshadowing of love" and suchlike, but none of this has come to pass. This does not appear to worry them. They just move on to the next batch of false prophecies hoping their devoted following will continue to trust them, just as the Jehovah's Witnesses do with regard to their many failed "end-of-the-world" predictions, and the New-Agers do with regard to their false "christ" failing to keep his numerous promises to appear and change the world!)

Nonetheless, something is in the air. There's a growing anticipation within revival camps for a "new wave" or some kind of climax. Eventually the dam will burst and whatever is to come forth (God knows) WILL come forth. It will NOT be precisely as the false prophets predict, but it WILL be a major spiritual event that will affect you, and I want you to be ready for that event whenever it might take place; so the best time to prepare is right here and now.

"A GATHERING OF EAGLES" PROPHETIC CONFERENCE

hosted by Pastors Bill and Marsha Burns of Faith Tabernacle

Kremmling, Colorado - August 20, 21, 22 1999

Speakers included Bill Burns, John Moore, Glenn Jackson, Marsha Burns, Pam Clark, Stephen Hanson, Meri Burlingame, Bob Neumann, Jim Rinker, Priscilla VanSutphin, and Suzin McNeill.

NB: In previous versions of this article, what followed was a report prepared by a revival-supporter who summarised the prophecies and predictions of the leaders. She has now demanded that I remove all trace of her name and report, and in the light of the number of false prophecies on which she reported, I can understand if she doesn't want to stand by her conclusions.

*Other prophetic websites have likewise removed all traces of the conference "prophecies" - could this be a cover-up exercise? I wonder, **since none of the predicted events actually took place!** (But that didn't stop them issuing a new list of predictions for the year 2000, and I have no doubt whatever that the new "prophecies" will be no more accurate than the 1999 ones.)*

*Also, despite the fact that these leaders see themselves as the New Order government for the entire Church, they want to keep their statements and plans **secret**. This was confirmed by one supporter who said the Lord told him the conference was **for "top brass" military leadership only** and that although what they were going to do was strategic and very important, their conclusions were **confidential** and "meant only for a limited group of people with the same call and vision".*

*The revival leadership have always been wary of public examination of their words and deeds, despite claiming to speak for ALL Christians and the entire global Church! That is because they know what they say cannot stand up to close, biblical scrutiny. Nevertheless, the facts themselves are in the public domain, so in order to apprise you of those facts, I present **my own summary** of the conference in question.*

Prophecies and teachings included these:

- We are now in the "season of miracles" and nothing short of the Eternal PRESENCE of God on earth is to be expected.
- The "old order" is passed away, together with its creation.
- UNITY is vital and God is bringing apostles and prophets together; he will no longer work through individuals but desires a corporate expression of himself. We must come into full visible UNITY and if we do, what will happen will exceed the Book of Acts.
- God wants us to have an act of intimacy with Jesus as in a marriage bed; He's looking for a helpmeet like Eve, a mature lover to birth souls.
- The much-longed for spiritual breakthrough and "downpour" of the latter rain is going to happen in 1999 [it didn't]. September 1999 will be a tremendous month as never before experienced. Before October 1999 an overpowering love will be poured out from Heaven and everything in the Body will be put to rights. It

will convict everyone, disclose all sin, heal all hearts and relationships, and set hearts on fire; a deep reverence for God will overtake all. The Harvest will be gathered in as people flock to repent.

- We will be delivered from everything, given wisdom, answers, love and by October 1999 we will be living under an OPEN HEAVEN! We are not talking in terms of years, but days and hours before all this is fulfilled.
- Everything will be restored, there will be no veil and no sin!

Based on various bible passages, the teaching emerged that:

- We are being made into prophets, priests and kings in the New Temple.
- The glory of this latter Temple, the endtimes manifestation of the sons of God, will be far more glorious than the former Temple (the Temple of God in Jerusalem).
- Jesus will not physically return until after we have restored all things on earth.
- We are to be a "spiritual Temple" as Jesus comes again invisibly, WITHIN US. The kingdom comes with "no observation".
- People must respect the network of governing authority being set up. Where government is, justice follows - people must pass under the rod, and rebels and transgressors will be purged.
- The Glory will come upon you - watch for it and pray for it to happen soon. At the end of the age, the Body is brought together in covenant.

[My Note: especially worrying is the idea of another covenant at the "end of the church age". Since we are already saved under the New Covenant in His Blood, what is this additional covenant that is being proposed?]

There was much talk also of KINGDOM AUTHORITY AND GOVERNMENT. There was a repeated call to "rise up in Kingdom Authority with the Keys of the Kingdom"; people must submit to the apostles as they become the Head of the Church, the Governmental rule. There can be no order or law without this Government.

"This GATHERING had actually one main purpose....to be a "prophetic demonstration" ... of THE RESTORATION OF DIVINE GOVERNMENT. ... Call it Apostolic, I don't care - Apostles clean up the messes children make. Apostles keep order in the house. The King sets the Rules...THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KING OF GLORY IS BASED ON A "ROYAL PRIESTHOOD" whose sole purpose is to minister unto the King ...

The purpose of the Gathering was to restore two things missing in today's "church". They are simple government and purpose. ...KINGDOM AUTHORITY has been re-established. So how we align in humble submission to THE KINGDOM and THE KING is all that counts.

Bill Burns set the stage by coming forth and placing THE ORDER of MELCHEZADEK before us. ... The Priesthood of MELCHEZADEZ.... combines and expands the roles of Moses and Aaron. In fact this priesthood combines the role of David with those of Priest and Levite. In other words KING, PRIEST AND PROPHET in one [corporate] JESUS....THE LAMB OF GOD on whose shoulders all government rests. HE is both KING who reigns, and blue print on which the KINGDOM is built.

"NEW JERUSALEM is based upon DIVINE ORDER. So Government was described and placed before those gathered. What came next was PURPOSE ... That was where John Moore came in. John spoke clearly of purpose in describing "Manifest Destiny". John placed a cold, hard, tool before us. GOVERNMENT has come to a "lawless land" and our "MANIFEST DESTINY" will be met. It indeed was a remarkably clear description of both the world and the church without KINGDOM GOVERNMENT. ... When Government comes in, ORDER is established. Without Government there is just JUNGLE MENTALITY and LAWLESSNESS.

"... there is a KING who desires to reestablish proper GOVERNMENT through a HOLY PRIESTHOOD. That this was the DESTINY for America spoken from the FOUNDATION of the WORLD, and now being made manifest by PROPHETIC DECLARATION and GESTURE. Again this was begun by the presentations of Bill Burns and John L Moore." [all emphasis in original]

- Glenn Jackson brought to those in attendance the visualization of a place of ascendancy to which we were being called.
- Marsha Burns placed before us an image of diversity coming into unity for purpose.
- Stephen Hanson who spoke about THE REBUILDING of THE CHURCH that must take place.
- Pam Clark shared her vision of the role of the prophetic.

"At this point things were full circle. THE KING and THE KINGDOM were declared as GOVERNMENT is reestablished so a GLORIOUS CHURCH/CITY/BRIDE would be brought forth that would be intimate and be one with THE KING.

"Civil justice is a sham....but the issue of DIVINE JUSTICE is lacking within the Religious Systems that call itself Christian. Abuse and lawlessness abound "within the camp". For this reason those who heard HIS CALL and came to Kremmling were summoned.

"For a long time we have waited for THE KING TO COME. Now THE KING is saying "I AM here and setting MY HOUSE IN ORDER". I AM BRINGING LAW AND ORDER to this wilderness we call AMERICA and CHURCH....we are being drafted into DUTY, and that duty is to ENFORCE THE KING'S PEACE in a LAND RECLAIMED

"It is time to go into the pits all around us and to carry them [traditionalists] to freedom. Simply reciting quaint King James verses does not get it done. For we have been sent to tell THE WORLD AND CHURCH SYSTEMS that THE KING'S DAY TO AVENGE THE WIDOWS is now here. So we will no longer be silent and allow evil to prosper. We will Speak and Declare THE KINGDOM and ENFORCE HIS PEACE wherever and whenever required." [bold emphasis mine]

One who added his own commentary to the Conference reports reminded his readers that many disasters are built upon the sands of false prophecies.

Therefore, he urged all to "judge" all that you hear and read in the scales of THE MOST HOLY SPIRIT. 1 Corinthians 2:13-16. That turned out to be wise advice for something as false as the above words, supposedly from a God whose presence manifested itself and spoke to all at the Conference!

ADDITIONAL: Now you can also read a report for the year 2000 "Gathering of Eagles " conference, which is yet more alarming than the 1999 one. As year follows year the false prophecies grow more extreme and the militancy grows more fervent. Revolution is in the air!

The 2000 conference covers "Battlefield Commissions", "The Lord's Army", "Weapons of War" including the battle-axe, "Gatekeepers" who have the keys of the kingdom and can open and shut heaven, the birth of the Manchild, the "impartation of the mind of christ" (see this phrase explained as the mark of God on the forehead, later in this series!), explanations of how to progress through the Tabernacle to the Holy of Holies (spiritual levels), the "Third Day" (again, see later in this series), and much more besides. Click on <http://ft111.com/conference2000.htm>

Overshadowed by the Wings of the Dove

For many years I have believed that some kind of major deception will be launched by an "overshadowing".

I see this as an intensive demonic influence on minds and emotions, rather like a wave of feeling travelling round the world.

As an example of mass manipulation of emotions (although this time grief, not joy, but the principle is the same) I would like to remind you of the outpouring of grief at the death of Princess Diana - two years ago today to be exact!

At that time, something rather surreal and eerie happened in this country (UK) that went way beyond the normal feelings of sadness when somebody in the news dies. Corporately rather than individually, the country was seized by a kind of deep grief people couldn't explain, and Britain went into mourning for a week. At the time, it felt unnatural and strangely supernatural, and I was led to make comparisons with the crowd control I'd seen on film of Hitler's rallies, and in Branham meetings.

It was like a dry run of something - to see if it were possible to control the whole country simultaneously by the power of emotions, and apparently, it IS!

If it's possible to inflict grief on an entire country, then it's equally possible to implant euphoria in order to induce acceptance of the New Order.

(On a scientific note of explanation, it's well known that a slight modification of brain patterns can lead to a feeling of physical and mental well-being, and that certain brain chemicals also produce such feelings. Satan's realm of operation is the natural world and he will no doubt utilise these brain functions to manipulate mankind. We MUST therefore become familiar with the differences between physical/mental stimulation and spiritual peace or joy.)

Physical/mental happiness and well-being must not become the impetus for your spiritual decisions, whatever anybody tells you.

Hope for a Dying World?

There's another aspect of this event that I feel the need to share: this will be a scenario that offers a fresh start for the world, new hope for the oppressed and an end to frustration and rejection for believers.

If I'm right, this event, whatever it is, will in some way offer to get us all out of a hole.

Those who have been praying for changes in their nation and the world will perhaps be tempted to see this as an answer to all their prayers - at long last the waiting is over and we have turned the corner; we need no longer believe in a decline into apostasy and wickedness, but have hope for peace and renewal.

There are many Christians and others outside the Toronto/Brownsville camps - ordinary Christians - who still believe in a revival before Jesus comes. (I'm not arguing with their right to do that, if it's something they genuinely believe from scripture - only pointing out that it makes them a little more vulnerable to deception). They believe we have time to see the world repent and change for the better, to allow millions to be saved before the End.

This event (and I don't know exactly what form it would take) would confirm these hopes and longings and thus be a great temptation to many Christians, even though they are opposed to Toronto.

Again, those who already have an a-millennial or post-millennial mindset are in greater danger of being deceived for they already believe in some kind of Golden Age for the Church before Jesus returns. (As I said, I'm not criticising people's stand on the scriptures, just pointing out the problems it might bring.)

ONLY those who still believe that the endtimes are characterised by deception, apostasy, tribulation, lying signs and wonders, increasing wickedness and trials (even martyrdom) for true believers will easily (maybe not so easily, even then!!) spot a massive global deception offering peace and hope to a dying world.

Christmas Spirit

It has occurred to me many times that CHRISTMAS and the New Year festivities would be the perfect time for this event to be launched. In the pagan world (and Christmas is at heart a pagan feast - see my [article](#) on the subject here) the introduction of a New Era and a New King took place at this time. This Yule feast represented the death of the old and the birth of the new. The baby was born and celebrated as saviour of the people. (Thus it easily slipped into being a celebration of the birth of Jesus.)

Jesus no doubt fulfilled all the stories and myths throughout all centuries of the birth of a King who would save the world - we need look for no other. But at Christmas there is always an effort to "bring down" a new era of some kind or to create a wave of goodwill that will change people's thinking. Every year on December 31st, new-agers gather to intone their rituals and chant the Great Invocation inviting love to flood the earth. Some Christians (sadly) do the same. Christmas is already a time when people let down their defenses and get into the "Christmas spirit" - literally! - and a huge wave of fellow-feeling and goodness swamps us. At present this is largely commercially induced but it's there, nevertheless.

I would not be in the least surprised to see Christmas and New Year celebrations (one year, not necessarily this year) used to present some new HOPE and LOVE to the world and for all of us this would be very tempting, wanting as we do to see answers to the world's problems.

A New Sound

Another development that I believe could contribute to the overshadowing is in the area of sound or music. New tones are being discovered that affect the body and mind of man. The revivalists have also been looking for a "new sound" that they believe will change the mindset of the world and "convert people" without

their having heard the Gospel.

These subjects must be explored at a later date.

An imaginary Journey into the Overshadowing

The following concerns an imaginary person, and is generalised. There is no intention to induce guilt or fear in anyone. People's reactions will of course vary.

Imagine that you are going about your daily life, feeling overworked, slightly depressed, unappreciated, bored and in a rut. Your marriage is routine, nothing sparks you into life any more, your worries get on top of you and you frequently wonder if there's more to life than this. (In other words - you are NORMAL!!)

In your heart, despite believing in God, you have hidden strong emotions that your relationship with God never satisfied. You have felt rejected by others, inadequate, and that makes you sad and fearful of showing emotion. You feel somehow that others look down on you and criticise you. Despite being saved, you don't FEEL loved. You have needs that nobody knows about, and hurts that you are unable to share with others.

God has been showing you your hurts and trying to bring you to the point of relinquishing them to Him, believing in his power of healing. He's been talking to you about paying less heed to yourself and your wants and needs, and more attention to walking in His Spirit.

Like a light at the end of the tunnel, you see God's solution to your problems in Himself, but somehow you can't let go and trust Him enough to find the fulness of that light. You feel a perverse delight in nursing your wounds, and blaming other people for making you this way. You know you should forgive, and let it go, but you can't, you won't. You want to try and resolve it by yourself, and then you'll commit to God, only then....

So, carrying around this unresolved conflict (as most of us do) you are mentally and emotionally ready for what it to come.

The Dam Breaks!

One day (and the circumstances are not the important concern here) a massive wave of love encircles the globe. This is not just ordinary love. This is love that can be FELT, a love so rich, so powerful, so embracing that fills up the void in your heart and makes you so happy that you can hardly contain yourself. This is a wave of pure euphoria, like being on a rollercoaster and making love at the same time. You tingle, you shake, you can hardly breath. This is a feeling, not a spiritual doctrine, but it seems to make sense of your life in a way that dusty old scriptures never did.

You sense that if you give yourself entirely over to this pressing wave of intensity, and submit to its flow, and let yourself be swept along with the floodtide, you will never be the same. Your life will somehow be complete at last. All the needs and longings will be met, and you will be whole. You have hope, and excitement, instead of uncertainty about your future.

It's like having somebody immensely powerful and divine put his arms around you in a cosmic embrace and affirm you as a human being - and this Being says "you are worthy, you are important, you are loved, you have a place in my plan; you can be something and be appreciated by the people around you."

God's Warning Bell

Way back in the recesses of your mind, there's an annoying hint of a warning bell ringing. Wasn't there something you read about the ecstasies experienced by the mystics, their "spiritual marriage" with Jesus and how wrong that was... didn't you come across a web site that warned of this feeling of euphoria being part of the endtime deception, the wooing of the spirit of love? And hadn't somebody else told you that feelings weren't to be trusted?

And God had recently been letting you see how deceptive the human heart is, and how wrong it was to nurse unforgiveness against others, blaming them for your feelings of rejection.

He even reached out and offered to become all-in-all to you, but it was too scary, and the price was too high - he said you'd have to lay down your grudges and all those well-worn and strangely comforting thoughts of how people have abused you.

He said your desperate quest for personal affirmation, well-being and self-esteem was in fact a dead end and just ministered to your human pride. (You didn't like that!) He said you should turn things on their head, lay down your desires to BE somebody in your own right, and be one with HIS greatness instead. But that would of course mean 'dying' to your self-esteem, and your need for revenge. It would require a leap of faith, placing all your trust unreservedly in HIM for fulfillment.

And you knew that going God's way would not elevate you to a successful place of influence and power in this world - quite the opposite! Following Jesus would mean yet more ridicule, rejection and unpopularity, if not out-and-out persecution. The only real hope would be the afterlife in heaven, and the only real satisfaction would be walking in obedience to Him.

But what about love? You desperately want to FEEL affirmed and comforted and loved and to know the warm embrace of acceptance, and after all - you deserve it, don't you? And why shouldn't you make a better life here and now? God is asking you to commit yourself to Him without ANY of that! To take Him on trust. And what about if he let you down, or didn't give you all you needed?

No, THIS is much easier, this wave of love and fulfillment. It makes you feel wonderful, and it requires you to do nothing more than relax and be carried along. It gives you all you need, NOW, at once, with no strings attached. If offers a hope and a future in this life, now. How can it be wrong?

Ever seen a fish sizing up the bait on the end of a fishing line? Or an animal gazing at the tasty bit of meat in a trap? Sooner or later, the natural urge to eat overcomes the fear of what might happen as a result and - snap! the trap is closed.

Natural urges are the driving force in satan's kingdom and whoever is ruled by them is overcome by them in the end.

"Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness? Rom 6:16

Satan is Stumped by your Will

We should have been learning to reject the ways of the flesh. (God has been very merciful in giving us years of practice on this one! The process of being rejected by our friends, cast out of churches, maligned and isolated has taught us to trust GOD above all, and not to pay heed to our feelings.

Also, we have watched as our friends gave in to their needs and desires and went along with the Toronto manifestations simply because they had unfulfilled "lusts" in their lives - they wanted a mystical "more" that God wasn't giving them, and they got it, at a terrible price. We watched this and took warning from it.)

But here is one important piece of information for you - Satan can never take away your free will. He may torment you, tempt you, pressure you, blind you, woo you, but whatever he does he cannot remove your FREE WILL CHOICE.

If Satan were allowed to deceive people without their consent, to judge such people would not be fair, since they have not made a freewill choice. But just as God held Adam and Eve responsible for their own actions, despite the fact they were deceived by the serpent, so will he hold you and me responsible for our choice when tempted by this new wave.

Remember this - however tempted you might be to give in to feelings of warmth, excitement, euphoria, ecstasy and love, you can still decide not to submit, and if you truly love God that is what you will do, however difficult it might be. The TRUTH is more important than your FEELINGS! (Do you believe that - I hope so!)

It's not often realised that Satan has to get your PERMISSION in some way, even by trickery, before he can afflict you or deceive you. (Why else do you think teachers in revival meetings browbeat people to "stop resisting", "don't analyse", "don't pray" and "don't think beforehand, just submit". If you had time to think it through, in the calm clear light of day, you'd probably refuse to give your permission to be overcome by a strong feeling or experience. So, people are wooed into NOT thinking about it.)

Satan knocks as loudly as possible at your door, trying to scare you into a gut-reaction, but you still have to OPEN the door to receive his influences!

He acts rather like a terrorist who rushes into a crowded place, gun in hand, shouting and screaming at the top of his voice, aggressively commanding people to do what he wants. They are intimidated by all the noise and shouting and instinctively obey. However, if some brave soul says NO, sometimes this throws the gunman and he doesn't know quite how to handle that situation. Bullies make a lot of noise, but rarely know how to handle resistance. Remember that, because Satan is a bully, but he's also a COWARD.

Satan is dumbfounded when a Christian deliberately stops to think about an experience, tests it by the Word, prays about it, and asks God for confirmation. That is definitely what he DOES NOT want, and he's scared of it.

Never allow yourself to be threatened, manipulated, wooed, bullied, pushed, intimidated, hustled or driven into accepting something unless you are 100 percent totally SURE it's biblical, from God, and without any taint of deception. You need to know FOR YOURSELF, and NOT take the word of others! Don't just follow the crowd, but always make your own decision based on your own relationship with the Saviour.

If you haven't had time to think and pray about something new, and feel under pressure in some way to act - DON'T DO ANYTHING! God never pressures

His people in this way. He waits patiently and gives enough time for you to willingly and wholeheartedly agree with Him.

God's little flock are already familiar with this practical day-to-day waiting on the Lord, because of all the deceptions and stumblingblocks thrown at them requiring them to stop and consider their way. Thank you, Lord, for giving opportunities to practise this! When the overshadowing comes it will not be any great problem to reject it.

However, some people are still sailing too close to the wind, and the warnings contained in this article apply to them rather than obedient believers.

What becomes of the Victims of the Overshadowing?

But take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that Day come on you unexpectedly. For it will come as a snare on all those who dwell on the face of the whole earth. Watch therefore, and pray always that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man. (Luke 21:34-36)

What will happen if people DO submit and let this overshadowing take hold of their souls? Well, a number of things, but at first probably nothing much more than intense satisfaction and joy. That's the bait - the tasty morsel that contains the hook.

Once swallowed, that hook will begin to work its way into the person's heart and they will become "hooked on love" to such an extent that they will be prepared to follow any creed or group in order to be part of the exciting new move.

Somebody with a deep problem of rejection may feel, with the overshadowing of love and satisfaction, that their problems have been solved. However, what will happen is that the deepset feelings of sadness and grief and rejection have not been resolved nor healed, but wrapped up in another feeling that overpowers them.

They now have a different focus, a pleasing and thrilling one, but one that is entirely wrong and misleading. They have set out on the wrong path leading away from the Narrow Way.

When the first flush of excitement wears off, the grief and sadness and emptiness returns, worse than ever before, now also stimulated by the spirits that are manipulating the emotions of this person. To relieve his suffering, he must again seek out a way to experience the drug he needs, so he will gladly go with those who are part of the system and know how to help him.

[Note: to avoid clumsiness in writing this, I have adopted the word "him" to apply to both men and women.]

In addition, his mind becomes gradually more and more clouded to reality and reason, and passively accepting of the new implanted doctrines.

Here is where Satan really scores. He cares little whether the person is going to church, reading the bible or whatever if he can get him to reinterpret

everything according to demonic new-order teachings. Christians remain outwardly orthodox, and are even more zealous than before, but inwardly are deceived and bound.

Through the mental and emotional manipulations of the spirits accepted in this overshadowing, the person cannot think straight or gain possession of his reason; he drifts in a kind of fog, grasping at straws, and the new ideas seem the only way out. They somehow seem right, in way he can't explain, and he defends them as his only hope of sanity while his boat is being tossed on the waves of all these new experiences.

He has put his own feelings, his own safety and well-being, and his own life in this world, ahead of his service to the Lord.

What has happened in effect is this person has disobeyed God and lost sight of the Lord's specific commands applying to the endtimes delusions:

Remember Lot's wife. Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it. (Luke 17:32-36)

He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal. If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour. (John 12:25-26)

And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it. For what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose himself, or be cast away? For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels. (Luke 9:23-26)

Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh! Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire. (Matt 18:7-9)

We are Not Helpless Victims

We are not helpless. We should not see ourselves as "victims in the face of an overpowering enemy". However powerful demons might be (or appear to be) they are NO MATCH FOR GOD. Don't let yourself be cowed into believing you are helpless or powerless. You might indeed FEEL frightened or powerless, perhaps, but that's no indication of your real condition in God.

God is your strength, your strong tower, your defender, your shield, the One who does battle on your behalf.

Ye shall not need to fight in this battle: set yourselves, stand ye still, and see the salvation of the LORD... (2 Chr 20:17)

And all this assembly shall know that the LORD saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle is the LORD's and he will give you into our hands. (1 Sam 17:47)

You might be David in front of Goliath but you have David's obedience and God's aim for your stones! The verse from 2 Chronicles says "set yourselves" - that means, stand firm in your faith and belief in God as Defender.

James says much the same thing using the picture of a wrestler (in his day a wrestler was more like the Japanese version than our Western one - so picture him as large, feet apart and immovable as a brick wall, defying anyone to budge him) "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." (James 4:7)

Paul used the picture of a soldier in full armour standing firm against the enemy, along with his fellow-soldiers creating a solid wall of resistance behind their shields. In this way the "darts of the enemy" could not penetrate their forces.

Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore... (Eph 6:13)

We do battle more by trusting the Lord than by trying to find strength within ourselves. Calling upon the name of the Lord is the answer. We must remember that Jesus has been given a name that is HIGHER (and therefore more authoritative) than any other name, whether in heaven, on earth or under the earth. (Eph 1:20-23)

"For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power..." (Col 2:9-10) There is no authority greater than Jesus Christ - and wonder of wonders, YOU are IN HIM. He has been given authority over every principality and power, and should you feel like giving the devil a hard time, just remind him of that.

The Name of Jesus is Our Defense

If Jesus Christ were a building, he would be a tall tower, and you would be safe inside that tower. He is your stronghold, your cleft in the Rock, your tower of defense. In his name there is power over every demon and over Satan himself.

The name of the LORD is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe. (Prov 18:10)

They compassed me about; yea, they compassed me about: but in the name of the LORD I will destroy them. They compassed me about like bees; they are quenched as the fire of thorns: for in the name of the LORD I will destroy them. Thou hast thrust sore at me that I might fall: but the LORD helped me. The LORD is my strength and song, and is become my salvation. (Ps 118:11-14)

When Under Pressure or Attack

Not only at the time of the "overshadowing" but at any time you are tempted or under pressure, or under attack, you'll need to have some idea how to resist.

In practical terms I can offer a few words of advice for those unused to such things.

If in any doubt, CRY OUT! Cry out HELP ME LORD JESUS!!!! Start praising God, and telling Him what confidence and faith you have in Him, and repeating aloud all that He is; confess the greatness and wonder and holiness of God. If no words seem to come, start singing a spiritual song, a hymn or Christian song with meaningful, scriptural words. Or if you have such songs on CD/tape, you could put that on as an aid.

Those of you who have been given a spiritual tongue of praise, now would be a good time to use it.

All of the above ends the silence of internal manipulation, and the thought processes that may have become overpowering, and externalises the battle so that you can consciously make a commitment to God.

Use his name. Your prayer might go something like this: "In the Name of Jesus, I resist and rebuke you, I WILL NOT ACCEPT YOU - depart from me you deceiver. You are a liar and a deceiver. My Lord is the Lord Jesus. He is my Head, my Spouse, my God, my Lord and another I will not take. Whatever my mind feels, whatever my body experiences, whatever thought you place in my mind, I refuse to heed them. They are as nothing to me. They cannot alter my choice nor control my will, for I will to serve God alone. My spirit is fixed! I am anchored to the ROCK, and I WILL NOT BE MOVED."

If your mind becomes cloudy or confused or blank, and you begin to be drawn despite your best intentions, open your Bible at once and begin to read aloud, speaking out the inspired words of God as if addressing the powers of evil. God will show you where to read, or if not, just find a passage that is meaningful to you and to the particular situation.

I don't want to scare you. In fact, I WISH I did not have to write in this way. I do so only because I love you all, brothers and sisters, and I feel moved to try and help you, faced with this coming event. A big battle lies before us. Who knows what weaknesses and fears this will bring to light in our hearts, things that (despite his warnings) we have not been able to give over to the Lord. However, HE KNOWS! I don't believe we should give in to despair or lose hope or become guilt-ridden because we are not yet perfect, for none of us is perfect and God knows that. Don't begin to dwell on how guilty and unprepared you feel, or how inadequate you are, because that is the highway to fear, which makes you much more receptive to the devil's lies.

The important thing to remember is, no matter what YOU are, HE is ALL! We are nothing compared to God. We are mere specks of dust compared to the greatness and glory of God. Our trust is in HIM, not ourselves at this time. The BATTLE BELONGS TO THE LORD.

Here is one hint for you. When I am plagued by thoughts, planted by the devil, of how sinful, weak, unprepared, foolish, lacking, disobedient (or whatever) I am, I don't waste my breath arguing my case or justifying my actions. I simply AGREE WITH THE DEVIL. "Yup, that's right! I AM weak, sinful, disobedient - fill in the dotted line -- so what, devil? I never claimed to be otherwise. My trust is not in MYSELF, but IN GOD - and HE IS PERFECT." That throws him. He realises if he's going to get to you, he has to get through the Lord Jesus first!

When any battle comes, it is God who will be our Defender.

For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall. (Isa 25:4)

So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him. (Isa 59:19)

When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee. (Isa 43:2)

Many times the Old Testament speaks of an FLOOD of the enemy forces. There is of course a literal aspect to this, both then and now. However, this flood also refers to a spiritual flood of demonic energy and manifestation. Those who have dreamt about tidal waves, floods and sea-surges have been seeing a spiritual portrayal of the overshadowing to come (and other associated events.)

Jesus also hinted at the parallels between the flood of Noah's day and the surge of enemy infiltration at the other end of time. He said the endtimes would be as the days of Noah, when suddenly and unexpectedly the flood came and swept them all away. (Those whom God had warned beforehand were in their specially-prepared vessel and came to no harm). Jesus was referring to more than just the overshadowing, I know, but there are elements in his warnings that do apply to the overshadowing none the less.

After the Flood

Some writers have described the aftermath of the spiritual flood in terms of a natural disaster like a tidal wave. Others have seen people beached, limp and exhausted, washed up and washed out. Maybe we will be washed out and spiritually exhausted, but we will be quite safe, in God. Having survived the worst, we can then turn our attention to praying for those around us. I believe we will witness a scene of chaos and utter devastation, but not visibly. The destruction will be happening in society, families, marriages and churches, and only the believers will perceive it.

There will be MANY who desperately need our help at this time. When we have recovered our strength we must realise that they will be looking for help, not knowing what to do. I feel that we must be prepared to help those in trouble, and especially care for the CHILDREN.

We will be called upon to support those around us with the Lord's strength and teach all who will listen to trust Him completely. We walk by faith, not by sight. We will be perceiving the problems that God shows us, and understanding things that nobody else perceives; therefore the world around will not understand a word we're saying! This will be SUCH a difficult time, but by God's grace we will stand.

Can we make a Difference?

Those who have gone with the wave MAY still be reached - at least I pray so - but it will be well nigh impossible. If they still have profound doubts, possibly we

might get to them, but they will need much prayer, and deliverance.

I believe God will raise up just the right kind of men and women who will know what to do. They will know how to pray. Now is not the time to think and worry about it. God will arrange all these things as we wait on him.

Just be ready to go where He asks and do what He says and you will be used as His minister. Don't feel inadequate. We are ALL inadequate for this. Only by depending on the Lord will we get through this difficult time.

At the same time that we are trying to recover ourselves, understand what is happening, and help others, there will be a tremendous increase of persecution against us and HATRED of us like never before. We will actually PHYSICALLY feel hatred coming over us at times! But as we run to the Strong Tower and hide in the Cleft of the Rock, we will fear nothing, and be unharmed.

God has brought us thus far by His grace, and He will see us through. He will not desert us now. As I write this I feel very moved, so full of words to say, but I can't express myself. I sense something coming and I want to help you, advise you, but I know that many will be lost. That saddens me in my spirit. I feel sure that I'm just experiencing a tiny part of what the Holy Spirit is experiencing, and sharing His love for the Body, and His concerns.

That love of God within us will motivate us to reach out to others, and it will give us hope. But if we start to turn to our OWN NATURAL EMOTIONS, we will begin to sink, as Peter did under the waves. It will be too much for our natural minds to comprehend.

But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary. And in the fourth watch of the night [just before dawn] Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear. But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid. And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water. And he said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me. And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt? And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased. Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped him, saying, Of a truth thou art the Son of God. (Matt 14:24-33)

Those who have been learning to take God's hand and trust him, despite the waves and the darkness, will "walk over the water" but those who trust in their own abilities will be overpowered, and will begin to sink.

Having written the above, late one night, I was surprised by what I'd said. I paused to pray. I asked the Lord to root what I was writing in the scriptures. Immediately I was led to Isaiah 32:11, which I found surprisingly encouraging:

"Tremble, you women who are at ease; be troubled, you complacent ones; strip yourselves, make yourselves bare, and gird

sackcloth on your waists." (Isa 32:11)

The setting of this verse is of the removal of fertility and joy, and a barren time of hardship coming. This may be true in more ways than one, but my focus is on the spiritual wasteland in which we will need to trust God for all our provision.

Those of "the betrothed of Jesus" in the churches who are "at ease" - careless, casual, complacent and taking no heed to themselves, or to the growing situation of deception in the Church, will find themselves hard pressed to respond in the right way.

We Mourn and Sigh

To put on sackcloth was to declare a time of sober, penitential, reverential fear of the Lord. It was a time of mourning for sin, and repentance. Sackcloth was made of goat's hair so it was harsh and black, nothing like the soft, fragrant, bright clothes of rejoicing. I fear for those who are partying and enjoying their revival while all the while judgement looms in the background.

Thankfully, though, there ARE still those who "mourn and sigh" at what is going on, and who want above all to obey God and to do His will. God still has His Body, faithful to the last.

Many times when I talk to friends, they speak about the latest abomination, then they sigh, and lament the state of the Church, and they long for heaven. They say "I'm sick of all this. What is happening to us? It's all such a mess. I want above all to see God, to have this all come to an end. I'm longing for heaven, to see His face - I hate this world, I can't stand it any more." And I agree. We are mourning the loss of the Church on earth, and putting on our sackcloth.

It is of interest that the curtains covering the Wilderness Tabernacle were also of black goats' hair (Exod 26:7) so that only by repentance and humility, and genuine mourning for sin, did man enter into the presence and service of God.

Can we get down on our knees instead of watching TV, and say "God, help me stand in this day! Show me what I have to do to withstand evil. Highlight any deficiencies in my defenses, and show me how to board up the gaps. Show me how to resist.

"Take away the carelessness and complacency, the love of self, the searching for easy ways out, the ambition to be something. Wake me up to see what is happening! Show me from your word! Take away anything that's blinding me to this.

"And Lord, turn my eyes away from myself and this world. YOU are the important One! It's YOU I need most desperately, nothing else but YOU. You are the only One who can get me through this."

AMEN

In the next section I will be covering other aspects of the Overshadowing, and (I hope) will be able to show how the GOLD miracles fit in.

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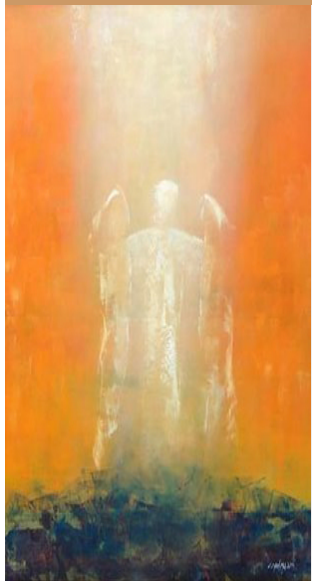
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The Glory Cloud
of a False Christ

Doctrines of Demons (Part Three)

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines [taught by] demons... (1 Tim 4:1 NKJ)

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In Part Two(a), I started to explore the various doctrines of the "overshadowing". The three aspects covered in that section were:

1. the birth of a divine manchild,
2. control by a spiritual force of some kind, and
3. the receiving of a new mind.

Now in Part Three we will move on to examine other aspects of this "overshadowing" - although all that we discuss is really part and parcel of the same experience.

- **OVERSHADOWING as the Glory Cloud indwelling the Temple**
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The "overshadowing" doctrine can be understood in many ways. It may help to bear in mind throughout that the basic idea is of a SHADOW falling OVER, and COVERING a person. Thus a person comes under the influence of another. Or, it is a CLOUD covering over and enveloping a person or persons.

1. The first aspect, of conception, the planting of seed, and the birth of a child is to do with a man "covering" his wife - the divine overshadowing of the glory cloud

is therefore a mystic marriage.

2. The second aspect, of control by an avatar, spirit-being or god (or in the case of the churches, supposedly the Holy Spirit) comes from the shadow of an insubstantial spirit falling upon a human being. A spirit is called a "shade" or a "shadow" in occult literature. The shadow/cloud that is or contains the supernatural influence comes over and mingles with the person.

3. The third aspect, of the new mind, is produced by the co-mingling (overshadowing) of the spirit's mind and that of the human being, producing a new way of thinking that is directly influenced by the spirit realm.

Now we move on to other aspects of this overshadowing that are being taught, each one supposedly "proven" by allegorical scriptures as follows:

4. The glory cloud or shekinah covering the Christian "temple" both individually and corporately, as the very Presence of God indwelling man on the earth. (Exod 40:35/ 1King 8:10-11)

5. The gold "covering" of the mercy-seat, vessels of Temple service and everything to do with the Temple. This is supposed to typify the divine nature of God literally overshadowing and transforming his earthly vessels. (Exod 25:11)

6. The cloud that covered over and transfigured Jesus Christ on the mountain and affirmed Him as a divine Son of God. This in allegory speaks of the glory cloud that is supposed to overshadow believers in the latter days and transfigure (or "rapture") them, on earth, changing their mortal nature into that of the spiritual resurrection body. (Luke 9:34-35) See also Moses on the Mount - Exod 24:16-18

And of course, we must not leave out the ultimate descent of the Glory Cloud - that of the Return of Christ. (Mark 14:62 /Rev 1:7) This is increasingly proposed as being IN HIS SAINTS and not a visible, actual, literal return.

Overshadowing and Atonement

It is important at this point to grasp the doctrinal importance of a covering over, or overshadowing.

The doctrine of the "covering" of man is central to our salvation. There is a genuine and biblical divine "covering" that atones for man's sins, and indeed the Hebrew verb TO COVER [kaphar] is exactly the same as TO ATONE for sins. In the Bible we see this typified:

- in the skins with which God covered Adam and Eve after their Fall. (Gen 3:21)
- in the covering of Noah's ark. (Gen 6:14 KJV = pitch)
- in the covering of Ruth by the cloak of Boaz (Ruth 3:9)
- in the garments of the priests (2 Chr 6:41)
- in God's parable of the covering of his Bride (Ezek 16:10-14)
- in the peril of spiritual nakedness, ie. no covering (Rev 16:15/Rev 3:18)

There's also a strong connection between the presence of God, and the covering. As we all know, the Temple contained the Ark of God, which was the Seat of his Presence. This Ark was covered over with a slab of gold that rested on top of the ark of the covenant, supporting the images of two cherubims with outstretched wings.

This gold slab is variously translated as "mercy seat" (KJV, RSV); "cover" (NEB); "lid" (TEV); "throne of mercy" (JB); and "throne" (Knox). The Hebrew word used is KAPPORET, the noun form of KAPAR, to cover/atone. It was the focal point of God's Presence and the most holy place of the entire Tabernacle, in effect, it was the earthly Throne of God.

(This allows the revivalists to teach that certain "headship believers" will be transformed into the "throne" of God upon the earth, thus becoming God's seat of Government and Judgement.)

False Covering

In the New Testament of course, we see the ultimate covering for sin, the Blood of Jesus. Who could be so foolish as to denigrate or seek to replace this precious blood covering of atonement? Who could be so rash as to propose ANOTHER COVERING? Yet God says that some will try to outdo Him:

Woe to the rebellious children, saith the LORD, that take counsel, but not of me; and that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit, that they may add sin to sin: (Isa 30:1)

To propose "another covering" is to offer to bring mankind under the wings of another saviour, or under the covering of another redemptive system that supplies protection and safety.

As you will see, that is PRECISELY what the sonship/latter-rain/revival doctrines do! They urge the "covering" of apostles and prophets and Church Government as a purer form of relationship with God, rather than our direct one-to-one personal relationship with Jesus Christ! They look for the pillar of cloud and fire, the Holy Spirit of God, in the leadership of the CHURCH! This is man's arrogant scheme, man's glory, not the Glory of God!

OVERSHADOWING AS THE GLORY CLOUD INDWELLING THE 'TEMPLE'

Tabernacles is come, for I desire to fill My temple with My glory... I desire to manifest My fullness in My chosen who ARE My temple. Many look to a temple built with hands that I may establish My reign, but I tell you I am building MY temple even NOW! Were not the children of Israel instructed to dwell in booths during the Feast?... and is this not a reminder of the temporary nature of your bodily tabernacle and the natural realm? I am calling for those who will enter into the Feast, earnestly desiring to be clothed with the tabernacle prepared in the heavens, which is My manifest tabernacled presence, My glory rising upon My chosen... from THIS temple shall I reign!

Know ye not that the Most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands, for heaven is My throne and I am building MY temple with 'living stones', a spiritual house of which CHRIST is the cornerstone. THIS is the house that I shall fill with My glorious

*presence for ALL to see!...and the glory of THIS latter house shall be greater than the glory of the former house. Have I not said that '...nations shall come to THY light and kings to the brightness of THY rising...'? Do not be satisfied with the 'BOOTHES' of the in-part (we know in part and we prophesy in part) gifts of My Spirit, rather seek towards the 'building up' of My TEMPLE of 'living stones' that I may dwell in My FULLNESS. Enter into the Feast!... for THIS is the appointed time! [Doug Fortune, Trumpet Call **Apostolic/Prophetic Bulletin**]*

This first aspect of Part Three is central to the sonship/LR doctrines, and is now becoming a major part of the revival, too. Longing for "The Glory" has overtaken almost every other aspect of the revival. Prophecies of the coming glory are rife throughout the Internet.

As we saw above, various scriptures are wrenched out of context and applied as prophetic parables, as allegories, as symbols, instead of literal truths. In this way, the Shekinah Presence of God that filled the Temple of the Old Testament is expected to descend in some mystical way to indwell - permanently and literally - the New Testament "temple" of the CHURCH.

I am not denying that the Spirit of God inhabits the "temple" of the Body of Christ. This is a present reality. However, the current belief is that this Presence must increase in power and might until God moves His Throne out of Heaven and comes to earth to set up the Mercy Seat once more in the Church.

"The church today can sit and around and smile and say that we know what revival is, but the truth is that we don't have a clue.

What God wants to do is so big until it is beyond our ability to conceptually think about it. He said that He is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we can ask or even think. I thank God for what He has done. I bless Pensacola. I bless Toronto. I thank God for all of these moves of God, but I am going to tell you something, we have not yet seen what happens when the glory of God falls in a city.

---I want to tell you the truth. I have had enough anointed preaching. I have had enough anointed singing. I have had enough to last me a life time. It is good and it makes you feel good, but I want to tell you something, the anointing in and of and by itself is not going to get the job done. What we have got to have in the church today, we must have the manifest presence of God on display for the world.

We have all been in services where we have had visitations of God. I have had enough visitations. Something has to change so that we can have habitations. We must shift from momentary visitations to places of habitation where there is an indwelling glory of God in our midst and on our people.--- I want to prophesy something, the church that gains the ability to build a mercy seat, when He comes, He will stay. And you have never seen the likes of revival, we don't have a word for it, as when the glory of God shows up in a place like that. But we have got to learn to build a mercy seat. If we build it, then He will come."

--- and when the beaten wings of worshippers touch over the pure gold seat, God says, the next time He visits, He says, now I can stay. If we build a mercy seat, the bible says that He is enthroned in our worship, and in our praise. What happens is that God literally moves His throne from heaven. When this happens the church is building a chair, a seat, a place for God to come. We can stand and beg for Him to come all that we want, but until there is a place for Him to come to, He will visit, but He can't stay.---

No wonder that He said that foxes have holes and birds have their nests, but the Son of Man does not have a place to lay His

head. When is the church going to arise and build a mercy seat according to the pattern of heaven? And He will literally set up His throne, and you will have a throne zone in the midst of the church. ---

They will tell you in Toronto and Pensacola, that is not revival yet, we have yet to see it. But some church somewhere, if the glory of God is going to cover the earth like the waters cover the sea. It has got to start somewhere, someplace, some group somewhere is going to build a seat for the glory of God, and the water that flows from that place will eventually cover the earth. The fountains of the deep are going to be open, and the glory of God will cover the earth. And when the glory of God comes, man doesn't get any glory from it, only God. The next wave of revival is not going to be like anything that you have ever seen. There will be nothing of man on it or God won't come sit. He is tired of breaking chairs that we have built for Him. He is demanding now that we build a mercy seat."

[Rivermail Archives: March-April 1999 -The Glory Of God - a Tommy Tenny message transcribed by Constance L Sharlow Thu, 28 Jan 1999: Tommy Tenny has been instrumental in the move of God that has been going on in Baltimore at Rock Church for the last 16 months.]

This not only makes the Church the dwelling place of God on earth, but by the inhabiting of God endows it with divine power and authority!

- The Church that claims to possess the Glory/Shekinah of God becomes the kingdom and no salvation is possible outside of that Church.
- The "throne" or mercy-seat of God is relocated on the earth IN the Church, and that throne represents the law, authority, power and presence of God.
- The Government structure of that Church suddenly becomes the only means by which God's wisdom is imparted or God's presence is made known to mankind. Disobey their priests and you are disobeying God!
- Most terrifyingly, that Church becomes the INSTRUMENT OF GOD'S JUDGEMENT ON EARTH.

All these aspects will be covered in due course as (God willing) I continue to explore all of the sonship/revival agenda.

God's Presence in the Clouds of Glory

From scripture it is easy to show that the presence of God resides in or upon the CLOUDS, and that the Shekinah Glory of God seen entering or leaving the literal Temple was perceived as a cloud. This much we know. (Exod 40:34 / Ezek 10:4)

Now, however, Christians claim that the clouds seen in revival meetings are this very same Shekinah Presence of God, and that God Himself is visiting his people. Furthermore, this cloud is coming with greater and greater frequency and power, until one day it is going to remain on earth!

(Here's a practical way to help out. There's a bible study here that somebody should do. Can it be shown from scripture that the cloud and fire appearances of God in the Old Testament were the insubstantial form of the Son of God, before His incarnation? Does the genuine glory of God appear as a cloud after the incarnation? If Jesus is now in a body, and will remain that way for the rest of eternity, should we consider any appearance of the "glory cloud" as demonic. Or can it be proven that the Holy Spirit appears in this form? Please, somebody, report back to me on that as it has a bearing on this subject, and I have no time to pursue it.)

Major Global Apparition?

A major, permanent visitation is on the way, so they claim. Will this be a visible event that will deceive millions? It is difficult to be precise, but it's certain that great signs and wonders WILL appear to deceive even the very elect, if that were possible.

For many years, Roman Catholic visionaries have been prophesying, as from the Virgin Mary, that a series of world-shaking events will precede the Great Judgement in earth. The same sequence of events has been given by different apparitions of 'Mary' around the world. We consider these revelations to be demonic in origin. From Ron W. on a Catholic site, <http://www.yellowstoneinfo.com/endtimes.htm> they are listed as:

1. the Warning: causing a profound change in the conscience of man. (the overshadowing of the spirit of love??) shortly afterwards will follow...
2. the Miracle: "some form of manifestation of God on earth, something like the Shekinah Glory of the Old Testament. This manifestation will present itself to mankind at numerous authentic Marian Apparition sites. You will be able to see it, film it but not touch it." Then...
3. the Chastisement: with the New World Order and the Anti-Christ persecuting mankind. Followed by...
4. the Three Days of Darkness: when all the Demons of Hell will be permitted to come directly upon the earth. God will send his Angels to battle Satan and his cohorts will be ultimately defeated. Similar to Passover, it would be better to close and lock all doors and cover all windows. Those that remain outside will perish instantly.

Now, from this we can see how carefully satan is preparing people to accept the appearance of The Glory Cloud over the earth in a major manifestation.

Overshadowing of "love"

The mental preparation heralding the above so-called "Miracle" is said to be some kind of awakening in men's hearts which makes them regret their behaviour. Receptive people will be softened up and readied to desire a new path for themselves and the earth.

Lest we suppose that this is implausible, here is a short passage from the book "Cosmic Consciousness". After a discussion with his friends, Wordsworth, Shelly, Keats, Browning, and Whitman, author Richard M. Bucke was returning home in deep contemplation when he had this experience: "All at once without warning of any kind, he found himself wrapped around, as it were, by a flame colored cloud. For an instant he thought of fire - some sudden conflagration in the great city. The next (instant) he knew that the light was within himself. Directly after, there came upon him a sense of exultation, of immense joyousness, accompanied or immediately followed by an intellectual illumination quite impossible to describe."

Mr. Bucke interpreted his spiritual experience in terms of the Hindu God Brahma being revealed unto him. He said: "Into his brain streamed one momentary lightning flash of the Brahmic Splendor [glory] which ever since lightened his life."

On a global scale, could this be the very same event spoken of in the Protestant churches as the "revival" and in the New Age world as the "overshadowing" when mankind changes overnight to receive the spirit of goodwill? People of all religions, as you see, are able to accept this experience and to be profoundly altered in their thinking by it. And in one day "the nations will be changed":

"I will bring forth a prophetic enactment of the river of life that the anointing should go forth without limit, without limit, without limit, without limit saith God. --- Know this, the anointing of the golden oil is My love. It is My love, it is a river of life that flows forth in My love saith God. --- and it shall come forth in the power and unction of My Spirit. Yea, you shall see the nations change. You shall see the heavenlies change. My love shall reach out and touch one another's feet. Yea, in a day, saith the Lord, My love shall come. " [James Garrison prophesying at the "Where Eagles Gather" Prophetic Conf. August 1999 hosted by Faith Tabernacle.]

Glory Clouds

It cannot be denied that clouds have been seen in many revival meetings. One man even claims that the Glory Cloud follows him around:

"in Jakarta, Indonesia in January of this year (1999) the Glory cloud came into the car and followed me.... In Orlando I was shocked again with the appearance of the Glory Cloud. But when I left Orlando on the airplane I was even more shocked as a bolt of purple lightening with gold in it streaked across the aisle about 20 ft in front of me. Then it continued to flash as it moved toward me and popped over my head. This continued for almost 40 minutes. Then all the lightening went into a 4 ft. round spinning fire wheel of Gold and right next to me. I could watch it for only 3-5 seconds at a time because of the brightness of the Glory and the presence of Jesus. Upon returning home I continued to see the glory of God with it resulting in me spending 5 days in bed recuperating just feeling weak from being in the Glory. Then again the Glory cloud appeared three times in one day. When I asked John Arnott what was happening to me his response really helped me get a good perspective. He said, Darrel I think it is all about the closeness of the return of the Lord. Now the Glory has led us all into the miracles of healing, gold dust, oil and gold fillings. And they are all pointing to Jesus and His soon return. [From "Revive-All Ministry" - NB: link to this site now misdirected.]

Whatever these clouds are, they are being claimed as the literal presence of God, returning to possess and overshadow the Church. This parallels the entrance of the glory cloud of the Shekinah into the newly-built Temple of Solomon. (1 King 8:10-13)

Second Pentecost

Obviously, we have already had the event we know as Pentecost when the Spirit came to indwell his people, but this is not enough for the sonship/revivalists. They teach a "Second Pentecost" which is another endtimes descent of the Spirit (supposedly) this time in fulness, unlimited and on a global scale. (They would use the prophecies of Joel about the endtimes outpouring of the Spirit to support this teaching.)

This entire revival was launched on the idea of a Second Pentecost. It has no real meaning outside of the sonship doctrines, and I defy anyone to explain the manifestations and doctrines and prophecies apart from the Restoration/Sonship scenario.

The doctrine of a SECOND Pentecost can only mean one thing: that there is to be a SECOND descent of the Holy Spirit (as the cloud of Glory) into and upon the Body of Christ and that this will result in the completion and fulness of the work begun in the first century of the Church. Even some within the revival objected to this, notably John Wimber of the Association of Vineyard Churches.

The Vineyard churches warmly embraced the revival manifestations at the beginning, only later pulling back as criticism reached John Wimber (now deceased.) [NB: I know that Vineyard still supports the Revival.] In 1995 the Vineyard organisation removed the Toronto Airport church from its roll of membership and amongst other things questioned this very belief in a sonship-style Second Pentecost. Thus we have testimony from within the very revival itself that the Toronto revival has a sonship foundational doctrine:

"We are concerned that among some of the TAV leadership there is an emerging "prophetic theology" centered on the rise of a new kind of ecstatic prophecy which would herald the advent of a second Pentecost, a second book of Acts and the last days revival." (AVC notice to Vineyard Pastors dated December 13, 1995: Todd Hunter for John Wimber and the AVC Board)

The Christian Temple has been, according to the Restoration doctrines (which are, in essence, sonship doctrines), undergoing rebuilding and restoration for centuries, and now in the latter days has reached the verge of fulness. Therefore the glory of God is coming to be the capstone of the temple. God supposedly tells the Church...

"I send you forth to rebuild My temple. I ask you a question. Is it not written that the glory of the latter temple shall be greater even than Solomon's temple? If it is written, you can have it. You can be that temple of glory that walks forth in righteousness. You can be that temple of fire that comes forth under the anointing of the Holy One. You can be the temple where the Shekinah glory dwells. You can be where I am in manifestation, where I dwell over the mercy seat of your heart, and extend salvation to those that come your way." [Prophetic Utterance through Bill Burns July 24, 1999]

Preston Eby, a key sonship teacher, has much to say on the subject of the Glory Cloud. He explains (correctly) that the cloud in scripture is the Presence of God. He then says that in the latter day that Glory is now to be shared by and imparted to a vast company of sons of God. Thus the endtimes cloud will consist of God and man UNITED:

"The glory is shared, so the CLOUD which represents that glory IS SHARED. Each elect son becomes a manifestation of the glory - of the CLOUD - of the shekinah! Each son becomes the expression and revelation of the Person of Deity. There is still only one Person of God, but He shall eternally indwell a many-membered body of like ones unto Himself, the extension and projection of His own Being. --- He says, "I will dwell IN THEM, and walk IN THEM... and ye shall be My sons and daughters.." (II Cor. 6:16-18). What, then, are those clouds with which, and in which, the Christ comes again? Why, bless your heart, WE ARE!" (his emphasis in capitals) [Preston Eby "Coming With Clouds"]

Randy Gingrich reports on the preaching of Pastor Dutch Sheets (Jay Gary's pastor) at his church, City Church, Colorado Springs where Sheets made this statement about the Corporate Christ:

"no single church can influence or change a city. It must be done by a corporate expression of the Body of Christ. No single person or church can fully express Jesus Christ - only when the Body comes together do we possess the potential of expressing the

Fulness of Jesus Christ to our city."

And as we see, that corporate expression in fulness is expected to manifest when the Shekinah Glory comes upon the global Body of Christ.

Since the Church is worldwide and not a physical building in one location, it suggests that the descent of the glory cloud is to be a global event. Although some would perhaps propose an invisible "spiritual" glorification for the Church, I think the present visible manifestations of clouds say otherwise. This "prophecy" also suggests the same thing:

"The glory of the King will so rest upon His latter days' temple that a visible presence of the shekinah glory of Almighty God will be upon His Sons of Glory, and the world itself will witness the Kingdom of God in manifestation. Come now, let us return to the Lord; let us be found under His cloud, for it is indeed moving. Arise, you Sons of Glory, for the light has come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon you! Now is the time of the restoration of all things. Now is the hour of His visitation. Even so, come Lord Jesus!" [Faith Tabernacle Trumpet Prophecies, Nov 98]

God-Man on the Earth

I can't figure out how a global manifestation could work in terms of individual believers and churches. The literal and personal return of Jesus Christ is to a location - Israel - but the return of a global christ as a glory cloud, uniting with his worldwide Church in many different locations at one and the same time, seems unworkable to me - unless it is an inward and spiritual overshadowing of the New-Age kind.

Clearly the leadership have this figured out, because certain locations have already been mentioned as representing the limbs or organs of the God-man on earth. Bob Jones and Rick Joyner gave a "prophetic word" during a New Year's Eve service on December 31, 1997. In the later transcripts of this message there was a missing portion. This missing portion speaks of the God-man stretched out over parts of America:

"I see Charlotte as the head of a great man--a god man. I see Moravian Falls as the heart. The heart and the head. And I believe you're gonna see much to come to the head here. I've seen that god-man lay down in many places and I believe that Atlanta and other places are like the chest so you're gonna see greater things happenin' there. --- One of the hands I saw is going to go all the way into Fla. to Orlando. The other one's going to Canada. One of the feet specially are going to go to Nashville very shortly. The right feet and you're going to hear praise that will bring forth awesome faith---and bring forth an awesome evangelistic army. And I believe this is only the beginning of you stretching out -- to where you begin to stretch out to all the world.". ["Words For The Coming Times by Bob Jones & Rick Joyner" prepared and transcribed from the "Prophetic tape of the month" by Josiah Friberg, and then shortened by Robert I. Holmes.]

Another exchange, posted to an Apostolic Bulletin Board, gives the supposed interpretation of a dream of a baby doll's head being found. This baby is seen by the interpreter as prophetic of the Corporate Christ being born on the earth:

From: Tommy Thompson

Date: Wednesday 7 July, 1999

Subject: The Dream (Apostolic Center and other revelations)

Hi Bob, I don't know if you found the dream that I sent to you at all interesting but I thought I would share with you a part of my reply.

I believe that we have been having birth pains since 1987 and then we moved into labor pains in 1997 and we will begin to see the unveiling of Christ as the Head of the Corporate Child begins to be seen on 9-9-1999. Those nines will roll over starting a New Day and a New Year on 9-11-1999 which is the Jewish New Year and the Feast of Rosh haShanah.

Tommy

(My comments following)

Hi Joan, ...

Most of the conferences and large gatherings will be in Portland and Seattle but Castle Rock will be another insignificant Bethlehem who will be one of several places that will be used to begin the birthing of the Corporate Christ Child. The Apostles and Prophets will not begin to gather in Castle Rock until the Summer of 2000 but in 9-9-1999 there will be some Apostles and Prophets who will begin operating from an open heaven. This will begin the shaking of the second heaven and the earth and the head of the child will begin to be seen."

OVERSHADOWING AS THE GOLD COVERING OF THE DIVINE NATURE

A sign that we are surely nearing the greatest deception known to man is the undeniable appearance of gold (as well as clouds, and bright lights) in revival meetings.

It is one thing to speak metaphorically of gold as the divine nature given to man, (as did the latter-rain teachers of old) but quite another to SEE gold appearing in the mouths and on the bodies of those in meetings. The very fact that satan is allowed to confirm the deluded doctrines of man is a sign that the "restrainer" had begun to withdraw!

Should we not be concerned when the teachers at the very heart of the satanic conspiracy have doctrines that are near, or identical, to the doctrines of the revival churches? Years before Toronto and Brownsville, Alice Bailey was teaching that divinity is represented by showers of GOLD;

"Purification: Let the fires of divinity burn out all dross. Let the pure gold emerge. Give me the gold of living love to shower upon the sons of men." [From Alice Bailey's "Discipleship in the New Age; Vol I - Instructions to Disciples"]

Notice how the revival themes are linked here - purification, the divine nature, love poured out and gold.

I will now give ample demonstration that the gold miracles are not just a mysterious happening that is outside the understanding of the revival leadership, as they would have you believe. It is an INTEGRAL PART of the sonship deception!

In these articles I have drawn quotes from many sources, and not all are by well-known revival leaders. Many are from "apostolic/prophetic" sonship sites.

Some may object that such quotes are unrepresentative of the revival movement. However, the only real difference at the moment is in emphasis. Sonship

sites preach openly what revival leaders teach in secret. But eventually the two will become one.

What many fail to realise is the extensive networking happening between the revival churches and the sonship churches. In any case, because of the infiltration of latter-rain sonship (restoration) believers into conventional charismatic churches over the past 50 years, the doctrines had already been seeded into those churches well before the revival broke out. Now it is only a matter of time before full convergence between the two takes place .

As I stated before, the revival manifestations and prophecies cannot be explained outside of the sonship agenda. Thus the connections are proven by the facts.

One major manifestation that illustrates my point is the GOLD now appearing at meetings. This has thrown some into confusion. They can find few supporting scriptures and are at a loss to explain what is happening. David Pytches, for one, openly states that he "does not understand" why it is happening.

All is revealed when we examine the sonship literature! The gold is a visible sign of the divine nature that they believe is right now being showered upon his people, in preparation for the transfiguration into the latter-day God-man/Corporate Christ. Far from being an unexpected, inexplicable sign, the gold has long been explained as symbolic of the overshadowing of human nature by the divinity of God. Bill Britton, a classic sonship writer says this:

"We find the description of the Golden Altar in chapter 30 of Exodus. ... Notice in verse one that the altar is made of wood, overlaid with pure gold. In the Bible, wood is symbolic of the human nature, while gold is a type of the purity of God. So here in the Golden Altar we find a meeting of God and man, with God so overshadowing man, that the nature of man is nowhere to be seen. [Bill Britton "Light From The Shadows"]

This is plain enough for anyone to follow! Can we believe the revivalists do not know these things? Or are they well aware of the true meaning of the gold, and knowing what a storm of controversy this would cause, they are being economical with the truth?

Faith Tabernacle (Bill Burns) at least seems to have no reticence in explaining the true meaning of the gold. On their website we read:

"The Lord is bringing forth a spiritual body, of covenant bread anointed with the golden oil of His Spirit. In the Holy Place everything is made of gold. Signs of gold and oil have been given--gold fillings in teeth, gold dust falling in meetings, and oil appearing in the hands of His people. These are the signs in the natural of that which the Lord is doing spiritually. ... He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire, and the veil has been rent, and open is the way into the Holy of Holies.

Those who enter into the Holy of Holies will be brought into the resurrection power of third-day ministry. ... It is during the third-day ministry that the manifest presence of the sons of glory, those who have entered into the Holy of Holies, will be in evidence upon this earth. The Father's glory will be visible on His sons and daughters, the fire and cloud of His glory will be found upon those who have been brought to the ark of the covenant.

...The golden pot of manna--fresh manna, revelation knowledge, will be given to those who feast daily at His table....Aaron's Rod--priestly authority will be given and great power will be demonstrated by the sons of His glory. The princes of darkness will fall before them, the captives will be set free, and the final harvest will be brought into the Master's barn." [Faith Tabernacle]

Although many of the rank and file are content to accept the gold teeth and gold dust as inexplicable blessings from God, others do examine the real meaning of this supernatural sign. Richard Riss made a collection of explanations and posted them to his mailing list. Here are just a few:

"There is a realm in the Spirit that is beginning to be unveiled... a realm filled with the 'RICHES' of My glory. I am sending a sign in the natural to point to the spiritual reality... in the natural, what is the symbol of riches?... GOLD. ... And what are the RICHES I speak of but My manifest presence as I TABERNACLE among you! ... according to the feast, ATONEMENT is manifesting as I cleanse My bride making her spotless and holy... and according to the feast, TABERNACLES is soon to manifest as My glory arises upon My chosen! ... I shall come and FILL My temple with My indwelt, tabernacled manifest presence!... are YOU not My temple?... are you not the place I long to inhabit?... have I said '...lo, here is the kingdom or there is the kingdom...'? NO, I have said the kingdom is WITHIN you... and what is a kingdom without a King indwelling? ...This sign I am sending in the form of gold is to point you to the greater reality of the RICHES of My glory, My tabernacled manifest presence... (his emphasis in capitals) [Trumpet Call Bulletin. Doug Fortune, Prophetic Webring]

"As I was sitting here this afternoon and meditating on the Lord, I feel like the Lord showed me, possibly, a couple of things that this sign (and wonder!) points to. First, gold represents God's holiness, glory, and deity. Only those pieces of furniture, implements, and places the Lord could use and rest (coming into direct contact with His manifest presence) had to be made of pure gold. Gold is symbolic of those things that are prepared as a place for His manifest presence to rest and abide." [Apr 1999 Mike McClung. Lionheart Fellowship in Maryville, TN]

"It seems to me to mean that something is about to happen and/or is already happening that is of tremendous importance to the church. I do know that gold is representative of the divine nature. I also know that, according to Scripture, we will be partakers of the divine nature. So this phenomenon could be a physical representation of the spiritual truth that we are becoming partakers of His divine nature." Richard M Riss, Awakening Mailing List

Is not the golden ark the picture of My people and the mercy seat the picture of My Son? Is it not My intent that My glory and My nature be manifested and reflected upon My chosen in this final hour? Why then do you think it strange that I should manifest natural gold as I prepare to manifest spiritual gold, which is the reflection of My glory?

Did I not say that My glory would '...arise upon thee, and My glory be seen upon thee...' ? And where better to manifest natural gold than in thy MOUTH, HEAD, and HANDS as a sign of that which I am beginning to release in the spiritual, My divine nature

apostolic authority!... and thy HANDS to reach forth in signs and wonders! First the natural, then the spiritual... did I not say there would be 'signs' in the heaven and the earth below? ... for some, these 'signs' will be an offense which the natural mind will not reconcile... for others, these signs will point the way to the outpouring of My glory and authority upon My chosen. [Doug Fortune- Prophetic WebRing]

"I personally have felt from the Lord that it [gold] is a representation of His glory coming on the face of the earth" [Christine Tracey]

"The Lord is calling for something different now...NOW the call is to a life and ministry originating from the Holy of Holies where every bit of 'self' (as symbolised by the contents of the Ark) is covered over with GOLD (the divine nature of God) and ONE with the Mercyseat (Christ) manifesting the tabernacled Presence of the Fulness of God..." ["The Journey Upward" Apostolic/ Prophetic Bulletin]

To finalise this section, here is a report of the teaching of Mahesh Chavda ("Watch of the Lord" headquartered in Charlotte, NC.) It was given in April 1999.

"Pastors Mahesh & Bonnie Chavda Pastor Mahesh shared that once you've tasted the glory, you become addicted to it. If you want to experience the glory, don't be sophisticated--be like a child. He will fill this temple with His glory. Haggai 2:7-9, 'And I will shake all nations, and they shall come to the Desire of All Nations, and I will fill this temple with glory,' says the Lord of hosts. 'The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine,' says the Lord of hosts. 'The glory of this latter temple shall be greater than the former,' says the Lord of hosts. 'And in this place I will give peace,' says the Lord of hosts.'

We are seeing amazing things. I don't understand it, I don't have an explanation--He is doing it. I saw green gold, red gold, and silver, and its origin was not of this earth. We saw gold teeth and gold fillings. The answer doesn't lie in the intellect, the answer lies in "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord." Welcome, Holy Spirit; come in your waves of glory. I bow to the Alpha and the Omega; I bow to the Father, the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

A watchman shared the following: "As you were reading Haggai 2:9, 'The glory of this latter temple shall be greater than the former,' I had a flash vision of everything in this room covered with a layer of gold--even the walls and the floors. The Lord reminded me of Solomon's temple--the former temple. I Kings 6:21, 'So Solomon overlaid the inside of the temple with pure gold. He stretched gold chains across the front of the inner sanctuary; and he overlaid it with gold. The whole temple he overlaid with gold until he finished all the temple; also he overlaid with gold the entire altar that was by the inner sanctuary.' The Lord is overlaying us with gold--inside and out!" "I will fill My temple with glory." The glory transforms us; the glory heals us; the glory brings us peace. You will feel love that is hard to describe. Innermost sobs will come out of you." [April 23, 1999 "God Will Wipe Away Our Tears"]

OVERSHADOWING AS THE RAPTURE OR TRANSFIGURATION INTO THE DIVINE NATURE

When the Glory cloud entered the Old Testament Tabernacle and Temple, man knew his place, and fell down in the fear of God, in awe and wonder. Not so, today.

This time, the men and women of the latter-day Second Pentecost expect to be incorporated INTO the Glory cloud, and become ONE with God to the extent that they BECOME DIVINE.

This event has been identified as THE RAPTURE by some within the prophetic movement!

The word "caught up" means, in the carnal understanding, just a lifting up in the air, and many teachers teach that we will be taken away from this earth to another planet. There is no scriptural basis for this. Paul was caught up, but he was still here in body. Truly, there were men who were caught up and lived no more among men, although they have been seen here on occasions. The Manchild, however, when he is caught up, will be immediately given a place of rulership on earth. The word "caught up," therefore, must be a lifting up from the human realm to a higher realm, where he will be living in immortality, and yet in humanity, even as Jesus Christ after His resurrection. Whether "caught up to meet Him in the air" means a physical catching away or a spiritual one, IT IS AN OCCURRENCE WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE IN THIS ATMOSPHERE. It definitely will not be taking men away to another planet. The scripture speaks of "the air." The Greek word is "aera," meaning atmosphere. 1st Thessalonians 4:17". (capitals in original) [From "The Pattern", A Sonship book written by J. du Cille.]

And thus the Coming of Christ is not at first a physical, literal event:

"His coming is in two stages. ...First of all, he said 'looking for the blessed hope'. Let us see what the blessed hope is. Turn to Colossians 1:27. "... which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:" Where is this hope? It is in us!! ... IT IS CHRIST IN US! ..."Looking for that blessed hope..." That is the inward coming. That is Christ coming in us. Phase 2, His literal coming, cannot happen until phase 1, His inward coming, takes place. He is coming in us. ... He will not only come out there, in the air, but He will also come within us. There will be a people, who will conform to His image and to His likeness. Once that happens, Jesus will appear." ["The Glory that makes us One" Internet article]

Some point to the prophesies that Jesus will be "coming in the clouds", to support their beliefs. This "coming" or revelation of Jesus to mankind will be THROUGH and IN his church, they say. The cloud of the (spiritual) Coming of Jesus consists of individual believers transfigured and glorified or, "raptured"

"He is coming in clouds -- we are those clouds, and He is coming with the clouds...A cloud took Him out of their sight, and a cloud will bring Him back. ...He is first of all coming in clouds.

Revelation 1:7, "Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him (how this is going to happen, only God knows)" He is coming with clouds. What kind of clouds are they? ... He is coming in heavenly clouds, not rain clouds. Clouds represent His

glory. They represent angels, not men. They represent the saints of God. They represent the martyrs. We are compassed about by a great cloud of witnesses, the Bible says. Those who have died cannot be made perfect without us. He is perfecting a people in heaven, as well as here on this earth.

"For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first." The dead in Christ can be those that have actually died, but Colossians 3:3 talks about those who are dead, and who are walking around on their feet. We are dead to sin, self, the world and flesh." [Tommy Cook "**Behold, He Cometh With Clouds**"]

When the overshadowing cloud comes to inhabit his people, the two entities, human and divine, will merge into one. It will be a spiritual marriage. What will be created by this union, they say, is a God-man, a corporate Christ, a many-membered Christ walking the earth.

In a Roman Catholic Renewal newsletter, way back in 1978 Gerry Rauch was already preaching the Corporate Christ, the many-membered god-man. Here is what he said:

The revelation of Jesus - his words, his actions - is not just a bunch of separate fragments cast out for the winds to carry wherever chance leads them. There is a plan to this revelation; it builds up to something. God is not manifesting himself in a random or chaotic way with no ultimate purpose. ... St. Paul gives the most direct statement of God's ultimate goal: "He has made known to us ... the mystery of his will, according to his purpose which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth... that he might create in himself one new man". (Eph. 1: 10,2: 15, RSV). ... God's purpose in manifesting Himself to mankind is to create a Corporate reality made up of Christians in union with Christ. The Word of Life made manifest is ultimately, then, this single corporate reality, the One New Man.

... Corporate ways of thinking are unfamiliar to us, and we tend to overlook them. We perhaps think that this unity is reserved for heaven. But the Lord himself prayed that we would experience unity now: That they may all be one ... so that the world may believe that thou hast sent me" (John 17: 21). God wants to manifest Himself in the world, and the ultimate focus of His Revelation is the One, United New Man.

... Even in the charismatic renewal, the heritage of individual Christianity that we have received can make us stop at the level of the Presence and power of God in the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and the spiritual gifts. We can fail to see the necessity of their focussing on the FULL MANIFESTATION of the Body of Christ.

... To put it another way: Without the end product in mind, the manifestation of the spiritual gifts will be misguided. A Museum or a Temple? One of the New Testament images for God's people is the New Temple. "You are fellow citizens with the saints ... joined together ... into a temple in the Lord" (Eph. 2: 19, 21). This is a strong corporate image, but we have a hard time understanding it... we see individual Christians more than the new corporate reality that God wants to make of them From its inception, the Charismatic Renewal has been about the manifestation of the Lord and his life, about a God who makes a difference in the world. For the renewal to mature, it has to advance towards that ultimate plan of God, the unity of everything in the One New Man, Jesus Christ."

["The Good News newsletter" No.15 Jan/Feb 1995 - "The New Temple". This article appeared in the Newsletter for Catholic Renewal, published by the National Service Committee in England. The newsletter is called "Good News", and the issue in which the article appeared was Number 115, for January, February 1995. Bold text indicates my emphasis throughout. This article originally appeared in the March April 1978 edition of the ICO newsletter, and New Covenant. 200 No. 1 Plaza, Huntington, Indiana 46750.]

The Divine God-Man on Earth

What is expected is not just a Corporate Christ, (also called the God-Man, the One New Man, and the Many-Membered Body) but a DIVINE God-man on the earth. By the union of God and Man in the glory-cloud, they teach that we will see...

- the divinity of believers,
- the glorification of earthly saints,
- the "resurrection bodies" being received right here on earth.
- the "rapture" as a TRANSFIGURATION on earth of living believers,
- the immunity and invincibility of such transformed believers, and
- some even teach that these believers will become IMMORTAL.

As you know, the teaching in Restoration and Revival churches has increasingly focused on earthly victory rather than a heavenly hope, a "possessing the land" rather than the "upward call". So the biblical teaching on the Rapture has to be perverted or lost.

As "prophet" Kim Clement so astutely comments: Jesus told us to pray "Thy Kingdom COME". Why would he tell us to pray for it to "come" to us if in fact we are going to it?

Paul Cain has also preached at length about the subject of the Rapture and our heavenly hope. In an audio tape message he relocated Heaven to earth, in our present experience and said we were not GOING to be with God, but that God was COMING IN the Body.

Revival Leadership Affirms Loss of the Rapture

Those who reported on a major gathering of the revival leadership in Colorado Springs the last weekend of January 1999 noted the themes of the Conference.

One major theme was this:

"Quit looking for the rapture, start looking for the Kingdom, 'on earth as it is in heaven'. Then Christ will come. Our Eschatology is certain victory. We shall inherit the earth."

The report was posted on the MorningStar Newsgroup. Conference speakers included: C. Peter Wagner, Paul Cain, Chuck Pierce, Cindy Jacobs, Bill Hamon, Dutch Sheets, Rick Joyner, Kingsley Fletcher, Mike Bickle, Jim Laffoon, Barbara Wentroble and Ted Haggard.

Kelly Varner has been a major sonship leader for many years. His web site displays the statement of belief of his ministry, "[Praise Tabernacle Ministries](#)". Amongst other interesting statements we read this:

"The meek shall inherit the earth. As kings and priests, we shall reign on the earth. Heaven is the realm of God, and God is omnipresent Spirit; heaven is nearer than we think. Therefore, we believe in the coming of the Lord, not the going of the saints; in the appearing of the Lord, not the disappearing of the saints. Throughout scripture, God comes to dwell with man. Jesus is coming now, in Spirit, to be glorified "in" the saints. He will come, literally, "with" the saints once his enemies are made his footstool..."

This concise statement sums up much of the present teaching on the Rapture. Charismatic churches have not been very eager to ditch the doctrine of the Rapture, yet at the same time they are taking on board the doctrines of the transfiguration. Sooner or later something has to give! There is no biblical way to teach the two doctrines simultaneously. (Richard Riss gets around this problem by saying that the biblical Rapture refers to "the removal of the wicked" from the earth, not believers!)

One highly respected teacher in the Revival, Bobby Conner, says that the New Agers have got it right when they teach that we will become "as God". He continues:

I am asking the New Age people to let us speak at their conferences now. I'm very serious. They are looking for God and I know where he's at! Do you know where He is? He's in Christ. The fullness of God dwells in Him. ... I want to say something to us again. Jesus has another body to make an invisible God known to the world. Guess who that is? US. (You and I.) That's exactly who we are. ...'It doth not yet appear what we shall be like, but we know this, that when He shall appear we shall see Him as He is and we shall be like Him'. When Hebrews says, "like Him," it means exactly like Him. We'll be like Him, act like Him and have authority like Him. Isn't that amazing? And listen, I feel so sorry for these guys waiting on the bus for the rapture. Listen, I know there will be one, but not nearly like you think. He's coming to us before He comes for us. I know that! Ohhh, this old escape mentality. That's not going to happen folks - we're going to rise up in power." ["Revolution In The Church" by Bobby Conner - from a video tape made during a meeting near Cincinnati, OH 5/29/99 http://www.BobbyConner.Org/revolution_church.htm]

Instead of the classic Rapture, we have a spiritual transformation, a transition from the earthly to the "heavenly" walk, a transfiguration into the glorious resurrection body, and thus a move into the literal authority, power and judgement of God on earth.

Richard Riss, in "Preparing For the Coming of the Lord" (New Wine Archive, Aug 1994) says:

It is stated that the Son of Man will be seen "coming in clouds with great power and glory" (Mark 13:26). These clouds are almost certainly a reference to the clouds of the glory of God to which we have already alluded in our discussion of the ark of the covenant. Several of the above quotations intimate that we, also, will be partakers in the glory that is to be revealed at Christ's coming... In Ephesians 2:2, Satan, or the "spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience," is called "the prince of the power of the air." The "air" in this context is a place, or atmosphere, of spiritual authority. At the time of Christ's coming, we will

be caught up into this place of spiritual authority...

To be "caught up" in the "air" [raptured] in the clouds of glory to meet the Lord in this atmosphere of spiritual authority does not necessarily entail a literal bodily removal from the earth. ... But the entire thrust of Scripture is that we will have a resurrected body on earth, and that the heavens and the earth will both be regenerated, or renewed (Acts 3:21, Matt. 19:28).

There are many aspects of this Transformation that I could cover, but it would take too long to explain it ALL. Instead I will pick out one or two aspects that may strike us as particularly heretical.

Firstly, that believers thus transformed will be immune to harm, invincible and even (some teach) immortal.

Secondly, that the transfigured believers will have the task of "spiritual warfare" in their new realm of the "heavenlies" in order to cast out all corrupt spiritual powers and take their place as earth's new spiritual Government.

Thirdly, that God's own authority and power will be upon this glorified New Man, so that he becomes not only the Government of the worldwide Church, but also ultimately of the entire earth, and is empowered to JUDGE and EXPEL all that opposes God until the earth is purged of all evil, conformed to the Laws of God, and made into a "footstool" for God. This MUST be done, they say, or else Jesus Christ CANNOT return bodily in Person.

These aspects will be covered in the next portion of this ongoing series. (I am having to curtail each file at a point where it is still a reasonably small download.)



STILL TO COME:

- The "Kingdom of God" brought in and manifested by the New Order global Church
 - The Kingdom is the reign of the King. Consider how today's revival leaders will rule "with a rod of iron" when they believe they have established the Kingdom and that THEY, indwelt by God, are the corporate "king"!
- The new-breed Apostles and Prophets who will be "God's Government"
 - Apostolic authority is the new buzz word, for the New Church is "built upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets" - but NOT the Lord's Apostles, nor the Old Testament Prophets...the new endtimes Temple has as its priesthood the leadership of the Revival! These guys will be ruling over you soon, so you'd better find out what they are planning.
- Revelation knowledge
 - The written commands of God are for the old order, they say. Now we need the law given direct by divine inspiration, and new revelations by the mouth of the "prophets" to establish this Third Day Church.
- The judgement - the sword wielded by the Revival Leadership
 - "We must become more militant" says Bobby Conner... and seemingly all the others agree, for they want to purge the rebels who won't submit to their Plan. Start worrying now (to save time later...)!
- An irresistible new sound that causes all mankind to worship

- o The role of music and "praise and worship" sessions in birthing the Glorified New Man. A new sound has been discovered that, they say, has unique powers.

TIME IS GETTING SHORT! The revival is moving into "transition" so they believe. The new wave is coming. Leaders are growing aggressive and aching to begin cleansing the earth in preparation for the New Order Church. Keep reading and learning as the information in this series gives you the hands-on knowledge and expertise to spot the heresies before they happen, and to avoid falling into the snare of the "doctrine of demons".

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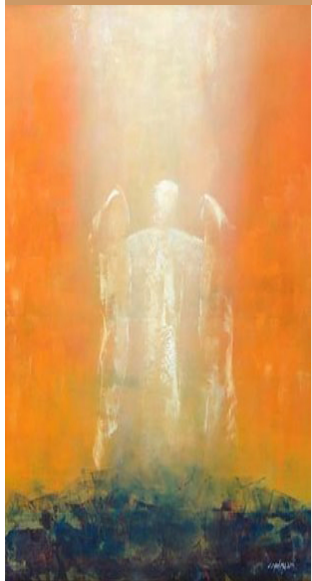
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The Glory Cloud
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Doctrines of Demons (Part Four)

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines [taught by] demons... (1 Tim 4:1 NKJ)

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In the previous section of this study, I looked at another three aspects of "Overshadowing":

- The Glory Cloud returning to the "Ark" of the Christian Temple
- The divine nature as represented by gold, covering the believers
- The supposed 'rapture' or transfiguration of believers on earth as they receive their new spiritual bodies.

This final aspect of the overshadowing understandably upsets many of us who know the true biblical meaning of the Rapture. There are a number of opinions about this transformation and what it will entail, and I am going to try to pick out a few of them.

Afterwards, I will move on to some more deeply worrying aspects of the revival/sonship teachings: the rule of apostles and prophets, and the judgement they

will bring upon all who do not submit to their rule.

Transformed believers will be irresistible, immune to harm, invincible, and even (some teach) immortal.

Once a person accepts the revised doctrine of the "transfiguration" on earth instead of the Rapture, and ceases to believe that the Church is taken "to be with the Lord", then a whole new revelation opens before him.

Using the scriptures about the transfiguration of Jesus, the Resurrection, and the covering of the glory it is possible to end up with the teaching that believers will become immune to harm on earth, or even IMMORTAL.

As Francis Frangipane says in his article "Greater Purity, Greater Protection":

"The transformation of our souls positions us outside of the devil's reach. It raises us up spiritually to seat us in heavenly places".

I believe that FEAR is at the heart of this doctrine, not faith. It is fear of persecution and suffering that drives some to invent a whole new doctrine of immunity from harm. While all the world outside of the Glorious Manchild is doomed to wrath, they themselves are enjoying an earthly walk in spiritual bodies immune to sin, sickness or even death. The devil cannot touch them! Who wouldn't want to believe in this?

Bob Jones: *"This canopy of glory will provide shade from the heat of judgement and a refuge and protection from the raging storms of persecution and accusation. The Lord will be the light of that canopy and His Glory will provide divine insulation."* [SHEPHERDS ROD 1999: Visions Given to Bob Jones. Written by Keith Davis]

Bill Britton: *"But thank God, that High-priestly company are going past the veil into a realm where there is 'hidden manna'. This 'hidden manna' is eaten only by the Overcomer (Revelation 2:17). Whosoever eats of this manna shall never die. Death will be put under feet. So when the High-priest company go through the veil they do not have to take the shewbread of healing. They have divine Life in that realm of the fulness of God. No death, no sickness can touch them. [Bill Britton: "Light Out Of Shadows" Chap.5]*

1. The Glory Cloud brings Protection:

If you have been following these articles, you will know by now that those involved in the apostasy believe that the Shekinah Glory of God must return to the Christian Temple in the Endtimes, and that this Glory is God Himself in Spirit.

Since the Glory is GOD, and those who partake of the Glory (so they believe) will partake of the DIVINE NATURE, they will inherit divine immunity, health, purity, power, invincibility and immortality as well! In effect, they will have received their resurrection bodies on the earth.

"We do believe at this time, we are in this church, and that we are now being overshadowed by the direct ministration of the Spirit of God to produce in the earth that which all the saints and prophets of old prophesied about.---

In order to be filled with the "divine nature," we must be overshadowed by the divine. The effigy of the two cherubim on the Mercy Seat is a type of the divine overshadowing. The Song of Solomon speaks of the love between Christ and the church, and the final act of planting the seed of life within the soul, the womb of the church. This is God's divine order of bringing forth life.

Isaiah 51:16, 'And I have put my words in thy mouth, and I have covered thee in the shadow of mine hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion, Thou art my people.'

Since the heavens are of old, and the earth is already founded, we can only conclude from this scripture that it speaks of the heaven, or abiding place of God within the soul of man, and the earth, to mean the physical man, which as the scripture says will be made immortal.

The covering here is one of protection, an overshadowing that does not only change man's nature, but protects him while the change is being made. This idea is carried out by the scripture as shown below:

'And it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a cleft of the rock and will cover thee with my hand while I pass by.' Exodus 33:22. ["The Pattern" by J. De Cille]

Not all in the revival believe this, or at least, not all ADMIT to believing it! However, it IS part and parcel of the doctrine as a whole. There is a logical internal structure to this heresy that DEMANDS certain things such as immunity and immortality, and once having accepted the basic creed it is dishonest of ministers to gloss over the more unacceptable parts of the teaching!

Glory in the Old Testament

The Glory Cloud is described in the Old Testament, appearing when God led the Israelites out of Egypt. At that time the covering of the cloud meant divine protection, guidance and provision to the chosen of God. (Ps 105:39-44/Exod 14:18-20/Neh 9:19-21)

The Glory seen in the Old Testament was prophesied to return in the latter days, and this prophecy has now been seized upon to apply to the Church. Thus the Glory Cloud will again - they say - be seen upon the Christian "Temple" providing a defense against all evil. This scripture from Isaiah is typical of the type used to support the doctrine:

When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning. And the LORD will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory shall be a defense. And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the daytime from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain. (Isa 4:4-6)

I may need to point out that this prophecy of Isaiah speaks of the time AFTER the rescue and spiritual restoration of natural Israel, when God in Person (Jesus the Messiah) has returned to the earth to deliver and purify his ancient people! Only then will supernatural protection and the divine glory be seen in this way - NOT before.

However, those who see themselves as the Spiritual Israel, inheritors of all the promises for Israel, claim that THEY can experience the divine glory right now, and thus will be immune to all that would harm them on earth.

Unlike those other early Apostles and Prophets who were persecuted, rejected and killed, the latter-day Apostles and Prophets intend to be invincible, immune, and irresistible! They will overcome their enemies with a word, deflect every kind of attack, and preach their message with such power and anointing that none can resist it!

Paul Cain: I saw that when they shut up the apostles up in prison, and they killed all of them, many spiritual saints also because of their testimony throughout the past centuries, but this is what God showed me, that this army is INVINCIBLE, they are never put in prison, they are never delivered into the hands of their enemies. [Joel's Army message preached at Kansas City Prophets' Southside meeting.]

Jack Deere: Jesus is coming in power and he's going to have an army that is powerful, and this is the army that he speaks of in Joel. No one can stop it, and it will strike terror into the hearts of everyone. He says in verse 6, nations are in anguish, every face turns pale. This is just like Stephen standing and preaching Jesus to the Sanhedrin in Acts 7, you know. None of them could refute this man, none of them can refute Stephen. And so their faces are gnarled in anger and they gnash their teeth at him and they rush at him and kill him. They're gripped with pain as they stand before this man. That's what will happen with Joels' Army with only one difference, one difference, they won't be able to kill this army. They can't go against this army and suppress it. They will flee from it in terror... nothing can stand in its way, nothing can hold you back, if you know that place, nothing can defeat you, not in this army. In times past, yes, but not in this army. This army is invincible... [Jack Deere "Joel's Army" message preached in 1990, tape sold by Vineyard Ministries International]

John Wimber: So this army has power over men; furthermore this army has power over nature and principalities...power over nature, the creation of God...the earth shall quake before them and the heavens shall tremble, the sun and moon be dark..now those words "before them" means "at their direction". (He then likens Joel's Army to the Two Witnesses in Revelation, and continues)... I don't know if these are two literal men...all I know that other scriptures will tell you is that what these men are endowed with is going to be placed in the BODY. The ARMY will know these things...'and I will give power to my two witnesses...and if anyone tries to harm them, fire comes out of their mouths and devours their enemy.' And I don't know if it means a literal fire or [not]...[John Wimber, Joel's Army message preached in England at the Docklands meetings in 1990.]

2. The Glory Cloud Brings Sinless Perfection:

In a similar way to above, as the Glory Cloud purifies and sanctifies all that it covers and fills, thus sonship believers see their ultimate release from the power and presence of sin in the coming of the Glory. The sort of scripture used to 'prove' this doctrine is as follows:

"And there I will meet with the children of Israel, and the tabernacle shall be sanctified by my glory. And I will sanctify the tabernacle

of the congregation, and the altar: I will sanctify also both Aaron and his sons, to minister to me in the priest's office. And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will be their God. And they shall know that I am the LORD their God, that brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, that I may dwell among them: I am the LORD their God." (Exod 29:43-46)

Paul Cain, preaching about the coming Army of the Lord that is going to purge the earth of its wickedness, says:

"it's coming, it's coming, sweeping this way, sweeping this way. A mighty revival is sweeping this way. All the sick are going to be healed, the dead are going to be raised and nations are going to turn to God in a day, and he will purge Israel of her sins and iniquity in a day, in a day." [Paul Cain, "Joel's Army" at Kansas City Prophets' Southside Meeting.]

(Remember that "Israel" means "The Church" in this new theology.)

3. The Glory Cloud Brings Power over Sickness and Death:

Dwelling in the Glory Cloud brings power over all sickness, diseases, and even death, according to the prophets of this New Order. In tapes of the preaching of Paul Cain and Bob Jones released by the Vineyard Movement in the 1990's, it was made clear that the dead will be raised almost automatically during the ministry of this "army of the Lord", limbs, eyes and other organs will be restored, diseases banished, cancers healed and all who suffer sickness will be cured!

Bob Jones: "for I tell you, you're not going to fly away right away, but you're coming, and going, to raise up the body of Christ that will inherit, and My Glory will abide upon thee, and sickness, sin and poverty will not be able to stand in your presence, you see. And the gods that men have worshipped will fall down and bow to thee..." [Bob Jones "The Remnant Seed" poetic 'prophecy' given at Cross Roads Church, Hamilton, Ontario, March 1998]

Paul Cain: Like the burning bush, the church will again shine with the glory of the Lord. Though the bush was merely an inanimate plant impregnated with God's glory, the church will be a living body that is glorious beyond description. Like the burning bush, we will be a sign that people will turn aside to see. The holy radiation of God will drive out all kinds of illnesses in these last days, and it will be the number one cure for cancers, AIDS and all kinds of communicable diseases. [Paul Cain article: "When Heaven Comes To Earth"]

4. The Glory Cloud brings Supernatural Abilities:

Just as Jesus after his resurrection was enabled to walk through doors, go without food, appear in places instantly and rise up to heaven, so the new apostles and prophets believe transformed believers will enjoy the same powers over the natural order, living in resurrection bodies on the earth.

Bob Jones recently told those gathered in Hamilton, Ontario that the endtimes saints of the Remnant will have astounding powers:

"For this is the inheritance of the saints you see, To not be defeated in the last day ... because they are victorious in every way, and

put on all of my nature For I am calling forth my body of Christ, to walk upon the earth where the very earth itself does tremble at their footsteps. And to where the heathen does tremble at their words. Because they will have power over life and death, over storm and fire, and all the things of nature, and by their word, by their word, that they speak as they mature in me, will there be life or death as they do say, 'rain or drought'. That's what will happen as they learn to literally loose my prayers in a brand new way." [The Remnant Seed: Bob Jones]

Another writer in the sonship camp makes this statement:

"Obedient one...God will make you bullet proof! Those that walk in the kingdom will not die until its God's time, and on God's terms. The realm of the human spirit, that is under the possession of the Holy Ghost, causes men and women to soar like eagles, full of keen discernment. Like Astronauts in space, we will find ourselves free from the encumbering influences of this Luciferean gravity. Gravity is quickly replaced with joy unspeakable and full of glory!" ["Who am I? (An Introduction)" Nov 13, 1998]

We have already seen, in earlier parts of this series, how Franklin Hall (a major contributor to the Latter-Rain movement of the 1940's and 50's) predicted freedom from gravity as a result of the outpouring of the endtimes glory. Paul Cain has also predicted that transformed believers will levitate and translocate.

Paul Cain describes the coming days of glory in great detail on his tape about Joels' Army. He describes how these transformed believers will perform astounding miracles way beyond anything known in the New Testament. They will have open visions of heaven and commune face to face with God; they will walk with angels; they will levitate, preach for days without any food or water, and appear in places instantly without having gone there in the flesh.

Paul Cain describes this people as a "great Army of Spirit-led, Spirit-empowered people...and no demon, no man-system, no enemy will stop them or hinder them or resist them." He continues:

"...all of the stadiums and all of the ballparks are filled with hundreds and thousands of people. They have hearses lined up, they have hundreds of stretcher cases and all that, and there are men standing there in the pulpit, there are women standing there, that haven't had a change of raiment in three days, they haven't had a drink of water, they haven't had any food and they are preaching under the mighty power. Why, did you see that man levitate? Did you see all those preachers just levitated? Did you see that fixed pose? They stood there for 24 hours in a fixed pose worshipping and praising God and hundreds of thousands came by and fell on their faces and nobody pushed them and nobody shoved them. They fell under the power of God, and everybody everywhere is crying "Oh this is God and Jesus is Lord". It seems like the whole world is turning to God."

The [Kansas City Prophets](#) as they were known in the early 1990's (notably Bob Jones, Paul Cain and John Paul Jackson with the assistance of Mike Bickle and others) worked closely with the Vineyard churches and John Wimber at that time, seeding the sonship-latter-rain doctrines into the heart of that community. It is no surprise that the Toronto Blessing emerged out of the Vineyard Movement.

Despite many failed prophecies and proven abuses, Bob Jones and Paul Cain and others from the KCP group continue to be hailed as mentors and grandfathers in the faith, and their doctrine is considered central to the ongoing revival. We need only look at the literature and tapes of the KCP group to see revealed in all their arrogance and heresy the doctrines now being held up as "new revelations" for the revival!

5. The Glory Cloud Brings Immortality:

Not everyone, even in sonship circles, believes that the manifested sons of the endtime will be immortal. However, according to their doctrine, the "manifested sons" are the Manchild of the woman, who is "caught up to God's Throne". This in itself identifies them as having been immortalised, without even touching on all the other proofs brought forward to support the doctrine. I cannot personally see how the doctrine of immortality can be avoided once a minister accepts all the other aspects on sonship, because it is a logical progression of the sonship creed - and always has been!

Almost all the sonship groups that emerged from the Latter Rain Revival of the 1940's taught immortality for the "raptured" Remnant.

It cannot be denied that immortality has been taught as integral to this doctrine from the very beginning - indeed, LONG BEFORE the popularisation of latter-rain or sonship teachings we see millennialists like Jane Leade firmly convinced that the latter-day anointed believers will have progressed so far in their spiritual walk that they will be immortal. Later, the founders of the LR movement like Franklin Hall, George Warnock and George Hawtin all taught the same! For example:

"Enoch did it, so did Elijah. And so shall the sons of God. The Word of Faith shall grip the hearts, and they shall reach out and appropriate the Resurrection and the life, even now in this life. If they do not, Christ will never return to the earth. For God hath said 'Sit thou at my right hand until I make thine enemies thy footstool' (Ps 110:1) And the last enemy is DEATH.
[George Warnock "Feast of Tabernacles"]

Here Jane Leade writes about the Manifested Sons of God in "A Message to the Philadelphian Society" which was her sixth published Prophetic Work, made available in 1696. This manuscript from the 17th century was out of print for a very long time, but has now been redistributed by Apostolic groups on the Internet. (There's a good treatment of Jane Leade's works and the revival of the Mystics to be found at [The Prophetic Telegraph](#))

Now It was further Queried in me, since the several Societies and Assemblies link'd together at this Day in separated Bodies, have been all rejected and excepted against by Christ, what will be the Signs, Tokens and Characters, by which this Pure Virgin Church shall be certainly known, and distinguished from all other?

Answer. The first and main sign and Character hereof must be, that as this is to be a Pure and Spotless Church, so must it be brought forth from the Virgin Womb of Eternal Wisdom, and so grow to all the Degrees of Perfection, under a strict Law and Discipline, which extends it self so far as to abolish the Law of Sin.

Another Sign is, that as it is conceive'd by the Holy Ghost, it will grow up to such a Manifestation, as is to give absolute Power according to the Resurrection Life of Christ; for that this Church must be agreeable to himself, perfected in the Beauty and Strength of Holiness: who will not own any that shall be found in any Disparity to him. Therefore her Adorning must be with Purity, Power, and Spiritual Gifts; to do and act those worthy things, which he did and acted upon the Earth, as representing the

New Jerusalem State.

For Spirits that are thus purely begotten, and born of God, can ascend to the Jerusalem Above, where their Head in his great Power and Majesty doth reign; and thereby receive such mission, to empower these to bring down its Glory upon this Earth, having such an Oneness with God and Christ, that will open through the Tri-Unity the Wonders of Time, that will be acted forth by certain High and Principal Instruments, dignified hereunto; and make out that their Redemption is perfectly completed. [i.e. they have their resurrection bodies].

For such Invincible Powers will go forth as shall draw to them the scattered Flocks, and gather them into one Fold, out of all Nations and Languages and Kindreds; whose Worship shall consist in nothing but in pure Light, Life, and Spirit, without any degree of Mixture, whereby all outward Formalities must fly away, when God shall thus come to pitch his Tabernacle in Man: And the Ark of his Testimony will so open it self, that Dagon must fall before it.

Nothing but the pure Fire and Air from the Holy Ghost, shall be the Organs through which God will speak forth his Mind; whereby all shall be taught of God, as being only filled with God: Which Word of his Speaking through them, will beget a New and Heavenly Generation, that will multiply it self over the Face of the whole Earth; and make the old hereby to vanish and sink away. This is the Bridal Church that Christ will make ready for his Appearance: and until this be accomplish'd and effected, he cannot come down in his Visible and Personal Glory, for the Solemnizing of this Eternal Marriage, which will be the Joy and Praise not only of the Earth, but also of the Heavens: which shall both be united as into One, and the Militant Church and the Triumphant be no longer twain.

In order to this the Angel-Messengers are gone forth to proclaim, That this Day is upon the World dawning, and that the Virgin Wisdom hath her Representatives upon the Earth that do travail in the greatness of the Godhead strength, for the bringing forth these mighty Births, that shall rule and subdue all Nations under them; that so the Kingdoms of this World may become one all-pure and powerful Kingdom, in which Christ with his Bride shall rule and reign, in the Father's Glory and Might.

To this Richard Riss agrees. (Riss is often quoted as a theologian of the revival and a man who maintains a wide mailing list for revival supporters.) In his article "Preparing for the Second Coming of Christ" he says this:

"Jesus has reconciled us through His death to present us before Him at His coming holy and blameless and beyond reproach, provided that we continue wholeheartedly in the faith, never allowing ourselves to be distracted from the hope of the gospel, which is that we will be filled with His fullness at His coming, and that this fullness of His Spirit will quicken, or make alive, our mortal bodies, causing us to become immortal and therefore indestructible, when the wrath of God is poured out upon the earth. The promises of God are conditional. We must cooperate with the operation of God's grace in our lives. If we do not, and if we continue to resist Him, then we will not be among the elect."

Please remember that the revivalist's catchphrase is that "the Lord is coming TO his people before he comes FOR his people" and that he is coming IN his Body before he returns to the earth in person, visibly and literally. Therefore what we understand about the Rapture and Second Coming is NOT what Richard Riss teaches here. Indeed, he specifically denies that the biblical Rapture is a catching away of the saints from the earth, as we have seen earlier.

Another book that explicitly explains the doctrine of immortality is "The Pattern" by J. De Cille. Correcting our "erroneous" understanding of the Rapture it says:

"The word "caught up" means, in the carnal understanding, just a lifting up in the air, and many teachers teach that we will be taken away from this earth to another planet. There is no scriptural basis for this. Paul was caught up, but he was still here in body. Truly, there were men who were caught up and lived no more among men, although they have been seen here on occasions. The Manchild, however, when he is caught up, will be immediately given a place of rulership on earth. The word "caught up," therefore, must be a lifting up from the human realm to a higher realm, where he will be living in immortality, and yet in humanity, even as Jesus Christ after His resurrection."

The verses in the book of Revelation that give the sonship and revival believers such great ammunition for their theories are found in Chapter 12, where the woman gives birth to the Manchild, who is then "caught up unto God and to His Throne". The Throne is of course the seat of God's power and ruling authority.

This, in the allegorical interpretation of the sonship believers means that the prepared remnant who are ready to be glorified are transfigured in the Glory Cloud and elevated to a NEW SPIRITUAL DIMENSION while yet on the earth. There they RECEIVE AUTHORITY so that they seat themselves on the THRONE OF GOVERNMENT over the earth. (Note: Compare this to 2 Thess 2:4)

*"Look to the many-membered 'Man-child' and decree his coming forth in prophetic proclamation, for the dragon is poised even now desiring to devour him with pride, but know that My hand of protection is upon him in your proclamation. Yes, he shall humble himself under My mighty hand and I shall exalt him in Kingdom authority to rule the nations. Know that the time of manifestation of the 'Man-child' is come, and speak forth My purposes over him that he be joined in oneness with Me, 'caught up' as it were into Me and My throne that My resurrection power flow through him to the nations." ["BIRTH OF THE "MAN-CHILD" Prophecy from **Trumpet Call**]*

This is a very serious matter indeed. They believe that they will be divinely endowed with the Government and Authority over the earth, taking the place of the fallen powers in the heavenlies (whom they cast out!) and thus rule the nations with a rod of iron, destroying all that opposes God.

We will shortly see how they view their role during that time, and what it will mean for people like us.

6. The Glory brings Christhood

Finally, the outpouring and overshadowing of the Glory, they teach, will endow the "manchild" with divine abilities and properties, so that he partakes of the divine nature itself!

"This is my description of the Sons of Glory: Those who have become honored by God... and the Holy Spirit has weighed them down with the mantle of His anointing until they have become adorned (clothed) in the illumination of His glorious splendor. At this point these Sons of Glory have beautified themselves with His likeness (divine nature) and are bringing forth the golden oil,

which is allowing the fullness of the Holy Spirit to illuminate the risen Christ, our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of Glory!" [Faith Tabernacle: Trumpet Prophecies]

Just as Jesus Christ in his human body was both man and God, so this many-membered 'christ' will be God in human form!

They are not ashamed to call themselves gods, and they pay no heed to the lessons learned by Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. They have moved on to perfection and therefore have qualified (in their own eyes) to receive the ultimate prize of godhood.

If the file is still there, take a look at "[I Am Christ](#)", which is admittedly not the normal style of revival writing, but what some state openly and proudly, others hide underneath clever theological statements and out-of-context scriptures, trying to defend the indefensible by couching it in acceptable 'christianese'. Since the leaders have bought the whole package, they may as well come out into the open and proclaim their christhood, for they do believe themselves to be Christ on earth!

From that article I quote:

"I am Christ. How can you or I say that - isn't that blasphemy?...Here is what Jesus said [he then quotes scriptures about the kingdom coming "within you" - which in fact is a mistranslation of that verse!...]...right now you may be ninety-nine percent human and only one percent Christ. This is because the evil world has given you a false identity. But remember, your true identity is Christ...Jesus attained the 100 percent level...He came...as a pattern son...[that is, a prototype for us to model ourselves on]... accept the grace of your heavenly Father by your confession of the true God-given self, which is Christ."

Or how about this statement from another sonship believer:

"The 'journey inward' has to do with who I am in Adam... the 'journey upward' has to do with the Second Adam, CHRIST IN ME... for in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily, and I am complete IN HIM... WE are Christ in His BODY in the earth today!... I am NOT speaking metaphorically, WE are Christ in His BODY in the earth today! WE are the corporate, many membered man CHRIST of whom Jesus is the HEAD! ...I cannot 'arrive' at perfection as an individual, but ONLY as the many membered corporate Man." [Trumpet Call Apostolic/Prophetic Site]

The Sequence of Events

Although teachings vary from group to group, the main events remain the same. The differences occur in the timing. From what I am reading, it seems that the timetable for coming events is something like this:

1. Elijah comes to purge the woman, the religious, tradition-bound old order church.
2. The Woman is thus brought into "labour pangs" to birth the Manchild
3. The Manchild corporate-christ emerges from the old order and is revealed as Christ Incarnate to the Church and Nations

4. War breaks out in the heavenlies with satan defeated and the kingdom established under the authority of the Manchild
5. Apostolic authority is wielded by the new order leadership to govern and cleanse the church and the world
6. The old-order religious people are either destroyed or reconciled in submission to the Manchild. All non-believers are brought under God's laws.
7. Whatever remains of wickedness and rebellion on the earth is destroyed by the wrath of God, some say directly, others say this happens by the mouth of the prophets.
8. The "last enemy" death is ultimately eradicated
9. Jesus can now return in person to take the reins of his kingdom.

I am going to deal with each concept in more detail, but firstly read the "order of events" as envisaged by one sonship believer. I must stress that not all groups agree on the details, but the overall concepts remain the same. (For example, some believe in the personal Antichrist, while others see this as a general principle of rebellion against God.)

The Order of Events: (Impartations 97)

- It will start with "Elijah." ... (he continues in another place...)
- First is the judgment of the institutional and apostate churches.
- Then, the new overcoming church is given as a light to unbelievers and a covenant to the church. The hypocritical in the church are publicly revealed.
- Jesus is recognized in His corporate manifestation as The Branch, the Manchild, etc.
- The remnant is exhorted during the time of the fall of the institutional church. The new apostles are miraculously protected.
- The overcoming church operates spiritually in heaven and physically on earth.
- The restored church walks corporately the same path as previously walked individually by Jesus.
- The transition is complete.
- God's servants are sealed in their foreheads.
- The Trumpet judgments are at hand.

The Events in Detail

1. The 'spirit of Elijah' - before the new christ, the Manchild, can be 'born' into the earth, a new messenger, a new corporate John The Baptist must come to prepare the way. A company of prophets emerges "in the spirit of Elijah". They have a powerful prophetic ministry and proclamation, according to the sonship doctrines, that will cleanse the Temple of those who oppose his coming, and proclaim the "new thing" that is to come.

"The Old Testament deals with today's end-time Christian Church. Many things in the Old Testament were given by God as a pattern (types) for today. It was Elijah who was sent to fight idolatry in the apostate church. Elijah must return again in the very end times (Mal. 4:5), coming once more against idolatry in the church.

... Elijah eradicated an entire order of false prophets that had been set up by one who manipulated the leadership of the church. These scriptures paint a picture of a prophetically driven transition in the church, targeted on idolatry, and causing a

corporate redemption of unwise church leadership. The prophets first come against the apostate church that the institutional leaders have allowed to be set up. Then the second part of the prophetic transition comes against the institutional leaders, themselves. After the leadership transition, the new leaders operate from the overcoming remnant church." (Bar Jona: Impartations 97)

Clayt Sonmore in a sonship manual called "Beyond Pentecost" puts it this way: "Elijah's ministry was one of confrontation to force the people to stop being neutral between conflicting loyalties and to choose one of them exclusively."

This next quote is incredible in its attitude:

"We have entered into a period where the Lord is restoring and gathering the Five Fold Ministry. These restored leaders will operate in the spirit of Elijah gathering and bringing to maturity those who are willing to pay the price and go on with the Lord....No one will come to maturity independent from the restored Five Fold Ministers. God is establishing order and the river of God's grace is being diverted and will flow from the head through the restored Five Fold Ministry to the body. Those that are on their own will not receive the abundance of grace that will be available to bring them to maturity and will even experience less grace in their lives than they have had in the past. Their lamps will be low on oil, they will have almost no discernment and they will be open to deception. These will be foolish virgins.

The Princes that answered the First Trumpet Call (first fruits of wheat) will be the food for the rest of the church. They will operate in the spirit of Elisha and will use the church that was rejected by the Lord to work with Jesus to build himself a permanent habitation. Solomon's Temple is a type of this permanent habitation. The Lord will finally have a place to lay his head a place not just to visit but a place he can call his own.

Those who answer the First Trumpet (Gideon's Army) will be fighting battles for the whole church. At times they will be fighting against much of the church to win battles for her. David ruled over Judah for 7 1/2 years. He fought against the house and spirit of Saul and gradually increased his rule and eventually ruled over the whole house of Israel. His battle was not to destroy Israel but to destroy the bondage and control of Saul.

"The Apostle Paul grieved that most of the Jews would not receive what he was preaching and only a remnant would receive their Messiah and Deliverer. Jesus wept over Jerusalem that they were about to miss their Hour of Visitation. Once again most of the church is about to miss their Hour of Visitation. Those that are supposed to come in are not. All are invited but only a few will answer the call.

We have been in the dispensation of grace for the last two thousand years. As we come to the end of this age and prepare to move into the kingdom age we are preparing for major change. ... Learning the Fear of God is the wisest response to these testings. Stubbornness will make the trip a nightmare. Those most likely to experience hell on earth will be the those who keep repeating to themselves, " I know I am right!" Stubbornness is as the sin of witchcraft." ["The Two Trumpets" By Tommy Thompson]

2. The 'woman' brought into 'tribulation' - this can mean different things to different groups, but in essence it means that a purging and

exposure of the old 'religious' order must come to pass BEFORE the manchild can be revealed to the world.

Here is a quote that speaks of the 'troubling of Israel' by Elijah as ESSENTIAL in order to birth the manchild:

"In order for the explosive superlative personal and corporate prophecies spoken concerning the Church to be fulfilled, it is absolutely essential that the world and the Church be catapulted together into a sudden tumultuous traumatic historic upheaval-- the Tribulation. It is the "last-days" anointing that we need most of all. It will be a sudden outpouring, not a gradual increase... The outpouring which turns upside down the physical realm must coincide with a massive manifestation in the spiritual realm called the Spirit of Elijah." [Cathedral of Praise Apostolic Website]

"A 'John The Baptist' (spirit of Elijah) type remnant is going to be birthed that are going to go forth with the anointing to prepare the way for the coming of our Lord. ... The Lord is going to send forth an east wind to scatter and wash away all the wickedness in the church and a north wind to destroy all that is not of Him. [Words in Due Season: (Sponsored by Faith Tabernacle of Kremmling CO.) - Karen Palermo August 30, 1999]

2. The 'birth of the Manchild' - this has been covered elsewhere but basically means the emergence and revelation to the world of a divine many-membered Son of God as the new World Ruler. The "coming" of Christ is interpreted to mean his "revealing" in the Body. He will be revealed to the world as a Corporate Redeemer, endued with Glory of his Father. Since Christ is the Head, these will be "headship" believers, apostles and other leaders, who are destined to RULE the nations. They takes their place on the Throne as God's Government over the earth. This happens as the Glory covers the Manchild and lifts him up from humiliation and 'death' in the world.

"Is not the 'woman' ready to give birth to the 'Man-child' even now? For she is clothed with the sun and I have placed the crown of Apostolic order upon her 'head', and her travail is turning to proclamation... all of creation groans in travail with the woman that the manifestation of her 'Seed' come forth quickly. Indeed, this One, this 'Man-child', this 'perfect Man' of many members SHALL rule the nations as I have purposed and according to My promise. For he shall be joined unto Me, I in him and he in Me, and he shall issue forth judgment as I command... for he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes or the hearing of his ears, but with righteousness shall he judge as My seat of authority, My throne.

As he has borne the image of the man of dust, even so shall he bear My image as mortality puts on immortality and death is swallowed up of life. I shall clothe this many-membered 'Man-child' with My glory and My nature and kings shall come to the brightness of his rising. Yes, nations shall come to the 'Man-Christ' and submit themselves as the kingdoms of this world are become the kingdom of the Lord and HIS CHRIST.

Rejoice and sing, O Zion, for the redemption that all creation has groaned for is nigh... indeed, the 'woman' SHALL, through Apostolic order bring forth the 'Man', the fullness of the stature of Christ, and the kingdoms of this world SHALL be the Kingdom of the Lord and HIS CHRIST, the 'Man-child'." ["BIRTH OF THE "MAN-CHILD" Prophecy from Trumpet Call]

of war breaks out in heaven. As Paul Deere said in his audio tape message, "Seal's Army": When this army comes, angelic powers are going to tremble...when this army comes on the scene, when it appears suddenly, angelic powers will fall.

The revivalists understand 'heaven' to be a spiritual realm in parallel with this earth. Since they have now received bodies and minds that can enter into this alternative realm, they are empowered to do battle with the fallen powers that have, up to this point, been ruling mankind. They cast out these fallen powers, grasp their inheritance (the meek shall inherit the earth) and take over as rulers in place of these principalities and powers.

"You have heard what the Spirit has spoken; now watch! As I turned my eyes toward heaven, this is what I saw: The Glorious One with the hundred, forty-four and the thousands mounted up on the wings of eagles, and they flew into the heavenlies to wage war against spiritual hosts of wickedness in heavenly places."["A vision of eagles" - Prophecy by Bill Burns, Faith Tabernacle.]

(The above is a visionary depiction of the event. Believers are not going to physically fly. Remember that they consider the heavenlies to be a parallel spiritual dimension and that they are freely functioning in both spiritual and material realms, having been transfigured by the Glory of God. Therefore they do not physically 'GO' anywhere to battle the principalities and powers, but are enabled to defeat these fallen entities while still in human bodies on the earth. As I understand things, it will be achieved by intercession, proclamation and spiritual warfare, although accounts do vary.)

"Immediately there is war in heaven. That's because the sons of God have entered into a realm in the heavenlies from whence Satan has for so long ruled. ... This is the time when he (Satan), of whom Pharaoh was but the type, is confronted by Christ's representatives on earth in order to bring out of hard servitude the chosen seed of God....To this end the great Prince, Michael, will stand for the children of God. ... The great dragon was cast out, who had from thence deceived the whole world. That's the good news. When the sons are caught up to the realm of governing authority. NOW is come salvation! NOW is come strength! NOW is come THE KINGDOM OF OUR GOD AND OF HIS CHRIST!....In other words, this child caught up to become identified with governing authority is the blossoming root, known as the Manchild company, who will, by virtue of the mighty-acting power of the Holy Spirit upon it, make war with the dragon and his angels and overcome them. This is God's heavenly militia which He has enrolled to go against Satan and his angels in the might and power of spiritual arms." [Larry and Betty Hodges, 'Shofar Letters', Sigler Ministries, Linwood NC.]

Not only do these overcomers enter into spiritual battle and defeat the spiritual powers of wickedness in the heavenlies, they also cast them out and replace them, as the new rulers of the earth. They become the spiritual rulers in the heavens!

"The mark of YAH our Righteousness is the seal of God as seen in the foreheads of the saints, effective at the close of human probation. They are declared overcomers, firstfruits unto God, and are worthy to share Christ's throne. The 144,000 - being the combination of humanity and divinity, are those who replace the fallen angels in the Government of YAH. They are perfected in character and fully reflect the King-Redeemer in thought word and deed." [The Mark of Yah is our Righteousness"]

"Prophet" Tommy Thompson says the same thing:

"This army will have the support of Michael the Archangel and the legions of angels under his command who will take back the second heaven which was stolen from Adam about 6000 years ago. Satan and his angels will be cast down to earth. I believe this will be completed by the Feast of Pentecost in 2001. This will begin the tribulation..." ["The Unveiling Of Christ" by Tommy Thompson - July 1999]

4. Rule with a Rod of Iron - Now they must extend "God's kingdom rule" over the entire earth. A tight pyramid structure of government is set up in which all must submit to their superiors, from Joe Public in the pew right up to the apostles on the top level (and presumably the "head" apostle as the capstone?). They establish God's laws for mankind and destroy any who disobey, purging the earth of 'wickedness and rebellion' until only the obedient remain.

"The 'age of the Kingdom' is beginning to dawn even as I am raising up apostolic authority and order in My church... for she IS the 'seat of authority' in the earth and the heavenly realm that directly interacts with the earth, and as My authority and apostolic order is imparted to her, dramatic changes are beginning to occur. Where there is a kingdom, there is a kingdom order and authority and THIS is what I am restoring as I call forth apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers... Kingdom order that I may rule from My 'seat of authority' in the earth. And what is My 'seat of authority' in the earth?... MAN, submitted to Me and My Kingdom order. ["Finding Your Place in the Apostolic Vision" February, 1999]

"How is God going to bring judgement on the Church, and then judgement upon the land after his church? He's going to do it with a large and mighty army --- it's so mighty that there's never been anything like it before. Not even Moses, not even David, not even Paul. What's going to happen now will transcend what Paul did, what David did, what Moses did, even though Moses parted the Red Sea (he then says this army is the 144 thousand mentioned in Revelation)

...See 144,000 is a multiple of 12. What is 12? Twelve is the number of the APOSTLES, APOSTOLIC GOVERNMENT. And he says that before them a fire devours...what is this fire that devours. Exod 24:17 says this...(glory cloud) His glory was a consuming fire Deut 4:24 Zeph 3:8 Here is Yahweh speaking about his coming...The whole world will be consumed by the fire of my jealous anger...The Lord says I am getting ready to come, and I'm going to consume the whole world by the fire of my jealous anger. Now what is he jealous for when he comes? He is jealous for his Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. And he's coming to the church right now and anything that is opposed to his SON, anything that tried to take the glory from his son, anything that beats up on his children, that beats up on his sheep, that robs or steals or rapes them, anything that does that, he is coming as a consuming fire and he is going to destroy them." [Jack Deere, audio tape: "Joel's Army" from Vineyard Ministries International 1990]

5. Woman in the wilderness - the non-aligned, dissenting, members of the former world Church are thrust into a spiritual wilderness. Those who look to the "son" for forgiveness and guidance are welcomed back into the fold. All others perish. (The spiritual marriage of the woman and the 'christ' is said to be this reconciliation of the penitents.)

"There will be several million people involved in this move of God and many who truly love the Lord will be involved in the birthing process (Woman) but they will not be ready to completely die to self. These believers will be protected in the wilderness

by God and will be fed and covered by the 144,000 First of the Firstfruits of Wheat (the Manchild). [The Unveiling Of Christ by Tommy Thompson, 30 July 1999]

[There are differences of opinion as to who the Woman is - some teach that the sun-clothed woman is the overcoming church and her manchild is the 'headship' of that church; others teach that the woman is the religious old order which must be brought under discipline.]

6. The Wrath - while the Manchild and all who obey him are immune to all harm (having received the seal of God upon their foreheads), the rest of the world comes under the wrath of God and is consumed by the "fire" of his word. (Some say this is literal fire, some say it is the words of the prophets.)

"When He has finished preparing this many-membered man, He is going to purge the earth of every other man by His Judgment Day, and there will come in a new age, and a new earth, with a new man living in a new order, where every member is so dead to self that he lives unto the rest of the Body, and that Order shall perpetuate eternal life." [Sam Fife, a father of the Manifested Sons Movement in his book, "One Corporate Man,"]

"There is a terrific operation of the Spirit going on today to bring the Sons of God into an absolute confinement to the perfect will of God ... This is His battle axe and weapons of war with which He shall subdue kingdoms and overcome all His enemies. This is His mighty and strong One to whom He shall commit the work of judging this world. This is His Overcomer, His great army with which He shall bring the nations into submission." [Bill Britton:"The Harness of the Lord" - Government of the Church.]

7. The Last Enemy - finally, with the earth renewed to a place of complete holiness to the Lord and obedience to his laws, death itself is overthrown by the word of the divine 'son'. "The last generation of the Church will overcome the last enemy (death)" So says "prophet" Bill Hamon in his "Word For 1999".

Much-respected father of the movement, Earl Paulk, has often stated his belief that the last enemy, death itself, will be destroyed - and not by God, but by the "overcoming Church" of the endtimes.

"The 5th function of the Church is to conquer the last enemy, death, and to bring redemption to the Body of Christ...Jesus Christ Himself overcame death individually, and when the Church becomes so conformed to His image that those who die do not pass through the grave, but become instead gloriously changed in the twinkling of an eye, it will be that church which will bring the Kingdom of God to pass in the earth ...

[Paulk then quotes Romans 8:18,22-23, and Ephesians 1:13-14] "We have received the earnest of the EXPECTATION through the baptism of the Holy Spirit, but we must move on to the POSSESSION, which is overcoming the last enemy, death. Sometimes the interpretation has been made that Jesus Christ conquered death, but if that were so, why would Paul's epistle to the Corinthians, written at least ninety years later, say that the last enemy that SHALL be destroyed is death (I Corinthians 15:26)? Jesus Christ conquered death individually, but it is left to the Church to conquer death on a corporate basis...

"Is it possible that there will be a people who so possess the authority of Almighty God, as Elijah did, that they, as a group, will say to death, hell, and the spirit of Satan, 'We will NOT die. We will stay here and be changed, and we will call Jesus Christ to return to

this earth as King of Kings and Lords of Lords'? Yes, that is what I believe the church must do! But it will not be easy, because GOD IS LOOKING FOR THE MANIFESTATION OF A MATURE CHURCH WHO CAN SPEAK WITH THE AUTHORITY JESUS HAD WHEN HE STILLED THE WINDS AND CALLED LAZARUS FORTH FROM THE GRAVE. "An exciting prospect? Oh, yes! We are God's people, called to do the will of God in the world today and to see the King of Glory return to establish His Kingdom on earth! Jesus Christ had the authority to say 'No' to death on earth, and He is waiting for us to come to that same authority He had so we can say, 'The last enemy - death - has been conquered!'

[Paulk then quotes I Corinthians 15:20-26.] Jesus Christ, as the firstfruit of the Kingdom, began the work of conquering death on an individual basis, but we, as His church will be the ones to complete the task. Jesus said (Matthew 28:18), 'All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth,' and the church today has that same power. Death will not be conquered by Jesus returning to the earth. It will be conquered when the church stands up boldly and says, 'We have dominion over the earth!' How else will God be able to show Satan a people for whom death holds no fear, over whom death no longer has any power? When God can do that, Satan's hold on us will be broken forever!" [Earl Paulk, "The Proper Function of the Church", p.13.]

8. Jesus Can Now Return - only now, with the last enemy destroyed, and the kingdom established on earth, can Jesus return in person, physically and literally to take the reins of his kingdom and be the visible head of the new Jerusalem.

It is often a shock when Christians discover that, according to this doctrine, Jesus Christ the Lord CANNOT return to earth until all His enemies have been destroyed. He must be "held in the heavens" until this Restoration is complete. One scripture used to prove the doctrine is Psalm 110 which says a number of things useful to the Movement:

1. The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.
2. The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.
3. Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth.
4. The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek. [We will later be taking a look at the Melchisadek Priesthood of the New Church.]
5. The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through kings in the day of his wrath.
6. He shall judge among the heathen, he shall fill the places with the dead bodies; he shall wound the heads over many countries.

Thus, it is taught that Jesus must sit waiting patiently until the CHURCH destroys all the enemies of Jesus and cleanses the earth of evil.

"I am now even upgrading the intensity of power that I am giving you with which to fight the enemy. My plan from the beginning has been to defeat My enemy, and I have chosen to do it through My people. [Prophecy of Jean Rodman, February 1999 (Cathedral of Praise)]

However, the Psalmist specifies who will do the work - God himself: "Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool." Then the Psalm goes on to specify when and under what circumstances this will take place - viz, the Lord returns to Mount Zion to take his throne of rulership in the "day of his power" and

in the "day of his wrath" when the LORD shall "strike through kings, judge among the heathen and fill the places with dead bodies..." (compare Jer 33:4-8/Rev 14:19-20)

It is clear to me, also looking at similar scriptures, that the Day of the Lord and the Day of his Wrath are nothing to do with the CHURCH, or "anoointed apostles and prophets" or "overcomers" at all. This will be a Day when the Lord comes to slay the wicked with the sword coming from his mouth. (Rev 19:15-21)

Did he find a man to help him in this task? NO - for "I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me; and my fury, it upheld me. And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth." (Isa 63:5-6)

I hope to look briefly at all these events, seen through the eyes of the revival/manifested sons followers. I will be limited only by the length of this file and your patience in reading the myriad of quotes that could be brought forward to support these doctrines.

The most worrying part is the plan to purge the present-day churches of all who oppose these doctrines; they also intend to set up a Global church headed by the latter-day Apostles and prophets. Read on to the next in the series...

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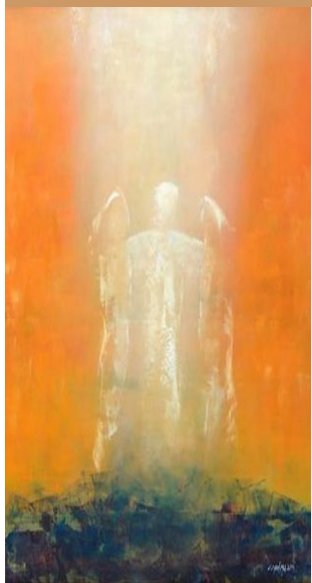
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Doctrines of Demons (Part Five)

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines [taught by] demons... (1 Tim 4:1 NKJ)

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Introduction: A Word of Warning

Please do not think of this study as some dry, dusty piece of theological scholarship with no relevance for you today! That is about as far from the facts as you could go! These men and women have their spiritual guns aimed at YOU and at ME - for we are the rebels, WE ARE THE ANTICHRIST in their eyes! We deserve nothing but to die at their hands, and they have a divine commission to do away with us, for we are standing in their way. (I hope to prove this to you, using their own quotes.)

They are setting up, even right now, today, a governmental structure that they plan to impose not only upon the churches, but the entire world in time. If you do not obey your elders, you are OUT. You are a dangerous, rebellious, old-order pharisee, fit only for the dungheap.

Not only that, but the hardcore leadership of this movement is, I believe, now empowered by fallen spiritual forces so powerful that - if we did not know God - we should tremble!

We cannot take this lightly, brothers and sisters. We cannot pass this off as scare tactics or mindless prophetic drivel, much though we might be tempted to do so. They are deadly serious, and they have the backing of satan AND (according to the scriptures) GOD HIMSELF - for God will withdraw his restraints and give the saints into their hands for a season. God must test their resolve. He must see what is in their hearts, and He must see who will absent themselves from this

plan before it goes too far. [Some may repent, and God is merciful].

Judgement Begins at the House of God

The revivalists believe that God is going to "judge" all those who are now opposing the revival, and remove them out of the way.

Bob Jones in his 1998 message given in Hamilton, Ontario said "For I do say, get ready for a new canopy (covering), it's in Isaiah 4:4-6, for I'm getting ready to purge the church with fire and to destroy the filthiness of Zion in an awesome way." Many others say the same thing:

"Have I not said 'judgment' begins with the house of God?... and what is judgment? It is the prophetic proclamation of the righteous decree of the purpose of advancing the Kingdom of God, it is the judicial decree of the Righteous Judge bringing the Kingdom to bear in the earth. THIS is the judgment that begins with the 'house' of God... and do I dwell in temples made with hands?... NO, for YOU are My temple, My 'house'! As this judgment is brought to bear in My 'house' and My Kingdom authority is operating within you, THEN My Kingdom is brought to bear upon the kingdoms of this world. I AM forming a spotless, holy people, a 'temple' from which to reign as the kingdoms of this world become the Kingdom of the Lord and His Christ.

As I bring this judgment within My 'house', indeed the 'man of sin' is revealed that Christ may appear, for as long as the wheat and the tares are together, the FULLNESS of the Christ is concealed. Is not the 'man of sin' (that which has mixed allegiances, a kingdom divided against itself, a form of Godliness but denying the authority thereof by regarding iniquity in the heart) even NOW sitting in the 'temple' (know ye not that your body is the 'temple') and proclaiming he is sovereign?

*Know that as the SEPARATION is coming forth, Christ is being revealed in His 'temple'- His chosen, and Christ shall slay the 'man of sin' in the 'temple' in prophetic proclamation - the breath of His lips, and all shall be gathered together in ONE in CHRIST, for it is the restitution of all things." [DOUG FORTUNE: **Trumpet Call. Apostolic/Prophetic Bulletin** KINGDOM AUTHORITY! Aug 15, 1999]*

This statement above is a good example of the sonship/LR/revival doctrines. The judgement is brought to bear BY the elected Remnant (the chosen temple) AGAINST those who oppose the forward march of their earthly "kingdom" and it identifies the MAN OF SIN (Antichrist) as those who do not conform to their doctrines, those having "mixed allegiances" and not having received the new revelations and the new spirit of the revival movement! The "christ" - actually the Corporate Christ - will SLAY this man of sin! It could not be more clear.

Bill Burns of Faith Tabernacle put it this way:

"I, the Lord, have risen up out of My holy habitation. No longer will I sit still in the heavenlies, for it is time for My warriors to arise. ... Let the edge [of the sword] be set against every unholy alliance that has come against My word and against the presence of My power and against My purpose. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and under His banner you shall go forth. His banner is the banner of blood. I call you to take the land; I call you to become the "cutters down" of every altar and every idol and every high place established throughout." [Prophecy by Bill Burns, Faith Tabernacles - July, 1999]

The Old Order is the Enemy

"I am about to do a NEW thing, not an old thing or even a rebuilt thing, but a NEW thing. I shall not add to an old thing or even remake one to look new. There is great sadness in Me for there are only a few that will hear this and receive it.

THE DAYS OF THE PHARISEE'S [sic] ARE ABOUT TO END!

THE DAYS OF THE MOCKERS OF GOD ARE ABOUT TO END!

THE DAYS OF ALL THOSE THAT DESPISE ME ARE ABOUT TO END! THE DAYS OF RELIGION ARE SURELY NUMBERED!

(his emphasis)

*As my glory settles upon the land, those that are religious shall not receive me. They shall not accept what I do as it shall expose the error of their ways. The church that is stagnant shall die. The church that is dead shall decay. **Words in Due Season:***

(Sponsored by: Faith Tabernacle of Kremmling CO.) By William Hawkins: whawkins@ncats.net August 27th, 1999.

For another, even more explicit, statement of the coming judgement on rebels, see "[Glory or Terror?](#)" from "A Trumpet Call" apostolic site. He heads the "prophecy" with a statement that it is NOT speaking of the actual physical return of Jesus Christ, yet the word goes on to predict the soon coming of the "Holy Warrior clad with zeal and vengeance" who "shall avenge the blood of the innocent" and "there shall be a great outpouring of wrath upon those who have rebelled against me"... and more. Remember, this is NOT speaking of the physical Second Coming!

Steve Hill, of Brownsville, makes similar statements in a [message given in January 1998](#). He says that there's something big on the horizon and the day of the Lord's returning is near (that is, as we now know, the revealing of "Christ" in his BODY.) He then warns the sceptics, the religious ones to FEAR what is about to happen, for God says:

"the violent will be overcome by the violent, my Spirit's wooing is about to cease. No one will grieve me any more. No one will quench my spirit any more. No one will resist me anymore. Their days are OVER. Let them know, the warm season of grace and mercy will soon be turned to a chilling winter of judgement and wrath; the warm days of my wooing will be exchanged for the fiery days of my vengeance..."

It's EITHER/OR!

It is taught that those in the churches who have not "moved on" from the ordinary pentecostal experience to the "new thing" of the revival will not only be left behind when the glory comes, but will find themselves robbed of their former ministry and exiled to the "outer court" of the temple at that time:

"All those who do not go through the vail have to go to the outer court. Today many have been enjoying the grace of God, and operating in the supernatural realm of the Spirit in one degree or another. But we see a transition taking place. Either they are going on to higher heights in the Spirit, moving behind the vail toward the Holy of Holies, or they are losing what they did have. Pentecostal churches are going back to the formality and respectability of the traditional denominations. You see it everywhere. I

know there are exceptions, and thank God for them. But you will have to choose. Either IN or OUT.

This "part" realm is passing away. Either move on to the fulness of the Spirit, behind the veil, or you will find yourself without the gifts and the supernatural working of the Spirit as in days gone by. ... those who have retreated to the outer court will not be among that "Zadok" company mentioned in Ezekiel chapter 44 who minister in the Holy of Holies unto the Lord." [Bill Britton - Light Out of Shadows, Chap 2]

And from the tape on 'Joel's Army' by Jack Deere:

"When this army comes...everybody will either submit to the proclamations of the sons of God and submit to the son of God, or they will harden their hearts and resist it, and when they get through, it will truly be a burnt over field. It will truly be a burnt over field of God's judgement with either submission or rebellion now made apparent to everyone. Nothing will escape them....
When this army prays, the earth is going to tremble. When this army prays, the earth is going to open up and swallow its adversaries....the people are going to fall down. People are going to shake and tremble and quake under the power of this army that is coming - people like Saul, carnal Christians, people that are hostile, like that army that came to get Jesus in John 18 - those 600 soldiers fell on their faces when he stepped out of those shadows and said "I am HE".

And from a more recent message by a respected leader of the revival, Bobby Conner:

*"The definition of the word revolution is "an overthrow of a corrupt government." We are not talking about the White House here; we are talking about the church house. God is going to take the government of the church out of the hands of man and put it back into the hands of the Son of God. [As it appears from other quotes in this article, he must mean the Corporate Christ!] ...There is no more of this comfortable and complacent Christianity. That's over with. Jesus Christ said it this way: "You are either for me or you are against me. You are either gathering in or you are scattering abroad." This fence sitting, fence straddling is over with. We are either for Him or we are against Him. We have got to become much more militant than we are. [**"Revolution in the church"** by Bobby Conner, from a video made at a meeting near Cincinnati, OH 5/29/99]*

Traditional ways must go

*"A Prophetic Word': Stand up Church and shake off the dust. Release yourselves from the chains that keep you bound to tradition, rituals, rules and regulations." [**Words in Due Season**: (Sponsored by: Faith Tabernacle of Kremmling CO.)]*

Over and over, the blame for delaying the coming of the kingdom of God, and causing the Church's supposed 'failure' in all areas is laid at the door of the "religious" who turn out to be those who hold to traditional values and doctrines.

One major leader of the revival, from the beginning, is Marc Dupont. In his article, "The Next Wave", he uses veiled threats of judgement on all who refuse to accept the new revelations. First he identifies what is hindering the revival's power - I sensed [the Lord] say: "This is the condition of my Church. There is so

much criticism, legalism, and pharisaism in the Church that the Church needs to soak and soak in my love and compassion."

He then compares and contrasts Saul and David and Solomon's Temple. These figures are often used in the revival to denote the old order and the new, David being the new king ordained by God. Dupont says that the Temple was "built as a place of worship and prayer, [but] over the years its purpose was diluted to ritual alone. It was no longer the home of real prayer and worship. Israel had rejected the time of their visitation, and had previously killed prophets in the name of preserving outward religious respectability and tradition. Jesus, therefore, brought judgment against the people, and the monument was demolished some 70 years later. The Lord impressed upon me quite clearly, that this is also happening now."

He continues:

*"The winds of the Spirit are blowing and many people are coming into great freedom. But judgment will come to leaders who have been fighting the Holy Spirit in order to maintain outward respectability...
But God is going to choose His army and invest it with authority. Authority will be removed from those who are trying to preserve tradition and hang on to outward religious respectability and be given to those who seek Him with abandonment. God's authority will come upon the Church in a greater and more visible way. While judgment will come for some, promotion will come for others. Rosh Hashanah, therefore, represents not only a celebration of great joy, but also a change in the governing authority to man from God... The exciting news is that this unveiling of authority and outpouring of increased anointing is no longer for a Christian elite of select leaders. It is for the whole Church.
Unfortunately, rather than recognizing the present time as a chosen time of God's visitation, many continue with "business as usual." The danger, of course, is that we can miss the time of our visitation like the Israelites did, and find ourselves under judgment. While this outpouring is wonderful, it nevertheless has deeply serious implications."*

In some circles these religious types are not just an irritation, but are the Man of Sin himself. The planned purging is not designed to root out the many charlatans, frauds, cheats, adulterers, liars and abusive leaders who really do savage the flocks, but the humble little Joe in the pew and the minister minding his own business who happens to oppose the Toronto Blessing and the laughing revival! THIS is the so-called enemy of the Glory, and he must GO.

Standing on the written word of God is almost a crime in the revival, and marks you out as an old-order Christian. This must be explained, as there are those who see the antagonism as inexplicable and therefore unbelievable. The truth is that the doctrine underpinning the revival is that of the mystical and dominionist cults who have always believed that the kingdom must be brought to earth by believers through spiritual transformation.

Transition to the Third Day Church

As I explained in my other article on this subject, "[The New Thing](#)", one forerunner of the sonship/latter-rain teachers was the mystic Joachim of Fiore who taught that history consisted of a certain number of allegorical "days":

1. First the Day of the Father in which the Old Testament Law prevailed - this was the Day of the Flesh-Realm;

2. Secondly, the Day of the Son, a period of Grace in which New Testament salvation prevailed - this was the realm of the Soul and Mind;

3. Thirdly, the "third-day" would arrive in which the Church (or, a certain number of enlightened ones) would enter into a SPIRITUAL realm. In this day, the emphasis shifted off the written word of God into direct, spiritual revelation given to each man by God. Salvation would be a direct and personal power-encounter with God, not a matter of mental reasoning and intelligent understanding.

Furthermore, in each era, there would be an "overlap" in which the old order was still in existence but was passing away, and in which the old-order followers clung on to their old ways and resisted change. But always the new age would dawn and the survivors would move on.

The period of changing over from the old order to the new order is called TRANSITION.

The Chuck Pierce newsletter for April 17th, 1999 carried an article about the Third Day Church in which he stated:

"I believe Exodus 19 is a "now" word for the Body of Christ. . . .Then the Lord said, "Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their clothes, and let them be ready for the third day . . . Be ready for the THIRD DAY" I believe we have entered into the "third day" historical season of the Church." [Apostle Chuck Pierce's newsletters Apr 1999 Glory of Zion Ministries Denton, Texas.]

Earlier this year, Chuck Pierce spoke about the Third Day Church and prophesied that this transition would be complete by October 1999. Whatever view we take on such time-setting prophecies, it is none the less interesting that their time scale is so immediate. Are we now living in the days when the old religious traditions that have been in place for nearly 2000 years are to be overthrown by a spiritually-driven new leadership whose means of communication with God and the flock is revelation knowledge, visions, dreams and prophecies?

Pierce was addressing the meeting "National School of the Prophets: Mobilizing the Prophetic Office for the Next Century" held January 28 -30, 1999 at Colorado Springs, Colorado. Speakers included: C. Peter Wagner, Paul Cain, Chuck Pierce, Cindy Jacobs, Bill Hamon, Dutch Sheets, Rick Joyner, Kingsley Fletcher, Mike Bickle, Jim Laffoon, Barbara Wentroble and Ted Haggard. At the same meeting, Barbara Wentroble, spoke about the dying of the old ways:

"The Sons of God are led by the Spirit of God! ... This is a Season of Separation -- those things that were treasures in the last move are junk in the new move, and vice versa.---We are the People of the Third Day. ... The Jordan speaks of death -- the Apostolic is holding water aside for God's people to cross over the river. Many things are dying -- old ways, practices, etc."

From the above it can plainly be seen that holding to the written word of God, to the old church traditions and ways of worship, and even to the "old" gospel covenant (!! an issue I will address shortly) mark out a Christian today as belonging to the day of the Mind and Soul, rather than the Spirit, and it is expected that such a person will resist or even violently oppose the coming of the Age of the Spirit, the Third-Day.

To confirm my findings, visit one of the "Third Day Church" sites - "Third-Day Churches".

Using another analogy, Gwen from the "Christ Temple" site likens the legalistic old ways to Mount Sinai where the OT law was given, and the new dimension in the spirit as Mount Zion where believers are perfected and spiritually transformed in the New Jerusalem with a new covenant. (Heb 12:18-24) (Particularly note that "new covenant", again).

"The Bible uses "types" and "shadows" as examples for God's children, and God uses these places (Mt. Sinai and Mt. Zion) to give an apt description of what He desires. Mt. Sinai represents legalism and tradition, fear and bondage. God is calling us out of this place. He is calling us to go up to Mt. Zion, which represents a new covenant, a new dimension (especially in praise and worship), and a priesthood of believers! ["Christ Temple" - "Restoring God's Glory"]

A New Covenant - Revelation, not Words

It would be logical, since each of the previous historical "days" of the system was governed by a covenant with God (The first Day was the OT covenant of Law, the second was the NT covenant of Grace) that third day should also to be governed by a covenant.

This thought, abhorrent as it may seem, is found in a number of prophecies and messages around the Internet sites. Just as the Old Covenant gave way to and was superseded by the New Covenant of Jesus, so they say another and better covenant will be brought in by the latter-day God-Man, the Saviour of the world!

Bob Jones, in his "Shepherd's Rod for 1999" teaches that the "truth" is the revelation/rhema-word that will be given to the apostles. It is the apostles who have the task of re-educating the believers:

"In previous years we have mentioned the preparation and emergence of the inspired priesthood to provide the Rhema word of God for this season. That order is now coming to a place of maturity and will begin to encounter the Lord in the pillar of cloud receiving the true revelation of the Word and its application for this generation. The inspired priests will provide a sanctifying Light that will prepare the body in righteousness. Like apples of gold in settings of silver is a word spoken in right circumstances. There is coming the revelation of God's Truth and His Word to such a degree that the whole world will take notice as the Lord's priests present the Spoken Word in due season."

One man who teaches extensively about the new church government is Bob Nevels aka Bar Jona at his site <http://www.barsjona.org/> which is crammed with eye-opening literature from the apostles and prophets. (Those affiliated with this ministry include Andrew Strom and Tommy Thompson - whose comments on the spirit of Elijah I have previously mentioned.)

In a number of commentaries on scriptures, he outlines the new covenant and what it means:

"These three verses, plus several ancillaries, show more detail of the transition. First is shown God doing away with the old covenant and the fellowship of the institutional church. Zec. 11:7 is a view of the very end times, just before the trumpet judgments. This is the time when the Lord Jesus breaks the fellowship and the old covenant to which the institutional church

The man-child is caught up to heaven, just as was Paul (2 Cor. 12:2). That is, the operational sphere for the man-child is heaven. The sun-clothed woman is an overcoming church, characterized by a perfect government of teachers, standing on the new covenant. These spiritual ministers shall operate under the New Covenant. That is, they shall not just have head knowledge of God's laws, but shall have the deepest kind of heart understanding thereof. This heart understanding, which comes only to the converted, shall govern everything these spiritual overcoming ministers do."

NOTE - here he tells us what the new covenant consists of: spiritual revelation rather than "head knowledge". Bar Jona continues:

"A key issue within the three-church context is the way judgment is applied by the church fathers. It must be based, not on institutional doctrine, but on real-time rhema-word hearing of Jesus. It must be from the specific to the general, rather than vice-versa."

This contradicts conventional Church practice, and sets the whole issue of bible interpretation on its head.

Up to now, general commands and statements in the word of God have been interpreted to deal with specific matters and issues, yet here the reverse is commanded. It is suggested that specific prophecies or revelations (personal prophecies, perhaps, or visions) must be applied to general conditions within the church. In other words, single revelations from single individuals will govern doctrine for the whole church!

Taken to extremes, this impels the new-order followers to condemn and damn all those who keep to the old covenant and the traditional gospel. See the following. The article begins with a scripture quote of the glory cloud in the temple.

"And the Most High shall be revealed upon the seat of judgment but ONLY JUDGMENT SHALL REMAIN Those of you still piddling around with "worm-filled" manna are out of time and season with God and the Court, Ecclesiastes 3:1,6, Acts 1:7. There was a time when the gospel of repentance replaced the Law of Moses and the Old Testament practices. Now the JUDGE-MENT (thoughts) has replaced the gospel of repentance and New Testament practices and traditions. ONLY THE GLORY OF GOD THE WORD (THOUGHTS) OF THE SUPREME JUDGE ... REMAINS! No man's words, theories, doctrines and exercise of past traditions can enter in the "GLORY" and have value because of the AUTHORITY OF THE JUDGE IN OUR COURT. [his emphasis in capitals. From "The Glory of the Judge."]

The revelation knowledge is referred to by sonship disciples as "truth" and those who do not move in their circles and oppose such revelations of new doctrines are "suppressing the truth". That is why they "must be destroyed".

"John the Baptist knew of the coming day of judgment, but the Pharisees and Sadducees knew nothing of it... Disobedience, ungodliness, unrighteousness, and hypocrisy all usually entail the suppression of truth. [Riss then outlines the judgement that will fall upon disobedience]...However, we must not depend upon our past experience of deliverance from disobedience to save us from the wrath to come. [Richard Riss in "Preparing For The Coming of Christ"]

Riss makes it clear that just "being saved" will not protect anyone from coming under the wrath of God in the endtimes and being judged and destroyed along with the wicked.

Riss reasons that the disobedience that impels God to destroy the wicked has to do with "the suppression of truth" - therefore it is those modern-day "pharisees" who come under judgement, whether saved or not! Many times throughout his article he explains that knowing God and being saved are not enough to deliver a Christian from the wrath to come, but it is necessary to fall into line with the new revelations and the emerging new order to be spared!

"The golden oil is about to flow, and the first manifestation of the Sons of His Glory is going to be candlestick light which is revelation knowledge. --- I will prophesy to you, "1999 will be known as the Year of His Justice." His justice will bring both blessings and curses.... Blessings will go forth for the obedient and curses for the disobedient in dramatic ways. There is going to come a mighty impartation of Christ's authority to the Sons of Glory who will demonstrate the power of His kingdom with awesome signs and wonders following. I am already witnessing a new boldness in His servants, but before the fullness of His authority is demonstrated by the Sons of Glory, revelation knowledge will come forth like a mighty rushing river." [Bill Burns, Faith Tabernacle]

It seems clear, then, that this "new covenant" for the third age has to do with revelation knowledge, rather than the written word of God. The "religious spirit" despised by so many revival groups is none other than the one operating in those who still cling to the traditional doctrine of the scriptures, and apply intellectual reasoning, debate, reason and mindful examination of those scriptures.

Bob Jones, helped by his scribe Keith Davis, clearly condemns such mental applications as part of the dying old order, and he identifies it as the "abomination of desolation" in the Temple of God:

"The religious spirit directs the people to sanctify themselves but only in their minds ministering to them the "flesh of swine" and "mice". These two Biblically unclean animals represent unsanctified nourishment presented to the people through the soul of man rather than the Holy Spirit. These could depict intellectual comprehension and opinions of the Scriptures apart from the divine revelation released through the Spirit of Truth. This is abominable in the sight of the Lord...

The abomination of desolation described in Daniel 11:31 & Matthew 24:15 foretells the operation of this spirit sustaining the people from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. We are the Temple of God and must be sanctified in Truth. The Lord described it as vain worship to honor Him with our lips, yet removing our hearts far from Him teaching for doctrine the precepts of men.

The religious spirit introduces into the Church the spirit of the world nullifying the Grace of God. The views of Truth necessary to purify the church are not such as the world gives, but are such as are communicated by the Spirit of God." ["The Religious Spirit" by Bob Jones and Keith Davis.]

Killing the Dragon

Another "prophet" speaks of opponents as "the beast system" of Revelation:

"The infrastructure of revival must be built in this country, before gross darkness falls. From that infrastructure, the remnant of Kingdom believers will make war with the Beast system that seeks to destroy us lest we emerge in power. We will walk in supernatural power and vision that will confound our accusers. We will plunder the enemies camp. Will we demonstrate the powers of the age to come." ["Who am I?" [Nov. 13, 1998]

This immediately raises the question of who or what is the "beast system". The Bible talks about the reign of the beasts of Revelation as being the most evil powers ever to walk the earth. These beast individuals and empires are destroyed by the breath of the Lord at His coming. However, the sonship/revival devotees have a very different conception of the beast system.

Stated simply, they believe they are "of the Spirit" and their religious opponents are "walking in the flesh, not the Spirit". Since the flesh-realm and mental reasoning is mere "animal life" as opposed to "spiritual life" they see those who do not join them in their spiritual high-jinks as being "of the beast-nature". Thus, by one huge leap in deduction, they portray their opponents as The Beast of Revelation!

Having been identified as the "man of sin", the "beast system" and the "abomination of desolation", we - and all like us who do not subscribe to these doctrines - are marked for judgement!

If we are (even though Christians - see Richard Riss) part of the antichrist rebellion, then it is obvious that there are "no holds barred" in destroying us! No amount of suffering should be spared, since people like us oppose the New Order and deserve only to be turned out of the church, put to flight and even killed. As we have seen, the day of mercy has turned into the day of judgement - there is no longer a covenant of grace, but now a merciless purging of all that hinders the setting up of the kingdom across the entire earth.

If you do not submit to this, you are doomed. Be warned! Are you ready to stand up for your faith, and for Jesus Christ the Saviour, and to "contend earnestly" for the scriptural doctrines delivered ONCE (and not at any subsequent time) to the saints of God's Church. (Jude 1:3)

How will they justify killing us? Can they really be planning to do so? YES! Here is one quote that argues for such a thing. It comes from a woman in the revival called Jeannie Withrow, a worship leader and member of the prophetic music group "Number 8".. She shares "A few things the Lord has been showing me about the Sons of Thunder prophesy as given to James Ryle." She links the biblical Sons of Thunder, James and John, with the modern-day overcomers who are full of zeal for the Lord's ways. In Luke 9:51-56, the Sons of Thunder offer to call down fire from heaven on those who reject Jesus. Jesus, however, rebukes James and John and says "You do not know what manner of spirit you are of. For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men's lives but to save them."

However, today, she argues, the modern-day Sons of Thunder DO know "what spirit they are of" because they have the "new revelation" of the revival, and are therefore ready to call down fire to kill the enemies of Jesus!

"The new Sons of Thunder will know 'what manner of spirit' they are of, because they have the Holy Spirit. God is also pouring out a new anointing and revelation through the Holy Spirit for the end times harvest. Along with this will come miracles (evidence of God's power) and greater understanding. Whenever there has been an outpouring of the Holy Spirit it is always accompanied

by greater revelation and this is the understanding of 'what manner of spirit' we are of. John and James wanted to call down fire from Heaven to consume the Samaritans and, we presume, to kill them. The new Sons of Thunder will actually call down fire from Heaven in the form of the 'Consuming Fire' manifestation of God, and it will in fact cost the lives of some."

The doctrines of this new move are playing right into the hands of our pagan and secular foes, who have for years wanted to get rid of all true Christians. The New Age has been planning an "earth cleansing" for many years, but now we see huge sections of the Church also nodding in agreement! Here is a statement found on a gnostic site. In an identical way to the sonship/LR believers, it speaks of the woman giving birth to a divine Manchild who is to rule with a rod of iron. It, too, identifies the opponents of this divine "child" -

"The Divine Woman, a central figure of Revelations, is the Comforter Herself. The crown of stars indicates that Her authority and heritage is of the Divine Father, the moon, upon which She resides is another symbol of the feminine. As the Divine Mother She is giving birth, ie. self-realisation, and succeeds in producing a man-child. A man, indicating spiritual maturity and dynamic action, and yet a child symbolising purity of heart and that quality of innocence which Christ taught was essential to enter into the state of Heavenly Experience.

The child, having the mystic awareness of self-realisation, rules over the nations indicating command of the earthly plane as well as over the inner country, the chakra system. The child of the Divine mother is a Gnostic adept! He rules with an iron rod, the kundalini, which mercilessly slays the forces of evil, the obstacles which obstruct her flow through the chakra system. The dragon who stands over the Woman as She labours waiting to devour the child could well be the Churches. Their 2000 year vigil against the Divine Feminine lest she produce a race of Gnostics is evident in their manipulation and suppression of the scriptures. [They mean the 'gnostic gospels', not the genuine scriptures.] Revelations tells us that the Divine Children are destined to overcome the beast and establish a New Age of divine awareness." [From a Gnostic site "[Knowledge of Reality](#)"]

Need I point out here that we see the VERY SAME doctrines of demons permeating both the new-age, the pagan and the religious worlds, including many churches! See above the references to the Manchild and his rule over the nations, his merciless opposition to anything that hinders the 'flow of kundalini power', the revelation knowledge (new awareness) that characterises this corporate child, and the identification of his enemy - the (true) churches who oppose these teachings!

These are identical teachings, and once again we are reminded of our central text that says in the last days some shall turn away from the truth and give themselves over to the "doctrine of demons". I don't believe we need look much further than the above quote for proof of this condition in the church today!

(This study continues in the next section)

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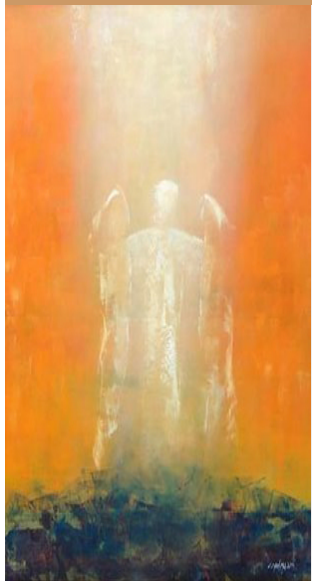
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The Glory Cloud
of a False Christ

Doctrines of Demons (Part Six)

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines [taught by] demons... (1 Tim 4:1 NKJ)

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The Apostles and Prophets

As the previous section of this series showed, the Old-Order churches must be dismantled and all those who oppose the new revelations and doctrines must be purged out.

Who then is to undertake this important work of judging and purging the old-order? It is the headship believers, the Apostles and Prophets who - we are told - are the "foundation" of this New Temple.

*"I am a vengeful God...cry out to God that he bring the apostles and he bring the prophets to break the bands of religion and tradition and culture, to usher in the mightiest wave of God to ever come to this nation." [Prophetic Ministries international (PMI)
(This place also offers "training schools" for apostles.) This prophetic Word for Canada given to Prophet Kevin Van Der Westhuizen, Oct 97]*

One of the subjects taking most space on the revival sites right now is the new apostles and prophets who will, they tell us, be the headship, covering and leadership of the New Jerusalem - that is, the new Church that is "taking the nations, and establishing the kingdom worldwide".

To see how this links right back to the GLORY CLOUD, take a look at this next quote, which likens the apostles to the covering cloud over the people by day, and the prophets to the flames of fire by night.

Both of these are supposed to give a COVERING over the whole camp. Remember that I spoke of this covering in previous articles in this series, saying that it represents, biblically, the atonement of God and therefore is not of MAN, but entirely of GOD.

Our Head is Jesus, He is our Shepherd. We do not have MEN to instruct, rule and govern us, but GOD HIMSELF. But these men are setting up a new Priesthood with powers FAR wider than any exercised by the Roman Catholic cardinals and bishops during the reign of the Roman church! For these men believe themselves not only to be GOD INCARNATE but that they have all the wisdom, understanding, power and authority of God!

"A new holy canopy is being released in the church as the apostolic anointing and authority will begin to be revealed with maturity. The new canopy will be according to Isaiah 4:4-6 ... 'The LORD will create over the whole area of Mount Zion and over her assemblies a CLOUD by day, even smoke, and the brightness of a flaming FIRE by night; for over all the GLORY will be a canopy. And there will be a shelter to {give} shade from the heat by day, and refuge and protection from the storm and the rain'. The apostolic anointing will function as cloud by day and the prophet will serve as flaming fire by night. Each of these will provide a canopy of glory over the believers who have been washed and purged by the "spirit of judgement" and the "spirit of burning". ... The apostolic leadership emerging will provide a pillar of cloud over the body illuminating the hidden manna for this day. The prophets will be as a flame of fire at night displaying awesome power and miracles. ...Moses is best known in his role as Prophet, Aaron as Priest and Samuel as Judge. These three represent the Priest/Prophet/Judge anointings that will be entrusted to this emerging leadership. To each of these three, God proved Himself in Mercy and in Judgement. The coming apostolic ministers will be as pillar of cloud by day and the anointed prophet will be as a pillar of fire by night. Each will provide a canopy of protection through the Holy Spirit even as Israel was protected during the judgements of Egypt." [Bob Jones "Shepherd's Rod for 1999]

This kind of doctrine identifies the new apostles and prophets as the equivalent of the Glory Cloud that led the Israelites out of Egypt (which was the Holy Spirit - God Himself!). They are not ashamed to take the place of God as Head of the Church. (Since the word Anti-Christ means "in the place of Christ" does this not identify them as having an antichrist doctrine and an antichrist spirit??)

These apostles and prophets have several tasks to perform, apart from giving protection, guidance and leadership to the new Church. Comparing the task today with that of the Early Church Apostles, Jim Buchan outlines in his article "The Nature of the Apostolic Ministry" the role of the new apostle:

- Outreach - setting up churches in unreached areas
- Foundation Laying - establishing basic church doctrine according to the new revelation instead of "tradition" and "human opinion".
- Training Leaders - personally training prophets and other men under them, as Paul trained Timothy.
- Problem Solving - pronouncing judgement in doctrinal and personal disputes.
- Unity - bringing all into One Church

- Supernatural - signs and wonders instead of words and human wisdom

It is obvious that they plan a prime role for themselves in governing the rest of us. While God-ordained leadership of local churches exists in the form of elders - those with a gift from God as Pastor, Teacher, and the like) these leaders see their authority as extending across the ENTIRE GLOBAL CHURCH, and their word is AS GOD.

The Global Church

This will be a pyramid structure, with a worldwide network of apostles governing nations and regions within those nations, and under them a whole edifice composed of submitted pastors, prophets and other elders all of whom give allegiance to those above them.

No longer will churches be independent, self-governing, autonomous. All that will end under this new scheme. Pastors are called to submit to their local Apostle, and each city or area will be required to come into unity with all other city churches and to sign covenants pledging not to discriminate, nor to poach eachother's members, nor to criticise another's doctrine.

This scheme has been in operation on a small scale for many years in the Restoration churches (especially in the UK) but now it is planned to extend it globally.

Here is a report of a meeting held by Rock Church of Baltimore which is a major part of the current revival:

"A Word From Pastor: We have just closed one of the most powerful months in God that I believe I have experienced! First, we gathered over 80 pastors from Baltimore city and county for a retreat called Peace For The City. This was the largest INTER-DENOMINATIONAL gathering of pastors that this area has seen. Our guest speaker was Dr. David Schoch, a true father in the faith. He provided the insight, impartation and guidance of a patriarch. The Peace gathering was marked with reconciliation; both denominational and racial. Then, in a sovereign move of the spirit, a covenant was written and signed by the pastors. This covenant knitted the congregations, ministries and PULPITS of their churches together into ONE CHURCH in Baltimore. On May 2, 1999, these pastors will trade pulpits and preach in each other's churches! Already, this covenant has been adopted by churches in other cities and has even been taken to Argentina!" [Pastor Bart Pierce, Rock City Church of Baltimore March 99]

In the next article, I will talk about the "Lighthouse" scheme that is being used to knit all the world's churches into one enormous (databased!) network!

First, some lengthier quotes that show the trend towards UNITY, city-churches, submission to covering Apostles, and the end of independence for individuals.

These come from a UK writer, Phil Townend, in West Yorkshire, who is part of the ICTHUS Restoration set-up.

"At this very moment in history God is beginning to cover the world with a network of interlocking relationships between groups of believers in every place. ...In the process, God is releasing the Body of Christ world-wide from many of its traditional and 'neo-traditional' constraints in order to make room for new developments and allow for the level of joining that is required... The relationship between believers in different countries... is of particular significance as this net forms, since any barrier

obstructs God's purposes. We need each other and the gifts that we bring to each other to be complete.

"An essential element in the process of change now taking place is a fresh release of apostolic ministry...flexible, mobile apostolic teams that will move from place to place, bringing that which is lacking into local situations everywhere...The relationship between the local and mobile will be one of mutual submission...The teams will operate out of local bases...

"Nowhere is the change that is taking place more evident or needed than at a local level. The biblical concept of a 'city' is helpful, if understood to include a town, borough or other administrative area... The principle to bear in mind is to pursue as far as we can unity at EVERY level... Bearing this in mind, we can define local church, in its simplest, biblical terms, as the sum of believers in a given area. This definition does not preclude variety within and between local expressions of church, but it does insist that these will be facets of one local entity and that this unity be explicit in terms of identity and vision.

"What will emerge is one interlinked network of believers in a given area... Relational unity among recognised leaders is a clear prerequisite for what is coming... United leadership is needed to bring cohesion within the wider local Body.

"God is restoring the so-called 'five-fold ministries' in these days - including the apostolic - in order to complete His mission... In particular we need to see true spiritual 'fathers' or elders take their place amongst us, in our churches and communities. By this I mean those appointed and anointed of God (not man) to provide a spiritual canopy over the territory for the sake of the people who live there - believers and non-believers alike ... It is a divinely ordained group of men (and women) sharing responsibility and authority in the Holy Spirit for specific regions.

"It is perhaps important to stress again here the God-ordained interdependent nature of the whole church, local and translocal...there is in reality only one church of Jesus Christ. So even local churches as we are defining them here are no more self-sufficient than an individual person, cell or congregation, and therefore need to be joined to the wider body to be complete and have real success.

"It is important that each local congregation ask itself a fundamental question about how it views its life and ministry. Does it operate out of an independent mindset, expressing a unilateral vision, with only a secondary or optional regard to what else is going on locally? Or does it seek out fellow local believers, desiring a corporate vision for an area together, looking to find its place in the wider context? The latter situation must become normative for everyone to prosper.

"...we know our mission mandate is fulfilled when we see Jesus return in glory. ...However, He will only come back to a spotless Bride in a fully evangelised world. The net represents both the Bride of Christ in its global completeness, as the body is joined together, and the Church's mission fulfilled, as it spreads over the face of the whole earth.

"Rebellious, divisive and critical attitudes and behaviour on our part with regard to God's people and any existing church structures are never justified, and will seriously hamper, if not severely undermine, what God is doing at the present time." ["THE NET"

Phil Townsend - see source information [here](#)]

The above article is self-explanatory. It lays out the strategy for setting in place a global network of submitted pastors and churches under regional and national, and ultimately, international, Apostles. This is such a radical move away from what we know today that it bears expanding upon. Pastors and elders perhaps do not yet realise the implications - that they will be REQUIRED to submit themselves to this structure whether they agree to its doctrine or not!

Are you on a Roll?

Here I want to insert a more personal note. Many years ago (perhaps around 15 years ago if I recall correctly) the Lord spoke to my husband and me, saying "do not have yourselves enrolled on any official register or church Roll from now on". During that time we were attending conventional churches, but we heeded that word and when approached would not allow our names to be databased on the rolls.

We began to see how important an issue this was when, despite all our involvement with one particular church - leading the music group, helping with the newsletter, taking Bible studies etc - we were called to the Vicar's office one day and told in no uncertain terms that either we enrolled officially or we would be put out of the church. We stuck to our guns, and were therefore told to leave! This came shortly after a visit by the Bishop to this parish - you may deduce from that what you wish.

That church is now part of the "Restoration" movement, like so many others in our country. Networking has been continuing and increasing for years, so that I believe most church-going Christians are now logged and filed away somewhere, their names and preferences known. (I had confirmation of this when one woman "pastor", a very spiteful enemy of this ministry, tried to make trouble for me with my local churches and told their pastors that Evangelical Alliance "have a file on her". I AM SURE THEY DO!!)

One close friend, the husband of an elderly couple who are, like us, now outside the establishment opened the door to a man who said he was visiting every home in the area. He had an official card of the "Churches Together" organisation - an ecumenical organisation that unites all churches in an area.

The official began questioning my friends about their church affiliations and their interest in Churches Together. When they replied that they did not attend a local church and furthermore, as ex-Catholics, they could not be involved in anything that listed Roman Catholic churches alongside others in any Christian networking scheme, the man noted all this down and said he was taking notes for a record of people's views and preferences.

As innocent as this may sound, it all adds up to one conclusion: that records are being made that would instantly identify "dissenters" to the united world church!

With the prospect before us of a United Nations initiative to bring the heads of all religions together in a bid for unity next year, plus the intensive logging of churches and Christians going on inside the new Churches, we have cause to worry that we are marked out as opponents before we even open our mouths.

I am going to add some quotes from a document just received: "[Finding Your Place in the Apostolic Vision](#)" Feb, 1999:

"Dr. Peter Wagner is such an Apostolic figure. He heads up the World Prayer Center in Colorado Springs... the Apostles are

being raised up. God has raised up these men to be very visible. We know a lot about a few Apostles in the New Testament. We will know a lot about a few Apostles in the New Jerusalem. We can get offended, or we can get on board.

"The war between the Pastor and the Prophet will cease with the full emergence of the Apostle. The "Popes of Prophecy" (Pastors or other non-prophetic offices thinking that they are equipped and commissioned to judge prophecy and screen out the influence of the prophetic) are being disciplined as we speak. This is why in scripture it is the prophets themselves who are called to judge prophecy, not the Pastor, teacher, evangelist or even the Apostle. ... Pastors that don't prophecy regularly will not have these insights. God is calling each advancing church to form a council of the proven prophets, at each service, for the healthy judging of prophecy...

"Invigorated by prophetic insight, the Apostle will take the word of the Lord and implement new and inventive strategies to promote God's kingdom, 'on earth as it is in heaven'. We live in exciting times. Out of nowhere these two witnesses have emerged and are changing the face of Christianity as we know it. ... The Apostle will mobilize diverse tribes into a unified spiritual nation. We are not talking ecumenicalism, we are talking about a fighting machine. A prophetic army. ...

"These fore-running spiritual pioneers are being challenged by God to come into alignment with Apostolic vision. Their gifts will never be fully matured until they are teamed with wise master builders. I know that the church is in a state of transition, and all of this seems quite gray. We may not have mature Apostles in our area. God has to have a hand in the teaming process, but man also has a part. Are we going to be willing to submit our ministry to a specific Apostolic visionary? This is a critical question that will determine our influence on hastening the coming of the Lord, in our effective contribution to the restoring of all things spoken by the prophets.

"Prophets are critical to the equation, but are not the final position of authority. All I ask is that you remain open to hear from God regarding how you fit into the emerging Divine order. You must be willing to take steps to team yourself with men of this caliber. We all must be willing to assume our place as watchmen on the wall, ever mindful to inform the elders behind the wall regarding what we see. Trusting that these tested Elders will make the wise decisions and formulate effective strategy. That's why they are Elders. That's why a few bear upon themselves the grace of the Apostolic commission."

While the quoted article is a call to control the loose canons in the prophetic community, it also shows the emerging structure of the superchurch, where pastors are not able to judge prophecy being given in their churches, where the "anointed" apostles and prophets sit in places of authority in every church, requiring pastors to submit to their "wise counsel", and churches are submitted to apostolic teams who are using prophecy to "implement new and inventive strategies to promote God's kingdom, 'on earth as it is in heaven'."

As the text above asks "are we going to be willing to submit our ministry to a specific Apostolic visionary?" Many maybe are NOT willing, but nonetheless history has shown that where popularity, financial support, numbers and success is concerned, many pastors are inclined to go with the 'line of least resistance'.

Another personal comment here. I have thought that the time would come when our allegiance would be tested to the ultimate. I mean by that, people have been staying in their churches despite the level of apostasy there for many (perhaps valid) reasons - to reach out to others, to try and convince the pastor, to pray that things get back to normal, etc. I have always considered that a dangerous strategy because not only does a LITTLE leaven leaven the lump in our hearts as well as in our churches, but what happens if the Pastor submits himself and his flock to the local Apostle and thereby brings them under the covering and spiritual shepherding of an APOSTATE system?

Now the evidence is growing that the system is being set up for real. When it is in place, churches and pastors will be gathered in as One United Church. At that time, I believe, the last line is drawn in the sand, for no Christian who truly loves God and God's word can stay in a local church that has subscribed to the antichrist one-world church! (But how many will STILL turn a blind eye to it all, and hope for the best?)

With many dissenting from this system and refusing to be aligned with the Global Church, there will suddenly be Christians drifting about in a confused and bewildered state looking for fellowship. At that time our small house groups will come into their own, and the teachers and pastors who are REALLY called of God will spring into action.

But until then, we are faced with increasing pressure to conform, and to give the Apostles and Prophets, and other leaders of the "New Jerusalem" our unthinking allegiance! I pray that God will alert all those who are His own to these plans.

Please see this document on an Apostolic site, and the others similar to it on the same site, for a thorough explanation of the role, meaning, activities and functions of the modern "apostles" - <http://www.doitnow.com/~apostle/apostle1.htm>

Training the Troops

God is the one who calls a man, equips him, trains him, ordains him and uses him in ministry. There is a place for education and mental preparation of course - I'm not denying that - but the idea that MAN can train up and prepare another to be an APOSTLE is ludicrous!

What training did Peter and John have? Who called Paul? Which seminary did he attend? No, while accepting that we should avail ourselves of the very best in Christian education and equipment, we should never lose sight of the fact that GOD is our Employer and the Holy Spirit our Teacher - in Christian ministry above all.

However, ever since the concept of Church leadership by Apostles and Prophets began, training schools have been there to teach them what to do. I know little about such places except that they exist, and I'm willing to hazard a guess that there are more of them than anybody knows, all around the world, busily training men and women how to lead the Global Church when it arrives.

Training is undertaken in informal "schools" based on websites which provide training manuals and information; through international conferences where the

leaders congregate to share each other's expertise and insights, and through "mentoring" of one man under another's wing. I'm sure it must also exist in the more formal sense, courses laid on in training establishments on "how to be an Apostle".

"Kingdom Restoration Centre" - "Five-Fold Ministry" says: "As the church of Jesus Christ continues the upward climb from the abyss of the dark ages to its place of pre-determined glory, if ruling among the nations, we are experiencing a tremendous unfolding of scriptures as the Holy Spirit releases revelation after revelation. One such important scripture is Eph 4:11-13 (five-fold ministry)...God is raising up prophets as well as send-time apostles to bring his people into the fulness of their inheritance in Christ. Many apostles and prophets have been called to begin networks and schools for the purpose of raising up many great prophetic and apostolic ministers. The primary goal of these networks and schools is to lead those who are called to the five-fold ministry into the fulness of their calling in Christ, so that they in turn may lead all those that God has called them to minister to into the fulness of their inheritance in Christ - thus producing a mighty people who can establish the kingdom of God in the earth."

A little evidence of this I have found (and you could probably find much more for yourself):

- [Foundations of the Apostles & Prophets: School of Ministry](#) and Local Assemblies
- All Nations Ministries - "seminars on offer including "Restoration of the Apostle". This two-hour seminar reveals the apostle though the type of the godly king ... Also, a five-hour seminar [that] covers most of the material in the book, 'The Last Apostles on Earth. Insights for Emerging Prophetic & Apostolic Ministry'."
- [School of the Lion, Ministry Training School](#) - "register online to one of the most dynamic training tools for ministers available on the web or anywhere else. Ministry Training School will one day be a replacement for Sunday school, or church school as we know it. Our people need specific ministry training to effectively evangelize this end time harvest. The Spirit of God has truly revealed some life changing trues to Apostle Lonnie W. Brown that will help you stay focused and propel you towards your destiny. Materials: Your packet includes a (25) cassette tape series along with a manual, full of notes, outlines, and lesson plans. ... This is specialized ministry training for ministers, elders, and all church leaders".
- [Apostolic Networks](#)
- Gateway Ministries: set up by Travis Thigpen - Gateway's Prophetic Schools.
- [Minister's Training School](#) - "Ministers' Training School is designed for people who know they are called as an apostle, prophet, evangelist, pastor or teacher, whether presently serving in that capacity or in the preparation phase of that calling. ... The teaching covers areas such as: The Anointing through impartation, clarity and direction to your calling, undergirding and mentorship, valuable practical information and guidelines concerning ministry, and the opportunity to use and perform some duties of your office. Our ministry is working in conjunction with Eagle Mountain International Church for this particular school."
- [Domata Training Schools](#) - "Domata is the Greek word for "gifts" mentioned in Ephesians 4:8, and refers to the offices of: apostle, prophet, evangelist, pastor and teacher. God's plan for Domata Ministers' Training Schools is to help prepare men and women with a call to these offices for success in full-time ministry. Information available for Czech Republic; Estonia; France; Greece; Italy; India; Netherlands; Philippines; Poland; Romania; Spain; Taiwan; Thailand."

Military-Style Training for Joel's Army

There's also the use of military terms which suggests a structure to the Army that is supposed to war against the forces of evil in the latter-day. At Brownsville

some are referred to by military rank. Worship leader Lindell Coolley was called "Brownsville Battalion Commander in God's Army".

- ["Welcome to God's end-Time Army"](#) - funded by the Government, so they say!
- ["Warriors of the New Millennium"](#): saw in vision a "kick-butt" army who "will not tolerate the illegal rape of Zion."
- ["Knights of the Round Table"](#) - Apostolic Generals fighting the Lamb's war at Jill Austin's page: "beachheads or revival centres will strategically be targeted in various cities throughout the earth"... "secret agents for the king will infiltrate world governments and societies on every level."

A New Foundation for the New Temple

One of the most offensive parts of the doctrine is the way Jesus is elbowed out of the way and his mission and work made almost obsolete compared to the glories of the Church to come. (For the glory of that latter house shall be greater than the former, they say!)

The scriptures say that Jesus is the Foundation of his Church and there can be no other. "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." (1 Cor 3:11)

Indeed, he is more than just the foundation, for that implies a building stone erected by man. The Lord is the ROCK, the bedrock on which the building is laid.

1 Cor 10:4 ... for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.

Deut 32:4 He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.

Remember the parable of the house built upon the rock, and the house built upon the sand? (Matt 7:22-27) Obviously we are to build upon the Rock of Jesus Christ in order to know any stability at all in this world, and in order to survive the storm to come. He is not just any old foundation stone, but the CORNERSTONE from which the entire building derives its angle and aspect. (Isa 28:16 /Eph 2:19-22 /1 Pet 2:6-7)

When the bible says that Jesus Christ is the only foundation of the Temple, yet in another place says "And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone". (Eph 2:20) there appears to be a contradiction, which cannot be so since the word of God never errs.

Understood correctly, there is no contradiction here. The Apostles and Prophets called by God in the Early Church built upwards and outwards from the beginning of the Church, starting at the Chief Cornerstone. Having personally met with Jesus and having received His doctrine, they merely amplified upon Jesus Christ and the doctrine of salvation to expand His work and ministry. They merely mirrored what had already been delivered to the Church and intensified its light!

The true spirit of prophecy is the testimony of Jesus, a witness to His saving grace! (Rev 19:10) The true ministry of an apostle, a sent-one, is to preach that gospel in the power and inspiration of the Holy Spirit, bringing all into conformity to the doctrines that Jesus came to deliver.

There is only one doctrine, one foundational creed, one word of God, one ministry, one Lord and - in truth - only one Church, because the true Church consists

of everyone who is known to God and born again of the Spirit.

The foundation having been laid, it cannot be laid all over again - and that is precisely why the new doctrine can only be a "doctrine of demons", for it is not in accordance or agreement with the doctrine of Christ, once delivered to the saints. We are told that if anyone comes to us, not bearing this doctrine of Christ, we are not even to bid them God speed, much less accept them as ministers of the Church!

Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds. 2Jn 1:9-11

Despite all this, there is a consistent emphasis on the modern-day Apostles being the "foundation" of the "New Jerusalem" which is being built in the earth. The modern-day prophets are receiving revelations that they pass to the apostles, who teach them as foundational creeds and doctrines of the Church! Yet these doctrines frequently contradict the scriptures!

Bob Jones is one who eulogises about the role of the present-day apostles and prophets:

"A new holy canopy is being released in the church as the apostolic anointing and authority will begin to be revealed with maturity. These will be the good shepherds upon whom the favor of the Lord will be apparent. It will be the mature restoration of the judges and counselors as at the beginning. ... The coming judges will be apostolic and the counselors will be the prophets. The foundation of the church consists of the apostles and prophets revealing the chief cornerstone, the Lord Jesus. The prophets will emerge first revealing the mind of Christ through Godly counsel during these final days of preparation and release for the apostolic authority. These will appear, anointed with Holy Spirit power displaying the Lord's victory over demons, disease and death". [Bob Jones - Shepherd's Rod for 99]

Here, in a subtle change from biblical truth, the apostles and prophets are "revealing" Jesus rather than building upon Him. Nor do they use biblical doctrine for this. We know from other quotes that the revelation of Jesus to the world church and to the nations is the unveiling of the christ-child incarnated into his people!

Another apostolic ministry is even plainer:

"For I have NOT called you to Sinai, I have called you to Zion to BE Zion, My holy mountain. That which is of the soul, mind will and emotions, seeks to establish the striving of the law, Mount Sinai within you... But I say 'speak to that mountain!', shout unto it 'Grace!, Grace!' For by grace shall that mountain become a plain, and the Capstone of Christ shall be set in its place. I WILL have a temple that is COMPLETE and perfected and it shall be by My grace.... not by your power or striving, but by My Spirit. I am laying the foundation of My temple, Apostles and Prophets IN Christ the Cornerstone, and I am bringing living stones, hewn and tested, together being built into My holy temple and crowned with the 'Capstone' of Christ, and from THIS temple shall I rule the nations. I am raising up the Spirit of Zerubbabel in a people who are laying the foundations and shall also finish that which I

have purposed... THAT being a COMPLETED and PERFECTED 'temple' fit for Me to inhabit in My FULLNESS! To everything there is a time... THIS is the appointed time to SPEAK to the mountain, for I am building and completing My 'temple' that I may fill that 'temple' with the fullness of My glory. The SUBSTANCE of the Cornerstone and foundation is the same as the Capstone, as is the very WORK of the building of this 'temple'.... and that is CHRIST IN YOU, the hope of My indwelt tabernacled manifest presence IN My 'temple', ruling the nations as an eternal Kingdom... THIS is the hope to which you were called... THIS is why you must speak to the mountain, calling forth in prophetic proclamation My eternal purpose! ["TRUMPET CALL "Speak to the Mountain."]

Here we see a wholly new and different "temple" being built, REPLACING the present Church. Once again a foundation is being laid, and this future Temple contains "My indwelt tabernacled manifest presence". Instead of a literal Holy City, after the return of Jesus Christ to earth, we see a present-day man-made organisation taking over the government of earth, calling itself "New Jerusalem".

The New Jerusalem

The Bible speaks of the New Jerusalem as the City of God descending out of heaven at the very end of history when Jesus has returned, judged wickedness, raised his servants from the dead and is preparing to establish his reign over the earth. (Rev 21) This takes place in the context of the new heavens and earth, when God is "tabernacled" with man and He is dwelling with them.

Nowhere does the scripture describe the New Jerusalem being 'brought forth' by the activities of the present-day Church, NOR does it describe it as being the present-day Church, yet this is what revivalists are now teaching.

Not only that, but the OLD church is not good enough to be this "New Jerusalem" because it is traditional and clings to doctrines! When the revival leaders met earlier this year, one of the topics they discussed was the movement away from the Old Order and the transition to the New Jerusalem:

"The River is changing course, and so is the prophetic emphasis. If we are not willing to flow with the River we will be left stranded on dry ground. We must not hold on to stale ways of doing things, stale ways of relating to one another. The renewed Apostolic age will change all this. No longer will we seek form over substance. We are moving from a church emphasis to a kingdom emphasis and will taste of the New Jerusalem in this life." [Themes from the School of the Prophets Conference (Jan. 1999) held in Colorado Springs.]

Bar Jona, on his web site, has much to say about the New Jerusalem. Not only that, but he roundly condemns the present-day Church as having been rejected by God:

"Present Church Operations - What we see here is a timid Christian church, one that has the promise, but not the covenant. We see a New Covenant church, not operating according to the New Covenant, but according to the Old. We see a church that has not yet taken on the name of Jesus' bride, New Jerusalem. This church haggles over doctrine, thinking that possessing their particular doctrine safeguards against God's affliction and judgment. We see a church of murmuring and manipulation of

anointed leadership. We see a church whose internal judges are no longer raised up by God. This church's apostles are from a country of unclean speaking spirits..."

"Ezekiel 16:16 is where God identified His wife, the old church, Jerusalem, as an unfaithful idolistic harlot. Jerusalem, the old wife, was never perfected. That is why God labels as the New Jerusalem the bride now being prepared for His Son."

"... In the time of David, two tabernacles were in operation simultaneously. The original Tabernacle of Moses continued, even after it had lost the Ark and the Presence of God, which moved into David's new Tabernacle. God forsook Moses' Tabernacle because of the idolatry of the priests. He moved into David's Tabernacle and was worshipped directly without any intervening curtain. The key differences between old and new Tabernacles were the methods of worship and of communicating with God." [Impartations 97, from Bar Jona]

So this is not just a completion of the existing Church (temple) but a "new thing" as they say - a NEW Temple. The "old wife" is cast off as imperfect and corrupt, and a New Jerusalem has to be built with a new foundational doctrine. Notice that the difference between them lies in worship (in the Spirit) and communication (in the Spirit) two areas most notorious in the revival!

That being the case, and the "old priesthood" of legalism (typified by Moses) having been rejected by God, supposedly, a new priesthood also has to be found. This is called the Order of Melchisadec.

The New Priesthood - Melchisadec

I am going to launch straight into a lengthy explanation of the Melchisadec Priesthood from the "New Jerusalem" site, and let you reach your own conclusions:

"Some presume that this Melchizedek is Jesus Christ as it is written of him, "king of righteousness" and "king of peace" (Heb. 7:2). But of Melchizedek, it is mentioned in Gen.14:18, that he was the priest of God Most High". Therefore Melchizedek is only the priest of God. Similarly we need an apostle or a High Priest after the order of Melchizedek who is authorized according to the verse: "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven (the authority to tend the sheep and the lambs), and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven" (Matt.16: 18,19). ...Like the Lord raised Moses as savior from among the Israelites to redeem them from the bondage of Egyptians and lead them on to the land of Canaan by receiving the Levitical priesthood, in these days too, God has made an arrangement by raising a savior from among the saved people of God and giving him a priesthood of perfection after the order of Melchizedek so that the people of God attain the adoption which is the redemption of their body.

... Another distinction of Melchizedek was his immortal and eternal priesthood. ... In the same way, the priest (apostle) who appears in these last days too should not see death (John 11:26). One can see this secret in the revelation given to Ap.John and is mentioned by way of an account on the birth of a male child. "And she bore a male child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron. And her child was caught up to God and to His throne" (Rev.12:1-5)...Therefore we see that God is going to transfigure the

man chosen by Himself, take him up to the heaven, give him the authority to rule with a rod of iron and send him back to the world to lead His children towards perfection after the order of Melchizedek.

...The Lord God is going to make His church perfect through a High Priest within the order of Melchizedek. From different tribes and speaking different languages they shall grow with one accord into perfection. ...Therefore brothers and sisters who read this! If you want to be a member of the assembly of the perfected saints who are to be taken up in the second coming of Lord Jesus Christ, and thus to rule with Him for a thousand years and be the priests forever in the presence of Lord God in heaven (Rev. 5: 9,10), pray to the Lord. Pray to Him thus: "My Lord! Like you raised Moses as savior for the Israelites to redeem them from the bondage of Egypt and lead them on to Canaan, please show me that savior and shepherd whom you have chosen to perfect Your children scattered throughout this earth and prepare them for Your coming". God will show that priest ordained after the order of Melchizedek and lead you also into the blessing within the order of Melchizedek. ["Who is this Melchizedek?" from the New Jerusalem Church website]

It is difficult to add anything after reading this material! Here we see MAN usurping the eternal ministry of our immortal, eternal, High Priest, and taking his role as SAVIOUR of the world! What further proof do we need of their blasphemy? THESE are the new revelations and foundational doctrines of the New Jerusalem!

*" For what was the promise to Abraham and his seed but that he should inherit the earth?... and shall you not reign as Kings and Priests? And was it not King and Priest Melchizedek that Abraham paid tithe to, that in that seed of tithe sown and its increase YOU should inherit the Priesthood and Kingship of Melchizedek? For if you are IN CHRIST then you are Abraham's seed and heirs according to the promise, thus you shall exercise Kingdom authority in the Priesthood of Melchizedek as the kingdoms of the world become the Kingdom of the Lord and His Christ. I am raising up a royal Priesthood after the order of Melchizedek... ones bearing Kingdom authority, overcomers that will inherit the promise to Abraham and rule the nations. Yes, judgment is being given to My chosen and these SHALL possess the Kingdom, for My Kingdom is an everlasting Kingdom and ALL dominions shall serve and obey". [KINGDOM AUTHORITY Aug 1999 Doug Fortune **Trumpet Call Apostolic/Prophetic Bulletin**]*

INTERESTING COMPARISONS

Barbara Marx Hubbard, a key New-Ager teaches almost identical doctrines about a lastdays Army, who are to be spiritually transformed by an enduement of power. Consider her words, as taught by demons, and you will see the close connections between them and the sonship doctrines. Truly, these heresies are the "doctrine of demons"!

- "This vision of the future is a fulfillment of the intimations of the past.
 - We are One Body, All people - We coordinate as a planetary body, attuning to each other and to the Designing Intelligence.
 - We Are in Contact With Other Life - The intimation of higher beings is affirmed. We have always been in contact intuitively.
 - The esoteric or hidden is becoming exoteric and clear - Once we saw through a glass darkly. Now we see face to face.
 - We Are Immortal - We are not bound by the limits of this body.
 - We Are Universal - We are not bound by the limits of this planet.

- o We are Other Life - We are Higher Beings.
- o Our innate sense of growth potential, our intimation of a higher state of being is true.
- o We are Conscious Co-Creators - Partners With God."
- [The Future - Previews of Coming Attractions, by Barbara Marx Hubbard. Vol. 1 No. 6, First Foundation News, August, 1995]

Another startling comparison we could make is with the words of Lucifer, "son of the morning", once an archangel created in perfection, but through self-exalting pride now a fallen being doomed to an eternity outside of God's love.

In Isaiah 14:12-15 we see the mission statement of this being, and I wonder if you will be struck, as I was, with the fact that each one of these proclamations is echoed almost perfectly within the revival and manifested-sons communities. Take a look:

(12) How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

(13) For thou hast said in thine heart,

A - I will ascend into heaven

B - I will exalt my throne above the stars of God;

C - I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north;

(14)D - I will ascend above the heights of the clouds;

E - I will be like the most High.

(15) Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

A - POWER-HUNGRY: Lucifer was not content to stay within the bounds of his calling and position under God. (We have to assume from this verse that God had given him a work to fulfil on the earth at this time) No, he wanted to "ascend into heaven" where the action was! He wanted to have a pre-eminent place among the angels with influence over the affairs of God's realm and kingdom. He wanted to have influence not only in a limited sphere, on his patch of the planet, but over ALL the kingdoms of the world. He wanted to "take the nations" and "possess the land" and "rule with a rod of iron" as divine overlord. (Compare Matt 4:8-10)

Today's church is likewise not content to fulfil its mission on the earth as servants of Christ, under the command of God. They are not happy simply to "occupy" until he comes (Luke 19:13) - that word means keeping busy with your allotted task, waiting patiently for the Master to return. The Church of today sees itself as a failure if it does not "take the nations" and rule them. It wants to sit as officials in the Lord's government at the right hand of God, like the sons of Zebedee (Matt 20:20-23).

B - SPIRITUAL WARFARE: "I will exalt my throne above the stars of God." "Stars" means the heavenly principalities and powers . God had set in

place the "sons of God" or the angels as rulers over the nations, and their reign in the heavenlies is expressed in earth's language and imagery as the stars in the visible heaven above us. However, Lucifer could not accept God's plan and wisdom, and had an ambition to rise above the principalities and powers, setting his throne in the heavens as absolute Lord! (Clearly he achieved part of this plan since the heavenly rulers were corrupted through his influence and became evil as a result.)

Now we see in the revival an ambitious plan for doing "spiritual warfare" against the principalities and powers in the heavenlies, casting them out and replacing them with the "overcomers" of the latter-day church. They tell us that the Manchild will be "caught up to the Throne" of rulership in the heavenlies. The Church is now trying to complete the plan that Lucifer hatched so long ago!

C - SELF-PROMOTION: "I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation" This was a bid to be seated as a dignitary in the place of solemn meeting, the Council Chamber of God, at the heavenly Mount Zion, the Mount of God's presence. In earthly terms, this was the Temple at Jerusalem, where God met with his people. We can see from 2 Thes 2:4 ("Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God") that this ambition is also attributed to Antichrist.

The mount of the congregation was "The mount of the divine Presence." This was the place in the Old Testament where the Shekinah Glory came down upon the Mount, and where God met with Moses in the cloud. Mount Zion, (or Moriah, which is reckoned a part of Mount Zion,) was later the place of the Tabernacle where the Glory Cloud (God) met with Moses and the congregation. "In the sides of the north" was the sides of Mount Moriah, on which the temple was built; north of Mount Zion.

And now of course we have the revival followers demanding to enter the "Holy of Holies" and to become the "Ark of his Presence" and to enter into the Glory Cloud, where they claim to meet with God face to face and receive revelations, instructions and prophecies from Him. They wish to be seated as officials of his Government and to become the "anointed Apostles and Prophets", the judges and counsellors of God's people! (Please read Jude 1:11 along with Num 16:1-50)

D - ARROGANCE: "I will ascend above the heights of the clouds" In Hebrew, the word 'cloud' is singular. One cloud. Perhaps there is a reference here again to the Glory Cloud, the symbol of the divine presence. So this also tallies with 2 Thes 2:4, "above all that is called God:" as here, "above ... the cloud:"

E - BLASPHEMY: "I will be like the Most High" Finally the pride and self-exalting arrogance of Lucifer leads to the inevitable ambition, to be "as God". This is also the temptation that he offered to Adam and Eve, in order to bring them down to his own fallen state. It is a temptation that appeals to many today, who excuse their desire in many clever ways, but in the end have to admit that they want to share the power, authority, understanding and self-willed independence of God Almighty.

Now men and women boldly state: "we ARE Christ" - we are the ongoing incarnation of God! We will attain to the fulness of the godhead, we will have the divine nature".

Underlying all of this is the REFUSAL TO SUBMIT THEMSELVES TO GOD in obedience and service. Those who seek to raise themselves up to heavenly places, on their thrones of government, having all the powers and knowledge of God, are in truth not content to be restricted by the Will of God, but think their

own will could do just as well. They want to HAVE THEIR OWN WAY! They don't want to be reined in, but to decide and to act for themselves.

That is what's behind Lucifer's fall, and behind every evil act, and behind the present-day apostasy. The satanist creed is this: "Do what you will, is the whole of the Law". Do what YOU will....

That is why the indictment against apostate Christians in the last days is this "you did not do my WILL."

"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity. (Matt 7:21-23)

For the next part of this series go to Part Seven [HERE](#)

The next part in this series will tie up a lot of loose ends. It will cover:

- The role of music and "praise and worship" sessions in birthing the Glorified New Man. A new sound has been discovered that, they say, has unique powers.
- C. Peter Wagner's "Reformation" of the Church and his plans for a one-world Superchurch - see how he is networking with the Apostles and prophets of the new Church!
- The "Lighthouses" scheme that is linking churches and believers worldwide.
- The UN plans for a One-World Religion
- Historical Forerunners of the latter-rain/sonship doctrines
- The True versus the False doctrines
- Links in the Chain - if possible I hope to name names and show how they network with eachother. (This project may be too time-consuming and daunting, and therefore I cannot promise to include it.)
- Hints for your own research - websites and other resources listed so you can follow up on the information in the articles.

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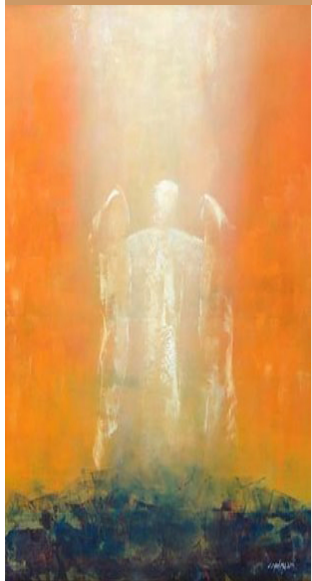
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The Glory Cloud
of a False Christ

Doctrines of Demons (Part Seven)

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines [taught by] demons... (1 Tim 4:1 NKJ)

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I have, throughout this series, been exposing the plan to "release the Glory" on earth. Whatever this glory really is (and I suspect it is a major demonic deception) it needs a vehicle by which to manifest itself. It is becoming clear that the vehicle is MUSIC.

THE SOUND OF MUSIC

As you may know by now, the revivalists and others involved in these teachings twist scriptures to suit their own beliefs. Two scriptures used to support the new teachings about music and praise are these:

And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. (Rev 14:1-3JV)

But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel. (Ps 22:3)

Firstly we have the 144,000 firstfruits - which the sonship and revivalist disciples often take to mean the glorified Manchild, the ruling elite of the earth - who are given a special "new song" which no other group can learn. This, reinterpreted, means that the glorified overcomers will be given a special power in praise and worship, and in new forms of music, to overcome the Antichrist and to affect the minds of those to whom they minister.

Secondly, we see a verse about praise that is much used in the revival. Whatever it originally meant, it is now being taught that the manifestation of the Glory comes about through extended times of praise and worship.

The verse is Psalm 22 can be interpreted as praise being a Throne for God, upon which he sits, just as the Glory dwelt between the cherubim on the Mercy Seat. Thus, the revivalists now claim that they are "building a Throne for God in the Church" by their long periods of singing, and when they manage to manifest a glory-cloud of some kind (a spiritual apparition) as a result, they claim that they have caused God to come down and "dwell" or "inhabit" their praises.

By an extension of the same interpretation, when it comes to the belief that God is coming down permanently (not just a "visitation", but a HABITATION as they say) the way to achieve this is to put even more time and effort into the music ministry and spend even longer in praise and worship.

"The Lord is moving his church into a new season. With this move of God will be released a prophetic song with an unprecedented anointing for healing and restoration. What are the features of this song? How is this song released into the church?... In his book, "The Harvest Vol.II", Rick Joyner says, 'Anointed music will be one of the church's biggest guns in the battle of the last days... The Lord is about to anoint prophetic minstrels who will capture the world's attention....'
This song of heaven, which the Apostle John calls a 'new song' in Revelation 5:13, is the song that the Lord wants released in the church. ... The prophetic 'new song' brings believers to focus on worshipping Jesus the Lamb of God...I believe the Lord is preparing to anoint minstrels who will release the Body of Christ in such powerful times of worship and intimacy in the presence of almighty God, that the glory cloud will be seen again in the church. HALLELUJAH! " ["New Season, New Song - A Prophetic Insight" by Ruth Webb 1996]

Music Alters Your Mood

Most, if not all, revival meetings begin and are sustained by long periods of music, singing, rhythmic jumping and swaying, clapping, and other rhythmic devices that set the tone for the entire meeting and soften up the listeners for what is going to be taught (or, more likely, what is going to happen during the "time of ministry".) These practices are well known in the world of the cults, and of course are near identical to what happens at rock concerts and discos where, helped by drugs, people enter into an altered state of consciousness. Their brainwaves physically change, as I will show below.

Mood music is played behind almost all the major ministers when they are on stage. In fact, ministers such as Rodney Howard Browne and Benny Hinn become agitated and angry if they do not get the "right" music on cue. It is a major part of their act.

This would be bad enough on its own, but would not be enough to deceive Christians if it were not for the intense spiritual power present in much current music being performed and used at revival meetings.

Demons use Music

I believe that much of the new music, while pretending to be in praise to God, is in fact a vehicle for demonic power that alters the minds of those participating. It is difficult to prove such an accusation and I know, therefore, I will be criticised for saying so. However, that is my belief and I think many discerning Christians experience the same check in their spirits when they listen to current "Christian" music.

Music is a mysterious force for good or evil, and its particular spiritual capabilities have been mentioned many times by writers dealing with the subject. It's not my intention to carry out here a long discussion about music, its source, power, nature, properties and uses. To some extent I have already dealt with the subject before in other articles, such as "[They Want Your Mind](#)", and "[The Sound of Music](#)" (see box below).

I urge you to read the latter article, at least, as the quotes given in the Music articles are much too long to be repeated here, but they DO add much more exact information to this series. This is information you need to know, so please make sure you have a copy of the two articles by clicking [HERE\(1\)](#) and [HERE\(2\)](#) (Note - this Music article was formerly one long piece, but is now two smaller files, for your convenience. Make sure you obtain BOTH articles.)

Lucifer has a vested interest in music

All humans and many animals have been created with a musical instrument in their bodies (vocal cords) but Lucifer was created, according to the scriptures, with timbrels and pipes. (Ezek 28:13-15) When he is consigned to the pit, his music is also brought down (Isa 14:11). Lucifer is apparently intimately concerned with the spiritual power of music.

This tells us that music is connected in some mysterious way to the spiritual realm. We know that there is music and singing in Heaven, and we know that praise can bring the presence of the Holy Spirit (2Ki 3:14-15) and even drive out evil spirits, as when David played to soothe Saul (1 Sam 16:14-16 /1 Sam 16:23).

Since the fall of Lucifer from his original created perfection, his music has also fallen and become a power for evil. All cults, pagans, and false religions make use of music to influence their victims and invoke the presence of their gods. The difference is not so much in the technique as the INTENTION, or spirit behind the worship.

Is today's music really music?

Music can be defined as an arrangement of notes into a melodious and/or harmonious structure having a defined construction and phrasing which is pleasing to the ear. A lot of rock and popular music today however, has no structure, is discordant, has no melody line and consists from start to finish of one repeated phrase. Thus it is really not music but a chant. (Jesus warned about "vain repetitions" in worship).

The beat has taken over. And it is the beat that excites and stirs the human nature. Rhythm in itself stirs us, making the flesh keep time, and perhaps raising

the heartbeat, causing arousal. I am sure that a certain beat can also alter the brain's natural patterns.

Some rhythm and beat is innocuous, even in Christian music. Nonetheless it is interesting to note that truly spiritual music, while being harmonic and melodic, rarely has a beat. If it does, the beat is not so insistent and pounding as to alter the normal state of the flesh and mind.

However, even when the beat is eradicated, we are left with another and more insidious form of music, a hypnotic trance-inducing sound (usually called new-age music) that packs a powerful spiritual punch while appearing to be merely bland and soothing. Both beat music and new-age music are designed (if truth be told) to open the human mind to demonic suggestions. So, as I remarked earlier, it is not so much the form and technique of music, but the spiritual intention behind it that we have to discern. This is not an easy task.

The Beatles as Forerunners

For a number of years, a "new song" has been expected by the sonship followers. In order to change people's minds and hearts on a worldwide scale, some kind of vehicle is needed to propel them into the anointing. Music is perfect for this task. It penetrates into every corner of life, is easily duplicated and transported, reaches where missionaries cannot normally go, it crosses language barriers, is universally acceptable, and does not have an overt message that would cause people to reject it.

In 1990, in an article that has become famous (or infamous?), James Ryle (then Senior Pastor of the Boulder, Colorado, Vineyard) wrote of a series of dreams he'd had about the new music. The article was called "The Sons of Thunder - A Prophetic Dream".

There he stated that a new sound "new in quality" would be produced that would alter man's mind and heart, give instant revelation, and cause him to worship God almost automatically. He states in his article that "even the rebellious" will be forced to worship God when they hear this new music.

He likened it to the music revolution of the Beatles, indeed, he went so far as to say that God had anointed the Beatles with their gift and given them the mission to change the world, but they somehow disobeyed. This powerful music and the gifting to use it was therefore, according to Ryle, withdrawn by God until the proper time to release it once again in the Church.

"... two men came walking out from behind the curtain with sheet music in their hands. They were very excited as they looked at this, and they pointed out the different notes and the different measures, cadences and all the different features of this music It was obvious that they could not wait to play this music I looked over their shoulders and I could tell by looking at the music that it was a NEW SONG. IT WAS NOT NEW LIKE SOMEONE HAD JUST WRITTEN IT, BUT IT WAS NEW IN QUALITY...

"In the dreams my thoughts were, 'This is new like the Beatle's music was new.' When the Beatles appeared in the sixties it was a new sound and it took the world by storm. Whenever one of their songs came on, you would automatically turn it up; it had a special quality that caught your ear - it turned your head. It was the most arresting sound that our generation had ever heard. I remember looking at that sheet music in this dream and thinking that this music was going to be just like that, with one very significant distinction - this was of Christ. ...

"After I had written the dream down, the Lord spoke to me and said, 'I'M ABOUT TO RELEASE A NEW KIND OF SONG IN THE STREETS. IT WILL BRING A REVELATION OF THE TRUTH AND IT WILL USHER MEN INTO MY PRESENCE.' I filed that away until about a month later when I had another dream.

"In the second dream, I was taken to a large church which had a stage....When I awoke, the Lord said that there was going to be a NEW AND DISTINCTIVE ANOINTING AND SOUND RESTORED TO MUSIC THAT WILL TURN THE HEADS AN CAPTURE THE HEARTS OF MEN FOR JESUS CHRIST. He said that we would see this happen when the church gets beyond the limits that she set for herself, into his grace, and takes the praise that is in the sanctuary and makes it music in the streets.... We must overcome our insecurities to sing the Lord's song if our light is going to shine in this world; Simply singing the truth in the name of Jesus Christ 'we say unto you be saved' will release the power of His Spirit in such an awesome display that MEN AND WOMEN WILL COLLAPSE IN THEIR SEATS converted to Christ. But the Lord said that a key will be THIS NEW ANOINTING HE IS ABOUT TO GIVE TO HIS MUSIC."

James Ryle, after much criticism of his theory that the Beatles were anointed by God, backed off his prophecy and claimed that he did not say such things.

However, in 1994 he appeared again in the magazine "Charisma" in an article entitled "The New Sound of Music" in which he repeated his predictions and said "no one can doubt that the Beatles were greatly gifted by God" - a statement that most thinking people will find ridiculous, knowing the activities of the four members of that group! If the Beatles were responsible for introducing anything into the world it was the use of psychedelic drugs, the worship of false gods such as Buddha, and the promotion of promiscuity.

He once again said that "when those whom the Lord has anointed step forth...their songs will deposit the redeeming power of the Lord Jesus into the lives of those who hear the new sound of music". Clearly he had not repented of his former claims.

Ryle's statements can be read in full in the "[Sound of Music](#)" articles mentioned above.

Far from rejecting this nonsense, revivalists accept and promote it, expecting that a man or ministry will soon arise to produce the "new sound".

In September 1992, Rick Joyner spoke of this music as having the power to defeat God's enemies and to pull down enemy strongholds. He predicted that "musical warriors" would come forth to "bombard the enemy's strongholds". He also predicted that "the power of this heavenly music will radically impact and enlighten Christians' everyday lives as it imparts a true spirit of worship and adoration for the Lord. This music will also draw multitudes of unbelievers to the faith". (Morning Star Newsletter: "Battlefields of the Nineties")

In his newsletter in 1994, Rick Joyner stated that music "is a spiritual force, like the force in Star Wars movies". He saw its use for creating revival and changing society. He said that in the latter-day God would give a music from Heaven "with a powerful anointing that will come from the heart of the Lord to grip the innermost being of his people...this music will grip men's hearts like no music that has ever been played before".

Since that time, speculation has been rife concerning who would produce this powerful new sound.

The New Sound Revealed?

Recently, I was astounded to come across (almost by accident) the names of two men who supposedly possess the new sound. One man is Jason Burns who I assume is related to Bill Burns of Faith Tabernacle. The other is a rock star called Carlos Santana who is the secular equivalent of Jason Burns. Whether there is any truth in these claims we will have to wait and see.

John Moore: (a word to Jason Burns)-- Father, we just release the creativity; we just release it. ...And, we release a new thing. Not only that, but in Jesus Christ, we release a JASON thing.

Glenn Jackson-- I was talking with Jason last night after hearing his music. There's about to come forth a tremendous explosion of revelation knowledge that has been talked about, and of course that is very, very important. But, there is also about to come forth into the earth an explosion of anointed music that is like nothing we have ever seen or experienced before. As I was sitting, listening to Jason over the past few days, I was astounded as the Father spoke to me, and He said, "This is it!" ...the Father had told me to wait for something very special. ... So, as I listened to Jason, over the past few days, the Father spoke to me and said, "This is it! This is it!" I noticed that these were not just notes, (they certainly were), they were not just chords (they certainly were), and they were not just well played, which it certainly was. But, there was a special anointing upon that music to affect the nations and to affect the hearts of those who will hear. Jason, in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, I commission you into the fullness of the call upon your life and the fullness of His purpose in the music and in all things, in Jesus' name. Go forth! Amen. ["Where Eagles Gather Prophetic Conference" Faith Tabernacle, Kremmling, CO August 20-22, 1999]

The second report was e-mailed to me almost out of the blue (God is so good!) and contained this information:

It might interest you to know that recently there was an article in our paper that some old rock and roll star has found a "new" music sound that he says will change the world. He says that he got it after meditating and listening to a friend channel. It basically "wrote itself". He was "told" that this music had to get much air play as it would change peoples minds... I found the article about the new music. It is being written by Carlos Santana. He has a new album out called "Supernatural". The article says, quote....."Carlos Santana talks about a "spiritual virus: when he sits down to discuss 'Supernatural,' his new album"... "We are going to spread through these songs, a spiritual virus that brings hope and healing and a sense of validation for people's existence."... "I like to raise people's consciousness; to tap into the individual and remind him or her we are multidimensional spirits with tremendous possibilities and opportunities. That turns me on to do that."... "When the sound is true and comes from somebody's heart, it rearranges the molecular structure of the listener. Your hair stands up. You get chills."[The following is a quote about a guest artist on his album.....] "I walked into the studio and as soon as Wyclef saw my face, he wrote a song. He kept looking at me. The next thing you know, it's like I'm watching this guy channeling." "If you listen to 'Supernatural' even though so many people go in and out, it is still one breath. It jells together very naturally."... "Santana

said 'something internal' told him to work toward making music that would get radio play and be heard by young people."... "I got my instructions, as most people do, in dreams or meditations."... "I trusted my inner guidance. We'll set this up with the right engineer, musicians and record company, and all we have to do is be patient, gracious and grateful." All of the above quotes are taken directly from the article. [e-mail in possession of author].

I have just received this Update to the above e-mail [November 8th 1999]

"As I was doing some work on the computer before school this morning, I had the TV on the news. It seems Carlos Santana's album has jumped to the top of the charts and is a huge hit. Both young and old people alike are loving it and it is getting tremendous radio play. They say that a number of the pieces on it are so "good" that they are thinking of releasing them all as singles. That's exactly what he predicted. They were talking about it like it was the greatest thing to hit the air waves in years. They had some short clips and all I can say is that it sounds like a combination of the rock and Andean styles of music and was incredibly repetitious."

Forced to worship

Many others are following the same path. The "Sons of Thunder Anointing for music" is spoken of as a proven fact and an accepted part of the revival.

One explanatory message on a prophetic bulletin board spoke of it being irresistible.

"The Sons of Thunder anointing for music is different in that although the Sons of Thunder enter into to Holy of Holies and are filled up with the Spirit of God, their music is for the benefit of the listener. It is a gift from God to the end times people for the purpose of salvation. As the Sons of Thunder begins to play the presence and power of God rolls into the room. Notice this manifestation of God is not optional. Everyone present is affected by the Holiness of God. As people fall down and scream "Jesus" it won't actually be a conscious decision, they will be beyond their own control because they are so lost in the presence of God. This music which I call, Manna, (the Hebrew word for "What is it", Manna falls from heaven new and fresh every day.) has the power to change. It is spiritually active with the ability to cause conviction, repentance, revival and warfare, as well as salvation." [Jeannie Withrow of Number8 Ministries]

I have drawn attention to that word MANNA for a particular reason. Please bear the word in mind.

A music that forces people to fall down and "scream Jesus" is obviously a potent tool in the hands of the revival. Can this be of the Lord?

Can we conceive of a Lord who comes to earth as a humble, gentle man who permits his own people to reject and kill him, who then FORCES men and women to fall at his feet as if he is some kind of power-crazed dictator?

Can we conceive of a Lord who appointed many means of preaching the gospel including the apostles, teachers and evangelists, and who caused a whole book to be written and gifted to the world containing irrefutable facts and doctrines about the path of salvation, only to fall back on using wordless music in the latter

days to compel people to accept him?

The concept of men and women falling down in worship at the sound of music has more to do with idol worship than Godly worship. It is reminiscent of the situation that the Jews faced in Babylon:

"... and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up. Then a herald cried aloud: To you it is commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages, that at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, you shall fall down and worship the gold image that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up; and whoever does not fall down and worship shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace." (Dan 3:3-6 NKJ)

Remarkably, one minister has prophesied, as from God, that people will fall down and worship in exactly this way.

"Today's a new day. The heavens are open says the Lord, and I shall pour out my melodies from Heaven and many shall come to know me. And to the leadership - father my Levites! father my prophets! and father those that carry my heart in all the sounds in all the earth! As it is written in the Book of Daniel, when you hear the sounds of instruments and all styles of music, multitudes shall bow down and worship Jesus Christ as Lord of Lords and then everybody dances in the streets." [A Prophetic Word by Stephen Bennett, New South Wales, Australia, as reported in the music magazine "Cross Rhythms", Oct/Nov 1995]

It seems to me that this demonstrates perfectly the confusion between the true God and the false God of the revival. I will boldly state that God Almighty, Father of the Lord Jesus Christ, would never stoop to such means to force people to worship him. However, the devil craves worship wherever and however he can obtain it and since doctrine is entirely irrelevant to Lucifer, he is willing to accept adoration with no strings attached.

Only those who are moved by an emotional experience, or overcome by a spiritual force, would fall down involuntarily and worship an unknown entity. We would like to believe that such a thing could never and will never happen in reality. Unfortunately, the way things are going I'm not so sure.

Producing the Glory

It is quite clear from revival literature that intensive praise and worship is being used to produce manifestations, and ultimately the Glory.

Some kind of visible and tangible Presence is expected to descend on the worshippers - and to permanently inhabit them - as a result of prolonged periods of singing and worshipping. Already they report seeing angels or a visible cloud in the room as a result of praise sessions. This is just the beginning.

For example, in Praise Assembly, Comanche, OK, it was reported that following involvement and meetings with the Brownsville teams, this church experienced "18 months of revival" culminating in the Glory Cloud being seen in the building during times of praise and worship, and "angels have also been seen" [Revival report, Nov 17th 1996 "Heaven Fell in Comanche, OK"]

But are the songs truly spiritual? One revival report told of the ecstasy and "dancing anointing" achieved when the song "Lord of the Dance" was played, yet

this song written by Sydney Carter (who was a liberal social activist, not an evangelical Christian) is actually all about the Hindu deity SHIVA who uses dance as a spiritual expression of his creative power and his divine enlightenment! Whose glory is being manifested while worship is being offered to a Hindu god?

At that same meeting, the "Fresh Fire 97 Conference" Oklahoma City, in December 1997 produced "ear-splitting, toe-tapping trumpet-blowing, drum-pounding, hand-clapping worship" and then moved into a worship designed to outdo the praise to the goddess Artemis in the book of Acts.

"... the celebratory atmosphere quickly transitioned to one of bowed-down, face in the carpet adoration, as the awe and reverence of the Holy Spirit's presence filled the sanctuary. As the offering is taken, Gary sings the Missisauga Blues, better know as "Joel's place." Tonight he's backed up by a grand piano, a saxophone, and a trumpet. It was here that we went into a second wave of worship. It was here that the pastor falls on the platform and can't get up, the microphone rolling out of his hand. ... Randy [Clark] comes to the rescue of the out-in-the-spirit-down-on-the-platform pastor. He picks up the microphone and says, "wait a minute, let me give you the interpretation. I don't want to shut this down, I want to take the lid off!" He explains to any unbelievers present that in Acts 34:19 [sic] there is an account of people worshipping the god Artemus [sic] for 2 hours. "Why should the devil have all the good music?" he says. "Why not sing, 'great is Jesus, the Son of God' So we're gonna just go for it for a while." Gary goes back into his spontaneous song. I hear the words, "there's something about my sweet King Jesus...makes me want to jump and shout...makes me want to scream and shout...makes me want to whoop and shout..." We lose half of the vocalists and the piano player. They fall to the floor, wasted! Worship continues with the remaining musicians; free-form, jumping, leaping, hopping dancing, praising, shouting the name of Jesus worship. Well, I didn't think it was ever going to stop. Finally after nearly 3 hours of this, Randy was able to preach. His message was about how God can use little ole' me." [Bill Cassada with Randy Clark and the Global Awakening Team in Oklahoma City.]

When the worshippers of Diana, or Artemis, chanted "Great is Diana of the Ephesians" for two hours in praise of their goddess, were they setting an example for believers to follow?

The pagans were chanting in defiance of the true gospel, and in order to shout down anyone who would tell them the truth! It was in fact a blatant display of disobedience and rebellion against God! (See Acts 19:21-34 - the wrong scripture reference is given above and I doubt the writer bothered to check it in his Bible!)

Did God not warn us to pray (and praise) consciously and sensibly, without using idle repetition or chanting as the heathens do? (Matt 6:7) Chanting "God is great" for three hours is not something that pleases God, but it deadens the mind and brings demonic manifestations.

The wrong kind of praise

Does God use pagan methods, or secular songs in worship? I do not believe so. Yet the revivalists use them to get results.

Back in 1996, the highest level of anointing at one conference was reached when the Beattle's song "I want to hold your hand" was sung! Rick Joyner's notes from this meeting are very interesting. (The entire report should be read, and it can be seen in the second part of my article ["The Sound of Music"](#))

as mentioned above.)

"In the first meeting there was a holy electricity that charged the air. The worship immediately hit a level that was as strong as we have ever experienced, and immediately started pushing back the limits. It continued for over two and a half hours. There was no time left for a message or ministry, but it was right. We did not just want to talk about worship and warfare, we came to do it! Experience is a much better teacher than words.

The intensity continued to grow in each meeting through Friday afternoon. It was during that meeting that the gulf between heaven and earth had somehow been bridged in a powerful way.... Then, on a "Holy Ghost whim," I asked Leonard Jones to lead an old Beatles' song, I Want To Hold Your Hand, in which he had changed some of the words to make it like a message from the Lord. As soon as he started, it seemed like the roof would come off of the building. When he finished, "the sound of many waters" again filled the hall, but it was even louder than before. A holy fear began to fill the place. There was a presence of the Lord like I had never felt in a meeting before... THEN A CLOUD APPEARED IN THE CENTER OF THE STAGE, VISIBLE TO EVERYONE, AND A SWEET SMELL LIKE FLOWERS FILLED THE AREA...

There was a reason that I requested Leonard to play the Beatles' song. The Beatles were prophets of the world whose music helped set the course of a generation. The music of the sixties and seventies grabbed you, turned your head and sowed seeds for a harvest of lawlessness. ...There is a music that is now coming to the church with the power to arrest men's hearts more than has ever been found in secular music...". [Rick Joyner's report on the "Heart of David: Worship & Warfare" Conference, April 1996.]

I have to doubt, therefore, what is called "praise and worship to God". A lot of worship is fleshy, much music is sensual and unworthy of a Christian meeting and many lyrics are unscriptural, man-exalting, or simply revival propaganda.

If, in a calm unrushed atmosphere without any pressure, Christians were asked to read out loud some of their song lyrics as a testimony before God, surely they would blush with shame or be checked by the unscriptural words they were saying? Yet in the heated atmosphere of a meeting they will sing almost anything.

The New Age use of Music

I have already mentioned new-age music, hypnotic trance-inducing music that is sold for stress-relief or as an aid to meditation. The power of this music lies in its ability to change the brain patterns to produce a trance-like state in which the mind becomes more passive, and more attuned to the "spiritual" (read, demonic) world.

But alongside this there is a more serious attempt to produce sounds that alter man's mind. First, let us take a look at a plan to achieve a "Minute of harmony at the Millennium". I first reported on this in my newsletter "Mainstream" in the Summer of 1996. There I said:

LUCIFER'S NEW MUSICAL KEY? I have just received news of a project to produce a 'minute of connection' using music to link all mankind in the year 2000. I quote: 'On January 1st of the year 2000 all inhabitants of the planet Earth accessible through all communication means will be linked to receive and share for one minute a message, that expressed in musical language, can

be universally understood as a way to empower the individual and express its belonging to the global community.' It is designed as: 'A moment of union with a single thought for all the people, which will erase all borders that presently separate us, and will inaugurate all together a new epoch in human relations.'

The promoters ask the question: 'Does it [sic] exist a musical expression capable of promoting universal communication? We don't know, but there are people who research and advance in this area, from those who look for the "internal music" to those who combine different musical expressions.'

This idea comes from World Action for the Millennium. The project has the backing of a whole list of powerful people and organisations, including UNESCO, and the UN-supported HABITAT II. [Project WAM. See <http://www.igc.apc.org/millennium/alliance/index.html> and <http://www.wam2000.org/english/wam.html>]

Other cranky schemes are coming forth. Some have claimed to find "healing codes" written in the pages of scripture that "appear to relate to the Christian bride, and the '144,000' predicted in the Book of Revelation to be gathered by God during the great tribulation to sing a special song heralding the Messianic age." Here is a news report of it:

"Musical Code for 'Miracles' and World Healing Found in Bible; Ancient Frequencies Intrigue Scientists, Musicians and Religious Scholars SANDPOINT, Idaho, Sept. 2 /PRNewswire/ -- The ancient musical scale, called the Solfeggio, that according to authorities includes tones for 'miracles, and possibly world healing', has been reportedly discovered in the Bible by an Idaho physician and minister of the gospel. The repeating six tones, electromagnetic frequencies, include the mathematical code recognized by experts to help repair damaged DNA -- the genetic blueprint of life, according to Dr. Joseph Barber, a naturopathic physician. Documentation and analyses are provided in [the book] 'Healing Codes for the Biological Apocalypse' (Tetrahedron Press, \$26.95; 888-508-4787).

Dr. Barber and lead author Dr. Leonard Horowitz, a Harvard graduate and public health authority, spent three years researching the six tones that physicists and musicians say include harmonic sequences similar to those found in the wedding march. "The entire series of tones appears to relate to the Christian bride, and the '144,000' predicted in the Book of Revelation to be gathered by God during the great tribulation to sing a special song heralding the Messianic age," Dr. Horowitz says. Dr. Barber found the ancient codes in the Book of Numbers, Chapter 7, verses 12 through 83. When simply deciphered using the ancient Pythagorean method of reducing the verse numbers to their single digit integers, sound frequencies are revealed. These correspond to the original tones in the great hymn to St. John the Baptist, lost centuries ago according to church officials.

"These unique tones were believed to impart spiritual blessings when sung in harmony during religious masses," Dr. Horowitz added. Stunningly, the third tone in the series is the exact frequency used by genetic biochemists to repair damaged DNA -- the genetic blueprint of life, according to Dr. Horowitz and Dr. Lee Lorenzen, a world renowned biochemist working with water crystallization methods to rejuvenate DNA. "I was intrigued by the frequencies of the healing codes," said Dr. Lorenzen.

"The third frequency is well known to scientists working on DNA repair." Dr. Lorenzen believes this '528' frequency might be beneficial in delaying aging". [Healing Codes for the Biological Apocalypse, 517 hard-covered pages, Tetrahedron Press, See

<http://www.tetrahedron.org>

If you go to the website mentioned in this news report you will find much more information, including quotes from Christians both for and against the concept of healing codes in the Bible. It is disturbing that men and women calling themselves Christian could be deceived for one moment by this garbage, yet because it tallies exactly with current beliefs within the revival it may become acceptable despite its origins.

One quote from the Healing Codes web site caught my eye. It is this:

"Providing the meaning of God's sounds...holds the power to rectify the primary problem that has plagued humanity since the Tower of Babel [when] humanity no longer spoke spiritually uplifting syllables and were thus immediately cut off from the free flow of God and eachother."

Passing over the fact that it was SIN that cut off man from God, not the confusion of tongues, and that the Tower of Babel was built by rebels against God, not believers, I have to say that the prospect of using codes or sounds to re-unite mankind can only be the plan of the devil.

Notice also the spiritual links with the "bride of Christ" and the 144,000, whom we know from sonship teachings represents the Manchid! Can this be a coincidence?

The Occult use of music

Still further out into Strangeville, we encounter alchemical and occultic schemes for using sounds to alter brainwaves - yet these are suspiciously like the Christian ideas on a "new sound" to change society and to alter man's thinking! Can it be that they have the same inspiration?

One web site [www.danwinter.com] links GOLD with MUSIC and has an article impressively titled "The Implosion Phenomenon: Psychological Import of Harmonic Music, Phi Scalar Technology and MonoAtomic Gold". Further down the page it specifies the Gold in alchemical terminology as the nature of LOVE - something I feel the revivalists would find interesting - and then links the MonoAtomic Gold and Harmonics with MANNA (remember that I asked you earlier on to remember the use of the word by a revivalist to describe the "new sound" in worship meetings?) [See "Gold/Manna/Ormes & The Hazards of Implosion at www.danwinter.com/implosionhazards/implosion.html]

There is much on this and similar websites about the use of sound, and most of it couched in terms that sound like a foreign language to us (and is not really worth the effort in reading) but I will give one interesting quote:

"balancing brain harmonics into the theta range was a specific key piece of the Egyptian initiatory rituals"

I followed one suggested link to www.seriouscomposer.com to find the "Auditory Integration" web site. Once again, here was an attempt to use music and sound to change man's brain and perceptions. Tones and new scales were being promoted, amongst other things, for the education of children and adults with learning difficulties. As you see below, sound is being used to alter brainwaves and to induce altered states of consciousness:

"Phi-MusicT comes with over 40 different tunings ranging from Phi (the "Golden Ratio")-to ancient Greece-to Bali-to the sound of the atomic elements of the periodic table. Now it is possible to hear not only the sound of hydrogen and carbon, but also the resonance of the Earth and 128 of our planet's natural harmonics. ... One of the most unique features of the new software is the capacity to alter human brain waves. As users play their electronic keyboards connected to their computer, Phi-MusicT sends out slightly different frequencies to each ear over stereo earphones. These tones create a slight pulsing effect in the head that researchers indicate changes the listener's state of consciousness...The resulting difference frequency has been shown to cause a bilateral increase in the brain wave amplitude of the corresponding brain wave frequency. These conditions of hemispheric synchronization are associated with a spectrum of consciousness states (Atwater, Goldman). The Delta range (1-3 Hz.) of brain wave activity is most commonly associated with the sleep state and dreaming. The Theta range (4-7 Hz.) is commonly associated with deep meditation and other forms of deep relaxation. It has also been associated with increased memory and concentration. Alpha frequencies (8-12 Hz.) are generally associated with super learning and light relaxation. The Beta range (13-25 Hz.) is generally associated with our normal, everyday condition of alertness. It is also associated with anxiety and stress."

CONCLUSION

Somehow, I believe, these concepts coming from the Church, the New Age and the Occult will collide and merge, and a new music will emerge that is both popular and very powerful, having just the right sound and spiritual inspiration to reach every soul and control every mind - all those who are willing to submit, that is! Christians must beware of this emerging trend towards a "new sound".

But we should not just wait idly by while the music develops - there is much to be wary of right now:

- we should heed God's warning to shun idle repetitions in both praying, and singing praises.
- we should be aware of the spiritual power of music and guard our souls and spirits from anything that could affect them adversely.
- we should not be swayed by any strong emotional reaction that is caused by music or singing - emotions and spiritual truth are two different things!
- we should avoid prolonged periods of chant-like singing, especially if accompanied by dancing, clapping, jumping up and down, spiritual manifestations and music with a repeated insistent beat.
- we should take heed to what we are singing and examine the WORDS of every song. Are they dominionist? Are they unscriptural? Are they self-exalting? Are they revival propaganda instead of worship?
- we should be ultra-cautious in listening to recordings of Christian music - much of it is now tainted by restorationist doctrines, and/or is churned out without spiritual inspiration just for financial reward. Commercial recordings often come from singers sold out to the world instead of to God. Cross-over singers are entering a world of (in many cases) satanic control, drugs, drink, sexual license and unchristian attitudes and those attitudes rub off in their songs.

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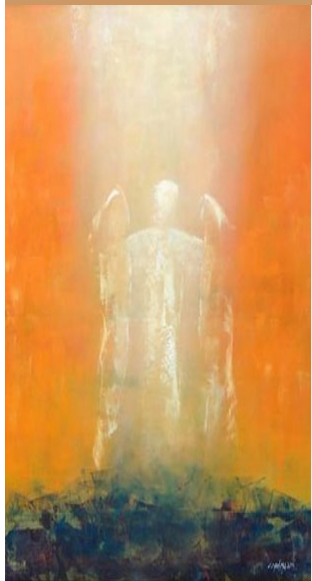
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Doctrines of Demons (Part Eight)

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines [taught by] demons... (1 Tim 4:1 NKJ)

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I begin this final portion of the Doctrine of Demons series with a burdened heart. I feel like a person who has spotted a small cobweb in a darkened room, switched on the light and discovered "The Thing from Hell" sitting in a spider's web the size of a building!

I have seen a HUGE web of organisations and ministries networking all over the world for the purpose of gathering all peoples into its net and tagging them like helpless fish in a bucket.

A document prepared in 1990 called the "[Kaleidoscopic Global Action Plan](#)" stated that there were over two thousand evangelistic schemes already in existence and mentioned "78 global megaplans, 33 global gigaplans and the rest of some 2,000 plans in total". This was in 1990. How many are there now?

Please read the above document. If you are not worried at the moment, you will be after seeing the Plan! Just as a small taster, I quote the third statement of that Plan:

3. Offer the hand of friendship, respect, cooperation, love, compassion, understanding, and dialogue to our fellow human beings and fellow religionists in the great world religions of Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, Sikhism, Baha'i, Shinto, and numerous others. (See Global Diagrams 11 and 23). While differing in our beliefs about God and Jesus Christ, we can all

nevertheless struggle together against the monstrous evils that plague our planet, threaten its very survival, and so render world evangelization planning futile.

The Worldwide Web

Once you begin to peel back the layers of the Global Networking movements going on all around the world, you realise this thing is so HUGE and so ALL-PERVASIVE that nobody can adequately expose it, and certainly not in one small article.

The reason I'm discussing Global Evangelization and World Mission in this article (which has previously been about "sonship" and latter-rain type doctrines), is that the new apostles and prophets of that system are heavily involved with the more conservative, establishment leadership in "winning the world for Christ".

The various World Missions and Evangelization schemes, many of which are huge and extremely influential organisations, appear to present a bland and scriptural message about converting all the peoples of the world. They therefore do not at first glance appear to pose any threat, nor do they seem to belong in an article like this which exposes the Doctrine of Demons, and latter-rain heresies.

However, when you dig a little deeper and understand the aims more fully, you see that the edifice is built on sand, the sand of five shaky unbiblical premises:

1. That Jesus commanded the Church to convert the world in His absence and that this task would be completed when He returned.
2. That the missionary goal is persuading people to become a member of a church community, be baptised, and come under the discipline of church leadership.
3. That "discipling all nations" means that 'people-groups' rather than individuals must respond to the message; that 'corporate salvation' is the aim.
4. That visible church unity is essential, regardless of doctrine, or else the task cannot be completed.
5. That conversions can be achieved by spiritual warfare, prayer-walking and remote intercession as much as preaching the gospel.

Where do the sonship doctrines and the revival fit in? Well, the revival is the means of persuading more and more people to join churches, and it provides a compelling force that some believe will eventually be irresistible (as we saw in the previous article, about music). It is the fuel in the engine if you will.

And the sonship doctrines provide the leadership and structure model. The new churches are to be based on the "cell-church" concept, and are all interlinked as city-wide and nation-wide structures governed by the same eldership.

Evangelism is changing. It's not as we think it to be. There is a "new paradigm" or a new model of evangelism that I believe is a result of the revival and sonship doctrines. No longer do individual people come to Jesus Christ as the result of the preaching of the biblical gospel. Now, the aim is setting up churches and church structures (including government by the apostles and prophets) so that entire communities and nations come under their control.

This recent circulation, "A New Mission Role for a New Era" by Brian F. O'Connell begins by quoting the "new thing" bible verse and goes on to say that:

"As the landmark date of AD 2000 rapidly approaches, it continues to be valuable to consider how God would have us do new things

in missions. ... But what are the new models for how we can work more effectively in missions? We in the West have often propagated the myth sometimes unknowingly of the missionary role as a kind of Horatio Alger: a "lone ranger," attempting to reach impossible dreams all by themselves. Even when non-Westerners come here for seminary or other training, they can take back this American individualistic attitude. However, over the last decade a new paradigm emerged, which is proving its value: the evangelism/church planting partnership movement. ... We know that relationships are at the heart of the Gospel, and that unity among believers was Christ's prayer for His church in John 17. Partnerships offer the best model for relational cultures and can more effectively equip indigenous leadership....What do these partnership facilitators do? As networkers, they become the communications hub among the different agencies. As prophets, they hold onto and make known the vision of reaching the people group or area to which they have been called. As servant leaders, they are the glue that hold things together in between annual partnership planning meetings, facilitating the process of collaboration. ... Explaining to mission-sending agencies the critical and essential nature of the facilitator role has not always been easy. This is a classical "paradigm shift," a new definition of a missionary role and function. It is time for us not just to deploy workers for the harvest, but to develop new structures so that these workers will truly partner together with more impact for the Kingdom. A new missionary task for the new millennium." [Brian F. O'Connell serves as director of International Partnership Services for Interdev. He was one of the co-founders of World Evangelical Fellowship's Religious Liberty Commission and worked ten years for the National Association of Evangelicals in their Washington, DC office].

The sonship aim is to set up One Global Church in a pyramid structure topped by Apostles and Prophets, with every pastor and elder being submitted to his superiors. Their chosen vessel for carrying the new thing is structured cell churches, disciplined and covered by the worldwide church government of apostles and prophets, removing new converts from the influence of any remaining old-paradigm teachers.

To a large extent the Restoration fellowships of the UK have achieved this goal, existing as they do in loosely connected "tribes" as they call them, outside the established church network but interrelating amongst one another at leadership and pastor level. Doctrine is established through city "fraternals" where pastors are checked for suitability and processed into the new mindset.

Revivalists believe that, either by a process of disintegration or by a violent judgement "from God" the old style churches, ministers and doctrines will be removed, and replaced by the New Order as the Global Church. It is not envisaged that any fellowship or ministry should or could exist outside this "Church".

Reading the above report on the new style mission, it is not too difficult to see how evangelism is also being modelled after this "new paradigm". Church-planting ensures that all new converts are herded into the correct pen, acceptable leaders are chosen for them, and 'facilitators' keep an eye on their progress in doctrine and practice. As we shall see, the Lighthouses Movement has the same aim for America and ultimately the world - establishing a "new wineskin" to replace the old.

This "new wineskin" as they call it is seen as the only true Body of Christ on earth, and its leadership is the only Government, thus all outside it are rebels and disobedient to God.

Knights of the Round Table

I am going to preface this article with a "prophecy" made by Jill Austin at the Toronto Airport Church in January 1996. In it she speaks of a new Government being brought forth to rule the world. She likens it to the new Round Table of Knights:

"You know, I feel the Lord is birthing a fresh thing. I feel like what's happening is the Lord's showing me, in the Spirit. It's like how the enemy would want to come against the renewal, and how he tries, even, to put a death blow to it, similar to how Jesus was put on the cross. But out of the deathblow the enemy was trying to do, is birthed resurrection life. It birthed the government of God. It's a fresh thing and it's a God-thing. And I feel like ...what the Lord is doing on government is He's taking His apostolic thumb, and He's placing it down as a governmental movement. He's crying out for you to be willing to be Knights of the Round Table. ... He says, 'I'm going to take different men and women of different denominations and tribes and put them together like in Knights of the Round Table, internationally.' He says, 'One reason I'm doing that is there's going to be a worldwide God internet ...I'm giving you fresh strategy.' He says, 'Just like the world, moving underground like with the Mafia or like Hitler.' What He's going to do is give you a Holy Spirit espionage. He's going to start just showing you the purposes of the living God for different nations and for different cities.

".....we will sit together as spiritual peers and those who have been brought together and connected by the Spirit. These boards will be international and interdenominational by nature, but the thumbprint of God will awaken the apostolic power within the church. ... Various church movements will be represented in their forms and they will present a unified front to those who are critical of the renewal and the coming revival of the Holy Spirit to the nations. when the critics come, we can say, 'Talk to the Board.' We have apostolic, prophetic pastors and teachers, and they will be able to stand as a front. For what the Lord is doing is releasing fresh government. In one vision I saw these priceless leaders as generals who were strategizing in a war room. All the nations were before them and there was a huge wall map of them. God was communicating His present and future purposes to them with divine blueprints. ...They will direct the troops with divine wisdom and strategies and send prophetic [?] behind the enemy lines to gather secret, spiritual intelligence or Holy Spirit espionage..."

Jill Austin (<http://www.jillaustin.org>) is the founder of Master Potter Ministries. She runs the "Passion and Fire" conferences to spread the Toronto manifestations, where "believers are taken into a progressive experience with the Holy Spirit as He reveals Himself through visible demonstrations in their midst."

There are now "Roundtables" appearing on the Internet as if in fulfillment of Jill Austin's prophecy, but more likely as a result of planning by the apostles and prophets of the new move. There exists a 'Prophetic Roundtable' - "dedicated to preserving the Prophetic Word of the Lord in forms of Prophecy, Visions & Dreams, Intercessory Prayers, Prophetic Poems, Parables, Songs, Works of Art and Prophetic Teachings". This Roundtable is mostly dedicated to sonship prophets like Paul Cain, Bob Jones and John Paul Jackson.

But more significantly, a new Global Evangelisation Roundtable was organised in March 1999 to coordinate World Evangelization. The report states:

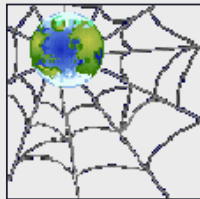
"Representatives of the major international evangelical networks met in Hurdal, Norway, March 21st to 25th 1999 to discuss their relationships and develop a new framework for cooperation into the new millennium. The conference, hosted by the Norwegian Missionary Council, was called by the AD 2000 & Beyond Movement, the Lausanne Committee for World Evangelization and the World Evangelical Fellowship.

Historic differences were laid aside in an atmosphere of prayer and humility as the participants explored the core values, which they share in common. ...In a spirit of expectancy, the conference proposed the establishment of a Global Evangelization Forum to provide a new evangelical platform for cooperation in fulfilling the task of world evangelisation as we enter the 21st century. ... The major networks represented at the conference expressed a strong commitment to align their ministries with this development and to participate fully in the proposed Forum." [http://www.ad2000.org/re90329.htm]

Amongst the "Foundational values" listed by the Roundtable were:

- . The need for a new relational "wineskin" within a context of continuity and not based on position nor structure.*
- . A manifestation of unity grounded in the partnership of equals around the globe.*
- . The need for a thorough re-examination of a theology of the church.*
- . The need for one cooperative vehicle that supports a plurality of ministries.*

The conference issued a report which said:



We propose the establishment of the Global Evangelisation Roundtable/Forum (GER) as a new evangelical platform for cooperation in fulfilling the task of world evangelisation in the 21st Century.

(This revealing graphic is from the AD2000 website)

The GER is a network of networks, such as a continuing component of the AD2000 and Beyond Movement, the Lausanne Committee for World Evangelization, the World Evangelical Fellowship (in particular its Mission Commission) and other Evangelical networks (geographic and functional) serving the cause of world evangelisation.

The World Prayer Centre

In another prophecy in February 1997 by Jill Austin, titled "Tidal Waves of Wine, Fire and Wind", she predicted that "Apostolic government will begin to emerge with the healing and acceptance of the prophetic. Global strategies will be revealed as the government of God is established on earth. Divine networking among denominations will bring unity, and spiritual guerrilla warfare will be Spirit-designed for God's eternal purposes."

Again Jill Austin writes on her web site, in her "Glorious Intruder" series::

"Where are My generals? Where are My apostolic fathers? Who will open up the gates for the King of Glory to come into your church, city, or nation? Behind closed doors, the war room of God is networking and strategizing with global purposes to activate the troops for the Lamb's war. A roar from the Lion of Judah is being trumpeted in the heavens. Are you a freedom fighter? God wants radical world movers and shakers. ... Healing and acceptance of the prophetic and the emerging of the apostolic will cause both to work in tandem with governmental unction. Unique networking of the Holy Spirit will cross denominational lines, races and genders. ... The international house of prayer for all nations is coming into place. Jesus was seen wearing the flags of all nations, like the coat of Joseph. The flag of Israel was over His heart, the keyhole which unlocks the world. A powerful release of divine healings and miraculous signs and wonders is coming where no disease known to man can stand. The miraculous will fill stadiums and bring the prodigals and the lost back to Jesus."

From all this we see that an apostolic government is being set up under our very noses. This is not just prophetic ramblings, but a WAR PLAN to defeat conventional churches and biblical doctrine, right across the earth.

While Jesus said "I say nothing in secret" this war plan is conducted "behind closed doors" and, "underground like the Mafia and Hitler" - two groups with which the genuine Church would surely not identify?

I want to draw your attention to one statement in Jill Austin's prophecy: an "international house of prayer for all nations". She refers to it as something that is already being established. This phrase comes from Isa 56:1-8 and is a prophecy of the Lord's return and his setting up his Millennial TEMPLE in Israel.

"Thus saith the LORD, Keep ye judgment, and do justice: for my salvation is near to come, and my righteousness to be revealed.... Also the sons of the stranger... Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people. The Lord GOD which gathereth the outcasts of Israel saith, Yet will I gather others to him, beside those that are gathered unto him. (KJV)

Jesus also referred to the TEMPLE as the House of Prayer in Matt 21:13 "And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer: but ye have made it a den of thieves."

As we know from earlier quotes in this series, the sonship doctrines teach that a New Temple is being built on earth consisting of all those who are submitted to the new doctrines and the new apostles and prophets. This is the Temple that Jill Austin sees being built, and it is governed by those she refers to as "My Apostolic Fathers".

House of Prayer in Colorado



However, at the same time a real "International House of Prayer" is being erected in Colorado and is becoming one of the key "gateways" into the new paradigm. This is the World Prayer Center in Colorado Springs which houses "the latest telecommunications system" in an effort to "link believers throughout the world."

The ministry's \$5.5 building is situated on the property of Ted Haggard's New Life Church. Haggard envisioned the Center in 1984, and co-founded it together with church-growth specialist C. Peter Wagner, whose Global Harvest Ministries is headquartered in the building. The Center includes the latest computer technology and communications equipment, a bookstore, a "spiritual mapping" office, and private suites that can be rented for extended prayer sessions and retreats. (See this News Archive, September 1998, "[Holy War: World Prayer Center arms itself with technology](#)").

From the blurb on the [World Prayer Centre website](#):

The World Prayer Center is a trans-demoninational effort spearheaded by two key Christian leaders. They are: Dr. C. Peter Wagner, President of Global Harvest Ministries, and Pastor Ted Haggard of New Life Church, Colorado Springs, Colorado. [Note: "Apostle" Chuck Pierce is now Director of the WPC.]

The World Prayer Center is a communications center, serving the Church throughout the world by linking prayer requests, practical needs, and reporting evangelistic breakthroughs. It will collect and compile requests from every continent as national prayer centers report what God is doing and how His people ought to pray. Dr. Peter Wagner says, "We see our task as getting people in touch with one another to form interactive, human web networks that are properly equipped to wage effective spiritual warfare."

The WPC is "a fully equipped nerve center with data and information about prayer needs throughout the world [which]... networks prayer ministries, denominations, churches and cell groups. This creates a united prayer front that will end Satan's attempt to divide and isolate believers, and to blind so many to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

One networking organisation linked to it is Global Resource Ministries, Inc (GRMI)" who say their mission is "to serve and support the emerging Global Church involved in the current move/work of the Spirit of God. Our strategy is to develop a resource base through the networking of churches and church leaders ... [in 1997] GRMI has two servers directly connected to the Internet and accessible to more than 20 Million people - our WWW site transfers an average

of 22 the party, and over the gigajoules to 17 contained in the most an minister.

On the [Global Resource Ministries](#) website today the "emerging Global Church" is being organised and assisted by the "emergence of a strategic and active network of churches, church leaders and participants" and their "web pages, mail lists and other projects are geared to support specific areas of ministry which we see as vital to the emergence of a unified (not suggesting we will all agree all the time) global church."

The GRMI projects include "a database of churches experiencing renewal, a web-based news-reader similar to UseNet, an online bookstore, a missions resource center, web-based conferencing centers, online ministry training materials and several additional mail lists."

According to Jill Austin, God is supposed to have promised a "worldwide God-INTERNET with the purposes of a fresh strategy". GRMI seems to be part of that internet. And in the World Prayer Centre people can also connect to one another using the latest computer technology. Not only that, but data about churches, ministries and individuals is constantly pouring into the Prayer Centre and other similar organisations through projects such as the Lighthouses Movement.

"...we are establishing networks of intercessors to link together for powerful and anointed corporate prayer. Globally, we are partnering with international leaders to establish National Prayer Networks which will serve as a communications bridge between that nation's intercessors and ministries, and the World Prayer Center. The Prayer Center will, in turn, serve as a communications nerve-center, communicating prayer needs to millions."

The World Church is being databased and logged by a sophisticated network that does indeed, as Jill Austin promised, 'gather secret, spiritual intelligence' and 'is networking and strategizing with global purposes.'

Quietly, without fuss, the World Church is being established and it is databasing all churches and Christians until it knows who is FOR and who is AGAINST the concept. It is a "stealth movement" as testified by Rick Warren, a member of Mission America's Facilitation Committee (<http://www.missionamerica.org/leaders.html>). In a closing prayer at one seminar he said "Thank you that there is a movement, a stealth movement that is flying beneath the radar, that's changing literally hundreds, even thousands of churches around the world".

The spiritual and the physical are marching hand-in-hand towards this glorious New Dawn! Back in 1996 this report gave details of the War Room:

"The World Prayer Centre: Why Choose Colorado Springs? A networking agency like the World Prayer Centre will stand or fall on two essential things: (1) personal relationships and (2) communications. It has now become apparent that Colorado Springs has been assigned a redemptive purpose for the 1990's and beyond, unlike any other city.... Colorado Springs has a divine anointing for the evangelical Christian movement as we move into the 21st century... apart from the international office of AD2000, no fewer than 80 other Christian ministries large and small have moved their home base to C. Springs...a restricted access War Room will be staffed with credentialed intercessors 24-hours a day... the Prayer Centre will be surrounded by 200 flagpoles flying the largest known display of flags in the world... " [Prayer Track Newsletter, Jan-March 1996]

If 80 major ministries had relocated to Colorado Springs in 1996, how many are there today?

And is it significant that not only the Church but new-agers point to Colorado as being a "spiritual power centre" of the earth? UN workers Maurice Strong and his new-age wife Hanne Strong have set up a community in the area (Baca Grande) for a host of occultic and weird new-age organisations. They, like the World Prayer Centre, say they are homing in on something spiritually powerful in the Colorado area.

The World Prayer Centre, and many other similar networking and resource organisations are linked to, or have directly stemmed from, AD2000 And Beyond, which leads us to C. Peter Wagner and his role in the Global Church.

C. Peter Wagner



C. Peter Wagner is a kingpin in both the Apostolic movement and the Global Church and Evangelization Movement. Born in 1930, he attended Fuller Theological Seminary which has been the cradle of the Global Church. Wagner then started his ministry as a conservative Christian, and his interest in Church Growth began in the 1970's. He joined the staff of Fuller Seminary in 1971 and became Professor of World Mission.

Wager is the mentor of Dr. Ralph D. Winter, founder of the US Center for World Mission in Pasadena, CA. This enormous Campus is home to an inconceivable number of ministries and organisations, all networking together for World Mission. It could be called the Vatican City of the World Evangelization Movement. (For further details on the USCWM, see the study by Al Dager as above.)

Wagner joined the Lausanne Committee in 1974 and worked for world evangelization, but during the 1980's he met John Wimber, and was won over to signs and wonders and the charismatic revival. He coined the phrase "third wave" to describe the entrance of the signs and wonders phenomenon into the conservative, evangelical churches.

Since that time he has moved steadily towards latter-rain/ sonship doctrines, frequently conferencing with the hardcore prophets of that movement like Paul Cain, Bill Hamon and Rick Joyner, as well as key leaders in the Toronto/Brownsville revival.

Now Peter Wagner is hailed as an "Apostle" of the first water within the apostolic/prophetic movement.

The admiration is mutual. Wagner strongly endorsed Bill Hamon's book on 'Apostles, Prophets and the Coming Moves of God: God's End-Time Plans for His Church and Planet Earth.' He even wrote the foreword. There he says that Bill Hamon was influential in nurturing him through what he calls a "paradigm shift from traditional Christianity to an openness to the full ministry of the Holy Spirit." He also believes that Bill Hamon is at the "cutting edge" of what he calls "The New Apostolic Reformation."

New Apostolic Reformation

The reference to the New Apostolic Reformation brings us to Wagner's pet scheme for restructuring the entire Church. This began life as the "Post-

Denominational Church" and A National Symposium on the Post-Denominational Church was convened by Wagner at Fuller Seminary, May 21-23, 1996. Bill Hamon said that "this was a historical occasion in God's annals of Church history. It was prophetically orchestrated by the Holy Spirit to fulfill God's progressive purposes of bringing His church to its ultimate destiny. . . the consensus of the panelists was that there are still apostles and prophets in the Church, and there is an emerging Apostolic Movement that will revolutionize the 21st Century Church".

Shortly after, however, Wagner struggled with the precise form for the Post-Denominational Church after being awakened to the vision of the Apostolic Church of the "sonship" doctrines. He therefore re-badged his flagship world church movement as "The New Apostolic Reformation". (For a further discussion of this, please see Orrell Steinkamp's article [HERE](#))

Donald Miller, a colleague of Wagner, calls this movement "The New Paradigm Churches." It is advertised as a reformation greater in scale than the reformation of the 1500's, and it is suggested that this "new reformation" is something entirely new. Wagner outlines his article with sections such as "new name", "new authority structure", "new ministry focus", "new worship style", "new prayer forms" etc. The centerpiece of this New Apostolic Reformation is the launching of new apostles and prophets for governing and covering the Church.

This is how it is to work: the Prophets receive, by "divine illumination" the doctrines of the Church and convey them to the Apostles who establish them, by means of their authority, as the word of God and pass them on to those under their covering - the pastors, teachers and evangelists - who in turn teach them to the submitted disciples sitting in the pews. Since this Governmental order is headed up by "God's Representatives on earth" no rebellion against the divine institutes will be tolerated. (Does this sound like Rome, or what?)

However, as I have pointed out throughout these articles, the teaching behind the "new thing" is as old as the hills. You need only browse through the [Appendix](#) for historical data on the Apostolic foundation of the churches and there you will discover that the heresy has been around, living in various cults and organisations, for century upon century, only today finding a home in the Evangelical, Protestant and Charismatic churches as a whole.

The Dispensation of Dominion

Today, however, we are moving into a more sinister aspect of the Apostolic church in which the current theology, structure and leadership is replaced by the new "paradigm" or model based upon revelation knowledge and spiritual experiences.

This report from the recent "International Gathering of Apostles and Prophets" in October 1999 says it all. I need to quote it at length for you to grasp the whole picture.

The Third Apostolic Reformation: Dr. Bill Hamon ... began by proposing that we are in the throws [sic] of not just "renewal"; not just "revival"; not just a "new awakening"; but a "third apostolic reformation".

The first was when Jesus appeared on the earth. Major foundational changes occurred at that time; changes in the religious structure, changes in how we relate to God, changes in the rise and fall of nations, changes in the social, economic and political climate, changes in virtually every area of significance. (This radical transition actually occurred in a span of approximately

40 to 50 years, or one generation) *The apostolic and prophetic ministries were there to lay a new foundation, with Christ Jesus, of course, as the Cornerstone.*

Then, approximately 1,500 years later, once again there came a foundational reformation, referred to by historians as the Protestant reformation, restoring truths of Scripture that were lost during the great "falling away", and in one generation, with Martin Luther, began a period of approximately 500 years of doctrinal restoration.

... Dr. Hamon also stated that, with the birthing of the prophetic movement in 1988, he believes we began the third apostolic reformation - MUCH MORE than just another "movement", a "fresh revival" or even a "major awakening". We are seeing prophets and apostles coming forth for a strategic reason. The question was posed, however, that if apostles and prophets are foundation layers, why are they coming back last, as if they were to add the finishing touches to an already existing restored church? The picture is of an existing building, being jacked up while foundational repairs are being done. While that is happening to an extent, could there be much more to this emergence of the foundational ministries at this time of church history than we are seeing right now? The answer is YES! We are being positioned to lay new foundations for a new era all together, foundations for the dawning of a new kingdom age.

WE ARE IN THE THROW'S [sic] OF THE BIRTHING OF A WHOLE NEW ORDER - A WHOLE NEW DISPENSATION! (Capitals in original) ... We are preparing to move into the age of Kingdom rule and dominion where Christ Himself, and we His saints, with Him, will rule and reign IN THE EARTH. The implications of this are staggering. It means a major paradigm shift. A change again in the religious structure, changes in how we relate to God, changes in the social and economic arenas, changes of nations and the political climate, changes in virtually every area of significance, just as radically as when He came the first time. A third apostolic reformation! So God is raising up apostles and prophets who are speaking some new and radical things; are setting the stage; are laying new foundations for a new era. Not just patching up what is already existing, but preparing the church for a new dispensation! WOWW!!

We are about to move from the dispensation of grace to the dispensation of dominion. We are about to see Jesus, not as the suffering lamb that was slain, but the roaring Lion who is King! The implications are awesome! I believe God is about to bring insight, for instance, into the difference between the "sin" of judgment and the "ministry" of judgment. (A very tiny window into this was seen when Peter dealt with Ananias and Sapphira , or Paul with Elymas the magician)

We are also about to enter into, not an age of yielding and passive surrender to our enemies, such as "turn the other cheek", and "go the second mile"; but rather, into a position of authority, dominion and power. Ruling in Zion! Jesus was the yielding suffering servant once, but he sll not show up like that the next time! [From "Jim Wies" of Cornerstone Ministries on the "Revival-Fire" mailing list.]

propelling Christians into an entirely different and new age, a new dispensation. This is a simply staggering claim!

Since C. Peter Wagner says about the man who made the above statements, that "Bill Hamon is at the cutting edge of The New Apostolic Reformation." and "You will not find a better navigator for this exhilarating trip than Bill Hamon," and since Wagner himself was present at the conference we can only assume he was in agreement with what was said.

To the commonly understood biblical dispensations of ignorance, law, grace we must now append a "dispensation of dominion" for the Church at the end of time when it stops offering forgiveness and mercy and instead wields the sword of judgement

I have mentioned Wagner as one of the initiators of the World Prayer Centre. C. Peter Wagner is also the founding president of Global Harvest Ministries, which is responsible for the "United Prayer Track" of AD2000 as well as other related missions activities outside the AD 2000 organization. (The AD2000 & Beyond Movement is a "global, informal network of Christian missionary agencies, denominations, churches and individuals committed to world evangelism.". Some current projects include the Joshua Project, Celebrate Messiah 2000 and Praying Through The Window.)

He freely networks with the hardcore sonship apostles and prophets while at the same time co-ordinating world evangelism that ultimately involves Rome, the UN and the New World Order. The aim is to log all churches, ministries and religious organisations into a computerised database and thus (with the supposed intention of reaching people for Christ) keep track of the allegiances, beliefs, intentions and affiliations of all Christians - which of course means any dissenters are tagged and targeted. This means YOU, if you choose to drop out of the proposed system! (Your church may already have signed on - you need to check this out.)

Networking

As an example of leadership networking, take the January 1999 conference held in the World Prayer Centre where Peter Wagner, the moderator of the conference, spoke on the necessity of Apostles and Prophets to "change the world" and proposed centralised, all-inclusive Church Government with Apostles as the covering network and Prophets as the doctrinal input. Amongst those present at the meeting were: Paul Cain, Chuck Pierce, John and Paula Sandford, Cindy Jacobs, Bill Hamon, Dutch Sheets, Rick Joyner, Kingsley Fletcher, Mike Bickle, Jim Laffoon, Barbara Wentroble, Bobby Byerly and Ted Haggard.

Some, if not all, of these names should give you a chill down your spine when you realise that these very "apostles and prophets" will be entrusted with the task of establishing the doctrine and government of the New Apostolic Church.

One link further on, we find the following ministries advertised on the web site of John & Paula Sandford: Bob Jones, Chuck Pierce, Jill Austin, Kim Clement, Jim Golls, Rick Joyner, Rodney Howard-Browne and - of course C. Peter Wagner. Visiting the web sites and following the links and reports of conferences, we go round in endless circles encountering the same people and ministries, demonstrating without a doubt the networking of World Evangelization, the River Revival, and the Sonship Apostles and Prophets.

Chuck Pierce, reporting on this meeting said:

"The National School of the Prophets had around 3,000 people in attendance. This gathering brought together many of the major prophetic streams to the World Prayer Center in Colorado Springs. ...Also, I invited 13 prophetic presbytery teams to the conference so that every attendee could be ministered to before leaving. This was new for many."

Imagine! Three thousand people, all of whom were "ministered to" and presumably received the "new paradigm" before leaving!

Third Day Doctrine and the Realignment

The January Conference mentioned above is described in the newsletters of Chuck Pierce. I urge you to read his [newsletters](#), as they are a real education in what is going on! Director of the World Prayer Centre and Vice-President of Global Harvest Ministries, "Apostle" Chuck Pierce, claims his "Glory of Zion Outreach International Ministries" website is "... a source of information on the New Apostolic Reformation, a term coined by Dr. C. Peter Wagner to describe the extraordinary work of God that is, to a significant extent, changing the shape of Protestant Christianity around the world."

Here's a selection of Pierce's teachings:

"I want to share with you a word the Lord began to put in my heart at the end of last year. This word seems very significant and interpretive regarding what is happening in the Body right now. He began to say: "I am beginning a time of reorganization of My People. I will realign within their minds, their ministries and their relationships. I must create My authority in the earth." [The Third Day Church Preparing for the Future]

"I see the call to separate as the next step in our Lord's process to evangelize the earth. After God has divided us from the old mindsets and methods, He will then "mark off by bounds" the new position and sphere of authority for each of us to demonstrate His power. ... By developing new authority and boundaries, this allows us to stop the enemy from advancing on the earth." [The Third Day Church: Preparing for the Future]

"In our churches and cities, we must open the Gate of Heaven so angelic forces have free access to assist in our territorial warfare." [Shine in 1999]

"The word of the Lord says in II Samuel 3: 1: "The war between the house of Saul and the house of David lasted a long time. David grew stronger and stronger, while the house of Saul grew weaker and weaker ". We are in a transition time where governments are changing. The Lord is transforming and developing the wineskin for the next Century. New revelation is about to pour forth to the Body. The old structure always wars with the new. The confusion of the past season is about to let go. There is a transforming in our minds that is causing us to become one with His mind." [Letter of August 1998]

These are just a few examples of the way the revival and sonship doctrines are influencing world evangelism and reaching more conventional, conservative denominations and organisation.

Now networking is set to reach new heights through the Lighthouses scheme, formerly Lighthouses of Prayer. This project was recently launched with an international advertising campaign and TV coverage.

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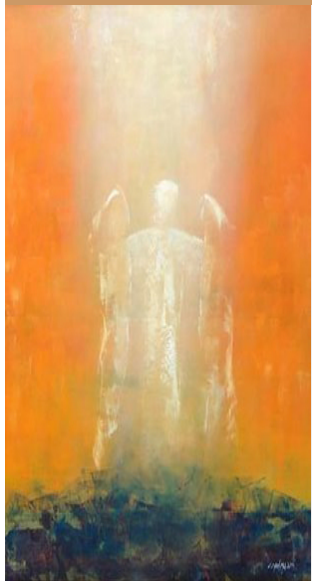
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Doctrines of Demons (Part Nine)

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines [taught by] demons... (1 Tim 4:1 NKJ)

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The Lighthouse Movement



"Now is the time to build a canopy of prayer that will change the spiritual climate over the nation through prayer evangelism. Impact your sphere of influence (neighbors, work place, campus) by becoming a Lighthouse of Prayer." - Founder, Ed Silvoso of Harvest Evangelism

The Lighthouse Movement represents a major coalition of evangelization ministries and projects, effectively aligning the Apostolic movements to the World Evangelization movements and the Revival using computer technology and the Internet, as well as conventional methods to link thousands of churches, denominations and organisations in unity of purpose - to "win the world for Christ".

Winning the world for Christ does not at first glance seem to provide cause for alarm. However, as Al Dager points out in his excellent study "[The World Christian Movement: Evangelism vs. Evangelization](#)" the motivation is identical to that of the Revival and the Reconstructionist Movement. He says "The goal is to evangelize the world by the year 2000 through social and political action on a mandate to alleviate suffering." To that I would add the sonship/restoration mandate to bring the world into a new era of dominion using the Global Church, headed and governed by the very same folks who are now proposing "world evangelization". In short, I smell a rat!

Examining the Lighthouses Movement, we find its foundational philosophy is that of spiritual warfare and "prayer evangelism" combining the evangelistic philosophies of Peter Wagner and Ed Silvoso. We will be examining this shortly.

On the Lighthouses web site [<http://lighthousemovement.com>] we find a list of subscribers to the project. Already signed up are more than seventy church denominations, and hundreds of organisations as diverse as the American Bible Society and Habitat for Humanity, along with groups such as Women Aglow, Caleb Project and March for Jesus. [Note: this does not mean that an organisation is "heretical" just by virtue of its name appearing on the Lighthouse list.]

There we read: "Under the banner of Mission America, more than 70 denominations with 180,000 local churches and 350 ministries have already caught the vision! In January, 1999, these leaders came together for the Mission America annual meeting, enthusiastically adopting the Lighthouse strategy now called the Lighthouse Movement to reach the vision of Celebrate Jesus 2000 -- mobilizing the church to pray for, care for and share Christ with every person in America by the end of 2000."

- For the full list of denominations, ministries and organisations already signed up to Lighthouse, please see the [Appendix](#).

"Light the Nation" on October 16th 1999 was the public, televised, launch event for Lighthouses, and in their advertisement they say:

"National Lighthouse Launch: Light the Nation will be broadcast on the Pax TV channel as well as satellite (Sky Angel 1 & 2, C-band, KU-band), FamilyNet and hundreds of Christian stations..... It is MOST IMPORTANT that each participating church appoints an "Event Host" and registers with Harvest Evangelism. The Event Host will be provided with a 28-page manual complete with checklists and calendars to ensure a successful Light the Nation broadcast and Lighthouse launch."

Clearly, then, they are leaving nothing to chance!

What then is the Lighthouse Movement? From their own literature: "The Lighthouse Movement/Mission America Coalition is an outgrowth of the Lausanne Movement, and is a cooperative effort with the AD2000 & Beyond Movement, plus scores of denominations, ministry networks, servant ministries and local churches."

The Lausanne Covenant

For those of you unfamiliar with the Lausanne initiative, I should briefly explain that it is a deeply flawed ecumenistic attempt to reach people with what amounts to a social gospel. Set up by Billy Graham in 1974 as a call to win the world to Christ by the year 2000, it quickly became all things to all men and opened its doors to liberals and Catholics as well as adopting some offbeat pentecostal methodology.

On the Lighthouses site, Churches and individuals are urged to sign online to become a part of the Lighthouse scheme. But *"Involvement in the Lighthouse Movement/Mission America requires the following: Each member must be committed to Jesus Christ as Lord, and the fulfillment of His Great Commission. Each member must be willing to sign the Lausanne Covenant without reservation."*

This is no loose connection of Christians simply wanting to spread the gospel. No, it is part and parcel of the World Evangelization system, and subscribing to the one means subscribing to the other.

We can see from the two requirements above, without going much further, that all who participate must have a theological vision that incorporates (1) the "fulfillment of the Great Commission" to supposedly "disciple all nations" before the Return of Jesus and (2) the Lausanne Covenant on Evangelization - NB: WITHOUT RESERVATION!

You can read the Lausanne Covenant in the Appendix. See if you could agree with it "without reservation". Meanwhile, I would point out what the Covenant states on:

- SOCIAL CONCERN: We therefore should share his concern for justice and reconciliation throughout human society and for the liberation of men and women from every kind of oppression. ... we express penitence both for our neglect and for having sometimes regarded evangelism and social concern as mutually exclusive.
- POLITICAL AND SOCIAL ACTION: We affirm that evangelism and socio-political involvement are both part of our Christian duty...The message of salvation implies also a message of judgment upon every form of alienation, oppression and discrimination, and we should not be afraid to denounce evil and injustice wherever they exist.
- VISIBLE CHURCH UNITY: We affirm that the Church's visible unity in truth is God's purpose. Evangelism also summons us to unity, because our oneness strengthens our witness, just as our disunity undermines our gospel of reconciliation.
- REVIVAL: Worldwide evangelization will become a realistic possibility only when the Spirit renews the Church in truth and wisdom, faith, holiness, love and power. We therefore call upon all Christians to pray for such a visitation of the sovereign Spirit of God.
- COVENANTING: we enter into a solemn covenant with God and with each other, to pray, to plan and to work together for the evangelization of the whole world.

To view the Lausanne Covenant in full, please see the [Appendix](#)

If you were to get beyond these requirements, you are led to another page containing a statement of belief, then ultimately to a form requiring you to give certain details, such as the names of your "leadership", your YEARLY BUDGET, your Central Office address, telephone and fax numbers, and name of your newsletter(s). At the WPC login: "We also ask that you include your pastor's name and number on our application for a reference."

Requirements seem to differ according to the entry-point, since the Lighthouse site itself offers free membership (at least initially) but "To affiliate with the World Prayer Center as a Lighthouse of Prayer, we are asking for \$100.00 annually to cover our operational costs and service to you."

When affiliated as a Lighthouse, you gain access to a network of interlinked websites and resource databases containing precise information about thousands of other Lighthouses, and eventually through the new "Observatory" database you will be able to input and receive more detailed information about your city or area.

"The Observatory is the research center of the World Prayer Center. The Observatory combines services offered through research libraries, prayer networks and Internet search capabilities. Our unique database will provide information on:

- *Urgent prayer notices*

- *Countries and people groups*
- *Social and spiritual trends*
- *Religious sites and systems*
- *Religious pilgrimages and festivals*
- *Cults and the occult*
- *Spiritual mapping reports*
- *And more!*

According to those who have researched this movement, "Maintaining a detailed written record of your prayers, including your neighbors' names, addresses, personal problems, "felt needs" and current belief-systems; and e-mailing, faxing or mailing a copy of these records to the World Prayer Center on a regular basis, is a condition of being an affiliated Lighthouse."

Further pertinent comments from the same researchers are:

"Could it be that Lighthouses are actually intended to be embryonic 'cells' of a single global Apostolic (and apostate) church? As crazy as it sounds, the plan is for them to be linked in some pyramid-type, cross-denominational, multilevel network... to the 120 planned World Prayer Centers, and their executive directors are intended to be high-level Apostles, in other words, New Reformation cardinals.

"The World Prayer Center: ...This \$55 million structure was designed with the electronic capacity to process and collate much more data than will be generated by the three to six million Lighthouses in the United States that are expected to "affiliate" with it this year.

Initially, individual homes were signed up as Lighthouses, many in what turned out to be successful test markets. Perhaps in part because pastors were afraid of missing out, or because they were easier to reach, the project seems to have shifted to signing up churches (an individual, family, or cell group could then elect to sign up under a church or other "designated group"), and then denominations. There are currently 70 to 75 denominations signed up in the United States, including many of the major denominations like the Assemblies of God (both the US General Council and the International Fellowship) and the Southern Baptist Convention.

"There are references in early Lighthouse material to 'The City Church', a now fully formed New Apostolic Reformation concept - 'The Lighthouses produce in reality a mantel of prayer that opens the heavens over the city so that the light of the gospel begins to shine through to the minds of lost people... Watch for crime rates dropping, favor between the Church of the city and government, neighborhoods being cleaned up and improved economic conditions... all the spiritual IOU's that you have been collecting will be cashed in... putting the Lighthouse people in [a] privileged place of favor to become part of the personal discipleship process.'" [<http://www.harvestevan.org/resource.html#7>, previous edition (webpage download received by e-mail

07/24/99 on file), reproduced in part at <http://www.praytwincities.org/howtobe.htm>]

Ed Silviso and Prayer Evangelism

The Lighthouses of Prayer concept was developed in the 1970s by Ed Silviso using his model of prayer-evangelism. To understand what is wrong with the Lighthouses Movement, we must see what Ed Silviso teaches about evangelism. He does not advocate going out onto the streets to preach the gospel, nor does he promote evangelistic events. All of this is much too offensive for Ed Silviso, and merely puts people off.

Instead, groups of people meet in their homes as lighthouses of prayer to "change the spiritual climate" in their area. Having done so (to their own satisfaction presumably) they advance to meeting the "felt needs" of the people in their locality and telling them they are being prayed for. It is clear from Lighthouses literature that this phase includes signs and wonders and miracles, so that people are captivated by the power of God and led to ask more. Only when it is "safe" to talk about theological things will the gospel be mentioned (and even then, as we know from previous experience, it will be a watered-down people-friendly gospel that shies away from the hard truths about sin and repentance.)

Ed Silviso heads Harvest Evangelism, and developed his methods of "prayer-evangelism" through that ministry. Silviso is fully involved in the Toronto/Brownsville revival. Indeed, he is a regular speaker at such events, and relates intimately with the Argentinean revival leaders such as Claudio Friedzon - the man who started off the Toronto revival by praying over John Arnott!

Speaking of the "toronto blessing" Ed Silviso says "Well, we find the Toronto blessing in every city we go to. I believe that it is a blessing indeed. ... the Toronto blessing has to be kicked out of the church - kicked out of the church into the world! If in each neighbourhood prayerhouse, there is a manifestation of Jesus, which I believe in its purest form that's what the Toronto blessing is, then the entire neighbourhood will flock to that house."

On the subject of Church Unity he says "Our unity is essential for the world to believe."

Ed Silviso is also the brother in law of another central figure on the revival, Luis Palau, who said "The Bible says the Lord saves us from the pit -- the pit of despair, the pit of low self-esteem..."

Noel Stanton, senior pastor of the Jesus Fellowship (a cult-like heavy-shepherding group based in the UK) interviewed Ed Silviso about revival and evangelism in Argentina, for 'Jesus Life' magazine, which posted the following undated extract (<http://www.jesus.org.uk/es.html>):

Noel: What is prayer evangelism?

Ed: Prayer evangelism is basically the implementation of 1 Timothy 1:15 to 2:8. In 1 Tim 1:15 Paul says, "This is a trustworthy statement deserving full acceptance that Jesus came into the world to save sinners." That word full acceptance means that everybody should accept it. Then in verse 18 he tells Timothy, "I have a command for you that if you keep it, you will succeed." And the implication is unavoidable. You will succeed in making everybody accept the truth that Jesus came to save sinners.

Then in Chapter 2 he tells him how to commence. "First of all then I urge that prayer be said on behalf of everybody, everywhere," because God wants everybody to be saved and Jesus died for all.

We see prayer as a support system for evangelism. We tell people we would like to pray for them. And they say, "Well, I don't believe in Jesus." We say, "Once we're done, you'll believe in Jesus, because Jesus promised anything we ask He will do."

*...This is revolutionary. We go to the lost and rather than telling them they're going to hell and praying they'll go to heaven, **which is offensive**, pray for something that they consider is important.*

Here we see that prayer-evangelism is based on the (mistaken) belief that everybody in the world is going to be saved, and if we pray then God is - in effect - forced to make people Christians.

Secondly, the prayer is a form of spiritual warfare to cleanse the heavenlies and "create a climate" for the gospel by displacing the spiritual powers that oppose God.

Spiritual Warfare

The concept of destroying spiritual strongholds in order to change cities and entire geographical areas has become popular over the last decade. It is appealing because it's easy to do, demands no particular knowledge of doctrine, needs no missionary expertise and - best of all - offers illusory results that cannot be measured.

Evangelising without ever coming into contact or conflict with real people is the safest method of all! Christians would far rather spend a night in a tower praying than be out on the streets talking to the down-and-outs. But more than this, they can come down from their tower glowing with the "knowledge" that they have kicked the spirit of addiction out of town and therefore have achieved a much greater victory than having saved a couple of drunks!

However, how is such a victory to be gauged? If whole cities can be "taken" by such methods (as is claimed) then where are these golden cities of holiness today, after decades of spiritual warfare? Has even ONE city been "taken for Christ"? Despite the lack of evidence, however, spiritual warfare continues unabated, and often replaces real gospel preaching in the majority of churches.

Peter Wagner's own ambitious project was to oppose and cast down the 'Queen of Heaven' in "Operation Queen's Palace" Wagner says "While we were in Turkey, Doris [his wife] and I...knew that the power of the Queen of Heaven had to be broken in order for the gospel to spread in Turkey." I don't believe you will find the missionaries of the Early Church agreed with that statement, since they went right ahead and preached the gospel to the people of Turkey without knowing anything about spiritual warfare techniques.

Wagner identifies the Queen of Heaven as not only Diana of the Ephesians but the power behind the worship of the Virgin Mary. He quotes Cindy Jacobs as saying, "For several years we have been doing battle against the Queen of Heaven in many parts of the world." So where are the results? If Catholics in your area have stopped praying to the Virgin, do please let me know!

Another scheme, "**Operation Ice Castle**" in 1997 involved a group of intercessors climbing Mount Everest in a "frontal attack" on a "principal stronghold in Nepal". "God spoke to us that He was going to release judgment upon the iniquity and over the false religious systems of the world. He said that he was going

to bring down the foundations of 'Mystery Babylon the Great, Mother of Harlots:'"

This will be news to those of us who have seen her rise and activity in the endtimes, in the book of Revelation!

The Non-Offensive Gospel

Rather than openly preach the true gospel (including judgement for sin, and hell for those who refuse to accept Jesus Christ) which Ed Silvano says "is offensive to people" the new idea is to do the work first in prayer rooms and strategy meetings, creating a climate that is supposedly conducive to Christianity. When the time is deemed appropriate to meet people face to face, it is done by coming alongside people in their situations, providing for them, finding out about their "felt needs" and showing them the power of God in praying for answers to their problems. All well and good, but is this the gospel?



See the major series on Church Growth techniques and the new evangelism, starting at [this page](#).

Lighthouses do "eventually" tell people about Jesus, but only in a "loving and appropriate way" according to Lighthouse literature, which presumably means soft-peddalling on the tricky subjects of immorality, crime, abortion, drugs, and so forth.

The Lighthouses promotional literature circulated throughout the Internet said:

"What is a Lighthouse of Prayer? - It's an individual or a family that commits to be a beacon of hope in their neighborhood, school or workplace. They pray for others, care for them by meeting their felt needs, and eventually share the Gospel in an appropriate and loving way. In the words of internationally recognized prayer evangelism author and speaker Rev Ed Silvano, it's 'Telling God about your neighbors BEFORE telling your neighbors about God.' It's simple and it works!"

Sure - it WORKS! People love to be made the centre of attention! They are more than willing to have a bunch of Christians pick up their children from nursery school, do their shopping for them, or visit them in hospital. But what is achieved? Caring for people is good, but not if it's bribery to soften them up. Meeting people's "felt needs" may be good also, but isn't it dishonest to do so with a hidden agenda? Why not be honest about being Christians? Why not love them enough to tell them they are going to hell and need a Saviour? (but maybe that would not be "appropriate" or "loving"?)

Here is an extended extract [denoted by changed colouring] from a report on the Lighthouses Movement. It begins with quotes about evangelism:

"The unbeliever needs to feel the impact of the gospel (good news that Christ loves people)... One major implication is that our presentation of the gospel must adapt itself to a vastly changed target audience... God has good news for the person who needs love and affection, security or esteem... Extensive research reveals that 'people will not listen to the gospel message unless it speaks to felt needs'... Adapt your presentation to his needs..." [Joseph Aldrich, "Life-Style Evangelism" (Multnomah Press, 1981), pp. 83, 85, 88-89, 232; compare to instructions given in "How to Start and Sustain a Light-House" (Houses of

Prayer Everywhere, HOPE Ministries of Mission India, Grand Rapids, MI, 1999]

*"The Bible says the Lord saves us from the pit -- the pit of despair, the pit of low self-esteem... the Bible says He redeems your life from the pit." [Luis Palau, "Hope for the Stressed Out," videotaped broadcast on WGN-TV, Chicago, 10/01/93, cited in his entry in the "**Biblical Discernment Notebook**" edited by Rick Miese]*

Palau, often called "the Billy Graham of South America," is Edgardo Silvoso's brother-in-law and mentor, honorary co-chairman of AD2000 & Beyond, and member of the honorary advisory committee of its US goliath, Mission America.

Mission America, looking for a pragmatic strategy to save its flagging "Celebrate Jesus 2000" vision, developed the Lighthouse Movement in conjunction with AD2000 & Beyond, from Ed Silvoso's "successful" evangelization methodology.

Let's not forget that when we read the Jesus Life magazine interview with Edgardo Silvoso (<http://www.jesus.org.uk/talking.html>), we're reading views on world evangelization by an expert with years of experience in the mission field.

We readily accept that his opinions are those of one of the architects of the Argentine revival, which we've been repeatedly told has produced great numbers of "decisions for Christ." But are these opinions consistent with the Scriptures, or even self-consistent?

Mr. Silvoso seems to have concluded that the problem is ...with the Church. Since "telling [the lost] they're going to hell and praying they'll go to heaven... is offensive," a Church ashamed of the gospel would be more to their liking, and aren't numbers more important than anything else for church growth and the successful evangelization of the world?

In Mr. Silvoso and his friends' theology, there just has to be a gospel (or, hey, why not, an assortment of gospels) sufficiently "contextualized" to be acceptable to everyone on the planet.

With the world completely christianized and united, Mr. Silvoso and his friends will have peace and safety (plus plenty of money and clout). The best payoff is that Jesus can then come back (either the real Jesus, or, more to their liking, through a sort of incarnation into the Church's elite corps of apostles and prophets, the manifest sons of God). The Holy Spirit will lead people to true repentance and salvation despite the twisted goals of this movement, just as He always has. But perilous times lay ahead.

You may have seen the following unsigned press release, crafted in the finest Madison Avenue style, that's been spreading throughout the Internet for about the last four weeks:

Dear Friend, I have an urgent message for you today! In just one month there will be an important TV special broadcast to the entire nation that all Christians should watch.

Called "Light the Nation," the TV special will be broadcast live from Madison Square Garden on Saturday morning, October 16th.

Light the Nation will be the national television event to launch Lighthouses of Prayer in thousands, possibly even millions, of homes.

Why is this so important?

It takes only a brief review of national and local news to understand that our nation is in decline in many ways. At the same time (but not by coincidence) God has brought national focus to prayer. Denominations, Christian leaders, national ministries and thousands of pastors have all embraced prayer, and more specifically Lighthouses of Prayer, as key to changing the spiritual climate in America and bringing millions more to Christ.

What is a Lighthouse of Prayer?

It's an individual or a family that commits to be a beacon of hope in their neighborhood, school or workplace. They pray for others, care for them by meeting their felt needs, and eventually share the Gospel in an appropriate and loving way. In the words of internationally recognized prayer evangelism author and speaker Rev Ed Silvano, it's "Telling God about your neighbors BEFORE telling your neighbors about God." It's simple and it works!

Tell your pastor about Light the Nation.

It's a great opportunity for churches to gather together for two hours, listen to inspirational Lighthouse testimonies, hear motivational speakers urge unity, holiness and reconciliation, and receive valuable Lighthouse training.

If you've heard about Lighthouses but didn't know quite when or how to start, now's the time! To find out more about Light the Nation and when and how to tune in, visit www.HarvestEvan.Org and www.LighthouseMovement.com or call 1-800-898-8004.

One last thing -- PLEASE forward this message to everyone in your e-mail address book! Before we blanket the U.S. with prayer, we must blanket it with E-mail messages in order to spread the word!

God Bless You, and God Bless America!

Mark Kass writes, "It works to what end? I am trying to figure out how telling God something God already knows, while we pretend God doesn't know it, serves any function."

But doesn't "prayer evangelism" sound so much nicer? In this dark and dying world, what Christian wouldn't want to be a "Lighthouse" to the lost?

Mark Kass continues:

"We are to pray constantly. The function of prayer is to help mold us into the will of God in our life. The Lord's prayer is the paramount example of this, and it would take a much lengthier post to exposit all of the richness that lie therein. Silvano however, seems to believe that there is something pragmatically functional about the timing of prayer.

As if the fact that you tell God about your neighbors before you witness to them will insure the success of your witnessing endeavor. My point is, that God already knows this information, and will do what He wishes with whom he wishes regardless of the timing of our prayer. This is but another example of some magical formula, that has nothing to do with the reason or function of biblical prayer."

This is an important point in understanding all projects that come out of the new paradigm, no matter how good they look on the surface. This kind of thinking is common to leading River Revivalists, World Christians, and New Apostolic Reformers....

This common pattern presents an understanding of prayer that cannot be found in the Bible. It requires you to do things that would never otherwise occur to you, which include:

1. Describing what you ask for in as much detail as possible.
2. Clearly identifying the "targets" of your prayer (names and addresses are best).
3. Placing yourself in close spatial proximity to your "targets" (prayerwalking), or using as detailed a map as possible (spiritual mapping).
4. Praying the exact same thing simultaneously with as many people as humanly possible. (This seems to be the new definition of intercessory prayer. The largest number claimed to date that we remember seeing is the 50,000,000 people praying in unison this month under the direction of Dr. C. Peter Wagner. New Agers call this synchronous prayer.) ["Praying Through The 10/40 Window IV: A Message From Peter Wagner" (<http://www.ad2000.org/ptw4wag.htm>, posted 07/21/99)]
5. Praying in opposition to the fallen angels (it helps to identify them and command them by name), claiming specific territory (it helps to be physically there, or at least have a detailed map or 15-foot slowly spinning globe), and asking for a "window" or "gate" to be opened. (This seems to be the new definition of spiritual warfare).
6. Praying from high places (hills, prayer towers, the roofs of tall buildings, mountains -- Yonggi Cho has his own Prayer Mountain).
7. Praying from the geographic center (or the four corners, that is, the furthestmost cardinal compass points) of municipalities, states or provinces, nations, and continents.
8. Arranging with others to pray the same thing around the clock.
9. Claiming the answer you want, before seeing any results.
10. Maintaining a detailed written record of your prayers, including your neighbors' names, addresses, personal problems, "felt needs" and current belief-systems. E-mailing, faxing, or mailing a copy of this record, on a regular basis, to the World Prayer Center in Colorado Springs, or, when all 120 global World Prayer Centers are up and running, to your assigned Center.

I would further point out that, if you join a Lighthouse program, you agree to "tell God about your neighbors" for three months to fifteen weeks "before telling your neighbors about God," although affiliated Lighthouses (that's you) are to continue prayerwalking and sending in those detailed reports mentioned above. (You can buy a pocket journal to use while prayerwalking.)

Various sets of Lighthouse instructions warn participants, once you finally reach the point of "telling your neighbors about God," not to use certain words -- words like gospel, born-again, saved, sin, conviction, or salvation!

The Lighthouse handbook cited above suggests (after 15 weeks) only that you invite your neighbors "to events like worship services, crusades, Promise Keepers meetings, and Women's Club luncheons, where they will hear the gospel."

Crusades? Promise Keepers? Women's Club luncheons? Does this sound like an improvement over pre-Lighthouse methods of sharing your faith?

Note from author: On the Promise Keepers official website there is now a section promoting Lighthouses, with the aim that "every promise keeper make his home a Lighthouse of prayer and outreach." PK are fully participating in integrating PK groups into Lighthouses and "uniting leaders for strategic local ministry". The PK initiative, named Vision 2000 "is a two-pronged initiative during 1999 and 2000, aimed at preparing for revival and achieving national impact in the areas of evangelism and biblical unity."

Combine this with the World Christian Movement concepts of "corporate salvation" and "world evangelization" (as opposed to individual salvation, which they have for many years belittled as inefficient "extraction" evangelism), and you begin to see a deadly combination of church growth techniques at work.

What's that, you say? This is not the River Revival, not the World Christian Movement, not the New Apostolic Reformation -- this is the Lighthouse Movement! It's not a program, it's a grass-roots movement to win America and the world for Christ!

If that is what you believe, haven't they done their job well? We don't expect you to make up your mind now, but we think we've raised a few valid questions.

We need to examine the source of this project, review its methodology in light of the scriptures (noting also how they twist those scriptures), and consider what its underlying agenda will spread throughout the church.

Let us look at the instructions given for "How to Get Your Lighthouse Started" from the Lighthouses entry-point on Ed Silvano's Harvest Evangelism site <http://harvestevan.org/lighthouseinfo.html>:

1. Define your Target Area

A. Determine the scope of your target area using the following grid:

- 1. Measure of faith - Ask the Lord for the number of people or homes that He wants you to be personally influencing for His kingdom, and ask Him for the faith to do it.*
- 2. With whom are you in daily contact? How far apart are the houses/people in your neighborhood? How many people do you supervise?*
- 3. Geographical area - Your target area needs to be small enough so that you can "reach out and touch someone" to get results.*

Tracking the results of the prayer effort is important to the process. You need to be able to monitor what's happening in your

target area.

B. Translate your target area into a map.

- 1. Conduct a "reconnaissance" walk.*
- 2. Plot buildings and places using a simple legend where necessary. Note addresses and names where available.*
- 3. Use the map as a prayer guide for "rainy-day" praying inside your home and to record additional information as it becomes known.*

2. Gather your Strategic Tools

a. Prayer Journal. Keep a prayer journal of burdens and expressed needs, with places for prayer requests and answers to prayer to be recorded. This notebook helps to keep your prayers specific, and becomes a faith-builder as you see Jesus affecting lives in your neighborhood.

b. Window Poster: It has proven very effective to print some reasonably-sized posters (more or less the size of a sheet of paper) with an attractive, identifying logo that identifies the Lighthouse as a place of prayer. The same poster should be used by all the congregations participating in the city-wide effort without modification and without identifying any local congregation. In this way, the concept of the "one Church, many congregations" is reinforced and the message of unity is displayed. It sends a message that the neighborhood is being prayed for, and attracts people to the anchor point.

c. Praying the Promises, Not the Problems Guide: This guide to helps you speak the word of your testimony (Rev. 12:11), declaring the intentions of God rather than advertising the purposes of Satan.

d. Door Hangers or personal note: The objective here is to make non-threatening contact with the people for whom we are praying. One method that has been used with success is the Door hanger that asks the question on one side, "Can Prayer Really Make a Difference?" On the reverse side, the answer shouts, "YES! And we've been praying for you! If you have any particular needs for which you have no human resource, please feel free to call us." A space follows where each Lighthouse can insert their name and phone number. The design of the door hanger should be coordinated among all the congregations participating in reaching the city through prayer evangelism. A personal friendship note can accomplish the same purpose.

e. Newspaper: It's a ready-made list of prayer requests that will give you insight into the felt needs of your city.

f. Prayerwalking: The Lighthouse family should walk through their target area as often as possible, speaking peace and praying promises from God's Word over each home and praying as the Holy Spirit leads.

3. Achieve a Prayerful Presence

You should maintain the discipline of a regular prayer time on a daily basis with the goal of praying through your target area at least once a week. The model and sequence described in Luke 10:5-9 is the most effective strategy.

Phase 1: Prayerwalking ("Speak peace to each house.")

Begin talking to God about your neighbors before you talk to your neighbors about God. The purpose of this Phase is to pray for the Holy Spirit to begin to soften the ground of the hearts of non-believers. This is the groundwork for the platform upon which subsequent evangelism will take place. This phase often takes approximately three months. It is essential that this time not be shortened except by the intervention of the Holy Spirit. Prayer must be given a chance to do its work.

Phase 2: Fellowship ("Remain in the same house...")

The purpose of Phase 2 is to make contact with your neighbors and to let them know that they are being prayed for. The doorknob hanger strategy can help at this point.

Phase 3: Praying for Felt Needs ("Heal the sick...")

Your neighbors may be ready for a face-to-face visit. As the Holy Spirit gives direction, begin to ask your neighbors for a specific prayer request (felt needs). Enter those requests with the date into your Prayer Journal. This is when the excitement begins! "When Christians begin to pray for the felt needs of the lost, God surprises them with almost immediate answers to prayer." (That None Should Perish, p. 84) Based on the principle shown in the Parable of the Lost Sheep (Luke 15:1-7), meeting the felt needs of the unbelievers is the primary method that Jesus modeled to reveal God's love for the lost.

Phase 4: Proclamation ("Proclaim, The kingdom of God is near you").

As the result of the first three phases, people's awareness of the presence of God, the love of God, and power of God become evident. An opportunity now exists to proclaim the gospel. This will most likely happen in two ways:

- 1) Expect the Holy Spirit to give you increased numbers of divine appointments and creative ways to share the gospel with the people in your target area.*
- 2) Watch for the Holy Spirit to give a city-wide evangelism strategy to the pastors in the city.*

What effect do Lighthouses have on the city?

a. The Lighthouses produce in reality a mantle of prayer that opens the heavens over the city so that the light of the gospel begins to shine through to the minds of lost people.

b. Praying in this way will dramatically change the quality of life in your city. Watch for general blessings upon the city, such as crime rates dropping, favor between the Church of the city and government, neighborhoods being cleaned up and improved economic conditions.

c. This kind of grass-roots prayer evangelism will create an atmosphere for effective evangelism. Your city will be prepared over a period of time for an effective proclamation of the gospel where all the spiritual IOU's that you have been collecting will be cashed in.

What effect do Lighthouses have on the church?

a. Lighthouses of Prayer have the effect of creating spiritual burden and responsibility for the lost at the most basic and most effective level with the result of building a city-wide team of individually strong players.

b. People are going to become saved, and the Church of the city is going to grow. Many of the new converts will have as their closest friends in the faith the people who prayed for their felt needs, putting the Lighthouse people in privileged place of favor to become part of the personal discipleship process. The local church will determine the method of nurture, but the Lighthouse person will provide the vital link.

c. Prayer evangelism will change your heart.

For additional tools, (they add) may we recommend:

Register to be Lighthouse through the [World Prayer Center](#)

Ed Silvano - [That None Should Perish](#)

Steve Hawthorne - "Prayerwalking and eeeee Prompts" (?)

John Dawson - "Taking Our Cities for God"

Ted Haggard - "Primary Purpose"

Astute Christians reading the above will have spotted some statements that go beyond ordinary prayer and evangelism.

The exercise seems to be setting up some kind of neighbourhood watch that says "How many people do you supervise?" and "Plot buildings and places...

Note addresses and names where available." and "You need to be able to monitor what's happening in your target area." These monitoring activities are, as we said before, then relayed back to the central Lighthouses database.

A "prayer journal" is to be kept. I'm not sure I'd feel happy about being included in it. And am I the only one would would feel faintly unsettled waking up to find a door-hanger had been hung on my front door by a group of people who say they are "praying for me"? Just who are they, and what are they praying?

Note the the length of time it takes before ANY attempt is made to speak to the people. Much time is taken up by spiritual mapping, drawing grids and plans of the area, keeping notes of the names and addresses, and "speaking peace" to the houses as you "pray-walk" round and round, but only after months of this treatment is the "ground softened" sufficiently to dare to speak about the Lord Jesus to the people! (Even then, a period of praying for people's needs comes first.)

According to the above instructions, "Your city will be prepared over a period of time for an effective proclamation of the gospel where all the spiritual IOU's that you have been collecting will be cashed in."

Here, making proclamations into the atmosphere and repeating God's promises (Word of Faith doctrine!) for several months on end obliges God to save people because he then OWES you the answers to all those prayers. Once you have made sufficient proclamations, you can "cash in" your IOUs and demand that people respond! Anything less like biblical evangelism I cannot imagine.

The prayer-evangelism approach is further explained by the phrases "The Lighthouses produce in reality a mantel of prayer that opens the heavens over the city so that the light of the gospel begins to shine through to the minds of lost people" and "This kind of grass-roots prayer evangelism will create an atmosphere for effective evangelism".

Cell Churches in Formation

Is is noticeable from the above Lighthouse literature that UNITY is vital. (The PK site stresses this aspect more than most.) All logos, posters, door-hangers and other identifying signs of the groups are to be IDENTICAL throughout the city, no matter what denomination. A front of visible Church unity is important to this scheme. We shudder to enquire whether the local Catholic churches will be involved, but I suspect the answer is YES, and how would we know that, because we certainly could not identify them from the Lighthouses posters.

People being prayed for, if they do respond, may end up being pastored and disciplined by the local Pentecostal TB-mad leadership, or they may end up being initiated into Rome, but it's really the luck of the draw, isn't it? Certainly, unbelievers know no difference and are not going to be interested in the finer points of church doctrine!

The ultimate aim, I believe, is to circumvent the local established churches entirely, especially if they are not compliant, and to use the Lighthouse groups themselves as cell churches.

As one researcher states:

"Dr. Wagner and the late John Wimber, as you may know, worked closely together and influenced each other greatly. Wimber seems to have introduced Wagner to his aberrant demonology, and this is far from insignificant.

"Silvoso's 'prayer evangelism' is in almost every respect the same thing as John Wimber's 'power evangelism'. He has

always visualized 'lighthouses' as embryonic cell churches.

The following relevant excerpt is from Victor Lorenzo's "Evangelizing a City Dedicated to Darkness," which is included as a chapter in C. Peter Wagner's book, "Breaking Strongholds in Your City" (Regal Books, Ventura, CA, 1993). The parenthetical comments are in the original.

"Silvoso bases his strategy on four fundamental principles:

- 1. The spiritual unity of the churches of a city*
- 2. Powerful intercessory prayer,*
- 3. Strategic-level spiritual warfare,*
- 4. Multiplication of new churches.*

"Peter Wagner says, 'The most sophisticated strategy for evangelizing a city we have at the present time is Edgardo Silvoso's Harvest Evangelism.' To see how spiritual mapping fits into the whole evangelistic design, allow me to summarize Ed Silvoso's six steps for taking a city...

"[Step] 4. Infiltrate Satan's perimeter. Launch the 'air attack' of specific and strategic intercessory prayer through hundreds of thousands of prayer houses (prayer cells), having the objective of weakening Satan's control over the unsaved, claiming instead a favorable disposition to the gospel. At the same time begin to plant embryonic churches ('lighthouses') in anticipation of an abundant harvest.

"[Step] 5. Attack and destroy Satan's perimeter. Begin the 'frontal assault.' Launch the spiritual takeover of the city, confronting, binding and casting down the spiritual powers ruling over the region... Disciple new believers through the established lighthouses."

"There is a direct connection between the Lighthouse concept and the cell-based church system...."

To that statement I would add that Silvoso's Lighthouse instructions plainly state that the benefits are those of "building a city-wide team of individually strong players" and that "many of the new converts will have as their closest friends in the faith the people who prayed for their felt needs, putting the Lighthouse people in privileged place of favor to become part of the personal discipleship process."

Conclusion

The aspects most likely to be overlooked in opposition to the Lighthouses scheme are the opportunities for setting up citywide cell-churches of the sonship/revival pattern, and for influencing people's minds by love-bombing and spiritual "overshadowing" - which is to say, sending out demonic spirits of deception and religious bondage to draw people to the revival, and to create the new mind or "new paradigm" so valued in revival circles.

Certainly, God does not cause people to accept his salvation by speaking peace, proclamations, prayer-walking and spiritual warfare! Then what IS achieved? The goals are denominational unity; infiltration into churches of every kind within a locality and the input of doctrine into those churches; leadership control of prayer cells; the setting up of cell churches; feedback on people and churches in each locality, and a powerbase for the revival being established in each locality.

Add to this the demonic aspects of "changing the spiritual atmosphere" by supposed prayer that is not in God's will, and gaining a profound influence over an entire neighbourhood for the purposes of implanting a flawed gospel - and we see that Lighthouses are a coup for the Global church.

The End Result

What do we have here? Are the Lighthouses (and other such evangelization projects) really innocent attempts to bring people to Christ? Or are they part of an ongoing and much more ambitious scheme to harvest the world for a false doctrine, within a Harlot Church structure that "rules with a rod of iron" like the predicted Manchild?

I willingly concede that many, if not most, people involved in neighbourhood schemes and Lighthouses will do so through a genuine desire to see people saved. More's the pity, for they lend an air of credibility to what is in fact a low-down deception being perpetrated by dominionists.

Few will make the connections that I have done in these articles. Few will take heed to the methodology, the spiritual warfare aspects, the networking between all sides of the false Church. Most people will overlook the more glaring errors of "evangelization" in order to "do a good work for God". Sadly, the leaders do not care how many innocent people come along for the ride so long as their own agenda is on target.

Not many establishments and non-charismatic churches are fooled by the Toronto blessing and its manifestations, but the evangelization movement is the acceptable face of the coming apostasy. Evangelical churches will have no real basis for rejecting World Mission unless they grasp the overall concept, and know where it's heading - and I must say that pitifully few see the global aspect or perceive the deception at its heart. Most are content to live out their local church experience as if the book of Revelation had never been written.

Reformed churches and those who dismiss the endtimes prophecies of apostasy will of course have an ever harder time understanding why World Mission is a snare! We must pray that God will instruct and care for his own, and by any means guard them from error.

For those who do "take heed", for those with "an ear to hear what the Spirit is saying" the Lighthouses Movement is yet another torch-bearer of false light, adding to the many "points of light" now springing up across the world.

Yet true believers know and boldly testify that our true Light, Jesus Christ, will never be extinguished.

[Note: For much of the above research I am indebted to my colleague Gary Clem]

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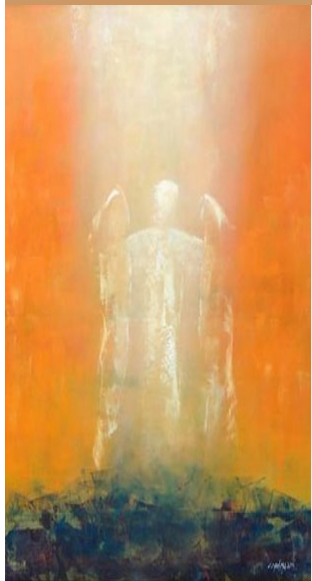
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The Glory Cloud
of a False Christ

Doctrines of Demons (Appendix One)

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines [taught by] demons... (1 Tim 4:1 NKJ)

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HISTORICAL FORERUNNERS

When I did the research for the "New Thing" series I looked into the historical background of the Latter Rain doctrines. At that time also, I produced a large flow-chart tracing the doctrines back through history, noting that many different groups had adopted apostolic and millennialist teachings through the ages.

Now that those teachings are making their way into the revival, it has become even more important to note the historical precedents, because no building stands without a foundation.

The sonship foundation is a mystical belief in spiritual transformation, and a desire for rulership over the earth. In fact I would go further and say that at the core of the doctrine is satan's bid to take over the Church and pervert it for his purposes!

Certain doctrines have the hallmarks of satanic deception. Amongst them are:

1. Dominion over others by an "enlightened" ruling caste

2. Unity of all groups regardless of beliefs
3. Rule over the nations before or in the absence of Jesus the Lord.
4. Restoration of the earth to the Garden of Eden (instead of the wrath of God)
5. Secret wisdom attained by spiritual exercises and increasing levels of transformation.
6. Transformation of man into illuminated, invincible spiritual beings or gods
7. Secret wisdom to transform the minds of men
8. Unbiblical spiritual powers and experiences

These teachings have been seen in many false religions, but they exist also in today's church:

1. A Priesthood class of shepherds or apostles and prophets, and the submission of everybody else to these anointed leaders, creating hero-worship, men-pleasers, and ultimately the worship of a false Christ.
2. Moves towards unity through networking, ecumenism and the suppression of dissent.
3. Kingdom-Dominion, the Church "bringing in the kingdom on earth" and post-millennialism. Also teachings on the Corporate Christ ruling over the earth.
4. The Church's plan to cleanse and renew the heavens and earth. Derision of the Rapture teaching, and rejection of Heaven as being a place beyond earth.
5. Spiritual advancement by degrees, ascending by levels, until perfection is reached.
6. Glorified believers receiving the fulness; Joel's Army; Manifested Sons
7. New Revelations by the prophets to alter the mindset of Christians
8. Unbiblical spiritual manifestations and experiences, signs and wonders.

Now let's remind ourselves of the TRUE, biblical Plan of God that contradicts satan's plan for dominion:

1. Priesthood of ALL believers as equal members in the Body, each with a gift and/or ministry from God, gently guided by shepherds with a calling from God to guard and serve the sheep. Jesus the only Head. (1 Cor 12:4-7)
2. Spiritual unity wrought by God, an invisible property of the genuine Body of Christ. (Eph 4:3-6)
3. The kingdom remains a heavenly, inward and spiritual truth and is not fully apparent on earth until the King returns. The Church cannot and do not achieve dominion over mankind, but mankind descends into greater and great wickedness until halted by the Wrath of God poured out, before Jesus returns for his 1000 year rule. (Luke 17:20-21)
4. The hope of believers is a heavenly hope, not looking to this earthly sphere for fulfillment. This world judged and recreated by God alone. (Pet 1:3-6)
5. All believers receive the fulness of the Godhead in Jesus Christ when they receive him as their Saviour. The growth (or sanctification) of a believer comes through trials, obedience, maturity and experience in the things of God. (1 Jn 2:20 John 1:16)
6. Believers share the glory of Jesus Christ and receive resurrection bodies at the Lord's coming, not before. (Matt 19:28-29/Col 3:4)
7. God's inspiration is by the Holy Spirit illuminating his Word. There are no "new" secret revelations hidden from the Church, only further light on previous truths. (1 Tim 1:3-4/2Jn 1:9-10).
8. Spiritual gifts are from God by the Holy Spirit, given to all for the edification and comfort of the Body in general. Extraordinary experiences of God are to be

tested and are never contrary to scripture. New doctrine is never established by visions, dreams or prophecies. Manifestations and experiences are not "imparted" one to another. (1 Cor 1:22-23)

Various Millennialist Groups

When religions and philosophies fall into the satanic deception, they generally come up with the same set of doctrines involving transformation and dominion over the earth.

From the very beginning of the Church there have been sects and cults that tried to bring in the millennium, and to achieve the literal reign of righteousness on earth, usually through their own agency or beliefs. They also tend to preach the ascension of the believer through levels of spirituality to perfection or union with God.

Approx. 170AD - The Montanists were a kind of early charismatic revival featuring gifts of the Spirit including prophecy, but they (as in Toronto and other places) went too far into ecstatic trances, direct revelations from angels and God, and apocalyptic heresies. They believed they were living in the days of the latter rain, when the Holy Spirit would be poured out upon the church and the world, their own group being the first manifestation of the outpouring. In fact their leader, Montanus, actually believed he was the Holy Spirit Incarnate.

Approx 180AD - the teaching of the Gnostic Valentinus speaks of a the end coming when "spiritual human beings possess perfect acquaintance concerning god" and then "when all the seed has grown to maturity":

...their mother [the woman, the bride, wisdom personified] will enter the fulness and receive as her bridegroom the saviour...they are the bridegroom and bride and the entire fulness is the bridal chamber, and the spirituals put off their souls and become intellectual spirits, unrestrainably and invisibly enter the fulness and become brides of the angels that are with the saviour...after such things have happened, the fire that lurks within the world will flare up, catch fire, overcome all matter..."

Approx 200AD - The Gnostic collection of teachings called the "Gospel According to Philip" already allegorises the Temple (in the way that modern writers like Bill Britton do) as symbolic of the progress of the believer to perfection and spiritual resurrection. It says:

"the holy building is Baptism, the holy [place] is Ransom, the Holy of Holies is the bridal chamber...every person who enters the bedroom will kindle the [light?]....whoever receives that light will be invisible and cannot be restrained, and nothing can harrass such a person even while living in this world, and furthermore when that person leaves this world he or she has already received the truth ... and this world has become the eternal realm..."

1130-1202 - Joachim of Fiore was a contemplative monk who believed God had inspired him to see a new vision of world history. He taught that history was interpreted as three "days" of (1) Law, (2) Grace and (3) Liberty or Love. These were associated with the three parts of the Trinity as (1) Father, (2) Son and (3) Spirit. The future "third-day" would therefore be the Age of the Spirit, the fulfillment of all things, when the church would receive revelations by the Spirit rather than the written word. This "third-day" doctrine is now present in modern churches!

1575-1624 - Jacob Boehme taught a mixture of theosophy and alchemy in which man united intimately and totally with God to avoid the coming judgement, and that these enlightened saints would ultimately overthrow the fallen powers of the heavenlies and take their place. Boehme's teachings also inspired many others, and led to a group calling themselves the Behmenists who later amalgamated with the Quakers. He also inspired William Law (1686-1761) whose earlier and more devotional works were read by the Wesleys, but Law's fanatical hero-worship of Boehme led him to adopt a doctrine of the literal indwelling of Christ.

Approx 1640-60 - Fifth Monarchy Men believed they were to bring in the 5th monarchy of Daniel 2:44, the thousand-year kingdom-rule of God, the first four empires being Assyria, Persia, Greece and Rome. After an unsuccessful uprising in 1661 their leaders were beheaded and the sect died out.

Approx 1660 - Daniel Whitby, A Unitarian, developed what we today know as "post-millennialism" which became the prevailing prophetic view up to the 20th century. This proposed a new view of eschatology, that Jesus Christ would only return in person AFTER the millennial reign of righteousness, which would be established on earth by the Church.

1670-1705 - Philadelphian Society following the teachings of Boehme and other mystics. Their most notable member was Jane Leade (1623-1704) who taught almost WORD FOR WORD the sonship doctrines that we now see appearing in the Revival movement worldwide. She is the darling of the apostolic movement right now because she explicitly predicted many doctrines that are coming to the fore in the Revival. See an expose of her teachings, along with other material on the mystics, on the [Prophetic Telegraph](http://www.oxleigh.freeseerve.co.uk) site (www.oxleigh.freeseerve.co.uk)

Approx 1700 onwards - Camisards/French Prophets by ecstasies, shakings, convulsions and various other violent manifestations prophesied the coming of the kingdom on earth and their establishment of God's rule. They fought bloody battles against the French soldiers sent to suppress them and many fled to England to escape persecution. There, they influenced millennialists - one of whom was Ann Lee of the Shakers...

1740's-1780's - The "Shakers", or the United Society of Believers in Christ's Second Appearing. Their leader, Mother Ann Lee came to be regarded as the female manifestation of Christ on earth, the embodiment of the fulness of Christ. Their name came from the shaking manifestation they exhibited during their meetings - and now we have another generation of "shakers" all around the world receiving similar prophecies!

An extract of the Shakers' teaching will demonstrate that today's sonship/manifested sons doctrine is not far removed from its roots. Please read this extract carefully. It is from "The Millennial Church", first Published by the Shakers in 1823:

PART VI. THE SECOND APPEARING OF CHRIST.

CHAPTER 3. The second manifestation of Christ not instantly universal, but gradual and progresses, like the rising of the sun.

It has long been maintained that Christ is to come in the clouds of heaven, and that all shall see him... These and other similar passages are often advanced as evidences that Christ ... will suddenly appear in the most public manner, so as to be seen at once, by all mankind, the wicked as well as the righteous...

But it ought to be considered in the first place, that these clouds are not the common clouds of the atmosphere, but the clouds of Heaven; therefore they must be heavenly clouds;- clouds of faithful witnesses of God, who are ready and willing to embrace

the testimony of Christ, whenever and wherever it shall appear; and to declare it to the world without restraint and without disguise... [that is, Jesus comes spiritually in his prepared saints, not visibly and publicly to all the world].

Secondly. As Christ, the anointed of God, is a Spirit, and can only be seen and known in the spirit; therefore his Kingdom must be spiritual and divine; not natural and sensual. Hence, as before stated, his appearance must be in the spirit; and ...the things relating to Christ's second coming, and the finishing of the mystery of God, must be of a spiritual nature.

But it may be objected that Jesus Christ himself has said, "As the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the "west, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." This passage of scripture is generally quoted as an evidence of the instantaneous and universal manifestation of Christ in his second appearing. But we apprehend that when the passage is duly considered, and its real import rightly understood, the objection founded upon it will appear groundless. ... In the above quoted passage, he alluded to the dawning of the day, and the breaking forth of the morning light in the east, as a clear and striking similitude of the commencement of that period, so often represented in scripture, as the day of gospel light and liberty, or thousand years of Christ's reign upon earth.

The Greek word for light though sometimes properly translated lightning... is sometimes used to signify the breaking forth of light, as the dawning of the day, or the rising of the sun, which is evidently the meaning in the text quoted above.

This plainly implies that, as the light of the natural day (alluding to the sun as before) proceeds in its course, enlightening the earth from place to place, so in the progressive increase of divine light, in the millennial day, it will continue to shine from one place to another, until all the earth or every part under heaven, shall be fully illuminated. "

And all who continue honest and faithful to the preparatory light, looking and waiting for his coming, are noticed of God, and will be in readiness to receive and enter into the perfect work of the day, whenever it shall be manifested to them.

1800's Onwards - A number of Christian and heretical groups sprang up with variations of the sonship themes - rulership of the apostles and prophets, (Catholic Apostolic churches, or Irvingites) the glorious new age established by the Church (John Alexander Dowie and Zion City), and entire perfection for the believer (Oneida community of 1848). And much more.

These groups became progressively more "pentecostal" as the emphasis shifted away from attainment through the "overcoming life" to attainment through supernatural power.

While the denomination, or group, or cult, changes from century to century, the basic doctrines (given above) remain the same. They are, in effect, satan's plan for DOMINION. Time and again, when the torch grew dim, some willing soul would relight it for satan and begin another round of doctrinal heresy!

What is the difference today? Well, the big difference is not in the doctrine, but in the widespread nature of the heresy and the way it has taken hold in ALL

the churches around the world. This time there will be no dimming of the torch, I believe. This time satan is set to bring in his "dispensation of dominion" as Bill Hamon calls it, in reality!

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Important Note: In this section, it is necessary to distinguish between "Sonship", the more radical "Manifested Sons of God (MSOG)" groups, and the "Latter-Rain" for purposes of clarity. However, within my articles I have used the term "sonship" loosely to include ALL such groups, including modern-day revival and restoration fellowships

Sonship Concept

An attempt to attain to "fulness" and maturity of Christian experience and thus become a member of the sonship company by means of holiness, spirituality and illumination in the Spirit. The goal of sonship is to become "like Him" (1 Jn 3:1-2) for Jesus is the Pattern Son (see below). Depending on the group involved, the actual goal may range from sanctification through sinless perfection right up to divinity.

According to this teaching, while all Christians are 'children' of God they are not all 'sons' and only the 'overcomers' attain to sonship. This attainment is called the "adoption of sons" (Rom 8:23) or full manhood, which is not achieved by all Christians but only by those who press on to maturity. The "adoption" is the climax of the process, usually identified as receiving the resurrection body and/or the catching up to the Throne of God. All are born heirs, but not all attain to their inheritance, says T. Austin Sparks in his book "God's Spiritual House". Sparks also goes on to say that Full Sonship cannot be attained by individuals but only as a corporate inheritance, as a member of the Manifested Sons body (the Man-Child.)

See <http://www.nccg.org/sonship.html> for an article (pro) explaining sonship in more depth.

Sonship Groups

Some forms of sonship derive from Pietism and the Wesleyan Holiness movements. Others developed out of the Latter-Rain revival, but this in itself derived from earlier, 19th century, holiness doctrines. They became progressively more heretical into the 20th century, notably after 1950 when the Latter Rain Revival failed and its followers split into different camps. Many variations of the doctrine are now held by differing sonship groups, some more extreme than others. Old-style pietistic sonship can be uplifting with its call to a deeper life, while extreme sonship doctrine is akin to new age teaching.

Old-style sonship looked for a Remnant to come out of the Harlot (established denominations) and for the restoration of the apostles and prophets to restore the Body to fulness. Modern-day sonship still holds to these teachings, has become ever more heretical. The method of attaining "sonship" was in times past a matter of holy living and a spiritual life that was "deeper" than the normal christian. It was believed that a certain number would pass through the veil and enter into mature sonship in the latter

days. In later years it has been taught that a powerful supernatural event - the coming of the glory, God coming IN his saints - will complete the work of attaining to fulness.

Manifested Sons Movement

It is necessary to distinguish between this and the Sonship groups (above) because of the more radical and extreme teachings found in MSOG groups. They tend to be more aggressive in outlook and their goal is dominion. They plan to set up a new global church structure (a new Temple) headed by their apostles and prophets, and those who have attained to the Manchild company will be given power to rule the nations with a rod of iron. Because of the stress on rulership and judgement, this has been called "dominion theology". Most MSOG groups teach the immortalization of believers, and some teach Universal Salvation in which all, including Lucifer, are redeemed in the Latter Day.

Manifestation of the Sons of God

Based on Romans 8:18-25 which speaks of the manifestation of the sons of God. This is taken to mean the revelation of the sonship company in glory and authority, before the coming of Jesus to the earth. This company will be glorified, transfigured into resurrection bodies and given the task of ruling the world.

Restoration

This teaches that the Church has lost its true doctrines, power and authority as well as its dominion in the earth, and these truths are to be progressively restored through the ages, leading to a climax of fulness in which the church will be brought to full maturity through the work of the five-fold ministries (Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastor and Teacher). All of the sonship groups teach "Restoration". The shepherding-discipling groups in the UK are called "The Restoration Movement", and they hold to a charismatic version of the sonship doctrines.

Latter Rain

The belief, based on a spiritualisation of Joel 2:23, that a latter-day outpouring of the Spirit upon "all flesh" will bring the Body to maturity, unity and fulness, with believers having the spirit "without measure". Signs and Wonders will occur and the majority of mankind will be harvested into the kingdom. (Joel 2:28-31) The early rain is seen as either Pentecost, or the Azuza Street Revival, or the 1940's Latter Rain Revival, and the Latter Rain is the present-day revival, or variations upon that scheme.

Latter Rain Revival

The revival that happened in North Battleford, Canada starting in 1948. Key leaders were George Hawtin, Percy Hunt and Milford Kirkpatrick and Herrick Holt. Another key figure was Franklin Hall who had recommended long periods of fasting as a way

of obtaining instant glorification, and his teachings were being acted upon in the LR revival. Doctrines begun through this revival were Impartation - the passing on of gifts through the laying on of hands - and Directive Prophecy in which people were guided by personal prophecies. Another doctrine was that the church could receive new revelations received direct "from God."

New Thing

Based on the scripture in Isa 43:19. From about the middle of the 19th century, it began to be taught that God would complete the work of discipling all nations by means of a latter-rain revival, a major spiritual outpouring to harvest all the world for God. He would purify the church, empower it with the Spirit, and elevate it to a place of authority in the earth, so that it could achieve the Great Commission before Christ returned. This overturning of the old, ineffective Church and the restoration to glory would create a "new thing", a New Man upon the earth fit to reveal Christ to the nations. See Jer 31:22 "for the LORD hath created a new thing in the earth, A woman shall compass a man" - this is treated allegorically as a reference to the Manchild and the woman of Revelation.

Manchild

From Rev 12:5 is it taught that a few specially-chosen and prepared believers will attain to sonship and therefore will be worthy to be "caught up" or ordained/elevated to the Throne of rulership over the earth. This group is seen as the man child who is born of the Woman. The woman is generally seen as the World Church or the Harlot Church.

Remnant

As above, the Remnant are those who "come out" of the Babylonian system of the established churches and purify themselves so as to be ready for rulership.

Rapture

The scriptures about the catching away to Heaven are a problem to dominionists since they locate heaven on earth, as a spiritual realm existing in a parallel dimension on earth. Therefore believers cannot actually "go" anywhere. It is usually taught that the overcomers (variously called the Remnant, or firstfruits, or Manchild) will be "caught up" or placed on God's throne before the events of Revelation, there to rule with him as a separated company, apart from the ordinary body of Christians. This is said to be before the scriptural Rapture, which either takes place at a later stage, or is spiritualised, in sonship teaching. Some teach that the "rapture" is the transformation into glory and the joy experienced at this event.

Cell Church

The new church structure, outside the established churches, in which small groups or cells of believers are governed and taught by a pyramid system of the five-fold ministries, each covered and discipled by his Head. Group leaders do not have autonomy but

submit to the city-wide leadership who in turn submit to the national and international Apostles and Prophets. The cell concept is based on the cells of a Body, the Body being one entity having many cells, which sub-divide to grow the Body. [See this [series of articles](#) on the Cell Church System]

Joel's Army

Based on Joel Chapter Two. By allegory, it is taught that God will send his army composed of glorified, invincible, (some say, immortal) believers to slay the wicked and bring in universal righteousness, in a mighty endtimes onslaught. They will bring wisdom to the unenlightened, but death to the rebellious.

Bride

Rev 19:7-8. The Bride and the Son are usually separate groups in sonship teaching. The Manifested Son or Manchild or Corporate Christ is the Bridegroom, and is composed of "headship saints" who are destined to rule, and the Bride is composed of all other obedient, submitted believers who are purified through the work and ministry of the son. Thus in the end the Bride is "made ready" and is married to her Bridegroom in a spiritual marriage as seen in Rev 21:2-3.

Overcomers

Rev 3:21/Rev 12:10-11 Those who prevail over the enemy and come to complete sanctification and "the full stature of Christ". The same group that is manifested as the sons of God.

Firstfruits

Rev 14:1-5. The first group to receive the redemption of their bodies, i.e. the overcomers, as above.

144,000

Rev 7:4. The number who receive the seal of God upon their foreheads. The seal is a mark of separation and denotes those who are attaining to sonship. Same as above.

Joseph Ministry

As Joseph went ahead of his brethren to prepare the way, so the firstfruits company will go ahead of the rest of the Church. And just as Joseph was a type of Christ, was revealed to his brethren as a man of authority, and provided grain for his family, so the Corporate Christ will minister to their brethren, be revealed in authority, and provide for the Church during the time of the Tribulation.

Joshua Company

Similar to above. Joshua was also a type of Christ. He led his people into the Promised Land, and brought them out of bondage. He was the first to "possess the land" and by his prowess in battle made a way for his people to settle the land in peace and eventually build the Temple. This is used as an allegory of the work of the Manchild.

Elijah Ministry

A prophetic company who proclaim judgement on false Baal-ite religion, and who fight against Jezebel and Ahab, who are seen as types of spiritual error in the churches. Elijah comes at a time of spiritual drought to minister to the believers, performing signs and wonders, proclaiming the true faith, and preparing the Church to receive its ruler, the Manchild. The Elijah Company "causes the fire to come down from heaven", thus they are seen as central to the work of revival and as heralds of the coming glory.

Tabernacle of David

Based on Isa 16:4-5/Amos 9:11-12 and Acts 15:16-17. The Tabernacle of David is supposed to be "restored" in the Latter Day. Restoration/sonship groups see this as symbolic of the renewed Temple of God, where God dwelt in glory upon the Ark. This Tabernacle is to be restored in fulness. Each part of the Tabernacle described in scripture is spiritualised and applied to some aspect of the restored and glorified Church on earth. Restoration groups use "Davidic" dancing, worship and praise; and see their role as a new Melchisadec Priesthood fashioned after the Divine High Priesthood of Jesus.

Saul and David

Two kings of Israel. Saul, as the anointed leader of Israel is seen as the first choice for rulership but he fell into rebellion and false religion. He is seen as a type of the Old Order churches. David was chosen to become Saul's successor, and was therefore persecuted by Saul. The David believers, head of the new Order, will eventually overcome Saul and replace him as rulers of Israel in this allegory.

Isaac & Ishmael

Similar allegory to above. Ishmael was a child born out of disobedience and man's attempt to fulfill the promises of rulership. He must be cast out, for he can never inherit. Isaac is the "child of promise", the true revival, the true Body of believers who will ultimately be raised up to honour by God.

"Fulness"

A much-used sonship buzzword meaning the climax of the overcomer's rise to spiritual maturity, as well as the emergence of the Church in glory. It is based on Eph 4:13 "Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto

a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ". Thus it is believed that the Church must come into unity, full revelation of truth, perfection and godhood in order to attain "fulness" in the latter-day.

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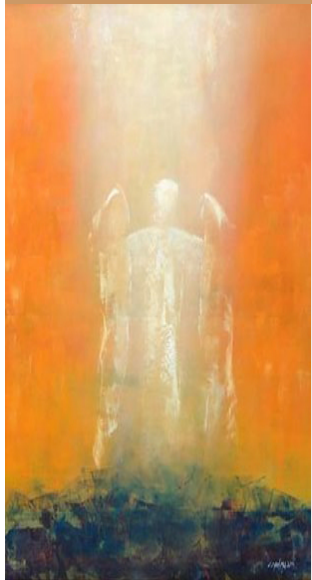
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The Glory Cloud
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Doctrines of Demons (Appendix Two)

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines [taught by] demons... (1 Tim 4:1 NKJ)

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- Church Resource Ministries
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- March For Jesus
- Mars Hill Productions
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- Music Works International
- Mustard Seed Associates
- National Network of Youth Ministries
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- Navigators
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- Nelson Family Foundation
- New Life Church
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- Twelfth Baptist Church
- U.S. Center for World Mission
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THE LAUSANNE COVENANT

INTRODUCTION

We, members of the Church of Jesus Christ, from more than 150 nations, participants in the International Congress on World Evangelization at Lausanne, praise God for his great salvation and rejoice in the fellowship he has given us with himself and with each other. We are deeply stirred by what God is doing in our day, moved to penitence by our failures and challenged by the unfinished task of evangelization. We believe the Gospel is God's good news for the whole world, and we are determined by his grace to obey Christ's commission to proclaim it to all mankind and to make disciples of every nation. We desire, therefore, to affirm our faith and our resolve, and to make public our covenant.

1. THE PURPOSE OF GOD

We affirm our belief in the one-eternal God, Creator and Lord of the world, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who govern all things according to the purpose of his will. He has been calling out from the world a people for himself, and sending his people back into the world to be his servants and his witnesses, for the extension of his kingdom, the building up of Christ's body, and the glory of his name. We confess with shame that we have often denied our calling and failed in our mission, by becoming conformed to the world or by withdrawing from it. Yet we rejoice that even when borne by earthen vessels the gospel is still a precious treasure. To the task of making that treasure known in the power of the Holy Spirit we desire to dedicate ourselves anew.

(Isa. 40:28; Matt. 28:19; Eph. 1:11; Acts 15:14; John 17:6, 18; Eph 4:12; 1 Cor. 5:10; Rom. 12:2; II Cor. 4:7)

2. THE AUTHORITY AND POWER OF THE BIBLE

We affirm the divine inspiration, truthfulness and authority of both Old and New Testament Scriptures in their entirety as the only written word of God, without error in all that it affirms, and the only infallible rule of faith and practice. We also affirm the power of God's word to accomplish his purpose of salvation. The message of the Bible is addressed to all men and women. For God's revelation in Christ and in Scripture is unchangeable. Through it the Holy Spirit still speaks today. He illumines the minds of God's people in every culture to perceive its truth freshly through their own eyes and thus discloses to the whole Church ever more of the many-colored wisdom of God.

(II Tim. 3:16; II Pet. 1:21; John 10:35; Isa. 55:11; 1 Cor. 1:21; Rom. 1:16, Matt. 5:17,18; Jude 3; Eph. 1:17,18; 3:10,18)

3. THE UNIQUENESS AND UNIVERSALITY OF CHRIST

We affirm that there is only one Savior and only one gospel, although there is a wide diversity of evangelistic approaches. We recognize that everyone has some knowledge of God through his general revelation in nature. But we deny that this can save, for people suppress the truth by their unrighteousness. We also reject as derogatory to Christ and the gospel every kind of syncretism and dialogue which implies that Christ speaks equally through all religions and ideologies. Jesus Christ, being himself the only God-man, who gave himself as the only ransom for sinners, is the only mediator between God and people. There is no other name by which we must be saved. All men and women are perishing because of sin, but God loves everyone, not wishing that any should perish but that all should repent. Yet those who reject Christ repudiate the joy of salvation and condemn themselves to eternal separation from God. To proclaim Jesus as "the Savior of the world" is not to affirm that all people are either automatically or ultimately saved, still less to affirm that all religions offer salvation in Christ. Rather it is to proclaim God's love for a world of sinners and to invite everyone to respond to him as Savior and Lord in the wholehearted personal commitment

of repentance and faith. Jesus Christ has been exalted above every other name; we long for the day when every knee shall bow to him and every tongue shall confess him Lord.

(Gal. 1:6-9; Rom. 1:18-32; I Tim. 2:5,6; Acts 4:12; John 3:16-19; II Pet. 3:9; II Thess. 1:7-9; John 4:42; Matt. 11:28; Eph. 1:20,21; Phil. 2:9-11)

4. THE NATURE OF EVANGELISM

To evangelize is to spread the good news that Jesus Christ died for our sins and was raised from the dead according to the Scriptures, and that as the reigning Lord he now offers the forgiveness of sins and the liberating gifts of the Spirit to all who repent and believe. Our Christian presence in the world is indispensable to evangelism, and so is that kind of dialogue whose purpose is to listen sensitively in order to understand. But evangelism itself is the proclamation of the historical, biblical Christ as Savior and Lord, with a view to persuading people to come to him personally and so be reconciled to God. In issuing the gospel invitation we have no liberty to conceal the cost of discipleship. Jesus still calls all who would follow him to deny themselves, take up their cross, and identify themselves with his new community. The results of evangelism include obedience to Christ, incorporation into his Church and responsible service in the world.

(I Cor. 15:3,4; Acts 2: 32-39; John 20:21; I Cor. 1:23; II Cor. 4:5; 5:11,20; Luke 14:25-33; Mark 8:34; Acts 2:40,47; Mark 10:43-45)

5. CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

We affirm that God is both the Creator and the Judge of all men. We therefore should share his concern for justice and reconciliation throughout human society and for the liberation of men and women from every kind of oppression. Because men and women are made in the image of God, every person, regardless of race, religion, color, culture, class, sex or age, has an intrinsic dignity because of which he or she should be respected and served, not exploited. Here too we express penitence both for our neglect and for having sometimes regarded evangelism and social concern as mutually exclusive. Although reconciliation with other people is not reconciliation with God, nor is social action evangelism, nor is political liberation salvation, nevertheless we affirm that evangelism and socio-political involvement are both part of our Christian duty. For both are necessary expressions of our doctrines of God and man, our love for our neighbor and our obedience to Jesus Christ. The message of salvation implies also a message of judgment upon every form of alienation, oppression and discrimination, and we should not be afraid to denounce evil and injustice wherever they exist. When people receive Christ they are born again into his kingdom and must seek not only to exhibit but also to spread its righteousness in the midst of an unrighteous world. The salvation we claim should be transforming us in the totality of our personal and social responsibilities. Faith without works is dead.

(Acts 17:26,31; Gen. 18:25; Isa. 1:17; Psa. 45:7; Gen. 1:26,27; Jas. 3:9; Lev. 19:18; Luke 6:27,35; Jas. 2:14-26; Joh. 3:3,5; Matt. 5:20; 6:33; II Cor. 3:18; Jas. 2:20)

6. THE CHURCH AND EVANGELISM

We affirm that Christ sends his redeemed people into the world as the Father sent him, and that this calls for a similar deep and costly penetration of the world.

We need to break out of our ecclesiastical ghettos and permeate non-Christian society. In the Church's mission of sacrificial service evangelism is primary.

World evangelization requires the whole Church to take the whole gospel to the whole world. The Church is at the very center of God's cosmic purpose and is his appointed means of spreading the gospel. But a church which preaches the cross must itself be marked by the cross. It becomes a stumbling block to evangelism when it betrays the gospel or lacks a living faith in God, a genuine love for people, or scrupulous honesty in all things including promotion and finance. The church is the community of God's people rather than an institution, and must not be identified with any particular culture, social or political system, or human ideology.

(John 17:18; 20:21; Matt. 28:19,20; Acts 1:8; 20:27; Eph. 1:9,10; 3:9-11; Gal. 6:14,17; II Cor. 6:3,4; II Tim. 2:19-21; Phil. 1:27)

7. COOPERATION IN EVANGELISM

We affirm that the Church's visible unity in truth is God's purpose. Evangelism also summons us to unity, because our oneness strengthens our witness, just as our disunity undermines our gospel of reconciliation. We recognize, however, that organizational unity may take many forms and does not necessarily forward evangelism. Yet we who share the same biblical faith should be closely united in fellowship, work and witness. We confess that our testimony has sometimes been marred by a sinful individualism and needless duplication. We pledge ourselves to seek a deeper unity in truth, worship, holiness and mission. We urge the development of regional and functional cooperation for the furtherance of the Church's mission, for strategic planning, for mutual encouragement, and for the sharing of resources and experience.

(John 17:21,23; Eph. 4:3,4; John 13:35; Phil. 1:27; John 17:11-23)

8. CHURCHES IN EVANGELISTIC PARTNERSHIP

We rejoice that a new missionary era has dawned. The dominant role of western missions is fast disappearing. God is raising up from the younger churches a great new resource for world evangelization, and is thus demonstrating that the responsibility to evangelize belongs to the whole body of Christ. All churches should therefore be asking God and themselves what they should be doing both to reach their own area and to send missionaries to other parts of the world. A reevaluation of our missionary responsibility and role should be continuous. Thus a growing partnership of churches will develop and the universal character of Christ's Church will be more clearly exhibited. We also thank God for agencies which labor in Bible translation, theological education, the mass media, Christian literature, evangelism, missions, church renewal and other specialist fields. They too should engage in constant self-examination to evaluate their effectiveness as part of the Church's mission.

(Rom. 1:8; Phil. 1:5; 4:15; Acts 13:1-3, I Thess. 1:6-8)

9. THE URGENCY OF THE EVANGELISTIC TASK

More than 2,700 million people, which is more than two-thirds of all humanity, have yet to be evangelized. We are ashamed that so many have been neglected; it is a standing rebuke to us and to the whole Church. There is now, however, in many parts of the world an unprecedented receptivity to the Lord Jesus Christ. We are convinced that this is the time for churches and para-church agencies to pray earnestly for the salvation of the unreached and to launch new efforts to achieve world evangelization. A reduction of foreign missionaries and money in an evangelized country may sometimes be necessary to facilitate the

national church's growth in self-reliance and to release resources for unevangelized areas. Missionaries should flow ever more freely from and to all six continents in a spirit of humble service. The goal should be, by all available means and at the earliest possible time, that every person will have the opportunity to hear, understand, and to receive the good news. We cannot hope to attain this goal without sacrifice. All of us are shocked by the poverty of millions and disturbed by the injustices which causes it. Those of us who live in affluent circumstances accept our duty to develop a simple life-style in order to contribute more generously to both relief and evangelism.

(John 9:4; Matt. 9:35-38; Rom. 9:1-3; I Cor. 9:19-23; Mark 16:15; Isa. 58:6,7; Jas. 1:27; 2:1-9; Matt. 25:31-46; Acts 2:44,45; 4:34,35)

10. EVANGELISM AND CULTURE

The development of strategies for world evangelization calls for imaginative pioneering methods. Under God, the result will be the rise of churches deeply rooted in Christ and closely related to their culture. Culture must always be tested and judged by Scripture. Because men and women are God's creatures, some of their culture is rich in beauty and goodness. Because they are fallen, all of it is tainted with sin and some of it is demonic. The gospel does not presuppose the superiority of any culture to another, but evaluates all cultures according to its own criteria of truth and righteousness, and insists on moral absolutes in every culture. Missions have all too frequently exported with the gospel an alien culture and churches have sometimes been in bondage to culture rather than to Scripture. Christ's evangelists must humbly seek to empty themselves of all but their personal authenticity in order to become the servants of others, and churches must seek to transform and enrich culture, all for the glory of God.

(Mark 7:8,9,13; Gen. 4:21,22; I Cor. 9:19-23; Phil. 2:5-7; II Cor. 4:5)

11. EDUCATION AND LEADERSHIP

We confess that we have sometimes pursued church growth at the expense of church depth, and divorced evangelism from Christian nurture. We also acknowledge that some of our missions have been too slow to equip and encourage national leaders to assume their rightful responsibilities. Yet we are committed to indigenous principles, and long that every church will have national leaders who manifest a Christian style of leadership in terms not of domination but of service. We recognize that there is a great need to improve theological education, especially for church leaders. In every nation and culture there should be an effective training program for pastors and laity in doctrine, discipleship, evangelism, nurture and service. Such training programs should not rely on any stereotyped methodology but should be developed by creative local initiatives according to biblical standards.

(Col. 1:27,28; Acts 14:23; Tit. 1:5,9; Mark 10:42-45; Eph. 4:11,12)

12. SPIRITUAL CONFLICT

We believe that we are engaged in constant spiritual warfare with the principalities and powers of evil, who are seeking to overthrow the Church and frustrate its task of world evangelization. We know our need to equip ourselves with God's armor and to fight this battle with the spiritual weapons of truth and prayer. For we detect the activity of our enemy, not only in false ideologies outside the Church, but also inside it in false gospels which twist Scripture and put people in

the place of God. We need both watchfulness and discernment to safeguard the biblical gospel. We acknowledge that we ourselves are not immune to weaknesses of thoughts and action, that is, to a surrender to secularism. For example, although careful studies of church growth, both numerical and spiritual, are right and valuable, we have sometimes neglected them. At other times, desirous to ensure a response to the gospel, we have compromised our message, manipulated our hearers through pressure techniques, and become unduly preoccupied with statistics or even dishonest in our use of them. All this is worldly. The Church must be in the world; the world must not be in the Church.

(Eph. 6:12; II Cor. 4:3,4; Eph. 6:11,13-18; II Cor. 10:3-5; I John 2:18-26; 4:1-3; Gal. 1:6-9; II Cor. 2:17; 4:2; John 17:15)

13. FREEDOM AND PERSECUTION

It is the God-appointed duty of every government to secure conditions of peace, justice and liberty in which the Church may obey God, serve the Lord Jesus Christ, and preach the gospel without interference. We therefore pray for the leaders of nations and call upon them to guarantee freedom of thought and conscience, and freedom to practice and propagate religion in accordance with the will of God and as set forth in The Universal Declaration of Human Rights. We also express our deep concern for all who have been unjustly imprisoned, and especially for those who are suffering for their testimony to the Lord Jesus. We promise to pray and work for their freedom. At the same time we refuse to be intimidated by their fate. God helping us, we too will seek to stand against injustice and to remain faithful to the gospel, whatever the cost. We do not forget the warnings of Jesus that persecution is inevitable.

(I Tim. 1:1-4, Acts 4:19; 5:29; Col. 3:24; Heb. 13:1-3; Luke 4:18; Gal. 5:11; 6:12; Matt. 5:10-12; John 15:18-21)

14. THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We believe in the power of the Holy Spirit. The Father sent his Spirit to bear witness to his Son, without his witness ours is futile. Conviction of sin, faith in Christ, new birth and Christian growth are all his work. Further, the Holy Spirit is a missionary spirit; thus evangelism should arise spontaneously from a Spirit-filled church. A church that is not a missionary church is contradicting itself and quenching the Spirit. Worldwide evangelization will become a realistic possibility only when the Spirit renews the Church in truth and wisdom, faith, holiness, love and power. We therefore call upon all Christians to pray for such a visitation of the sovereign Spirit of God that all his fruit may appear in all his people and that all his gifts may enrich the body of Christ. Only then will the whole world become a fit instrument in his hands, that the whole earth may hear his voice.

(I Cor. 2:4; John 15:26,27; 16:8-11; I Cor. 12:3; John 3:6-8; II Cor. 3:18; John 7:37-39; I Thess. 5:19; Acts 1:8; Psalms 85:4-7; 67:1-3; Gal. 5:22,23; I Cor. 12:4-31; Rom. 12:3-8)

15. THE RETURN OF CHRIST

We believe that Jesus Christ will return personally and visibly, in power and glory, to consummate his salvation and his judgment. This promise of his coming is a further spur to our evangelism, for we remember his words that the gospel must first be preached to all nations. We believe that the interim period between Christ's ascension and return is to be filled with the mission of the people of God, who have no liberty to stop before the end. We also remember his warning that false Christs and false prophets will arise as precursors of the final Antichrist. We therefore reject as a proud, self-confident dream the notion that people

can ever build a utopia on earth. Our Christian confidence is that God will perfect his kingdom, and we look forward with eager anticipation to that day, and to the new heaven and earth in which righteousness will dwell and God will reign forever. Meanwhile, we rededicate ourselves to the service of Christ and of people in joyful submission to his authority over the whole of our lives.

(Mark 14:62; Heb. 9:28; Mark 13:10; Acts 1:8-11; Matt. 28:20; Mark 13:21-23; John 2:18; 4:1-3; Luke 12:32; Rev. 21:1-5; II Pet. 3:13; Matt. 28:18)

CONCLUSION

Therefore, in the light of this our faith and our resolve, we enter into a solemn covenant with God and with each other, to pray, to plan and to work together for the evangelization of the whole world. We call upon others to join us. May God help us by his grace and for his glory to be faithful to this our covenant!

Amen, Alleluia!

A Selection of Web Links for Sonship-MSOG-Revival and Global Evangelism

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- 'extra' is a sub-directory and
- www.domain.org is the web root.
- Websites that do not have their own domain name will have one extra part, the root of their server, in front of their webroot, for example - www.server.net/mysite/extra/mandibles.html

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1. If you cannot obtain a document through the given link, delete the document name from the URL in your browser address window, and try again.
2. If this does not bring any result, delete the sub-directory name also from the URL and try accessing the web site root itself to see if it still exists. If it does not, proceed as below.
3. If you get a "not known" result when the link is just the website root (www.eaglestar.org) this suggests the web site has moved. Often there will be a redirection notice you can follow.
4. If you are trying to access a website that is hosted by a server, you could try going to that server's home page, (delete everything in the URL down to the server root) as many ISPs keep directories of their hosted sites. If the site you want is still active, it may be listed there.
5. If it is not listed by the host server, and there is no redirection notice, then you can often find the new address by typing the name of the organisation into an Internet search engine such as Google, HotBot, Yahoo or Momma. There are many of these search engines listed on [my links page](#).

6. Another approach is to visit an active website that is similar in character, and see whether that web site has a list of links.

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