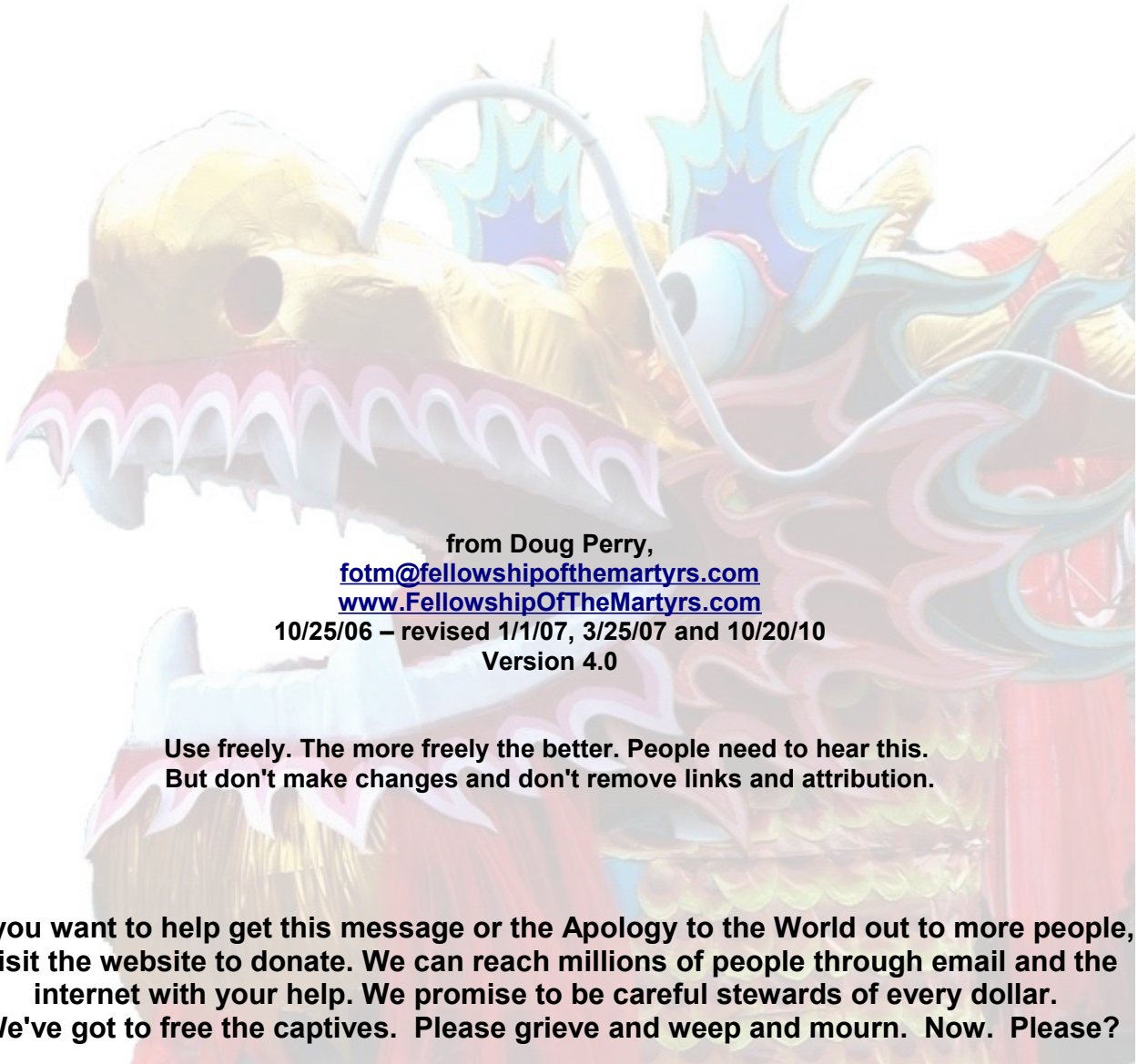


The Red Dragon

The horrifying truth about why
the “church” cannot seem to change.



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Father God, I ask in the name of Jesus Christ that you would preserve and protect those who are reading this, that you would remove or bind up every obstacle or strategy of the enemy that would try to keep them from hearing and receiving this word. I ask that you would bind up the spirit of Jezebel in each person during the time they are reading and meditating on this so that they could hear Your voice clearly and You could minister to their spirit Yourself about this. I pray that you would bind up the Red Dragon and keep it from whispering to them during this time. I know you want us free. Please, Father! Please forgive us and show us how to make it right. Don't let the enemy steal Your words from their heart. Confirm this to their spirits and show them what to do next.
Thanks, Abba. We pray in the Name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

How it all started.

The Red Dragon is what I first saw sitting over the top of several charismatic ministries here in Kansas City. It looks just like a Chinese silk parade dragon - a big, scary face with the feet of people sticking out underneath. (Not the little kind that they carry up over their head on a stick, but the really big, silk parade dragons that surround you and just your legs stick out.) At one major ministry here in town it was really trying to mess with me. I was on my knees at the altar trying to repent and stand in the gap for the sins of their people and for them going their own way. They really need somebody to repent for the damage they've done to so many people. Like Exodus 32:32, I was even offering to take onto myself all the guilt for what they had done. I had wept for them a lot before that. But inside their building I couldn't do it. I couldn't repent. Not because I didn't want to or was unwilling - I just couldn't even get a single tear out. Which is REALLY odd, because I cry when God lets me have a glass of water. Big chunks of most of my days are spent weeping for the state of things or for people, places or institutions. I weep at altars all the time. But at **their** altar I couldn't even get ONE tear out.

I knew something was suppressing my tears - and that's my best weapon! I started looking around trying to figure out what was messing with me and saw the Red Dragon on the roof. (It's not unusual for me to see spiritual strongholds on people or places.) I decided to rip it off and cast it down and, since I was pretty mad that it was messing with me, I decided to do some damage to it first. I went after it with the Sword of Spirit and hacked at it a few times and then the Lord said, "STOP!" I wanted to cast it down and He said, "No. I put it there and I'm not going to allow you to pull it off."

Well, that was kind of a shock! God told me to get up and leave, that it was a curse on the whole place and that HE put it there and I was not to try to deliver them of it. I stood in the parking lot for awhile and watched it on the roof and I got more and more angry. It was mocking me and telling me I had no authority and that it was in charge and I was nothing. I could see that the people in there were oblivious to it and were under all kinds of oppressions themselves, but the Red Dragon kept them from seeing the problems. This place is known internationally for its excesses and nearly everyone I've met from there has a spirit of lust and a love of money and a big pride stronghold and yet is thoroughly convinced they're the hottest thing on the planet. As I stood next to my van, I was getting really hot and decided to torture it some more, but the Lord again stopped me. He said very clearly, "This is what it does, it is about pride. It makes it all about YOU. Either it convinces you to come inside and join it, or it convinces you to fight against it, but either way, it takes your eyes off of Jesus and makes you focus on IT. I told you to leave it alone! Now get in the van and go and don't come back."

Later that night, I was still having a real problem taking captive every thought as it continued to whisper and try to get pride to rise up. I was constantly thinking about what I should have done differently or how I'll show them someday and they'll see how wrong they are. I found myself scheming about all the ways I could free them or crush it or tell everyone that it was there. The Lord had to stop me again and show me that it was winning because I was making it about me and about works and about the fight with it. I had to constantly keep turning it over to God and renouncing it, but it kept coming back and sneaking in. Finally the Lord said to call a friend of mine who sees very well in spirit and has a lot of experience with deliverance. Even though I had tried to get all cleaned off, it wouldn't budge. So I called him and without prompting he saw the spirit of pride right away and helped me rip it off. I'm not sure I could have done it by myself. Not because Jesus in me isn't big enough to cast off any demon, but because THIS demon is a curse from God and is a WHOLE lot harder to get off of you. Without repentance it won't budge and it SUPPRESSES repentance! I had to beg the Lord to get it off of me and repent for having tried to attack it against His will. But without someone with a true gift of repentance helping me, I was unable to really repent and get free from it. I got it on me when I let their Dragon goad me into fighting with it when the Lord had specifically told me to leave and not mess with it. I set myself above God and decided that it was OK for me to do something He had told me not to do. Just like Eve in the Garden.

Once having gained victory over any demonic power or stronghold, you gain authority over that "flavor" and have increased sensitivity. That's why people that have been sexually abused are hypersensitive to others who have been abused, for example. They can smell it on someone because they've been through it. Within a few weeks, the Lord started showing me lots of other Red Dragons. At first I thought they were just the offshoots of that one well-known ministry – as the other places where I had seen it were all connected to the first place in direct or round-about ways. But I also saw them on individuals who were only tangentially related to it.

Again I was sent to a conference of a different ministry here in town and found myself in the same situation, it was trying to either suck me in or get me to fight with it. The Lord made it clear that I was to just leave it alone, but again it required the help of another deliverance/repentance expert to get me cleaned off. After that I asked the Lord to upgrade my spiritual "shield" so that I could be in those places without it sticking to me constantly. To be placed under the curse along with them, it's enough to just be present and go along with whatever their agenda is! That was never going to work for me because I'm all over town and constantly visiting one ministry or another and can't have it messing with me constantly. The Lord honored my prayer for a tougher shield and so far it's holding.

I've seen the Red Dragon all over town. More on that below. Since the first encounter I have spent a lot of time praying and listening to the Lord about what this is, where it came from, how it got there and more importantly, how to get it off. As the Lord began to reveal more about it, I began to be horrified at what I was finding. It's not just that one ministry and it's not just an isolated outbreak. I hope you'll see as I proceed with this and that you will be equally shocked, horrified, ashamed, repentant – and have a substantial increase in your Fear of the Lord.

Some people think that this writing is about the Red Dragon and how to fight satan. It's not. This is about Fear of the Lord and what will happen when you go your own way – even a little bit. You CANNOT rebuke this off of someone. You CANNOT claim the blood of Jesus and cast this down. They HAVE to repent – and it suppresses repentance. I'm writing this to show you the mess we've made and the hopelessness of the situation without God's grace and without HIM pouring out the Gift of Repentance on His people – either directly or through the people He has raised up that already know how to weep and mourn before the altar. This writing is not about glorifying satan – he is only a tool in the hand of a fierce, jealous, living God, who at the moment is not at all happy with us.

If you don't believe that people can actually see demons (or that demons are real) or don't believe that I actually saw what I say I saw, then just consider all of this a fictional poetic allegory and see if you can get it to jive with Scripture. Whatever. I don't really care what you think of me, but ignore this message at your own risk. If I'm right, this is really, really far worse than anyone can probably get their head around and our situation is hopeless without repentance and hardly anybody can repent!

Father, I offer up everything you've ever given me toward the upbuilding and equipping of Your Body. Those who are reading this who believe in faith and can receive and are ready, please give them whatever you gave me. Whatever I have, they are welcome to drink it in right now, even if I don't get it back. Just the good stuff, Lord. Filter it and make sure that there is nothing but Your Spirit. I trust You, Father. Give them Discernment of Spirits, give them Wisdom, give them authority over the demons that confront them and give them Fear of the Lord. If you're willing and they're ready, let them see the Red Dragons clearly. Pour out the Gift of Repentance on them and let it be true and run strong. Give them the strength to turn and stay turned. In proportion to their faith and Your willingness and perfect will, increase all their gifts so that they can be dangerous to the enemy. Open blind eyes and let the dragon's scales fall off. Let them see the bad guys really clearly and have an unquenchable fire in their belly to free all the captives. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

The IF/THEN Axioms of God's Wrath

IF you are a child of God, **THEN** the requirements are higher on you than on the “world”. (John 1:12, Luke 12:48)

IF you are a child of God, **THEN** you are supposed to obey God and God alone and lean not on your own understanding. (Acts 5:29, Prov. 3:5)

IF you are a child of God and you are following a Man instead (including yourself), **THEN** you are in disobedience to God. (Matt. 9:9; I Peter 2:21; John 12:25-26)

IF you are a child of God in disobedience, **THEN** the Lord would like to draw you back to Himself – by whatever means necessary. (Luke 15)

IF you repeatedly refuse correction, **THEN** God will turn you over to increasingly bad stuff until you break. (Daniel 4:28-37; Romans 1:18-32)

IF you are really, really stubborn and rebellious, **THEN** God will harden your heart and send strong delusion on you until you are utterly destroyed – or you repent, whichever comes first. (Romans 1:18-32; Rom. 9:18; John 12:40; 2 Thess. 2:11-12)

IF you are a group of people, **THEN** God may collectively turn you over to satan to teach you not to blaspheme or send oppressions upon you. (I Tim. 1:20; I Tim. 6:1, Exodus, Judges, I and II Kings, etc.)

IF you persist in your rebellion, **THEN** expect MASSIVE negative consequences both spiritually and physically. (Isa. 31:1, Deut. 28, Lamentations, the bulk of the Bible is warnings of negative consequences for disobedience!)

IF there is a war between Good and Evil and we seem to be losing, **THEN** we are going our own way and God has blinded us and sent a strong delusion against us because we are being disobedient and rebellious. (Deut. 28, Rev. 3:14-22)

The IF/THEN Axioms of God's Curses

IF you are a child of God in disobedience, **THEN** God WILL send down curses on you until you turn. (2 Thess. 2:11-12; Acts 9:1-9; John 9:35-41, 12:40)

IF God sends down curses on you, **THEN** one of them is probably “strong delusion” or “blindness.” (2 Thess. 2:11-12; Acts 9:1-9; John 9:35-41, 12:40)

IF God sends blindness or strong delusion on you, **THEN** you probably won't even know you're blind and deceived. (Rev. 3:15-17)

IF you are a prophet of God and you're in disobedience, **THEN** you will probably be VERY sure that you're hearing God really well, even though it's a lying spirit that is twisting everything up. (1 Kings 22:1-40; Matt. 15:14, 24:24; 2 Thess. 2:9-12; Rev. 3:15-17)

IF repentance is the only thing that can break the curse, **THEN** you really, really need to repent right now. (James 4:7-10; Mark 1:4; 2 Corinthians 7:9-11; Romans 2:4-5; Matt 3:1-2; Luke 13:1-5; Acts 2:36-41; Acts 17:29-31; 2 Peter 3:9; Rev. 2:5, 2:16, 2:22, 3:3; 3:19)

But, **IF** you're under a delusion and are blind or asleep, **THEN** you can't repent or don't know what to repent for. (Matt. 15:14; Rev. 3:17; John 9:40; Matt. 13:13-14)

IF you don't repent, **THEN** you are toast. (And repentance is a gift that can ONLY come from God – and He is cursing you for being disobedient and may not pour out on you the Gift of Repentance.) (Romans 2:4; 2 Tim. 2:25-26; Acts 17:30; James 4:7-10, Acts 5:31)

IF you can't or won't repent and repentance is the only hope, **THEN** you're caught in a hopeless paradox loop.

IF there is going to be any hope for you, **THEN** either God Himself or someone who already HAS a gift of repentance has to come and pour it out on you so that you can get released. And then you have to turn and **stay** turned. If you go back like a dog to its vomit, it's going to go VERY badly for you. (2 Peter 2:20-22; 2 Timothy 2:25-26; 2 Corin. 7:10)

The IF/THEN Axioms of Current Church Conditions

IF God is for us, **THEN** nothing can stand against us. (Romans 8:31; Joshua 1:9; 1 John 4:13-18; 2 Chron. 32:7-8; 2 Kings 6:15-17)

IF God says that if you obey, nothing can stand against you, and currently things are standing against us, **THEN** we must not be obeying God.

IF there is a war between good and evil and we seem to be losing, **THEN** we must be under the curses of Deuteronomy 28, not the blessings. (Deut. 28)

IF there is hatred among brethren and adultery and envy and lust and dissension and factions and selfish ambition inside the Church and its leadership, **THEN** it CANNOT inherit the Kingdom of Heaven in its current state. (Galatians 5)

IF there is a love of money present and persistent in the Church, **THEN** the root of all evil is well entrenched in our structures and we're in big trouble. (I Timothy 6:10)

IF we are to be known as Christians by our love and we hate each other, **THEN** we might not actually be Christians. (I John 2:9,11; 3:14-24; 4:19-21; John 15:23)

IF we are not being good stewards of that which the Lord entrusted to us and we've buried our coin in the dirt, **THEN** we will be cast into outer darkness where there will be much crying and gnashing of teeth. (Luke 12:35-48; Matt. 25:25-46)

IF we can definitely show that the Church is basically doing everything exactly BACKWARDS of the way the Bible suggests we do it – and nobody seems to mind, **THEN** we have to come to the conclusion that there is a supernatural stupidity imposed on the system because nobody could intentionally design something this broken.

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Sample Scary Stats – How can we scripturally justify this kind of stuff?

- Average cost per baptism in Cambodia - \$4300 (All Christian spending divided by output.)
 - Average cost per baptism in India - \$9800
 - Average cost per baptism in USA - \$1,550,000
 - Average cost per baptism in Germany - \$2,119,000
- Less than 1% of Christian revenue is spent on evangelism to the most unreached.
- 91% of all Christian outreach/evangelism does not target non-Christians but targets other Christians.
 - Out of 648 million Great Commission Christians, 70% have never been told about the world's 1.6 billion unevangelized individuals.
 - Despite Christ's command to evangelize, 67% of all humans from AD 30 to the present day have never even heard of his name.
- Some 250 of the 300 largest international Christian organizations regularly mislead the Christian public by publishing demonstrably incorrect or falsified progress statistics.
- Currently there are over 41,000 "Christian" denominations and we start another one every other day.

**Stats from World Christian Trends, William Carey Library, David Barrett & Todd Johnson, 2001.
The summary and analysis of the annual Christian mega-census.**

What is the Red Dragon?

It is the enemy. It is the whore of Babylon, it is anti-christ, it is the false prophet, it is the dragon of Revelation. Not that it is the ONLY permutation or "echo" or complete manifestation of any of those things, but it is all of them as well. It is the Babylonian religious system in all its forms and permutations. It could be Buddhism or Islam or Atheism or Catholicism or a denominational system like the Episcopalians, the Lutherans, the Methodists, etc. Everyone that has gone their own way and made up their own religion.

You don't think you made up your own religion? Well, if you've cut and pasted parts out of the Bible or added something to it that isn't really in there, then you've made a hybrid, accepted compromise and made a covenant with foreign gods of your own making. It's really obvious if you're bowing down to idols of gold or stone or wood, but it's just as much idolatry if you're bowing down to extra-Biblical documents or made up traditions or philosophies or the pastor. You can worship a particular version of the Bible, you can require things of those in your fellowship that the Bible doesn't require, you can refuse to associate with other people that have the Holy Spirit in them but disagree with you on some secondary issue, you can set a man up as your head instead of Jesus. Those and thousands of other permutations, are all evidence that you are a cult and have made up your own mystery religion and are worshiping the wrong Jesus (or worshiping yourselves).

The biggest difference between the Red Dragons is whether or not God considers you part of physical or spiritual Israel. If you are NOT, then the Dragon on you (or your "church") is there because it snuck in or was invited in, but either way, it can be crushed and you can be delivered and set free. At one point the Lord had me pull one off of a Buddhist monastery and crush it and cast it down. They CAN be delivered of the Red Dragon. (That doesn't mean they won't get another one right away if they like it, but the Lord wanted to show me that it's anti-christ, but it's not there as a consequence (curse) on the children of God. It's just the 'world' being the 'world'.)

BUT ... if you are physical Israel (the nation/the race) or spiritual Israel (the Church), and you have a Red Dragon on the roof, then it is now firmly entrenched and GOD PUT IT THERE and it cannot be removed without repentance. It is MUCH sneakier and nastier and harder to get out from under this kind of Dragon, because God is angry and helping it along.

Hear me, if you are a "Christian" and you have gone your own way, the curses of Deuteronomy 28 have landed on you, but you are probably sure that you are just fine. This is not an "Old Testament" thing that doesn't apply anymore to Christians! For His purposes and to prove His sovereignty, God WILL harden your heart if you go your own way and WILL blind you to the true state of how bad things really are. The Church of Laodecia in Rev. 3 thought it was rich, but it was really hungry, naked, wretched and blind. That is the kind of skewed perspective that happens when you are supernaturally stupefied by this curse.

The "world" can be under a Red Dragon and really hate it and want out and be desperate for something better. They only remain trapped because they haven't heard the Truth or can't receive it yet. But the "church" under a Red Dragon actually likes it and doesn't want to change, because their ears are being tickled and their hearts are hardened. The longer it goes on, the worse it gets and subsequent generations are more and more depraved and lost. They are less and less likely to be hearing God and more and more dependent on legalism and tradition. Either way, the people die for lack of knowledge. Lack of knowledge of God's true law and lack of knowledge of what Fear of the Lord really is – and lack of knowledge about how to REALLY repent for anything.

In another effort to prove this, the Lord prompted me to do a complete study of all the times that someone in the Bible is affected by stupor, sleep, slumber, blindness or deafness. I can find NO instance in the Word of God of the enemy doing this to anybody. Nearly every pastor I've ever heard preach on this believes that the Church, particularly the church in America, is, at the moment, the rich, sleepy, blind Laodecian church. If I'm right, then based on my study of scripture, GOD Himself did this to us. There is NO indication that I can find anywhere that sleep or stupor or blindness can come on God's people from ANY source other than God – and that they did it to themselves by disobeying God!! (See verses at the end of the Red Dragon section - page 47.)

Please hear me. I've spent years visiting hundreds of congregations and traveling all over the country and seeing dragons large and small – on major ministries, on mega churches, on home groups, on individuals. This is FAR more dangerous than anyone wants to admit and far more deadly. You will be DEAD SURE that you are right and hearing God accurately, even while the Lord sends a lying spirit from the Throne that is intent on your destruction! He really does do that. Set your man-made theology aside for a moment and read the Word of God. Read 2 Chronicles 18 and 1 Kings 22. King David is not allowed to touch the king of Israel (Saul), but God is perfectly willing to kill another anointed king (Ahab) Himself and leave His people without a shepherd.

God WILL send a deception upon you and you won't even know it. The closer you are to God, the higher His expectation that you will obey and the meaner the Red Dragon to which He will turn you over when you go your own way. I know it's really unlikely that you can hear me if you're under one of those, but please try.

Who has a Red Dragon on them?

Everybody that is not fully under Christ's headship automatically defaults to the anti-christ spirit. All layers at all levels are subject to being under the "cover" of the Red Dragon. You can even be under multiple Red Dragons at the same time. That is, if someone was a part of the Body of Christ but has gone their own way (whether individually or corporately) they have created their own "mystery religion" and put themselves under a Dragon. The longer they are there, the more God will harden their hearts and blind them to the true state of their soul.

It's not as simple as being out of "church" either, or withdrawing your "letter" of membership. It is much more pervasive and sneaky. A person can have an anti-christ religious spirit on them, their family, their congregation, their city, their denomination, their country. They can be "members" of multiple layers of Dragon Teams that might even have conflicting goals and purposes – but all have set themselves against God. And probably some layers I can't even see are in play, but they must ALL be broken! You can't conform to the 'world' on ANY level!

I've found that the Red Dragon is strongest and fiercest and most active and malicious on those places that would normally hear God the best. That is, the "Spirit-filled" ministries that believe in the gifts and preach holiness and believe God speaks and seek God's face require the biggest, meanest, sneakiest Red Dragon to keep them off course. Plus, the expectations are highest for them, so the consequences of disobedience are far worse. Those are the places where it is strongest and most active and easiest to spot on the roof. A congregation that is asleep and has been for generations, and the doctrine of the denomination is fully ingrained, and they are not in any danger of hearing God and being directed by Him, doesn't hardly require a Red Dragon at all. A teeny weeny one is all that needs to be assigned to that place. Both kinds of groups are just as deceived and just as oppressed, but it's a lot less work for the enemy if you're already asleep and you like it that way. And frankly, God is a lot less mad at the sleeping ones – because they don't know what they don't know.

The good news is that it's a lot easier to repent in a place that's asleep. I have a lot of hope that the Baptists and the Brethren and the Episcopalians and the Lutherans and others will be able to receive this and repent. Their Red Dragon is not as strong and they might just sneak up on it and get free before it notices. As soon as a revival fire is lit in a Baptist congregation however, a much bigger Dragon with lots of help will show up to squash it. The element of surprise is key. Bind up what's there before it can call for help.

I'm a lot less optimistic about the charismatics. They hear God and are really proud of it and are sure that they are hearing with 100% accuracy (which is what happens when you're under a delusion from God). Their Red Dragons are VERY powerful and fierce and have a stranglehold on corporate repentance. I have seen that one up close and personal and been shocked by how much it controls the whole thing – even outside people that come in to speak at some of these places are sometimes completely, supernaturally unable to really preach corporate repentance.

Ultimately, corporate change is going to come down to the Lead Dragon Dancer. If the ministry head (pastor, apostle, prophet, bishop, priest, whatever) can throw off the Red Dragon and really repent sincerely and weep and mourn in front of his sheep, he might just free them all. But it's the longest of long shots that the ministry head will really lay it all down without picking it up again – or finding a new Red Dragon of a slightly different style. I've seen it happen, so I know it can be done, but I don't think it's going to be common. Read Ezekiel 34.

I believe that a team of people who have a true Gift of Repentance can come and turn a place around – whether or not the Lead Dragon Dancer wants it. I've seen that happen as well. I've been in a congregation and poured out what I had and seen them weeping and repenting. But it is unsustainable if the Lead Dragon Dancer won't go along with it or the people won't leave behind the institutions of Man. They will not go where you won't lead them. If the shepherds won't go, the sheep won't either. The sheep are either going to need to find a shepherd that will get them to safety – or gang up on the shepherd they have until he breaks down and becomes a broken and contrite vessel useful for God's purposes.

Without corporate change, it's just going to be up to the individuals to get out from under it. That may happen in ones and twos, or it may be a whole mass exodus that leaves the Lead Dragon Dancer standing alone. Whatever it takes, just get out from under it if you can.

How did it get on God's people?

They went their own way. They ate from the forbidden fruit, turned to other gods, failed to carefully and diligently follow the Lord's commands, so they opened the door. They failed to joyfully and gladly serve the Lord in time of prosperity. The farther they went, the more the Lord hardened their hearts and gave it permission to mess with them. See Deuteronomy. 28. Those curses were natural curses on natural Israel but had a spiritual component. They are also spiritual curses on spiritual Israel – which is the Church – and they have a natural component. We are currently experiencing ALL of those curses in the “church” system that we've built. It can ONLY mean that we have disobeyed God and gone our own way. (See page 90).

We brought this on ourselves. Read Lamentations. These curses DID manifest on natural Israel. And they are currently manifesting on spiritual Israel at a phenomenal rate. But since we aren't seeing in the spirit – we're judging the natural (and we're blinded by God) – we're missing it. But the sheep can feel it and they're leaving.

2 Timothy 2:19-26 (KJV)

*19 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity. 20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour. 21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work. 22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart. 23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes. 24 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, 25 In meekness instructing **those that oppose themselves**; if God peradventure will **give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth**; 26 And that they may **recover themselves out of the snare of the devil**, who are taken captive by him at his will.*

If you do not depart from iniquity, if you are not purged, if you do not flee from youthful lusts, if you do not avoid foolish and unlearned questions, if you engender strifes, THEN you oppose yourself by getting under a Red Dragon that is designed for your own destruction. You get out from under the protecting cover of God's perfect will and open yourself up to whatever wants to come mess with you. And it will probably be something really sneaky and subtle (at least at the beginning) and it will lie to you and it will sound JUST like God. And your ONLY hope is repentance – so that you can acknowledge the Truth and maybe recover from the snare of the devil who has taken you captive at his will. And this verse says that they may not be able to do it themselves, those who are sanctified servants of the Lord may need to patiently, meekly instruct those people about how to get free. I believe that means pouring out your own Gift of Repentance on them. How did YOU get to be sanctified, gentle, meek and patient – except by repenting? Now show them how to do it! Better yet, repent in front of them so they can see how it's done.

The longer you're under the Dragon, the more blind and stupid you get. At some point you're rolling on the floor clucking like chickens or worshiping crying statues or vicious to anyone that disagrees in the slightest – or worse, feeding your flock poisoned fruit punch or having sex with the daughters of your fifteen wives or loading your automatic weapons while the FBI and the ATF drive tanks into your living room. And you're still ABSOLUTELY sure it was all God's idea and you're on the right track! That is, right up until you stand before God and He says, “I never knew you.” THEN there will be weeping and repenting, but it will be too late. Wouldn't it be better to just do the weeping first and maybe avoid all the other heartache?

How do you think we're going to get Him to turn without that? How about this verse? Think this is just good advice or is this a command? Is there ANY other prescription in the Word of God to get Him to turn?

2 Chronicles 7:13-14

*13 "When **I shut up the heavens** so that there is **no rain**, or **command locusts to devour the land** or **send a plague among my people**, 14 **IF my people**, who are called by **my name**, will **humble themselves and pray** and seek **my face and turn** from their wicked ways, **THEN** will I **hear from heaven** and will **forgive their sin** and will **heal their land**.*

What does the Red Dragon look like?

The way it was shown to me, it looks just like the shell of a large Chinese dragon in a carnival or parade. It has no legs of its own and would be motionless without outside power. It has a great big, scary head with teeth and a mean look and seems very fierce and impressive – but also kind of endearing. It's covered in silk and shiny things and is designed to attract attention to itself. But it cannot do anything or get anywhere without the hands and feet of the people under its "cover" to keep it going. Just like in the parades, it is constantly chasing a "Pearl." Satan is a defeated enemy with no power of his own. He accomplishes his purposes by co-opting our own physical and spiritual energy. We are the legs that power him.

From the outside it looks very slick, the legs of the Dragon Dancers are adorned and colorful. But if you look underneath it's just a thin wood frame filled with sweaty guys in tanktops. From the inside, there's nothing really animated or special about it. All the emphasis is put on outside appearances and much work is put into making sure the "guts" are all hidden from view.

See a small Chinese parade dragon on video here - <http://chcp.org/mpeg/> . And a larger, internally lit, fancy one here - <http://www.theschoolbell.com/Links/Chinatown/dragon.mov> . And more about the Chinese dragon here - <http://www.moonfestival.org/legends/dragon.htm> . And here - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chinese_dragon . If you do a Yahoo or Google search for "Chinese dragon" you might just be shocked at how much of this religious festival worshiping the dragons has been filtered down to school children as a "cultural" experience. There are pages and pages of teacher aids about how to have your class of elementary school kids do a dragon dance parade. This is a RELIGIOUS festival, this is NOT safe, fluffy fun for Christian kids! Here is an interesting writing about the Dragon throughout scripture and why we need to take this seriously – <http://eifiles.cn/dp-en.htm> .

I've seen the Red Dragons on people, too. It's a much smaller version, is mounted on their front with the tail up and the head down. That is, it's running down their front with it's tail in their face (or wrapped around their neck) and gripped on their front. Could be large or small, but it fits with the Deuteronomy 28 curse that we will be the tail and not the head. We may think we're in charge, but really we're just staring up a Red Dragon's rear end. Sometimes it will have more than one head. Sometimes it may even have a face that looks like whatever person they have knowingly or unknowingly made their god – Calvin, Luther, the Pope, their pastor, their wife – could even be themselves.

What is the "Pearl"?

In Chinese religious mythology and in the parades, the dragons always chase a pearl. The really big red dragons chase a pearl painted blue and green like the Earth – now isn't that just straight out of the Book of Revelation!?

The Dragon dangles a shiny carrot out in front to take the attention off of itself. It convinces everyone of a goal and uses all their energy, momentum, and physical and spiritual assets to reach that goal – which is always something **other than** the pure pursuit of Jesus. It could be a new gym or a new piece of land for a bigger sanctuary or an experience or a manifestation or to be the biggest, best prayer ministry or to run a soup kitchen or anything – just so long as they're not directly pursuing Jesus and His total headship in everything. The goal is to be constantly moving and DOING so that it is always JUST ahead and requires constant forward motion. If a goal is actually reached, another will be immediately set so that the Dragon can keep everyone constantly churning. If a goal seems unreachable or is never met, it will be replaced by something that can affirm the Dragon Dancers and keep them urging forward. Whatever this "pearl of great price" might be, it **IS NOT** a pursuit of Fear of the Lord and a desire to be fully and completely under His headship and have constant communion with Him without any structures or systems of Man in the middle – that would destroy the Dragon. Anything but that will do. The Dragon is VERY creative. I've seen all kinds of Pearls and some of them look really honorable and noble, but the people have their eyes on the Pearl and not on Jesus. And the Pearl keeps them from seeing the Dragon that is enveloping them.

If the Pearl is ANYTHING other than what Jesus wants you to be doing at that very moment, you're going to be happily dancing OFF of the Narrow Path and out into the Broad Way that leads to destruction. There is His PERFECT will and everything else. If you aren't in His perfect will, then you're going your own way. If you can't hear His voice, then you're probably leaning on your own understanding and directing your own paths.

How does it work?

The Lead Dragon Dancer is the one that is most skilled, most well-trained, most practiced and most showy. He is the one that controls the head of the Dragon (or at least he thinks he does). He is the most acclaimed, most noticed, and he dictates the direction, pace, style and movement of the Dragon. (In actuality, he's a slave to the pearl and the Dragon picked the pearl.) When the Red Dragon is over a congregation or ministry, the head of the ministry is the one closest to, most influenced by and best trained by the head of the Dragon. He is the absolute **least likely** to throw off the Red Dragon because he has the most to lose. He has worked a long time to get to be the Lead Dragon Dancer and he likes it. Plus the Red Dragon affirms him substantially and whispers to him that he is indispensable.

Just like in China, there are schools where you can go to learn how to be the "head" – how to be the Lead Dragon Dancer. (But here we call them "seminaries".) It's important that you perfect the art, and dance exactly according to the regional style and "flavor" of your particular Dragon Club. (Here we call them "denominations".) There are competitions and shows between Dragon Teams to see who is the best, who is the shiniest, who is the biggest, who is the most artistic and so on. There are all kinds of ways to stand out and make your Dragon unique and special. Everybody has some other Dragon that they want to either beat or be like. There are lots of books and conferences led by the most famous Lead Dragon Dancers about how to be more like them. We are introducing fancier and bigger Dragons all the time. In fact, we are even taking on Dragons that look just like Wall Street and Madison Avenue. We're adapting business models to our religious enterprises because their Dragons seem to be more efficient. But all we're doing is grieving God more.

The Red Dragon itself doesn't care how you dance - so long as you keep dancing and you don't get free. It wants constant motion and will constantly reinforce and draw from those who are willing to work hard to keep it going. It has no love for the individuals and its goal is to kill, steal and destroy. It will chew people up and spit them out. It will exhaust their legs, their creativity and their resources and then discard them without a second thought because the momentum of the Dragon Team is the most important thing. It will whisper to the Lead Dancer that if people fall away not to worry because they were getting tired and useless anyway – or they were rebellious and didn't want to dance the proper way and follow along. If anyone should actually point out that the dance is getting nowhere – watch out! That will immediately get you ejected from the team!

The whole thing is rooted and based in Pride. "Look at me!" It wants to enlarge itself, improve itself, be more colorful and attractive - so that more people will watch IT and keep their eyes off of Jesus. It wants more legs, so it can dance more and grow longer. It whispers to all its Dancers, "We are the best Dragon anywhere. We're the 'hot new thing.' Everyone should be like us. In fact, anyone that doesn't dance just like us isn't even a real Dragon at all. We're the truest, best, most original, most authentic Dragon. We're the best and nobody else counts."

Just like a parade dragon, when you are inside, you can't see anything but the guts of your own Dragon. You can't see the scenery or the weather or the traffic or the other Dragons. You MUST focus on your own Dragon and follow the Dancers ahead of you. You MUST NOT take your eyes off of what you are doing or you will miss a turn or be off-beat and embarrass the whole Dragon Team. You also can't hear God because you're not looking to Him, you're watching your Dragon Team for direction and following the beat of their drums and cymbals. You might occasionally stand on the sidewalk (or at a conference) and watch a parade (or get a video) and see other Dragon Teams, but you only see them from the shiny, silky outside – not the humble underside where the sweaty, tired guys in tanktops are laboring under a Dragon held together with duct tape and bent coat hangers.

This blindness and competition keeps us compartmentalized and independent of each other so that the Body of Christ can't get unity and harmony because we all refuse to come out from under our own Dragons and yet we all insist that we're not under a Dragon, even though THOSE guys over there clearly are. We can see THEIR Dragon just fine, the thing that has twisted their denomination or congregation up into a heretical cult – but we can never see our own Dragon. Strange, isn't it? We're **so** blind and stupid and self-focused that I can only come to the conclusion that it's supernaturally induced. (Which is exactly what the Word of God says will happen to you when you go your own way, but I never saw it before now.) It's easier to talk about Jesus with atheists and drug dealers and kids with purple hair than with most 'church' leaders. My experience is that, with a few exceptions, church leaders seem to be SUPERNATURALLY deaf and dumb. They conveniently cut and paste out any scriptures that would upset their "system". While they are otherwise really great guys, the only conclusion I can come to is that there is a supernatural force in play – and it's not good.

Are the Red Dragons just over Christian churches?

I've seen Red Dragons over Buddhist temples. I've seen them over a Psychic Fair. I've seen them over Mosques. It is the spirit of Antichrist and always controls those who are following any one of the millions of flavors of Antichrist religious systems. The difference is that people can be delivered out of some of those without too much effort. That is, the Red Dragon over a pagan system or individual can be bound up or cast off (by someone walking in righteousness and with enough authority). These are not a curse from God as much as they are just the "world" doing what the "world" does.

But, on the Children of God, the rules are different. Whether you are "natural" Israel (the nation/the race) or "spiritual" Israel (the Church), when you disobey, the stakes are much higher. When you are the "world" you are already under satan's headship, but when you are God's and decide you'd rather go your own way (which by default means satan's way), then really BAD things are going to happen to you and it's going to be God doing it. Just as it pleased Him to prosper you, it will please Him to crush you. (Deut. 28:63) We aren't really preaching that in seeker-friendly comfy church, are we?

I just bet that doesn't jive with your view of God, does it? You don't think He's mad at anybody? You don't think He's a jealous God? "But surely," you say, "the Blood of Jesus means that we are redeemed and God's wrath is turned away from us. We're redeemed and safe and that "Old Testament" God is not in play anymore!" Yeah, well, think again. To take your stand on that bit of fiction, you're going to have to deny that the Word of God is true and right and still active today. But it won't surprise me if you want to leave parts of the Word out, that's how we all got under (or are still under) the Red Dragon curse in the first place. Yes, the Blood of Jesus will surely heal us, but not unless we repent and avail ourselves of it.

Let me point out that 2 Timothy 3:16 says that "ALL scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." You can't dismiss everything about God in the Old Testament because it doesn't suit your image of Warm-Fuzzy-Loving-Shepherd-Jesus. I'm warning you now, if you ever give me that "the Old Testament is not for New Covenant believers" argument in person, I'm going to ask you to hand me your Bible. Then I'm going to quote you 2 Timothy 3:16 over and over while I start with Genesis 1:1 and tear pages out of your Bible until you make me stop. Don't think I won't do it. If you're going to insult and demean my God and His Word, I'm going to call you on it.

You can't play it both ways. You can't demand that the Ten Commandments be posted in courtrooms and schools and then deny that the Old Testament is valid. You can't pound people with Malachi 3 and insist they're stealing from God if they don't tithe and then deny that same God and covenant in the next breath. He is an awesome, fearsome, jealous God and He doesn't change! If this writing doesn't convince you, if the devastating signs and wonders that He predicted and took personal credit for and are clearly evident RIGHT NOW don't convince you, then you're in big trouble. Your heart is so hardened and your Red Dragon has so much control that I wonder if it's even possible to get you free. Please turn. Please?

Ok, let's get back to it. Would God really be pleased about crushing and obliterating His own children? Well, the Word of God says that He will.

Isaiah 53:10

Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put [him] to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see [his] seed, he shall prolong [his] days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

And that's about JESUS, His own Son!!

Deuteronomy 28:62-63 (NIV)

You who were as numerous as the stars in the sky will be left but few in number, because you did not obey the Lord your God. Just as it pleased the Lord to make you prosper and increase in number, so it will please him to ruin and destroy you. You will be uprooted from the land you are entering to possess.

Lots more examples that I don't have room for here. Read Lamentations and what He did to Jerusalem. Women were cooking and eating their own babies. Just like Deuteronomy 28 promised would happen if they went their own way, and they did – and He did. About every 50 years Israel went their own way and God sent someone or something to oppress and/or destroy them. Then He sent some judge or warrior or king to free them when they repented. Every 50 years America has had a great sweeping revival that brought the hearts of the people back to God. Even if we aren't honoring the Year of Jubilee, God is. And we're due right now for another Awakening – but it only comes by repentance.

Personal-sized Red Dragons

(as opposed to institutional/denominational ones)

People get under a Red Dragon curse from God for having taken their eyes off of Jesus and going their own way. (Deut. 28) The enemy can use just about anything to get your eyes off of Jesus. The “Object” of your attention can then become the “face” on the Red Dragon you got under. The Object can be anything – football, a pastor, a denomination, a new car, an experience or manifestation, a wife, a doctrine, etc. It should be clear that some of these are inanimate objects, so pointing a finger at the Object as the cause of the Red Dragon misses the point. It's the person that allowed it who is most responsible.

When a person goes their own way and follows something other than God – they automatically (after an indefinite grace period) get a Red Dragon with their own face on it. It may also have the face of the “Object” they were following, but ultimately it's got their own face on it, because THEY decided to follow something other than Christ. When under a Red Dragon, they will have difficulty hearing clearly from the Throne. The Father is just and He will require that those who go their own way be separated from Him. The farther it goes, the deeper the strong delusion that will turn them over to their own reprobate mind and leave them open to any forces of the enemy that want to come mess with them. The more they operate out of Self (which they inevitably will if He is not directing their paths accurately), the more doorways they open up for the enemy. They will hear all kinds of things, sometimes self-condemning things, but also grandiose things about their role as the savior of a continent or the world. They may even hear that they can continue in sin in some ways and God won't mind. I know one man that heard He has an “exemption anointing” to sin freely.

There are those who are under a Red Dragon because of their willingness to follow some particular “Object” and believe in it more than they believed in (or listened to) God. It could be golf, it could be a dozen donuts, it could be Mormonism, it could be George Bush, it could be Carl Marx, it could be Brittany Spears.

There are those who got under a Red Dragon by their violent opposition to some Object. They are not actually “in” the Dragon, but they are the flagellants that follow along behind it whipping themselves. They are just as much in the parade and following the Dragon. It is still directing their paths because they are chasing IT instead of God. An anti-abortion protester can make that an idol and their whole life will revolve around that one issue and they will take their eyes off of Jesus. Before you know it, they'll be bombing clinics and be absolutely sure that God told them to do it. A heresy hunter can make his whole life about exposing error in the church or exposing a particular cult or leader – and they take their eyes off of Jesus, don't act in love, don't trust God to fight His own battles and get under a Red Dragon. (More on that following.)

Both groups are under the influence of a Red Dragon, although their behavior will manifest differently.

Those under it will:

- Be obsessed with the Object, it's future, it's growth, it's support, etc.
- Show signs of deep (and annoying) Spiritual Pride
- Have a supernatural love for it that defies logic or normal experience
- Be willing to sacrifice greatly for it
- Actively evangelize on it's behalf, convincing others and defending it
- Have a lack of peace if not doing something for the Object. This is a big indicator. No peace.
- Have Garblers that confuse communication and twist it to benefit the Object. They will only hear what they want to hear.
- Polarize those around them as having to be for it or against it with no middle ground.
- Be belligerent, have anger or fits of temper or even murderous rage when the Object is insulted or assaulted.
- Exhibit unscriptural behavior and justify it as necessary or unavoidable – or even directed by God.
- Lack the Gift of Repentance as it relates to the Object and their involvement in it – instead of obeying Jesus.
- Show a lack of trust that God is capable of developing and increasing and growing and providing for the Object Himself.
- Show a deep spirit of competition with others to prove that their Object is the greatest.

- Refuse to fellowship or even pray with those who are not in full agreement. Encouraging division.
- One of the other good give-aways is a huge abundance of words. Many idle words that go nowhere and basically accomplish nothing.
- Will have more and more difficulty hearing God and more and more acceptance of the voice of the Object instead. When they do hear God, it may be “garbled” when going through their “Object filter”.
- They will give the Object credit for any of their spiritual growth, instead of Christ.
- Groupies. Fans. Followers. Concubines. Lemmings. Whores. (That’s what God calls them!)

Those violently opposed to it will:

- Be obsessed with the Object, it's destruction, it's correction, it's starvation, it's humbling, etc.
- Show signs of deep (and annoying) Spiritual Pride.
- Have a supernatural hatred for it that defies logic or normal experience.
- Feel an overwhelming urgency to do something right NOW about the Object.
- Be willing to sacrifice greatly to see it destroyed, even their own relationship with God.
- May even work compulsively and violate moral or legal boundaries to destroy it.
- Actively evangelize against it and recruit ANYONE that can help them, even people that are far worse in their own way.
- Have a lack of peace if not doing something against the Object. This is a big indicator. No peace.
- Have Garblers that confuse communication and twist it to show the worst angle on the Object.
- Polarize those around them as having to be for it or against it with no middle ground.
- Be belligerent, have anger or fits of temper or even murderous rage toward the Object.
- Exhibit unscriptural behavior justified as necessary or unavoidable – or even directed by God.
- Lack the Gift of Repentance as it relates to their focus on the Object instead of Jesus.
- Show a deep spirit of competition with others to show that they are better (smarter, holier, stronger, faster, wiser) than the Object.
- Show a lack of trust that God is capable of dealing with the Object Himself – or believe that God has appointed them to be His agent to chasten or destroy the Object.
- Refuse to fellowship or even pray with those who are not in full agreement. Encouraging division.
- One of the other good give-aways is a huge abundance of words. Many idle words that go nowhere and basically accomplish nothing.
- Will have more and more difficulty hearing God and more and more hatred of the voice of the Object instead. When they do hear God, it may be “garbled” when going through their “Object filter”.
- They will hate it when the Object speaks at all and will take nearly everything they hear in the worst possible way. They will be constantly expecting to catch the Object in an error to justify their position against it. There is no grace for a mis-spoken or misunderstood word, Everything is a heresy and any comment that seems to be ANYTHING less than pure, absolute truth is evidence that the Object is a tool of satan. Unreasonably high standards. Especially considering their own words and actions!
- They will blame the Object for any fallen state of their own instead of accepting their own responsibility for having taken their eyes off of Jesus. Anything bad that happens to them they will attribute to warfare or curses from the Object to get them to stop what they believe is effective warfare of their own.
- Persecutors. Haters. Murderers. Hunters. Lemmings. Whores. (Again, according to God.)

In all cases, they may hear something they are VERY sure is God, but it will inevitably offer some clues that there is a problem. The sacrifice of Jesus meant that He was seated with God so as to send the Gift of Repentance to men. (Acts 5:31) Despite the strong delusion from the Throne, the Holy Spirit works with the Son to find a way to leave clues that there is a problem so that those who have ears to hear and eyes to see will turn and be healed. But the blind will head into a ditch. Only those who have eyes and ears and an expectation of their unworthiness and the danger of this will see the problem early and stop it before it goes too far. A constant state of repentance and fear before God is the best defense.

The Father requires justice, but the Son wants that none should perish. So He will tell the Holy Spirit to speak in such a way as to discomfort slightly or leave some hint that there is a problem. There will always be signs that, although subtle, will probably be clearly visible later when the fog is gone. The Spirit may also speak to those around to show them that the person is off track. He will always leave a trail of bread crumbs back to the original incident so that the person can find their way back to the root and repent. Follow the trail, if you can.

Inverted Red Dragon – Flagellants

“Flagellants” are those who go about whipping themselves. This is the visual image that the Lord showed of what is really going on when someone is obsessed with an Object (ministry, person, etc) in a negative way and becomes intent on their destruction. They have been hurt and they keep opening up the wounds themselves to prove what martyrs they are. And along the way, grieve God and become what they hate.



2 Timothy 2:24-26 – And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all [men], apt to teach, patient, In meekness instructing those that **oppose themselves**; if God peradventure will give them **repentance** to the acknowledging of the truth; And [that] they may recover themselves out of the **snare of the devil**, who are **taken captive** by him at his will.

This is important enough that we wanted to expand substantially on this in Version 4 of this book. I expect that this will get MUCH more common as more Christians actually start acting like Jesus. They need to know what to expect. The similarities between warfare because you are being effective for the Lord and a crushing because you are disobeying God can sometimes be terrifying. Ultimately you have to hear the Lord, know that YOU aren't exhibiting symptoms of the Red Dragon yourself.

It's important to understand the continuum here. That the enemy can get your eyes to the left or to the right and either way, he's got you. For example, you can make food an idol by gluttony or by anorexia. You can make sexuality an idol by an insatiable desire or a terrifying fear of it. You can make a ministry an idol by getting under it and giving them full reign over your life – or by chasing it everywhere, intent on “exposing” it and destroying it. You make a spouse an idol and look to them more than God – then divorce and turn all the love into bitter hatred. It's a radical supernatural swing from one extreme to the other. Either way, you get your eyes off of the Cross of Christ and the devil has still got you right where he wants you.

What is the Goal of the inverted Anti- Red Dragon?

To bring division, kill, steal and destroy – ministries, relationships, momentum for the kingdom of God. Create paralysis and victimization mentality in you. Block rejoicing in affliction by creating an obsessive quest to “expose” or “save others”.

How it works:

It beats on a person by whatever means, usually physical, financial, emotional, relational stress that weakens them, then it starts inserting lies – “this is HIS fault, this is all because of HIM, if He hadn't done this everything would be OK, I'm suffering because of HIM, I'm scared and hurting because of HIM.” Always getting the focus on a person/ministry/construct instead of JESUS, always failing to rejoice in affliction, failing to see the big picture, failing to trust the Lord, hope all things, believe all things, endure all things, keep no record of wrongs (I Corin. 13). Love is lost. Gossip and backbiting increases and as the demon gets them to hearken to some voice OTHER THAN the voice of God and obey the commands of God, then the accuser of the brethren is justified to claim Leviticus 26 and Deuteronomy 28 (etc) over them.

How it gets permission to jump on a person:

Because they stop listening to and obeying God and instead listen to the person or the demon that is whispering to them things that go against God. It can be very subtle, and the closer you are to God, the more the risk. If you need further clarification, read “Pilgrim's Progress” and see a REAL account of how hard the Christian life is likely to be – and all the trickeries the enemy can throw at you.

What this does:

It begin to throw up walls and convince you to become more distant from the person in question. Hardens your heart. Locked doors. Secret conversation about them. Refusal to face the person or reason together. Seeing them as spiritual dangerous to even converse with or convincing that it's pointless to try.

It tries to get them to do some or all of the things God hates:

16 These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: 17 A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, 18 An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, 19 A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren. Prov 6:16-19 (KJV)

Why:

This evil spirit does NOT want to be ejected. It does not want the miscommunication or lie cleared up, does not want people to repent and reconcile. It will do all it can to take them away and block phone numbers, change emails, whatever so that it can cement the damage done. Leviticus 26 says that if the demon can get them to hearken to a voice other than Gods and go against His commands (1. Love the Lord, 2. Love neighbor as yourself, etc.) then it can get legal authority to terrorize them into running away as fast as they can with unrealistic and imagined fears. The goal is to prevent any forgiveness or reconciliation and to destroy the work of the Lord. The Lord may allow it to humble someone or refine another, but it's still going to have to require serious repentance to get out of it.

What are some of the symptoms that you have an ANTI- Red Dragon:

1. Stop loving – even while you insist all along that it's loving for you to do what you're doing. (Matt 5:44 “But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you.”)
2. Forget everything good that was ever done for you by them. Just flat scrubbed out of remembrance – or unable to speak it. This is one of the scariest of all. Especially between husband and wife or close brethren. (Psalm 55:12-14, Luke 21:16, etc.)
3. Hyperinflate anything bad. Make mountains out of molehills. Or create them. (Prov. 6:16-19)
4. Make anything that was just annoying or questionable into something horrible.
5. Generate lies based on anything “suspicious” even if there is no real evidence to support it.
6. Raise secondary doctrinal disagreements to the level of salvation issues to justify the labels used (“They're not a Brother and never were – because of their stance on _____.”).
7. Refuse to reason together or be gentle. Slam doors of communication shut. What we call “drive-by rebuking.” (I was actually staying with a man who wrote me a letter that started with, “I'm writing this rebuke, I'm going to print it, delete it from my computer and I never want to discuss this with you.” Then had his wife give it to me with no opportunity for rebuttal or discussion. And he was absolutely sure he was righteous in all of it. Many times I've seen people flee in the night, refusing any communication for fear – raw terror – of being talked out of their position.)
8. Refuse proper Biblical instructions for problem resolution (Matt. 18) or use them to rally troops and accuse, but not to resolve, reconcile or seek Truth and peace.
9. Use “terminal” words for emotional effect and to do maximum harm with no grace or mercy - “false teacher,” “apostate,” “heretic,” “cult leader,” “heathen,” “unbeliever,” “warlock/witch,” “jezebel” and worse. They forget the Biblical imperatives (commands) to try to live at peace, to not devour one another, to avoid useless quarrels about secondary issues, if you don't love the brethren the love of God is not in you – and so they themselves become apostate (unforgiving, unloving, not rejoicing, etc.), all in the name of “defending the faith”.
10. Determining that it is one's personal mission in life now to rescue the other “captives” and tell as many people as possible all that they “know” - or all the dirt they can gather from ANY source whatsoever, no matter the credibility or veracity. Gets their eyes off the Cross and become obsessed with the object of this.
11. If someone that was previously VERY close to them and very respected as a man/woman of God tells them they are doing wrong, that person is now “part of the cult” or “under the delusion” and is dismissed with prejudice – no matter how close they were before. They will block, ban, eject, defriend, sue or get restraining orders on anyone that tries to talk them out of it.

12. They begin to have a harder and harder time hearing the Spirit of God so they tend to get back under Law. They become Judaizers that default to the written code, dietary laws, black and white reading of scripture without any willingness to reason about the deep things of God or the spiritual application and understanding behind the Law – which was a shadow of things to come. They can't be led by the Holy Spirit anymore because they're not hearing God, so they're back under Law. (Gal. 5:18) Like the Judaizers that chased Paul, they make it their quest to chase, persecute and tear down those who are walking in the freedom of Christ through the Spirit – even if previously THEY were one of them!
13. Be unable to truly forgive and move on. Constantly obsessing and dwelling on the past. (Matt. 6:14-15, Mark 11:26, Luke 6:37, etc.)
14. They may also experience physically or spiritually some of the curses in Lev. 26 or Deut. 28 – wasting diseases with no cure, madness, blindness, terror, unreasonable fear, etc.
15. The closer they were walking with God, the greater their rebellion – thus the the more likely that the Lord will afflict them with some or all of the serious curses in Leviticus 26 and Deuteronomy 28. You may say that, “as believers we are not under the law and the old covenant,” but if you are rebelling against God then you are NOT believing Him and you are NOT being led by the Holy Spirit, so you ARE under Law (inverse of Galatians 5:18). You can't say that because you once obeyed Him that you have permanent access to the New Covenant. That is, if you are stiff-necked and won't obey and won't hearken to His voice, then you're going to wander in the desert until you die. If your heart is uncircumcised then you are not a True Jew under the Blood. (Romans 2:28-29)
16. Worst of all, they begin to tear down everything they truly heard from the Lord, chalk it up to being “under the influence” or “trapped in the delusion with them” and systematically unravel every good thing that God ever spoke to them or did for them during that time. This is the devil's way to get you to grieve the Holy Spirit and attribute the works of God to the devil himself. This is the devil's way to take back ground and victories previously won.

One of the strangest manifestations of this that we have seen is the occasional person that is overwhelmed with a spirit of fear – or rather raw naked panic – and leaves the ministry in utter terror and fear for their lives. Please don't think I'm kidding. We've seen breathless, shaking, panic-stricken people that could not name their fear, had no real evidence for it, but just HAD to leave RIGHT NOW in the middle of the night without saying goodbye to anyone, sometimes leaving many personal things behind as if the house were on fire! It doesn't happen all the time, but when it does, it's shockingly supernatural. There is no other explanation. There have never been allegations of physical violence or threats or anything, yet people flee, literally in fear for their lives. And all the while insisting that God told them to do it and that they have peace. They claim that they do not have a spirit of fear, but of love and of power and of a sound mind (2 Timothy 1:7). But any psychiatrist looking in from the outside would say that it was a paranoid delusional psychotic episode and offer to medicate or institutionalize them. If they had power, they would just rebuke the enemy and be victorious, but they cannot. And the love is completely gone – totally scrubbed out and replaced with inflated memories of the bad and no memories of the good. The object is demonized, no matter how close they were before – even spouses or family members.

God never tells the righteous to panic. God may tell them to dust their feet off, or move on to another place, or even flee urgently to the mountains when the antichrist shows up – but not in a panic. I know that I can take a nap in the middle of a warlock convention and be safe. I know that I can stand in front of the devil himself and be safe. I will NOT panic before ANY man or demon of hell. Because God is on my side and if I am righteous, then I can have the confidence to operate in love and peace and patience and forgiveness – but NEVER panic.

I've been asked, “People keep leaving your ministry in the middle of the night, in terror and fear for their lives, how can this be OK? How can this be God? There must be something wrong with you.” That's a reasonable question, so I sought the Lord on that. The time that it happened most recently, the very next day the Lord gave me Leviticus 26. I've read through the Bible many times, but I never saw this in this context before. Truly it answers how this could happen. Proverbs 28:1 says, “The wicked flee when no man pursueth, but the righteous are bold as a lion.” Leviticus 26 goes much farther. It's truly scary. Stay right with God, hearken to His voice. If you listen to another, if you despise His instructions and commands, it's ALL bad! Let's take a look:

More evidence that this is from GOD: *{comments added}*

Leviticus 26:14-46 (BBE)

14 But if you do not give ear to me, and do not keep all these my laws; **15** And if you go against my rules and if you have hate in your souls for my decisions *{not just behavior is enough, your heart has to be right!}* and you do not do all my orders, but go against my agreement *{refuse to fulfill your vows, do what you know He told you to do}*; **16** This will I do to you: I will put fear in your hearts *{spiritual/mental, panic, terror}*, even wasting disease and burning pain *{could be spiritual or physical wasting – or both}*, drying up the eyes *{spiritual or physical, can't see the enemy, no spirit of repentance, no hope, can't rejoice in affliction}* and making the soul feeble *{definitely spiritual, defenseless, shields down}*, and you will get no profit from your seed *{business, ministry, testimony, children, efforts}*, for your haters will take it for food. *{Enemies, demons will feed on it}* **17** And my face will be turned from you *{Won't hear}*, and you will be broken before those who are against you *{enemies/demons}*, and your haters will become your rulers *{oppressed/possessed/afflicted/ruled over}*, and you will go in flight when no man comes after you. *{Flee in a panic for NO reason. This is a big one. A true sign that something is wrong. God never has the RIGHTEOUS flee in fear. Proverbs 28:1 says "The unrighteous flee when no man pursueth, but the righteous are bold as a lion." There is a BIG difference between dusting your feet off and moving on because you're not received – and fleeing in utter terror of an IMAGINARY threat.}*

If that doesn't do it, then it gets seven times WORSE:

18 And if, even after these things, you will not give ear to me, then I will send you punishment seven times more for your sins. **19** And the pride of your strength will be broken *{humbled, crushed, best thing taken away – could be physical or spiritual or mental}*, and I will make your heaven as iron *{prayers bounce - spiritual}* and your earth as brass; *{toil and sweat with little result – spiritual or physical}* **20** And your strength will be used up without profit *{spiritual or physical}*; for your land will not give her increase and the trees of the field will not give their fruit. *{Whatever your land, it will not produce fruit – spiritual or physical. You will be void of the fruit the Lord is looking for.}*

If that doesn't do it, then it gets 49 times WORSE:

21 And if you still go against me and will not give ear to me, I will put seven times more punishments on you because of your sins. **22** I will let loose the beasts of the field among you *{wild animals, could be treacherous people, could be demons that are now free to devour you – could be spiritual or physical}*, and they will take away your children *{spiritual or physical offspring lost, people you "parented" stripped from you}* and send destruction on your cattle *{wealth, provision, pride, savings, all gone – spiritual or physical}*, so that your numbers will become small and your roads become waste. *{You will be very few, fell outnumbered, feel alone and be unable to upkeep your land – spiritual or physical}*

If that doesn't do it, then it gets 383 times WORSE:

23 And if by these things you will not be turned to me *{the point of all this is medicinal}*, but still go against me; **24** Then I will go against you, and I will give you punishment, I myself, seven times for all your sins. **25** And I will send a sword on you to give effect to the punishment of my agreement *{no telling what this could mean – spiritual or physical}*; and when you come together into your towns I will send disease among you *{when you gather with the others who rebelled against God, wherever that might be, whatever is the safe place you ran to, even a chat room on the internet – this could be spiritual disease, lies, corruption, false gifts, false anointings, delusion, fear – or physical diseases like cancer clusters or wasting diseases}* and you will be given up into the hands of your haters *{people or demons will take you over, you will be HANDED to them – physical or spiritual slavery}*. **26** When I take away your bread of life, ten women will be cooking bread in one oven *{in the siege, there is so little wood and grain, bread will be so scarce that there are 9 people standing around, lots of people to do a little work}*, and your bread *{physical or the spiritual bread of Truth}* will be measured out by weight *{Siege/starvation rations}*; you will have food but never enough. *{You will not be able to get enough of the bread to be satisfied. Truth will escape you. You may have a little Truth, but it's only a tiny bit and won't it satisfy.}*

If that STILL doesn't do it, then it gets 2,681 times WORSE:

27 And if, after all this, you do not give ear to me, but go against me still, **28** Then my wrath will be burning against you *{can't believe it would go this far!}*, and I will give you punishment, I myself, seven times for your sins. **29** Then you will take the flesh of your sons and the flesh of your daughters for food; *{This happened PHYSICALLY to Jerusalem in Lamentations. Most likely spiritual sons and daughters that you will devour/suck dry/destroy, just to satisfy the burning inside you or to feel like you're getting somewhere.}* **30** And I will send destruction on your high places *{Physical or spiritual, places of idolatry, or the high place of the MIND}*, overturning your perfume altars *{Physical or spiritual altars you have built, thinking God likes the smell, but He doesn't}*, and will put your dead bodies on your broken images *{He considers you dead inside already if it's gone this far, but He will destroy the idols/images and leave you on them}*, and my soul will be turned from you in disgust. *{God will look away and turn His back on you in DISGUST. That's HARSH!}* **31** And I will make your towns waste *{Whatever walled city you trusted, whatever place of safety you ran to, will be pulled down}* and send destruction on your holy places *{whatever you made sacred in your idolatry}*; I will take no pleasure in the smell of your sweet perfumes *{He will ignore your offerings and sacrifices – spiritually or physically}*; **32** And I will make your land a waste, a wonder to your haters living in it. *{Your haters may be people or demons or both – but even they will be impressed with how thoroughly the Lord is against you.}* **33** And I will send you out in all directions among the nations *{the disobedient will be scattered even from one another, geographically/physically or spiritually or mentally}*, and my sword will be uncovered against you, and your land will be without any living thing, and your towns will be made waste. *{The places of safety you ran to will be uninhabited by those who truly follow the Lord, judgement will pour on everyone there because of you.}* **34** Then will the land take pleasure in its Sabbaths while it is waste and you are living in the land of your haters *{In captivity – spiritually or physically. In a strange place.}*; then will the land have rest. **35** All the days while it is waste will the land have rest, such rest as it never had in your Sabbaths, when you were living in it. *{He will have justice and give rest to the Land because of your failure to observe the Sabbath, to be dedicated to Him and His commands.}*

At His discretion, some of them will get the treatment above, some will get this – or some combination thereof:

36 And as for the rest of you, I will make their hearts feeble in the land of their haters *{weak hearts, no strength, no defenses, full of fear and panic, whether the “haters” are real or not – could be physical or spiritual, demons or people}*, and the sound of a leaf moved by the wind will send them in flight *{the slightest sound will sound to them like a mighty army, they will flee over NOTHING in absolute panic, convinced to their core that it's justified – that is an extreme DELUSION!}*, and they will go in flight as from the sword, falling down when no one comes after them; *{They will believe that a sword is imminent, destruction, death, worst case scenario – physically or spiritually – in terror, but NO ONE is chasing them. In fact, the enemy of their souls has them right where he wants them.}* **37** Falling on one another *{tripping over each other to run so fast}*, as before the sword, when no one comes after them *{repeated again – NO ONE is chasing them}*; you will give way before your haters *{Part of the delusion is that you BELIEVE they are your haters and you're running from them, but NO ONE is chasing you. It's a delusion that creates an enemy that is NOT there and makes him GIGANTIC – when whatever it was, it was as dangerous as a LEAF falling from a tree. But the demons will drive you before them and they will rule over you.}* **38** And death will overtake you *{spiritually or physically}* among strange nations *{not on the land you are supposed to be, surrounded by people that don't follow the Lord}*, and the land of your haters will be your destruction *{and you will eventually be destroyed there}*. **39** And those of you who are still living will be wasting away in their sins in the land of your haters; in the sins of their fathers they will be wasting away. *{And if they don't die, they will waste away, spiritually or physically or both.}*

But ... Here's the good news! Eventually they break!

40 And they will have grief for their sins and for the sins of their fathers, when their hearts were untrue to me, and they went against me; **41** So that I went against them and sent them away into the land of their haters *{turned them over to demons}*: if then the pride of their hearts is broken and they take the punishment of their sins, *{If they confess their sins and turn}* **42** Then I will keep in mind the

agreement which I made with Jacob and with Isaac and with Abraham, and I will keep in mind the land. 43 And the land, while she is without them, will keep her Sabbaths; and they will undergo the punishment of their sins *{there IS punishment due – until the Blood of the Lamb is applied to this}*, because they were turned away from my decisions and in their souls was hate for my laws. *{their hearts rebelled against what they KNEW to be true and right}* 44 But for all that, when they are in the land of their haters I will not let them go, or be turned away from them, or give them up completely; my agreement with them will not be broken, for I am the Lord their God. *{Despite ALL of this, He will not utterly forsake them. He will still try to break them, but will not let them go! What a God!!}* 45 And because of them I will keep in mind the agreement which I made with their fathers, whom I took out of the land of Egypt before the eyes of the nations, to be their God: I am the Lord. 46 These are the rules, decisions, and laws, which the Lord made between himself and the children of Israel in Mount Sinai, by the hand of Moses.

What about LOVE?

An inverted Red Dragon, an Anti- Red Dragon, will almost immediately suck all the love out. It doesn't matter if it was your best friend, ministry partner, a family member, even a loving wife or husband – it will suck all the love out. And it can do it SO fast and SO completely that it will shock you. The ONLY explanation is that it has to be supernatural. Whatever the thing that has become the idol – the Object of the obsession – it keeps their eyes off the Cross and they are trapped in the delusion. They are obsessed with the object instead of the Cross. Only God can release them.

1 Corinthians 13

1 If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal.

Though you speak in tongues or speak much about love – if it's not in you, then it's all noise. The delusion will cause you to speak about everything other than love. But you will SAY that whatever you are doing to destroy the object is done because of your “love” for them.

2 If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.

Though you may still have gifts, even a calling as a prophet or apostle, though you have a mighty faith, if you don't have love, then you are NOTHING. Your faith is misplaced, you're under a delusion. Whatever you know or think you know is wasted and useless.

3 If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing.

No matter how sacrificial you THINK you are being, though you are martyred, if it was not done for the sake of true LOVE, then it was in vain.

4 Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.

An obsession, an Anti- Red Dragon, is the very OPPOSITE of unconditional agape love. It is NEVER patient, NEVER kind, it envies the success or blessing of the object, it paces about hoping to see destruction and be justified, it boasts about all that it knows, it is SUPREMELY proud in it's absolute certainty of being right – even while manufacturing “facts” and operating out of fear, anger, and unforgiveness. It will not hear anyone that says that it's wrong. It does all the things it accuses the object of doing – and more. It is entirely self-focused and self-justifying and will not hear any rebuttal.

5 It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

It is extremely rude, even to the point of violating what ANYONE – even heathen - would call common decency. Willing to say anything to anyone, just to win its point. It is entirely about holding itself up as an “expert witness” and building up its own authority. It is furious continually, a constant boiling cauldron of anger just below the surface and will scream and fly off the handle at any moment when its buttons are pushed. It will block, ban, defriend, sue, or get restraining orders against anyone that disagrees. It generates

a HUGE LIST of wrongs - some real, some imagined, usually all twisted for maximum effect - and will recite them to anyone that will listen. There is NO forgiveness – and no repentance by the Object would be sufficient to satisfy them. It WILL NOT let go until God releases them from this delusion and pours out repentance on them. Keeping a record of wrongs is the EXACT OPPOSITE of the commands to rejoice in affliction, to believe that all things work to the good for them that love the Lord, to turn the other cheek, forgive seventy times seven, love your enemies, leave vengeance to the Lord, etc. It's total rebellion against the HEART of the Gospel, all justified as necessary and right in order to “expose” the object.

6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

The very opposite is true, evil flourishes and is fed and grown. Truth, and truly being willing to seek the truth, dies. The voices that support the anger and unforgiveness are lifted up, no matter how bad their credibility previously. “The enemy of my enemy is my friend.” The voices that might actually speak reason, faith, love, truth, peace, patience – are dismissed instantly. Even a person that was previously beautiful and godly in heart, mind, speech and demeanor will become a sarcastic, gossiping, backbiting, lying, fearful, hate-filled, unforgiving, shriveled up husk of what they were.

7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

The dragon seeks to kill, steal and destroy. To self-fulfill prophecies of doom and destruction and judgment made over the object. It doesn't trust God to do the work, but sets its own hand to help God. It doesn't trust any voice that defends the object, no matter how trustworthy they were before. It doesn't hope, it makes itself a victim and makes the object responsible for ALL bad things that ever happened to them. It runs into the night rather than persevering. It escapes as quickly as possible, cuts off communication and WILL NOT offer to endure patiently as God does a work with whatever is wrong. (IF anything is even truly wrong.) It does not truly hope for restoration of relationships or the unity of the Body, it is repulsed by the idea. It may give lip service to the object being restored and their soul saved, but all the actions taken are toward destruction, embarrassment, humiliation, or worse – not toward restoration in love.

8 Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.

Love dies. No matter how great, how pure, how beautiful – it inverts into a spirit of hatred, murder, lying, faction, division and ugliness. Prophecies that were received, positive words about the Object that they KNEW were from the Lord previously, are all dismissed. Any good thing that the Lord told them about the Object is chalked up to “being under their spell” and couldn't have been God. It is attributed to flesh or the devil – dangerously flirting with blasphemy of the Holy Spirit. Their tongue NEVER ceases to run to anyone that will listen, but speaking good or blessing over the Object will be stopped. Knowledge of right, remembrance of any good thing that was done for them, will be scrubbed out of their mind. They will be practically unable to even THINK of any way the Object has ever blessed them, much less admit it.

9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part, 10 but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears.

This IS the imperfect coming. This may even be perfect delusion that takes over and does all of the opposite of what the coming of Jesus would do. This is like the Lord taking someone as FAR away from LOVE as is possible. Yet, they will insist they have love and that all they are doing is motivated by love. They will insist they have peace like never before, even while they scramble endlessly to self-justify their behavior and feelings and obsess about the Object. People looking in from the outside don't see peace or hope or love or grace or gentleness or any of the fruits of the Spirit – where the Object is concerned.

11 When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me.

Other people will look in and be SHOCKED by how childish they are acting, how much like a scared little kid that is just terrified and fighting back with whatever they can. How immature the reasoning, how unwilling to discuss or reason together, how not led by the Spirit of God, how much their brain just doesn't seem to work right and process the higher, deeper things. They only see Law – and even that misapplied. They only see the letter of the Law, and can no longer see the deeper things of the Spirit – as it applies to the Object. Because they are not being led by the Spirit of God, but by the delusion. No childish thing is put behind. Even the written Law that would condemn this kind of behavior is completely ignored (John 15; Proverbs 6:16-19; Leviticus 19:16; Proverbs 16:28; Proverbs 18:8; Proverbs 20:19; Leviticus 26; I Corinthians 13; Galatians 5; Romans 12; 2 Corinthians 12:20; I John 4:18; I Peter 3:14; Prov. 10:12; etc.)

12 Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

Even in the BEST of times, with someone being truly obedient to the Lord and NOT under a delusion, we're still going to see darkly. But this is like a total veil over their mind and heart and eyes that blocks ALL truth and love (at least as it relates to the Object). There is no doubt that God fully knows the person under this delusion, but THEY don't seem to fully know anything other than their own hurt, bitterness, anger, self-righteousness and pride. And they will insist that they DO NOT see through a glass darkly as it relates to the Object, but have perfect, reliable, pure revelation.

13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

All three are at risk, but love dies first. The total lack of real love in someone that previously HAD real love is one of the first signs that something is desperately wrong. And this "love" in Greek is "agape" meaning pure, unconditional, unstoppable, self-sacrificing, Godly LOVE. That is God's love, something HE has to put in us. When you make an idol and chase it – for good or bad – it is agape that dies first. The Lord Himself withdraws and the first thing to go with Him is His love.

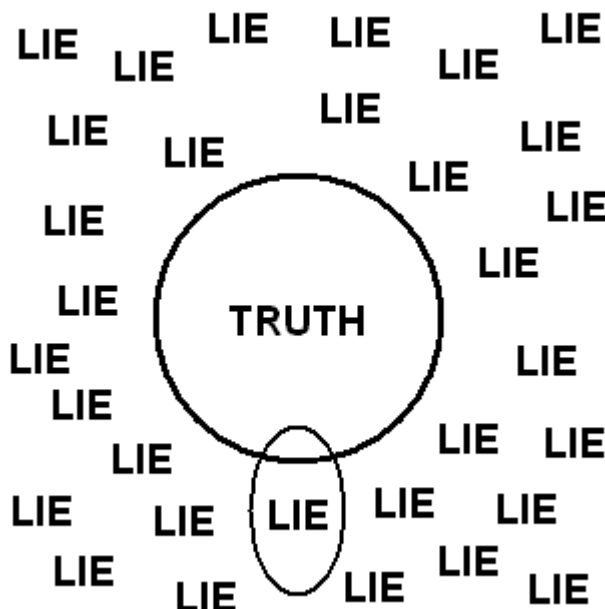
How does a person avoid being an Object?!

Those who tickle ears, speak lies and promote themselves will accumulate behind them those who will make them the Object of their worship or adoration. Those who actively and effectively promote themselves will always draw unto themselves those who are susceptible to that kind of thing. But speaking things that aren't "Truth" isn't required. The Apostle Paul healed and preached truth and in Lystra they tried to worship him as a god (Acts 14). He did right in rejecting that instantly and being unwilling to be used as the face on their Red Dragon. He saw that the Corinthians were doing that by saying, "I'm for Paul. I'm for Cephas. I'm for Apollos." (I Corinthians 3) He rejected it in Lystra and tried to make them stop and look to Christ alone. Even being purely like Jesus is not a guarantee someone won't make you an idol and stop looking toward the Father and the Cross.

Also, a person that is speaking Truth from the Throne of God cannot avoid being an Object for those who will persecute them. The enemy will always whisper to someone and try to raise up anyone who will obsessively devote their lives to the destruction of that Object that is being effective for the Gospel. In Lystra, when Paul wouldn't allow them to adore and worship him, they instantly flipped and decided to kill him! He was STILL the Object of their Red Dragon, but now they're intent on Paul's destruction! The memory of the miracles and the healings and the reverence and fear they had are INSTANTLY gone!

There is ONE Truth in the Universe. All else is lies of the enemy. The One Truth is that we are to be under Christ and follow His face. Anything else is destined for our destruction. Everything but His face is a counterfeit of the enemy. You can't be under a Jesus Red Dragon, there's no such thing. That's where you are SUPPOSED to be! Everything BUT that is a Red Dragon. Even just being partially under His headship is still a lie. There are all kinds of flavors. Anything that exists can be made an idol. Theoretical constructs, like Evolution, can become a Red Dragon. No matter how much Truth it may contain, unless it is 100% pure, it's mixture – and a lie. And there is no source of Perfect Purity except by staying IN Christ.

Jesus Christ was the face on MANY Anti- Red Dragons and continues to be. He was the Object of hatred and persecution and murderous rage of many people and continues to be. And He said that it would



be the same for all of those that were like Him. He even said that those of your own house would kill you and think they were doing God a favor. The more you are like Jesus, the more people are going to get under murderous Anti- Red Dragons with your face on it. Particularly those susceptible to a spirit of competition.

You can eliminate (or at least minimize) the number of people that are trying to idolize and adore you, but you can't do anything about those that want to kill you – unless you preach soft and fluffy and never speak Truth. The more you are like Jesus, the more murderous Anti- Red Dragons there will be focused on you as their Object of hatred and the fewer idolatrous ones worshiping you. (But understand, they've both made you an idol in a different way.) There will be people that truly LOVE you, but they keep their eyes on Christ.

It's OK for people to idolize God - that's the idea. He wants no other idols BEFORE Him. HE is supposed to be the sole object of your worship. Anything else is going to bring judgment upon you for violation of the First Commandment. Even making the Bible an idol is wrong. That's not the fullness of God. The book itself is His word, but it's not Him. We can't have relationship with a book, even a beautiful, glorious, living book – we're ultimately supposed to worship Him who IS the Word made flesh, not the Bible..

You can make heaven an idol. You can make your own salvation the end-all-be-all of your walk with Christ. This denies that relationship with Him and His glorification by our daily lives must be the ultimate goal, not the avoidance of hell. Ultimately, seeking pleasure or avoiding pain is still pride and humanism.

So Jesus gets a pass if people made Him an idol when He was here. That was the idea. He's supposed to be the idol. But did people make Paul an idol? Yes. Peter? Yes. Speaking in tongues? Yes. Signs and wonders? Yes. Are those automatically bad things? No, not unless you get your eyes on them instead of Jesus. They are tools and side effects and men - but they must NOT be the main point!

Paul said, “Be like me, because I was like Christ.” Would never opening his mouth except to speak Truth keep him from being an idol to someone? No. Did speaking something from his flesh MAKE them get under a Red Dragon? No. Did speaking Truth keep him from being persecuted? No, in fact, the more he became known for speaking Truth, the worse it got.

How do we keep people from making us an idol?

We can't. If we spend all of our time trying to keep them from doing that, then we are in danger of getting our OWN eyes off of Jesus and making it about US! All we can do is point them to Jesus and speak what He tells us to speak and rest, knowing that He will work it out. We can just speak Truth and let the Lord work it all out.

There WILL be those that try to worship you. Most of them that you will never even know about. They'll just read something or hear something and seek to be like you and watch you instead of Jesus. Those that DO come into contact with you should be discouraged from doing so. You can accomplish that to a degree by being human and transparent and always pointing them toward Jesus. Do not allow any illegal soul-ties by accepting connectivity or obligations that shouldn't be there. Don't take responsibility to protect or provide or direct or any other thing that they should be getting straight from the Throne. It's an illusion that you can do any of that stuff anyway.

If you listen and obey, the Lord will tell you if someone is doing it to you and looking to YOU as their Source when they shouldn't. Do as He directs. Don't feed it. Point them to the Cross and get out of the way. We can't be someone's “crystal ball”. We HAVE to help them hear God so that HE can direct all of their paths. None of us are capable of righteously directing our OWN paths, much less someone else's.

Paul could sincerely say that the blood of no man was on his head because he didn't make it about HIM. He didn't draw men unto him – he stood behind them and shoved them toward Jesus. If we maintain and feed a Nicolaitan “priest” class where some people are more holy than others and you need to do as they tell you, then we are putting obstacles before men – and it's US!

Please, hear me. Point them toward Jesus and get out of their way.

And rejoice in affliction when people persecute and hate you. Jesus said it would be like that if you were like Him. Praise God! You must be getting more like Him! This is a WAR – if nobody is shooting at you, then maybe you're not dangerous. Or worse, maybe the enemy already co-opted you and you've created a mystery religion that grieves God and sets YOU as people's head – and you're under a Red Dragon and don't even know it.

Practical Example 1

Saul was a Pharisee who truly believed with all his heart that killing Christians was doing God a favor. He had an Anti-Christian Red Dragon and it was VERY advanced. Ultimately, under it all, his Red Dragon delusion also had his own face on it because he was trying to make a name for himself as a big bad Pharisee. Jesus Himself had to show up to break it off of Saul and even then he was still blinded until Ananias came to pray for him and something like "scales" fell off his eyes. What has scales? Snakes, fish and DRAGONS. It was the delusion that fell away so that he could see clearly.

Practical Example 2

How do we serve the Lord, participate fervently with brethren, sell all we have and give to the poor, work with a passion and truly be sure that we're not somehow getting under something? Repentance is the mark of Ezekiel 9 and makes sure that we are not dead bodies in defiled temples. Read it and weep. Really, weep. That's the only safe place.

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Who DOES NOT have a Red Dragon on them?

A few weeks ago the Lord led me to Ezekiel 9 again (this passage comes up regularly lately). If you don't know it right off, please go read it right now (and the chapters right before it to see what they were doing wrong). Basically, the Lord gives Ezekiel this vision of how really horrible the spiritual state of Jerusalem had become and all of the pagan practices that have been integrated with the worship of God (or replaced it). The elders and priests are fully sold out to all kinds of badness and compromise. Then the glory of God leaves the Temple and the Lord sends an angel to put a mark on the foreheads of those who are repenting and weeping and mourning for the sad spiritual state of Jerusalem. Then He sends death angels to mercilessly slaughter everyone else – men, women & children – and instructs them to start with the elders who are in front of the Temple! Then to take all the dead bodies and defile the Temple. Now remember, these are God's people in God's city used to defile God's Temple. He is perfectly willing to do it and there's ample Biblical proof that He's done it before. The ONLY people that survive, the only remnant that remains are those who are repentant for the sins of Jerusalem and were marked by the angel.

Out of the blue, I'm reading that chapter and the Lord says to me, "You know, I already did that. Your temples are all full of dead bodies."

OUCH!! I can't argue with Him. I've been to dozens of congregations in the last two years and they are pretty universally oppressed, deceived and/or dead. There are bright lights in there, to be sure, but mostly they're dead. There is even one charismatic ministry here in Kansas City where several of us have been in a particular room in their building and all seen (in the spirit) massive piles of rotting dead bodies and demons feeding on them like vultures. There is a very strong, very palpable oppression on the whole place, but they are just SURE that they are God's chosen and that they are inside His perfect will.

How do you know that you are truly Red Dragon-free? If you have been given the Gift of Repentance for the sad state of things and grieve and mourn and weep over all the detestable things done in the name of God. If you're only repenting for "those other people," that doesn't count. If you're repenting for just a specific thing, like abortion, you may have a selective repentance or you may just be sad about the babies. But Ezekiel 9 is clear that the only ones who escaped were those repenting for the spiritual state of their city and their own part in it. If you need a little more help getting up to speed, read Ezekiel 16 and see if that's not a really good picture of the church in America. Also read Hosea with an eye toward whether we are doing all of those things as well and what God says will happen to those who do. You might also read Matthew 23 and the seven woes that Jesus pronounces on the Pharisees who were the religious conservatives of the day. We're doing all of those things as well. And in MUCH greater measure. We're in big trouble and as many people as possible need to start repenting until God turns.

Surely judgment will start with the elders before the temple. Hear me, we don't need to worry about some future "falling away" and great deception in the church. It's here right now and we're fully fallen. There is no other way to explain such blatant, unrepentant disobedience like having 37,000 "Christian" denominations when we are commanded to be ONE BODY. The word says that if you hold anything against a brother and you take Communion unworthily you will get sick and die. At least in part, we are all sick and dying (spiritually and physically) because we are taking Communion unworthily. By definition, there is no way to split a church and restrict fellowship between believers without holding something against a brother! Deuteronomy 28 says we will have wasting diseases that have no cure and no one will come to our aid – until we repent.

If there is anyone in the temples amongst the piles of dead bodies that is still breathing somehow, then they need to "come out of her" as fast as they can. If you're spiritually dead and being consumed by demons and you didn't know it, then (if you can) start weeping and repenting and maybe He'll turn. If you're not sure how dead you are, just ask yourself when was the last time you felt like your spiritual "cup" was really all the way full and you had peace and joy and victory? Maybe you could pray this prayer:

Lord Jesus, I'm not sure how spiritually dead I really am, but I don't think I'm as full of Your Spirit as I should be. Please forgive me for whatever I've done that got in Your way and kept me from walking in the fullness of all that You have for me. I'm sorry I leaned on my own understanding and made compromises with the world. Please show me anything that stands between You and me and give me the ability to repent. I want peace and joy and victory. I don't want anything of the enemy to gain any ground in me. Please show me how to keep my cup so full of Jesus that nothing else will fit. I'm sorry for my part in anything that disgraced You or brought harm to Your Body. Please forgive me. And teach me more fear of the Lord. That would be good. That way I'll obey You more and have more wisdom. Thanks. I love You, Lord. I pray this in the Name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

How do you know if you're under the Red Dragon curse?

- Pride, haughty eyes (Prov. 6:16-19, 2 Timothy 2:15)
- Lying tongue – blatantly leaving stuff out of the Word or adding to it
- Hands that shed innocent blood – lack of proper respect and care for the sheep
- A heart that devises wicked plans – and wicked plans are any plans that aren't HIS plans
- Feet swift in running to evil – alliances with the “world” and rampant oppressions on your sheep
- False witness speaking lies – false assurance to others that you are telling the Truth and know all the answers
- Sowing discord among brethren – being sectarian and denominational, allowing factions and splits, ejecting brethren from your fellowship over doctrinal or personality issues
- Lack of Fear of the Lord – which is the BEGINNING of wisdom (Ps. 111:10, Prov. 3:5-6, James 4:16)
- Institutional, hierarchical system instead of truly Spirit-led in EVERY way – someone other than God setting your goals and guidelines.
- Lack of Love for the WHOLE Body (1 John 3:10-23)
- Sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies and the like – WILL NOT inherit the Kingdom of Heaven (Gal. 5:19-21)
- Worshiping the wrong Jesus (or worshiping the Holy Spirit)
- Evidence of Deuteronomy 28 curses in physical and/or spiritual realms
- Inability to repent - or inability to even figure out what to repent for
- God's glory has departed from the temple, you can't feel the Holy Spirit – or the promises of the Bible for healing or deliverance don't come as they should.
- Can't hear the voice of God and/or not letting Him direct all your paths (Prov. 3:5-6)
- Constant seeking for the new best thing, anxious mind, eyes weary from longing and despairing heart. Always hoping for something different and better. (Deut. 28:65-67) No peace.
- The loss of your children to the demonic structures and systems of your enemies. (Deut. 28)
- and the like...

I have been in over 400 congregations or ministries in the last five years. I have seen every single one of these in play. Usually all of them. I have been physically ejected from a congregation for praying (silently). I have been banned from worshiping with some congregations for no apparent reason. Even by people that have acknowledged that I love Jesus with all my heart and that the Holy Spirit is at work in me. Even people that have declared me a prophet and a healer and a man of God, have later turned completely around. There is one “Spirit-filled” holiness pastor that describes me as a “thing” now and not even as a man. Another that refuses to even pray with me and others that insist I'm full of demons – but can't tell me what they are and won't help deliver me. Pastors that hate me – seriously HATE me – and have said they cannot love me because they don't know what “spirit” I am of – even though Jesus COMMANDED us to love our enemies. (Matt. 10:22, John 15:18-25, Mark 3:22, Luke 7:33-34, Matt. 12:22-30, Prov. 6:16-19)

But I generally seem to get along fine with Baptists, Lutherans, Presbyterians, Methodists and others. It's the “Spirit-filled” Lead Dragon Dancers (that should be hearing God the best) that are the most supernaturally unable to hear anything I have to say – and are the most willing to divide the Body and the most afraid of losing control. To those whom much has been given, much is expected. If God speaks to you, gives you dreams and visions, gives you gifts, gives you a big job to do and THEN you go and make it about you and your conferences and DVD's and new book deal, God is going to turn you over to your own depraved mind and whatever demonic forces want to come mess with you – and you won't even see it coming. At some point you might end up on national news for having sex with your gay massage therapist or hiring a stripper or abusing little boys – and everybody under YOUR particular Red Dragon will say they never even saw it coming. That's just supernatural stupidity and a complete lack of discernment of spirits – cause everybody outside of YOUR dragon totally saw it coming.

Part of what I do is flush out the strongholds that are in play. Just like Jesus and the Apostles (and thousands of other people with a big cup of Jesus), pretty much anywhere I go, the demons that are hiding start surfacing and manifesting. Which is great! That's what I prayed for (even though it really hurts sometimes). Better to flush them out then let them stay camouflaged and hidden. But I have been constantly astounded at how hard-hearted so many "men of God" could be and oblivious to their own sinfulness and obvious heresy while they INSIST they are holy and sanctified. I can come to no other conclusion than that they are supernaturally blind and deaf and dumb and under a strong delusion from God. Satan couldn't do this to them if they were righteous. It had to come from God. And I have been banging my head for two years trying to break them free of a curse that GOD HIMSELF put on them and won't lift! But it was all part of the plan so that I would see the truth of what is behind all of this mess.

Now I know not to come at them with anger or frustration or bitterness. They are trapped and yoked and under the oppression of a curse. And worst of all, it's from God. And the only solution is repentance, but the curse keeps them from repenting!! In fact, many of them HATE repentance! It creeps them out to see people crying and they just want to focus on the "love" of God and not make people feel bad. Many of them have canceled intercessory prayer meetings and squelched the handful of people in their congregation that were actually willing to cry out to God and weep. True repentance is the most rare thing to be found in the "church" today – and yet, the ONLY thing that is going to turn this mess around. In all my years growing up, I can't remember EVER seeing anyone on their knees crying in a Baptist church! Even many charismatic ministries that know what it's like to feel the presence of God seem to think that if you "declare a holy fast, call a sacred assembly, lay around and giggle on the floor, then He will turn." (Joel 1:13-14 – sort of) But that's just not in there. Not even close! That's just NEVER going to work to turn this ride around. But that's as close to repentance as they can seem to get. Lots of talk about the problems "out there", but no actual crying for their own part in it. Oh, people can repent for personal, individual issues, but not for corporate, system-wide apostasy like division in the Body or selective use of the Word of God. Or they can repent for all the parts of the Body that are in darkness and apostate and backslidden, but not for their own part in not stopping it sooner.

I don't know how many of them we can get free, but I know that they're in a really horrible place and I desperately want them all to be free. It's going to come down to whether or not the Lord will pour out the Gift of Repentance on them (or send someone with one) and they will receive it. If not, they're probably toast – and their sheep with them.

Acts 5:31 (KJV)

*Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to **give** repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.*

That's the order in which this works. First, God gives repentance and then you get forgiveness. Jesus came so that He could have right hand access so as to give us the Gift of Repentance. God exalted Jesus so that Jesus could be the mediator and request on our behalf that the Father would give us repentance, even when we don't know to ask for it because we are deaf and blind and stupid. Only THEN can we get forgiveness for our sins individually and corporately. When you lose the Gift of Repentance, you should start worrying that you might be back under a Red Dragon.

2 Timothy 2:25 (KJV)

*In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will **give** them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;*

Acts 11:18 (KJV)

*When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles **granted** repentance unto life.*

Romans 2:4 (KJV)

*Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God **leadeth** thee to repentance?*

2 Peter 3:9 (KJV)

The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Hebrews 12:25-29 (KJV)

25 See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven: 26 Whose

voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven. 27 And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain. 28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear: 29 For our God is a consuming fire.

Please hear me. Please! See the justice and severity of God. Repent and keep repenting until this thing gets turned around. Give your eyes no rest until Jerusalem is free – and all the other cities. Shout this from the watchtowers. There is NO other solution. There is NO other way to turn this around. Weep and mourn and grieve for all the detestable things that are done in the name of Jehovah and Jesus. If you can't repent for your part in this mess, start worrying about whether you're under a Red Dragon of your own. ONLY the Ezekiel 9 remnant will escape. If this could have been turned around sooner, then you should have tried. Don't blame anybody else, this is on YOUR head. If one man, determined and willing, under the anointing of the Holy Spirit, can change the world, then you should have changed it. Stop pointing fingers and repent for not having acted sooner.

Isaiah 62:6-7

*6 I have set watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem;
They shall never hold their peace day or night.
You who make mention of the LORD, do not keep silent,
7 And give Him no rest till He establishes
And till He makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth.*

Just because you're sure you're hearing God and He seems to be saying you're OK, that's no proof. If you ARE under a Dragon, you'll hear God and be sure it's God and every way you know how to test the spirits, it checks out as God, but it can still be a lying spirit from the Throne intent on your destruction. Repentance is the only safe place. Believe me, it's REALLY easy to get back under a Red Dragon. All you have to do is go your own way – even a little. Then you've basically made up your own religion that says you don't have to obey God ALL the time, you can pick and choose which of His commands are important. If you get very far out from under His perfect will, you may not be able to find your way back. Some folks have never even BEEN in His perfect will, so they don't even know what it would be like to have Him direct every step! Or worse, they don't believe that God is interested in or willing to or capable of directing their every step – which flies in the face of the Word of God. We are NOT to lean on our own understanding and direct our own paths – not even a little bit.

The time is over to argue about who is the bigger heretic. We're all cults. Every denomination is a cult. There is no Biblical justification for any division inside the Body over secondary issues. We are clearly commanded not to add to or take away from the Word of God and yet every denomination has choice traditions they add to it or portions of scripture they've conveniently explained away or ignore altogether. Stop arguing about who is the most off track! So long as we're willing to hack the Body of Christ up into little pieces or not speak out against it, we're all guilty. We're beating Jesus' Body with a cat-of-nine-tails and leaving little pieces all over while His precious Blood is spilled and nobody seems to care. We have to knock it off before it's too late.

Did the Bible predict this?

Yep.

2 Thessalonians 2:3-12 (NIV)

*Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion [falling away NKJV] occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed at the proper time. For the secret power of lawlessness is already at work; but the one who now holds it back will continue to do so until he is taken out of the way. And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming. The coming of the lawless one will be in accordance with the work of Satan displayed in all kinds of counterfeit miracles, signs and wonders, and in every sort of evil that deceives those who are perishing. They perish because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. For this reason **God** sends them a powerful delusion so that they will believe the lie and so that all will be condemned who have not believed the truth but have delighted in wickedness.*

If I'm right, then the falling away is not some future event. We are already so fallen that I don't believe there is any hope for most of the systems and structures we've built. There are millions dying by our hand every week that this 'Ponzi' scheme that we call a "church" continues as it is. (And I can prove it factually and statistically beyond any room for debate. There can be no interpretation except that we are massively and supernaturally backwards.)

So the rebellion has to happen first, right? Could that be like 37,000+ denominations when Jesus said to be One Body? You would sure think that would qualify as rebellion, wouldn't you?

So who is this man of lawlessness that is to be revealed? Could that be the guy that doesn't believe the Old Testament is for today and Jesus didn't come to fulfill the Law, but to abolish it and that once we're under the Blood and have accepted Him as our personal savior we can do whatever we want because we're safe? That sounds pretty lawless to me. (I know that's not the only application for this verse, but it sure seems like one of the "spirals" to me.)

And who was the one that restrained the secret power of lawlessness? I'm pretty sure that would be the Holy Spirit. So who restrained Him and took Him out of the way? I'm pretty sure we did. We denied that the Holy Spirit talks to people, we denied that the Gifts of the Spirit are real and for today, we denied that He should be directing ALL our paths. We turned our back on the Holy Spirit and went our own way and hired consultants and marketing experts and pop-psychology speakers and professional hired shepherds to lead us to whatever THEY think is green pasture. I'm just pretty sure that we picked the Holy Spirit up and set Him off to the side. And when we did, He stopped restraining the secret power of lawlessness and it took us over. And we didn't even notice – because it's SECRET. Kind of goes without saying, doesn't it? If God turns you over to a powerful delusion, you won't know, or else it's not a very good delusion. See?

And what kind of lying signs and wonders should we be expecting? Well, one of the really obvious ones is that the world starts liking you. You live at peace with those who should be persecuting you and you think that means you're reaching them, when really you're just a friend to the world and an enemy to God. (James 4:4) What are the lying signs and wonders at the end of the age? For my dollar, I'm betting that they include all the people preaching "peace and safety" and singing and dancing and being given in marriage right up until the very end of all things. That's pretty miraculous to me, that they would say they love Jesus, but would be friends with the world and completely oblivious to how bad things really are. Pope John Paul II was said to be the most popular and respected and loved man on the planet. But Jesus said that if you were like Him you would be persecuted and hated.

How is the lawless one going to be overthrown? By "the breath from the mouth of Jesus" and he will be destroyed by the splendor of His coming. Now, I'm not saying this doesn't have Apocalyptic application, but I happen to have personally experienced the lawless one in me being overthrown by the breath from the mouth of Jesus and the splendor of His coming, so I know this has other meanings. When Jesus shows up in force, the lawless one gets burned up. Read Jeremiah 4:11-12 - "*At that time this people and Jerusalem will be told, 'A scorching wind blows toward my people, but not to winnow or to cleanse; a wind too strong for that comes from me. Now I pronounce my judgements against them.'*" (Read the rest of the chapter and see if it doesn't describe the state of the "church". Weep if you can.)

It DOES NOT say that Satan is in charge of all this. It says the coming of the lawless one will be in accordance with the workings of Satan. That doesn't mean Satan does it or has power. It means that it will be like him and in

harmony with his goals and plans and style. If the “church” is having the effect of killing, stealing and destroying people spiritually, emotionally or materially, then it is accomplishing the work of Satan for him and is in accordance with the normal workings of the darkness.

It says that there will be counterfeit signs and miracles, and all sorts of evil that deceives those who are perishing. Let me be frank (for a change), the greatest miracles that I have seen are that people spouting clearly heretical, extra-Biblical and dangerous NONSENSE are constantly tolerated and even promoted within the Church! What kind of a miracle is required to make a multi-millionaire lady with pink hair that is constantly crying and begging for money for a multi-Billion dollar TV network seem like a normal, acceptable part of the Church of Jesus Christ? What can be more miraculous than that people who have advanced degrees in “Bible” absolutely REFUSE to acknowledge that certain passages are even IN there?! How miraculous is it that we are the most divided, factious, sectarian religion on the planet and WE are the ones whose Founder said not to EVER break up into pieces?! How many are perishing because they are worshiping the wrong Jesus, but are just sure that they are fine? How many have been deceived? Where do I even start to point out all the heresies preached in the “church” that will send you straight to Hell, but have millions – or billions – convinced that they’re safe?!

Why are all these people perishing? Why are they deceived? Why are they walking in accordance with the workings of Satan? BECAUSE they refused to love the Truth.

“WAIT!” you say. “I thought it was because the Antichrist came and Satan is in charge and the Holy Spirit is withdrawn after the Rapture and that’s when everyone falls away?” Fine. Believe what you want. But I’m convinced that we’ve already fallen away and that we’ve already taken the Holy Spirit out of the way and set Him off to the side by grieving and blaspheming Him for the gazillionth time and that we’re under a powerful delusion and we’re corporately working for Satan because we refused to love the Truth and so be saved.

Does Satan send the powerful delusion? Nope. Read it again, **God** did it Himself. He said He would and He has. We’re in it and hardly anybody can see through it. How strong a delusion do you think it is? If we’re covered in the Blood of Jesus and Satan sends a delusion, we should be able to see through it. That’s my experience anyway. We should be able to take every thought captive and bring it into obedience with Christ. After all, our weapons of war are mighty and no power of darkness can stand against us.

But do you really think you’re big enough to see through a strong delusion that came from God? How does the Blood of Jesus protect us from a delusion from God? Didn’t we invite the delusion by not really loving Truth and maybe not being under the Blood of Jesus in the first place?

“All will be condemned that believed not the truth but delighted in wickedness.” Period. That’s the Word of God and it’s final. Our denominations and sects and ministries are delighting in wickedness. Every single day that we continue to believe that we are just fine and things are peachy, we continue to go the way of the Laodecian Church in Revelation 3 and we get more blind and more naked and more wretched – and more people die because of us.

We better get back to Truth – and pure, unadulterated, untouched by Man, nothing-but, Truth – before it’s too late. And I have no idea what that looks like, but I know you can NEVER find it so long as you’re under a Red Dragon and you can’t get out from under a Red Dragon without repentance and “coming out of her” and getting her out of you. And the Red Dragon will try to keep you from repenting at ALL costs. See the problem?

I’m not taking away from that this passage in Thessalonians that it has application to some future anti-christ person that afflicts the world, but as with all of the Bible it has multiple applications and in the context of the Church, I think this man of sin, this son of perdition is us. I think the Lord is making it very clear that the falling away will get worse and worse until we realize that we have exalted ourselves above all that is called God, have sat ourselves (or the men we anointed and appointed) as the idols in our temples and have declared ourselves to be God. We have hired consultants to teach us how to be more like the world. We have gotten in bed with government and business and marketing and fund-raising and in all sorts of other ways have intermarried with the nations we were supposed to displace and destroy. We have taken on their gods and worshiped them and by so doing have declared ourselves God. **We** are the sons of perdition. (John 17:6-26)

What are the workings of Satan that come with all power and signs and lying wonders?

That we’re just fine and everything is just as it should be. “Peace and Safety. Peace and Safety. All is well. Go back to sleep.” He has bamboozled the “church.” Nearly all of the “elect” have **ALREADY** gone astray.

What is the true sign and wonder of this age that proves the sovereignty of God?

Deuteronomy 28:45-48 (NIV)

*All these curses will come upon you. They will pursue you and overtake you until you are destroyed, because you did not obey the Lord your God and observe the commands and decrees he gave you. **They will be a sign and wonder to you and your descendants forever.** Because you did not serve the Lord your God joyfully and gladly in the time of prosperity, therefore in hunger and thirst, in nakedness and dire poverty, you will serve the enemies the Lord sends against you. He will put an iron yoke on your neck until he has destroyed you.*

Deuteronomy 28:62-63 (NIV)

You who were as numerous as the stars in the sky will be left but few in number, because you did not obey the Lord your God. Just as it pleased the Lord to make you prosper and increase in number, so it will please him to ruin and destroy you. You will be uprooted from the land you are entering to possess.

Did Jesus predict this?

Yep.

Matthew 24:4-25

Jesus answered: "Watch out that no one deceives you. For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these things are the beginning of the birth pains.

Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death and you will be hated by all nations because of me. At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other, and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people. Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, but he who stands firm to the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

So when you see standing in the holy place the abomination that causes desolation, spoken of through the prophet Daniel – let the reader understand then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let no one on the roof of his house go down to take anything out of the house. Let no one in the field go back to get his cloak. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers. Pray that your flight will not take place in winter or on the Sabbath. For then there will be great distress, unequaled from the beginning of the world until now – and never to be equaled again.

If those days had not been cut short, no one would survive, but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened. At that time if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or, 'There he is!' do not believe it. For false Christs and false prophets will appear and perform great signs and miracles to deceive even the elect – if that were possible. See I have told you ahead of time.

Again, this passage has global, apocalyptic applications, but it is like a repeating, increasing spiral. Before it applies to the world, it applies to the Church. The spiritual goes first, then is manifested in the natural. If we look at the implications of this to the Church, I think you can see that we are already full on with all of these things and that Jesus predicted this. And that it had to happen to spiritual Israel before it can happen to natural Israel and the World.

We were to watch out that no one deceive us. We didn't. There will be wars between nations and kingdoms – which is how Christians killed so many other Christians through the Dark Ages and the Reformation and which is how we now have 37,000+ denomiNATIONS and start a new one every other day. Can you really split a denomination without hatred in your heart? And if you have hatred for a brother in your heart, that's the same as murder. There are spiritual famines among God's people and the occasional earthquake shaking that seems like something might break loose, but is soon over. All these are the beginning of the birth pains.

THEN we will be handed over to be persecuted. By who? By the enemy, by the Red Dragon. And many have been put to death by the Red Dragon. We are hated by each other and hated by the world. Many have turned away from the faith and betray and hate each other. Many false prophets have appeared and deceive many. Every man that says we don't need to be one body and we don't need to obey the Word of God and love our

brothers unconditionally is a false prophet – and they are legion. The love of most has grown cold and it's because of the wickedness that we allowed to enter by going our own way and following after false prophets. But ONLY he who stands until the end will be saved. ONLY those who are not under a Red Dragon will be saved. ONLY those can preach the true gospel of the kingdom to all nations.

The abomination that causes desolation is the antichrist and when we see the Spirit of Antichrist in our holy places, on our congregations and ministries or in our own hearts – we are to RUN FOR THE HILLS and not look back. Take nothing, go back for nothing. Say goodbye to no one. Run and don't look back. If you go back, you will get back under the Red Dragon. And if you're not careful, at home alone you'll get under one of your own making!

The Lord makes it clear that so many will be deceived and so many will die that NO ONE would survive if it weren't cut short. The Red Dragon has devoured nearly everything. The days were cut short for the sake of those who were standing firm until the end. Otherwise even the last of the elect would be deceived and no one would be left.

I'm begging you, come out of her. Run! Get away! Get out from under the Red Dragon and get the Red Dragon out of you! And the only way is to repent. Someone with the Gift of Repentance has to pour it out on you. Now I understand better than ever why the Lord had me write the "Apology to the World." The Lord said that if I pray with someone and repent sincerely in front of them for the things that I have done and they so much as nod their head in agreement that they have done the same things and need forgiveness, then He will turn from His fierce anger on them and will heal them and restore their land. He really, really wants to lift this curse, but He is just and His rules are clear. Without repentance there is no remission of sins. And a strong delusion will keep you from repenting at all. So you will die. Period. Unless the Lord finds a way to release you. Unless the Lord sends someone to show you the way, you are toast. I was under it and I know now how badly deceived I was. And if I get back under it again, I know it will be even worse because the stakes are getting higher and higher all the time.

OK, not only that, but you have to see that Jesus recruited as disciples people that were NOT under the Red Dragon curse at the time. The Pharisees and Sadducees were supernaturally stubborn and blind and Jesus said they were sons of hell and would not enter heaven (Matt. 23). Even though they were in the synagogue praying at least three times a DAY! (That's sure more pious than just Sundays and Wednesday nights!)

Clearly, Israel had gone it's own way at the time and were worshiping all kinds of things other than the one true God. I think the argument could be made pretty effectively that Jesus was aware of the Red Dragon religious spirits and the Deuteronomy 28 curse and was wise enough to recruit as disciples those who were not already under it. Even though they had less scripture knowledge, they had an easier time seeing their Messiah and embracing His message, because they weren't under a curse from God. Why else would He constantly be hanging around tax collectors and fishermen and prostitutes – that is, all the people the "religious establishment" thought were unclean? Perhaps it's their very "uncleanness" that kept them safe from the Red Dragon curse! If I'm right, that really changes the whole approach to who we need to reach doesn't it? Instead of getting people to transfer from one Red Dragon to another, let's go find the people that ARE NOT under a curse from God because they were never in the institutional "church" in the first place!

I'm just pretty sure Jesus understood this really well and it was what colored His style and focus of ministry. Go get the little children, the ones with faith like a child, the ones uncorrupted by the antichrist religious systems and structures and "wisdom" of the day. And if you put a stumbling block in their way and put them under a Red Dragon, it would be better for you to have a millstone tied around your neck and thrown in the ocean. (Matt. 18:6)

How do you get out from under it?

Ezekiel 9 is still the solution. Repentance individually and corporately is ALWAYS the right answer. Have I mentioned that already? It can't be overstated. Repentance is the key that opens every door.

All you have to do is say you're sorry and mean it. He's not unreasonable, he's just waiting for you to see what you did wrong and admit it! Do you treat your children any differently? Will YOU let them have their toy truck back without them saying they're sorry for hitting their brother with it? Heck, NO! They're in a time out until they've had time to think about what they did and say they're sorry! What kind of parent overlooks one kid bashing another over the head? Isn't that what we're doing all the time in "church"? You don't get out of the time out until you say you're sorry!

James 4:7-10

*You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world is hatred toward God? Anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God. Or do you think Scripture says without reason that the spirit he caused to live in us envies intensely? But he give us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. **Grieve, mourn and wail.** Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.*

2 Chronicles 7:14

*If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; **then** will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.*

Jeremiah 3:12-13

*"Return, faithless Israel,' declares the Lord, 'I will frown on you no longer for I am merciful,' declares the Lord, 'I will not be angry forever, **only acknowledge your guilt** - you have rebelled against the Lord your God, you have scattered your favors to foreign gods under every spreading tree, and have not obeyed me,'" declares the Lord "Return, faithless people," declares the Lord, "for I am your husband. I will choose you - one from a town and two from a clan - and bring you to Zion. Then I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will lead you with knowledge and understanding."*

Jeremiah 26:13

Therefore now amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the LORD your God; and the LORD will repent him of the evil that he hath pronounced against you.

Ezekiel 18:21-32 – (Go read it.)

LOTS more like this. (See Page 96.)

Joel 1:13

"Put on sackcloth, O priests, and mourn; wail, you who minister before the altar. Come, spend the night in sackcloth, you who minister before my God; for the grain offerings and drink offerings are withheld from the house of your God. Declare a holy fast, call a sacred assembly. Summon the elders who live in the land to the house of the Lord your God, and cry out to the Lord." (And again in Joel 2:15-17)

Then the Lord responds in **Joel 2:18-19**

*"**THEN** the Lord will be jealous for his land and take pity on his people. The Lord will reply to them, "I am sending you grain, new wine and oil, enough to satisfy you fully; never again will I make you an object of scorn to the nations."*

And AFTER they say they're sorry, AND He takes pity on them and turns, THEN:

Joel 2:28-32

"And AFTERWARD, I will pour out my Spirit on all people, your sons and daughters will prophecy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days. I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and terrible day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved; for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance, as the Lord has said, among the survivors whom the Lord calls."

People really misuse that chunk of that last verse, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." That doesn't say to call on the name of "Jesus the Savior," it says to call on the name of the LORD – master, king, commander, ruler, monarch – that means daily, instant, radical obedience, not calling one time like the lifeguard at the local pool. But that doesn't end there, those saved are not "everyone," but those who call on the name of the Lord AND are among the survivors whom the LORD calls. Who are the survivors? The Ezekiel 9 remnant that are weeping and repenting and mourning for the state of things. Not EVERYONE that calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. It's clear from Matt. 25:31-46 that many will say "Lord, Lord" and He may still say, "Get away from me, I never knew you." Remember, He tells the death angels in Ezekiel 9 to slaughter everyone and to start with the elders that were before the Temple! Don't get too comfy, you better be REALLY sure that you know you're on the right team. Even being an elder in the temple is no guarantee that you're safe! Repentance is the key.

In short, if you can't repent or don't think you need to repent, you're probably under the curse. Find someone that CAN repent and have them show you how or pour their gift out on you. My entire focus is on raising up people that are Dragon-free and can stay that way. If you need me to come and pray for/with you and/or your ministry, I'd love to do that (if the Lord allows).

There are others out there as well, I'm not saying it's just me, but not as many as you would think. Even a lot of people that are outside of the "institutional church" system are still under their own Red Dragon. There is a "house church" Red Dragon, too. There is a "lone wolf, wandering prophet" Red Dragon. (I've met a bunch of those.) And a thousand other flavors.

If you're reading this and you're a pastor, priest, bishop, apostle, pope, lay leader, parent or otherwise have a flock of any size that depends on you, please pray this with all your heart – if you can:

Dear Jesus, I don't really have any idea how much of the stuff that I'm supporting is man-made, but I'm sure some of it is. I'm really sorry. I want pure Truth and nothing but. I want Your Spirit to be fully and completely in charge of me in every way. If there is anything in me or my ministry that isn't pleasing to You, please kill it. Whatever it takes, rip it, burn it, shred it, shake it – if I can't lay it down then just tear it out of my grasp. If I can't see it, please remove the scales from my eyes by whatever means necessary. Just cleanse your temple and start with me. Don't let me be complacent and settle for what used to be. I want Your full presence right now. Please, Lord, pour out the Gift of Repentance on me and my sheep in full measure. Let me see through Your eyes, even if it hurts. I mean it. Whatever it takes. Please just hold my hand when it hurts. I love You, Jesus. I trust You. I'm sorry I ever went my own way, even in the littlest detail. Please, Father, in the Name of Jesus, please fix it. Amen.

What would it look like to be completely free of the Red Dragon?

Well, when Israel was completely obedient and following God's commands, no nation could stand against them. The Word of God says that He will lift you above nations and no weapon formed against you will prosper. So, the way I see it, the people who are fully free of every yoke, are out from under every curse, have been transformed by the renewing of their minds, and are dead and it's Christ in them that lives – are the manifest sons of God that the earth is groaning for. (Romans 8:19) We've seen little glimmers of it before in Elijah and Elisha and Moses and Abraham and Enoch and others who were counted as righteous. But the Word of God says the greatest of all the prophets was John the Baptist and that the least among US that has the Holy Spirit is greater than him! So how come we're not seeing it in every Christian everywhere? Because they're not manifesting their Sonship – because they're going their own way.

Consider this, people often discuss all the possible reasons why God seems to heal people more often (and more dramatically) in Africa and India and Asia. I have friends that I trust that have seen with their own eyes as people regrew limbs or spines straightened or giant tumors just fall off or even miraculous weight loss while in a prayer line. By the power of God through me I have seen people healed of autism, hearing problems, heart problems, joint problems, migraines, chronic or urgent pain of all kinds, spinal and head injuries - as well as demonic oppressions like schizophrenia, agoraphobia, depression, fear, lust, and addictions of all kinds instantly lifted. I know it's real and I know God moves that way today.

I've heard all kinds of theories about why we don't see more of that in America, from lack of faith, to not being child-like enough, to those that say it's all fake or satanic and not really from God anyway. (And I dare you to find ANYWHERE in the Word where it says satan heals people.) Anyway, none of those arguments satisfy me. People are getting healed there, even raised from the dead. Something else is behind this.

The best answer I've found is this, Deuteronomy 28 says you will have wasting diseases that cannot be cured, that you will be afflicted and there will be no one to help, that the sky over you will be brass, that you will suffer until you are destroyed. If a nation or a people or a village don't know God and never did, when someone righteous and sent by God shows up and prays for healing for them, it's likely that they will get healed so that God can show His glory and prove Himself to them. But when a country or a people or a village already knew God and have intentionally and rebelliously gone their own way, they should not expect any supernatural healing to show up on any kind of a regular basis. And if it shows up at all, it's just God's mercy on an individual here and there.

So the best explanation I can find of why people get healed in Africa and Asia and not in America (or the West, for that matter) is that the West is already evangelized and has turned their back on God by creating their own blended mystery religions and calling them “Christian” and He has put upon them the curses of Deuteronomy 28. The prayer of a “righteous” man availeth much. The prayer of a “denominational” man may not avail much at all.

Warm and fluffy and “seeker-friendly” isn't going to cut it. Want to know what your “purpose” is? You don't need forty days to figure out what YOU can do for God. Just weep and repent and mourn before the altar for the fact that you haven't known **all along** what God's purpose for you is – and been walking in it. There's no telling how much blood is on your head for the missed opportunities and outright rebellion of going your own way this whole time. **You don't get revived until you say you're sorry for being the kind of person that needs reviving!** If you cry out to Him, He will open the doors and explain everything and the Holy Spirit will be your teacher. No MAN can tell you who you are in Christ - not even you. You need to hear God directly and walk in it.

So what might it look like to be fully Dragon-free? For one thing, the diseases of the Egyptians wouldn't stick to you anymore and your prayers for deliverance would have real power. Maybe people in America might actually start getting healed and delivered on a large scale. In combination with keeping your cup full of Jesus and being a part of a Lampstand city, probably nothing could stand against you. (Read more about that on the website.)

What would it be like to be completely under Christ's headship?

Not that I have fully attained the goal, but I strive toward the prize and I die daily so that Christ in me can live. To His glory, He has allowed me to hear His voice very clearly. Not just in dreams and visions, but all day every day. He directs my paths in every way. I would recommend that you read “The Practice of the Presence of God” by Brother Lawrence. It was formative for me and I sought after that kind of intimacy with God. And He says that if you seek Him, you will find Him. And I did.

He wakes me up in the morning. I have no alarm clock. I don't wear a watch. He tells me what Scripture to read and what it means and how it will apply to my day. He tells me what to wear, what to eat, where to go, what to say (or not say), what job to take and how to do it. He tells me what to pray. He prays through me or speaks through me to those in need. He crushes the demons that come against me every day. He is my shield and my provider. He is my Head and I am His bond-servant. I fear no man and follow no man. I am not under anyone's "cover" because Christ is my head. There is no man that stands between me and God and tells me what to do. Though there are many brethren around me that advise and counsel and teach and reprove and rebuke, ultimately I have to get a confirmation from the Throne on everything. I make no plans, I spend no money, I go nowhere, I eat nothing without an assurance that it's what He wants me to do. And I have more joy and peace than I ever knew possible – even in the face of astounding amounts of opposition and affliction.

Do I make mistakes? Yes. Sometimes I hear wrong, sometimes I pester Him into allowing something He'd rather not allow, but He humors me to teach me a lesson. Sometimes I ask "Can I" instead of "Should I". (That one got me into a lot of trouble until He explained the difference and wrote it on my heart!) At times I have been under a Red Dragon of my own making and heard what I was sure was God, but it was a lying spirit from the Throne intent on my destruction for having gone my own way. Sometimes the people around me hear wrong and I don't double-check with Him. Sometimes I just pop off before asking what I should say. Sometimes I've spoken out revelation that was just for me personally and not for any other ears. But it's getting better all the time and I don't ever ask Him to turn down the refining fire.

The ministry that He has called me to is under His headship. He dictates the pace, the scope, the impact, the focus, the budget, the method, the timing – everything. There are no committee meetings. There are no votes, there are no paid consultants. There is just Christ as the Head and me as the hands and feet. When I need a confirmation, He provides one. When I need a rebuke, He does it Himself or sends someone.

In a worship or prayer meeting, He sets the time and place, He invites the people, He directs the prayers, He moves through us as He wills. He identifies the needs in the people present and makes sure they get met in order of priority. Nobody goes home unchanged. He consistently shows up in a powerful way because we get out of His way. I have never been anywhere and experienced the kind of presence and power of God that I did in God's little furniture store in Liberty, Missouri. And even though that season is past, He continues to show up every time we get out of His way and sincerely invite Him to be fully in charge and we take Him out of whatever box we might have tried to cram Him into.

What would it do to "church" to really, truly get out of His way? Do we even see how much we're getting in His way? Because of the blindness of our hearts, I doubt that hardly any leaders of the church really see how much they are grieving the Holy Spirit. I would love to tell them – and I have tried at times – but it never seems to do any good. In fact, it supernaturally never seems to do any good! The most hardened secularist or atheist or businessman would listen more politely – just in case I might actually have a point about something and it would improve what they were doing. Most any restaurant or service business will have a Customer Comments box and carefully review feedback – but that seems like the VERY last thing a pastor wants to spend time doing. How a man that says he loves God and fears Him could so callously and obliviously ignore anyone that comes in the name of the Lord and shows them their error is beyond me. It HAS to be supernatural. I can't find any other explanation for how normally loving, caring, sweet, 'Christian' people can stone prophets – except that God has hardened their hearts, blinded their eyes, shut up their ears and doesn't want them free yet.

Matthew 13:14-15

14 And in them the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled, which says: 'Hearing you will hear and shall not understand, And seeing you will see and not perceive; 15 For the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, And their eyes they have closed, Lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, Lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, So that I should heal them.'

All of the things that He has taught me in the last two years (and before) somehow integrate with this message about the Red Dragon. I know that if we were under His headship, the model of the church would be the city church – one body in one town, under His headship and working as He directed. How that would manifest and look in real practice in each particular town, I have no idea. In some towns you could all gather in one building. In some it will mean house churches all over town, in some it will mean stadiums full of people. In some it might not look that different than what we have right now. I have no idea. Happily, it's not my job to direct your town. It's my job to get you free of the Red Dragon so you can hear God and HE can direct all your paths.

I know that if we were under His headship, the way we handle money would be vastly different. The way we relate institutionally to the government would be vastly different. The way we relate to other Christians would be vastly different. Music would be different. Church "services" would be different. Leadership would be different. Healing would be different. I think we can't even get our heads around how creative He can be to customize each

situation to the exact needs of the people present at that moment. Nothing would be repetitive or even predictable. People we never expected would be the mightiest evangelists and prophets and teachers and musicians. The Holy Spirit blows like the wind and no one knows where He goes or where He came from. We would be much like that. But we would be effective for the Gospel and we would be pushing back the darkness instead of being co-opted by it.

As soon as the Red Dragon can stop using our legs and our spiritual authority and our assets to accomplish his purposes, then we can gain the upper hand and begin to crush Him under our heel.

Wouldn't that be nice?

There is still that little issue of the Great Commission, the final charge of Jesus to spread the TRUE Gospel to all the world. (Matt. 28:18-20, Mark 16:14-20) Is there anything more important than this? How exactly are we going to do that while we're fighting and fussing with each other and all going our own way? Whose Gospel do we preach anyway? Jesus did NOT say to go into all the world and preach the Baptist Gospel or the Pentecostal Gospel or the Lutheran Gospel. We are to preach Christ and Him crucified. We are to be One Body and we are to love each other. If they will know us by our love and we are full of hatred and wrath and dissension and factions – maybe we should stop preaching ANYTHING until we knock it off and the LORD HIMSELF opens our mouths. Maybe we should hit our faces and admit that we are ALL men of unclean lips and from a people of unclean lips and beg for Him to burn it out of us by whatever means necessary. (Isaiah 6) We need to stop traveling over land and sea to make a single convert and then make him twice as much the sons of hell that we are. (Matt. 23:15) Yeah, that would be nice.

We can't spread the true Gospel until we are true Christians. And we can't be true Christians until we are fully under Christ's headship and no other. We have to repent and throw off all the Red Dragons. All of them. Of the seven letters to the churches in Revelation 2-3, two of them were not criticized – Smyrna and Philadelphia, both of them poor. No matter what the other five were criticized for, the prescription is always the same – REPENT!

There is NO other solution offered by Jesus. There is no other hope. There is no amount of good worship music and really excellent child-care facilities and great expository teaching that is going to turn this around. The ONLY solution, the only prescription, the only thing that is going to get His attention is repentance.

Start with this – Appendix G. Maybe you've already seen it. Read the "Apology to the World" letter and if you feel that you've been a part of helping build – or not having personally tried harder to stop sooner – a system that is not what God wanted, then repent for your sins and the sins of your forefathers. **And mean it, and don't go back.** Run for the hills right now and don't even go back to get your coat. Come out of her my people – and get HER out of YOU, too! (Rev. 18:4-8)

Lord, pour out the Gift of Repentance on Your Body and on this nation. Please forgive us for going our own way. Please have mercy on us and turn from Your righteous anger. You are just and true and your judgement is righteous. We deserve far worse than what You have done. Please, Father, please for the sake of Your Holy Name remember Your people and turn from Your wrath. Please send out the remnant that can teach us how to pray and how to repent in spirit and in truth. Please turn this around, Abba. Please fix it. I'm sorry we broke it. I'm sorry we didn't follow the instructions. It doesn't work and there are parts left over. Please fix it, Dad. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

If that doesn't do it for you and you don't feel you've repented enough to get out from under your Red Dragon, contact me. I have a special anointing for gently telling people (and groups) what they overlooked that they still need to repent for. And repenting in front of them so they can see how it's done.

If that takes care of it and the Lord pours out on you a true and deep gift of repentance, then please, PLEASE, I'm begging you – please go find somebody to pour it out on. Go weep in front of them until they see how bad it is and how desperate we really are. I spent two days weeping on the sidewalk in the middle of town last summer (June 2006). Do whatever it takes. Pour out your gift of repentance on those around you who are trapped under the Red Dragon. Pour it on the Lead Dragon Dancers if you can, but know that they have the hardest time receiving it.

Please, Brethren, if you have ears to hear, please hear. Then GO into all the world and show them how to repent.

Left-over pieces

I Samuel 16:14

14 But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him.

Yep, God can afflict you. Don't think He can't. If you go your own way, He Himself will afflict you.

Romans 1:18-32

*18 The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness, 19 since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. 20 For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse. 21 For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, **but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened.** 22 Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools 23 and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like mortal man and birds and animals and reptiles.*

*24 Therefore God **gave them over** in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. 25 They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator—who is forever praised. Amen.*

26 Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural relations for unnatural ones. 27 In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed indecent acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their perversion.

*28 Furthermore, since they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, **he gave them over to a depraved mind**, to do what ought not to be done. 29 They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit and malice. They are gossips, 30 slanderers, God-haters, insolent, arrogant and boastful; they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents; 31 they are senseless, faithless, heartless, ruthless. 32 **Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practice them.***

John 9:35-41

35 Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" 36 "Who is he, sir?" the man asked. "Tell me so that I may believe in him." 37 Jesus said, "You have now seen him; in fact, he is the one speaking with you." 38 Then the man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him. 39 Jesus said, "For judgment I have come into this world, so that the blind will see and those who see will become blind." 40 Some Pharisees who were with him heard him say this and asked, "What? Are we blind too?" 41 Jesus said, "If you were blind, you would not be guilty of sin; but now that you claim you can see, your guilt remains.

Acts 17

*29 "Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by man's design and skill. 30 In the past God overlooked such ignorance, **but now he commands all people everywhere to repent.** 31 For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to all men by raising him from the dead."*

If you're not preaching repentance in your congregations, then you are directly disobeying the explicit command of God. If you are worshiping or following ANY structure, system, person or man-made thing, you are commanded to repent. There is not Plan B.

Open Letter of Apology to The World

Please bear with me, this is long overdue and there's lots of ground to cover. I want to make sure that I get it all out. Not just for me, but because I think you need to hear it. Maybe there are other Christians out there as well that need to make apologies and will find courage here. I appreciate your time, I know it's valuable.

Dear Members of the World,

But lately I've been trying to understand Jesus more and stuff I never noticed before has really started to bug me. I've been taking a look around and I'm having a hard time making sense of what it is we've built here. So, it just seemed like, whether anybody else says it or not, I need to take responsibility for the part I played and say what I have to say.

Here we go ...

I know you think that Christians are a big bunch of hypocrites. We say we're more "religious" and we're going to heaven and you're not, and then we drive our big shiny cars with little fishies on the trunk and cut you off in traffic as we race by the homeless guy on the corner. We average just 2% of our money to church and charity, despite that we say the Bible is the word of God and **it** says we're supposed to give **everything**. On average, we buy just as many big screen TVs and bass boats and fur coats and makeup and baseball cards and online porn as anybody else. Maybe more. You've seen leader after leader end up in jail or court or a sex scandal of one sort or another.

Well ... you're right. We're guilty of all of it. We've done it all. And, I'm really sorry.

You see our cheesy TV shows and slick guys begging for money and you get that there's something seriously sneaky and wrong here. A high-pressure call for money so they can stay on the air? Were we supposed to use Jesus as just another form of entertainment? Who do we think we're kidding? Where's Jesus in all this? Aren't we supposed to rely on him? Isn't He going to meet our needs if we're inside His will?

What happened to sacrifice and suffering and helping the poor? I'm just sick about this. I mean, the church leaders, they're not all bad guys, there are lots and lots of really hard-working well-meaning folks who love and care and are meeting real needs in the community. Some of them understand and love Jesus - but I'm just real sure those pastors don't drive Bentley's, have multi-million dollar homes and their own lear jets! I mean, what "god" are we worshipping? Money? Ego? Power?

You see our massive shiny new buildings all over the place. Heck, maybe we even kicked you out of your house so we could expand our parking lots. You can't figure out why we need four different Christian churches on four corners of the same intersection. We've got playgrounds and bowling alleys and basketball leagues. We've got Starbucks coffee in the sanctuary. We've got orchestras and giant chandeliers and fountains out front. We've got bookstores full of "jesus junk" with every imaginable style and flavor of religious knick-knack. But where's Jesus? Is this what HE wanted?

Oh, sure, there are good folks all over and not every church is such a mess, but Christians are the ones that say we're supposed to be "One Body." So even the good ones are guilty of not putting a stop to it sooner. We were supposed to keep each other in line and not tolerate factions and dissensions and greed and idolatry and all this other bad stuff. Man, we really blew it! We've got 37,000+ denominations and most of them won't talk to the other ones. We lose over \$5 million a day to fraud from "trusted" people inside the church! We spend 95% of all our money on our own comforts and programs and happy family fun time shows and we let 250 MILLION Christians in other countries live on the very edge of starvation. Not to mention the billion or so that have never even once heard of Jesus - or the homeless guy downtown we almost ran over when we cut you off.

We're as guilty as we can be. All of us. Nobody is exempt. We should have put a stop to it a lot sooner. But I can't apologize on behalf of anyone else. This is about me.

I know that you might have gone to church as a kid and stopped going as soon as you could. I know that you might even have been abused by somebody in the church! Maybe we got you all fired up and then just let you drift off like we didn't really care. Maybe you just don't fit our "profile." You might have piercings and purple hair or tattoos or been in jail -- and somewhere inside you just know that even if you wanted to go to church one Sunday, it would not go well. I'm sorry for that. Jesus loves you. He always hung out with the most unexpected people. He had the biggest heart for the folks everybody else tried to ignore. What have we done? We've told you to put on a sweater and some loafers or you can't go to heaven. I just want to throw up.

Look, I know you're mad. And you have a right to be. We've done you wrong for a LONG time now. There's some things about Jesus that people need to hear, but we've buried a beautiful masterpiece under hundreds of layers of soft pink

latex paint. If you have a Bible handy, look up Matthew 23. (If you don't, you can look it up here - www.BibleGateway.com .) Find it? Read it carefully, the Pharisees were the "religious" people of the day, the leaders of the faith. In this chapter Jesus SEVEN times says how pitiful and wretched and cursed they are for what they're doing to the people they're supposed to be leading. He even calls them "white washed tombs of dead mens bones" and a "brood of vipers"! I don't have time here, but read it and see if we're not doing EVERY single one of those things. Jesus can't possibly be happy about what we've done to you.

Sure, we like to kid ourselves and pretend everything is OK - but it's not. We're hated. Now, please understand, Jesus was hated, too. But that was because he said hard things and sometimes people don't like hearing the Truth. And he promised we would be hated if we were like him. But that's not why we're hated at the moment. We're hated right now because we're a giant pack of lying hypocrites that say one thing and do something else altogether. If we were hated because we were like Jesus, that would be one thing, but that's not it at all. You see right through our happy music and fluffy services and you can tell there's something desperately wrong here. We're no different than anybody else - except that we say we're better than you.

It was never supposed to be like this. Jesus asked us to care for the widows and orphans, to feed the hungry, care for the sick, visit those in prison, reach the lost. He wanted us to love our enemies and pray for them. He cared about human justice and suffering, the lost and lonely. But I don't think He would have marched on a picket line - He had His mind on much bigger problems. He wanted us to focus on the eternal things, not the everyday. He never once said to go into all the world and build big buildings and divide up into factions and buy Bentleys. Just the opposite! I get that you're mad at us and I think you have a right to be, but please understand, you're mad at what we've made under our own power, you're mad at "Churchianity." That's different than Christ and what he wanted. Don't be mad at Jesus! This mess wasn't His ideal!

Look, I'm really sorry. I accept responsibility for my part in having hurt you. But I'm committing to you all, dear Members of the World, that I'm not going to do it any more. Not a single penny more. I'm not going to put my faith in "Churchianity" or any leader or program or TV show -- but in Christ Jesus and His salvation. That's when I was set free and began to see that God wants and expects more of us than this. And I'm not helping anybody that's not fully committed to the same thing.

It took centuries to build this monster, so it's not like it's going to just turn around overnight. But the times are changing and we're way overdue for something new. Big bad things are happening - like the tsunami in Asia - and I think more are coming. I don't want any more time to go by without having said this. I'm sorry for all the time and money I've wasted. But Jesus saves. Really. The church itself isn't even the point. Jesus is the real deal. He lived and He died for my sins and He rose again. He is who He said He was and He cares about me - and you. He's our only hope. We need places you can go that will only teach Jesus and will not be swayed or tempted or distracted by anything else. God willing, that's coming.

Please don't think all Christians are just posers. Some of them really mean it when they say they belong to Christ. The problem is mostly in the West where we're all comfy and complacent and seem to like it that way. The Christians in China and other places are deadly serious. There's no room for anything but Jesus when you're on the run from the government. They are dying every day for their faith and doing crazy hard things because they're absolutely committed to Christ. These are martyrs. People willing to crucify little pieces of themselves every day to be more like Christ. People willing to set aside everything they want to do what Christ wants. People willing to rot in prison or take a beating or die if that's what it's going to take. People that act in pure love and never back down. I'm not worthy to tie their shoes. And there are some like that here, too, and I hope we can get a lot more people to start living that way. It's way overdue.

If you're talking to someone and they tell you they're a Christian, ask them if they're the kind of Christian that really means it all the time or the kind that just means it on Sunday. The Bible says we'll know them by their "fruits" - by the faith and purity and love in their deeds and words. When you find one that proves Christ is in them by how much they love you, ask them to tell you all about Jesus. If you know one of those fearless martyrs that speaks nothing but pure, clean, hard Truth - ask lots of questions. Truth is a lot more rare than you would think. But don't settle for soft, fluffy and comfortable anymore - that's not in the Bible.

As for me and my house, we're really sorry. From now on, we're going to serve the Lord, not "Churchianity." We're going to try to call together as many of those martyrs as we can and start doing what Christ wanted. If I run into you someday, please give me a chance to shake your hand and apologize in person. I'm going to try harder from now on, I promise. I think there are lots of others feeling the same way, so don't be surprised if you start hearing stuff like this more often.

Thanks for your time. I hope it helps.

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Appendix A

Common Symptoms / Side Effects of the Red Dragon:

Cut-and-paste Demon - Anything not related to what YOU are doing is of no importance. Scriptures that disagree with your position don't exist. Baptists ignore or marginalize or explain away the Book of Acts. Pentecostals ignore "decent and in order". 'Oneness' groups ignore Father, Son, and Spirit references. Seventh Day ignore that JESUS is Lord of the Sabbath and EVERY day should be dedicated to Him. Anything that disagrees is SUPERNATURALLY blocked out of the field of vision. Like that section of their Bible is just missing or has a fuzzy block over it. Just like when you are inside the Dragon, you can't see the scenery, just the inside of your own Dragon and all the dancers that are with you.

Deaf-and-Dumb Demon - Can't see, can't hear where you are going except by following the others in front. You can see where you've been, but you have no idea what is ahead of you. You are following the Lead Dancer and assuming that he knows where he is going. And he thinks he's in charge, but the Dragon is really the one telling him how to dance and where. When criticism comes, it's ignored because it comes from outside the Dragon. If criticism comes from inside the Dragon, the messenger is ejected as unloyal and unable to properly dance and represent the Dragon team. The Dragon will NOT tolerate disunity under it's own cover.

Spirit of Competition - Closely attached to the Pride, this encourages the Dragon team to be the VERY best and ignore weaknesses. They should be an EXCELLENT Dragon, particularly since they are doing everything they do to bring glory and honor to God. They need EXCELLENT silk and sequins and only the best costumes and dancers will do. They need consultants and personal trainers and professional choreographers. If possible, upgraded sound systems and lighting and videography so they can properly record how well they are dancing and tell the world. After a couple of generations of highlighting strengths and ignoring weaknesses, they become totally inbred and have developed their own languages and idiosyncrasies and style. In the Body of Christ, they become a barn full of toes and they like it that way and clone new toes as fast as they can. They have no balance, but they are the best bunch of toes anywhere.

Spirit of Bondage - The Dragon works hard to whisper to all involved that they are critically important to the welfare of the team and that they MUST remain under the Dragon. They CANNOT venture out on their own or go to some competing Dragon. They MUST remain under the "cover" of the Dragon or the Lead Dancer or else they will be rejected and alone and the enemy will get them. What enemy? The same enemy they're already under, but it will never admit that.

Spirit of Hurry - This artificially inserts all kinds of deadlines and forces urgency. It keeps everyone busy all the time. Twice on Sundays and Wednesday and visitation and softball leagues and potlucks and summer camp and committee meetings and Christmas Pageant and more and more. Always taxing those already over-taxed and seeking fresh "legs" for the Dragon. It HAS to keep dancing. It has to keep everyone in motion. It keeps their eyes off of Jesus if it can keep them focused on the structure, style, timing, programs, staff, improvement, growth of the Dragon.

Spirits of Envy, Jealousy and Hatred - Gal. 5:19-21 are rampant in the congregations and denominations of America. There is a constant finger-pointing and one trying to pull down another. The Dragon is always whispering that YOUR Dragon is prettier and smarter and older and better and longer and shinier and faster than all those other Dragons. It's critically important that the people in the Dragon KNOW what all the other Dragons are doing wrong and why THEIR Dragon is the best one of them all. They will even persecute each other or refuse to even participate in events together. Even though we are supposed to be ONE BODY (John 17), the enemy broke us up into competing teams so we can never go anywhere together.

Spirit of Empty Words - Eph. 5:5-7, Job 35:13, This is disguised as "fellowshipping" but is really just wasted time while people are dying. It's far better to bond together in the heat of common battle (or boot camp), than to casually greet each other as tourists on the same beach. This one may be disguised as telling stories about what God has done, which is nice, but it fills the time and keeps us from watching Him do something RIGHT NOW in our midst. It's not obedience to tell a story about the greatness and majesty of God – unless He tells you to tell that story at that moment. It might be a great story, but you're out of order if you tell it at the wrong time. It won't be anointed and it won't have the effect He wants it to have. This is VERY, VERY common in the "church" and is slowly sucking the life out of millions because of the missed opportunities to see Him move because we won't

shut up.

Spirits of Lust and Greed - Almost ALL under the Red Dragon have a spirit of lust and a constant desire for more. It's no wonder that we have rampant obesity, porn, divorce, greed, adultery and other things inside the "church". There is a constant "arms race" to keep up with or exceed other Dragon Teams. And it spills over into the personal lives of all the members, even outside of the Dragon dance. The Red Dragon is all about accumulation and growth and gathering unto itself for self-gratification. That spirit is rampant and there is no one to stop it because it's an essential element of the nature of the Dragon.

Spirit of Fear - The Dragon GREATLY discourages individuality and presents a constant stream of reasons why the individual is incapable of defending themselves, standing alone or being effective without the Team. Despite constantly saying that God is sufficient and "greater is He who is in us than He who is in the world," the Dragon insists that anyone who is not under "cover" and actively and regularly doing the Dragon Dance will be eaten for lunch by the darkness. All kinds of fears are encouraged and this, too, spills over into the personal lives of the Dancers. We have rampant depression, anxiety attacks, agoraphobia, even suicidal thoughts because of the constant pounding on the Dancers by this spirit. (And that is NOT from God!)

Spirit of Gloating - Rejoices in the downfall of other brethren. It is anti- I Corinthians 13. Doesn't rejoice in it's OWN affliction, but sure enjoys watching others be afflicted and brought down - or taken out of the Dragon Dance competition altogether.

Charismania – A desire for some manifestation above relationship – drunk in the spirit, barking, gold teeth, slain in the spirit, a prophetic word, a word of knowledge, an impartation, whatever. Might be perfectly reasonable, perfectly Biblical, perfectly decent and in order, but NOT if it becomes the OBJECT of desire. It becomes the pearl to chase, rather than relationship with Christ and full obedience. That will open them up to a spirit of lust that will do all kinds of other damage. If you seek a gift to be better equipped for God's war, that's one thing, but if you seek it so as to show off or be like everybody else or have a bigger, flashier ministry and make a name for yourself – that is not good at all and will surely result in your destruction (unless you repent).

Hardening of Hearts - Eph 4:17-19, Continual lust for more, given over to sensuality. This is one of the scariest of all. This one doesn't just come from the Red Dragon, this one is from God Himself. As we began to go our own way, the Lord turned us over more and more to the Dragon and hardened our hearts. The VERY WORST side effect of this monstrosity is that it is practically IMPOSSIBLE to repent. By far the least seen, least preached, least practiced expression of faith in the "churches" is real, true repentance. Even more rare is repentance for having been a part of a system that wasn't what God wanted and has been adulterous and left the true path. Anyone under a Dragon that repents for having been a part of the Dragon at all is almost instantly ejected with prejudice. Which makes it very difficult to get any more people out from under the Dragon.

Let me repeat that. This is a CURSE FROM GOD for having gone our own way and the curse carries with it hardening of the hearts. The only way to get out from under the curse is to repent, but the curse keeps you from repenting. In fact, it keeps you from listening to anybody that even TALKS about repenting. If you're even reading this and you got this far, that's a really good sign that either you're free or the grip on you is breaking.

This is by NO means complete. Pretty much ANY other kind of oppression or demonic influence in Satan's arsenal is available and in use for this task. God will pretty much turn you over to whatever wants to come mess with you and you may not be able to be delivered of it at all unless you repent for having gone your own way!

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Appendix B

Deuteronomy 28 (NIV) – with commentary and application

Blessings for Obedience

1 **If you fully obey the LORD your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. 2 All these blessings will come upon you and accompany you if you obey the LORD your God:**

3 **You will be blessed in the city and blessed in the country.**

4 **The fruit of your womb will be blessed, and the crops of your land and the young of your livestock—the calves of your herds and the lambs of your flocks.**

5 **Your basket and your kneading trough will be blessed.**

6 **You will be blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out.**

7 **The LORD will grant that the enemies who rise up against you will be defeated before you. They will come at you from one direction but flee from you in seven.**

8 **The LORD will send a blessing on your barns and on everything you put your hand to. The LORD your God will bless you in the land he is giving you.**

9 **The LORD will establish you as his holy people, as he promised you on oath, if you keep the commands of the LORD your God and walk in his ways. 10 Then all the peoples on earth will see that you are called by the name of the LORD, and they will fear you. 11 The LORD will grant you abundant prosperity—in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your ground—in the land he swore to your forefathers to give you.**

12 **The LORD will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands. You will lend to many nations but will borrow from none. 13 The LORD will make you the head, not the tail. If you pay attention to the commands of the LORD your God that I give you this day and carefully follow them, you will always be at the top, never at the bottom. 14 Do not turn aside from any of the commands I give you today, to the right or to the left, following other gods and serving them.**

By the testimony of two witnesses is a thing established. Here God repeats THREE TIMES that IF you do certain things, THEN He will respond a certain way. It is a GUARANTEE. If you are fully obeying then you WILL BE benefiting from these blessings. It is not optional for God. It is an automatic and universal law, like gravity. If you are His children and come under the covering of His promises and you are being obedient, then these things WILL come to pass. However, the better you know Him, the higher the tightrope. Nobody was closer to God than Moses and all He had to do to keep from inheriting the promise was tap the rock instead of talking to it. God isn't kidding around here. He expects OBEDIENCE. Especially from those of His children who know Him the best. The stakes are highest for those that have been drawn closest to God.

This should be pretty clear. IF you obey, THEN God will keep you from any harm and lift you above nations and you will be the head and not the tail. He WILL do it. I don't see anything vague about this. It might not manifest the way you think, but He WILL do it.

But here comes the scary part:

Curses for Disobedience

15 **However, if you do not obey the LORD your God and do not carefully follow all his commands and decrees I am giving you today, all these curses will come upon you and overtake you:**

These are described as natural consequences on natural Israel, but they have spiritual ramifications as well. On spiritual Israel (the Church), they are primarily spiritual consequences, but have natural ramifications as well.. Let's take a little more detailed look.

16 **You will be cursed in the city and cursed in the country.**

17 **Your basket and your kneading trough will be cursed.**

Your congregations will be cursed whether in the city or in the country. Your spiritual bread will be scarce. You will have nothing but day-old stale manna. Jesus, the Bread of Life, will be distant.

*18 The **fruit** of your **womb** will be cursed, and the **crops** of your land, and the **calves** of your herds and the **lambs** of your flocks.*

Your offspring will be even more distant from God than you are. The young of your flocks will be cursed. Are we not seeing a massive loss of the young people from the church? Are we not seeing massive movement away from God in our youth groups and among our children? Are they not being won over by culture?

*19 You **will** be cursed when you **come in** and cursed when you **go out**.*

You will be cursed when you go in and when you go out. No matter where you go, home missions or foreign missions, inside the walls or outside the walls, your efforts will have very little spiritual results.

*20 The LORD will send on you **curses**, **confusion** and **rebuke** in everything you put your hand to, **until you are destroyed** and come to **sudden ruin** because of the evil you have done in **forsaking him**.*

The Lord will put on you curses, confusion and rebuke in everything until you are destroyed. Can you find any denomination that isn't filled with confusion and rebuke? Any that hasn't found itself arguing about secondary issues and become factious? Are we not filled with constant confusion about this or that new doctrine or teaching?

*21 The LORD will **plague** you with **diseases** until he has **destroyed** you from the land you are entering to possess. 22 The LORD will strike you with **wasting disease**, with **fever** and **inflammation**, with scorching **heat** and **drought**, with **blight** and **mildew**, which will **plague** you until you **perish**.*

Are our churches not full of people plagued with spiritual diseases that don't seem to have a cure? Are they not inflamed by their passions and addictions and the fevers of their lusts? Do we not have 50% of pastors using pornography? (According to Barna.) Do we not have clergy sexually abusing little kids? Do we not have more divorce in the church than in the general population? Are we not starving to death for the real meat of the Word? Are we not dying for thirst for the Living Water? Are our people not bloated with the world and starving for God? We are losing \$16 BILLION a year to fraud inside our own church organizations. We are losing untold billions to waste and abuse. Millions of Christians are dying everyday because of our neglect.

*23 The **sky** over your head will be **bronze**, the **ground** beneath you **iron**.*

Your prayers will not be answered, they will bounce. The ground that you toil will be hard and barren.

*24 The LORD will turn the rain of your country into **dust** and **powder**; it will come down from the skies until you are **destroyed**.*

The Lord says that He will send the early and latter rains, but not until you repent. Instead you will get dust and powder that will make your work even harder and choke whatever you do get to grow.

*25 The LORD will cause you to be **defeated** before your enemies. **You** will come at them from one direction but flee from them in **seven**, and **you** will become a thing of horror to **all** the kingdoms on earth.*

Are we not already a thing of horror? Are we not a laughingstock to the world? Why would anyone want to join this mess? So they can give up 10% of their income for a concert and motivational speech once a week? We bring in \$250 BILLION a year and spend 95% of it on our own comforts. Our spiritual enemies are trouncing us. We have rampant addiction and lust and fear and anger and hatred inside our own walls and no sign on the horizon that we have any plan to deal with them effectively. Our enemies chase us and we flee. We have no victory.

*26 **Your carcasses** will be food for all the **birds** of the air and the **beasts** of the earth, and there will be no one to frighten them away.*

This is a reference to demons and the spiritual powers of darkness that will eat us like carrion. I have seen this (in the spirit) at a local congregation. A giant room full of dead bodies being devoured by dark demonic birds and beasts. And there is no one to drive them away. We have very, VERY few deliverance ministries – and even fewer that have any real authority and effectiveness. And I'm aware of even fewer that are capable of city-wide or regional spiritual warfare against strongholds.

*27 The LORD will afflict you with the **boils** of Egypt and with **tumors**, **festering sores** and the **itch**, from which you **cannot be cured**.*

When they were in the wilderness, under the protection of God, the children of Israel did not get sick. In the book of Acts, the apostles healed any that were sick. The only medical advice given for Christians in the New Testament is to call the elders and the prayer of faith WILL heal them. But our churches are FULL of people with

every imaginable condition and syndrome and disease and our prayers seem to have little effect. Many incurable diseases are rampant in the churches. Why isn't God listening? If we're being obedient, why do we have sick people?

*28 The LORD will afflict you with **madness, blindness and confusion of mind.***

Are we not the most confused, dysfunctional, schizophrenic religion on the planet? (With the possible exception of the Jews.) Are our pews not full of people with spiritual dyslexia and mixture of all sorts? Are we not full of people with depression, anxiety, panic attacks, Alzheimers, Parkinsons, and all sorts of dementia? How is that possible if we're being obedient to God?

*29 At midday you will grope about like a **blind** man in the dark. You will be **unsuccessful in everything** you do; day after day you will be **oppressed and robbed**, with **no one** to rescue you.*

Are we not groping around in the dark for any possible new program or curriculum or system that will save our ailing churches? If it's not Purpose Driven, it's Mars/Venus, or Shepherding, or Toronto, or Brownsville, or Word of Faith, or any of thousands of fads and fashions that kept us occupied for a moment and hopeful that we'd finally found the way to revival. Even though the lights are on at full brightness, we can't see the obvious in front of our faces – that REPENTANCE is the ONLY Biblical prescription that works for this disease. Statistically, we are unsuccessful in everything that we do. We are a giant money loser and are daily oppressed and robbed to the tune of \$16 BILLION a year – at LEAST. And no one seems to be coming to rescue us.

*30 You will be **pledged** to be married to a woman, but **another** will take her and **ravish** her. You will build a house, but you **will not** live in it. You will plant a vineyard, but you **will not** even begin to enjoy its fruit. 31 Your ox **will** be slaughtered before your eyes, but **you will** eat none of it. Your donkey **will** be forcibly taken from you and **will not** be returned. Your sheep **will** be given to your enemies, and **no one will rescue them.***

Despite what you think you were promised, you will not get it. Though you worked for years to build something, you will not really live in it. You will not enjoy the fruits of your labors because they were in vain. Your enemies own your houses and your livestock. The powers of darkness are currently fully entrenched in the churches in America and show no sign of doing anything other than getting stronger. All that you have worked for is being spent on air.

*32 Your **sons and daughters** will be given to another nation, and you will wear out your eyes watching for them day after day, **powerless** to lift a hand.*

The church is not raising up spiritual warriors, it's raising up youth that are mostly coming because of the pizza parties and ski trips and movie nights. They don't hear the voice of God and we don't know how to teach them how to – or don't believe it's possible. But they're fascinated with the supernatural stories told by their Wicca and New Age friends. They hunger for the power and truth of God, but can't find it, because it got buried under "Religion". We have rampant sexually transmitted diseases in the church youth. We are losing a whole generation. Their parents were more distant from God than their Grandparents – and these kids are even farther away. The culture and the media and the music and the public schools (and satan) are devouring them.

*33 A people that you do not know **will** eat what your **land and labor produce**, and you will have **nothing** but **cruel oppression** all your days. 34 The sights you see **will** drive you **mad.***

The institutions that we have built are being gobbled up by do-gooders and social scientists and pop-psychologists. The culture is crushing in on us and the "church" is not defending anyone in any real measure. My kids can watch practically nothing on television and all that is on the news is depressing and violent and scary. We have tsunamis and earthquakes and hurricanes and wars and terrorists and we have no peace. How can that be if we're being obedient to God? Aren't we supposed to be the head? How come we feel like the tail so much?

*35 The LORD will afflict your **knees and legs** with painful **boils** that cannot be cured, **spreading** from the **soles** of your **feet** to the **top** of your **head.***

Your walk will be severely affected. At first it will just be your feet, but the more your spiritual walk is affected, the more it spreads until it even takes over your head. Then you will be covered in painful boils and sores that will not heal. Spiritually, most "Christians" I meet seem to be covered in spiritual boils and nobody seems to notice or care.

*36 The LORD will drive you and the king you set over you to a nation unknown to you or your fathers. There you will worship **other gods**, gods of wood and stone. 37 You will become a thing of **horror** and an object of **scorn and ridicule** to all the nations where the LORD will drive you.*

How many nations have we been driven out of? Are we not now captive in a nation we don't recognize any longer? Is America not bowing down to gods unknown to our fathers and their fathers? Would the founders even recognize it? Are we not worshipping our structures and buildings and cathedrals of wood and stone? Are we not a thing of horror and scorn and ridicule? Maybe not all the way, but sure a whole lot more than we used to be and it's getting worse every day. And were we really supposed to set a king over us? Isn't Christ the King?

38 You **will sow much seed** in the field but you **will harvest little**, because **locusts will devour** it. 39 You **will** plant vineyards and cultivate them but you **will not** drink the wine or gather the grapes, because **worms will eat them**. 40 You **will** have olive trees throughout your country but you **will not** use the oil, because the olives **will drop off**. 41 You **will** have **sons** and **daughters** but you **will not keep them**, because they **will go into captivity**. 42 Swarms of locusts **will take over all** your trees and the crops of your land.

We spent tens of Billions of dollars on plans to evangelize the whole world by the year 2000 and didn't even keep up with population growth. The average baptism in the United States costs \$1,550,000. We are building and planting and growing – and demons are taking it all over. We are losing our country and our institutions more and more every day. Can this be victory?

43 The alien who lives among you **will rise above you** higher and higher, but **you will sink lower** and lower. 44 **He will lend to you**, but **you will not lend to him**. **He will be the head**, but **you will be the tail**.

Every foreign religion, every Eastern guru, every New Age weirdness, every alternative lifestyle is now embraced and mainstreamed. America is converting to Islam and Wicca and a thousand other lies faster and faster every day.

45 **All** these curses **will** come upon you. They **will pursue** you and **overtake** you **until** you are destroyed, because you **did not obey** the LORD your God and **observe** the **commands** and **decrees** he gave you. 46 **They will be a sign and a wonder to you and your descendants forever**. 47 **Because you did not serve the LORD your God joyfully and gladly in the time of prosperity**, 48 **therefore in hunger and thirst, in nakedness and dire poverty, you will serve the enemies the LORD sends against you. He will put an iron yoke on your neck until he has destroyed you**.

Please understand, this is fatal. Unless you do the ONLY thing that will stop it, the guaranteed result of this course is complete destruction. There is NO OTHER way out. Repentance is the only way to fix this.

49 The LORD **will** bring a nation **against you** from far away, from the ends of the earth, like an eagle swooping down, a nation whose language you will not understand, 50 a fierce-looking nation without respect for the old or pity for the young. 51 They **will** devour the young of your livestock and the crops of your land until you are destroyed. They **will** leave you **no grain, new wine or oil**, nor any calves of your herds or lambs of your flocks **until** you are **ruined**. 52 They **will** lay siege to **all** the cities throughout your land **until** the **high fortified walls** in which you trust **fall down**. They **will** besiege **all** the **cities** throughout the land the LORD your God is giving you.

I believe that at least one of the interpretations and applications to these verses is that demons will take over and swarm down upon us. And they have. The "churches" are riddled with them. They are devouring everything and leaving none of the three aspects of God behind – the bread, the wine and the oil. They have laid siege to every city. There were no city churches – no place in America where the Body of Christ in one town was united and under His headship. The high fortified walls of the "church" in which we have trusted are all caving in. We are besieged on every side by culture and media and witchcraft and all the other forces of darkness aligned against us.

53 Because of the **suffering** that your enemy **will** inflict on you during the siege, you **will** eat the **fruit** of the **womb**, the **flesh** of the **sons** and **daughters** the LORD your God has given you. 54 Even the most gentle and sensitive man among you **will** have no compassion on his own brother or the wife he loves or his surviving children, 55 and he **will** not give to one of them any of the flesh of his children that he is eating. It **will** be all he has left because of the **suffering** your enemy **will** inflict on you during the siege of **all** your **cities**. 56 The most gentle and sensitive woman among you—so sensitive and gentle that she would not venture to touch the ground with the sole of her foot—**will** begrudge the husband she loves and her own son or daughter 57 the **afterbirth** from her **womb** and the **children** she **bears**. For she intends to **eat them secretly** during the siege and in the distress that your enemy **will** inflict on you in your cities.

Are we not devouring our own children? Are we not raising up spiritual children, plugging them into service jobs in the "churches" until they are used up and then spitting them out? Are we not forceably milking them for a tithe until

they go bankrupt? Have you ever seen a pastor tear into another pastor for “stealing sheep”? I have. Why? Because they NEED those sheep to keep this whole thing going. It's too hard to go find another one. Even people that say they are “men of God” will devour each other and split churches and feud and fight and hate rather than give up the child of their womb that they intend to eat during the siege. If we were growing exponentially and nothing could stand against us and people were not falling away in droves and having their lives destroyed by demonic forces, we wouldn't so jealously guard and control each little sheep. Can't you see? Please see.

58 If you do not **carefully follow all** the words of this law, which are written in this book, and **do not revere** this glorious and awesome name—the LORD your God- 59 the LORD **will send fearful plagues** on you and your **descendants, harsh and prolonged disasters, and severe and lingering illnesses.** 60 He **will** bring upon you **all** the diseases of Egypt that you dreaded, and they **will** cling to you. 61 The LORD **will** also bring on you **every kind of sickness and disaster not** recorded in this Book of the Law, **until** you are **destroyed.** 62 You who were as numerous as the stars in the sky **will** be left but **few** in number, because you **did not obey the LORD your God.** 63 **Just as it pleased the LORD to make you prosper and increase in number, so it will please him to ruin and destroy you. You will be uprooted** from the land you are entering to possess.

Again, the Lord repeats the whole thing. We must CAREFULLY FOLLOW ALL His words and instructions. Yes, we are New Covenant believers. That doesn't mean we don't follow the Ten Commandments, that means we have the Holy Spirit in us to talk to us and guide us and to write His words on our hearts. But if we shun His voice, then we are left to lean on our own understanding – and we're fodder for the Red Dragons.

Can He be any more clear? Can He be any more definitive? This WILL happen to you and God WILL do it. And God has already done it to us! We have plagues and disasters and severe and lingering illnesses in the natural and in the spiritual. We are no different than the Egypt we were told to leave. He's even inventing new diseases and oppressions that aren't mentioned in the Book. He says that He will creatively come up with all kinds of NEW tortures if you don't obey! Like flesh-eating viruses and HIV/AIDS and new strains of smallpox and new kinds of demonic oppressions like anorexia and trans-sexualism and who knows what. If you hear Him really well, ask Him! If we don't repent, when He is done with us there will surely be only a few in number. If He doesn't cut the days short, there will be no one left!

And just as it pleased Him to prosper America and the Church, it will please Him to crush it. But He would sure rather that we repent and start obeying. He WILL turn, if WE turn. That's a guarantee, too.

64 Then the LORD **will** scatter you among **all** nations, from one end of the earth to the other. There you **will** worship other gods—gods of wood and stone, which neither you nor your fathers have known. 65 Among those nations you **will** find **no repose, no resting place** for the sole of your foot. There the LORD **will** give you an **anxious mind, eyes weary with longing, and a despairing heart.** 66 You **will** live in **constant suspense**, filled with **dread** both night and day, **never** sure of your life. 67 In the morning you **will** say, "If only it were evening!" and in the evening, "If only it were morning!"-because of the **terror** that **will fill your hearts** and the **sights that your eyes will see.** 68 The LORD **will** send you back in ships to **Egypt** on a journey I said you should never make again. There you **will** offer yourselves for sale to your enemies as male and female slaves, **but no one will buy you.**

Are we not constantly in search of whatever new program or curriculum will turn this around? Are our eyes not weary of longing and despairing for something that will reach the people in spirit and in truth? How can we be this lukewarm and asleep and nothing seems to shake it off of us? Because it's a curse from God.

The only growth in the “church” in America is the mega-churches. And it's not new growth, it's transfer growth from little churches that are being killed by the large monoliths that are just warehousing people – but they have really great music and childcare! Everyone is looking for greener pastures. If only it were evening. If only it were morning. But nothing satisfies. Why?

Because we're under a curse from God.

If it were from satan, we could cover it in the Blood and bind it up and cast it down. But no amount of praying against the forces of darkness has made a difference in the state of the Church. Because they have legal ground. Because we aren't diligently and carefully following God and He has put these things upon us until we are totally consumed and destroyed – or we repent, whichever comes first.

In the end, if we don't turn, we will offer ourselves to Egypt, to the One World Government and One World Church, but they won't even buy us. They will take us for slaves and give us nothing in return.

And that is the Word of the Lord.

Appendix C

REPENT

[1Ki 8:47](#) [Yet] if they shall bethink themselves in the land whither they were carried captives, and **repent**, and make supplication unto thee in the land of them that carried them captives, saying, We have sinned, and have done perversely, we have committed wickedness;

[Job 42:6](#) Wherefore I abhor [myself], and **repent** in dust and ashes.

[Psa 135:14](#) For the LORD will judge his people, and he will **repent** himself concerning his servants.

Jer 18:8 If that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turn from their evil, I will repent of the evil that I thought to do unto them.

Jer 18:10 If it do evil in my sight, that it obey not my voice, then I will repent of the good, wherewith I said I would benefit them.

[Jer 26:3](#) If so be they will hearken, and turn every man from his evil way, that I may **repent** me of the evil, which I purpose to do unto them because of the evil of their doings.

[Jer 26:13](#) Therefore now amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the LORD your God; and the LORD will **repent** him of the evil that he hath pronounced against you.

[Jer 42:10](#) If ye will still abide in this land, then will I build you, and not pull [you] down, and I will plant you, and not pluck [you] up: for I **repent** me of the evil that I have done unto you.

[Eze 14:6](#) Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; **Repent**, and turn [yourselves] from your idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.

Eze 18:30 Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Lord GOD. **Repent, and turn [yourselves] from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin.**

[Eze 24:14](#) I the LORD have spoken [it]: it shall come to pass, and I will do [it]; I will not go back, neither will I spare, neither will I **repent**; according to thy ways, and according to thy doings, shall they judge thee, saith the Lord GOD.

[Joe 2:14](#) Who knoweth [if] he will return and **repent**, and leave a blessing behind him; [even] a meat offering and a drink offering unto the LORD your God?

[Jon 3:9](#) Who can tell [if] God will turn and **repent**, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not?

Mat 3:2 And saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Mat 4:17 From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Mar 1:15 And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

Mar 6:12 And they went out, and preached that men should repent.

Luk 13:3 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

Luk 13:5 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

[Luk 17:3](#) Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he **repent**, forgive him.

[Luk 17:4](#) And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I **repent**; thou shalt forgive him.

[Act 2:38](#) Then Peter said unto them, **Repent**, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

[Act 3:19](#) **Repent** ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

[Act 8:22](#) **Repent** therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.

[Act 17:30](#) And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

[Act 26:20](#) But shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judaea, and [then] to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance.

[Rev 2:5](#) Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and **repent**, and do the first works; or else I **will** come unto thee quickly, and **will** remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou **repent**. (*Church of Ephesus*)

[Rev 2:16](#) **Repent**; or else I **will** come unto thee quickly, and **will** fight against them with the sword of my mouth. (*Church of Pergamum*)

[Rev 2:21](#) And I gave her space to **repent** of her fornication; and she repented not.

[Rev 2:22](#) Behold, I **will** cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into **great tribulation**, except they **repent** of their deeds. (*Church of Thyatira*)

[Rev 3:3](#) Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and **repent**. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I **will** come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I **will** come upon thee. (*Church of Sardis*)

[Rev 3:19](#) As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and **repent**. (*Church of Laodecia*)

CURSE

[Gen 12:3](#) And I will bless them that bless thee, and **curse** him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

[Deu 11:26](#) Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse;

[Deu 11:27](#) The blessing if you obey the commands of the Lord your God that I am giving you today;

[Deu 11:28](#) And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known.

[Deu 29:19](#) And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this **curse**, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of mine heart, to add drunkenness to thirst:

[Deu 30:1](#) And it shall come to pass, when all these things are come upon thee, the blessing and the **curse**, which I have set before thee, and thou shalt call [them] to mind among all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath driven thee,

[2Ki 22:19](#) Because thine heart was tender, and thou hast humbled thyself before the LORD, when thou heardest what I spake against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, that they should become a desolation and a curse, and hast rent thy clothes, and wept before me; I also have heard [thee], saith the LORD.

[Neh 10:29](#) They clave to their brethren, their nobles, and entered into a curse, and into an oath, to walk in God's law, which was given by Moses the servant of God, and to observe and do all the commandments of the LORD our Lord, and his judgments and his statutes;

[Psa 62:4](#) They only consult to cast [him] down from his excellency: they delight in lies: they bless with their mouth, but they curse inwardly. Selah.

[Pro 24:24](#) He that saith unto the wicked, Thou [art] righteous; him shall the people curse, nations shall abhor him:

[Prov 26:2](#) (NIV) Like a fluttering sparrow or a darting swallow, an undeserved curse does not come to rest.

[Pro 28:27](#) He that giveth unto the poor shall not lack: but he that hideth his eyes shall have many a curse.

Pro 30:10 Accuse not a servant unto his master, lest he curse thee, and thou be found guilty.

Isa 24:6 Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.

Isa 43:28 Therefore I have profaned the princes of the sanctuary, and have given Jacob to the **curse**, and Israel to reproaches.

Isa 65:15 And ye shall leave your name for a curse unto my chosen: for the Lord GOD shall slay thee, and call his servants by another name:

Jer 15:10 Woe is me, my mother, that thou hast borne me a man of strife and a man of contention to the whole earth! I have neither lent on usury, nor men have lent to me on usury; [yet] every one of them doth **curse** me.

Jer 24:9 And I will deliver them to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth for [their] hurt, [to be] a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse, in all places whither I shall drive them.

Jer 25:18 [To wit], Jerusalem, and the cities of Judah, and the kings thereof, and the princes thereof, to make them a desolation, an astonishment, an hissing, and a curse; as [it is] this day;

Jer 26:6 Then will I make this house like Shiloh, and will make this city a curse to all the nations of the earth.

Jer 29:18 And I will persecute them with the sword, with the famine, and with the pestilence, and will deliver them to be removed to all the kingdoms of the earth, to be a curse, and an astonishment, and an hissing, and a reproach, among all the nations whither I have driven them:

Jer 42:18 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; As mine anger and my fury hath been poured forth upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem; so shall my fury be poured forth upon you, when ye shall enter into Egypt: and ye shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach; and ye shall see this place no more.

Jer 44:8 In that ye provoke me unto wrath with the works of your hands, burning incense unto other gods in the land of Egypt, whither ye be gone to dwell, that ye might cut yourselves off, and that ye might be a curse and a reproach among all the nations of the earth?

Jer 44:12 And I will take the remnant of Judah, that have set their faces to go into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, and they shall all be consumed, [and] fall in the land of Egypt; they shall [even] be consumed by the sword [and] by the famine: they shall die, from the least even unto the greatest, by the sword and by the famine: and they shall be an execration, [and] an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach.

Jer 44:22 So that the LORD could no longer bear, because of the evil of your doings, [and] because of the abominations which ye have committed; therefore is your land a desolation, and an astonishment, and a curse, without an inhabitant, as at this day.

Dan 9:11 Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that [is] written in the law of Moses the servant of God, because we have sinned against him.

Zec 8:13 And it shall come to pass, [that] as ye were a curse among the heathen, O house of Judah, and house of Israel; so will I save you, and ye shall be a blessing: fear not, [but] let your hands be strong.

Mal 2:2 If ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay [it] to heart, to give glory unto my name, saith the LORD of hosts, I will even send a curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings: yea, I have cursed them already, because ye do not lay [it] to heart.

Mal 3:9 Ye [are] cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, [even] this whole nation.

Mal 4:6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a **curse**.

Gal 3:10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed [is] every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.

Gal 3:13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed [is] every one that hangeth on a tree:

(Yeah, but... If you make up your own law and get back under it, you invoke it on yourself again and deny the work of Christ.)

Rev 22:3 And there shall be no more **curse**: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:

SLUMBER, SLEEP, STUPOR

Isa 56:10 His watchmen [are] blind: they are all ignorant, they [are] all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to **slumber**.

Rom 11:8 (According as it is written, God hath given them the spirit of **slumber (stupor, NIV)**, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear;) unto this day.

Gen 2:21 And the LORD God caused a deep **sleep** to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;

Gen 15:12 And when the sun was going down, a deep **sleep** fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him.

1Sa 26:12 So David took the spear and the cruse of water from Saul's bolster; and they gat them away, and no man saw [it], nor knew [it], neither awaked: for they [were] all asleep; because a deep **sleep** from the LORD was fallen upon them.

Psa 76:6 At thy rebuke, O God of Jacob, both the chariot and horse are cast into a dead **sleep**.

Psa 127:2 [It is] vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows: [for] so he giveth his beloved **sleep**.

Pro 3:24 When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy **sleep** shall be sweet.

Pro 4:16 For they **sleep** not, except they have done mischief; and their **sleep** is taken away, unless they cause [some] to fall.

Pro 19:15 Slothfulness casteth into a deep **sleep**; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger.

Pro 20:13 Love not **sleep**, lest thou come to poverty; open thine eyes, [and] thou shalt be satisfied with bread.

Isa 5:27 None shall be weary nor stumble among them; none shall slumber nor **sleep**; neither shall the girdle of their loins be loosed, nor the latchet of their shoes be broken:

Isa 29:10 For the LORD hath poured out upon you the spirit of deep **sleep**, and hath closed your eyes: the prophets and your rulers, the seers hath he covered.

Jer 51:39 In their heat I will make their feasts, and I will make them drunken, that they may rejoice, and **sleep** a perpetual **sleep**, and not wake, saith the LORD.

Jer 51:57 And I will make drunk her princes, and her wise [men], her captains, and her rulers, and her mighty men: and they shall **sleep** a perpetual **sleep**, and not wake, saith the King, whose name [is] the LORD of hosts.

Jhn 11:11 These things said he: and after that he saith unto them, Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of **sleep**.

Rom 13:11 And that, knowing the time, that now [it is] high time to awake out of **sleep**: for now [is] our salvation nearer than when we believed.

1Cr 11:28 But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of [that] bread, and drink of [that] cup.

1Cr 11:29 For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

1Cr 11:30 For this cause many [are] weak and sickly among you, and many **sleep**.

(If I'm right about the Red Dragon and divison and faction – then we ARE holding something

against our Brothers and need to repent and if we don't, then we're taking communion unworthily and people in our congregations will get sick and die. Which they are. Hmmm.)

[1Th 5:6](#) Therefore let us not **sleep**, as [do] others; but let us watch and be sober.

BLIND

[Exd 4:11](#) And the LORD said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the LORD?

[Lev 19:14](#) Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumblingblock before the **blind**, but shalt fear thy God: I [am] the LORD.

[Deu 16:19](#) Thou shalt not wrest judgment; thou shalt not respect persons, neither take a gift: for a gift doth **blind** the eyes of the wise, and pervert the words of the righteous.

[Deu 27:18](#) Cursed [be] he that maketh the **blind** to wander out of the way. And all the people shall say, Amen.

[Deu 28:29](#) And thou shalt grope at noonday, as the blind gropeth in darkness, and thou shalt not prosper in thy ways: and thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled evermore, and no man shall save [thee].

[1Sa 12:3](#) Behold, here I [am]: witness against me before the LORD, and before his anointed: whose ox have I taken? or whose ass have I taken? or whom have I defrauded? whom have I oppressed? or of whose hand have I received [any] bribe to **blind** mine eyes therewith? and I will restore it you.

[Psa 146:8](#) The LORD openeth [the eyes of] the blind: the LORD raiseth them that are bowed down: the LORD loveth the righteous:

[Isa 29:18](#) And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness. (GO READ THIS CHAPTER!!)

[Isa 35:5](#) Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. (GO READ THIS CHAPTER!)

[Isa 42:7](#) To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, [and] them that sit in darkness out of the prison house.

[Isa 42:16](#) And I will bring the blind by a way [that] they knew not; I will lead them in paths [that] they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight. These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them.

[Isa 42:18](#) Hear, ye deaf; and look, ye blind, that ye may see.

[Isa 42:19](#) Who [is] **blind**, but my servant? or deaf, as my messenger [that] I sent? who [is] **blind** as [he that is] perfect, and **blind** as the LORD'S servant?

[Isa 43:8](#) Bring forth the **blind** people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears.

[Isa 56:10](#) His watchmen [are] **blind**: they are all ignorant, they [are] all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber.

[Isa 59:10](#) We grope for the wall like the **blind**, and we grope as if [we had] no eyes: we stumble at noonday as in the night; [we are] in desolate places as dead [men].

[Jer 31:8](#) Behold, I will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the coasts of the earth, [and] with them the **blind** and the lame, the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together: a great company shall return thither.

[Lam 4:14](#) They have wandered [as] **blind** [men] in the streets, they have polluted themselves with blood, so that men could not touch their garments. (GO READ THIS IN CONTEXT!!)

[Zep 1:17](#) And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.

HARDENED

(Either you did it to yourself or God does it to you. There is NO indication that Satan can do it to.)

[Exd 7:13](#) And he **hardened** Pharaoh's heart, that he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said.

[Exd 7:14](#) And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh's heart [is] **hardened**, he refuseth to let the people go.

[Exd 7:22](#) And the magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments: and Pharaoh's heart was **hardened**, neither did he hearken unto them; as the LORD had said.

[Exd 8:15](#) But when Pharaoh saw that there was respite, he **hardened** his heart, and hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said.

[Exd 8:19](#) Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This [is] the finger of God: and Pharaoh's heart was **hardened**, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said.

[Exd 8:32](#) And Pharaoh **hardened** his heart at this time also, neither would he let the people go.

[Exd 9:7](#) And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not one of the cattle of the Israelites dead. And the heart of Pharaoh was **hardened**, and he did not let the people go.

[Exd 9:12](#) And the LORD **hardened** the heart of Pharaoh, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had spoken unto Moses.

[Exd 9:34](#) And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he sinned yet more, and **hardened** his heart, he and his servants.

[Exd 9:35](#) And the heart of Pharaoh was **hardened**, neither would he let the children of Israel go; as the LORD had spoken by Moses.

[Exd 10:1](#) And the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh: for I have hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, that I might shew these my signs before him:

[Exd 10:20](#) But the LORD **hardened** Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go.

[Exd 10:27](#) But the LORD **hardened** Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go.

[Exd 11:10](#) And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: and the LORD **hardened** Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go out of his land.

[Exd 14:8](#) And the LORD **hardened** the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued after the children of Israel: and the children of Israel went out with an high hand.

[Deu 2:30](#) But Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him: for the LORD thy God **hardened** his spirit, and made his heart obstinate, that he might deliver him into thy hand, as [appeareth] this day.

[1Sa 6:6](#) Wherefore then do ye harden your hearts, as the Egyptians and Pharaoh **hardened** their hearts? when he had wrought wonderfully among them, did they not let the people go, and they departed?

[2Ki 17:14](#) Notwithstanding they would not hear, but **hardened** their necks, like to the neck of their fathers, that did not believe in the LORD their God.

[2Ch 36:13](#) And he also rebelled against king Nebuchadnezzar, who had made him swear by God: but he stiffened his neck, and **hardened** his heart from turning unto the LORD God of Israel.

[Neh 9:16](#) But they and our fathers dealt proudly, and **hardened** their necks, and hearkened not to thy commandments,

[Neh 9:17](#) And refused to obey, neither were mindful of thy wonders that thou didst among them; but **hardened** their necks, and in their rebellion appointed a captain to return to their bondage: but thou [art] a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and forsookest them not.

[Neh 9:29](#) And testifiedst against them, that thou mightest bring them again unto thy law: yet they dealt proudly, and hearkened not unto thy commandments, but sinned against thy judgments, (which if a man do, he shall live in them;) and withdrew the shoulder, and **hardened** their neck, and would not hear.

Job 9:4 [He is] wise in heart, and mighty in strength: who hath hardened [himself] against him, and hath prospered?

Job 39:16 She is **hardened** against her young ones, as though [they were] not hers: her labour is in vain without fear;

Isa 63:17 O LORD, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways, [and] hardened our heart from thy fear? Return for thy servants' sake, the tribes of thine inheritance.

Jer 7:26 Yet they hearkened not unto me, nor inclined their ear, but **hardened** their neck: they did worse than their fathers.

Jer 19:15 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring upon this city and upon all her towns all the evil that I have pronounced against it, because they have **hardened** their necks, that they might not hear my words.

Dan 5:20 But when his heart was lifted up, and his mind **hardened** in pride, he was deposed from his kingly throne, and they took his glory from him:

Mar 6:52 For they considered not [the miracle] of the loaves: for their heart was **hardened**.

Mar 8:17 And when Jesus knew [it], he saith unto them, Why reason ye, because ye have no bread? perceive ye not yet, neither understand? have ye your heart yet **hardened**?

Jhn 12:40 He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with [their] eyes, nor understand with [their] heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.

Act 19:9 But when divers were **hardened**, and believed not, but spake evil of that way before the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples, disputing daily in the school of one Tyrannus.

Hbr 3:13 But exhort one another daily, while it is called Today; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

WICKED

Exd 9:27 And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, I have sinned this time: the LORD [is] righteous, and I and my people [are] **wicked**.

Exd 23:1 Thou shalt not raise a false report: put not thine hand with the **wicked** to be an unrighteous witness.

Num 16:26 And he spake unto the congregation, saying, Depart, I pray you, from the tents of these **wicked** men, and touch nothing of theirs, lest ye be consumed in all their sins.

1Sa 2:9 He will keep the feet of his saints, and the **wicked** shall be silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail.

2Ki 17:11 And there they burnt incense in all the high places, as [did] the heathen whom the LORD carried away before them; and wrought **wicked** things to provoke the LORD to anger:

2Ch 6:23 Then hear thou from heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, by requiting the **wicked**, by recompensing his way upon his own head; and by justifying the righteous, by giving him according to his righteousness.

2Ch 7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their **wicked** ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

Neh 9:35 For they have not served thee in their kingdom, and in thy great goodness that thou gavest them, and in the large and fat land which thou gavest before them, neither turned they from their **wicked** works.

Psa 7:11 God judgeth the righteous, and God is angry [with the **wicked**] every day.

Psa 9:17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, [and] all the nations that forget God.

Psa 10:2 The wicked in [his] pride doth persecute the poor: let them be taken in the devices that they have imagined.

Psa 10:3 For the wicked boasteth of his heart's desire, and blesseth the covetous, [whom] the LORD abhorreth.

Psa 10:4 The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek [after God]: God [is] not in all his thoughts.

Psa 10:13 Wherefore doth the wicked contemn God? he hath said in his heart, Thou wilt not require [it].

Psa 10:15 Break thou the arm of the **wicked** and the evil [man]: seek out his wickedness [till] thou find none.

Psa 11:2 For, lo, the **wicked** bend [their] bow, they make ready their arrow upon the string, that they may privily shoot at the upright in heart.

Psa 11:5 The LORD trieth the righteous: but the **wicked** and him that loveth violence his soul hateth.

Psa 11:6 Upon the wicked he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, and an horrible tempest: [this shall be] the portion of their cup.

Psa 12:8 The wicked walk on every side, when the vilest men are exalted.

Psa 28:3 Draw me not away with the wicked, and with the workers of iniquity, which speak peace to their neighbours, but mischief [is] in their hearts.

Psa 31:17 Let me not be ashamed, O LORD; for I have called upon thee: let the **wicked** be ashamed, [and] let them be silent in the grave.

Psa 32:10 Many sorrows [shall be] to the **wicked**: but he that trusteth in the LORD, mercy shall compass him about.

Psa 34:21 Evil shall slay the **wicked**: and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

Psa 36:1 [[To the chief Musician, [A Psalm] of David the servant of the LORD.]] The transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, [that there is] no fear of God before his eyes.

Psa 37:12 The **wicked** plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.

Psa 37:14 The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, to cast down the poor and needy, [and] to slay such as be of upright conversation.

Psa 37:16 A little that a righteous man hath [is] better than the riches of many wicked.

Psa 37:20 But the **wicked** shall perish, and the enemies of the LORD [shall be] as the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away.

Psa 37:28 For the LORD loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the **wicked** shall be cut off.

Psa 37:32 The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him.

Psa 37:35 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree.

Psa 37:38 But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the **wicked** shall be cut off.

Psa 37:40 And the LORD shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him.

Psa 39:1 [[To the chief Musician, [even] to Jeduthun, A Psalm of David.]] I said, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me.

Psa 50:16 But unto the wicked God saith, What hast thou to do to declare my statutes, or [that] thou shouldest take my covenant in thy mouth?

Psa 55:3 Because of the voice of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked: for they cast iniquity upon me, and in wrath they hate me.

Psa 73:3 For I was envious at the foolish, [when] I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

[Psa 74:19](#) O deliver not the soul of thy turtledove unto the multitude [of the **wicked**]: forget not the congregation of thy poor for ever.

[Psa 75:8](#) For in the hand of the LORD [there is] a cup, and the wine is red; it is full of mixture; and he poureth out of the same: but the dregs thereof, all the **wicked** of the earth shall wring [them] out, [and] drink [them].

[Psa 75:10](#) All the horns of the **wicked** also will I cut off; [but] the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

[Psa 82:2](#) How long will ye judge unjustly, and accept the persons of the wicked? Selah.

[Psa 92:7](#) 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:

[Psa 92:11](#) 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.

[Psa 97:10](#) Ye that love the LORD, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.

[Pro 3:33](#) The curse of the LORD [is] in the house of the **wicked**: but he blesseth the habitation of the just.

[Pro 4:14](#) Enter not into the path of the **wicked**, and go not in the way of evil [men].

[Pro 4:19](#) The way of the **wicked** [is] as darkness: they know not at what they stumble.

[Pro 5:22](#) His own iniquities shall take the **wicked** himself, and he shall be holden with the cords of his sins.

[Pro 6:18](#) An heart that deviseth **wicked** imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief,

[Pro 9:7](#) He that reproveth a scorner getteth to himself shame: and he that rebuketh a wicked [man getteth] himself a blot.

[Pro 10:3](#) The LORD will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish: but he casteth away the substance of the **wicked**.

[Pro 10:6](#) Blessings [are] upon the head of the just: but violence covereth the mouth of the **wicked**.

[Pro 10:7](#) The memory of the just [is] blessed: but the name of the **wicked** shall rot.

[Pro 10:11](#) The mouth of a righteous [man is] a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the **wicked**.

[Pro 10:16](#) The labour of the righteous [tendeth] to life: the fruit of the **wicked** to sin.

[Pro 10:20](#) The tongue of the just [is as] choice silver: the heart of the **wicked** [is] little worth.

[Pro 10:24](#) The fear of the **wicked**, it shall come upon him: but the desire of the righteous shall be granted.

[Pro 10:25](#) As the whirlwind passeth, so [is] the **wicked** no [more]: but the righteous [is] an everlasting foundation.

[Pro 10:27](#) The fear of the LORD prolongeth days: but the years of the **wicked** shall be shortened.

[Pro 10:28](#) The hope of the righteous [shall be] gladness: but the expectation of the **wicked** shall perish.

[Pro 11:11](#) By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: but it is overthrown by the mouth of the **wicked**.

[Pro 11:18](#) The **wicked** worketh a deceitful work: but to him that soweth righteousness [shall be] a sure reward.

[Pro 12:6](#) The words of the **wicked** [are] to lie in wait for blood: but the mouth of the upright shall deliver them.

[Pro 12:7](#) The **wicked** are overthrown, and [are] not: but the house of the righteous shall stand.

[Pro 14:11](#) The house of the **wicked** shall be overthrown: but the tabernacle of the upright shall flourish.

[Pro 14:32](#) The **wicked** is driven away in his wickedness: but the righteous hath hope in his death.

[Pro 15:8](#) The sacrifice of the **wicked** [is] an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright [is] his delight.

[Pro 15:9](#) The way of the **wicked** [is] an abomination unto the LORD: but he loveth him that followeth after righteousness.

[Pro 15:26](#) The thoughts of the **wicked** [are] an abomination to the LORD: but [the words] of the pure [are] pleasant words.

[Pro 17:4](#) A **wicked** doer giveth heed to false lips; [and] a liar giveth ear to a naughty tongue.

[Pro 17:15](#) He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both [are] abomination to the LORD.

[Pro 21:4](#) An high look, and a proud heart, [and] the plowing of the wicked, [is] sin.

[Pro 25:26](#) A righteous man falling down before the **wicked** [is as] a troubled fountain, and a corrupt spring.

[Pro 26:23](#) Burning lips and a **wicked** heart [are like] a potsherd covered with silver dross.

[Pro 28:1](#) The **wicked** flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold as a lion.

[Pro 28:4](#) They that forsake the law praise the wicked: but such as keep the law contend with them.

[Pro 28:15](#) [As] a roaring lion, and a ranging bear; [so is] a **wicked** ruler over the poor people.

[Pro 29:7](#) The righteous considereth the cause of the poor: [but] the wicked regardeth not to know [it].

[Pro 29:12](#) If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants [are] wicked.

[Pro 29:16](#) When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth: but the righteous shall see their fall.

[Ecc 3:17](#) I said in mine heart, God shall judge the righteous and the **wicked**: for [there is] a time there for every purpose and for every work.

[Ecc 8:13](#) But it shall not be well with the wicked, neither shall he prolong [his] days, [which are] as a shadow; because he feareth not before God.

[Isa 3:11](#) Woe unto the **wicked**! [it shall be] ill [with him]: for the reward of his hands shall be given him.

[Isa 11:4](#) But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

[Isa 13:11](#) And I will punish the world for [their] evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

[Isa 26:10](#) Let favour be shewed to the wicked, [yet] will he not learn righteousness: in the land of uprightness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of the LORD.

[Isa 55:7](#) Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

[Jer 5:28](#) They are waxen fat, they shine: yea, they overpass the deeds of the wicked: they judge not the cause, the cause of the fatherless, yet they prosper; and the right of the needy do they not judge.

[Jer 25:31](#) A noise shall come [even] to the ends of the earth; for the LORD hath a controversy with the nations, he will plead with all flesh; he will give them [that are] **wicked** to the sword, saith the LORD.

[Eze 3:18](#) When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked [man] shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

[Eze 3:19](#) Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.

[Eze 13:22](#) Because with lies ye have made the heart of the righteous sad, whom I have not made sad; and strengthened the hands of the wicked, that he should not return from his wicked way, by promising him life:

[Eze 18:20](#) The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the **wicked** shall be upon him.

[Eze 18:21](#) But if the **wicked** will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

[Eze 18:23](#) Have I any pleasure at all that the **wicked** should die? saith the Lord GOD: [and] not that he should return from his ways, and live?

[Eze 18:24](#) But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, [and] doeth according to all the abominations that the **wicked** [man] doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die.

[Eze 18:27](#) Again, when the **wicked** [man] turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.

[Eze 21:3](#) And say to the land of Israel, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I [am] against thee, and will draw forth my sword out of his sheath, and will cut off from thee the righteous and the **wicked**.

[Eze 21:4](#) Seeing then that I will cut off from thee the righteous and the **wicked**, therefore shall my sword go forth out of his sheath against all flesh from the south to the north:

[Eze 33:8](#) When I say unto the **wicked**, O **wicked** [man], thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the **wicked** from his way, that **wicked** [man] shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

[Eze 33:9](#) Nevertheless, if thou warn the **wicked** of his way to turn from it; if he do not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.

[Eze 33:11](#) Say unto them, [As] I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the **wicked**; but that the **wicked** turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

[Eze 33:12](#) Therefore, thou son of man, say unto the children of thy people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him in the day of his transgression: as for the wickedness of the **wicked**, he shall not fall thereby in the day that he turneth from his wickedness; neither shall the righteous be able to live for his [righteousness] in the day that he sinneth.

[Eze 33:14](#) Again, when I say unto the **wicked**, Thou shalt surely die; if he turn from his sin, and do that which is lawful and right;

[Eze 33:15](#) [If] the **wicked** restore the pledge, give again that he had robbed, walk in the statutes of life, without committing iniquity; he shall surely live, he shall not die.

[Eze 33:19](#) But if the **wicked** turn from his wickedness, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall live thereby.

[Dan 12:10](#) Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the **wicked** shall do wickedly: and none of the **wicked** shall understand; but the wise shall understand.

Hab 1:4 Therefore the law is slacked, and judgment doth never go forth: for the wicked doth compass about the righteous; therefore wrong judgment proceedeth.

[Mal 3:18](#) Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the **wicked**, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.

[Mal 4:3](#) And ye shall tread down the **wicked**; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do [this], saith the LORD of hosts.

[Mat 13:38](#) The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the **wicked** [one];

[Mat 13:49](#) So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the **wicked** from among the just,

[Mat 16:4](#) A **wicked** and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

Mat 25:26 His lord answered and said unto him, [Thou] wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

Luk 19:22 And he saith unto him, Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee, [thou] wicked servant. Thou knewest that I was an austere man, taking up that I laid not down, and reaping that I did not sow:

[1Cr 5:13](#) But them that are without God judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves that **wicked** person.

2Pe 3:17 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know [these things] before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.

PROSPER

Deu 28:29 And thou shalt grope at noonday, as the blind gropeth in darkness, and thou shalt not prosper in thy ways: and thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled evermore, and no man shall save [thee].

Deu 29:9 Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do.

Jos 1:7 Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it [to] the right hand or [to] the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.

1Ki 2:3 And keep the charge of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and his testimonies, as it is written in the law of Moses, that thou mayest prosper in all that thou doest, and whithersoever thou turnest thyself:

1Ch 22:13 Then shalt thou prosper, if thou takest heed to fulfil the statutes and judgments which the LORD charged Moses with concerning Israel: be strong, and of good courage; dread not, nor be dismayed.

2Ch 13:12 And, behold, God himself [is] with us for [our] captain, and his priests with sounding trumpets to cry alarm against you. O children of Israel, fight ye not against the LORD God of your fathers; for ye shall not prosper.

2Ch 24:20 And the Spirit of God came upon Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, which stood above the people, and said unto them, Thus saith God, Why transgress ye the commandments of the LORD, that ye cannot prosper? because ye have forsaken the LORD, he hath also forsaken you.

2Ch 26:5 And he sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of God: and as long as he sought the LORD, God made him to prosper.

Psa 1:3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

Pro 28:13 He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh [them] shall have mercy.

Isa 53:10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put [him] to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see [his] seed, he shall prolong [his] days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

Isa 54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue [that] shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This [is] the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness [is] of me, saith the LORD.

Jer 2:37 Yea, thou shalt go forth from him, and thine hands upon thine head: for the LORD hath rejected thy confidences, and thou shalt not prosper in them.

Jer 5:28 They are waxen fat, they shine: yea, they overpass the deeds of the wicked: they judge not the cause, the cause of the fatherless, yet they prosper; and the right of the needy do they not judge.

Jer 10:21 For the pastors are become brutish, and have not sought the LORD: therefore they shall not prosper, and all their flocks shall be scattered.

Jer 20:11 But the LORD [is] with me as a mighty terrible one: therefore my persecutors shall stumble, and they shall not prevail: they shall be greatly ashamed; for they shall not prosper: [their] everlasting confusion shall never be forgotten.

Lam 1:5 Her adversaries are the chief, her enemies prosper; for the LORD hath afflicted her for the multitude of her transgressions: her children are gone into captivity before the enemy.

Eze 16:13 Thus wast thou decked with gold and silver; and thy raiment [was of] fine linen, and silk, and brodered work; thou didst eat fine flour, and honey, and oil: and thou wast exceeding beautiful, and thou didst prosper into a kingdom.

Eze 17:9 Say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Shall it prosper? shall he not pull up the roots thereof, and cut off

the fruit thereof, that it wither? it shall wither in all the leaves of her spring, even without great power or many people to pluck it up by the roots thereof.

[Eze 17:15](#) But he rebelled against him in sending his ambassadors into Egypt, that they might give him horses and much people. Shall he **prosper**? shall he escape that doeth such [things]? or shall he break the covenant, and be delivered?

DESTROYED

[Exd 22:20](#) He that sacrificeth unto [any] god, save unto the LORD only, he shall be utterly destroyed.

[Deu 2:21](#) A people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims; but the LORD **destroyed** them before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead:

[Deu 4:26](#) I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto ye go over Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong [your] days upon it, but shall utterly be **destroyed**.

[Deu 7:24](#) And he shall deliver their kings into thine hand, and thou shalt destroy their name from under heaven: there shall no man be able to stand before thee, until thou have **destroyed** them.

[Deu 9:8](#) Also in Horeb ye provoked the LORD to wrath, so that the LORD was angry with you to have **destroyed** you.

[Deu 9:20](#) And the LORD was very angry with Aaron to have **destroyed** him: and I prayed for Aaron also the same time.

[Deu 12:30](#) Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following them, after that they be destroyed from before thee; and that thou enquire not after their gods, saying, How did these nations serve their gods? even so will I do likewise.

[Deu 28:20](#) The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me.

[Deu 28:24](#) The LORD shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust: from heaven shall it come down upon thee, until thou be destroyed.

[Deu 28:45](#) Moreover all these curses shall come upon thee, and shall pursue thee, and overtake thee, till thou be destroyed; because thou hearkenedst not unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which he commanded thee:

[Deu 28:48](#) Therefore shalt thou serve thine enemies which the LORD shall send against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all [things]: and he shall put a yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he have destroyed thee.

[Deu 28:51](#) And he shall eat the fruit of thy cattle, and the fruit of thy land, until thou be destroyed: which [also] shall not leave thee [either] corn, wine, or oil, [or] the increase of thy kine, or flocks of thy sheep, until he have destroyed thee.

[Deu 28:61](#) Also every sickness, and every plague, which [is] not written in the book of this law, them will the LORD bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed.

[Jos 23:15](#) Therefore it shall come to pass, [that] as all good things are come upon you, which the LORD your God promised you; so shall the LORD bring upon you all evil things, until he have destroyed you from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you.

[2Sa 24:16](#) And when the angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, the LORD repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that **destroyed** the people, It is enough: stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD was by the threshingplace of Araunah the Jebusite.

[1Ch 5:25](#) And they transgressed against the God of their fathers, and went a whoring after the gods of the

people of the land, whom God destroyed before them.

[1Ch 21:12](#) Either three years' famine; or three months to be **destroyed** before thy foes, while that the sword of thine enemies overtaketh [thee]; or else three days the sword of the LORD, even the pestilence, in the land, and the angel of the LORD destroying throughout all the coasts of Israel. Now therefore advise thyself what word I shall bring again to him that sent me.

[1Ch 21:15](#) And God sent an angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was destroying, the LORD beheld, and he repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that **destroyed**, It is enough, stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD stood by the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite.

[Ezr 4:15](#) That search may be made in the book of the records of thy fathers: so shalt thou find in the book of the records, and know that this city [is] a rebellious city, and hurtful unto kings and provinces, and that they have moved sedition within the same of old time: for which cause was this city **destroyed**.

[Ezr 5:12](#) But after that our fathers had provoked the God of heaven unto wrath, he gave them into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, the Chaldean, who **destroyed** this house, and carried the people away into Babylon.

[Psa 11:3](#) If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?

[Psa 37:38](#) But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off.

[Psa 73:27](#) For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee.

[Psa 78:38](#) But he, [being] full of compassion, forgave [their] iniquity, and destroyed [them] not: yea, many a time turned he his anger away, and did not stir up all his wrath.

[Psa 78:45](#) He sent divers sorts of flies among them, which devoured them; and frogs, which destroyed them.

[Psa 78:47](#) He destroyed their vines with hail, and their sycamore trees with frost.

[Psa 92:7](#) 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:

[Pro 13:13](#) Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed: but he that feareth the commandment shall be rewarded.

[Pro 13:20](#) He that walketh with wise [men] shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

[Pro 29:1](#) He, that being often reprov'd hardeneth [his] neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.

[Isa 9:16](#) For the leaders of this people cause [them] to err; and [they that are] led of them [are] destroyed.

[Isa 10:27](#) And it shall come to pass in that day, [that] his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be **destroyed** because of the anointing.

[Isa 34:2](#) For the indignation of the LORD [is] upon all nations, and [his] fury upon all their armies: he hath utterly destroyed them, he hath delivered them to the slaughter.

[Jer 12:10](#) Many pastors have destroyed my vineyard, they have trodden my portion under foot, they have made my pleasant portion a desolate wilderness.

[Jer 48:8](#) And the spoiler shall come upon every city, and no city shall escape: the valley also shall perish, and the plain shall be destroyed, as the LORD hath spoken.

[Jer 51:8](#) Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed: howl for her; take balm for her pain, if so be she may be healed.

[Jer 51:55](#) Because the LORD hath spoiled Babylon, and destroyed out of her the great voice; when her waves do roar like great waters, a noise of their voice is uttered:

[Lam 2:5](#) The Lord was as an enemy: he hath swallowed up Israel, he hath swallowed up all her palaces: he hath

destroyed his strong holds, and hath increased in the daughter of Judah mourning and lamentation.

Lam 2:6 And he hath violently taken away his tabernacle, as [if it were of] a garden: he hath destroyed his places of the assembly: the LORD hath caused the solemn feasts and sabbaths to be forgotten in Zion, and hath despised in the indignation of his anger the king and the priest.

Lam 2:9 Her gates are sunk into the ground; he hath destroyed and broken her bars: her king and her princes [are] among the Gentiles: the law [is] no [more]; her prophets also find no vision from the LORD.

Hsa 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

Hsa 13:9 O Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself; but in me [is] thine help.

Act 3:23 And it shall come to pass, [that] every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.

1Cr 10:10 Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer.

2Pe 2:12 But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and **destroyed**, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;

Jud 1:5 I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward **destroyed** them that believed not.

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1Ki 22:22 And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith? And he said, I will go forth, and I will be a **lying spirit** in the mouth of all his prophets. And he said, Thou shalt persuade [him], and prevail also: go forth, and do so.

1Ki 22:23 Now therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a **lying spirit** in the mouth of all these thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil concerning thee.

2Ch 18:21 And he said, I will go out, and be a **lying spirit** in the mouth of all his prophets. And [the LORD] said, Thou shalt entice [him], and thou shalt also prevail: go out, and do [even] so.

2Ch 18:22 Now therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a **lying spirit** in the mouth of these thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil against thee.

Appendix D

The Body of Christ? You better hope not!

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As I've been looking intently at the state of the Church, I've grown more and more frustrated that hardly anybody seems to be really aware of the problems and the need for repentance. I struggle with what to make of that. Perhaps people think the 37,000+ denominations we have now are a good thing. Perhaps the fraud and waste and division and selfish ambition are just part of the human condition and can't be helped (although he says he's coming for a Bride without wrinkle or blemish and I think those are blemishes.) Perhaps no one ever told them how much this is hurting Jesus. I hope that this helps with that. In fact, I hope it sears an indelible burn mark on your conscience that makes you cry in pain every day. That's probably what it's going to take to get this turned around.

The Romans and the Pharisees conspired together to crucify Jesus. They didn't just crucify him, they spit on him and beat him and whipped him until his bones showed. And then the Lamb of God bled all the way through Jerusalem and they nailed him to a cross naked and hung him up in front of everyone. The Bible says he was unrecognizable as a man – much less recognizable as Jesus. They put a sign over his bloodied, broken, humiliated body sarcastically declaring him King of the Jews. They fought over who would get his clothes. They stabbed him in the side to be sure he was dead, then buried him in a cave.

We have all heard of the pain and suffering he endured, not just physically, but the sin that he carried must have been an unbelievable burden. The spiritual warfare and temptation to get him to back down and call up ten thousand angels to avenge him must have been horrific. None of us can even imagine what he went through in those last twenty-four hours.

How could the Pharisees and the Romans be so cruel? How could anybody inflict that kind of blood-thirsty, heartless damage on another human being – much less the Son of God?! What kind of monsters must they have been to so torture and degrade a person? What kind of evil spirits must have possessed them in that hour that they could do such a vile thing to an innocent man?

Everything that happens in our “natural” world has a spiritual counterpart. The human body of Christ was raised from the dead and abides with the Father. But I Corinthians 12:27 and Ephesians 4:12 and other places say that the Church is the Body of Christ. Do you know what that means? It means that WE are the spiritual Body of Christ and that's just as real to Jesus as was his physical body. And it means that we are meaner and more heartless and more possessed by evil than the Romans or the Pharisees could ever be.

You see, we have been hitting the Body of Christ with a cat-of-nine-tails daily for about eighteen hundred years (give or take). We have been hacking and slicing and shredding his flesh for generations. We have been fighting over his clothes and spitting on him since the first Christians started dying off. We have left a trail of his blood all over the world. And not in a good way.

To slice the Body of Christ up into 37,000+ denominations, we've basically had to run his flesh through a food processor. We've hacked off toes and then cloned them so we'd have a whole barn full of toes that refuse to reconnect with the rest of his body. We've ripped and shredded his flesh and stolen it from each other like a pack of hungry hyenas eating a fresh kill. Because he is Christ and he is SO much better than we could ever be, he has mostly taken it quietly like a sheep led to the slaughter. He has resisted the constant urge to call up 10,000 angels and avenge what we've done to his body. And it's a good thing too, because we should be FLATTENED by now for how much pain we've caused him. We've ignored those in need and focused on our own agendas. We've introduced malignant cancers and poisons and all kinds of disgusting stuff into his body.

When he came in the flesh, Jesus endured a few people beating him and a few people spitting on him. But it was pretty much all over in 24 hours. But in the spirit, we have been beating him mercilessly for hundreds of years. Under our own power, there is no sign on the horizon that the “church” system we've built is going to stop doing it either.

We refuse to connect up to the central nervous system and get commands from the brain. We refuse to coordinate our efforts with all the other body parts, so the whole Body just lays there and twitches in pain. Some parts look like they're getting somewhere, but it's more like the illusion of rigor mortise, than actual progress. Without ALL the pieces taking commands from the Head, we're just spinning our wheels and he bleeds more and

more every day and the people we were supposed to reach out to are dying.

If you think that this is just figurative and it isn't causing Jesus pain, then you surely don't really understand the nature of his love for us and his desire for his body to be whole. He prayed in John 17 that we would be one body because, if not, THIS is the result. In essence, he prayed that the cup of suffering on his physical body would be taken away if possible AND he prayed that the cup of suffering on his spiritual body would be taken away if possible. Neither was. He is crying every day and has been for centuries. And the Father is fuming.

He has been enduring daily torture of a scale none of us can imagine. We have inflicted far more pain than the Pharisees and Romans could have ever even imagined. The physical body has limits of what it can endure, but Christ's spiritual body evidently has no limits on how much it can be tortured. Worse yet, the Pharisees and Romans hated him and didn't believe in him – but we claim to know that he is the Son of God and say that we love him, and yet, we're the ones doing the real damage. And we continue getting together in our little boxes every week and singing song of praise to Jesus and taking communion with a straight face while we're collectively desecrating and defiling his body.

I can tell you this, if I were the Father and I loved my only son Jesus with all that I am, at some point I'm going to FORCE the torture of his body to stop. If they won't start being one body, I'm going to get their attention by whatever means necessary. If I have to, I'll send earthquakes, tsunamis, wars, plagues, famines ... whatever. If they keep on singing and dancing and being completely oblivious and asleep, I'll even kill two-thirds of the planet if that's what it takes for them to knock it off and start being one body. That's pretty much what the book of Revelation predicts is coming – and we deserve it.

And if I were you I wouldn't count on a "rapture" getting you out before the suffering starts. Since the Church was supposed to take the light to the world and it's REALLY dark out there, I'm pretty sure that the sad state of things is our fault. We're the ones that knew better, we're the ones that have been butchering the body of Christ for centuries. I don't see any reason why we should get out of the consequences of what we've done. He's going to spank us really hard and we have it coming. Don't think you're going to avoid suffering, you're not.

Our only hope is to weep and repent and mourn before the altar. We need to apologize and mean it – and then we need to turn from our wicked ways and get under HIS headship. No more structures and systems and traditions of Man. If we don't start acting like One Body on our own, then the Father is going to kill off all the body parts that won't play nice together. Then He'll graft in bits that will appreciate it. Like prostitutes and drug dealers and homeless and the lost and kids with purple hair and hurting people that will defend his body to the death and refuse to listen to anyone but HIM.

Burn it into your brain. We ran the Body of Christ through a meat grinder. We sent people to seminary to learn how to slice the Body of Christ up into smaller and smaller pieces. We paid them to do it. We self-righteously took pleasure in splitting off from other people that had the Holy Spirit in them. We fought over his clothes. We placed a sign over his head that proclaimed proudly to the world that THIS beaten, bloody mess was an accurate representation of the King of the Kings. We are thieves and liars and murderers of the first order.

There's just one simple standard. If the Holy Spirit is in me and the Holy Spirit is in you, then we're just One Body and we're going to have to figure out how to get along without killing each other. We've got to knock it off before it's too late.

Please? If you love Jesus, could you please stop torturing his body? Could you tell him you're willing to share in his sufferings and help bear this burden until this is over? Could you acknowledge your part in it, however small, and stop? Could you insist on harmony from now on? Could you ask the Father to let you feel the pain that Jesus feels? Could you ask the Father to let you see through His eyes? I know He wants to.

Please make it stop.

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