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Studying the Four Gospels
Matthew, Mark, Luke and John
how they relate to and correspond with each other

Of first Importance when reading and studying the Four Gospels is to recognize that each Gospel is written to a Specific defined audience and group of people.

Topics

Matthew is written to the Jewish audience.
Mark is written to the Roman, action - result oriented person.
Luke is written to the Greek, thinking, discerning and understanding person.
John is written to the "Born-Again" Christian *Church member.
Why Other additional writings are not in the Bible.

*Note the Church is a short defined period of time encompassing a distinct group of people. The Church began on Sunday the Resurrection day (Easter) when Jesus began to breath His Spirit life into each of His disciples resulting in the "Born-Again" birth of the Christian Church. The Church was not possible prior to the cross and resurrection of Jesus due to the sin nature of us humans and it was only after the cross of Jesus that sin has been paid for and the resurrection made available to us a new sinless life in Jesus. Eventually and likely even soon, the Christian Church will end here on earth when Jesus takes His Church (Christians) up into Heaven in an event called the Rapture of the Church. The Gospel of John is written by John for the general audience of "Born-Again" Christians, those who have the breath of God in them, but after the Church is Raptured into heaven there will still be people here on earth both Jews and Gentiles who need to get to know and understand God through His Bible and the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke have more and different information than the book of John, information to address the circumstances in the lives of the people who are still left here on earth.

The Gospels generally, but not always, include the same events but with different information from that event.

For example if I participated in the event of going to someone's house for lunch and then later I related the event to a person I would relate the information from the lunch event that is relevant to the person that I am talking to. I might talk about the weather, the type and location of the event, about the landscape and about the occupations and hobbies of some of the other guests. Later I might be talking to another person about the same event but relating similar and also unique or different information, information intended for the different audience. I might relay the mood and theme of the lunch, the conversation and what we ate and how it was prepared and displayed. It was the same event but it is the different audience that determines how and what information is relayed.

The differences in the four Gospels is that God is reaching out to all mankind and in reaching out God is confirming that He has created people with different preferences, temperaments and personalities. God is providing the information to the action oriented person and likewise God is providing the information to the thinking and reasoning person. God is not willing that any person should perish and has therefore written four distinct Gospels about His life here on earth in order to reach all of mankind.

The Gospel of Matthew

The Gospel is to be presented to the Jew first and then to the Gentile. Matthew is by most accounts the first Gospel written, written by a Jew for the Jews and it is therefore placed first among the four Gospels.

The Name Matthew is a Hebrew - Jewish name and means "Gift of God." This Gospel is a Gift from God to Mankind all mankind but with a special interest given to the Jewish audience.

Matthew a Jewish tax collector and record keeper (Matthew 9:9) wrote his gospel account of Jesus in approximately the year 37 A.D. The gospel of Matthew is highly regarded as the first gospel work to be written and then widely distributed throughout the early Christian Church. The Bible's New Testament book of "James" written approximately 45 A.D. by James who was the first Church leader in Jerusalem (Acts 12:17, 21:18), is considered to be the first Church document written that is in the New Testament Bible but separate from the gospel narratives. James is a half brother of Jesus (Mark 6:3) and James' full brother Jude [Judah-Judas] (Jude 1:1) would later write the Bible's book of "Jude" in about 65 A.D. The book of "Jude" itself is considered to be a reply to the Apostle Peter's second letter "2nd Peter" that the Apostle Peter wrote and had distributed to the early Church also in about the year of 65 .A.D.

What is uniquely Jewish about the Gospel of Matthew?

The first miracle that God performs in the gospel of Matthew is to cleanse a Leper, **Matthew 8:3**. This miracle is special and unique to the Jews in that the Old Testament Laws of Mosses revealed that Leprosy is a symbol of uncleanness meaning sin. An unclean person is not allowed into the presence of God and all people are unclean due to our sin nature. This first Miracle in the Gospel of Matthew showed the Jews that Jesus came to make a person clean from sin and in doing so to reunite the cleansed man with the Holy God. The first miracle in the Gospel of Mark, **Mark 1:25,26** and Luke, **Luke 4:35** is to cast out a demon from a tormented person and the first miracle in the gospel of John, **John 2:9,11** is to turn the water into wine representing the "Born-Again" position of the Christian.

Different information given in the different Gospels to reach and relate to the different audiences that the Gospels are intended to reach.

The Gospel of Mathew gives even more attention into the fulfillment of the Old Testament Prophecies to confirm to the Jewish audience that Jesus is indeed the fulfillment of the Old Testament that the Prophets of old spoke so many times about.

The Gospel of Matthew pays special attention to the referencing of "Two" witnesses or persons to fulfill the Old Testament requirement that for an event to be confirmed and established it needs to be witnessed by two eye witnesses. The gentile does not have the custom or commandment from God to need the two witness to substantiate the event so often in the other Gospels they only reference one of the two or one of the group.

The Gospel of Matthew in keeping with Jewish custom refrains from directly mentioning the "name" of God. Even in modern Jewish writing God is written as G-d out of reverence for God, the name is not completely written acknowledging that man does not completely know or understand God. The Gospel of Matthew therefore usually uses the title "the Kingdom of Heaven" while the other Gospels more likely refer to "the Kingdom of God" it is the same kingdom yet two different ways to respectfully address the same kingdom.

In the Gospel of **Matthew 5:1** Jesus went up to a Mountain to give the sermon on the mount to His people. This is important to the Jews because God (Jesus) speaks from the Mountain top. Moses went to the Top of Mt. Sinai to have God speak to him and likewise the Jewish audience went to the mountain top to hear God (Jesus) speak to them. This is signifying that Jesus is the same voice that spoke to Moses and gave the Ten Commandments so many years ago on Mt. Sinai. In the Gospel of **Luke 6:17** another similar message is given but this time it includes Gentiles and this time it is upon an open "plain" and not on a Mountain top because to the Gentile, Kingdoms are built and created on the vast wide open plains of opportunity and not the confines of a Mountain top.

Three of the Gospels reveal the parable of the "Sower" as given by Jesus at various times. **Matthew 13:4** records the returns of the parable as diminishing **.. and brought forth fruit, some an <u>hundredfold</u>, some <u>sixtyfold</u>, some <u>thirtyfold</u>.** To the Jewish audience it would be important for them to know that Jesus was foretelling the coming Gentile nature of the original all Jewish Christian Church. The Gospel of **Mark 4:8 .. and did yield fruit that sprang up and increased; and brought forth, some <u>thirty</u>, and some <u>sixty</u>, and some an <u>hundred</u>.** Mark records for the Roman - Action oriented person the exponential growth that the general Christian Church will enjoy throughout it's existence. The Gospel of **Luke 8:8 .. and sprang up, and bare fruit an <u>hundredfold</u> ..** Luke the detailed physician is revealing and confirming that all the fruit of the Church is 100% Christian whether the individual began of either the Jewish or from a Gentile origin. The **Gospel of John** in focusing in on a the "Born Again" person does not present the "Parable" material as much but instead focuses more on an actual Spiritual relationship with Jesus.

Again ALL of the Scriptures of the Bible are given for all mankind to come to a fuller understanding and knowledge in a relationship with God. These are just a few of the many examples of how the Gospel of Matthew is given by God with the primary focus being the Jewish audience but not excluding any audience.

The Gospel of Mark

Mark is a Roman name and means "hammer" a building tool of action and accomplishment.

The Gospel of Mark bares the name of Mark a young man who was present during some of the events of the Gospels. It is thought to be Mark's parents house that Jesus and the disciples ate the Passover - Communion supper at and when they left for the garden of Gethsemane where Jesus was betrayed by Judas, Mark followed and was among those that fled from the temple guards that arrested Jesus that eventful night in the garden of Gethsemane. Mark records the event in **Mark 14:51-52 And there followed Him a certain young man, having a linen cloth cast about his naked body; and the young men laid hold on him: and he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked.**

Apart from the verses just mentioned Mark did not write-author the Gospel of Mark that bears his name. The Gospel of Mark is actually the Teachings and Recollections of the Apostle Peter. Mark took notes during Peter's teachings and Mark assembled them into the book that now has his name. This is only note worthy in that the personality of the book of Mark is Peter's and not Mark's. Peter is the man of action it is Peter that stepped out into the stormy sea it was Peter that took action and drew the sword in the Garden of Gethsemane. Mark was not quite the man of action that Peter was, it was Mark that departed from that first Missionary trip with his uncle Barnabas and the Apostle Paul, but it is Mark that precisely and accurately recorded the words and teachings of Peter and assembled them into the Gospel document that we now have today.

Mark was originally a member of the Church in Jerusalem and departed with Paul and Barnabas to go with them to Antioch.

Acts 12:25 And Barnabas and Saul (Paul) returned from Jerusalem, when they had fulfilled their ministry (bringing finances and supplies from the Church at Antioch to the Church in Jerusalem to prepare for the coming famine prophesied by Agabus), and took with them John, whose surname was Mark.

The gospel of Mark is for the person of action the results and events oriented person. The common words and themes of Mark being, immediately, and straightaway, and it came to pass, all action and event words given to lead and direct people of action.

The Gospel of Luke

Luke is a Greek name and means "Illuminate" to enlighten, to shed light on an item or subject.

The Gospel of Luke was written by Luke a Physician a Doctor a man of attention and detail. The Gospel of Luke is for the thinker it is for the planner and for the person who considers all of the options and needs all of the information to make their decisions.

Luke diligently and faithfully researches and records the information of the events surrounding Jesus starting with the prophecies foretelling of the need for and of the coming birth of the Christ/Messiah Jesus all the way until the return of Jesus back into heaven 40 days after His glorious resurrection.

Luke became a travel companion on the missionary journeys of the Apostle Paul and it is from his time and journeys spent with the Apostle Paul that Luke records, researches and writes out the events that are the Gospel of Luke and also the book of Acts. Luke most likely joined the Apostle Paul in the region of Troas while Paul and Timothy were on route to Philippi **Acts 16:11** as it is in that verse that the book of acts becomes a first person narration including the experiences of Luke.

Luke uses the actual records and firsthand individual eyewitness accounts in the writings of his gospel and in the compilation of the book of Acts. For instance in Jerusalem when the Apostle Paul was rescued by the Roman guards from an attacking mob and later sent to court over the matter, the Roman officer in charge who rescued the Apostle Paul wrote a letter of the events to send along with the Roman soldiers to the hearing regarding the Apostle Paul. Luke then records the actual letter into the book of Acts in **Acts 23:25-30**. Likewise while Luke is in Jerusalem he has access to most of the disciples including Mary herself and Luke records what is very likely an interview with Mary in regards to her account of the events of the virgin conception and virgin birth of Jesus **Luke 1:26-2:52** including Mary's "Song of Praise" called the "Magnificant" in **Luke 1:46-55**. Also in some form or manner Luke had access to the Jewish temple birth genealogy scrolls kept in the Jewish Temple that Luke would then make available in his genealogy of Mary & Jesus in **Luke 3:23-38**.

It is on the journeys and finally while in Jerusalem with the Apostle Paul that Luke has access to virtually every single disciple and Apostle of Jesus regarding the virgin birth, life, teaching, ministry, cross, resurrection and all of the events of Jesus' life that Luke would research and write out as his Gospel of Luke. The Gospel of Luke would instantly become valued among the Church in Jerusalem and throughout the Christian Churches so much so that in the Bible's Second Corinthians **2 Corinthians 8:18** the Apostle Paul referrers to Luke as **"the brother, whose praise is in the gospel throughout all the Churches;**.

Luke writes in the Greek style of structure, balance, and order. It is explained what is going to happen then it happens.

Luke 1:3 It seemed good to me also, having had perfect (complete) understanding of all things from the very first, to <u>write to you in order,</u> most excellent Theophilus,

Luke 4:18,19 The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me (Jesus), because He hath anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

Luke 7:21 and in that same hour He (Jesus) cured many of their infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many that were blind He gave sight.

The Gospel of John

The name of John means Grace, God's grace for mankind.

The Gospel of John is written by John one of the first and earliest followers of Jesus. In fact the disciple John was actually originally a follower of John the Baptist and was in attendance while John the Baptist was preaching and baptizing along the Jordan river and it is at the testimony of John the Baptist who identified the witness of the Holy Spirit coming upon Jesus and proclaiming that Jesus is the Messiah/Christ that John and another disciple (Andrew the brother of Peter) both began to follow Jesus **John 1:35-40**.

John is one of the earliest followers of Jesus, he was likely present with John the Baptist at the Baptizing of Jesus when the voice from Heaven was heard declaring Jesus to be the Son of God while the Holy Spirit descended from Heaven in the form of a dove and remained on Jesus. The next day John and Andrew both became followers of Jesus. A short time later Jesus invited John and John's brother James to both follow Jesus as Apostles along with the two brothers Andrew and Peter becoming four of the original 12 Apostles of Jesus. John was present at all or almost all of the events, teachings and miracles of Jesus up to and including the cross **John 19:25-27**, and resurrection of Jesus giving us another complete firsthand account of the life and ministry of Jesus.

The Gospel of John is uniquely written to the "Born-Again" Christian. In fact the Gospel of John is the only Gospel to mention the word "Born-Again" **John 3:7**.

The Gospel of John has a decidedly Spiritual nature compared to the other three Gospels. The Gospel of John repeatedly informs the reader regarding the knowledge and of an understanding in the giving of the Holy Spirit by God and for the required nature of a Spiritual relationship in having a relationship with God.

John 4:23-24 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the <u>true worshippers</u> shall worship the Father in Spirit and in Truth: <u>for the Father seeketh such to worship Him</u>. God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in Truth.

The disciple John who was an eyewitness to the events regarding the crucifixion of Jesus records only the mention of Jesus carrying His own cross **John 19:17** and does not mention Simon of Cyrene who at one point carried the wooden cross for Jesus. John in reporting on only the activities of Jesus is enlightening us into the facet of the Spiritual and Emotional (soul) burden that Jesus and Jesus alone carried to His crucifixion. It is one thing to physically assist Jesus in carrying the wooden cross but it is an entirely different burden for Jesus to carry as He is the one to die on the cross. It is the Spiritual burden and many other Spiritual truths that John is conveying to us in his glorious Gospel of John written to the believing Christian audience. A Gospel written in order that an already believing Christian will indeed become an even more deeply rooted and grounded Christian into the Spiritual Truths and understandings of a Spiritual relationship with God in Christ Jesus.

Just as unique as what is in the Gospel of John is what is Not in the Gospel of John. The Gospel of John and the three Epistles of John completely leave out any indication or reference to the end time "Great Tribulation" time period. This is very significant that John did not include any "Great Tribulation"

information into any of his writings to the Church. I think that it can likely be concluded that end time "Great Tribulation" information is not relevant for the Church as the Church is not going to be here on earth during these coming events but has been Raptured into Heaven and therefore John did not write about it to the Church. Let's continue to look at this, the definitive End Time teaching in the Bible is the "Mt Olivet Discourse" **Matthew 24:3-25:46** given by Jesus and Mark tells us that Peter, James, Andrew and John each asked questions of Jesus yet John went on to omit all of the end time teachings from His Gospel, while Matthew, Mark and Luke included it and keeping in mind that the same John wrote the Book of Revelation the other definitive "End Time" discourse.

Why other writings are not included

Regarding other writings that are not included as Gospels or anywhere in the Bible.

In regards to the four Gospels of the Bible there are other additional writings and other accounts about Jesus not included in the Bible. For instance there is a letter considered by some including some of the early Church Fathers to be written by Pontius Pilate to the Roman Government in Rome regarding his first hand account of the trial and crucifixion of Jesus including interviews with the Roman soldiers who were placed guarding the tomb of Jesus and their experience during the Resurrection of Jesus from the sealed tomb while they were guarding it.

The reasons other writings are not included varies but mainly centers on a couple of reasons. First much of what is today in modern times considered extra biblical writings actually did not exist during the times of the Apostles and disciples but over the 2,000 years since have come into existence as easily recognizable forgeries. These are documents with a slant and with an agenda and not coming from credible Church sources therefore would never be intended to be included among the Bible.

Interestingly the Jewish observance has always regarded the first five books of the Old Testament the "Torah" to be special and in accordance with this belief the Bible's Book of Psalms originally used to be five individual books corresponding to one each of the five Torah books. Today the five Psalm books have been combined into the one long Book of Psalms. In keeping with the Jewish custom in the Synagogues and in some of the Jewish homes they displayed the Torah in a "Torah cabinet" a cabinet made of wood and containing five compartments. One compartment for each of the first five books (scrolls) of the Old Testament consisting of Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy.

Likewise very early the Christian Church, which was originally entirely Jewish, adapted the custom and had new identical Torah cabinets built with the same five compartments and placed the new cabinets right alongside in companionship with the existing Torah cabinets and inserted the first five books (scrolls) of the New Testament inside of the new cabinets. The New Testament books being the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and the book of Acts. Intending that very early on the first Christians and the early Church separated out these documents and maintained them as our "Christian Torah" in prominence and recognition.

Really do the vast amount of difference in inspiration regarding the existing Bible documents and any other document ever written by man, never has there been any serious indication throughout Church history that any other writings should be added to the Bible's New Testament specifically regarding the Gospels. Instead of a desire to add additional books to the Bible the challenge to the Bible historically has been in the form of people wanting to remove books from the Bible most notably the book of Revelation.

Other documents like the letter from Pontius Pilate although interesting also lack the accountability of authenticity and lack insight into the teachings and perspective of Jesus and therefore remain outside of the Bible. The Bible therefore remains exclusive in content to the Revealed nature and plan of God, as God has revealed Himself and His plan, through His Holy Prophets and Apostles, to all of mankind.

It really is evident that the four Gospels have been precisely crafted and molded by the Holy Spirit to deliver information as separate packets predominately to separate audiences yet relevant and meaningful to all of mankind.

God Bless You,
David Anson Brown

Articles

Polycarp - A Father of the Christian Church (70 A.D. - 155 A.D.)
Polycarp is a celebrated figure in the history of Christianity. A direct pupil of the apostle John, Polycarp lived between 70 and 155 A.D., connecting him to both the biblical apostles and the age of the early church fathers. Several ancient sources document the contributions of Polycarp to Christianity, including his letters written to the church at Philippi, in which he encourages the members to remain strong in their faith and to flee from materialism. He also instructs the members in the proper handling of financial dishonesty that was creeping into the church. ... Polycarp - A Martyr for Truth: Polycarp's greatest contribution to Christianity may be his martyred death. His martyrdom stands as one of the most well documented events of antiquity. The emperors of Rome had unleashed bitter attacks against the Christians during this period, and members of the early church recorded many of the persecutions and deaths. [article link]

Irenaeus of Lyons - Early Church Father, Theologian & Historian (115 A.D. - 202 A.D)
Relatively little is known of the life of Irenaeus. As a boy he had, as he delighted to point out, listened to the sermons of the great bishop and martyr, Polycarp (70 A.D. - 155 A.D.) of Smyrna, who was regarded as a disciple of the apostles themselves. ... Regarding the New Testament canon (standard), one finds in "Adversus Haereses" (by Irenaeus written in 180 A.D.) quotations from all the books of the New Testament with the exception of: Philemon, II Peter, III John, and Jude. ... According to the lists in [Hoh], Irenaeus, in Adversus Haereses, quotes 626 times from all 4 Gospels. Irenaeus was especially insistent that there are exactly 4 Gospels. [article link]

Which Language Did Jesus Speak – Aramaic or Hebrew? - There is no ground for assuming that Jesus did not speak Hebrew; and when we are told (Acts 21:40) that [Apostle] Paul spoke Hebrew [to the crowd in Jerusalem], we should take this piece of information at face value"
A Final Witness: In addition to the witnesses of the New Testament itself, archaeology, and linguistic scholarship, we also have that of the Church Fathers. Of them, Jean Carmignac says, "Eight early writers assert that Matthew wrote his Gospel in Hebrew: altogether there are over thirty formal assertions that this was so in the works of Papias,

Hegesippus, Irenaeus, Origen, Eusebius of Caesarea, Cyril of Jerusalem, Epiphanius and Jerome". The most important of these testimonies is that of Papias, a second century Church father: "Matthew recorded in the Hebrew language the words [of Jesus], and everyone interpreted them as he is able". Dr. Brad Young sums up the importance of considering the Jewish background of Jesus' life and teachings: "...without consideration of the Jewish parallels, the Gospels will forever be filtered through Western culture, and Jesus will be completely missed or greatly misunderstood...The world...including church leaders and outstanding scholars, often has missed Jesus. The original Jewish environment of his life promises to reveal a new vision of Jesus and his message" (Jesus the Jewish Theologian, p. xxxvi). [article link]

Which Old Testament text did Jesus prefer and quote from? - Jesus quoted from 24 different Old Testament books - The New Testament as a whole quotes from 34 books of the Old Testament Books - None of the apocryphal books were ever quoted in the New Testament - Not even once!

Jesus quoted from 24 different Old Testament books. The New Testament as a whole quotes from 34 books of the Old Testament Books. These 5 books are never quoted in the New Testament: Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon. It is not significant that these books: Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, were never quoted in the New Testament, because they were part of "collections" of Old Testament books. Since other books within the same collection were quoted, this shows them too to be inspired. The New Testament never quotes from the any of the apocryphal books written between 400 - 200 BC. What is significant here is that NONE of the books within the "apocryphal collection" are every quoted. So the Catholic argument that "the apocryphal books cannot be rejected as uninspired on the basis that they are never quoted from in the New Testament because Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon are also never quoted in the New Testament, and we all accept them as inspired." The rebuttal to this Catholic argument is that "Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther" were always included in the "history collection" of Jewish books and "Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon" were always included in the "poetry collection". By quoting one book from the collection, it verifies the entire collection. None of the apocryphal books were ever quoted in the New Testament. Not even once! This proves the Catholic and Orthodox apologists wrong when they try to defend the apocrypha in the Bible. [article link]

Expert doubts 'Gospel of Judas' revelation

NEW YORK - An expert on ancient Egyptian texts is predicting that the Gospel of Judas- a manuscript from early Christian times that's nearing release amid widespread interest from scholars - will be a dud in terms of learning anything new about Judas. ... James M. Robinson, America's leading expert on such ancient religious texts from Egypt, predicts in a new book that the text won't offer any insights into the disciple who betrayed Jesus. His reason: While it's old, it's not old enough. "Does it go back to Judas? No," Robinson told The Associated Press on Thursday. [article link]

*__John 13:27__ tells us that Judas became demon possessed, actually possessed by Satan himself. Clearly Judas in betraying Jesus was following the plans of Satan and not the plans-teachings of Jesus. The remaining fact that Judas committed suicide practically within minutes of betraying Jesus leaves little doubt that no 'Gospel of Judas' was ever written.

Smithsonian Puts Mysterious Crystal Skull on Display - Nonetheless, the giant crystal skull that mysteriously arrived at the Smithsonian 16 years ago is out of its locked cabinet in Walsh's office and will be on public view until Sept. 1 - Studying this skull led Walsh to extend her investigation into crystal skulls in other museums and to conclude that all are fakes, made in the 19th and 20th centuries - seems to have been made between 1950 and 1960 - Indeed, no crystal skulls have ever been found at an archaeological site

WASHINGTON - Some mysteries are such fun you almost don't want to know the truth. That may help explain why people are fascinated with crystal skulls. Happy to share the spotlight with the latest Indiana Jones movie, the Smithsonian's Museum of Natural History is putting its crystal skull on display starting Thursday. "People like to believe in something greater than themselves," Smithsonian anthropologist Jane MacLaren Walsh said, and crystal skulls are mysterious and beautiful. The skulls "are a fascinating example of artifacts that have made their way into museums with no scientific evidence to prove their rumored pre-Columbian origins," she added. ... Crystals carved into the shape of a human skull fed the 19th century's need for drama and mystery and its fascination with death. They were supposed to be the creation of ancient Mesoamericans — Aztecs, Mixtecs, Toltecs, perhaps Maya. ... The skulls were claimed to represent the art and religion of these peoples. Some even said the skulls had special, even supernatural, powers. Scientists say it ain't so. ... Of the many crystal skulls in museums and private collections around the world, the

Smithsonian's is one of the largest, at 10 inches high and weighing 30 pounds. It was mailed to the museum anonymously, accompanied by a note claiming it was of Aztec origin. It's isn't, Walsh said. The skulls were carved from blocks of quartz - sometimes called rock crystal - and show the marks of modern carving tools. That means they were not made before the 19th century. The Smithsonian one, she said, seems to have been made between 1950 and 1960. Indeed, no crystal skulls have ever been found at an archaeological site. [article link]

Possibly the World's Oldest Christian Church Unearthed in Northern Jordan - dating from AD 33 to AD 70 - the Rihab area of Jordan has been "rich in unique archaeological sites" with some 30 churches uncovered there so far {A wonderful ancient Church discovery! The original and oldest Christian Church was in Jerusalem. The "Upper Room" where the disciples received the "Born Again" Spirit from Jesus (John 20:22) then Christianity spread out from Jerusalem.}
(Jordan)-In what is being hailed as an "important milestone for Christians all around the world," an ancient cave was discovered recently, beneath St. Georgeous Church in Jordan. Archaeologist Abdul Qader Hussan, head of the Rihab Center for Archaeological Studies, said the find was "amazing," stating that they "uncovered what we believe to be the first church in the world, dating from AD 33 to AD 70." According to the report, the Rihab area of Jordan has been "rich in unique archaeological sites" with some 30 churches uncovered there so far. ... "We have evidence to believe this church sheltered the early Christians: the 70 disciples of Jesus Christ," explained Hussan, citing a mosaic inscription on the floor of St. Georgeous Church that reads: "the 70 beloved by God and Divine." [article link]

Church Creeds

The Apostles' Creed - The Bible itself contains brief creed-like statements (1 Cor. 8:6; 15:3-4; 1 Tim. 3:16) - The early church leaders also wrote short creeds, perhaps as baptism ceremonies - These eventually were recited by congregations in their worship services
Writing in Greek somewhere around the year 200 A. D., Irenaeus (born 115 A.D. - died 202 A.D.) describes a creed that has some similarities to the Apostles' Creed, and may have been a precursor. He presented his creed not as something new, but as something the church had been using for a long time. He lived in what is now France, but had grown up in Asia Minor, where he had been taught by Polycarp, a student of the apostle John. An early Latin version of the Creed is in the writings of Tertullian, from North Africa, about the year 220. About a century later, Marcellus, from Asia Minor, shared a similar creed. In A.D. 390, after study in Rome, Egypt and Palestine, Rufinus had a similar creed in northern Italy. Augustine, bishop in North Africa in 400, had a nearly identical creed, and it was apparently standard in Gaul in 650, even before Charlemagne. The text accepted today is identical to what was written in 750 by Pirminius, who lived in what is now Switzerland. This history shows that churches in many different regions were involved in the development of the Apostles' Creed. As churches in one part of the empire communicated with others, their short list of doctrines became standardized. [article link]

Ecumenical Christian Creeds - The Apostles' Creed - The first creeds of the Christian Church are called ecumenical creeds because they were decided upon in church councils that represented the entire church at the time before the church permanently spilt into Eastern (Orthodox) and Western (Roman) factions in AD 1054 - Later creeds reflect the diversity of the Christian tradition and tend to become more specialized expressions of particular doctrines for various groups
The Apostles' Creed: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, I believe in the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. [article link]

Creeds & Statements of Faith: Nicene Creed - The Nicene Creed is the only creed accepted by all three major branches of Christendom: Orthodox, Roman Catholic, and Protestant - It was adopted by a general Council of the entire Church (Ecumenical) in 325 A.D. and revised by a general council of the entire Church in 381 A.D. {The Christian Church has always been "Ecumenical" (whole-house) it is the modern Ecumenical movement that is trying to lead out of Christianity and into other religions.}

The Nicene Creed: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all ages; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made. Who, for us all for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy universal and apostolic (Christian) Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen. [article link]

THE NICENE CREED - MODERN WORDING - The Nicene Creed is the most widely accepted and used brief statements of the Christian Faith - Many groups that do not have a tradition of using it in their services nevertheless are committed to the doctrines it teaches - Someone may ask, "What about the Apostles' Creed?" Traditionally, in the West, the Apostles' Creed is used at Baptisms, and the Nicene Creed at the Eucharist (aka the Mass, the Liturgy, the Lord's Supper, or the Holy Communion) - The East uses only the Nicene Creed)

THE NICENE CREED - MODERN WORDING: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. AMEN. [article link]

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Genesis 2:1-3 Thus the heavens (sky) and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had made; and He rested on the seventh day from all His [six days of] work which He had made. And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all His work which God created and made.

Isaiah 11:10 And in that day [Day of Salvation] there shall be a root [offspring] of Jesse [Kind David's father], which shall stand for an ensign [leadership flag] of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and His rest shall be glorious.

Isaiah 56:4-8 For thus saith the LORD unto the eunuchs that keep My Sabbaths [complete, spiritual, emotional rest by trust in God], and choose the things that please Me, and take hold of My [New] Covenant; Even unto them will I give in Mine House and within My walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an Everlasting Name, that shall not be cut off. Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to the LORD [Jesus], to serve Him, and to love the Name of the LORD, to be His servants, every one that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it (Hebrews 3:12), and taketh hold of My covenant (Hebrews 4:1); 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 (1 Peter 2:9); 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 [Christians] to Him, beside those [Jews] that are gathered unto Him.

Matthew 11:27-30 All things are delivered unto Me [Jesus] of My Father: and no man knoweth the Son [preexistent in Heaven], but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal Him. **Come unto Me [Jesus], all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and *learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest **unto your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.

Hebrews 4:3 For we [Christians] which have believed do enter into rest, as He said, As I have sworn in My wrath, if they shall enter into My rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.

BasicChristian.org: Article Introduction - The 7 physical and spiritual dimensions as unfolded in the 7 Days of the Genesis creation model {the 8th dimension being God's realm of unrestricted eternity}
Humans exist in and are limited to the first three physical dimensions (length, height, width) and also the fourth dimension (restriction) of time. The spiritual realm of demons, angels and in part the coming Antichrist exists in the less restricted 5th and 6th dimensions. In fact the coming Antichrist is going to bring down or "contact" the 5th and 6th dimensions and infuse 4th dimensional human beings with 5th dimensional demons [Nephilim spirits] and 6th dimensional fallen [Satanic] angelic spirit beings consequently orchestrating 5th and 6th dimensional miracles and signs and wonders in order to deceive mankind. Note: So who is Melchizedek? Melchizedek is the manifestation [into our human realms] of the infinite dimensional (infinite dimensions - no restrictions - unrestricted) God in Person. Melchizedek is God the Holy Spirit in Person. Melchizedek is the Order of the Holy Spirit Priesthood. -- Also Note: In the Basic Christian article "Who is Melchizedek?" the 8 dimensions (restrictions) are listed in conjunction with the original creation week (Genesis 1:1-2:4) and are categorized as follows: 1. Length [Day one creation - light separated [Judgment] (length) from darkness] 2. Height [Day two creation - divided the waters above from the waters below] 3. Width [Day three creation - dry land and plants] 4. Time [Day four creation - sun, moon, stars for times and seasons] 5. Demonic [Nephilim spirits] - demons [Day five creation - fish from the waters below, birds from the waters above] 6. Angelic - Holy Angels and also Satan with all of his fallen angels [Day six creation - land animals and humans (pre-fall) - humans the highest part of creation created separate and above the animals and equal to the angels but with sin mankind fell from the 6th dimension to the 4th dimension, in fact with the sin of mankind all of creation also fell from its original creation status] 7. Human Salvation redeemed by the blood, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ [Day seven creation - Rest] 8. Unrestricted [outside of creation] - The only Unrestricted, Eternal, Wise, ∞ Infinite,

Almighty God consisting of God the Father, the Son Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. -- "Genesis 2:4 These are the generations [dimensions] of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens ..." [article link]

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The teaching of the Basic Christian ministry is that according to the Bible's Genesis Creation model [Genesis chapters 1 and 2] there are 8 dimensions total 7 of the dimensions are represented in God's 7 days of creation [six days of creation and the 7th Day of Rest (Genesis 2:2)]. Accordingly mankind [Adam - Eve] were originally created about equal (Hebrews 2:6,7) to the angels and functioned in a higher 6th dimension [mankind created on the 6th day (Genesis 1:26, Genesis 1:31)]. Through sin mankind was reduced to the lower 4th dimension [height, width, length and time] restrictions that we now physically inhabit (Genesis 3:9,10). It is the further teaching of the Basic Christian ministry that both holy and fallen angels still inhabit the less restricted 6th dimension while according to Genesis Chapter 6 fallen angels [6th dimensional beings] mated with fallen humans [4th dimensional beings] producing 5th dimensional beings commonly referred to as demons. [article link]

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The demonic 5th dimension seems to be a realm of doom and destruction purposefully visited upon the human realm via the guidance of the fallen angel Satan aka Lucifer. The 5th dimension often attempts to trap mankind into a hopelessness and despair. The primary teaching of the Doctrines of Demons (1 Timothy 4:1) is that hell [and legalism] is real and is an inescapable reality that mankind cannot avoid having a 'hellish' existence either on earth in this life or in the life to come. -- Many people are successfully able to identify, reject and for the most part avoid the false Doctrines of Demons and their destructive teachings and the accompanying dangerous, addictive, lifestyle results. However many of the same people who successfully recognize [even secular people] and avoid the dangers of the demonic 5th dimension are themselves unaware of the even more deceptive and destructive 6th dimension and the Doctrines of Fallen Angels. [article link]

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After successfully navigating the battering of the demonic 5th dimension a person is often presented with the 6th dimension and the even more clever and deceptive Doctrines of Fallen Angels (2 Corinthians 11:14). Doctrines that seemingly reject the brutalities of the Demonic 5th realm but present an even greater deception in that the 6th realm is offering a false peace, false hope, false love and a false security all absent the very real human predicaments of our own fallen sinful nature and of our individual need for Redemption and Salvation only by and through the finished works of Jesus Christ. -- Isn't it interesting that Satan and the other fallen angels would be most interested in having a Doctrine where hell is not a part of reality. "Matthew 25:41 Then shall He [Jesus] say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from Me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, **prepared [originally] for the devil and his angels:" [article link]

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Instead of the 5th dimension Doctrines of Demons and the 6th dimension Doctrines of Fallen Angels there is another Doctrine it is the True and reliable 7th dimension Doctrine of Jesus Christ (Matthew 11:28). Jesus said that He is Life made available for all of mankind. Those who wisely want to reject the destructive Doctrines of Demons and avoid the false and misleading Doctrines of Fallen Angels have real hope and real life in the very real Doctrine of Jesus Christ. The simple, pure, loving, truthful Doctrine of God in the person Jesus Christ having come to mankind with truth and reality to provide a way out of our sins and into the everlasting hope and glory of Jesus Christ! -- "Matthew 11:28 Come unto Me (Jesus), all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I (Jesus) will give you rest." [article link]

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Conclusion: The (7th dimension) restoration [Luke 5:37-39] of mankind is at a higher level (dimension) than even the original Genesis (6th dimension) creation of mankind. God has the ability and the desire to not only overcome the fall and sin of mankind but to make the restored version (realm) of mankind an even higher, better realm than the original glorious 6th dimension creation of mankind. -- "John 5:24 Verily, verily, I (Jesus) say unto you, he that heareth My Word, and believeth on Him [Father] that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." - "John 6:63 It is the Spirit that quickeneth [makes alive]; the flesh [physical] profiteth nothing: **the Words that I (Jesus) speak unto you, they are Spirit, and they are [eternal] life." - "John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the Way (8th dimension) [for humans into the 7th dimension], the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father [Heaven - both a different dimension and a different (non-physical) realm], but by Me." [article link]

Bible Verse: Matthew 24:45-51 Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his Lord (Jesus) hath made ruler over His household [fellowship], to give them meat [sound doctrine Bible study] in due season? Blessed is that servant, whom his Lord when He cometh shall find so doing. {The complete Bible is available at ChristianFaithDownloads.com}

Matthew 24:45-51 Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his Lord (Jesus) hath made ruler over His household, to give them meat [sound doctrine Bible study] in due season? Blessed is that servant, whom his Lord when He cometh shall find so doing. Verily I say unto you, That He shall make him [faithful servant] ruler over all His goods. But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My Lord delayeth His coming; And shall begin to smite his fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunken; The Lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for Him, and in an hour that he is not aware of, And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. -- Matthew 13:41-43 The Son of Man (Jesus) shall send forth His [Holy] Angels, and they shall gather out of His Kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the Kingdom of their Father. Who hath [Spiritual] ears to hear, let him hear. -- Holy Bible [article link]

- blog Bible Study: Deuteronomy 5-6 - In giving the people a perspective of God's abilities Moses exhorted the people to Hear, Learn, Observe and Act in regards to the commands, statutes and promises of God -- 'Deuteronomy 6:3-6 Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey. Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD: And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:'
  Remember that thou wast a servant: We are admonished to keep a perspective of our past life of sin and bondage. Remember that at one time we were a servant to sin. The bondage and cruelty of sin is something that we have been delivered from and it was only in the love of God and by the capabilities of God that He delivered us, we did not deliver ourselves. If we forget that sin actually deceived us and took advantage of us we might be tempted to go back to some of our old ways however those old ways were not God's ways and they are no longer our ways either. - 'Deuteronomy 5:15 And remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and that the LORD thy God brought thee out thence through a mighty hand and by a stretched out arm: therefore the LORD thy God commanded thee to keep the Sabbath (rest) day [rest in the accomplished works of God not in the abilities of yourself or of other people].'

- blog Bible Study: Psalms 92 - A Psalm or Song for the Sabbath [Rest] Day -- 'Psalms 92:1-4 A Psalm or Song for the Sabbath Day. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto Thy Name, O most High: To shew forth Thy lovingkindness in the morning, and Thy faithfulness every night, Upon an instrument of ten strings [during trials and tribulations], and upon the psaltery; upon the harp with a solemn sound. For thou, LORD, hast made me glad through Thy work: I will triumph in the works of Thy hands.'
  Psalms 92:5-15 O LORD, how great are Thy works! and Thy thoughts are very deep. A brutish man knoweth not; neither doth a fool understand this. When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish; it is that they shall be destroyed for ever: But thou, LORD, art Most High for evermore. For, lo, thine enemies, O LORD, for, lo, thine enemies shall perish; all the workers of iniquity shall be scattered. But my horn shalt thou exalt like the horn of an unicorn: I shall be anointed with fresh oil. Mine eye also shall see my desire on mine enemies, and mine ears shall hear my desire of the wicked that rise up against me. The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those that be planted in the House of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing; To shew that the LORD is upright: He is my Rock, and **there is no unrighteousness in Him. - Note: The Biblical desire [both Old and New Testaments] is that all mankind will Repent and come into the Salvation of God (1 Timothy 2:4). In the Psalms enemies are often referring to the Demonic and fallen Angelic realm and that is what the Christian is battling against not against our fellow mankind but against spiritual deception and wickedness in high places (Ephesians 6:12).

- blog Bible Study: Isaiah 56-57 - After the cross of Jesus Christ and now our ability to live an earthly "Kingdom of God" [Matthew 6:33] existence and also the necessity for us to also at the same time live a Heavenly "Kingdom of Heaven" [Matthew 7:21] existence -- 'Isaiah 56:1 Thus saith the LORD, Keep ye judgment, and do justice: for My Salvation is near to come, and My Righteousness to be revealed [the Millennial reign on earth of Jesus Christ].'
  Isaiah 56:1-8 Thus saith the LORD, Keep ye judgment, and do justice: for My salvation is near to come, and My righteousness to be revealed. *Blessed is the man that doeth this, *and the son of man that layeth hold on it; that keepeth the Sabbath [rest in God] from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil. Neither let the son of the stranger, that hath joined himself to the LORD, speak [despairingly], saying, The LORD hath utterly separated me from his people: neither let the eunuch say [despairingly], Behold, I am a dry tree. For thus saith the LORD unto the eunuchs that keep My Sabbaths, and choose the [Kingdom of God, Kingdom of Heaven] things that please Me, and take hold of My Covenant; Even unto them [no one is excluded by God from the Kingdoms of God] will I give in mine house and within my walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them [childless] an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off.

*Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to the LORD, to serve Him, and to love the Name of the LORD, to be His servants, every one that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of My covenant; Even them will I bring to My Holy Mountain [Government], and make them joyful in My house of prayer: their [outsiders who accept Jesus] burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon Mine [Melchizedek] altar; for Mine House (Temple) 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 [Gentiles] to Him, beside those [Hebrews] that are gathered unto Him. - The Kingdoms of God are given from God to be accessible to mankind all of mankind.

- blog Bible Study: Ezekiel 19-20 - God has done a miraculous work and will continue His extraordinary work in and through the Nation of Israel "for My Name's sake" -- 'Ezekiel 20:19-22 I am the LORD your God; walk in My statutes [ways], and keep My judgments, and do them; And hallow [holy] My sabbaths [rest]; and they shall be a sign between Me and you, that ye may know that I am the LORD your God. Notwithstanding the children rebelled against Me: they walked not in My statutes, neither kept My judgments to do them, which if a man do, he shall even live in them; they polluted My sabbaths [rest]: *then I said, I would pour out My fury upon them, to accomplish My anger against them [Israel] in the wilderness. *Nevertheless I withdrew Mine hand, and wrought [Deliverers, Judges, Priests, Kings, Prophets in Israel] for My Name's sake, that it should not be polluted in the sight of the heathen [unholy], in whose sight I brought them forth.'
  Ezekiel 20:33-44 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm [on the cross], and with fury poured out, will I rule over you: And I will bring you out from the [Gentile] people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm [on the cross - the cross of Jesus Christ saved Israel], and with fury poured out. And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and there will I plead with you face to face. Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord GOD. And I will cause you to pass under the rod [to be numbered in servitude], and I will bring you into the bond of the [New] Covenant: And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against Me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I am the LORD. As for you, O House of Israel, thus saith the Lord GOD; Go ye, serve ye every one his idols, and hereafter also, if ye will not hearken unto Me: but pollute ye My Holy Name no more with your gifts, and with your idols. For in Mine Holy Mountain, in the Mountain [Temple Mount] of the height of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, there shall all the House of Israel, all of them in the land, serve Me: there will I accept them, and there will I require your offerings, and the firstfruits of your oblations, with all your holy things. **I will accept you with your sweet savour, when I bring you out from the people, and gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered [70 A.D. Diaspora]; and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen. And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country [May 14, 1948] for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers. And there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been defiled; and ye shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have committed. And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I have wrought [created, worked] with you for My Name's sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye House of Israel, saith the Lord GOD. - God has begun to bring the Nation of Israel back into the land of Israel. "I [God] will accept you with your sweet savour, when I bring you out from the people" is also a commitment and a promise that is made by God to the Christian Church. - 2 Corinthians 6:17-18 Wherefore come out from among them [unsaved], and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

- blog Bible Study: 1 Chronicles 13-16 - King David the Zadok Priesthood and the people of Israel all assist one another in order to bring the Ark of God, the Presence of God into Jerusalem -- '1 Chronicles 13:1-5 And David consulted with the captains of thousands and hundreds, and with every leader. And David said unto all the congregation of Israel, If it seem good unto you, and that it be of the LORD our God, let us send abroad unto our brethren every where, that are left in all the land of Israel, and with them also to the priests and Levites which are in their cities and suburbs, that they may gather themselves unto us: And let us bring again the ark of our God to us: for we enquired not at it in the days of Saul. And all the congregation said that they would do so: for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people. So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor of Egypt even unto the entering of Hemath, to bring the ark of God from Kirjath-jearim (Samuel 7:1).' - Note: The Ark of the Covenant entered into Jerusalem on the Sabbath Day - the same day that Jesus would later enter into Jerusalem in on His triumphal entry.
  1 Chronicles 16:37-43 So he [King David] left there before the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD *Asaph [Psalms 50 and 73-83] and his brethren, to minister before the ark continually, as every day's work required: And Obed- edom with their brethren, threescore and eight; Obed-edom also the son of Jeduthun and Hosah to be porters: And **Zadok the Priest [Zadok also dedicated the Temple for King Solomon (1 Chronicles 29:22)], *and his brethren the Priests, before the Tabernacle of the LORD in the high place that was at Gibeon, To offer burnt offerings unto the LORD upon the altar of the

burnt offering continually morning and evening, and to do according to all that is written in the law of the LORD, which He commanded Israel; And with them Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest that were chosen, who were expressed by name, to give thanks to the LORD, because His mercy endureth for ever; And with them Heman and Jeduthun with trumpets and cymbals for those that should make a sound, and with musical instruments of God. And the sons of Jeduthun were porters. And all the people departed {being (Saturday) the close of the Sabbath Day} every man to his house: and David returned to bless his house. - Note: With God's presence in Jerusalem, with King David on the Throne in Jerusalem and Zadok officiating as one of the Priests of Israel the transition from Saul and Eli had been completed and the transition from the Tabernacle/Temple Ministry of animal blood sacrifice to the Ministry of the Holy Word of God, later confirmed, established and completed in the birth, cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ for all mankind was well under way.

- blog Bible Study: Matthew 21 - Jesus and His Disciples are now near Jerusalem - Jesus sends two of His Disciples to a Donkey with its young offspring - The Disciples bring the Lord [ultimate owner] His Donkey [the guy probably didn't redeem His donkey according to the law (Exodus 13:13) and as a first born colt it did belong to God] - Jesus then enters into Jerusalem riding upon an untamed colt [untamed to man but tame to God] -- 'Psalm 118:23-29 This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day [Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem] which the LORD hath made; we (Kingdom Disciples) will rejoice and be glad in it. Save [Salvation] now, I beseech thee, O LORD: O LORD, I beseech thee, send now prosperity [healing]. Blessed be He (Jesus) that cometh in the Name of the LORD: we have blessed you out of the House [Temple worship] of the LORD. *God is the LORD, which hath shewed us light: bind the sacrifice [Jesus] with cords, even unto the horns of the altar. Thou art My God, and I will praise thee [while Jesus is enduring His suffering He will praise His Father in Heaven]: thou art My God {My Father}, I will exalt [honor] thee. O give thanks unto the LORD; for He is good: for His mercy endureth for ever.' {Note: The 70 Weeks of Daniel are counting the days of Gentile Kingdoms starting at "the commandment [by king Artaxerxes to Nehemiah to rebuild the Jerusalem wall about 445 B.C. (source: http://www.bereanwatchmen.com/j.r.lawendowski/daniels-70-weeks.html) - following the earlier King Cyrus 538 B.C. command for the Jews to return back to Jerusalem from Babylonian captivity - both commands were given during the Gentile Persian empire of the 4th Global Gentile Kingdom] to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah" -- The 69th Week concluded on Saturday [not Sunday but (Palm Saturday)] the day of the [Jewish] Triumphal Entry [fulfillment of the Feast of Sabbath] of Jesus into Jerusalem [ending Global Gentile Kingdom reign (the beginning of the end of 1 Nation Gentile Global Reign until the 7th Kingdom, the Global Kingdom of Antichrist)]. Also Note: The 70th and final week of Daniels' 70 Weeks is in the Book of Revelation during the Gentile Antichrist Global Reign while the time period between the Triumphal Entry of Jesus (completed in Resurrection Sunday) is the Christian Church Age (Acts 15:14-18) until the empowerment of the 1 Antichrist Global Kingdom.}
  A Day foretold by the Prophets and the Scriptures: The Triumphal Entry of Jesus into Jerusalem was foretold throughout the Hebrew Old Testament. The Psalms particularly Psalm 118, the Prophets Daniel and Ezekiel and in fact all of Heaven and all of creation desired to see the Day that the LORD had made the day that God came and established His Holy, just and righteous Kingdom among all mankind. - 'Zechariah 9:9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: He is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass [donkey], and upon a colt the foal [baby donkey] of an ass.' - 'Zechariah 9:9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: He is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass [donkey], and upon a colt the foal [baby donkey] of an ass.' - **'Daniel 9:24-27 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people [Jews] and upon thy Holy City [Jerusalem], to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision [Law] and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy (Jesus). Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah (Jesus) the Prince shall be seven weeks [seven Jewish decades 49 years - these weeks were the Jewish decade of seven years the Levitical decade seventh year of release], and threescore and two weeks [62 Jewish decades 434 years]: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times. And after threescore and two weeks [the 434 years] shall Messiah be cut off [crucifixion], but not for Himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined. And He [Antichrist] shall confirm the covenant with many for one week [the 70th and final week regarding Jerusalem]: and in the midst of the week at [3½ years] he [Antichrist] shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation [in the rebuilt 3rd Temple] to cease, and for the overspreading [saturation] of abominations [evil] he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation [end of the Book of Revelation], and that determined shall be poured [bowl judgments of Revelation 16:1] upon the desolate.'

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No more enabling, perpetuating and furthering the very serious and real problems of
Predatory Preaching (exercising spiritual authority over others) and
Predatory Tithing (receiving finances from others for personal lifestyle uses)
and the many other compromising and Emergent/New Age spirituality problems
that are now creeping up within the true Christian Church!

- Bible Verse: Matthew 24:45-51 Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his Lord (Jesus) hath made ruler over His household [fellowship], to give them meat [sound doctrine Bible study] in due season? Blessed is that servant, whom his Lord when He cometh shall find so doing. {The complete Bible is available at ChristianFaithDownloads.com}
  Matthew 24:45-51 Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his Lord (Jesus) hath made ruler over His household, to give them meat [sound doctrine Bible study] in due season? Blessed is that servant, whom his Lord when He cometh shall find so doing. Verily I say unto you, That He shall make him [faithful servant] ruler over all His goods. But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My Lord delayeth His coming; And shall begin to smite his fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunken; The Lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for Him, and in an hour that he is not aware of, And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. -- Matthew 13:41-43 The Son of Man (Jesus) shall send forth His [Holy] Angels, and they shall gather out of His Kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the Kingdom of their Father. Who hath [Spiritual] ears to hear, let him hear. -- Holy Bible [article link]

- The New Testament concept of Fellowship financial openness and accountability -- "John 15:14-16 Ye are My friends, if ye do whatsoever I (Jesus) command you. **Henceforth I call you not servants (lit. slaves); for the servant (slave) knoweth not what his Lord doeth: ***but I have called you friends (lit. brotherly love); for all things that I have heard of My Father I have made known [openness] unto you. ... that [with brotherly love and openness] whatsoever ye shall ask [i.e. Moses in the Tabernacle (Tent) of the Congregation speaking to God - Numbers 7:89] of the Father in My name, He may give it you."
  John 15:11-27 These things have I (Jesus) spoken unto you, that My joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full. This is My Commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, *if ye do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his Lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you. Ye have not chosen Me, but ***I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that [with brotherly love and openness] whatsoever ye shall ask [i.e. Moses in the Tabernacle (Tent) of the Congregation speaking to God - Numbers 7:89] of the Father in My name, He may give it you. These things I command you, that ye love one another. If the world hate you, ye know that it hated Me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his Lord. If they have persecuted Me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept My saying, they will keep yours also. But all these things will they do unto you for My name's sake, because they know not Him (Father) that sent Me (Jesus). If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloke [covering] for their sin. He that hateth Me hateth My Father also. If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin [of open rebellion]: but now have they both seen and hated both Me and My Father. But this cometh to pass, that the Word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They [sinners] hated Me without a cause. But when the Comforter (Holy Spirit) is come [Pentecost], whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of Truth, which proceedeth from the Father, He (Holy Spirit) shall testify of Me (Jesus): And ye (Apostles) also shall bear witness, because ye have been with Me from the beginning. [article link]

- The Old Testament concept of Congregation financial openness and accountability - Moses publically reported the gifting, finances and tithes given and offered to his congregation --"Numbers 7:89 **And [after public openness and accountability] when Moses was gone into the Tabernacle [Tent] of the Congregation to speak with Him [God], then he heard the voice of One speaking unto him from off the mercy seat that was upon the Ark of Testimony, from between the two cherubims: and he spake unto Him."
  Example: Numbers 7:10-89 And the princes offered for dedicating of the altar in the day that it was anointed,

even the princes offered their offering before the altar. And the LORD said unto Moses, They shall offer their offering, each prince on his day, for the dedicating of the altar. And he that offered his offering the first day was Nahshon the son of Amminadab, of the tribe of Judah: And his offering was one silver charger [a serving tray], the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them were full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: One spoon of ten shekels of gold, full of incense: One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering: One kid of the goats for a sin offering: And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the offering of Nahshon the son of Amminadab. On the second day Nethaneel the son of Zuar, prince of Issachar, did offer: He offered for his offering one silver charger [a serving tray], the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: One spoon of gold of ten shekels, full of incense: One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering: One kid of the goats for a sin offering: And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the offering of Nethaneel the son of Zuar. On the third day ... And all the oxen for the sacrifice of the peace offerings were twenty and four bullocks, the rams sixty, the he goats sixty, the lambs of the first year sixty. This was the dedication of the altar, after that it was anointed. **And [after public openness and accountability] when Moses was gone into the Tabernacle [Tent] of the Congregation to speak with Him [God], then he heard the voice of One speaking unto him from off the mercy seat that was upon the Ark of Testimony, from between the two cherubims: and he spake unto Him.
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- FBCJaxWatchDog: Evangelical Council of Financial Accountability (ECFA) Webinar - "Unleash a Generosity Surge at Your Church" - This webinar will encourage generosity in your church as we review the results from the State of the Plate and the View from the Pew surveys {Note: We as Christians can't do much about the level of greed, abuse and corruption at the U.N. but we can certainly still do something about it in our local Churches. If the Church is not 100% Transparent with their financial statements [readily assessable legal - tax documents] then don't donate or donate only a minimal amount. We all have to take part in reducing the greed and corruption within the current Christian Church system, it is at the point that if we don't take a stand against it we are becoming a part of the problem! - Also Note: the ECFA is seemingly a very unaccountable and suspect [red flag] organization itself. The ECFA though pretending to provide financial oversight for Churches and Ministries refuses to make their own financial statements publically available. Any Church or organization that is ECFA affiliated should be immediately removed from being considered a good, accountable, responsible, viable or safe place for our hard earned donations. - It's not too much to ask any Church or fellowship to display their financial [tax filings] documents and statements, in fact, it's a minimum that an honest and open Church or Ministry must do!}
  The same group that Senator Grassley is hoping will encourage churches to be more financially transparent and thus avoid federal legislation in the area of religious organization fund raising - is actually hosting a webinar to help churches squeeze more money out of their people. And their logo has a pastor's head overlayed on top of a pile of money. I'm sure Grassley is going to love that! It would have been better to have him with a fist full of cash in his hand! Who has ECFA hired for their webinar? Why none other than "bestselling generosity author" Brian Kluth, also described as "one of the world's leading authorities on charitable giving and generosity". Experts in generosity? Can't we just call it what it is: "fund raiser". We've had people for decades know how to "raise funds", but in the church that wouldn't go over well, so we call them "generosity consultants". Click here to see Brian Kluth's "Maximum Generosity" website where churches can buy his resources on how to get your people to be more generous. Can't be too much longer and we'll see informercials on this. If we have "generosity experts" marketing their wares to pastors, how long before the SBC seminaries start pumping out PhD's in "generosity"? Shouldn't every mega church have a PhD in "generosity", aka "fund raising"? Look below at the blurbs from the ECFA website and blast email - while the speaker isn't using Alec Baldwin's "AIDA" approach, it is awfully close: the five I's: Instruct, Inspire, Influence, Involve, and Ignite! And of course, he'll explain three things you can do, pastor, to increase giving 10% in the next 12 months. -- Here's a strategy: how about preach the gospel, convert the lost, and then just let the Holy Spirit grow your church and let them give according to New Testament standards? Nope, the gospel and Jesus aren't good enough anymore. We need more. We need to pay generosity consultants to tell our pastors how to tell us how to give more money and stop being stingy. -- Preach Jesus, love people, teach people to love Jesus, and see what happens. [article link]

- Looming [U.N.] Financial Crisis Forces U.N. to Mull Less-Than-Radical Cutbacks - The government of Britain was the first to deliver that message last month, when its ministry for international development announced it would cut off four minor U.N. organizations entirely from funding at the end of next year, and put others on warning that they would face the same fate if they did not improve performance - Other generous U.N. funders, like Norway, have started financial reviews that could lead to similar results
  One country that has not yet taken the austerity approach is the U.S., which provides at least $6.4 billion for the U.N., according to U.S. government compilations. What most of the suggestions sent to the Nairobi meeting reveal is that despite years of a widely-touted effort to "deliver as one" united organization in its humanitarian and other efforts, the U.N. is still a widely disparate array of uncoordinated bureaucracies, ranging from such giants as the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and the World Food Program, to such relative backwaters as the International Labor Organization and the International Maritime Organization. ... They also call for "intensification of audits of operations at country, regional and global level," which would reinforce "the sense of fiscal discipline, responsibility and cost consciousness." The suggestion does not note, though another systemwide U.N. study does, that U.N. auditors are already over-stretched, under-qualified for their work, and often impeded and ignored by their bosses. None of the ideas presented to the Nairobi meeting included a drastic change in the ramshackle way the U.N. system itself has grown in the past six decades. Notably, nothing in the suggestions addresses the inefficiency of having 28 international funds, agencies, programs, regulatory agencies and other major global bureaucracies in the first place, many with overlapping and competing mandates for their activities, especially in such rapidly expanding areas as environmentalism. Changes in that overall bureaucratic challenge likely are beyond the pay-grades of even the top-most U.N. executives -- not to mention, perhaps that the changes might not be in their personal or bureaucratic interest. [article link]

- CNN: NATO takes command in Libya - U.S. officials, opposition warn Libya could get bloodier - CIA operatives have been in Libya working with [Al-Qaeda backed?] rebel leaders to try to reverse gains by loyalist forces, a U.S. intelligence source said {Note: these stunning Middle-East developments and the UN response and involvement could be no less than the disintegration of the UN as a viable organization. Only days before the Libya crisis began England was in the process of reducing their funding commitment to the UN. The UN response to Libya has been disastrous, when Libya a UN member Nation asked for impartial observers the UN responded with one of the most outrageous military assaults in modern history by delivering untold death and destruction upon the tiny UN Nation of Libya. Biased UN decisions and actions that can only ultimately in all likelihood result in the withdrawal of reasonable (UN) member Nations particularly the Middle-East Nations.}
  Tripoli, Libya (CNN) -- From the halls of Congress to the shell-pocked streets of Libyan cities, intertwined themes rang clear Thursday: Leader Moammar Gadhafi is determined to prevail, and the opposition needs more training and allied airstrikes to have a chance. ... The United States, insisting it is now fulfilling more of a support role in the coalition, shifted in that direction as NATO took sole command of air operations in Libya. The ferocity of this month's fighting and Gadhafi's advantage in firepower was clearly evident in Misrata, which has seen snipers, significant casualties and destruction. ... The CIA has had a presence in Libya for some time, a U.S. official told CNN earlier this month. "The intelligence community is aggressively pursuing information on the ground," the official said. The CIA sent additional personnel to Libya to augment officers on the ground after the anti-government protests erupted, the official said, without giving details. ... NATO emphasized Thursday that the U.N. resolution authorizing action in Libya precludes "occupation forces." NATO Adm. Giampaolo Di Paola, chairman of the NATO Military Committee, indicated that the presence of foreign intelligence personnel does not violate U.N. Security Council 1973, which authorized action in Libya. The term "occupation forces" has "a quite clear meaning," he said at a news conference in Brussels, adding that NATO receives and uses intelligence from allies and does not judge the sources. The NATO mission, called Operation Unified Protector, includes an arms embargo, a no-fly zone, and "actions to protect civilians and civilian centers," NATO said Thursday. It follows U.N. Security Council Resolution 1973, allowing member states to take all necessary measures -- "while excluding a foreign occupation force of any form" -- to protect civilians under the threat of attack in Libya. [article link]

- Heartlight.org: The Authority of Reality "Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you" (James 4:8) - from My Utmost for His Highest, by Oswald Chambers
  It is essential to give people a chance of acting on the truth of God. The responsibility must be left with the individual, you cannot act for him, it must be his own deliberate act, but the evangelical message ought always to lead a man to act. The paralysis of refusing to act leaves a man exactly where he was before; when once he

acts, he is never the same. It is the foolishness of it that stands in the way of hundreds who have been convicted by the Spirit of God. Immediately I precipitate myself over into an act, that second I live; all the rest is existence. The moments when I truly live are the moments when I act with my whole will. Never allow a truth of God that is brought home to your soul to pass without acting on it, not necessarily physically, but in will. ... We have to go clean over on some word of our redeeming Lord and transact business with Him. His word "come" means "transact." "Come unto Me." The last thing we do is to come; but everyone who does come knows that that second the supernatural rush of the life of God invades him instantly. The dominating power of the world, the flesh and the devil is paralysed, not by your act, but because your act has linked you on to God and His redemptive power.

- Minister or Sinister? Pimppreacher via Apostasywatch: How to know when your Church has become a cult - Everything is about CONTROL - The main tools used to control members are INTIMIDATION and MANIPULATION - *The intimidation and manipulation are very subtle and disguised with a false sense of love and concern - It's all a strategic COURTSHIP
  RUNNING GAME The Cult [suspect Church] will have a team of people (we will call them the GAMERS) who are assigned to COURT you (THE PROSPECT) [for their gain - power, prestige, finances, etc]. The courtship begins with COMMUNICATION. Good communication starts with paying attention to what is said. The Gamer will ask strategic questions about the PROSPECT, their family and their life. Once they hear something they can identify with the prospect (YOU) they will begin telling the prospect how wonderful the church is (disclaimer: they will always say "we're not a perfect church, but we love God and our Pastor loves the people of God, we are a loving church"). -- The Gamer will tell a story about how they were so lost, broke down, and hurt BUT because of this ministry they were able to get their lives together and they don't know where they would be without this ministry (*not GOD, but the ministry) this will of course include many examples of how the Cult Pastor is very sincere and loving. This call will conclude with an invitation (FIRST DATE). This first date may be an invitation to come to the midweek service, a fellowship, or next Sunday's service and the prospect is told to ask for the Gamer as soon as they come through the door so the two of them can sit together. The members are moved by what they HEAR they are compelled to say YES TO THE FIRST DATE. ... PROPHET OR PROFIT? In treating the members as children they are taught to NEVER speak against the leader. If fact, any questioning of the ministry teachings, any criticism, any independent thinking is considered a form of rebellion. "Touch not my anointed and do my prophet no harm" I Chron. 16:22. There will be a strong emphasis on authority, unquestioning obedience and submission. Members become afraid to say anything, even if they know something is wrong because speaking against what they KNOW to be wrong is speaking against the "Pastor" and it's a SIN. They are convinced that if the Pastor is wrong - God will get him and when the "wrong' is continued they assume the Pastor was right. And if anyone is ever so bold to speak against the leader they are ostracized by the entire church. Yes, this "loving" church will turn their back on you. -- SiGNS TO LOOK FOR: 1. LOST OF IDIVIDUALITY. You are no longer a creative, independent thinking individual. Everyone must speak the SAME thing.say what the leader says at all times.any other opinion is going against God. 2. LOST OF RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHERS. Relationship with friends, relatives, and children - ANY NON-MEMBER is severed. - RELATIONSHIP IS BASED ON MEMBERSHIP 3. EXCESSIVE GIVING. Extreme pressure to give all you have. Several offerings, large sums, public announcement of your amount resulting in guilt and intimidation. 4. ISOLATION. Isolation from anything and anyone not directly affiliated with the church. 5. CONTROL OF TIME. 6. LOSS OF FREE WILL. Members cannot make any independent decisions concerning personal life. Cannot question leadership.

- Fbcjaxwatchdog: (Predatory Tithing) Ed Young's Tithing Sermon: Show Me the Money! - The video of Ed Young posted here on Sunday has gotten quite a bit of play around the blogosphere It has even moved over to YouTube - Christians and non-Christians alike are flabbergasted that a pastor from the pulpit is trying to get people to commit to give 10% of their income to his church through automatic withdrawal {Note: the Corporation Churches [501(c)3] need to own up to their public accountability and financial obligations in reporting and accounting for every single dime that they collect in offerings [so called tithes, offerings, gifts]. The Basic Christian Ministry is going to designate 2011 as a year of Church accountability [actually starting now!!] - No public disclosure of legal financial statements provided by the church and staff then no money provided by the congregation it's that simple!! - Also Note: The people that are blindly donating to demanding and offensive personalities are the very people that are enabling, perpetuating and furthering this very serious [*Predatory Tithing] problem within the Church. It's important that everyone within the congregation accept responsibility and withhold financial support from any Church or organization that is not 100% transparent with its organizational structure, affiliations or income disbursements.} (YouTube)
  He tells them they are cursed if they don't tithe. He wonders why they come to church if they don't bring the

tithe, tells them to stay home or play golf, to quit wasting Ed's and God's time. He says to watch your wallet if you're sitting next to a non-tither. He brags that "blessings track him down" for his 29 years of faithfulness. He even declares multiple times that the blessings of the Christian life are "all about the money". Ed even says "Show me the money" - which I take to mean "show me your bank account and routing number". He says that if you don't tithe, your marriage, your job, your kids, will all suffer because you're under God's curse. I hope that someone in Ed's circle of friends - maybe John Cross, or maybe Ed's father - someone, will help Ed see that he is abusing his congregation. Comments: Anonymous said... 80% of Ed young's church membership need to leave the church now. Those people should choose a place to meet and have a great time in fellowship. choose a God fearing man as a teacher while giving him some living standards. No jet. And learn the truth of the [B]ible.

- Basic Christian: Note: Only informed responsible giving (tithing) is cheerful giving - Previous year 501c3 non-profit tax form filings should be open and publically available (in Church offices) and on the internet for anyone and everyone to look at and only then is a person capable of making an informed decision about personally donating to charitable 'Churches' and causes i.e. a Harvest Crusade type of event -- "2 Corinthians 9:7 Every man according as he purposeth [responsibly] in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful [responsible] giver."
  Only informed responsible giving (tithing) is cheerful giving! Not the ignorance is bliss, dutiful giving that the modern Church now wants us to participate in. -- "Ecclesiastes 7:12 For wisdom is a defense [refuge], and money [opportunity, power, influence, prestige] is a defense: but [more important than money] the excellency of [Biblical] knowledge [accurate, reliable Biblical doctrine] is, that wisdom giveth [eternal] life to them that have it."

- Donor Bill of Rights: PHILANTHROPY (Charitable Donations) is based on voluntary action for the common good - It is a tradition [and religious requirement] of giving and sharing that is primary to the quality of life - To assure that philanthropy merits the respect and trust of the general public, and that donors and prospective donors can have full confidence in the not-for-profit organizations and causes they are asked to support, we declare that all donors have these rights: I. To be informed of the organization's mission, of the way the organization intends to use donated resources, and of its capacity to use donations effectively for their intended purposes - II. To be informed of the identity of those serving on the organization's governing board, and to expect the board to exercise prudent judgment in its stewardship responsibilities - III. **To have access to the organization's most recent financial statements - IV. To be assured their gifts will be used for the purposes for which they were given
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- Questions: Ask a Nonprofit (Church - Crusade - Conference - etc.) *Before Investing in [or contributing to] it - 3. What are your annual goals, needs, and results? How do they compare to similar organizations in your community? - 6. How well have you utilized your funding? Describe how efficiently you have fulfilled your goals of recent years in relationship to the amount of funds you have raised
  Thinking of donating to a nonprofit? Here are some suggested questions to ask nonprofit organizations before investing in them. The answers can help you determine which charities to give to and evaluate the performance of the philanthropies you already support. 1. How are you collaborating with similar organizations on a local, regional, or national level? 2. What are the main obstacles that inhibit the fulfillment of your mission? How are you planning to overcome them? 3. What are your annual goals, needs, and results? How do they compare to similar organizations in your community? 4. How much turnover have you experienced of employees and board members in the last two years {and how many related family members are employed and in what places within the organization}? 5. To what degree have you attracted new people

{non-family members} and new ideas to your organization and board? 6. *How well have you utilized your funding? Describe how efficiently you have fulfilled your goals of recent years in relationship to the amount of funds you have raised. 7. Most for-profit organizations have recently restructured themselves in recent years to become more efficient and productive. How, if at all, are you considering (or have you implemented) some version of this approach? 8. How efficiently is your organization run? To what degree have you assigned day-to-day management responsibilities to a tightly run executive committee instead of relying upon your full board? 9. Who are your main competitors and how do your results in recent years compare to theirs?

- Tips for Choosing a Charity: A Donor's 9-Step Guide to Giving Wisely - Avoid charities that won't share information or pressure you - Reputable nonprofits: Will discuss their programs and finances - [they] Don't use pressure tactics - Are willing to send you literature about their work or direct you to a Web site - Will take "no" for an answer - Trust your instincts: If you still have doubts about a charity, don't contribute to it - Instead, find another nonprofit that does the same kind of work and with which you feel comfortable, then make your donation
  Tips for Choosing a Charity: A Donor's 9-Step Guide to Giving Wisely - Here are GuideStar's tips for donors who want to give with their heads as well as their hearts. Researching Charities Clarify your values. Do this before you open your checkbook, volunteer your time, or look at that letter from a charity. Identify your preferences. Ask yourself: "What is important to me?" The environment? Education? Hunger? Animal welfare? Helping sick children? Where should the charity do its work-in your neighborhood, region, the nation, or internationally? Ask yourself if you want to support a large or small charity, a new or an old one. Search the GuideStar database to find charities that meet your criteria. Focus on the mission. Look at each charity's description in the GuideStar search results, on its Web site, or in its literature. Find the nonprofits that fit best with your values. Eliminate organizations that don't meet your criteria. Now you're ready to look more closely at these organizations. Evaluating Charities Get the cold, hard facts. A reputable organization will: Define its mission and programs clearly. Have measurable goals. Use concrete criteria to describe its achievements. Compare apples to apples. Be sure to compare charities that do the same kind of work, especially if you're looking at their finances. The type of work a charity does can affect its operating costs dramatically. Avoid charities that won't share information or pressure you. Reputable nonprofits: Will discuss their programs and finances. Don't use pressure tactics. Are willing to send you literature about their work or direct you to a Web site. Will take "no" for an answer. Trust your instincts. If you still have doubts about a charity, don't contribute to it. Instead, find another nonprofit that does the same kind of work and with which you feel comfortable, then make your donation.

- Fbcjaxwatchdog: Update: Predatory Preaching - Why So Much Angst About Anonymous Critics? {Note: I was listening to this [terrible outburst] again this morning [and again I'm very disheartened to have to listen to it - such an obvious wolf in sheep's clothing speaking from behind the pulpit]. I was left wondering why does this pastor only rail against anonymous criticism, if he were to be consistent wouldn't he be equally offended by anonymous donors as well. If the modern church leadership [and I use that term lightly] is going to take such a self-imposed righteous stand against anonymous criticism then equally they need to reject all anonymous donations as being equally "pathetic" and from "narcissistic zeros" and for the record, whoever made that anonymous comment, he or she was very smart to make it anonymously. It seems that some leaders- pastors want info in order to use it [seriously] in [Satanic] curse rituals against the person that is trying to help the Church move forward in a godly way. So yes, be very careful about letting your name, as a helpful person or as a critic get in the hands of some of these pastors where once they have an identity they can go to work behind the scenes [demonically casting spells and socially casting dispersions] making life very difficult for anyone they desire to do harm to.} (Audio)
  I recently came across the audio excerpt below from Matt Chandler, where he absolutely blasts people who would dare send him anonymous, critical emails. He angrily calls them several choice names like "pathetic" and "narcissistic zeros". I came across this audio clip at Dr. Alvin Reid's blog site, as he included Chandler's clip with his blog post here entitled "Dealing with Critics". You really have to listen to this. It gives I think a glimpse into just how much disdain there is for anonymous emailers and bloggers critical of the Southern Baptist power structure. It is my view, based on my experience as a formerly anonymous blogger, that Chandler's disdain for anonymous critics is shared by many of our Southern Baptist leaders. After all, Alvin Reid posts it for his readers (many of whom are our future pastors!), presumably as an example of how to view those who dare to criticize anonymously.

- Emerging Church DVD: Extremely Important Viewing!!! Part 8 - Dialectic Deception - [To Download Click the Share Button] (Online Video)
  Emerging Church DVD (Online) This two hour and forty-five minute DVD takes a hard look into the beliefs and practices of what has become one of the most dangerous deceptions assaulting God's people today - The Emergent Church. - Part 8: Sandy Simpson speaks on: Methods used by false teachers to deceive God's people.

Calvary Chapel Abuse blog "Those (pastors) who sin are to be rebuked publicly, so that the others may take warning" (1 Timothy 5) - Is Roger Oakland right about Calvary Chapel? - Roger Oakland [UnderstandTheTimes.org] has been an outspoken critic, as has Deborah Dombrowski of Lighthouse Trails Research [LighthouseTrailsResearch.com/blog] and many others regarding End Times Apostasy and Ecumenicism of Calvary Chapel
Comments: #11
* The pastor has real accountability that doesn't require his [approval] to submit to it while he's in sin.
* Elders would actually be able to hold the pastor accountable, without his being able to fire them first.
* Elders would not be chosen by the pastor, so he can "stack the deck" and/or choose "yes" men.
* Same goes for the financial board.
* The financial books are [to be] open for people to look at and ask questions without any retribution or removal ... oh, and they actually get real answers.
* The Moses Model [Calvary Chapel of Costa Mesa] leadership [model] would be removed.
* Actual pastoring of the flock, i.e. visit the sick, help the orphans & widows, model servant leadership.
* Not overworking leadership (6 1/2 days per week @ 50 to 80 hours).
* Pastor doesn't underpay leaders with the excuse, "Where God guides, he provides."
* Pastor doesn't overpay himself, comparing to a CEO's pay. (Pay includes: ALL the perks, wife's pay, vacations, meals, gas, cars, housing, clothing allowance, gym memberships, etc....)
* Pastors & leaders understand that Matthew 18 applies to them, too.
* Pastor understands that he is not more anointed than the attenders, not more special, and doesn't have God's ear more than the rest of the Christians.
* Pastor is not a narcissist.
* The leaders surrounding the Pastor are not "yes" men.
* The church [voters] would have membership, ensuring accountability for the pastor and [oversight in the] use of money.
* Pastors/elders/leaders actually biblically qualify to be in the position.
* Pastors/elders/leaders are actually removed when they no longer qualify.
Show me a CC church [any Church/Fellowship] that has any of these and I'm interested to know more.
[article link]

Breaking News!! Calvary Chapel Abuse blog - "You can't handle the Truth!" Another peak behind the Curtain - My "meeting" with [Pastor] Chuck Smith - {Note: as the Calvary Chapel denomination enters disintegration mode right before our very eyes [Pastor Chuck Smith has apparently just divested himself of all authority and oversight among ALL Affiliated Calvary Chapels associated with Calvary Chapel of Costa Mesa] -- any current Calvary Chapel or any Church or Fellowship can use the Basic Christian Ministry Material (BasicChristian.org). Instead of calling your Church a Calvary Chapel avoid the turmoil that is happening there and be prepared to preach a peaceful Gospel of Jesus Christ. Disassociate with CCCM and drop the vaguely pseudo CC Dove and instead while you decide what you want to do put a B in front of your CC and become a "Basic Christian Church" BCC or a "Basic Christian Chapel" BCC instead of a Calvary Chapel CC and use the Three Cross Logo of Basic Christian as a new Church/Chapel Logo. Welcome! Now move on to being a BCC and preaching a trusted Gospel to the world.}
I'm obviously disappointed that I didn't hear from Chuck Smith or his attorney, Janet Carter, yesterday regarding the Bob Grenier situation (though I emailed and left a message asking what the verdict was). ... The meeting quickly turns to "what do you mean you can't yank Bob's dove [Calvary Chapel Affiliation]?" We then argue about Affiliation. Chuck takes the position that he "can't" yank doves or Dis-Affiliate anyone and that **he doesn't even know there is "Affiliation" or an "Affiliation Agreement." I tell him I have a copy of one. He says he'd like to see it, that he has no knowledge of one, etc. I ask Dave Rolph the same thing. Dave says he has no idea what I'm talking about, this [Calvary Chapel] "Affiliation" thing. I tell them they're both lying

through their teeth, but I get it, we're going to play the Lawyer Game. ... During the course of the "Affiliation" argument, I brought up the fact that Calvary Chapel owns the licensing rights to the Dove Logo and name Calvary Chapel. This was denied flatly. I then argued from the Absurd to make a point. I asked Chuck and his attorney if I could open up a Calvary Chapel Costa Mesa II right across the street and use the same Dove Logo and if they'd have a problem with that. They said, "No." Basically, they said the only thing that could or would stop me was the State of California if it infringed on DBA/corporate name entity stuff, that basically, Calvary Chapel doesn't have any licensing or enforcement of licensing. ... It was now crystal clear that this was a Hill Chuck would die on. He doesn't want to hand over Agency and/or Implied Agency to Kosnoff and lose the lawsuit he's in. He'll lie or spin (and justify it, I believe he sincerely thinks he's righteous in doing so to protect "the Lord's Work" at CCCM) to not lay down in that suit and potentially others. Chuck is very intelligent and his lawyers are very intelligent. Chuck should've listened to Jeff Dorman many years ago when he was warned about going half-way with this pseudo-Denomination Light "Affiliation" and now "Fellowship" thingy, but again, it is what it is. Chuck did take the warning, though, to change it from "Affiliation" to "Fellowship" as "Affiliation" has a legal connotation that screams Agency…so at least he did that some years back (though many Calvary Chapel Pastors still claim they are "Affiliated", etc). ... My position was that Bob Grenier called Chuck "his Pastor"…from the pulpit, on his website, in his book. Chuck said clearly that he "wasn't" Bob's pastor. I said, "Well, that would be news to Bob." I told Chuck, whether he liked it or not, he was Bob Grenier's "pastor" and had a Scriptural obligation to deal with him per 1 Timothy 5:19-22. -- Comments: #2 I have a profound disagreement with Chuck and CC that he has zero responsibility or obligation in these matters (and many other matters) and my position is that the CC church-goer at large is being misinformed (some would call it lied to) or given the wrong impresseion etc about what the Calvary Chapel Costa Mesa, CCOF, Calvary Chapel and "Affiliation" and/or "Fellowship" situation really is. [article link]

Alpha & Omega Ministries Apologetics Blog - I have been downright encouraged to note the response that has appeared to the amazing statements of James McDonald of "Vertical Church" wherein he basically throws Nicene orthodoxy under the proverbial bus - Now I know that "emergent" folks have an odd relationship with history---they love to drag stuff out of history, without its attendant context, as if it is "new" but when it comes to accepting that [we] stand on the shoulders of giants and that there are things that have simply been settled in the past, they rebel and want to put everything "back on the table" -- {Note: The Jerusalem Creed [1st Church Council about 49 A.D. in Jerusalem] has 4 Cornerstones the fourth one being not to offend traditional Jews. The Church Creeds [Jerusalem, Nicene, etc.] are important and relevant to all of Christianity. Since one of the Cornerstones of the 1st Church Council is to support Jews and Traditional Judaism it is an original and longstanding tenant that true Christianity acknowledges its debt and emergence from (God ordained) Mosaic Judaism. "Acts 1:20-21 [The Jerusalem Creed - 1st Church Council about 49 A.D. in Jerusalem] But that we [Apostles] write unto them [Gentile Christians], (1.) that they abstain from [occult] pollutions of idols, (2.) and from [immorality] fornication, (3.) and from things [cruelty] strangled, (4.) and from [Levitical] blood. **For Moses of old time hath [traditional Jews] in every city them that preach him (Moses), being read in the synagogues every Sabbath day."}
But even more importantly than the tweaking of Modalism so that it gets a place at the table is the attitude McDonald has displayed toward the Nicene definition. He says he does not trace his beliefs to credal statements. Really? If by that he means creeds are always subject to the higher authority of Scripture, of course. But this is where you fall off the other side of the narrow path and rather than believing in sola scriptura, you end up with something much less, and in fact, much different. Nicea's authority comes from its fidelity to Scripture. It does not stand alone as a new revelation, and it survived simply because it is, despite all the arguments to the contrary, the consistent, harmonious testimony of divine writ. To throw its authority into the dustbin of history in the service of some kind of "emergent" attitude is not only to display an astoundingly arrogant hubris, it is to show deep disrespect to those who fought, and some who died, in defense of its truth. And for what? For some kind of post-modern feel-goodism that cannot even recognize modalism when it is standing right in front of you. A truly educational example of just how far the emergent movement is willing to go in pursuit of its ultimately destructive goals. -- Recently Jamin Hubner has raised issues relating to a simple question: is the modern secular state of Israel religiously and theologically significant? Is it "Israel" as in the Israel of Scripture, or Romans 11? And if it is not, is it open to criticism? He is concerned about the strength of the movement, mainly amongst American evangelicals, that has granted to Israel not only a theological position it does not actually hold, but which precludes even the slightest mention of criticism of a secular state. Now, I am not going to re-hash everything here, but he has even been accused of being a "shill for Hamas" due to sources he has cited and issues he has raised (which seems to me to provide strong evidence of the need to raise such issues and challenge the knee-jerk reactions of many in the Evangelical community as a whole). While he has sought fair and non-emotional responses to questions he

has raised, his requests have, in the main, fallen upon deaf ears, for I see no evidence that his critics really want to have a give-and-take. [article link]

Comming Soon!! Common Christian Community CCC CommonChristianCommunity.com and Common Christian Faith CCF CommonChristianFaith.com - Fellowship and Resources for a Common Christian Community - Church, Chapel, Campus -- Epistle of Jude v3 "Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." ~ God bless everyone, David Anson Brown Coming Soon: A Resource, Information and Fellowship for Christians with a Common Salvation!! [article link]

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- Revival Hymn - (Mp3s - Video Downloads)
  Revival Hymn - Few people have ever lived through the experience of God working in revival power - One of the few exceptions in modern times took place in the Scottish Isle of Lewis between 1949 and 1952 - At Barvas Parish Church the Hebridean revival began [while a man 'young man' in the (Friday night), weekly Church prayer meeting (held in a barn) was praying the 24th Psalm and asked "God are my hands clean, God is my heart pure"] - It is also called "Revival Fire" at some locations on the internet. The transcript has been added to help with the clarity of the spoken word. - The speakers included in this message are Ian Paisley, Leonard Ravenhill, Paris Reidhead, Duncan Campbell, A.W. Tozer and T. Austin Sparks. May it light a "revival fire" in you as it has in me!

- Revival on The Isle of Lewis by Duncan Campbell - (Mp3s)
  Listen to this first-hand account of the Lewis Revival during the early 1950s. Duncan Campbell was God's instrument in this extraordinary awakening. In this tape Campbell recounts point-by-point this three-year movement of the Holy Spirit over the Hebrides Islands. Thousands were converted, conviction overwhelmed villages, outward sin disappeared, and prayer meetings were packed! Your heart will be thrilled as you listen to this tape about this heaven-sent revival in Lewis. {Note: Duncan Campbell differentiates between Revival and Church Evangelism (modern Church growth efforts). Modern Church growth "is not revival" only personal growth is Revival "God are my hands clean, God is my heart pure." The modern Rick Warren type of Churches are attempting to grow their own membership primarily in order to grow their finances and to increase their influence only within other modern socially driven Christian churches but not Biblically within society itself. The result is a compromised modern influence that is greatly based on biblical and doctoral error and therefore it is a worldly false influence and primarily being a false influence the revival and a personal fellowship growth with God is greatly diminished not being "gripped with eternity" even though the larger numbers of people in attendance might indicate revival and a worldly success modern church growth is more of an exercise in human manipulation than a Divine, eternal, personal revival move of God.}

- Pray The Scriptures - The Names of God
  The Names of God 1: Paul Cox of Aslan's Place sent this incredible list to subscribers of his newsletter. When I looked through it, the hair stood up on the back of my neck. The Names of God just incite you to prayer! In fact, I just got a Names of God category going on the blog. What a prayer resource! There are enough names with Scripture references to provide you with daily study for a year. In fact, there are so many names that I plan to make them available in three or four installments. When I first printed the list for myself, it took thirty pages. So here is the first installment. The second installment is here: Names of God II. {Group prayer should primarily consist of different people prayerfully reading out loud and commenting on a Psalm or a scripture selection [each person reading in turn about 3-5 verses (only if they want to) then the person that read the verses can comment first on them then in order everyone can comment on the verses read and when ready the next person can read the next 3-5 verses (anyone can pass on their turn to either comment or read out loud)]. Then at one point or at several points in between the readings and the comments people can present personal prayer requests to the group but the group gathering itself should begin with God, focus primarily on

God and end with God. - Also Note: It is up to the maturity of the prayer group to keep the focus on God and away from rumor and gossip and also it is the maturity of the group to be able to navigate through theological topics that might arise as discussions [not letting one person dictate theology - everyone is entitle to an equal comment]. Intend to focus the individual comments primarily on personal devotions and what the verse means in the life of each individual.}

- Prayer Tips: George Müller
  2. Müller's Discovery Was That After Meditating On Scripture He Was More Able to Experience a Meaningful Prayertime. "Reading [the Bible] without meditation is unfruitful; **meditation [and praying] without reading [the Bible] is hurtful [emotional wandering (i.e. emotion based New Age practices and highly emotional books like The Shack) - quickly leads to spiritual deception - especially in prayer groups if all people do is pray their emotions and their personal problems and the group does not focus on the Truth of God through the Bible it can open up a very big door to spiritual deception for everyone involved in the prayer group]; to meditate and to read without prayer upon both is without blessing." ~ William Bridge, Puritan Writer Christian meditation (thinking deeply on Scripture) is "the missing link between Bible intake and prayer." If there was a "secret" to George Müller's prayer life, it was his discovery of the connection between meditation and prayer. Müller's discovery was that after [*actually during] meditating on Scripture he was more able to experience a meaningful prayertime. ~ Donald S. Whitney, "Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life" (partial quote and partial paraphrase). -- [Mueller read the Bible through over 200 times, half of these times on his knees. He said he knew of some 50,000 specific answers to prayer...requests to God alone! - source: www.believersweb.org/view.cfm?ID=177] {Note: George Müller prayed as he read through the Bible - he didn't separate prayer and Bible devotions. His prayers and intercession to God where primarily during his daily Bible devotional readings and were based on what he was reading in the Bible at that moment.}

- Prayer Meeting Tips
  Always Begin Prayer Meetings with a Worshipful Tone, ala the ACTS method. This will pre-focus the attention of all, on God Himself, and thus brings all which we would pray about, into the proper perspective. It helps remind us that nothing is impossible for God, thus encouraging us to start believing, and confidently asking Him for the impossible. It reminds us that God loves us, is for us, and wants His best for us. Sometimes, it helps to start with a 1-5 minute period of silence, during which each is encouraged to thoroughly focus on God Himself. [2 Cor 10:5] Another idea, is to invite a worship leader, from your local church, to lead the prayer group in two or three worship songs [or use a CD], before prayer begins. Like I said on the Key Elements page, if we first get our eyes on our BIG God, our problems suddenly don't look as hard, for, we've engendered the faith that God, for whom nothing is impossible, will face these problems for us. {Note: Generally and historically personal prayer and prayer meetings are for Praying thorough scriptures in the Bible. Praying personal needs is important but praying [prayerfully reading and also commenting] on the Psalms, Proverbs the N.T. and other sections of scriptures while focusing on who God is by removing our focus from ourselves and our needs is really what is intended in prayer.}

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Studying Through the Bible 2010

- RayStedman.org: Adventuring Through the Bible - 67 Messages (Mp3s)
- KHouse.org: Learn The Bible In 24 Hours (Online Audio)
- ThruTheBible.org: J. Vernon McGee (Mp3s)
- Firefighters.org: Firefighters for Christ (Mp3s)
- LesFeldick.org: Through the Bible with Les Feldick (Mp3s)
- CrossWire.org: CrossWire Bible Society - The SWORD Project (Bible Software)
- BlueLetterBible.org: Blue Letter Bible (Mp3s - Online Audio)
- BasicChristian.org: Full Content ~ Theology (PDF)
- BasicChristian.org: Holy Bible KJV 1611 - Red Letter Edition (PDF)
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Training and Equipping the Saints 2009

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- Steve Hill gives his Testimony - "World Says Imagine, Jesus says Remember (Reality)"
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1. Impact Ministries - The Gospel of Peace (Mp3)
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3. Jesus Walk - Easter Timeline Devotion (PDF Available)
4. I Call You "Son" - Our 'Sonship' in God's Family (Mp3)
5. You are Complete! - For now they are the Sons of God [1 John 3 - see also Romans 8:14] (Mp3)
6. Levels of Spirit - The Threshing Floor Radio (Mp3)
7. Bible Versions Controversy Explained - Highly Recommended (Mp3)
8. Westminster Seminary: Christ, Kingdom & Culture Conference - 7 Free Video Downloads (Mp4s)

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Jesus WalkEaster Devotion

Easter Devotion - Easter Week,PDF - An Ancient Holy Week Timeline, Bible Study, Devotional & Personal Journal for Easter Week

- Easter Devotion & Timeline of the First Easter Events, (PDF)
- Easter Empty Tomb - Garden Tomb of Jesus (Photo Download) - Desktop, Wallpaper Background
  Outside the walls of the Old City of Jerusalem Israel is The Empty Tomb. It's the place where 2000 years ago Jesus was buried here, and three days later was resurrected. It's open to tourists year round and is usually THE most impacting site on our Israel trips. The step in front of the door is over the trough where the rolling stone was moved back and forth.
- The Twelve Voices of Easter (Audio-Drama) - Each of the '12 audio voices' can be saved by selecting "Save File As..." in the Windows Media Player after the sound file has started to play.
- St. John in Exile - Excellent One-Man Play (DVD)
  Saint John in this intimate, inspiring one-man presentation of the Disciple John in exile on Patmos. Full of humor, strong in spirit, and resolutely committed to Christ, John shares his account of the events that changed the course of human history and challenges us with his last words before his death: "Little children, love one another."
- Easter - Gifts, Apparel, Books, DVD's, Music, Cards, Easter for Kids, Lent Resources
- Easter Flags Display at church, home, or school; weather resistant for indoor or outdoor use; design is equally beautiful from both sides.
- Easter Outreach Kits! - American Tract Society
  Now you can order Easter Outreach Kits with resources perfectly suited to share the gospel of Jesus Christ! Reach 20 families in your neighborhood. Fill the plastic bag doorhangers with the contents and deliver one to each door.

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Living in Faith 2009

- Basic Christian: Statement of Faith - (PDF)
- Christ Centered Mall: Statement of Faith - (Resources)
- Easter Sunrise Baptism - (Video)
- Baptism at Brook Hills - (Mp3) Baptism Message - (PDF) Baptism Guide
- NHCC: The Baptism Process - (Mp3's)
- Topic: Baptism (Mp3's)
- Basic Christian: Baptism - (PDF)
- Communion - The Lord's Supper
- Communion Teaching (Mp3's)
- Basic Christian: Communion - (PDF)

Evangelism Extravaganza! 2009

- Quick Start Guide to Christianity - (PDF)
- Living Waters: Lessons - (Mp3's)
- The Way of the Master: Lessons - (YouTube)

- FF4C: Messages of the Month - (Mp3's)
- The Pocket Testament League - Carry God's Word with you!
- Trinitarian Bible Society USA - The Word of God Among All Nations!
- The eCube-Classic Adult Version, Kids Version - Video
  A creative, easy-to- use puzzle to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to life.
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Street Preaching - Open-Air Preaching

- An Excellent compilation of Open-Air - Street Preaching Street Meetings - (Mp3)
- The Morning [and Evening] Watch - The Spirit Filled Life Oswald J. Smith - (Mp3's)
- Pastor Willie Mullan's (1911-1980) Testimony Audio Download - Use the Alternate High Quality Link - (Mp3)
- Pastor Willie Mullan was speaking and Mum came home and seemed ok Barbara's Testimony - (Blog)
- Willie Mullan, Hedley Murphy, Frank Knox Irish Evangelists - File Folders - (Mp3's)
- THE STREET PREACHER'S HOME PAGE "STREET PREACHER'S MANUAL" - (Online Book)
- Evangelist - Street Corner Preacher Paul Rader 1879-1938 The Stone Age by evangelist Paul Rader - (Online Audio - 4 minutes, 9 seconds)
- American Tract Society (ATS) 180 Years of Changing Lives "Always Telling Someone" How to Use Tracts
- Good News Publishers Tracts
- Sharing Your Faith In Jesus Christ With Others [PDF]

Christianity Infiltrated by Cults

- Deranged (multiple personality) false prophet - Todd Bentley February 28th, 2009 8:00 PM EST Russ Dizdar - (Mp3's)
  False prophet Todd Bentley is discussed (30:00 Min into the show) - TheEdgAM.com: February 28th, 2009. Russ Dizdar Real Life Night Stalker - Russ has spent thousands of hours dealing with, interviewing, counseling, researching, tracking, investigating satanic crime, cult multiples (multiple personality), covens, rouge military, and underground dark occultism - He is currently writing a book entitled 'THE BLACK (Occult Magick) AWAKENING' on the satanic underground agenda.

- Let My People Read - Blog: Todd Bentley Update: Sad Sad News....
  Why did so many people flock to Lakeland from around the world to rally behind an evangelist who had serious credibility issues from the beginning? - My question would be, "Did Charisma or anyone in the Charismatic world seriously raise questions about Bentley before this fiasco happened?" I'm sure THIS (Video) raises a few questions for people - More to the point, will we ever grow up? Grady continues: Many of us would rather watch a noisy demonstration of miracles, signs and wonders than have a quiet Bible study. Yet we are faced today with the sad reality that our untempered zeal is a sign of immaturity. Our adolescent craving for the wild and crazy makes us do stupid things. It's way past time for us to grow up. A prominent Pentecostal evangelist called me this week after Bentley's news hit the fan. He said to me: "I'm now convinced that a large segment of the charismatic church will follow the anti-Christ when he shows up because they have no discernment." Ouch. Hopefully we'll learn our lesson this time and apply the necessary caution when an imposter shows up." Ouch indeed. We MUST become a more discerning people. The only way that will happen is by reading our BIBLES! I may be charismatic and reformed, but I'm not gullible. Neither should you. In the next few days I will be exploring discernment and how you can spot danger in your church. On a final note, I want you all to understand that I make a distinction between the circus sideshow that is Lakeland and a genuine move of the Spirit. I do believe that the gifts are in effect today, and the Holy Spirit can manifest in amazing ways. Kind of like this (Video) watch it all, it's very moving.

- Deranged (multiple personality) false prophet - Todd Bentley Todd Bentley's Violent "Ministry" (WOTMR) - [1of2] (YouTube)
  "[God] told me, 'Kick her in the face.'" - Todd Bentley. Todd Bentley is under the power of the spirit. Which spirit that is is up for debate, but I believe these videos give pretty good evidence that it is not one of God. ... Comments: (Gal.5:22-23) The fruit of the Spirit includes "gentleness and self-control" (1 Cor. 14:32) "The spirits of prophets are subject to the prophets." Not the other way around. (Mat. 10:16) Jesus said "Be wise as serpents, HARMLESS as doves" Jesus is the

"Lamb of God" - the very picture of gentleness. Luke 3:14 " Do violence to no man." James 3:17 "Wisdom from above is first pure then peaceable and gentle..." Isa. 42:3 (about Jesus) "a bruised reed He will not break".

- Deranged (multiple personality) false prophet - Sherry Shriner ORGONE BLASTER (Crystals, Copper, Wood, Moss? and Rocks) - (Podcast Mp3's)
  Orgone Blaster, Doesn't Work! - Some protection everything about her was chaotic (except her quoting the Bible) even her phone kept disconnecting. She should just stick to the Bible. {Extreme Society from Cleveland Ohio is a highly recommended [Diverse Views] Roundtable Podcast. Extreme Society is new and upcoming and they have the potential to be a really informative, exciting Podcast. I especially like their topics about living the Christian Faith, having a Christian Life of purpose and direction in the true Higher Christian faith (not like the deceit and lies of this world but in the Truth and Love of Jesus Christ) until the end of life in whatever form that comes about either by Rapture or Persecution.}

- Deranged (multiple personality) false prophet - Rick Warren Rick Warren lays out a global P.E.A.C.E vision
  Compare this celebrated [Rick Warren] P.E.A.C.E. Plan with the United Nation's Millennial Goals. Keep in mind that both purpose-driven churches and their strategic [U.N.] leadership programs require training in mind-changing processes and assessment technologies that support the UN vision for human resource development around the world.

- Sony PlayStation game - hundreds of people killed inside the cathedral (Game)
  LONDON, England (AP) -- The Church of England accused Sony on Saturday of using a cathedral in Britain as the backdrop to a violent computer game, and said it should be withdrawn from shop shelves. The church said Sony did not ask for permission to use Manchester Cathedral and demanded an apology. The popular new PlayStation 3 game, "Resistance: Fall of Man," shows a virtual shootout between rival gunmen with hundreds of people killed inside the cathedral. Church officials described Sony's alleged use of the building as "sick" and sacrilegious. A spokesman for the Church of England said a letter would be sent to Sony on Monday, and that if the church's request for an apology and withdrawal of the game was not met it would consider legal action. Sony spokeswoman Amy Lake told The Associated Press on Saturday that the company's PlayStation division was looking into the matter and would release a statement later.

- Fire at Sarah Palin's Alaska Church Arson Fire at Church Has Lifted Spirits
  A Fire at Sarah Palin's Alaska Church Has Lifted Spirits, Churchgoer Says - A member of Sarah Palin's church says a fire at the house of worship has lifted spirits of congregants. An accelerant was poured around the exterior of the 2 1/2-year-old building - A small group (five women and two children) was inside the church, but no one was injured - "We're all kind of wondering what the investigators will learn" he told FOXNews.com - "We have nothing to go on, but the feeling is that perhaps it has to do with the Christian message itself, that perhaps someone has animosity to the basic Christian message" "But it's serving to be more unifying for each of us" - A message on the church's Web site read: "Praise God that no one in the building was injured, and pray for us as we rebuild" {Disasters and tragedies that happen in America especially to Christians and Churches seem to be of no concern to Bush. President Bush is a Satanist (Anarchist) and in Satanism "chaos" is a code word for burning or attacking a church (bringing chaos to the Christian church) and truthfully Bush and his administration seem to be doing more to enable and cover up crimes then they are doing to solve crimes and protect innocent lives.}

- LivePrayer.com - Daily Devotional ***GOD HAS CALLED US TO LIVE ABOVE THE STANDARDS OF THIS WORLD, NOT DOWN TO THEM!!!
  You see my friend, God gave us free will to make choices. He decided NOT to make us simply robots who would love Him, serve Him, obey Him, but make that an act we choose to do on our own, out of our love for Him. It was this free will that God gave us that allowed satan and 1/3 of the angles to rebel against God. It was this free will that God gave us that allowed Adam and Eve to sin in the Garden of Eden. It is this free will that God gave you and me that allows us to make decisions throughout the day to obey, or rebel against God. ... The issue that I want to deal with today, is that as Christians, as believers in the Lord Jesus Christ, we have been called to a higher standard of living. When I deal with issues like sex, alcohol, forgiveness, serving others, so many just don't realize that as Christians we have been called to live a higher standard of life. Those great heroes of faith recorded in Hebrews chapter 11 understood that we are NOT citizens of this country, but of another country! ... While for this season we are in this world, we are no longer OF this world once we commit our hearts and lives to Jesus Christ. I am in no way saying we are to separate ourselves from this culture we live in. Quite the opposite. Jesus said we were to be the "salt of the earth," the "light of the world." However, we must never forget that as believers we are called to a higher standard of living.

Code Blue - Worldview Matters with Brannon Howse Podcast
Code Red - with Dr. Scott A. Johnson Broadcasts (Mp3's)

Jews For Jesus - Excellent Bible Studies! Mp3's - Various Resources Messianic Times

Today in the Word - Daily Two Minute Devotion Podcast, Archive (Mp3's)

Leadership Series - A two-volume set for those in ministry FREE Mp3's (14 Mp3's)

Girl Talk Moving In The Spirit - Sister Lucinda, The Byte Show Library (Mp3's)
Very good shows, guests and topics geared to examining the Christian faith and how it is practiced in Church today however there is a small amount of Unitarianism error within some of the discussions.

Two Rivers Church Beyond Religion - Parts 1 & 2 (Mp3's)

The God Journey The Journey Begins - Archives - blog, Podcast (Mp3's)
"The Journey Begins" - facilitates a growing conversation among those who are thinking outside the box [Sunday Church Fellowship] of organized religion - The fastest growing segment of Christianity is those who do not attend a Church denomination group on Sunday but are independent stay at home Christians - "Christians are leaving the institutional Sunday fellowships not to abandon their Christian faith but to preserve it" {Note: Christians are called to assemble and to fellowship because we each have so much to both receive from others and to give to others especially in encouragement, wisdom and life knowledge. If you are not at home in a Church Fellowship, as too many modern Churches are changing into the ways of the world, consider starting your own Fellowship of believers. Always keep focused on the building up and the establishing of the Christian Church that we are all a part of. The Basic Christian ministry strongly encourages both individual Christian growth and Christian group Fellowship with all focus and purpose being in the Name, Presence and Holiness of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.}

Pray Without Ceasing Prayer Starters - Find Help and Encouragement to Pray!
Christian Music: Praise You (Jesus) In This Storm, When Heaven Scrapes The Pavement
Miscellaneous: Dancing Matt 2008, Harmonica + Beatbox: Final Cut, A Wonderful World-Hand Puppet Show
Christian Videos: That's my King!, T.R.U.T.H. Sleuth: Parts 1 & 2 - The Case of Heaven's Key

Explaining, Defining the Church & Christians
What the Church is: Spiritual Value #1 & #2, Ten Indictments #6 the Nature of the Church
What the Church is Not: The Emerging Church
What the Bible is: The Basis For Our Bible
What the Bible is Not: 5/29/2008 NKJV

The Christian Basics 132 Topics Easy to Use & Easy to Understand - (PDF)
An extensive resource, unparalleled in convenience and ease of use yet advanced in topic research.
A Complete handy Reference - Study Guide it covers 132 Christian Subjects and Topics.
The Biblical topics **Adoption - Yahweh** are listed in an easy to access format (179 pages).

Love One Another 10 Part Series (Mp3's)

Living Christian with Michelle Mendoza Radio Show Archive (Mp3's), Podcast

Wrestling With the Basics Radio Archive (Mp3's)

Discipleship Library Christian Discipleship Training Resources (Mp3's)

SermonIndex.net Audio Sermons (Mp3's)
T. Austin-Sparks, Stephen Kaung, David Wilkerson, Paul Washer
If you want to find out what Mature Christianity is these are some of the best studies on the internet.

Christian Testimony Ministry Advance Christian studies For the mature and growing Christian (Mp3's)

The Berean Chronicles Advanced Topics Archive (Mp3's 2003-2010), More Topics
The Berean Chronicles show with Kelly McGinley. Our mission here at The Berean Chronicles is to expose the Apostate Church,
to equip the Saints with Truth, Knowledge, and Wisdom to be the Salt and Light Christ Jesus has called us to be.

The Edge AM Radio Show Advanced Topics Archive (Mp3's)
On The Edge show Daniel Ott examines Politics, Religion, Unexplained Mysteries and Conspiracy Realities along with your e-mails, calls and Special Guests.

Current Events & Hidden History
Christian Podcasts: The Todd Tapes, The Threshing Floor Radio Show, Think or be Eaten,Common Sense Chronicle
Secular Podcasts: Out There Radio, Untamed Dimensions, William Cooper: Mystery Babylon - Full Series, Right Where You Are Sitting Now

--New Article-- The 7 Church Letters of Revelation - (PDF)

NWO, The Babylon Mystery Religion, Illuminati

- The John Todd Tapes Mp3's
  Todd's message seems too bizarre to be believed - But in the context of the phony 9-11-2001 attacks, the phony war on terror, the suspension of Constitutional protections, the erection of a police state, the failure of Congress and the media, [the economy collapse], the dumbing down and homosexualization of society, the sexualization of children, the explicit (Bush-Skull & Bones) Satanism, depravity and pornography in the "entertainment" industry, Todd makes a lot of sense"

- John Todd a Former Illuminatist: Explaining The Illuminati - The John Todd Tapes with Examples and Photos (Google Video)
  His name was John Todd, a former member of the illuminati. He warned us against their plans for world domination before he was framed and effectively discredit by the illuminati. The words that he left on his audio tapes are still coming to pass which puts lots of credibility on his claim that he was an insider. This audio tape speaks about the evil plans of the illuminati for world control. This is just another piece of the puzzle that explains what's going on in today's world.

- The John Todd Tapes and Life Story - John Todd's present situation May 9, 2008 update: John had been killed that fall late 1979 - The "Todd Tapes" cover, roughly, the time frame from 1977 - [1979].

- William Cooper's Mystery Babylon Series
  The Mystery Babylon Series is a series of [46] radio broadcast done by William Cooper on the occult history of the new world order.

- The Kentroversy Tapes (Mp3s)

- Kentroversy Tapes: (secular) Interview with Michael Tsarion
  This is a representation of "secular," occult, Satanism teaching. Note: the interviewee considers it a crime to believe that the earth is submitted to humans and any human who does not submit to "mother earth" is a criminal.

- Michael Tsarion 2006 Talk - The year 2012 and The Future of Mankind
  Michael Tsarion [New Ager, Yoga, Sigmund Freud, Satanist Aleister Crowley follower and general smorgasbord of New Age religion devotee] at 3 hrs 16 min 45 sec, Michael Tsarion defines a "human" as someone who has become "self-aware" meaning someone who has rejected the Bible, rejected God and become their own god. Note: The events that dictated the

human Holocaust and slaughter that was WWII (1939-1945) were directed against God and his people and were dictated as physical bloodline events whether they were the Nazis and their raced based purity or the Japanese and their version of race based purity (both groups were extremely anti-Jewish and anti-Christian). The events of WW3 (approx. 2001-2013?) are also directed against God and his people but the killing has a new twist it is not as race based as the WWII belligerents were but WW3 aggression is against thought (thought police), conscience and spiritual differences. What led to killing in WWII was blood, genealogy and physical in WW3 it is more mental, doctrinal and spiritual beliefs.

- Pastor Dr. Jack Hyles (1926 - 2001)
  A Church Losing Its Independence And Not Knowing It 1989 - "Most fundamentalist Churches that go bad [no longer win souls to Jesus] don't go Liberal they just go Useless" - "Having only one issue is very dangerous - Don't become a one issue [politics, anti-homosexual, pro-life] Christian - Build your Christian life on the whole Bible the whole counsel of God"

Ephesians 2:8-10 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Hebrews 9:14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

Note: The Progression of the Holy Spirit is to bring people from spiritual death into a relationship and eternal life in Jesus Christ - the Holy Spirit progression leads people into the knowledge that Jesus Christ is a man to be revered (Luke 2:7, Luke 19:10), then that Jesus is the Prophet for us to listen to and to obey (Luke 24:19) and then concluding that Jesus is the Almighty God the giver to us of His eternal life and that He is to be worshiped and adored (Luke 24:52). The progression of the Holy Spirit is the progression of the knowledge, relationship and experiences between man and God the progression is not a progression for people to become Gods because people do not progress into a God as Jesus did not progress into God. Jesus was always God even before He revealed (manifested) Himself into the human realm then Jesus continued as God throughout His entire time here on earth and Jesus will remain the one true Almighty God as He is always the Almighty God throughout all eternity. One progression of truth, knowledge reality and relationship --> Jesus Christ is a Man --> is the Prophet --> is Almighty God.

Note: The progression of Satanism (Witchcraft) is to bring people from physical life into eternal death - the manipulation is to start the initiate in good works, man centered deeds used to give an outward appearance of social acceptability like environmental causes, donating blood or any of the many social issues. Helping and supporting the Palestinians would also be another good example of an occult work that seems at first to be good though when examined are they really helping and making things better in the world, no they are actually perpetuating global terrorism. Then when the initiate tires of trying to get ahead by using good works that aren't really all that good the initiate is instructed in the manipulation arts in attempting to get ahead in society by controlling and manipulating using various amounts of lying, cheating, stealing and deceiving. Then in a further attempt to get ahead the follower enters the Witchcraft and Conjure arts (spells, witchcraft) in order to attempt to get ahead in society. The progression for more power and authority then continues into the vile sex manipulation the so called sex magic. The vile sex manipulation then ultimately gives way to the end form of all Witchcraft and Satanic power and authority, the blood sacrifices and human death. One progression of deceit --> works --> manipulation --> spells --> vile sex --> blood sacrifice death.

Jack T. Chick - Tracts

Biography of Jack Chick
Wikipedia: Jack T. Chick
Chick Tracts: Pro and Con (YouTube)
Animated Jack Chick Tract - This Was Your Life (Flash)
The Light of the World (Illustrated Movie) - Purchase (DVD)
Littleshots Productions: Presents Two animations of Jack Chick's popular tract stories
'The Sissy' & 'Tiny Shoes' ... ON ONE DVD! ($4.95) {Scroll Down} (On-line View)

Reality Check - Speaker: Paul Washer Video 64.0MB or Mp3 13.9MB

Christianity in America is almost totally bankrupt!
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- Ten Indictments (Mp3) - by Paul Washer

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Gnostic Heresy

- Gnostic Heresy Info - Basic Christian
- Gnosticism: Hollywood's War on God (DVD) - Good Fight Ministries
- The Gnostics (Mp3) - Sermon Audio

Church Heresy

- Inroads of Heresies - 1 Timothy 1:12-17 - Complete Series - 35 (Mp3's)
- The Kingdom Come - Where Christ is King - Podcast - Mp3's
- The Preterist Podcast by Dee Dee Warren - Exposing Hyper-Preterist [Hymenian Heresy (2nd Timothy 2:16-18)] (Mp3's)
- Ep.3 - Perfuming the Hog of Hyperpreterist Mythology - (Mp3)
- Ep.20 - What an iTart! (Mp3)
  Exposes the seedy underbelly of hyperpreterism [Hymenian Heresy (2nd Timothy 2:16-18)] and turns on the lights.

These podcasts brilliantly detail how the Christian non-standard "Preterist" teaching when carried out to a conclusion can easily become Heresy particularly the "oneness" heresy where all religions are considered equal and one. These teachings are a great example of how to improve on all Christian teachings in all areas and how all teaching and preaching is to be strictly Bible based, well researched and well thought-out in content, presentation and conclusions.

Preterist 'end time' teaching is like the variant Christian group the 7th Day Adventist where they are Christians in their basic doctrinal (Jesus is God, Jesus is the Savior) teachings but they depart from the Church norms in their extended teachings. The problem with 7th Day Adventist customs and teachings is that they replace a personal relationship with Jesus Christ with their pattern of a works and a money (tithe) based system. The particular problem with the Preterist teaching is that it regulates the activities of Jesus Christ to the past while neglecting Jesus Christ in the present and almost completely ignoring the future.

Two Separate 'End Times' Teachings of Jesus

Matthew 21-23 [Jesus teaching in the Temple]

And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the money changers, and the seats of them that sold doves, And said unto them ... Matthew 23 Then spake Jesus to the multitude, and to His disciples (followers), Saying, ... Verily I say unto you, All these things (rejection and crucifixion of Christ, destruction of Jerusalem, scattering-diaspora) shall come upon this [current] generation.

Matthew 24-25 [Jesus teaching at the Mount of Olives, a new location and a new teaching]

And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: ... And as He sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto Him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these (Kingdom of Jesus) things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming (in power, 2nd coming), and of the end of the world? And Jesus answered and said unto them, ... Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch [Jewish Temple in Jerusalem - yet to be rebuilt] is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves (fig leaves, man's religious covering and activities, no fruit), ye know that summer is nigh: So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these [Jerusalem Jewish Temple] things, know that it (2nd coming) is near, even at the doors. Verily I say unto you, This [future] generation shall not pass, till all these (end times) things be fulfilled.

Just like the Christian Church needs the information in the Old Testament the Martyred Saints of Revelation and the end time Jews in Israel will need the information of the New Testament. The Bible is completely written and finished there is no more information or material to be added to the Bible. There will not be a Martyred Saints of Revelation addition to the Bible. The future Martyred Saints of Revelation and the end time Jews of Israel (Judea) will need to know the Biblical information and Biblical events of their day. For example in Matthew 24:16 in order to flee to the mountains when the antichrist is revealed in the temple in Jerusalem they will have to know the New Testament so the New Testament is also written to them like the Old Testament is also written to the Christian Church.

** It is the position of the Basic Christian material that the Gospel of John is the primary gospel to the Christian Church. The Gospels of Matthew, Luke and Mark are Gospels that also include "End Time" information intended for both the Jews and for the Martyred Saints of Revelation, two groups that are separate from the born again Christian (raptured) Church. The error of the Preterist is in applying prophetic information in Revelation, Daniel, Isaiah, Matthew, Luke and other material that is intended for the application of the Martyred Saints and for the Jewish people (Israel) to the Christian Church. The Christian Church is not mentioned in end times Bible passages, the Church is mentioned in the rapture (1 Thessalonians 4:16-18), as the Church is raptured (taken up) into heaven and is in heaven during the tribulation events that are mentioned throughout both the Old and New Testaments of the Bible. It is the Martyred Saints of Revelation and the Jews that are dealing with and contending with the great end time events.

The three New Testament groups (Church, Jews, Martyred Saints) are each represented at the Mount of Transfiguration with Jesus (Matthew 17:1-2) where Jesus was glorified in their presence. These are the only groups of redeemed-sinless people that will ever be in the glorified presences of Jesus Christ.

Matthew 17:1-2 And after six days Jesus taketh Peter [Jews][Galatians 2:7 the gospel of the circumcision was unto Peter], James [Martyred Saints of Revelation][Acts 12:2 And he killed James the brother of John with the sword], and John [Born Again Raptured Church][Revelation 4:1 I (John) looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven] his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart, And (Jesus) was transfigured before them: and His face did shine as the sun, and His raiment was white as the light.

Note: Jesus in His fleshly body was without sin. It is impossible for sin to be glorified by God therefore the bodily transfiguration and glorification of Jesus near the very end of His earthy appearance on the Mount of Transfiguration is conclusive proof that Jesus was indeed Virgin born and sinless throughout His entire physical existence on earth. Jesus was without sin and also without marriage or any physical sexual interaction of any kind because sexual interaction [humans or angels] makes the two [beings] one and Jesus would then have been one with a human sinner and unable to be Glorified in the flesh. Neither Peter, James or John were glorified that day being regular living sinful people and like everyone else who is alive has to physically die first and be removed (Spirit/Soul) from our physical body of sin to then be transfigured into a new Spiritual body, a spiritual body like Jesus has now, our new Heavenly spiritual body will then be glorified in Heaven by God.

The Christian Church is the unique time period beginning with the cross and resurrection of Jesus when on the day of the resurrection Jesus joined the presence of His disciples and breathed His eternal Holy Spirit life into each of them individually (John 20:21-23) creating the Born Again Christian Church. Membership in the Christian Church will come to a close and the Christian Church will end in the Rapture (1 Thessalonians 4:14-18) as all of the Holy Spirit filled Christians will be gathered together into heaven at the voice of the Archangel and the trumpet (announcement) of God.

Remember all of the Old Testament Saints up to and including John the Baptist were not Christians because they lived and died before the cross and resurrection of Jesus and did not have the opportunity to confess Jesus as the sufferer for their sins and were unable to receive by faith the Holy Spirit.

The Old Testament Saints comprised the Jews who followed God and obeyed His commandments, ordinances and customs and the righteous gentiles who not personally knowing God like the Jews the righteous Gentiles obeyed their conscious towards God (Romans 2:14-15).

The Martyred Saints of Revelation will not be of the Christian Church as the Church is removed and the Holy Spirit is not available to be indwelt among people (2 Thessalonians 2:6-7) during the Tribulation time period. The Martyred Saints of Revelation will again be like the righteous Gentiles of the Old Testament times obeying God with their conscience and not like the Christians who were able to obey God with our conscience and in our Spirit.

*The promise of Jesus (Matthew 16:18) to His Christian (Born again-Spirit filled) Church is that the Church will always stand and Satan will not prevail against Jesus' Church. However after the Church is raptured into heaven Satan is then given authority (Revelation 13:7) to overcome the precious Martyred Saints of Revelation. Not having the Born Again Spirit the Martyred Saints of Revelation and also the 144,000 Jewish witnesses will be overcome by the antichrist and will give their life to Jesus. It is not available for Satan to overcome the Born Again Christian Church.

Church History

- Church History (FREE Mp3's) - This study is crucial for understanding what God is doing in our day.
  This is an excellent intro into Church history. It is very informative, there are a few misquotes though so some fact checking, as always, is in order.
- 35 messages on church history by Pastor Phillips (Mp3's) - WOW - what a great series!!

Church Creeds & Statements of Faith

The Bible itself contains brief creed-like statements 1 Cor 8:6; 15:3-4; 1 Tim 3:16

- 4 Great Church Councils Part 1 & 2 (Mp3's) - Note: The Council of Jerusalem Acts 15:6-31 (Approx. 52 A.D.) is the original and first Christian Church Council. All of the later Church Councils are modeled after the first Jerusalem Council.
- The Bible and The Creeds (Mp3's) - Sermon Series: An Introduction to the Creeds.
- Heidelberg Catechism 1563 (Mp3's) - #6 Christ's Glory.
- The Westminster Confession of Faith 1648 (Mp3's) - The Westminster Confession of Faith (WCF) and its related documents are the greatest of all the creeds of the Christian church.
- Westminster Confession of Faith 1647 (Doc), (PDF)
- Book of Common Prayer 1662 (PDF) - "I believe there is no Liturgy in the world, either in ancient or modern language, which breathes more of a solid, scriptural, rational piety than the Common Prayer of the Church of England" John Wesley.

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America Bless God! 4th of July

- Rock and Roll Sorcerers of the New Age Revolution (DVD) - Previews (Downloads .wmv)
  We at Fight the Good Fight Ministries (goodfight.org) have purposed in our heart to assist you with this challenge by developing a website that addresses the many challenges today's youth are facing. The site consists of a collection of articles, video clips, audio messages, etc. directly addressing these modern day issues so that you can better understand some of the destructive trends taking place.
- Secret Mysteries of Aleister Crowley - An architect of our modern culture.
- 911, NWO, Skull & Bones - The Greatest Lie Ever Sold - By Anthony Hilder (Google Video - Download)

The Jewish Holocaust of WWII

- **Former Child Nazi Explains How the Holocaust Happened - Part 2 - The similarities between Nazi Germany and America today (YouTube)
- A YEAR IN TREBLINKA By Yankel Wiernik - An Inmate Who Escaped Tells the Day-To-Day Facts of One Year of His Torturous Experiences (Online Book)
- Treblinka by Jean-Francois Steiner - His father Mr. Kadmi Cohen died in the Nazi Holocaust at the Auschwitz sub-camp Gleiwitz (Book)
  What ultimately lies in wait at the railhead at Treblinka Station? This is strong stuff and is not for everyone. This is not a book that compiles statistics but rather paints a searing description of day-to-day life with the inmates, their struggles to make it another day, their planning and finally their courageous attempt to escape.
- A Writer At War - Vasily Grossman with the (Russian) Red Army 1941-1945 (Book)
  Details the experiences of the Russian author Vasily Grossman throughout his time as a frontline correspondent during the Second World War.
- Nazis: The Occult Conspiracy Part 1 - Part 2 - (Google Video - Download)
- The Occult History of the Third Reich: Adolf Hitler - Part 3: The Swastika - Part 4: Heinrich Himmler - (Google Video - Download)
- An Alfred Hitchcock documentary on the Nazi Holocaust - {Graphic Content} - (Google Video - Download)

Living the Christian Faith

- Billy Graham Training Center at The Cove - Come Away and Answer His Call
  Quiet gardens, secluded hillsides, and behind closed doors in an upper room. These were the places Jesus led His disciples when He wanted to speak most intimately to their hearts. Today, He still calls His people to come away from daily distractions and experience renewal in His presence.
- L'Abri Fellowship - L'Abri is a French word that means shelter
  The L'Abri communities are study centers in Europe, Asia and America where individuals have the opportunity to seek answers to honest questions about God and the significance of human life.
- Totally given over to God - A community of monks (Video) - A Catholic monastic calling and Vocation
  Why monks? In every age, God has raised up men and women who hear Christ's call to discipleship, and respond in a radical way, leaving the comfort of friends and family to dedicate themselves completely to the Lord.
- Da Pacem Domine - Monastic Gregorian Chant (Video) - A dedication to Roman Catholic Monks
  mostly Benedictine, with a bit of Carthusian thrown in and Gregorian Chant, but England, USA Italy and Canada as well.
- The Christian Walk Illustrated in the 7 Miracles of Jesus - PDF - As recorded in the Gospel of John - (Basic Christian)
  These miracles are illustrations representing miracles that Jesus is currently doing in the life of each and every Christian.

Witnessing Sharing our Christian Faith

As Christians how can we believe in God, Heaven and Salvation and then not tell others about this Good News?
Of course we desire to share our glorious discovery of Jesus Christ with others that is the purpose of good news to share it!

A big part of Christian witnessing is simply confirming that there is an opportunity to reach out and to discover that God does exist. Christians are rightly counting on God the Holy Spirit to reach out to all people and we are also counting on people themselves to take responsibility for their own faith and to reach out back to God in seeking answers, asking questions, reading the Bible, prayer, attending Church, etc.

- Late One Night - A great Video clip - about witnessing and hell (GodTube)
- A Letter from Hell - Online (YouTube)
- A Letter from Hell - Download (.mov) via Atheist website
  This is an incredible thought-provoking video. I think it is an accurate depiction, how can someone end up in hell and not have regrets?
- A Letter from Hell - Girl Version - Online (GodTube)
- Letter from Hell: Return to Sender - A video Reply to the letter from hell
  Every man will be judged by his own works. No friends, neighbors, family or any other person will be to blame when its your judgment time.
- Christian Salvation Prayer - An opportunity to accept Jesus Christ - Online Video
- Interview with Young Atheist in NYC - Video Download
  This is a very good example of 'Rational' witnessing. Some people are not rational so an 'Emotional' or 'Experiential' witness can be a good bridge to them.
- Christian Salvation Prayer - An opportunity to accept Jesus Christ - Text (Basic Christian)

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"Is salvation something that comes from and through the church? Salvation is of God and the church is not God. The church is what Christ saves it is not what saves the people of Christ. The church is simply the people of Jesus Christ."

Note: Redemption is a work of God, specifically the work of the cross (death, dead to sin - this world). Once redeemed, returned to the presence of God, salvation (healing - alive in Jesus Christ in heaven) is now a cooperative work between God (Holy Spirit) and people. The Church points the way to the cross of Jesus to redemption and the Church (fellowship) also teaches and administers the healing salvation, life in heaven. Attending a good Bible based redemption and salvation Christian Church is crucial to developing our own personal Spiritual wellbeing.

Death, what really Happens?

Being created by God we are given the gift of everlasting life.
If life were not everlasting it would not have significant meaning since eventually our life would end and our experiences of life would cease to exist. Life does not end and what is at issue is where we will spend our everlasting life.

1. In the presence of God in heaven
2. Away from the presence of God in hell

The gift of life from God is an enormous gift and with this gift comes the enormous responsibility of selecting where we are going to spend our eternity. Heaven is a real place and so is hell therefore choose wisely, choose well and most important of all choose Jesus Christ and live an eternity with meaning!

Heaven & Hell Testimonies - Rev. Timonthy T. LaFond Testimony-Audio/Text - From Hell to the Glory of God - Besides the screaming [in hell] there were also demons - Yes, there really are demons - Indescribable and most ugly things you had ever seen - They came up to me

and taunted me - Yelling in my face "We got you now!" Laughing at me saying "We fooled you!" "We fooled you!" "We got you now!" Followed by hideous laughter - [The Mp3 is Text generated Audio] (Mp3 - Text) Heaven & Hell Testimonies

From Hell to the Glory of God: This is a testimony of my husband's brother. I knew him before and I know him now. I have seen what the Lord has done for him. I also have seen and experienced the change that, due to Tims prayers and witness, the Lord has made in my husband and myself. ... Electricity shot through me and it picked my feet right up off the ground contracting the muscles in my legs. I knew right away, that I was getting electrocuted. I was looking out into the shop from the platform that I was on and I could see everything going on as normal. No one knew that I was being electrocuted. Just to let you know my cardiologists couldn't believe that I made it through this because when you are standing in water it is ten times worse! -- While I was getting electrocuted crucifixion style the electricity was flowing right through me, I saw my spirit leave my body. Instantly, I was in hell! At that time, I didn't know anything about the bible. I wasn't a religious person or a Christian and didn't know any Christians. I just know that I was cast into outer darkness. I heard the most horrifying, tormenting screams imaginable. I heard these time and time again, and although I never saw who was screaming, I, myself, would scream because of the fear of those frightening screams. My sins were tormenting me while I was in hell, January 27, 1977. I saw my sins pass from my right to my left down to the age of five. ... People have asked me, "How long were you there?" Well, it felt like eternity! It was that long! I couldn't tell you how long I was there, but I don't want to go back. -- Besides the screaming there were also demons. Yes, there really are demons. Indescribable and most ugly things you had ever seen. They came up to me and taunted me. Yelling in my face, "We got you now!" Laughing at me saying, "We fooled you!" "We fooled you!" "We got you now!" Followed by hideous laughter. -- Now these things I am telling you took the Lord a few years to bring back to me. I have seen demons since in the real and spiritual life and by the grace of God I have cast them out. They are afraid of those of us who are Christian because of who is inside of us. While I was there I realized there was no hope of every seeing God. I cried out to God during this time saying, "Oh God help me!" Again, "God, Help me!" One of the amazing things on my last scream, was my plea for God to help me. I felt Gods hand reach down and touch my shoulder. He is everywhere. In the bible you will read it. He is in Heaven, and earth and hell. He heard my plea. The right hand of the Lord touched me, I felt his fingers and thumb on my shoulder and He pulled me out of hell. He set me free from that electricity!

- A Glimpse of Eternity - Ian McCormick (Video Download) -- New --
  Ian details his deadly encounter with a poisonous ocean jellyfish.
- Attack Of The Killer Jellyfish - Ian McCormick - 14059.mp3
- This man died ...and returned... Heaven and Hell are real (YouTube)
  The man you see died in a plane accident and was on his way to hell. But by the grace of God he was given a chance to cry out to God to save him.
- 23 Minutes In HELL - 2nd Video Testimony Dec 2006 (FREE Video Downloads)
- 23 Minutes In HELL - (Mp3)
- Mary K. Baxter Divine Revelation of Hell
  She was shown about the Judgments of God against the ungodly, and also about the glorious place prepared for those who have repented and come to Jesus.
- Dying Testimonies Of Saved And Unsaved - Originally Published in 1898 (Online Book)

TheEdgeAm.com: The Edge Radio Broadcast (Mp3 past shows)

Daniel Ott is the host of The Edge Radio Broadcast. On The Edge show Daniel examines Politics, Religion, Unexplained Mysteries and Conspiracy Realities along with your e-mails, calls and Special Guests.

- Highly Recommended Oct. 28th 2006 3 Hours Daniel & Jamie Ott take your calls - Taking live calls of Spooky Stories (Mp3's)
  Something freaky happen to you? Seen a ghost, monster, alien or just had a scary nightmare? Now's your chance to scare up your story with Daniel on the air. Share your true story with the Edge listening audience and receive free Edge gear!
- Highly Recommended OCTOBER 1st, 2005 9:00 PM CST 2nd Hour RUSS DIZDAR - REAL LIFE NIGHT STALKER (Mp3's)
  Russ Dizdar has been tracking Satanic activities for 18 years. He is the Director of the agency SHATTER THE DARKNESS. He has personally held over 300+ deliverance sessions from demon possession. Russ has spent thousands of hours dealing with, interviewing, counseling, researching, tracking, investigating satanic crime, cult multiples, covens, rouge military, and underground dark occultism. He is currently writing a book entitled 'THE BLACK AWAKENING' on the satanic underground agenda. Shatter The Darkness, The Black (Magic) Awakening Course

Military, Veterans, Family & Friends - Resources Info (Mp3's)

Military service is perhaps the ultimate service. It has been well said about Military service that "All gave some, and Some gave All" this saying is also well applied to the family, friends and supporters of those who are in uniform. As with all things godly, military service for a godly Country with godly desires and godly outcomes is indeed godly and being godly it is an honorable and acceptable offering of service and sacrifice to both God and man. Because of the enormous nature and scope of an individual's Military service the resulting advantages and disadvantages are equally just as enormous and far reaching into the veteran's life.

Old Fashioned Revival Hour - Mp3 Archive - FREE Mp3 Downloads

We wish to welcome you to the Old Fashioned Revival Hour with Evangelist Charles E. Fuller and the beautiful Gospel music of pianist Rudy Atwood and Choir & Quartet. Now you can freely listen online to the original broadcasts in MP3. These one-hour programs are filled with beautiful music and a Bible-based message that will stir your soul. Many wayward sinners were led to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ through these broadcasts. Countless Christians were enouraged and blessed as well. Visit the letters section to read many wonderful testimonies. It is our earnest desire to reintroduce these wonderful Gospel programs to our present day and age. Perhaps you are in need of the Saviour and your heart will be touched by listening yourself? Although originally aired throughout the USA and around the world from 1937 to 1968, they are timeless, indeed.

Uplifting Podcast Show - RevTim - Mp3 Downloads Your service to the King begins now! Approx. 121 Podcasts Shows

"Attack Of The Killer C's" Sermon Archive: (5 Part Mp3 Series)

The Attack of the Casual Christian, the Cultural Christian, the Compromising Christian, the Corruptive Christian, and the Counterfeit Christian

- Attack Of The Casual Christian
- Attack Of The Cultural Christian
- Attack Of The Compromising Christian
- Attack Of The Corruptive Christian
- Attack Of The Counterfeit Christian

Attack of the Killer C's is a series revealing this cosmic battle we're in and exposes the seductive weapons the devil uses to keep us from becoming a mighty army for God Almighty. These attacks are as follows. The Attack of the Casual Christian, the Cultural Christian, the Compromising Christian, the Corruptive Christian, and the Counterfeit Christian. People of God, there's a war going on and its not just abroad but its right here in our own country. It's a cosmic battle for the souls of men and women all around us. The stakes are high and millions of lives are at risk. And if we're ever going to win this war then the American Church needs to once again shine for Jesus Christ. People, the alarm has been sounded. We are under attack! The Attack of the Killer C's. Don't let the enemy get you!

Improving Leadership Effectiveness

- J. Oswald Sanders (15 Free Mp3's) - Improving Leadership Effectiveness
- Discipleship Library - Norman Hubbard - Colossians 1:6
- Thru The Bible with Dr. J. Vernon McGee - Guidelines Commentary 48.5 MB (Introduction)

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- Sermon Index
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- FireFighters for Christ - New Messages
- FireFighters for Christ - Many Topics
- FireFighters for Christ - Most Requested
- Xenos Christian Fellowship Leadership - Discipleship
- Times Square Church Pastor David Wilkerson - Our pastors believe that God has ordained Times Square Church to be a testimony of his love in our city, our nation and around the world.

Take Up Your Cross and Follow Jesus (Cartoon)

Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me" (Mat 16:24). How often we complain about the cross we bear but don't realize it is preparing us for the dip in the road that God can see and we cannot. Whatever your cross. Whatever your pain. There will always be sunshine after the rain. Perhaps you may stumble. Perhaps even fall. But God is always ready to answer your call. He knows every heartache. Sees every tear. A word from His lips, can calm every fear. Your sorrows may linger, throughout the night. But suddenly vanish, dawn's early light. The Savior is waiting in Heaven above. To give you His grace, and send you His love.

Famous People in church history 35 Mp3 Messages and also Complete Church History (Mp3's)

"WOW - what a great series!!" Pastor Phillips takes us on a tour of some of the early Christians.
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Foxe's Book of Martyrs Covering martyrs from the early church through to Foxe's day (Mp3) - (PDF)

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"No book ever inflicted a wound so deep and incurable on the Romish system of superstition and bloody persecution... (it) was placed in... all churches and chapels throughout the kingdom, by order of Queen Elizabeth." ... The testimony of the martyrs was extraordinary. Their impact was greatly increased through the industrious writing of John Foxe... Never before had such a work on such a scale appeared in English, certainly never at such a moment ... Along with the Bible, Foxe's Book of Martyrs became a family book in many homes. Foxe's Acts and Monuments (the formal title of his extensive chronicle on the martyrs) was the principal practical means of turning England to Protestantism. ... Most importantly, though, this book overflows with faith building testimony of the power of God to overcome the most cruel and barbarous acts of human depravity and demonic cruelty.

Dr. Francis Schaeffer (1912-1984) bio

Francis Schaeffer was a Presbyterian minister with an ability to see how the questions of meaning, morals, and value being dealt with by philosophy, were the same questions that the Bible dealt with, only in different language. Once an agnostic, Schaeffer came to the conclusion that Biblical Christianity not only gave sufficient answers to the big questions, but that they were the only answers that were both self-consistent and livable. With this conviction he became a man of conversation. Schaeffer taught that God is really there and He is not silent. He had spoken to man in the Bible as and a result we could have "true truth" about God and man. Knowing the dignity of man created in God's image, he placed a high value on creativity as an expression of that image. He opened his Swiss home to travelers to discuss these things. Later he began lecturing in universities and writing a number of books. Perhaps no other Christian thinker of the twentieth century, besides C.S. Lewis, has had more influence on thinking people.

- Church History Frances Shaeffer 1912-1984 Mp3
- Frances Shaeffer Video
- Frances Shaeffer Mp3's
- Francis A. Schaeffer: The Early Years Lectures & Resource List (Free - Mp3s)
- Francis A. Schaeffer: The Later Years Lectures & Resource List (Free - Mp3s)
- Christian Manifesto by Dr. Francis Schaeffer 1982 Sermon Version (Free - MP4s)
- Dr. Francis Schaeffer How Should We Then Live? (2 DVDs - $49)
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Jesus Builds His Church Sermon Archives (Mp3's)

- Reforming my Mind - (MP3's) IX Marks Ministries: Jonathan Edwards and Evangelicalism Divided with Iain Murray
- Dean M's blog Links! - Free Christian resources!
- The Heritage Foundation: One Nation Under God (MP3)

The Christian Basics 132 Topics Easy to Use & Easy to Understand - PDF

Wrestling With the Basics Radio Archive (Mp3's)

Pro-Life, Pro-Family, Pro-Society, Pro-Humanity

- Pro-Life Info & Resources PDF
- Free Speech and the Julie Bird Case (Mp3)
  Julie Bird had a diaper bag over her shoulder, her child in one arm, and a stack of tracts in the other arm. On a public sidewalk in front of an abortion clinic.
- "40 Days for Life" - Pro-Life Event Info Intro Page - PDF - Mp3
- Janet Folger's latest - Life and Truth (DVD) Life & Truth DVD
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Item #1 - Heaven and Hell

They had learned the joy of service on earth, and now they had eternity to enjoy it, only more so - Heaven is a place God has created for all men, and he has created a way (the cross and resurrection life of Jesus) to be sure your name is on the 'A' list. There is no 'B' list.

C. S. Lewis drew us a mental picture of Hell, everyone was seated at a banquet table filled with wonderful food. The problem arose in that the food was several feet away, and they all had three foot long forks and knives. They could just reach the food, but the utensil's were too long to get the food into their mouths. There was anger, fighting, screaming and unpleasantness abounding. Think of the expansion of Moreso's law for eternity. Lewis also drew us a picture of Heaven, same huge banquet table filled with wonderful foods. The banqueters in Heaven were equipped with those same three foot long utensils. The difference was the joy, laughter, and excitement at the table; they were feeding each other, and enjoying a great feast. They had learned the joy of service on earth, and now they had eternity to enjoy it, only more so.

Item #2 - The Fountain - Teamwork (YouTube - Cartoon 4 min)

Nice, love it, people should make their kids watch things like this not the violent stupid stuff that's broadcasted now everywhere that steals their innocence.

The gentleman in the cartoon is a nice person however he is not a very helpful person. This is much like today where people in the cults are dying of thirst, a lack of the living water of the gospel of Jesus Christ. It is not enough to be just a nice person in a thirsty world. Christians who have the truth need to assist others to help them to drink from the living water of the message of Jesus Christ.

John 7:37-38 In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink. He that believeth on Me, as the scripture hath said, out of His belly shall flow rivers of living water.

The Dark Ages DVD $16.99

In case you have ever wondered if Satan is raging a relentless war against the Christian Church and against mankind in general this History documentary will lay aside all doubts.

Raising Godly Children 4 DVDs - $45

This is Vision Forum's top recommendation as a video training course for building loving, Christ-centered, unified, multi-generational families.

Faith 2 Action: Radio Broadcasts Radio Shows - *The Criminalization of Christianity - Online 10 part audio book by Janet L. Folger "The most important book of 2006" for Christians on how to get our country back before it's too late. Buy a copy for yourself and one for your pastor!

*This audio has several examples of our great President Ronald Reagan where Reagan makes his principals and convictions well known through his words and then his actions actually speak louder than his words. This is a stark contrast to the Republicans of today especially like Mitt Romney who seeks others to speak for him and even then his actions fail to meet or exceed even his smallest assertions.

> Patrick and James on Mormon Mitt Romney and US elections, 08 (YouTube 10:09)
> Two English Christians who are ex-Catholics, they have some really good insights into American politics and some errors, Jerry Falwell didn't support Romney, Pat Robertson was leaning that way but ended up endorsing Rudy Giuliani.
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> Mitt Romney Doesn't Want To Discuss (his) "Baptizing DEAD People!" (YouTube 0:37)

Mormon (LDS) Baptism for the Dead

How ridiculous is the Mormon concept of "baptism for the dead." God didn't just suddenly figure out in the 1840's that mankind needed salvation. All of salvation was dealt with (Genesis 3:15 Messiah/Christ - Virgin Birth - seed of the woman) in the beginning in the garden of Eden, immediately after the original sin, with both Adam and Eve and for all of their descendants. God has had His program for mankind intact since the beginning, Joseph Smith and the Mormons are messing up God's plan not making it better.

> 1. Everyone has the opportunity to repent before death so the whole concept of baptizing for the dead is obsolete.
> 2. The Holy Spirit is the one leading people to God-Jesus therefore the universal opportunity to repent and be saved is assured and always has been.
> 3. It is the Holy Spirit Who draws people to Jesus while the Bible, all of creation - the stars in heaven, and the witness of individual people are all equally available to the Holy Spirit it is the Holy Spirit Who does the actual work of witnessing.
> 4. Accepting God is a Spiritual encounter with the Holy Spirit and not just a physical encounter with another person. John the Baptist accepted Jesus Christ while each was still in their own mother's womb (Luke 1:41).

Who killed John O'Neil? Video - A Composite History of Modern Government - Corporate Crime in America - well done, this is a superb film (Video-Download)

{We live in a time full of allegations but what is the meaning of all of this and what is our response to the current events unfolding throughout the world? The meaning of events and our response to them is to protect our soul. Although our body may perish our soul-spirit will live on forever and therefore it is essential that we must seek God and His righteous kingdom the kingdom of Jesus Christ. We should no longer allow ourselves to be misled by the tactics of man or by the strategies of devils.}

Exposes links to the corporatocracy that hindered an investigation by John O'Neil which may have very well prevented the 9-11 attacks ... exposed the reall roots of the problem which lie far farther from Bin Laden and closer to home than we'd like to believe. ... well done, this is a superb film, it not only points out the mountains of evidence on all sorts of issues but it explains to people who haven't looked at anything how you feel when you do.

Thanksgiving Day 2007 - Alternate Activity Friday, November 22, 1963, in Dallas, Texas - Who killed JFK?
This Thanksgiving instead of watching yet another mind numbing football game - investigate the JFK murder!

JFK Secret Service (CIA) ordered back before Kennedy assassination (Video-Download 2:56 Min)
Did the Bushes (Prescott & George Sr.) help to kill JFK? {page 2 of 5} (Photo)
Bush Sr. Link to Kennedy Assassination Conspiracy (Video-Download 1 hr 30 min)
List of Assassination Witnesses Deaths In the three year period following the assassination many witnesses died.
Then just when the House Select Committee on Assassinations in 1976-1978 was investigating the JFK assassination, more suspicious deaths occurred.

Movie: JFK (1991) Staring: Kevin Costner, Director: Oliver Stone "The Story That Won't Go Away" (DVD)
He's a District Attorney. He will risk his life, the lives of his family, everything he holds dear for the one thing he holds sacred... the truth.

Did you know that the Mayor of Dallas, Texas on 11/22/63 was Earle Cabell, and that his brother, (Dallas born) Gen. Charles Cabell (CIA deputy director connected to the anti-Castro Cubans) along with the CIA Director Allen Dulles had recently been fired from the CIA by JFK for their unauthorized 'Bay of Pigs' invasion attempt on the nation of Cuba. The CIA & the Dallas police department then re-routed the Kennedy motorcade by sending the cars off of the originally intended straight path of Main Street and onto Elm Street, slowing the car and driving JFK past the Texas School Book Depository building and in front of the grassy knoll located on Elm Street. It would later be claimed by the CIA and Dallas police, that the President was shot by a sniper at a window on the 6th floor of the School Book Depository building although no wittiness's, photos or film have supported that accusation and people in the building at the time said no shots were fired from that location but that multiple shots were fired from behind the fence on the grassy knoll.

*Updated The (LDS) Mormon Conspiracy - Part 5: Selling Mitt Romney [Article][PDF]

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Banned U.N. Speech: Exposing U.N.'s Anti-Israel Bias Banned U.N. Speech: (Online Video 4:23 min)
The UN Human Rights Council spent last year condemning Israel in ALL its resolutions - The Speech Rejected as "Inadmissible" by the U.N. Human Rights Council - Delivered by Hillel Neuer, Executive Director of UN Watch, March 23, 2007

Testimony - MY SEARCH - by Lambert T. Dolphin Audio version of My Search for the purpose and meaning of life (Mp3) (45 minutes)
It seemed as if all the lights had been turned on in what had been a very dark house. To this very day, (43 years later) that experience of my Christian conversion stands out in my memory like night and day---"If anyone is in Christ he is a new creation, old things have passed away, behold all things have become new."

Values Voter Debate and Voter Guide DVD Watch Online - DVD Debate Guide PDF

QUOTE: "Impress upon your children the truth that (voting) is a... duty of as solemn a nature as man can... perform; that a man may not innocently trifle with his vote; that every elector is a trustee as well for others as himself." ~ Daniel Webster, 1840

Current Christian Topics of Interest

- #1 News-Blog item of 2010 - Emerging Church DVD - [To Download Click the Share Button] - (Online Video) Extremely Important Viewing!!! Emerging Church DVD (Online) This two hour and forty-five minute DVD takes a hard look into the beliefs and practices of what has become one of the most dangerous deceptions assaulting God's people today - The Emergent Church. - Part 8: Sandy Simpson speaks on: Methods used by false teachers to deceive God's people.
  Part #8 - Dialectic Deception

- #1 News-Blog item of 2009 - The Threshing Floor with Randy Maugans (Mp3s)
  Time to talk frankly...religion, and religious mindsets are KILLING US! For too long we have been locked inside stagnant containers with rotting manna. Our carnality...our immaturity...our flesh has kept us locked in a perpetual spiritual childhood. The MYSTERY of Christ is the deeper level...the higher octave. GOD operates in a metaverse-an infinitude within infinitudes. So why are we still engaging the "universe" as a finite construct? Why are we still trying to comprehend infintudes with flat space spiritual tools? This audio is pretty raw-and a bit different from the usual...it is in the spirit of opening up the MYSTERY...." "Are you still a meat puppet?" ... flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God!
  Part #1 - Flesh and Blood, Part #2 - At The Threshold, Part #3 - The Prophet's Reward,Spirit Uprising!, Levels of Spirit

- #1 News-Blog item of 2008 - 5 Reasons for the Trinity - (Video - Online)
  Is there such a thing? - Trinity/TriUnity, Let's take a look at 5 reasons why The T.R.U.T.H. Group believes in a Trinity. 1 - First Hint (Genesis 1:1-3). 2 - The Plurality of God (Elohim). 3 - The Power of Christ (more than human). 4 - Who is God? (Father, Son or Holy Spirit). 5 - Worship (only for God).

- #1a Biblical Proof that Jesus is God - 1 Timothy 3:16 God was manifest in the flesh (PDF)
  In many, many places the Bible references, referrers to and calls Jesus, God. Here are just a few! 1 Timothy 3:16 "And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory." ... Acts 20:28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost (Spirit) hath made you overseers, to feed the Church of God, which He hath Purchased with His Own Blood. ... 2nd Corinthians 5:19 To whit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, ... Hebrews 1:8 But unto the Son (Jesus) He (Father) saith, Thy throne, O God, is forever and ever: a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of thy Kingdom. ...
- #1 News-Blog item of 2007 - Romney Takes on Religion Heckler "Mormons are pretenders" - (Video - Online)
  With all due respect, he wasn't heckling. He asked a challenging question. {This guy wasn't heckling he was standing up for the TRUTH and he has a lot to be proud of. I for one am grateful that he is not willing to allow the Mormon-LDS scams into the real Christian Church and that he is willing to publically stand up for what is right, descent and honest and to openly confront the opportunist Mitt Romney with the facts.} The Mormons are a mind controlling cult. I saw nothing wrong with what the heckler did. ... "As this debate has become more heated, the vast majority of Mormons freely admit Mormonism is not Christianity." ... It is also very commonly believed [among Mormons] that Mormons do not see Jesus Christ as anyone special, as it relates to their faith, even though the title of their Church would lead you to believe they do. ... How true, Mormons are pretenders they are not Christians!

- #1 News-Blog item of 2006 - Brian Rohrbough appears on the CBS Evening News with Katie Couric - (Video - Online or Download)
  The featured Columbine father speaks against school violence, evolution and abortion.

- All 29 Worldview Weekend DVD's (2004 - 2008) - Battle For The Mind DVD - This is a $435 value for only $119! (DVD's)
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- Christians as Media Consumers (Mp3)
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- Movie 'Your Destiny Your Choice' (Download)

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  A Vietnam Veteran POW Survivor tells his incredible story (Mp3)
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  Part #2 - WWII Veteran Survivor of the sinking of the USS Indianapolis (Mp3)
  Trapped in Hitler's Hell (Mp3)
  Dietrich Bonhoeffer - Christian Leader in WWII Nazi Germany (Mp3) *New Link
  Brutal Communism - China Missionary Part 1, Part 2 (Real Audio)
  The Brotherhood of Darkness (Mp3)
  Deception in Society (Mp3)

- Thru the Bible Sunday Sermons - Dr. J. Vernon McGee (Mp3)
  These Sunday Sermon messages form a collection of the most effective and fruitful sermons given by Dr. J. Vernon McGee during his 21-year pastorate (1949-1970) at the historic Church of the Open Door when it was located in downtown Los Angeles.

- *Secret Mysteries 4 DVD Combo - Four Incredible Documentaries Exposing the Secret History of Elite Occult Practices in America (DVD's $59.95)

- *Rock and Roll Sorcerers of the New Age Revolution (DVD)
  The one that started it all - the original 1992 video expose - A four-hour live seminar given at Hermosa Beach California. Because of the live format - this DVD remains a favorite.

- More Than a Carpenter (RealVideo - Movie Download - 57 min)
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- Empty Tomb - Garden Tomb of Jesus (Photo) - Backrgound - Desktop - Wallpaper (Download)

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- 7 Miracles of Jesus These are Seven Miracles preformed by Jesus and recorded in the Gospel of John by John one of the original 12 disciples of Jesus. John was an eyewitness present at each of these seven miracles. These miracles are illustrations representing the miracles that Jesus is currently doing in the life of each and every Christian. (15 pages)

- 7 Church Letters of Jesus The Parables of Jesus are from the teaching ministry of Jesus during His time on earth. The letters of the Apostle Paul are from a representative of Jesus and finally the 7 letters of Revelation are teaching and instruction from the resurrected Jesus. Three groups of teachings spanning three timeframes with the one unique message of Jesus Christ and His eternal Kingdom. (20 pages)

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Basic Christian 2007 -- RSS_a, RSS_b -- PDF_a, PDF_b, PDF_c, PDF_d, PDF_e
Basic Christian 2006 -- RSS -- PDF_a, PDF_b
Basic Christian 2005 -- RSS_a, RSS_b -- PDF_a, PDF_b

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blog History Study - In Progress
blog History Study - Complete

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11. The 8 Kingdoms of the World
12. Christian Church History

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blog Bible Study - Complete
blog Bible Study - Old Testament
blog Bible Study - New Testament

01. Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua
02. Matthew, James, Romans, Galatians, Hebrews
03. Judges, Ruth, 1st Samuel, 2nd Samuel, 1st Kings, 2nd Kings
04. Jonah, Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, Micah, Nahum
{Early period Prophets - Assyrian activity, attack on Jerusalem thwarted}
05. Jeremiah, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Obadiah, Daniel, Ezekiel
{Middle period Prophets - destruction of Jerusalem, Solomon's Temple destroyed and the Babylonian captivity}
06. Luke, Acts, 1st Corinthians, 2nd Corinthians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1st Thessalonians, 2nd Thessalonians
07. Mark, 1st Timothy, 2nd Timothy, Titus, Philemon, 1st Peter, 2nd Peter
08. Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Song of Solomon, Ecclesiastes, Lamentations
09. 1st Chronicles, 2nd Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Haggai, Zechariah, Joel, Malachi
{Later period Prophets - The return from Babylon, awaiting the coming Messiah}
10. John, 1st John, 2nd John, 3rd John, Jude, Revelation

Gospel of John 16:33 These things I (Jesus) have spoken unto you, that in Me ye might have peace.
In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I (Jesus) have overcome the world.

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