The Gospel According to Ellen G. White



Ellen G. White not only gave a number of false prophecies, but she also preached a false Gospel that will NOT SAVE YOU!

<u>Walter Veith and the Seventh Day</u> <u>Adventist Church</u>



Scriptural proof from the Word of God why Walter Veith and the Seventh Day Adventist church are in error about worshipping the Lord on Sunday.

Remember Me – A Scripture Memorization App that Works



A Scripture memorization app for either Android or iPhone that keeps me faithful to memorize and review Bible memory verses every day.

<u>What is the Holy Covenant of the Book</u> <u>of Daniel?</u>



The "holy covenant" of the Book of Daniel is God's covenant with His people and not an Endtime treaty the Antichrist makes with the Jews.

<u>The Book of Daniel interprets the Book</u> <u>of Revelation</u>



Many people find the last Book of the Bible, the Book of Revelation hard to understand. I heard one lady even call it the Book of Concealment! Is there a key to understand the Endtime prophecies of the Book of Revelation? I believe that key is the Book of Daniel! The Prophet Daniel was described as:

"...an excellent spirit, and knowledge, and understanding, interpreting of dreams, and shewing of hard sentences, and dissolving of doubts, were found in the same Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar: now let Daniel be called, and he will shew the interpretation. – Daniel 5:12

If anybody can shed some light on the Book of Revelation, I bet Daniel can! And some verses in the Book of Revelation also explain Daniel's visions as well.

Isaiah 34:16 Seek ye out of the book of the LORD, and read: **no one of these shall fail**, none shall want **her mate**: for My Mouth it hath commanded, and His Spirit it hath gathered them.

I believe that all the important Endtime prophecies in the Book of Daniel have their "mate" or similar verse in the Book of Revelation. What therefore is the key to understanding the Endtime prophecies in the Book of Revelation? It's to know the same prophecies in the Book of Daniel! The Scriptures from these two books of the Bible complement each other.

This Bible study is an attempt to compare certain verses in Daniel with Revelation, and by doing so, clearly show what they are teaching in order to shed more light on controversial teachings about the Endtime that have been circulating among the churches, especially *American* churches!

Daniel 7:21 I beheld, and the same **horn made war** with the **saints**, and prevailed against them; 22 Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the **saints** of the most High; and the time came that the **saints** possessed the kingdom.

Revelation 13:7: And it was given unto him (the Antichrist)to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

Who are the "saints"? The born again children of God in Christ Jesus! The "horn" of the book of Daniel is the Antichrist- the Papacy - what all the Protestant reformerers believed about the Roman Pope. The "beast" of Revelation chapter 13 is the Roman Empire including the revived one that continues to this day.

beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

Daniel 7:23 Thus he said, The fourth Revelation 13:1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a **beast** rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

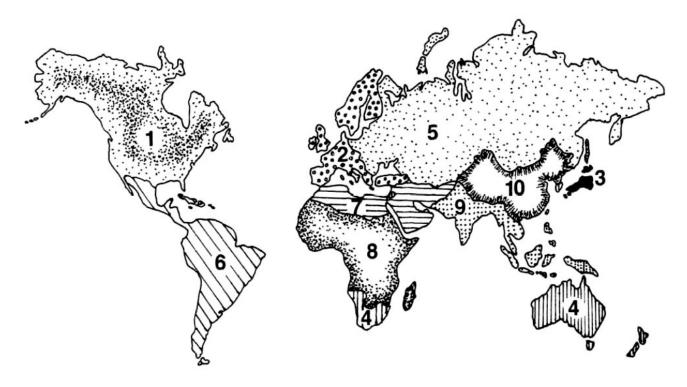
What is the "beast" of Revelation chapter 13? Many Christians today think the "Beast" is synonomous with the final end time Anchrist. But Daniel chapter 7 clearly defines a beast as a kingdom or empire! I believe the Beast of Revelation is with us today. It's the covert one-world government already in existence. It's centered in Rome and controls the world. Proof? Did you notice the reaction to the Covid pandemic was the same worldwide with masks and unnecessary lockdowns? Who was trying to make Covid vaccinations mandatory for every person in the world? The Pope, all the heads of Europe and North America. As far as I know, only a few national presidents in Africa objected to the Covid vaccination and they shortly died (or were murdered?) afterward.

The "ten horns" may be the 10 economic regions of the world today, the regions designated by the World Trade Organization. It's interesting that Japan is the sole nation of one of those regions. IMHO, I think this could mean that Japan is still capable of surviving economically on its own.

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	Ireland	Mongolia	S. Arabia	Serbia		Myanmar		Somali	Yucatan
	Spain			Albania		Nepal		Angola	Paraguay
	Netherlands		Maghreb Union	Estonia		Pakistan		Zimbawe	Argentina
	Greece		Libya	Latvia		Afganistan		Mozambique	Bolivia
	Luxembourg		Algeria	Lithuania		Iran		Madagascar	Peru
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	Finland		Sudan						Guinness
	Sweden								

Or the 10 horns may be the way the Jesuits have divided up the world!

Ten Kingdoms... from: THE CLUB OF ROME



Please share any more comparisons to Scriptures of Daniel and Revelation if you can, and I will add them to this article.

What was the Leaven of the Pharisees?



The people most responsible for sowing the leaven of false doctrines among Protestant Christians today are *the Jesuits*. Some of them became Protestant ministers!

<u>The Ten Horns / Crowns of the Books of</u> <u>Daniel and Revelation</u>



Did you know that the Bible refers to the 10 horns of the books of Daniel and Revelation exactly 9 times? That's 3 times in the book of Daniel and 6 times in the book of Revelation.

Daniel 7:7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had **ten horns**.

Daniel 7:20 And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows. Daniel 7:24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings. Revelation 12:3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. Revelation 13:1 ¶And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. Revelation 17:3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. Revelation 17:7 ¶And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns. Revelation 17:12 And the **ten horns** which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. Revelation 17:16 And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.

What do these "horns" refer to? The Bible is its own best interpreter.

Revelation 17:12 And the ten horns which thou sawest are **ten kings**, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.

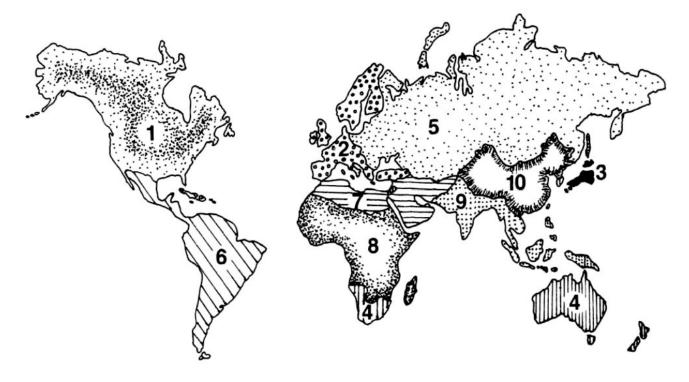
The covert world government running the world headed by the Jesuit General in Rome has divided the world into 10 regions. I first posted the chart below in 2012 and I don't remember where I got it from. In my opinion, it's a reasonable breakup of the world. Please note that this is a mere interpretation of the current status of the 10 Horns. Your opinion may be better than mine. You can tell me about it in the comments section below.

To see this chart better from your phone, use two figures to enlarge it.

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	Ireland	Mongolia	S. Arabia	Serbia		Myanmar		Somali	Yucatan
	Spain			Albania		Nepal		Angola	Paraguay
	Netherlands		Maghreb Union	Estonia		Pakistan		Zimbawe	Argentina
	Greece		Libya	Latvia		Afganistan		Mozambique	Bolivia
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Here's a world map of 10 regions designated by the $\underline{\text{Club of Rome}}.$ It may be more accurate.

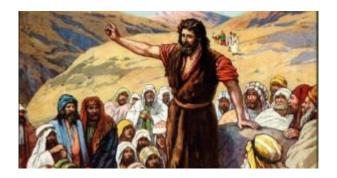
Ten Kingdoms... from: THE CLUB OF ROME



I believe these 10 regions may very well be the 10 horns / crowns of the books of Daniel and Revelation!

The most interesting thing about the chart is Japan is the only nation with a region all to its own. Could this mean that Japan is either super rich or super stable economically? One of my Japanese friends claims that the Emperor and his family are worth 320 quadrillion yen! In scientific notation, that's 32 X 10 to the 16th power. This is 284 times greater than the US national debt at \$15 trillion! If my friend's claim is correct, Japan would certainly be considered very special by the New World Order people.

<u>What Does the Bible Mean by "Repent"?</u>



Matthew 3:1-2 In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea, And saying, **Repent ye**: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

What does "repent" mean in the Bible? Does the Bible ever say "repent of your sins"? Do you have to repent for sins to be saved? Do other religions believe that you need to repent of your sins? Is repenting of sins, works? Pastor Steven Anderson answers all of these questions and more using only the Bible.

If we have to turn from our sins to be saved, NOBODY WOULD BE SAVED! Our salvation cannot be earned. If it could be earned, Jesus died on the Cross in vain.

Romans 11:6 And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.

The Bible defines "repent" in different ways depending on the context and the language the text was written in. Most of the Old Testament was written in Hebrew.

Genesis 6:6 And it **repented** the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.

Obviously, in this text, God was not repenting of sin because God does not sin.

Strong's Concordance defines the repent in Genesis 6:6 as:

5162. <u>DDD</u> nacham naw-kham'

a primitive root; properly, to sigh, i.e. breathe strongly; **by implication, to be sorry**, i.e. (in a favorable sense) to pity, console or (reflexively) rue; or (unfavorably) to avenge (oneself):-comfort (self), ease (one's self), repent(-er,-ing, self).

The "repent" in the way Peter used in his sermon on Pentecost day has the meaning of changing your mind about Who Jesus is!

Acts 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.

The New Testament was written in Greek. The word repent was translated from the Greek word *metanoeo*.

3340. μετανοέω metanoeo met-an-o-eh'-o from 3326 and 3539; **to think differently** or afterwards, i.e. reconsider (morally, feel compunction):-repent.

Acts 17:29 Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device. 30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to **repent**:

In order words, change your mind about those gods made of gold, or silver, or stone! Stop thinking about them as your God and acknowledge the God of the universe and His Son Jesus Christ!

Do you know people who need to think differently about God, Jesus, sin, and life in general? I sure do! They are not basing their worldview on the Bible. This is why they think differently than I do. I hope they will repent, meaning change their mind, realize their perceptions were based on falsehoods, and accept the truth of the Bible and the Gospel.

Protection from Bad Spiritual Entities



The Devil is real and will attack us unless we have spiritual protection. We get protected by the Holy Spirit after we confess our sins and ask Jesus to save us!

LGBTQ Activists Attacking the Truth of Genesis 1:27



So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; **male** and female created he them.- Genesis 1:27

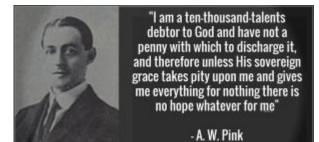
I first found this article in 2016 and got the first few paragraphs from it. Unfortunately the original article is not longer on line.

What you may have been suspecting has been confirmed. LGBTQ activists' end goal is not ruling over the bathroom. It's obliterating the family. Riki Wilchins, a famous transsexual who recently wrote a piece in the gay publication *The Advocate*, revealed that many conservatives and even LGBT activists are missing the forest for the trees. "We'll Win the Bathroom Battle When the Binary Burns," Wilchins says the real goal is to kill the notion of male and female altogether. The "binary" refers to gender distinction, and getting rid of the "heterobinary structure" is the goal. Wilchins writes that the fact that we are arguing over male and female facilities is proof that we still have far to go—that there should be no gender distinctions in general.

In fact, Wilchins points to an emerging group of people who don't want to affiliate as any gender. Life Site News explains, "'Non-binary' people don't identify as male or female and they often want to be referred to as 'they' or 'hir' or 'zer.' So the fact that there are even intimate facilities that reflect the "binary" truth about gender should change, Wilchins wrote."

If you are confused, you are not alone. But beneath all of the titles and non-titles, the insidious plan is the destruction of the family, reveals Stella Morabito, senior contributor to The Federalist.

The Unpayable Debt Of Ten Thousand Talents Of Matthew 18:24



I was asked to figure out how much ten thousand talents would be worth in today's money. I got the following information from various web sources.

<u>The Geneva Bible Notes Explain</u> <u>Revelation 17 & 18</u>



The Geneva Bible clearly points the finger at the Roman Catholic Church for being the woman and the whore of Revelation 17 and 18.

<u>A Biblical Perspective on the Jewish</u> <u>People</u>



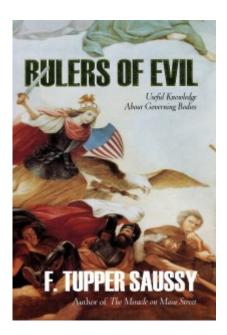
God called and chose Abraham to raise up a people who would live and preach His truth, to create a nation that would love and serve the one true God, and thus become a Godly example

The Ten Horns of the Books of Daniel and Revelation



The Ten Horns of the Book of Revelation identified as 10 modern nations!

<u>Rulers of Evil Chapter 25 THE TWO</u> <u>MINISTRIES</u>



The final and most controversial chapter of Rulers of Evil by F. Tupper Saussy.

Age of Deceit – Fallen Angels and the <u>New World Order</u>



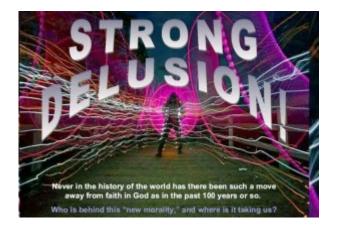
The New World Order is the globalist agenda by a secretive Luciferian power elite that is conspiring to eventually rule the world through an authoritarian one-world government that will replace sovereign nation-states. The Bible calls it "the Beast" in the book of Revelation chapter 13. Since 2020, New World Order is also referred to as the "Great Reset".

This documentary was made in 2011 and covers many issues. It's by no means dated. The agenda of the Luciferian globalists has not changed, it's only become more out in the open. And yet the vast majority of the world *still* can't see it!

Topics discussed

Is there a connection between UFOs, alien abductions, channeling spirits, demonic possessions, the new age movement, secret societies, and satanism? In Age of Deceit: Fallen Angels and the New World Order, we investigate why the New World Order and the Global Elite are tirelessly working to form a One World Government and who they are getting this instruction from. A biblical look at the history of fallen angels and it's relationship to the New World Order and the new age movement. Topics covered are the fall of mankind, the pre-flood world as Atlantis, the new age through theosophy, the fallen angels and their origin of planting the seeds to society, UFOs, ETs and abduction cases, demonic possession, channeling, and more.

What the Bible calls "strong delusion" <u>— a List of False Beliefs</u>



What we believe to be true or false determines our policies in life. You may think something is true, but if it's actually false, it could lead to your ruin.

<u>Pope Francis versus the Bible</u>



I like to expose false doctrines from the very mouths of those who teach them.

Pope Francis

"No one becomes Christian on his or her own! Is that clear? No one becomes Christian by him or herself. Christians are not made in a laboratory. A Christian is part of a people who comes from afar. The Christian belongs to a people called the Church and this Church is what makes him or her Christian, on the day of Baptism, and then in the course of catechesis, and so on."

The Bible

1 Peter 1:23 Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever. Romans 10:13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. "Our Christian identity is belonging to a people: the Church. Without this, we are not Christians. We entered the Church through baptism: there we are Christians," "You cannot love God outside of the Church; you cannot be in communion with God without being so in the Church."

"The Christian who does not feel that the Virgin Mary is his or her mother is an orphan."

"The Church officially recognizes that the People of Israel continue to be the Chosen People. Nowhere does it say: 'You lost the game, now it is our turn.' It is a recognition of the People of Israel."

"I do not approach the relationship in order to proselytize, or convert the atheist; I respect him... nor would I say that his life is condemned, because I am convinced that I do not have the right to make a judgment about the honesty of that person... every man is the image of God, whether he is a believer or not. For that reason alone everyone has a series of virtues, qualities, and a greatness of his own."

"Each of us has a vision of good and of evil. We have to encourage people to move towards what they think is good... Everyone has his own idea of good and evil and must choose to follow the good and fight evil as he conceives them. That would be enough to make the world a better place."

1 Corinthians 1:2 Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ **Jesus**, called to be **saints**, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours: The "church" is not an organization. The biblical meaning is "called out ones" the believers in Christ. John 1:12 But as many as received him (Jesus Christ), to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: 1 Peter 2:9 But ye (Christians) are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ve should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: Revelation 3:9 Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I

Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

have loved thee.

Romans 1:16 ¶For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth;...

Psalms 119:104 Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way. Psalms 119:30 ¶I have chosen the way of truth: thy judgments have I laid before me. "From my point of view, God is the light that illuminates the darkness, even if it does not dissolve it, and a spark of divine light is within each of us." "Proselytism is solemn nonsense; it makes no sense. We need to get to know each other, listen to each other and improve our knowledge of the world around us." "The Lord has redeemed all of us, all of us, with the blood of Christ: all of us, not just Catholics. Everyone! 'Father, the

atheists?' Even the atheists.

Everyone!"

John 1:4 In him (Jesus) was life; and the life was the light of men. John 12:46 I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.

Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

1 John 5:11 And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

If you have any quotations from Pope Francis that you believe are contrary to the Bible, please write them in the comments section. Thank you!

<u>What Makes A Nation Great? An American</u> <u>Independence Day Message</u>



I copied this article from my friend Jim Gibson's Facebook post. If you are an American, please know our only hope to continue as people free from tyranny and oppression is to keep to the principles the founding fathers of America founded our nation on.

What Makes A Nation Great?

By Jim Gibson http://www.jimgibson.net/

On this date (July 4) in 1776, the 13 colonies declared their independence from England. It would not be until 1783 before they actually gained their freedom at the signing of the Treaty of Paris. The document upon which all our laws are based is the Constitution which was signed in 1787. The Founding Fathers wrote the Constitution whose very foundation was established upon what was then known as "Natural Law." One of the most referenced sources cited by the Founding Fathers during the writing and discussion of the Constitution was from Blackstone's Commentaries of English Law. Blackstone maintained that Natural Law was given to mankind by God. These God-given principles were to aid man in their governance. Thus, our Constitution reflects those very statutes which were ordained by God. The apostle Paul alluded to these principles that govern in the hearts of mankind with these words as found in Romans1:19, 20 and 2:14, 15.

"Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse."

"For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves. Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another."

A person who greatly influenced and inspired the Founding Fathers was John Locke who wrote about that "Natural Law" that formed the very foundation of our nation. Listen to his words: "The State of Nature has a Law of Nature to govern it which obliges everyone...that being all equal and independent no one ought to harm another in his Life, Health, Liberty, or Possessions." Notice the obvious similarity of wording as that also found in the Declaration of Independence. One historian made the comment that it was the Declaration of Independence which should actually be considered America's foundation and the Constitution was the house upon which it was built. Anna Beth Rankin wrote that, "The Constitution is the Supreme Law of the United States; however it has its philosophical roots in the Declaration of Independence." To this agrees the statement made by Abraham Lincoln, "the Declaration of Independence was an 'apple of gold' whereas the Constitution was the 'picture of silver' framed around it." The point being stressed here is that the Natural Law, as expressed in the Declaration, was laws and rights given by God, whereas the Constitution was made of laws created by man.

The Framers and early Supreme Court Justices relied heavily on the concepts as found in the Natural Law. Through the years, the Courts have strayed further and further from these original principles of law and justice. In fact, Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas was once castigated by a Harvard Law professor for adhering to these principles of Natural Law. It has been the trend for several decades now to treat the Constitution as a "living document." As a result, it has been relegated to an obsolete and discarded document in favor of a more fluid social construct which is entirely relative to the whims of a changing society.

In fact, former President Barack Obama made this shocking statement: "We are no longer just a Christian nation." In his speech, President Obama alluded to the fact that we might have once been a Christian nation, but no longer. What he said is entirely correct. But our magnificent nation was indeed founded upon Christian principles. Two professors, Donald S. Lutz and Charles S. Hyneman made an exhaustive study of our Founders' most read books, newspaper articles, and monographs with explicit political content. They limited their study to the period from 1760 to 1805. They concluded that the most often cited source was the Bible. This should come as no surprise especially as one reflects upon the words of Benjamin Franklin at the Constitutional Convention. Listen to the wisdom coming from this 81 year-old statesman.

"I have lived, Sir, a long time; and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth, that God governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without his notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without his aid? We have been assured, Sir, in the sacred writings that 'except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.' I firmly believe this; and I also believe that, without his concurring aid, we shall succeed in this political building no better than the builders of Babel... I therefore beg leave to move that, henceforth, prayers imploring the assistance of heaven and its blessings on our deliberations be held in this assembly every morning before we proceed to business, and that one or more of the clergy of this city be requested to officiate in that service."

Just a few years later, our nation's second President, John Adams, echoed these sentiments when he said, "Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other." It is understandable for those who do not like the "strict constructionist" interpretation of the Constitution when one reflects upon our present societal morality. In this sense, the Constitution is becoming more and more foreign to the thought processes of a liberal and progressive culture.

There was a time in Israel's history when they were regarded as a great nation, although small in territory and in population. What made them great? To find this answer, we need to go back to their very founding. Listen to the words of Moses as he instructs the children of Israel before they entered the land of Canaan:

"Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as the LORD my God commanded me… Keep therefore and do them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people." (Deut. 4:5, 6)

Just as the nation of Israel began as a great nation because they were founded upon Godly principles and laws, so too was the United States great because they founded our Constitution upon these same fundamental truths. Alexis de Tocqueville has been quoted as saying that, "America is great because America is good. When America ceases to be good, she will cease to be great." Although this quote has never been verified, its words bear much truth and are truly sublime.

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD."

For almost 200 years, it was an accepted premise that our nation was founded upon Christian principles. In fact, John Adams, the second President of the United States, made this declaration:

"Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."

Although many people believe, unwittingly, that the Constitution contains the phrase "separation of Church and State" or "wall of separation", these phrases are to be found nowhere within the Constitution or the Bill of Rights. We find their origin, however, in a letter written by Thomas Jefferson to the Danbury Baptist Association in 1802. In this letter, Jefferson uses the phrase, "a wall of separation between Church and State." Contrary to the popular opinion of today, Jefferson's use of the phrase meant that the Church should be protected from the State or government, and not, that the State must be protected from the Church. It was President Thomas Jefferson, in 1803, that recommended Congress appropriate funds "for civilizing the Indians and promoting Christianity." Actually, he signed appropriation bills to Christianize the Indians three different times during his presidency.

For over 100 years, the Bible was used as a textbook in our public schools. Sadly, though, this tradition of a Christian America was dealt a serious blow by the Supreme Court in several consecutive rulings beginning in 1962 and culminating in June, 1963. It was through these rulings that both prayer and Bible reading were removed from the public school system. This Supreme Court decided its decision with a 8 to 1 ruling. The majority, in writing its opinion, stated that their ruling was one of "wholesome neutrality". They further stated that their decision would in no way be deemed as a victory for "secularism". We know now that it did have this "unintended consequence".

As a result of these rulings, our nation began to lose its vision and sight. We no longer can distinguish between good and evil. Just a few years after this Supreme Court ruling, Joseph Fletcher in 1966 wrote a book titled Situation Ethics . In the book, Fletcher argues that there are no moral absolutes, everything is relative. Infidelity, stealing, lying and a myriad of other moral turpitudes might be acceptable depending on the situation. In the Old Testament, during the period of the judges, the Bible records that "every man did that which was right in his own eyes."

Since our nation's founding, the Bible has been used as the rule of law and has acted as the guide for our country's morality. Obviously, our moral conscience as a nation has deteriorated and crumbled. We have forsaken the only moral compass that has ever been given to mankind.

Is there any hope left for America, for the Church? The answer is yes. With regard to the Church, we must individually and corporately confess that we have sinned and failed in our duty and responsibility to God. We must again turn to the Bible and let God's Word lead us and guide us in all aspects of our life. After we have done this, we can then stand on the promise of God as quoted in 2 Chron.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."

<u>The Origin of the Pre-Tribulation</u> <u>Rapture Doctrine</u>



By Mark Williams.

How did the pretribulation doctrine come about? A brief rundown would go something like this:

In 1591 a Jesuit priest named Francisco Ribera wrote a 500-page commentary on the grand points of Babylon and the antichrist, the object being to set aside the Protestant teaching that the Papacy is the antichrist. In his commentary, he assigned the first chapters of Revelation to the first century. The rest he restricted to a literal three and a half years at the end of time, BEFORE the resurrection. He taught that the Jewish temple would be rebuilt by a single individual antichrist that would abolish the Christian religion, deny Christ, pretend to be God, and conquer the world. Thus was laid the foundation for Dispensationalism.

In 1812 another Jesuit priest, named Emmanuel Lacunza, started teaching that there would be a 45-day tribulation period, AFTER Christ's coming.

In 1826 Edward Irving translated Lacunza's book and published it in 1827. Sometime after that, Irving started to teach a three-and-a-half-year tribulation after Christ's coming. In 1830, a man named John Darby of the Plymouth Brethren started teaching a seven-year tribulation period. He came to America seven times to promote his teaching. When George Muller of Bristol came up against the Dispensationalist doctrines of the Brethren movement, he severed all connection with it. "The time came," he said, "when I had to either part from my Bible or part from John Darby. I chose to keep my precious Bible."

So in 1812, we see the teaching of a 45-day tribulation after the rapture.

Around 1827 Edward Irving taught a three and a-half-year tribulation after the rapture. Then in 1830, the final turn to a seven-year tribulation after the rapture. Others picked up on this new doctrine and added to it.

In 1909, C. I. Scofield published the Scofield Reference Bible. His dispensational notes were mixed in with the verses of the Bible so well that if you didn't know better, you would think they were part of the Holy Scriptures. Over two million copies of his Bible were sold with this new dispensational teaching. Scofield, although not a Plymouth Brethren, was a devoted disciple of John Darby.

After that, W. E. Blackstone wrote a book titled *Jesus Is Coming Again*. A millionaire financed sending several hundred thousand copies of this book to missionaries throughout the world.

After Israel became a nation in 1948, prophecy teachers sprung up like wildfire, teaching that the Second Coming would happen approximately forty years after Israel became a nation. They got this belief from misinterpreting the word "generation" in Matthew 24. Hundreds of books were written on this subject. People learned about this new doctrine, not from the Bible, but from these so-called prophecy books.

Today Dispensationalism has become the generally accepted belief of the Fundamentalist wing of popular Protestantism.

In his tract, "Who is the Antichrist?" a former Catholic priest, Joseph Zacchello, says: "The Jesuits were the first ones to introduce a new theory in order to divert men's minds from perceiving the fulfillment of the prophecies of the antichrist in the papal church. The Jesuit Ribera brought out the futuristic system, which asserts that the antichrist is yet to appear." And to this statement, he adds: "Protestants who advocate the futuristic system are pleasing the pope and are playing into the hands of Rome."

The teaching that the Church is to be raptured to heaven just prior to a time called the great tribulation was not known prior to the 1800s. It's amazing with all the writings left to us from early Christians on the rapture, all agreed that if there is going to be a tribulation at the end of time, the Church would go through it. Since no voice spoke out in favor of a pre-tribulation rapture, the only conclusion possible is that the Church did not teach this in the beginning and that it should not be teaching it now.

Conclusion

This material was condensed down from hundreds of pages of notes just to give you a quick insight into the problem we are facing today. If we continue to curl up into a ball and keep our mouths shut because somebody might get their feelings hurt, the original truth that was taught by Jesus and his apostles, will one day vanish.

I'm not saying that we should go out and create war with those who disagree, but we should, in a loving manner, spread the whole truth of the Gospel. And if it were only on the last days, it would be easier for me to keep my mouth shut. But Satan has caused Christians to pervert his truth in dozens of chapters throughout the Bible.

It's sad to think that a large part of God's Church teaches that the Abrahamic covenant is yet to be fulfilled and yet the Bible teaches it has been fulfilled to the very letter. It's sad to see Christians teaching that Jesus Christ isn't reigning now when a simple study of the Bible shows he is and that Jesus is reigning from David's throne now just as the Scriptures foretold. It's sad to see Christians misleading the world into believing that after Christ comes back, there will still be a chance for salvation, and again, the Bible says no such thing. Friends, the Bible warns against believing in false doctrine, and yet to many, it's not a problem. I believe that Christians can come together with a more unified understanding of the Scriptures, but only if we take the time to study amongst ourselves and not be afraid to ask questions or get our feelings hurt. Our goal should be stamping out false doctrine and becoming unified in Christ Jesus. Remember, we are commanded to study to show ourselves approved unto God, a workman that needs not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Now if you still disagree with my notes, I would love to hear what you have to say and I promise to keep an open and honest heart. I for one do not want to stand face to face with Jesus only to find out that I've been deceived my whole life and neither should you.