

Are We The Church Of Jesus Christ According To The Word Of God?

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ. The Word of God is the instruction manual, the policy manual, and the road map of the truth we should be writing on the tablets of our hearts. The Bible sets the pattern and instructions for our walk with God. That includes how to mature in Christ on this earth, our temporary home, and to live in truth and love, having peace in all things. When we in the flesh deviate from God's patterns and instructions; we set ourselves up for frustrations and distractions that can lead us off the path God wants us to walk. This leads to suffering and unrest in our spirit and soul. This could cause us to lose the prize at the end of the race we are striving for. Let us look at a pattern in the Word of God for the road map that the church (the body of believers) is to be following individually and corporately as we mature. For he that have an ear let him hear what the Spirit is saying and the Spirit will lead that person into all truths and will show him things to come.

First I must share with you testimony on how I came to write this booklet. On August 6, 1995 at the age of 52 Jesus Christ became my Lord and Savior at the Nazarene church at Meade, KS. I found a peace I never knew that existed. Then God placed a hunger in me to seek him in the truth. That hunger has yet to be satisfied. I was water baptized in a Christian church in Rogers, AR while on vacation. In June of 1999 I received the baptism of the Holy Spirit at a church in Liberal, KS. In August 1999 the Lord began my education in earnest with signs, dreams, visions, speaking to me by the Holy Ghost and the healing of my body. I knew very little about churches in 1995. I knew there were lots of different names on church buildings called denominations. Each church seemed to be a happy lot and fellowshiped among their own groups. In these eight short years since Jesus Christ became my Lord, the Holy Spirit has taught me and is still teaching me the truth of his word and his Kingdom. In those dreams, visions and speaking, he shared with me his grief of the churches and their lack of obedience and knowledge. I have cried many tears in my prayer closet from what I was taught. Many called of God have the burden of the lost souls that have never accepted Christ. The burden God has placed in my heart is for those Christians in churches that are not walking the narrow way but the broad way thinking they are saved. I grieve for them as God does.

Note—I will use Church with a capital C to denote the Church Jesus Christ is coming for throughout the rest of this document. Throughout the rest of this booklet I will ask many questions. Some I will answer. The ones not answered, I challenge you to pray to God for your eyes and ears to be opened as you search the scriptures day by day to find the answers.

By what the Lord has taught me by the Holy Spirit, I have become like a blood hound on the scent. I have a message the Lord has given me to speak in his time and place. This message burns in my heart and it does come out from time to time. I have suffered because of the message I speak. Fellow Christians raise their voices and hands against this message. The Israelites did so against the prophets and their message in the Old Testament and killed many. Today Christians do not want sound doctrine, but want their ears tickled and there are many prophets today with just that kind of a message. **2 Timothy 4:3-4** **3** *For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;* **4** *And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.* (KJV) What you are about to read is part of that message the Lord has given me. The Lord warned me as I have been preparing this booklet. The Lord spoke—“Do not dilute or hold back the truths I have taught you.”

What does God see that grieves him so about the churches today? God changes not and Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever. Jesus warned the churches in Revelation. But first this question must be asked about those churches; were the seven churches in Revelation denominational churches like today or were they all one church identified by their geographical location? Jesus gave all the churches in Revelation some commendation, some criticism, some instruction and some promises. Four churches received all four of the listed above, only two received no criticism and one received no commendation. The Holy Spirit has taught me these two things grieve God the most. **One** is the churches lack of knowledge about the baptism of the Holy Spirit and not desiring or having the baptism of the Holy Spirit. **Two** is the church denominations dividing Christ into many parts with none having Christ as the head. **1 Corinthians 1:10-13** **10** *Now, dear brothers and sisters, I appeal to you by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ to stop arguing among yourselves. Let there be real harmony so there won't be divisions in the church. I plead with you to be of one mind, united in thought and purpose.* **11** *For some members of Chloe's household have told me about your arguments, dear brothers and sisters.* **12** *Some of you are saying, "I am a follower of Paul." Others are saying, "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Peter," or "I follow only Christ."* **13** *Can Christ be divided into pieces? Was I, Paul, crucified for you? Were any of you baptized in the name of Paul?* (NLT) What is God going to do

about these two problems? What did God do when the children of Israel disobeyed? As he did with the children of Israel, God is going to judge the churches. In these judgments God is going to harvest a remnant out of the current churches to be the Church of Jesus Christ according to his word. The Holy Spirit spoke this on December 4, 2001. "I am building My Church out of the ashes of the existing churches. It will be on My foundation with all corners connected with no gaps or divisions. I will pour out My Spirit upon it for revival. My army will be made ready." **1 Peter 4:17-18** **17** *For the time has come for judgment, and it must begin first among God's own children. And if even we Christians must be judged, what terrible fate awaits those who have never believed God's Good News?* **18** *And "If the righteous are barely saved, what chance will the godless and sinners have?"* (NLT)

According to the Word of God, what should we see with our eyes and hear with our ears when Christians assemble themselves together in a meeting to worship God? Should the actions of one assembly have different doctrines than others meeting elsewhere? Is the Word of God the truth and the road map or policy manual for all Christians to follow? Or are parts of the Word of God optional allowing us to pick and chose what we want to apply in our lives? Who is the teacher that guides us into all truth? How do we know if Christ is among us when we meet together? Is sin in the camp of professing Christians meeting together? What is the first and foremost duty of all Christians? Can we serve God if we have unrepented sin in our life? To find these answers one must look in the Word of God. I will make some very bold statements that may cause a spirit of anger rise up in you as you read the rest of this study. Why do fellow Christians rise up in anger when the truth of the word is spoken? Do they feel attacked because the truth of the word does not line up with their thinking and what they have been taught of who God is and what their responsibility is as a Christian? What are they afraid off? But if you are like the citizens of Berea you will look in the Word of God and study the scriptures day by day finding the truth in what I speak and the questions I ask. When you find the truth, you will fear the Lord and that will be the beginning of knowledge and wisdom proving that you are not a fool. **Proverbs 1:7** **7** *Fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge. Only fools despise wisdom and discipline.* (NLT) Remember God offends heathens and Christians alike not only by his message, but by his messengers as well. The offense is redemptive to reveal their hearts. **Psalms 76:10** **10** *Human opposition only enhances your glory, for you use it as a sword of judgment.* (NLT) Opposition in any form by churches or governments allows God to be glorified

through his judgments. By his judgments all come to know he is the Lord God and he is to be praised and feared.

In my prayer closet I have asked the Lord many times if there is just one church that operates according to the Church described in his word with Christians being the new man in Christ that is neither Jew or Gentile. His answer is always this question--“Have you seen or been in that Church?” My answer is always the same, no.

Who is the head of the Church which is the body of Christ? What kind of a Church is Christ going to come for? This is what Paul wrote in *Ephesians 5:23-27*
23 For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. 24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. 25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; 26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, 27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. (KJV)

From what the Holy Spirit has taught me these past eight years in the Word of God and from heaven, I will make these bold and sad statements. Any church that has a prefix name in front of church (and some even have a prefix name of the prefix name) is not the church that Jesus Christ is going to present to himself. Why? They have made the doctrine of Christ non-affect by their doctrines and traditions filtering out the parts of Christ of the Bible they chose not to apply in their church. *Mark 7:13 13 Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.* (KJV) Any church that says it is non denominational is not the church that Jesus Christ is going to present to himself. Why? Their works do not line up with the Word of God being the church described in God’s word.

The Church today has made itself ignorant by its doctrines and it is not teaching and maturing Christians as instructed in the Word of God and Christ is not the head of the church. That is sin. They no longer have any fear of the Lord, because they lack knowledge. The only knowledge Christians have is what is being preached from the pulpit. One must ask; who is at fault? The answer is both the church and the Christian within that church. Without the fear of the Lord, there is sin and with sin there is death. In between the time a Christian confesses Jesus Christ is his Lord and Savior and his physical death on this earth, without the truth, that Christian suffers at the hand of God’s discipline so that he may repent and have life. Christians bring the suffering upon themselves for they know not the Word of God, the truth. The word says that when we serve the Lord in truth, the world will hate you and you will suffer because of the truth of the Word of God.

In this suffering, we will have faith and God's blessing to carry us through. We will remain faithful until the end. But in sin, we suffer God's discipline and sometimes become bitter at God and lose our faith.

The Lord spoke this to me by the Holy Spirit in prayer—"If the body is not being perfected for maturity, it is not My Spirit working. I am the healer, the supplier and the blessing. There is an order to My Kingdom that must be followed and it is found in the instruction manual the Bible. If what you see is not of My order, it is not being led by My Spirit, but being controlled by religious spirits of the prince of this world." **1 Timothy 4:2** *Now the Holy Spirit tells us clearly that in the last times some will turn away from what we believe; they will follow lying spirits and teachings that come from demons.*² *These teachers are hypocrites and liars. They pretend to be religious, but their consciences are dead.* (NLT) If we as individual Christians have not Christ as our head obeying the Word of God, how can we meeting together corporately claim Christ as the head? The situation becomes the dog chasing its tail running in circles making a lot of noise and accomplishing nothing. What does it take to break this loop of tail chasing generation after generation? What are the requirements for the Church that Jesus Christ is going to present to himself?

We as professing Christians in this generation and in generations of the past have accepted Jesus Christ within churches that are like a dog running in circles chasing its own tail. If we never become serious students of the Word of God, lacking the power of the Holy Spirit, we stay in that loop going around and around never coming into the perfection of Christ. We believe only the traditions and doctrines of the church we are in. We never stop long enough to examine ourselves or the works of the church. **2 Corinthians 13:5** *Examine yourselves to see if your faith is really genuine. Test yourselves. If you cannot tell that Jesus Christ is among you, it means you have failed the test.* (NLT) Now is the time to get off of the merry go round that only goes in circles. Sit down; get your bearings and your Bible. Let us review the instruction manual and learn about the Church Jesus is going to present to himself and how it should be operating. In the word we will find out what each individual Christian's responsibility is and what the churches responsibility is corporately in serving God and his Kingdom with Christ as the head and in Holy Ghost power.

Let us begin with Philippians 2:12. This will give us a general overview with the basics of the Church. **Philippians 2:12** *12 Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.* (KJV) Paul an apostle appointed by Jesus Christ told the Philippians, the ones he loved, they have always obeyed. What were they obeying? They were obeying the teachings that

Paul taught about the doctrine of Christ, which is the truth of the gospel. This is confirmed in what Paul wrote in his letter to *Titus 1:1-2* **1** *This letter is from Paul, a slave of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ. I have been sent to bring faith to those God has chosen and to teach them to know the truth that shows them how to live godly lives.* **2** *This truth gives them the confidence of eternal life, which God promised them before the world began--and he cannot lie.* (NLT)

Therefore the Philippians by obeying the doctrine of Christ had to be maturing daily coming into the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ. Christ was the head of the church corporately and Christ was the head of each individual believer at the church at Philippi.

In anything that is taught there has to be the basic building blocks, a beginning point, a foundation on which to build. All new Christians should be mentored or taught these basics by the body of Christ (the church) with the elders of that body as overseers. If we as new or old Christians have never been taught the basics, how can we come into the perfection of Christ? From the basics listed below, study and learn and examine yourself and your church to see if you or the church you attend passes the test of doing what Christ did and the greater things he said we would do.

By the teaching of the Holy Spirit, I was taught that there are seven basic steps to maturity. **This is the Lord's teaching**—"When all else fails, always remember the basics and go back to the basics. The basics are the point of all beginnings. A warning, if you miss, or leave out, or skip the basics you will always have problems in your life. This is the problem with my children today. They have missed, left out or skipped over my basics in trying to serve me. What are my basics? The first three basic steps are 1) be born again, 2) be born of water, and 3) be born of the Spirit. 4&5) Then you must put off the old man and put on the new man in the image of Christ by the washing of the word. Leave out any of these five basic steps and you will be deceived and lead astray by false prophets. Trying to do my Kingdom work without all five steps leaves you without knowledge, wisdom and power. You are incomplete for you know me not in your heart but only in your head. I ask you why you know me not; is it because you don't do step six (6) by seeking me in your prayer closet? How many do step seven (7) of the basics? How many take communion of breaking the bread and drinking the fruit of the vine daily?

By doing the seven basic steps by faith, you will be ready for the day of salvation. You will not be misled or deceived by the many claiming salvation by other means. And you will be able to stand in the days of chaos coming as my judgments are amplified without fear of the times. But you will have peace, love

and joy rejoicing and being glad each day.” Amen. *John 12:48* **48** *But all who reject me and my message will be judged at the day of judgment by the truth I have spoken.* (NLT)

Let us search the Word of God for the scriptures that apply to what the Lord spoke that day for each step. Remember, if we compromise the Word of God after learning the truth, we serve not God, but the prince of this earth.

Steps 1-3. 1) must be born again, 2) must be born of water, 3) must be born of the Spirit. *John 3:3-7* **3** *Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.* **4** *Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?* **5** *Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.* **6** *That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.* **7** *Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again* (KJV) Jesus gave no options or choices when he spoke to Nicodemus. We are to be born again to see the kingdom of God and born of water and of the Spirit to enter into the kingdom of God. To be born again what is the first thing we must do? John the Baptist, Jesus Christ, and Peter all spoke one word, ‘repent’ as well as others in the New Testament. What is repent? Webster’s says it is to feel so contrite over one’s sins as to change, or decide to change, one’s ways. Then Paul wrote in Romans that we must confess with our mouth and by faith believe to be saved. *Romans 10:8-10* **8** *But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;* **9** *That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.* **10** *For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.* (KJV) This is the first of thee steps of being born again. This first step allows us to see the kingdom of God. The last two steps are to be born of water and Spirit as Jesus spoke to enter into the kingdom of God. When Peter preached to the crowd at Jerusalem after the Holy Spirit came at Pentecost, he spoke all three steps when the crowd asked what shall we do. *Acts 2:38-39* **38** *Then Peter said unto them, Repent* (repent of your sins and confess Jesus as your Lord and Savior), *and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins* (be born of water by water baptism dying to self and being raised as a new man in Christ) , *and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost* (be born of the Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues). **39** *For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.* (KJV) Jesus commanded to be born again. Peter obeyed the commands of Jesus and did the three steps. There are no options. We must search

the scriptures daily to see if Jesus Christ is among us and to see if our faith is really genuine so that on that day we will have passed the test.

Step 4. 4) must put off the old man and put on the new man in the image of Christ, — *Ephesians 4:22-24* **22** *That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; 23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; 24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. (KJV)* *2 Corinthians 5:17* **17** *Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. (KJV)* *Romans 6:6-8* **6** *Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. 7 For he that is dead is freed from sin. 8 Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him: (KJV)* The new Christian in the church he attends should be trained on how to seek maturity and coming into maturity in the image of Christ, but only if that church is in obedience to the Word of God will this happen.

Step 5. 5) must be washed in the Word —*Ephesians 5:25-27* **25** *Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; 26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, 27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. (KJV)* New Christians must come into the knowledge of the Word of God by becoming students of the word. How can we arrive at our detestation of a new man in the image of Christ if we don't read the road map? It is our own responsibility to know the truth and obey the truth.

Step 6. 6) must seek me in your prayer closet. —*Matthew 6:5-7* **5** *And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. 6 But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. 7 But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. (KJV)* How important is our prayer closet the secret place in which we seek the face of God? This is what the Holy Spirit taught me.

Oh, those who come into the secret place.

Oh, the glory and the peace they find.

Oh, how I rejoice and heaven sings over those in the secret place.

Oh, now they seek me in the secret place, I reveal my covenant to them.

Oh, what they do in the secret place, I reward with blessings.
Oh, the secret place is the womb of beginnings.
Oh, woe unto those who have lost the keys to the secret place.
Oh, how I am lonely as I wait for you in the secret place.
Oh, come I cry, run I cry to the secret place.
Oh, the secret place gives life.
Oh, when was the last time you used the secret place?
Oh, come I cry, come I cry, come I cry to the secret place.

Who has the eyes to see and the ears to hear?

Those in the secret place.

Whose hearts are always hungry and thirsty?

Those in the secret place.

Who is fed the best from the banquet table?

Those in the secret place.

Who is willing by the blood of the lamb, the word of their testimony and loves their lives not unto death?

Those in the secret place.

Who is willing to change and forsake all for the Kingdom?

Those in the secret place.

Who will lead others into the truth?

Those in the secret place.

Who if they fall will pick themselves back up?

Those in the secret place.

Who will rejoice and be glad in all things good or bad?

Those in the secret place.

Who knows the secrets of the Kingdom?

Those in the secret place.

Who will be made ruler over much at the day of resurrection?

Those in the secret place.

Who will walk in the new Jerusalem?

Those in the secret place.

Who knows the I AM?

Those in the secret place.

Step 7. 7) must partake of communion with me daily by the braking of bread and the drinking of the fruit of the vine. —*Acts 2:42 42 They joined with the other believers and devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, sharing in the Lord's Supper and in prayer. (NLT) Acts 2:46-47 46 They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord's Supper, and shared*

*their meals with great joy and generosity--*⁴⁷ *all the while praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people. And each day the Lord added to their group those who were being saved.* (NLT) **The Lord gave a stern warning about the taking of communion** as I read **1 Corinthians 11: 28-31** ²⁸ *But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.* ²⁹ *For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.* ³⁰ *For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.* ³¹ *For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.* (KJV) As I read those verses **the Holy Spirit spoke**—“That is why they are weak and sick today (Christians) for they judge not themselves about their salvation. Many have never completed the first six basic steps for salvation and they eat and drink unworthily. They have never discerned what true salvation is.” Paul wrote in **2 Corinthians 13:5-6** ⁵ *Examine yourselves to see if your faith is really genuine. Test yourselves. If you cannot tell that Jesus Christ is among you, it means you have failed the test.* ⁶ *I hope you recognize that we have passed the test and are approved by God.* (NLT) For a complete study on 2 Corinthians 13:5 ask for the booklet titled “How To Prepare To Be Qualified To Serve In The Army Of Jesus Christ.”

Have the churches in this day passed the test by teaching the seven basic steps to maturity and how to apply all seven steps in our lives to come into the perfection of Christ? Remember the church is the body of believers meeting together.

Christ warned the seven churches of Revelation and promised them rewards in heaven if they were overcomers to the end. But to be overcomers, we must continue in the Word of God obeying Christ’s teachings. Then we will know the truth and the truth will set us free. Let us look at what the writer of Hebrews spoke about Christians in his day. Take a moment, pray to the Lord for the Holy Spirit to speak to your heart on these exhortations from Hebrews. **Hebrews 5:9-14** ⁹ *And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;* ¹⁰ *Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec.* ¹¹ *Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing.* ¹² *For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat.* ¹³ *For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe.* ¹⁴ *But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.* (KJV) **Hebrews 6:1-3** ¹

*Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, **2** Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment. **3** And this will we do, if God permit. (KJV)* Are we Christians today any different than who the writer of Hebrews was writing to? In the church we attend have we left the principles of the doctrine of Christ coming into the understanding of the Kingdom of God and the will of God in our lives? Are we past the foundation of repentance and faith? Do we understand the doctrine of baptisms and applied those doctrines to our lives? What does the laying on of hands mean? How many have seen the dead raised? Then the writer of Hebrews said this we will do, if God permit. Is it God that is holding us back? Or is it ourselves tripping without knowledge and truth drinking only milk and not eating the strong meat causing stagnation in our goal of perfection? We will become like those we associate with. Are they the dog chasing his tail or are they moving into perfection by the strong meats of truth? If those we follow are blind, we will be blind also and all will fall into the ditch. **Proverbs 13:20-21** **20** *Whoever walks with the wise will become wise; whoever walks with fools will suffer harm. **21** Trouble chases sinners, while blessings chase the righteous!* (NLT) **Proverbs 14:12** **12** *There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death.* (NLT)

Do the churches today line up with the Word of God in leadership and actions with Christ as the head? Or have they ignored the teachings and commands of Christ and worship God their own way. **Isaiah 50:11** **11** *But watch out, you who live in your own light and warm yourselves by your own fires. This is the reward you will receive from me: You will soon lie down in great torment.* (NLT) Let us test these churches with the Word of God and see if they are the church Jesus Christ is going to present to himself.

. Why do we believers of Christ meet together? We should all know it is to worship God in the spirit for he is a Spirit. What does Hebrews teach us about meeting together? **Hebrews 10:23-26** **23** *Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)* **24** *And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: **25** Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. **26** For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, (KJV) We are to meet together to encourage and warn one another so that we will not be deceived by sin and false prophets causing us to harden our hearts against God. What words do we use to teach and counsel one another? Is it man's thoughts and words or is it Christ's? **Colossians 3:16-17** **16***

Let the words of Christ, in all their richness, live in your hearts and make you wise. Use his words to teach and counsel each other. Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts. 17 And whatever you do or say, let it be as a representative of the Lord Jesus, all the while giving thanks through him to God the Father. (NLT) If we are to be representatives of Christ, then we must know Christ by the Holy Spirit and power.

When we meet together as a church, by what power do we use to exhort one another? If we Christians have completed the seven basic steps to maturity, we will have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost which is the power by which we exhort one another. Then God will have given us every spiritual gift needed to exhort one another as we prepare and wait for the return of our Lord Jesus. Remember hidden in Christ is wisdom and knowledge. Without the Holy Spirit and power and the gifts of the Spirit, how can we access that knowledge and wisdom hidden in Christ who sits at the right hand of the Father in heaven? We must have Christ's knowledge and wisdom for counsel. **1 Corinthians 1:4-9** *4 I can never stop thanking God for all the generous gifts he has given you, now that you belong to Christ Jesus. 5 He has enriched your church with the gifts of eloquence and every kind of knowledge. 6 This shows that what I told you about Christ is true. 7 Now you have every spiritual gift you need as you eagerly wait for the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. 8 He will keep you strong right up to the end, and he will keep you free from all blame on the great day when our Lord Jesus Christ returns. 9 God will surely do this for you, for he always does just what he says, and he is the one who invited you into this wonderful friendship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. (NLT) Does the church you attend have and use these Spiritual gifts keeping you strong up to the end? God has promised the church the gifts. God always keeps his promise and does what he says.*

What are these nine gifts of the Spirit that are given to the Church by the Holy Spirit? **1 Corinthians 12:1-11** *1 And now, dear brothers and sisters, I will write about the special abilities the Holy Spirit gives to each of us, for I must correct your misunderstandings about them. 2 You know that when you were still pagans you were led astray and swept along in worshiping speechless idols. 3 So I want you to know how to discern what is truly from God: No one speaking by the Spirit of God can curse Jesus, and no one is able to say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. 4 Now there are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but it is the same Holy Spirit who is the source of them all. 5 There are different kinds of service in the church, but it is the same Lord we are serving. 6 There are different ways God works in our lives, but it is the same God who does the work through all of us. 7 A spiritual gift is given to each of us as a means of helping the entire church. (NLT)*

8 For to one is given by the Spirit the **word of wisdom**; to another the **word of knowledge** by the same Spirit; **9** To **another faith** by the same Spirit; to another the **gifts of healing** by the same Spirit; **10** To another the **working of miracles**; to **another prophecy**; to **another discerning of spirits**; to **another divers kinds of tongues**; to **another the interpretation of tongues**: **11** But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will. (KJV)

We must now examine ourselves and the church we attend to see if these gifts are in operation when we meet together. If the gifts are not present among the believers, or if the leadership of that church denies the gifts, or will not allow the gifts to function, then is Christ among the believers in that meeting? According to the Word of God the answer is no because they have failed the test. Paul's first letter to the church at Corinth was one of correction. They had the power of the Holy Spirit and the gifts of the Spirit but were misusing the gifts. Paul said they were acting like they belonged to the world and he had to talk to them like infants in Christ. He had to feed them with milk and not strong meats. They were arguing as to who they followed. Paul told them not to take pride in following a particular leader for all things belong to them. He instructed them in public worship, order at the Lord's Supper, the Spiritual gifts, the resurrection of Christ, and the resurrection of the body of Christ and about love. He taught them about the body of Christ being made up of many parts and the body needed all of the parts to function for Christ. He told them to desire the most helpful gifts and this we should be doing in this day. But just because we desire certain gifts does not mean that we will receive. We have to accept what God has given us and use that gift to help the body grow to maturity. Paul taught them there was to be order in their meetings for God is not a God of disorder.

Be warned some will twist this scripture that follows around saying we don't need the gifts but only love. **1 Corinthians 13:8-13** **8** *Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.* **9** *For we know in part, and we prophesy in part.* **10** *But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.* **11** *When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.* **12** *For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.* **13** *And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.* (KJV) The power of the Holy Spirit, the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the keys of the Kingdom given to us are for our use now on this earth until Christ comes for his Church. Christ defeated the devil on the cross and with the gifts we can keep him defeated. Without these gifts how can the church do the works of Jesus and greater

works? James said faith without works is dead. John teaches that we must live in both truth and love to receive grace and mercy from the Father and his Son. Are the churches using the gifts given from heaven coming into maturity being ready for their day of salvation? Are the churches doing mans work and claiming faith? Are the churches preaching love without obeying the truth?

Another thing Paul corrected the Church at Corinth was about spiritual pride. Here is what Paul spoke to them **1 Corinthians 5:1-2** **1** *I can hardly believe the report about the sexual immorality going on among you, something so evil that even the pagans don't do it. I am told that you have a man in your church who is living in sin with his father's wife.* **2** *And you are so proud of yourselves! Why aren't you mourning in sorrow and shame? And why haven't you removed this man from your fellowship?* (NLT) What did Paul have the Corinthians do about that man? **1 Corinthians 5:3-8** **3** *Even though I am not there with you in person, I am with you in the Spirit. Concerning the one who has done this, I have already passed judgment* **4** *in the name of the Lord Jesus. You are to call a meeting of the church, and I will be there in spirit, and the power of the Lord Jesus will be with you as you meet.* **5** *Then you must cast this man out of the church and into Satan's hands, so that his sinful nature will be destroyed and he himself will be saved when the Lord returns.* **6** *How terrible that you should boast about your spirituality, and yet you let this sort of thing go on. Don't you realize that if even one person is allowed to go on sinning, soon all will be affected?* **7** *Remove this wicked person from among you so that you can stay pure. Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed for us.* **8** *So let us celebrate the festival, not by eating the old bread of wickedness and evil, but by eating the new bread of purity and truth.* (NLT) When we Christians meet together there is to be no leaven in the body of believers. If we find leaven or sin among us we are to take action to correct and remove that leaven. We are to be holy unto God as God is holy. It is the body of believers' responsibility to judge those in the church who are sinning. We are not even supposed to associate with believers who are in unrepented sin. **1 Corinthians 5:9-13** **9** *When I wrote to you before, I told you not to associate with people who indulge in sexual sin.* **10** *But I wasn't talking about unbelievers who indulge in sexual sin, or who are greedy or are swindlers or idol worshipers. You would have to leave this world to avoid people like that.* **11** *What I meant was that you are not to associate with anyone who claims to be a Christian yet indulges in sexual sin, or is greedy, or worships idols, or is abusive, or a drunkard, or a swindler. Don't even eat with such people.* **12** *It isn't my responsibility to judge outsiders, but it certainly is your job to judge those inside the church who are sinning in these*

ways. **13** *God will judge those on the outside; but as the Scriptures say, "You must remove the evil person from among you."* (NLT)

The churches today have compromised themselves for the sake of growing numbers and the flow of money to keep their programs active. When have you heard the leaders speaking of growing in maturity as the Word of God says we are to do and teaching the body how to do it? **Colossians 3:1-2** **1** *Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits at God's right hand in the place of honor and power.* **2** *Let heaven fill your thoughts. Do not think only about things down here on earth.* (NLT) Sin is like a cancer within the walls of the church today. Why? They disobey the Word of God and their actions do not line up with the word to be the Church Jesus is coming for. They are not clothing themselves with a brand-new nature that is to be continually renewed because there is no maturing and learning more and more about Christ. They claim to be so humble, but their sinful minds have made them proud. They are not connected to Christ the head of the body.

We have been shown by Paul's teachings that there is leadership in the body of Christ. Who places that leadership in the body? Is it divinely appointed leadership or appointed by man? If we follow the examples of the churches today, we will find leadership appointed by man or his denomination that have to meet their qualifications. This church leadership answers to other men and he performs his leadership by the manuals of man. What does God say in his word about leadership? God sets the leadership in the Church. **1 Corinthians 12:28** **28** *And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.* (KJV) **Ephesians 4:11** **11** *And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;* (KJV) What is that leadership's job? Paul answers that question in **Ephesians 4:12-13** **12** *For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:* **13** *Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:* (KJV)

Can we as Christians claim one of the offices that Christ gives the church? No, we can desire those offices but if Christ does not call us to those offices it is not ours to fill. It is our responsibility to seek God's will in our life so that we fit together perfectly with the rest of the body. If Christ has called you to one of the offices, you will know it in your heart. Then the Holy Spirit will guide you and train you and send you to places for on the job training and sometimes to school in man's seminary. Remember this, you cannot fill those offices without having done or are doing the seven basic steps discussed above.

The Church's government is called a theocracy with God appointed leadership. What is a theocracy? Merriam-Webster defines theocracy as a government of a state by immediate divine guidance or by officials who are regarded as divinely guided. From Easton's Bible Dictionary: Theocracy is a word first used by Josephus to denote that the Jews were under the direct government of God himself. The nation was in all things subject to the will of their invisible King. All the people were the servants of Jehovah, who ruled over their public and private affairs, **communicating to them his will through the medium of the prophets.** They were the subjects of a heavenly, not of an earthly, king. They were Jehovah's own subjects, ruled directly by him.

The Israelites rejected God as their king and wanted to be like the rest of the nations ruled by earthly kings. Look what God told Samuel—*1 Samuel 8:6-9* **6** *Samuel was very upset with their request and went to the LORD for advice. ⁷ "Do as they say," the LORD replied, "for it is me they are rejecting, not you. They don't want me to be their king any longer. ⁸ Ever since I brought them from Egypt they have continually forsaken me and followed other gods. And now they are giving you the same treatment. ⁹ Do as they ask, but solemnly warn them about how a king will treat them."* (NLT) Has this not happened in the denominational churches today? Have they not dethroned Christ for their traditions and doctrines by filtering out Christ as their head and making the Holy Spirit of no effect? Who is their God if they have failed the test?

I include this study by Jonathan Hansen, World Ministries International titled *New Wineskin & A Fresh Anointing Part 3*.^[1] to increase your knowledge about church leadership.

From 1 Corinthians 12:28—"Here we see God's order for the church leadership. It says:...first apostles, second prophets, third teacher, then miracle, then gifts of healing, helps administrations and various kinds of tongues. God has appointed a particular design for His Church. **1st in order of authority are apostles.** In the Early Church the apostles appointed elders as overseers, made decision for the whole Church, and oversaw individual congregations. **Prophets are second.** Today most churches that accept prophets place them in submission to the pastor. This is unscriptural, and it grieves the Holy Spirit. This does not mean that every prophet has authority over every pastor, however, a prophet who is accepted as a prophet to the church, does have authority over a pastor. (It is worth reiteration here that some senior minister currently being called 'pastor' really are anointed as apostles; in that case a prophet should submit to their 'pastor'.) First

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Corinthians 14:32 tells us that ‘the spirits of prophets are subject to prophets’. Therefore prophets must submit to each other. Also since they are second in authority, they should submit to directives from apostles. **Teachers are third.** This category does not include every Sunday school teacher or Bible study teacher. We are referring to an office recognized by the church whereby an anointed teacher is placed among the presbyter. Teachers must be submitted to apostles and prophets, and yet be willing to work alongside other teachers. **Miracle workers are important as the fourth** level of authority. Paul and Barnabas justify their position by ‘elating what signs and wonders God had done through them among the Gentiles’ (Acts 15:12). Who is going to argue with a person through whom God does miracles? An elder with a gift of miracles is to recognized above those with less anointings. **The fifth gift is that of healing.** In the same way that miracles are confirmations of God’s authority, so also is healing power. **The sixth gift is that of helps.** Although the Bible does not describe this gift, I will explain how I understand it. I do not see helps as the servant position in which Christians clean the church, run the nursery, or do carpentry. It would make no sense to place that type of gift above administrations. I see this gift as the anointed position in which a person stands alongside and serves, in a very personal way, an apostle or prophet. Most true apostles or prophets need a helper, much like Elijah had Elisha as his servant. That helper needs to have authority in the church, and especially over the administrations, because the helper knows personally how to serve the needs of the apostle or prophet. An example from the New Testament is Tychicus, whom Paul describes as ‘our beloved brother and faithful servant’ (Col. 4:7) Paul sends Tychicus to the church at Ephesus (Eph 6:21), to the church at Crete (Titus 3:12) in order to carry his letter and to give further instruction. Tychicus ministers under Paul’s authority, and hence he carries authority over many of the other elders he visits. This is the ministry of helps. **The seventh gift is administrations.** This title is also interpreted as ‘leader’ or ‘one who governs’. It refers to a person who is not only gifted at organization, but who is anointed for delegating responsibilities and directing groups of people. Paul writes to Timothy about those ‘elders who rule well’ (1 Timothy 5:17) and says they should be considered worthy of double honor. It was the administrators who ruled over the practical ministries of the local church. They had authority under the apostles, prophets, teachers, and those with the gifts of miracles, healings and helps. **The eighth gift is that of tongues.** This is the least of the gifts of authority. These eight gifts delineate God’s order among the leaders, or elders, in the local church.

Prophet Hansen in the study mentions elders. They were appointed as overseers and made decisions for the whole Church and oversaw individual congregations. They were under the authority of the one who appointed them. **Acts 14:23 23** *Paul and Barnabas also appointed elders in every church and*

*prayed for them with fasting, turning them over to the care of the Lord, in whom they had come to trust. (NLT) When we search the scriptures day by day, we will find that even though Paul was chained in Rome, the Word of God could not be chained or bound. Paul had many elders he had trained and appointed to continue the works he started. There was Timothy, Titus, Tychicus and others. These elders had authority over the churches they were sent to. 1 Timothy and Titus give us the definitions and qualifications of an elder. If a church has no elders, can they line up with the Word of God? No, because James says to call for the elders of the church. **James 5:14-15** **14** *Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. 15* *And their prayer offered in faith will heal the sick, and the Lord will make them well. And anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. (NLT)**

The churches today have failed the test of being the Church Jesus Christ is coming for. They are not doing nor do they line up with the Word of God. Just as the Israelites ignored what Jeremiah was speaking, the churches today ignore the complete truth of the Word of God picking and choosing scripture to fit their doctrines. **Jeremiah 18:18** **18** *Then the people said, "Come on, let's find a way to stop Jeremiah. We have our own priests and wise men and prophets. We don't need him to teach the law and give us advice and prophecies. Let's spread rumors about him and ignore what he says." (NLT)*

If we are students of the Word of God, we will have discovered that Jesus Christ, being born of women, set the examples that we as Christians are to follow and his commands we are to obey. What examples of Jesus are we to follow? He was water baptized by John, he was born of the Spirit, he fasted, he prayed, he preached "repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" in the synagogues, he taught, he healed all manner of sickness and all manner of diseases among the people and if they were possessed by demons, he cast them out. Then his fame spread far beyond the borders of Galilee. The Church Jesus Christ is coming for will do like wise.

When we meet together as his Church we can do as Christ did and greater things, if we as individual Christians have followed Christ's example and obeyed his commands. It is his Church, the body of believers, in one accord, in love and truth that will continue his works being washed in the word and being holy without blemish. It is in that Church that Christ will pour out the Holy Spirit without measure. That Church will have government leaders with Christ as their head and connected to Christ by the Holy Spirit. That Church will operate in the gifts of the Spirit without measure because the body individually is maturing daily working out their own salvation with fear and trembling having done and continue to do the

seven basic steps to maturity. That Church will exhort one another to keep the body clean without unrepented sin. That Church will be doing the will of God following the example of Jesus Christ as he did the will of his Father. Remember Jesus warned us in *Matthew 7:21 21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.* (KJV) There is the narrow way which leads to life by obeying and following the examples of Christ and only a few find it. There is the broad way in which we ignore the examples of Christ and pick and chose the parts of the Word of God we want to apply in our lives and this way leads to destruction and many choose the easy way. Now that you know the truth where will your path lead you to when your tent on this earth is folded up?

I share with you this vision the Lord showed me about the narrow and the broad path. In the vision I was walking on a narrow dirt path in a forest. There were no others walking on either side of me. Walking on this path I looked to my left and saw a broad path that was smooth. There were many people walking shoulder to shoulder in ranks on that path going the opposite way from what I was walking. The Lord showed me that when we walk his path it will be by ourselves with the Holy Spirit guiding us. Those who walk the broad path in unity are headed for destruction for they know not the Lord claiming Jesus Christ but obeying not his commands or his word.

Remember what happen to the Israelites were examples to us. In 1 Samuel 4 the priest Eli and his sons Hophni and Phinehas were in disobedience to the Lord their God walking the broad path. The Israelites had been defeated by the Philistines in battle. They called for the Ark of the Covenant to be carried into battle the next day thinking God would be with them. They were defeated with thirty thousand Israelites dead along with Eli's sons and the Ark captured.

Here is what the Lord is saying about and to the churches. Heed these warnings and live.

“As Adam sinned and lost his authority and power, the churches are in sin for they use not my authority or the power given them, for they know not my truth, for the apply not my truth even when they read my truth.” Amen.

“The churches are not a light unto the world, but a light of the world. They have compromised My Word, for they fear the world and not Me. Woe unto them, for their time is short and will be no more. The harvest will remove the wheat and the tares will be judged. Many have been mislead, have become bound by lies and in their hearts they know they are lacking spiritually. This is my wheat. The tares will deny My Spirit, My Power, and My Word forever and ever and

believe the lies and go to hell with their hardened hearts of unbelief. My wheat will be watered and produce the fruit of final harvest of the end of the age. (*Note-This next section is about the closing at the end of tribulation in the Book of Revelation. The Holy Spirit pointed this out today 8-21-02.*) The end will come soon for I am accelerating time and the power of My Spirit upon this world. For I must, before man destroys My loved ones, because man loves the world and not Me. I am God and My Word reigns and no man can deny My Word. My Word is coming in power and glory.

PREPARE----PREPARE----PREPARE

Amen.

PROCLAIM----PROCLAIM----PROCLAIM

For the blind will remain blind and the deaf will remain deaf after the harvest. I will harden their hearts forever and ever. They made the choice and I oblige them even to the gates of Hell. (*Note-This next section is about the closing at the end of tribulation in the Book of Revelation. The Holy Spirit pointed this out today 8-21-02.*)

For when My Word comes, My grief will stop and full wrath upon those who have rejected Me. For I am The Lord God and mercy and grace is ending; wrath is beginning and then the end. I tarry no longer.

PREPARE----PREPARE----PREPARE

for I am God sending My Word.

What I have spoken to you this day My Son, do not hide it or bury it, but proclaim it. For I am no longer going to be a God of grace and mercy, but a God of presence with power in My servants that will be seen and cannot be denied. (*Pertains to the current judgments as instructed by the Holy Spirit this date 08-21-02.*)

PREPARE---PREPARE---PREPARE

I COME----I COME---I COME--

with love for my servants and wrath for those who deny Me. I am going to shake all that can be shaken. Woe unto them that reject Me. They will suffer sorrows and bitterness in hell forever and ever with no hope. (*Pertains to the current judgments as instructed by the Holy Spirit this date 08-21-02.*)

I COME----I COME----I COME

My spirit saw and sensed God's changing from grief to wrath. The heavenly realm is making the transition and preparing for the end of this age and the great battle ahead. For as in Noah's time the world makes merry lusting--lusting--lusting after the flesh, blind and deaf to God's mercy and grace, with the pit of Hell

waiting to swallow them up.

PREPARE----PREPARE----PREPARE”

The Lord spoke the above to me on September 16, 2000 and on August 21, 2002 he added this warning to what he spoke. I typed it in capital letters for it was the Lord God himself speaking. There is no other voice like his voice.

“I AM THE **LORD GOD**. WHAT I SAID THEN WILL BE AS I SPOKE IT THAT DAY. THOSE WHO QUESTION OR DENY THIS PROPHCY HAVE NO PLACE IN HEAVEN WITH ME. LISTEN TO WHAT I AM SAYING AND PREPARE YOURSELF BY OBEYING MY WORD AND THOSE I SEND TO YOU. SAVE YOURSELF FROM THE GATES OF HELL AND DAMNATION. I AM YOUR LIGHT ONLY IF YOU LISTEN AND OBEY MY LIGHTS. THE WORD IS BEING DONE NOW AND WILL CONTINUE UNTIL COMPLETION. PRAYERS ARE TOO LATE TO CHANGE MY MIND. I WILL HAVE MY CHURCH ACCORDING TO MY WORD. OBEY AND LIVE.” Amen.

“As a snake crawls out of its hiding place, I will bring forth My Heoieta’s to proclaim My Word. As the snake was unseen so have My Heoieta’s been unseen by all. As a snake strikes but gives warning by hissing or shaking its rattles, I will give warnings before I send out My Heoieta’s. As they go forth My Word goes forth for it is within them. My truth will be heard and woe unto them that do not obey and follow the truth of My Word when spoken. I am changing and setting in order My Church before I come. My Church and I will be as one as I am one with My Father. My Church will be of power and deeds. I will be the head and not locked out of My Church. My Church will listen to the Spirit and obey. The world and the current churches I am locked out of will hate My Church and will attack it with many words of slander. But the more it is attacked, the greater the outpouring of the Holy Spirit to do the things I did and greater things. My Church will use the keys of the Kingdom for losing and binding. My Church will be a church of healing, miracles, words of knowledge and of faith unshakeable. It will be My body with Me as the head according to My Word. I am the I AM, the Alpha and Omega, the creator of all things. My Church will before the closing of this age stand against the antichrist that will be coming to power. My Church will be a light unto the world, an example of the world to come. I am God and these things will be done and are being done. I love all but rebuke and chasten those who raise their hand in defiance to what I am doing. I see all and know all. The current churches as they stand will not change, but there is a harvest ready to be reaped out of them. My Heoieta’s will put forth their sickles to the blade that is ready and the tares will be left.

Watch listen and see all of this come to pass. It will be done. I tarry not. I come. But first My House will be re-established for My greater works. Then the tribulation and the end. Those who have prepared and are ready will shout for joy at My coming and those of the world and churches not ready will scream in fear. It is being and will be done.” Amen.

11-30-03. As I went to my prayer closet this day the Lord said get my pad and pencil. I lay down on the floor and started praying in words I know and in the Spirit. As I prayed in the Spirit, the unction came upon me to write. I picked up my pad and pen and the Lord started speaking. There was a great urgency in his voice. The words came rapidly with little hesitation from the Lord. From the message this day I know God is changing things in very short order with the fire of his judgments to establish his Church according to his word. Heed the warning, repent and prepare.

“Those who call upon my name and enter not into my Kingdom as commanded by my Son are lost. They do not my will and their roots and all will be dug up and thrown into the fire and the grave. Listen and obey the Spirit in judgments. Repent and fear me that your soul may be saved. The fake prophets in the pulpits of the denominational churches have sealed their fate. They listen not to my Spirit and damn themselves with the lies they speak. Their home will be with their father in the lake of fire.

I am God and I am sitting my house in order now, this day. Listen and obey the Spirit to be saved. Listen and obey my messengers to be saved. Listen to my word and obey to be saved. This is the day to obey, tomorrow will be too late. I am God and I am changing things this day and the days to come. My fire of judgments has now been turned up. Who will be burned and saved? Who will be burned and die?

I have cried out, but only a few have listened. They are my remnant, the chosen ones, the blessed ones, the children of Israel the lost and scattered ones, my points of light that will shine in the darkness of judgments today. If you listen not, you serve me not. If you serve me not, you serve the antichrist of this world. You call yourself a Christian, but do you pass the test to see if Christ is within you? I tell you now, you have failed for you listen not and see not.

I repeat this day. Many will die that call themselves Christians and will go to hell in their rebellion tomorrow and the days that follow during my judgments. Listen and fear me and live. I am God and I have spoken and warned this day through my prophet that has heard and obeyed. Now you will see and hear my judgments and know it is I, the I AM.”.

12-02-03. “Those who draw nigh unto me washing themselves in the word of truth and obeying that truth, I mark as my own. They have made themselves

holy as I am holy. They walk one with me in unity with my Son basking in his light. Woe unto those who think they belong to me but darkness covers them. In that darkness they think they have light. They have been deceived by false teachers knowing not the truth. Beware of those in that darkness that think they have light. They serve not me and I know them not. They work iniquity without repentance. They will be lost to the grave and death into eternal darkness.”

12-03-03. In the dream this night, Margaret and I were traveling in California and had stopped at a restaurant. The topic of conversation in the restaurant was an identification card for Americans and they were calling it a green card. There was an area set aside in the restaurant to fill out the card. I saw that after each person filled out the card they were to paint their face green using the paint supplied. I noticed that after each one painted his or her face they changed in their actions or became sick.

Margaret insisted that she wanted one of the cards. She filled out the application and painted her face. She became ill and went to the restroom. I waited for a long time for her to come out of the restroom. I finally asked one of the clerks if she would go to the restroom and check on Margaret. The clerk returned and reported she was still in the restroom. After waiting, I decided to go into the restroom and check on her myself. As I approached the door I was blocked by others with painted faces from entering.

In the confrontation I began to see that the people with the painted faces in the natural looked normal but in the spiritual their faces were in different states of decay. Some were without lips and some were without noses. The length of time dictated their state of decay. They were blocking me from Margaret because they knew I would wash off the paint from her face now that I knew the truth. They wanted all to be changed into their likeness.

I left the restroom area and went back into the lobby of the restaurant. I could see that most all of the people in the restaurant were completely changed. They no longer had evidence of painted faces. By seeing in the in the spiritual they all had been changed into something else due to the state of decay about their faces. I went outside and waited. Then I made up my mind that I was going to get Margaret out of this situation. I turned around I started back inside. As I started to enter there was a pillar of flaming fire that appeared and preceded me. The fire took the most direct route to the restrooms which was through walls and not doorways and down the hall. I followed the fire into the restroom and into a hidden room within the restroom finding Margaret. The dream ended.

I asked the Lord what the meaning of the dream was. The Lord showed me this—“Who are we going to serve? If we serve the world and take their identity, we will become like the world in our thinking and our actions. If we enter into the

denominational churches and take their identity, we will serve them according to their doctrines becoming like them in our thinking and actions. If we serve Christ taking on his identity, we will become like him in our thinking and actions. By serving Christ in Holy Ghost power, the fire of God will walk before us clearing the way as we do the will of God. Those we serve other than Christ will protect us and their ways attacking any who comes against them and their doctrines and beliefs.”

12-11-03. As I prayed in the spirit this day in my prayer closet, I saw this sentence in the Spirit. “I the word.” After prayer this is what the Holy Spirit spoke. “I the word. The word is truth. The truth will set you free from man’s doctrines, if you apply all of the truth of the word in you life on this earth laying up treasures in heaven.

The churches are like watermelons. I will split them open in judgments. The fruit inside is rotten and is of no use to me. My Heoieta’s will harvest out the good seeds within to be planted in my pastures to be watered for quick maturity. They will be my Church without spot or wrinkle to stand and do battle in the days ahead.”

Be warned of what is going to happen in the future. What I write here was given to me by the Holy Spirit in a dream and I write it in story form this day. The Holy Spirit is the revealer of things to come. God does reveal his secrets unto his prophets before he acts.

The churches today are like the wicked Queen in Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. They go to the mirror to look at themselves each day and ask the same question each time they look. “Mirror, mirror on the wall, who is the fairest of us all.” Their looking is all in vain. They see not the truth of themselves. They cannot see who they really are, because they have been blinded by their pride and the prefix name on their door. They fear losing their attendance numbers and the money that flows from those numbers. They build brick and mortar telling God they are growing. They build not souls into maturity because they lack maturity themselves. They know not the truth of the word and therefore obey not the commandants of Christ in his word. They stand powerless against the devil and his demons because they know not spiritual warfare lacking power from heaven. As they stand this day they are doomed to the grave and hell. The day is coming that God will break their mirror and they will face God in judgments. They will be given a chance to repent and come into the truth. They will buy a new mirror and be angry because they have lost some of their members to the Church Jesus Christ is building. They will gather together in unity against God, Christ and the Holy

Spirit claiming they know the truth and are doing the work of God for his Kingdom. They will become hypocrites and workers of iniquity falling away from God and his Kingdom taking the mark of the beast. They will repeat history over again as the Jews did when they condemned Christ on the cross and killed new Christians in the name of God.

Brothers and sisters in Christ, the party of ignorance about God and his Kingdom and what he is about to do is over. God is going to separate the sheep from the goats in coming judgments. Jesus Christ is going to have his Church according to his word. There will be many lies exposed in the days ahead. If we see other Christians and churches walking in darkness without Christ as the head, are we to be partners with them in their sin? If we know the truth and warn them by showing them the truth and they refuse to repent, then we must separate ourselves from among them. **2 Corinthians 6:14-18** **14** *Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? 15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? 16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, 18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.* (KJV)

If we are going to serve Christ, then Jesus Christ and his word must become more important to us than family, friends, or churches. Can we afford to compromise Christ and his word for the sake of being liked and to be agreeable with all people? Jesus did not come to bring peace but a sword. **Luke 12:51-53** **51** *Do you think I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I have come to bring strife and division! 52 From now on families will be split apart, three in favor of me, and two against--or the other way around. 53 There will be a division between father and son, mother and daughter, mother-in-law and daughter-in-law.* (NLT) The choice always falls on each Christian individually on whom he is going to serve. If we are to be Christ's disciples, then we must obey his commands. Otherwise, we serve the prince of this world by default. If we are sold out to Christ, then we will suffer as he did. If we are overcome as Christ was, there will be many rewards and a crown of life stored up in heaven for us. Remember these words from the writer of Hebrews in what he said about drifting away from the truth, the doctrine of Christ. **Hebrews 2:1-4** **1** *So we must listen very carefully to the truth we have heard, or we may drift away from it. 2 The message God*

delivered through angels has always proved true, and the people were punished for every violation of the law and every act of disobedience. 3 What makes us think that we can escape if we are indifferent to this great salvation that was announced by the Lord Jesus himself? It was passed on to us by those who heard him speak, 4 and God verified the message by signs and wonders and various miracles and by giving gifts of the Holy Spirit whenever he chose to do so. (NLT) Amen.

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