<u>The Jesuits are the Illuminati - Bill</u> <u>Cooper</u>



Milton William "Bill" Cooper was an American conspiracy researcher, radio broadcaster, and author known for his 1991 book *Behold a Pale Horse*. I bought a paperback copy of this book in Chicago in 1997. I consider Bill Cooper one of my heroes. He's a great American patriot who served in two branches of the US military, the Air Force and then the Navy where he worked in Naval Intelligence. He was killed by gunfire on November 05, 2001. I believe he was purposely taken out by the ruling elite and died a martyr for his message.

This is from his radio broadcast *The Hour of Our Time*. He answers a question from a telephone caller named Peter about the relationship of the Jesuit Order with the Illuminati.

Transcript

Bill Cooper: Well we're back, and I forgot your name if you even said it.

Peter: Peter.

Bill Cooper: Peter, okay!

Peter: All right my second question is that, we know that Adam Weishaupt was

originally from the Jesuit Order.

Bill Cooper: That's correct.

Peter: But my question is is...

Bill Cooper: Where's the Jesuit Order from?

Peter: Well, is it connected and controlled by the Illuminati, freemasonry,

or is it an arm of the Catholic Church?

Bill Cooper: Well, let me tell you how this happened. In Spain long before Weishaupt was ever even born there was a branch of the Illuminati from the Middle East called the Alumbrados. It means Illuminati. The head of the

Alumbrados in Spain was a man named Ignatius Loyola who was arrested by the Inquisition. And before they could torture him he used his influence with very powerful people to beg an audience with the Pope. He was granted the audience. He crawled in on his knees. When the door opened after this audience, he walked out on his two feet with a piece of paper in his hand, a Papal Bull, which gave him the authority to start a new order called the Society of Jesus, the Jesuit Order. He was to be the head of this order, and he was given dispensation and immunity from arrest or prosecution from all governments, all authorities, all religious orders save one, the Pope himself. To become the head of the Jesuit Order has become known as the Black Pope. They wield tremendous power. They are Marxist in nature, practice liberation theology, they have been involved in revolutions and disorder and chaos and all kinds of things throughout the world. Does that answer your question?

Peter: No, not exactly. Are they in compitition then with the Illuminati?

Bill Cooper: No, they *are* the Illuminati!

Peter: They are the Illuminati?

Bill Cooper: Absolutely.

Peter: Okay, that answers it. Thank you very much.

Bill Cooper: You're welcome. And thank you for calling. That was a good

question.

Why The Nazis Persecuted Priests - by L.H. Lehmann



Catholic church authorities cooperated in persecuting its own priests and people during WW2 because they refused to fall in with its political plans as set by Rome.

<u>Japanese-Vatican Entente During World</u> <u>War II</u>



The Vatican supported Japan in its conquest of China & the Philippines, and even established diplomatic relations with Japan after it bombed Pearl Harbor!

Early Church Leaders Confirm the Apostle Paul's Gospel and Ministry



This video is a defense of the Apostle Paul against attacks by Muslims, certain Hebrew Israelites & Hebrew Roots people alike. The documentary was created by Exegetical Apologetics, also known as Reformed Apologetics Ministries.

Quotations from first and second-century Church leaders about the Apostle Paul.

This is my own research from independant sources to show that Church leaders of the 1st and 2nd century acknowledged Paul's Gospel and his apostleship.

They all mention Paul in a positive way and call him an apostle.

Clement of Rome

Clement (35 AD - 99 AD) was the bishop of Rome in the late first century AD. He is listed by Irenaeus and Tertullian as the bishop of Rome, holding office from 88 AD to his death in 99 AD.

From The First Epistle of Clement to the Corinthians

Take up the epistle of the blessed Paul the Apostle.

Irenaeus

Irenaeus (130 - c. 202 AD) was a Greek bishop noted for his role in guiding and expanding Christian communities in the southern regions of present-day France.

From: <u>Irenaeus of Lyons</u>

They proclaim themselves as being "perfect," so that no one can be compared to them with respect to the immensity of their knowledge, nor even were you to mention Paul or Peter, or any other of the apostles.

But as many as separate from the Church, and give heed to such old wives' fables as these, are truly self-condemned; and these men **Paul commands us**, "after a first and second admonition, to avoid."

Those who are called **Ebionites** agree that the world was made by God; but their opinions with respect to the Lord are similar to those of Cerinthus and Carpocrates. They use the Gospel according to Matthew only, and **repudiate the Apostle Paul**, maintaining that he was an apostate from the law.

Tertullian

Tertullian (155 AD - 220 AD) was a prolific early Christian author from Carthage in the Roman province of Africa. He was the first Christian author to produce an extensive corpus of Latin Christian literature.

From The Prescription against Heretics.

On this point, however, we dwell no longer, since it is **the same**Paul who, in his Epistle to the Galatians, counts "heresies" among

"the sins of the flesh," who also intimates to Titus, that "a man

who is a heretic" must be "rejected after the first admonition," on the ground that "he that is such is perverted, and committeth sin, as a self-condemned man." Indeed, in almost every epistle, when enjoining on us (the duty) of avoiding false doctrines, he sharply condemns heresies.

Ignatius of Antioch

Ignatius of Antioch (/ɪgˈneɪʃəs/; Greek: Ἰγνάτιος Ἀντιοχείας, Ignátios Antiokheías; died c. 108/140 AD), also known as Ignatius Theophorus (Ἰγνάτιος ὁ Θεοφόρος, Ignátios ho Theophóros, lit. "the God-bearing"), was an early Christian writer and Patriarch of Antioch.

From The Epistle of Ignatius to the Philadelphians

Do nothing without the bishop; keep your bodies as the temples of God; love unity; avoid divisions; be ye followers of Paul, and of the rest of the apostles, even as they also were of Christ.

From The Epistle of Ignatius to the Romans

I do not, as Peter **and Paul**, issue commandments unto you. They were apostles;

From The Epistle of Ignatius to the Trallians

...though I am acquainted with these things, yet am I not therefore by any means perfect; **nor am I such a disciple as Paul or Peter**. For many things are yet wanting to me, that I may not fall short of God.

From The Epistle of Ignatius to the Magnesians

This was first fulfilled in Syria; for "the disciples were called Christians at Antioch," when Paul and Peter were laying the foundations of the Church.

The Epistle of Ignatius to the Ephesians.

Wherefore it behoves us also to live according to the will of God in Christ, and **to imitate Him as Paul** did. For, says he, "Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ."

Polycarp

Polycarp (AD 69 — 155) was a Christian bishop of Smyrna. According to the Martyrdom of Polycarp, he died a martyr, bound and burned at the stake, then stabbed when the fire failed to consume his body. Polycarp is regarded as a saint and Church Father in the Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, Oriental Orthodox, Anglican, and Lutheran churches.

From the **Epistle of Polycarp**

Polycarp 3:2

For neither am I, nor is any other like unto me, able to follow the wisdom of the blessed and glorious Paul, who when he came among you taught face to face with the men of that day the word which concerneth truth carefully and surely; who also, when he was absent, wrote a letter unto you, into the which if ye look diligently, ye shall be able to be builded up unto the faith given to you.

Polycarp 9:1

I exhort you all therefore to be obedient unto the word of righteousness and to practice all endurance, which also ye saw with your own eyes in the blessed Ignatius and Zosimus and Rufus, yea and in others also who came from among yourselves, as well as in **Paul himself and the rest of the Apostles**;

Polycarp 11:2

But he who cannot govern himself in these things, how doth he enjoin this upon another? If a man refrain not from covetousness, he shall be defiled by idolatry, and shall be judged as one of the Gentiles who know not the judgment of the Lord, Nay, know we not, that the saints shall judge the world, as Paul teacheth?

Polycarp 11:3

But I have not found any such thing in you, neither have heard thereof, among whom **the blessed Paul labored**, who were his letters in the beginning. For he boasteth of you in all those churches which alone at that time knew God; for we knew Him not as yet.

The Catholic Church Heils Hitler by James J. Murphy



Germany's Catholic bishops have acknowledged that they were "complicit" in allowing the Nazis to rise to power and stood by while they launched World War II

Vatican Policy in the Second World War — By L.H. Lehmann



The unchanging goal of the Catholic Church is the restoration of its status as the only legally recognized Church in Christendom. To attain it, liberal democratic constitutions must be continuously opposed and a type of civil government eventually established in all countries that would extend protection only to the Roman Catholic Church.

My Views About the Russian Invasion of Ukraine



A building in Ukraine destroyed by the Russians.

Some of my conservative friends and *especially* Trump supporters have been seemingly justifying Putin's invasion of Ukraine. My friend Jim wrote:

Zelensky is a snake. He has been laundering money for years. He is used by the Deep State. That is why he is supported by the likes of HRC, Biden, Obama, Gates, Pelosi and all the rest. I do know that there are elements of the Ukrainian army who persecute and kill Ukrainian Russians.

Another friend named Mike wrote:

Any bets on who wins? \$100 on The Ukraine Government and The Faggot Zelinski going down. Putin is winning cuz God is using him to take out The Satanic Kazarian Mafia.

Why does Mike think the President of Ukraine is gay? Volodymyr Zelinskyy has a beautiful wife. From where does Mike and Jim get their information?

I told Mike I won't bet with him because I don't want to take his money. He told me that before the Ukrainian army started to take back what the Russian army conquered.

Before I go any further, let me state what I believe to be my qualifications for writing anything about the Russian / Ukrainian conflict: I lived in Russia from March 1994 to October 1997. I've been to the far eastern city of Khabarovsk. I lived in central Siberia in Akadem Gorodok close to Novosibirsk for 4 months. I've been to a few times to Moscow and walked the length of Red Square. I lived in St. Petersburg for two years. And I lived in the Arctic city of Murmansk Russia for 10 months. I love the Russian people! Living in Russia was one of the most fun experiences in my life making new friends and learning a new language. I got to the point I was comfortable on the streets of Russia alone. I could communicate with them in their own language. And I met not only ethnic Russians, I met people from all 15 republics of the former Soviet Union and can name them all from memory. How many Americans can do that? And I even met people from provinces within Russia such as Chechnya.

I considered them to be a kind and affectionate people. I loved to shake hands with the Russians because they are good hand-shakers. The Japanese are no good at it!

And I visited Russia's neighbors such as Finland, Estonia, Latvia, and Lituania. In 1997 I passed through Belorus and Ukraine by train, the very area of the fighting today, the Donbas region. I passed through Belorus on my way from St. Petersburg to Warsaw, Poland, and was not challenged to show my visa for Belorus. But on my way from the Black Sea area of Russia back to St. Petersburg, the train passed through Donbas Ukraine and Ukrainian border guards on the train asked me to show a visa for Ukraine. I didn't have one. My two Russian companions talked the Ukrainian border guards out of giving me a fine!

Of the 15 former Soviet Republics, only three of them speak Slavic languages, Russia, Ukraine, and Belorus. They are close ethnically. I always considered Russians and Ukrainians to be one big family. One-third of Ukrainians speak Russian. In the capital Kyiv the Russian language is predominant. I met many ethnic Ukrainians who live in Russia.

When I lived in Niigata Japan I used to visit Russian ships at port. The captain and the crew treated me and my friends as honored guests. Some of them were ethnic Ukrainians. One Ukrainian lady working on the ship told me half of the Russians are ethnic Ukrainians and half of the Ukrainians are ethnic Russians!

I have a close Ukrainian friend I knew in St. Petersburg. Her name is Lydia and I am still in contact with her. She and her daughter are now refugees in France. She tells me no place in Ukraine is safe.

I'm saying this because it disturbs me greatly what Russia is doing now in Ukraine. There have been countless war crimes. Innocent civilians, women, and children have been killed! And for what? To feed Vladimir Putin's territorial ambitions!

Historically Russia has always been a bully to its neighbors. In the restroom of a department store in Helsinki Finland I saw graffiti on the wall cursing Russians. In 1940, Finland lost part of its eastern territory in a war with the Soviet Union, and that area is now part of Russia. Russia didn't return it after the breakup of the Soviet Union.

The three Baltic countries of Estonia, Latvia and Lituania became unwilling members of the Soviet Union. Their languages are all different from each other and not similar to Russian. They have a strong national identity and are not friendly toward Russia. They all have an etnic Russian population. The older generation of those countries learned to speak Russian because Russian was the language of education in the Soviet Union. But they refuse to speak it today to any Russian who is a resident of their country. While in Tallinn Estonia, I heard an Estonian lady scold a Russian boy for doing something she didn't like. At first, she spoke to him in Estonian, and when he didn't seem to understand it, she spoke in Russian telling him he needs to learn Estonian. This was a few years after the breakup of the Soviet Union. I

think all the ethnic Russians living in the Baltic countries are probably fluent in the languages of those countries today.

The only neighbor of Russia that likes Russia is Belorus. That's because the president, Lukashenko is a buddy of Putin. He was president of Belorus as long ago as when I lived in Russia in the 1990s! Boris Yeltsin was president of Russia when I was there. The world loved Yeltsin but the Russians considered him a drunk and a clown.

According to a documentary film I saw, Putin was appointed Yeltsin's successor because of a deal the Yeltsin family made with him. The Yeltsins were corrupt and stole billions from the Russian people. They placed Putin in power because Putin promised not to prosecute them later. They're all criminals, including Putin!

This documentary exposes Putin's crimes against the Russian people. You have to click on the "Watch on YouTube" link to see it. YouTube calls it "inappropriate or offensive to some audiences". The only people I can think of who would find it offensive are the Putin worshippers.

Putin came to power through the 1999 apartment bombings. It was a false flag FSB operation. Putin has the blood of his own people on his hands.

If you are new to this website, you should know I am no longer living in Japan. I moved to the US territory of Guam in 2018. There is a Russian community here. Every one of them will tell you that Vladimir Putin is a criminal. Many of them came to Guam for political asylum. One Russian man told me he would be arrested if he returned to Russia because he is a dissenter of Putin's policies.

My opinion: No matter what you think about Ukraine or its president or shady deals with the Biden family, Putin is the aggressor in his war in Ukraine. When I told my Ukrainian friend Lydia what my conservative friends were saying about Putin's justification for his so-called "special military operation", she got upset and told me I was listening to Russian propaganda! She said Russian propaganda is very strong.

Ukrainians have good historical reasons not to trust Russia. Moscow starved millions of Ukrainians to death in 1932-33. See: https://www.history.com/news/ukrainian-famine-stalin

My friend Yanek from Belorus says he believes the West tricked Putin into invading Ukraine knowing that it would result in his downfall. By "the West" I am talking especially about America, Western Europe and NATO which I believe is run by a vast corporation called the "Holy See" the Whore of the Book of Revelation that rides the Beast, the Western nations. Their goal is to take over Russia and destroy Putin, they don't care how many Russians and Ukrainians die in the process.

Putin is toast. He was given false information to think the Ukrainian people would welcome the Russian army as liberators from the Nazis. The Ukrainian government is NOT run by Nazis according to my Ukrainian friend Lydia. The

only possible Nazis are a small army of only 2000 soldiers in Eastern Ukraine called the Azov regiment. Putin used the fear of Nazis to rally support for his war. Many Russians died by the Nazis in WW2. They call it the Great Patriotic War. St. Petersburg, Putin's hometown, is considered one of the hero cities of the Soviet Union for surviving a two-year siege by the German army. Putin used the historical hatred of Nazis to deceive the Russian people to support his invasion of Ukraine. He will not succeed. He is not fighting for his people. He's destroying them. He only cares about himself.

The Russians do not have the heart to fight against their Slavic cousins in Ukraine, and the Ukrainians are willing to fight to the death to defend their homeland. Doesn't that make sense to you folks who call the president of Ukraine a snake? He may be one but he's earned the respect of his people and the world by not running away when given the opportunity to do so. From what I can see, he's being a true leader to his people. I could be wrong about him, but that still doesn't justify Putin's aggression.

The Masonic Christ and the British Royal Family



Was the late Queen Elizabeth II a true Christian? Or was she promoting a Masonic christ and only pretending to be a Christian?

Adam Clarke's Commentary on Matthew 24



This chapter contains a prediction of the utter destruction of the city and temple of Jerusalem, and the subversion of the whole political constitution of the Jews; and is one of the most valuable portions of the new covenant Scriptures, with respect to the evidence which it furnishes of the truth of Christianity. Every thing which our Lord foretold should come on the temple, city, and people of the Jews, has been fulfilled in the most correct and astonishing manner; and witnessed by a writer (Josephus) who was present during the whole, who was himself a Jew, and is acknowledged to be an historian of indisputable veracity in all those transactions which concern the destruction of Jerusalem. Without having designed it, he has written a commentary on our Lord's words, and shown how every tittle was punctually fulfilled, though he knew nothing of the Scripture which contained this remarkable prophecy.

<u>Is the War in Ukraine Part of the</u> <u>Great Collapse before the Great Reset?</u>

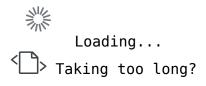


This is an excellent lecture about Russia and Ukraine from a Bible believer's perspective. The speaker is Dr. Peter Hammond, a missionary who has pioneered

evangelistic outreaches in the war zones of Mozambique, Angola, and Sudan.

<u>Is the War in Ukraine Part of the Great Collapse before the Great Reset from Frontline Fellowship on Vimeo</u>.

Below is a PowerPoint of the lecture. Just click on the down arrow in the left-hand bottom corner to see the entire presentation. If you don't see the PowerPoint when you read this message, please wait a few more seconds and it will load.



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Evangelicals and the Ecumenical Movement



This is chapter 12 and the last chapter of <u>The Effect of the Jesuit</u> <u>Eschatologies on America Today</u> — by Dr. Ronald Cooke

The modern Ecumenical Movement at the start involved very very few true evangelicals. On the Protestant side, most of those involved in the early stages of the ecumenical drive to unite "Protestantism" (really non-catholicism) with Rome, were apostate humanists who paid very little attention to the Bible as the inspired Word of God. All that changed with the advent of New Evangelicalism.

After Harold Ockenga set New Evangelicalism in motion, many self-professed evangelicals became involved in the ecumenical movement. They began working with Roman Catholics and with the Jesuits. As time went on this love affair with Rome developed into ECT I and ECT II where evangelicals joined with Roman Catholics for the first time in church history.

Reformed Reconstructionism was born in 1973 when Rousas Rushdoony wrote his major opus *The Institutes of Biblical Law*. Reformed Reconstructionism was really Jesuit Reconstructionism, for none of the Reformers ever followed such drivel. But more and more evangelicals began to be sucked into the cause of the Jesuits. The Jesuits had been working, long before Rushdoony was born, to bring about their reconstruction of American Society through the setting up of their CHRISTIAN SOCIAL ORDER. Soon many Christian leaders in America were following the Jesuit line and promoting it with all the energy and commitment they could muster: men like Dr. James Kennedy, Chuck Colson, Os Guinness, Barey Corey, and many many others. In fact, one could say that the building of a Jesuit Social Order became an obsession with these men and with other evangelicals.

Chuck Colson, a Baptist Minister, who recently passed away, certainly became a prominent figure in America as he wrote large tomes promoting the fiction that Roman Catholics were Christians and urging Protestants to quit fighting with Roman Catholics, and join with them in a co- belligerency to defeat secular humanism, and set up the Jesuit Social Order in America. The bottom line of all this theological twaddle was that NO CHRISTIAN SHOULD BE FIGHTING ANY THEOLOGICAL WARFARE AGAINST THE PAPAL MAN OF SIN; he was to see the papacy as his ally and co-belligerent in another entirely different warfare: the cultural warfare against secular humanism. So the Jesuit eschatology certainly has consequences: there is now NO PAPAL MAN OF SIN to contend against; only some other secular evil.

The Jesuit teaching that the Man of Sin is only someone who appears at the very end of the age, removes the Papal Man of Sin from the theological battlefield completely. This is what the Jesuits have managed to accomplish: the end of a theological warfare with evangelicals. As Chuck Colson graphically put it: evangelicals need to QUIT FIGHTING Roman Catholics. This was one of Colson's main points in his efforts to maintain his warfare against secular humanism. Let us quit fighting each other and start joining together to fight the real enemy. Whereas all the Reformers, and most of all the leading Puritans, and the millions of true Protestants who followed such leadership for centuries, saw their MAIN BATTLE against the Papal Man of Sin and his evil empire. Their eschatology called for total spiritual warfare against the Papal Man of Sin, not some other imaginary target. There are surely many battles to be fought: but the main battle of the church is to contend earnestly for the faith once and for all delivered to the saints.

The converted Roman Catholic priest Lehmann wrote fifty years ago that the real title of the papal encyclical Quadragesimo Anno, written more than a hundred years ago was ON THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE SOCIAL ORDER. The whole charismatic idea of RENEWAL, and the whole idea of the RECONSTRUCTION of Society is papal and Jesuit. Yet multiplied millions of charismatics, reformed, and evangelicals are now all busily engaged in trying to set up a Jesuit Social Order in America today. Is that not another great triumph of the Jesuits?

The Roman Catholic church teaches that the whole earth is to be submissive to the Pope of Rome. America, for centuries, repudiated the Pope as the Papal Man of Sin, and refused to be submissive to the Vicar of Satan for they certainly did not believe he was the Vicar of Christ. The majority of Americans for centuries followed the men and teachings of the Protestant Reformation, and repudiated all the errors and blasphemies of Rome as the deceptions of Satan and his main man on earth, the Papal Man of Sin. Read the works of the early Puritan Separatists who started this nation for corroboration.

Malachi Martin, who has many criticisms of the Roman Catholic church, and of the papacy in his works, nevertheless, as a true Roman Catholic, believed that the Pope of Rome is the "ULTIMATE ARBITER OF WHAT IS MORALLY GOOD AND MORALLY BAD IN HUMAN ACTIONS." In other words, although he criticized some of the actions of some of the modern popes, he still believed that the Pope of Rome was the mouthpiece of Almighty God on earth. Surely a strange position

to adopt in light of all the pedophilia scandals that have haunted the whole system of Rome for years and contributed mightily to the resignation of the former pope.

The Pope of Rome could not be the final arbiter of what is morally good, and what is morally bad, when he sought to shield all the pedophiles in the Roman priesthood. Such an immoral system could never be the foundation of either the RENEWAL or RECONSTRUCTION of any society.

However, even apart from all the immorality, the whole idea of an idolatrous and blasphemous cult bringing about the renewal or reconstruction of society is merely a pathetic fiction. Surely it is a mark of the spiritual declension in America today, whenever evangelicals, Baptists, and Reformed men think that an idolatrous, spiritually, and morally bankrupt religion, could ever change any nation for the better.

Such an evil religion is always the curse of any nation in which it gains the ascendancy; it is never a blessing to any nation. Even more to the point, it blinds the millions trapped in it to the truth of the glorious gospel thus sending them to everlasting damnation, something infinitely worse than merely hurting some nation.

Chuck Colson recently passed away. His legacy has been promoted and praised by several leading scholars and educators. Barry Corey is one of those who has been praising Colson and his work now for several years. Barry Corey is the president of Biola University. He wants to continue Chuck Colson's cultural struggle and his deep involvement with Roman Catholics to do so.

Barry Corey was Dean of Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary before coming to Biola. He recently recalled a conversation he had with Colson at that time to the effect that Colson then wanted to start a lectureship on the need for a Christian World view to be presented to a much wider constituency.

Chuck Colson's world view was not a biblically Protestant one; it was the old classical Roman Catholic view. Surely it is very significant that when Corey was Dean at Gordon-Conwell it was famous for turning out Roman Catholic graduates. Colson was a member of the Board of Trustees at that time of Gordon-Conwell. So the Jesuit line was being pushed and pushed hard at Gordon-Conwell,

Indeed, Gordon-Conwell produced so many Roman Catholic graduates that Sursum Corda, the Roman Catholic magazine, gave an entire issue to recount and celebrate the stories of all those Roman Catholic converts being graduated from Gordon-Conwell. Barry Corey was one of the leaders at this school of theological confusion. He has since moved on to become President of Biola University. He seems to want to turn Biola into another Gordon-Conwell,

Secularism is the bete-noir of all the Roman Catholic politically conservative writers and scholars. Apparently, Colson followed them very closely. Now Corey wants to continue the fight of Roman Catholic conservatism against secular humanism. The only problem to the Bible-believer is there is as much theological error in the Roman Catholic religion, maybe more potent

error than there is in secular humanism. Both systems are evil; not just one of them. But the only war going on in the United States today is the Roman Catholic cultural struggle against secularism. There is no war being carried on in the United States today against the false religious system of Roman Catholicism which controls the Supreme Court, the legislature, and which dominates education today. Christian academia in the United States today has, for the most part, become Roman Catholic Academia.

Is the church to be engaged in fighting secularism in the culture, to the exclusion of fighting false religion in the church? For this is obviously where the battle in America rages today. So much so, that Colson called for a co-belligerency with Roman Catholicism to fight secularism. A candid and fatal admission that to fight Roman Catholicism is completely unnecessary.

Corey, in singing the praise of Colson, wrote that,

He is not alone in higher education in being deeply grateful for the unwavering convictions Chuck Colson modeled... Biola University is forever grateful to Chuck Colson both for his endorsement of our university's mission but for more importantly for his own important work in the kingdom of God. He was a prophetic voice in the culture, standing up against the rising tide of secularism and speaking out for morality based on God-given values.¹

The rising tide of secularism is only one of the problems American culture faces today. The rising tide of false religion is even more evil than the rising tide of secularism. For secularism rises in a culture dominated by false religion.* When a nation is to perish in its sins, "it is in the church the leprosy begins." The tide of compromise with false religion has reached enormous proportions with Wheaton College, Calvin College, Westminister Seminary, Fuller Seminary, Gordon-Conwell, Biola, and many others as examples of that compromise. The rising tide of theological ignorance on the part of those who are supposed to be teaching the truths of biblical Christianity is surely becoming a tsunami in what are still called Christian academic institutions. How else explain the fawning adulation heaped upon C. S. Lewis and Chuck Colson, men who promoted the cause of Roman Catholicism constantly and continually. Thus aiding mightily the Jesuit conspiracy out to destroy biblical Christianity.

* Look at modern Europe which is now almost totally secular.

Let us look at how Biola intends "to grab the mantle (of Chuck Colson), joining the next generation of Christians around the globe to stand up for biblical truth even where it is increasingly unfashionable." ² The Center for Christian Thought is to have two great scholars present in February 2013 (even as we write). They are Alvin Plantinga and Nicholas Wolterstorff. Who are these "Christian" scholars? Here is how they are described in Biola's magazine.

ALVIN PLANTINGA

Alvin Plantinga, who has been called "arguably the greatest philosopher of

the last century" in Christianity Today, is currently the William H. Jellema, Chair of Philosophy at Calvin College, and was until his retirement in 2010, the John A. O'Brien, Professor of Philosophy at the University of Notre Dame." This is then the "scholar" that is going to stand up for biblical truth, according to Barry Corey, a man who taught for years at a Roman Catholic University!

NICHOLAS WOLTERSTORFF

Biola magazine calls,

Nicholas Wolterstorff, "one of the world's premier Christian Philosophers. He is the Noah Porter, Professor Emeritus of Philosophical Theology at Yale University and a Senior Fellow at the Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture at the University of Virginia. He has held professorships at Calvin College and Yale University as will as visiting professorships at Harvard, Princeton, Oxford, and Notre Dame." ⁴

Nicholas Wolterstorff is called by Biola one of the world's premier Christian philosophers. What does this "outstanding Christian philosopher" promote? He promotes Jesuit Liberation Theology. He writes,

I think there can be no doubt that the Biblical theme of poverty has been brought to our attention today mainly by the poor of the world and by those who live among them. When poor peasants in the base ecclesial communities of Latin America themselves began to read the Bible and reflect on what they read, the theme of poverty leapt out at them and the tradition of interpretation which they had received was shattered. Liberation Theology arose from the situation, and the agenda of the world church altered. ⁵

Here we see the ecclesiology of the Jesuits unashamedly pushed and promoted. He does NOT address the fact that Romanism has been in these "ecclesial communities" for centuries and has helped to produce the poverty that characterizes them. He also does not go into detail to show what liberation theology has produced.

Not all scholars are impressed with Nicholas Wolterstorff. Dr. John Robbins said that,

Wolterstorff displays an embarrassing ignorance of history and economic theory, as well as, Christian theology... 6

He made this comment in connection with what Wolterstorff wrote about capitalism and communism.

Wolterstorff also said,

While the productive impulses and capacities of capitalism have proved to be nothing short of astonishing, industrial capitalism... has left a trail of poverty amidst wealth; it is in the ideology of SOCIALISM and COMMUNISM, NOT in Capitalism, that the alleviation of poverty is given high priority." (Emphasis added)

Does this "scholar" live on the same planet as the rest of us? Does North Korea, one of the most communistic countries on the face of this earth, give a high priority to the alleviation of poverty?

The magazine describes the Center's aims as the desire "to encourage cutting-edge Christian scholarship by bringing in world-renowned scholars to Biola's campus." § In discussing the aim of the center, the magazine recounts what took place when those planning it were talking together about what they hoped to accomplish.

Back in October, professor Gregg Ten Eishof was sitting across from radio talk show host Frank Pastore, explaining his vision for the soon to be launched "Biola University Center for Christian Thought"... As he started to describe one of the center's aims-to encourage cutting edge Christian scholarship by bringing world-renowned scholars like 'Alvin Plantinga to Biola's campus, Pastore excitedly burst in.

"No way! You got Plantinga to come?" he said. "Folks, Alvin Plantinga is on the shortlist of the top two or three most brilliant Christian philosophers... He and (Biola professor) Bill Craig, and maybe Swinburne... and Wolterstorff. Some of the brightest people around."

Ten Eishof chuckled. As it just so happened, he said, Nicholas Wolterstorff would be joining Plantinga at the new Biola center in the spring. And Richard Swinburne was slated to come the following year.

"You're getting an all-star team!" Pastore shouted.

"That's the idea," Ten Eishof said. 9

Surely the ignorance of biblical truth is widespread today. With the worship of man comes biblical ignorance. The wisdom of this age is completely destroyed by the Wisdom of God. The Wisdom of God has nothing whatsoever at all to do with the cutting edge of Jesuit scholarship; it has all to do with the cross of Christ. For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness but unto us who are saved it is the power of God. For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. The glorious gospel, of which Rome knows nothing, is the wisdom of God. The wisdom of this age now rules much of what is called Christian scholarship in America today.

One of the main changes in American Christianity, in my lifetime, has been the loss of the Puritan-Protestant theology that was the foundation of this great nation for more than three hundred years. Several forces were at work to bring this change about, none more powerful than the Jesuits. The Jesuits worked hard to replace biblical Protestant Christianity with "classical" Christianity.

As time went on, there were other voices that arose to promote and defend "Classical Christianity." The writings of C.S. Lewis championed "Classical Christianity." Lewis loved the Mass, taught that egregious lie of Purgatory,

which is surely the foundation of medieval religion, and never said a word about justification by faith alone in the finished work of Christ. What Lewis believed and taught was medieval mythology, not Protestant Christianity.

Dr. John Robbins, examines one of the main promoters of "classical tradition" in "Reformed" circles: Andrew Sandlin. He stated, among other things, that Sandlin had attacked him for showing the errors of the neo-legalists, whom Sandlin defends. Dr. Robbins also points out the distinction that Sandlin makes between what the Protestant Reformers taught-the Reformed Faith-and what Sandlin calls "historic orthodox Christianity."

Sandlin quotes Thomas Oden, the Buttz Professor of Theology and Ethics, at Drew University, a United Methodist liberal school.

If you are going to be Eastern Orthodox, and I don't want to try to dissuade you from that at all, I think you can find the One Holy Catholic Church there. 10

This is the man that Sandlin cites as his authority on "Classical Christianity." Sandlin continues his defense of Classical Tradition,

As I have written elsewhere, heresy is almost always defined in terms of deviation from classical Christianity, not from the distinctive of any particular species of the (orthodox) church, even the Presbyterian Church. So, even if the men charged are not Reformed (and | believe they are, they claim to be) they are not thereby heretics. ¹¹

Here Sandlin is defending all those who hold to what he calls classical Christianity. That is Roman Catholics and Eastern Orthodox adherents, are not heretics even though they are not biblical Christians. So the same old push of Colson to have Roman Catholicism recognized as a sister Christian communion is being promoted by Sandlin. What Sandlin is defending here is medieval mythology, not Christianity.

Dr. Robbins refutes the errors of Sandlin. He stated,

So, according to Sandlin's scheme, a man is not a heretic if he denies say, justification by faith alone, since it is a peculiar doctrine of the Reformed Faith, a doctrine that is not accepted by either Orthodoxism or Romanism, and which is not mentioned in the ecumenical creeds. Nor, according to Sandlin's scheme, is a man a heretic if he denies the sufficiency and inerrancy of Scripture, since those doctrines are not mentioned in the ecumenical creeds and are in fact denied by the Romanists and the Orthodoxists. Nor is a man a heretic if he advocates the use of images and statues in worship, since both the Orthodoxists and the Romanists use and advocate the use of such "aids to worship," and since the ecumenical creeds do not condemn their use. One could go on at length, but by now the reader should get the point: Sandlin has repudiated biblical Christianity in favor of something he calls "classical Christianity." In repudiating the Reformation, Sandlin has repudiated Scripture and the Gospel that belongs to Jesus Christ. 12

The return of a "divisive Protestant rebellion" to classical Romanism, has been the goal of the Jesuits since their inception. Now it is obvious that many in Reformed and evangelical and charismatic circles, have taken up the sword of the Jesuits in order to fight alongside them, to destroy what is left of historic Protestant Christianity in America today.

The Charismatics meeting at New Orleans a few years ago said that at the previous conference in Notre Dame, we knocked down the giant of Protestantism, now let us cut off his head that the divisions among the churches may never appear again. They, of course, we assume, were speaking figuratively, about cutting off the giant's head. What they meant was that they wanted to bring about the complete destruction of Protestantism.

In America today we have those people who are classed as evangelicals; we have others classed as Reformed; still others from both of these camps classed as Charismatics, and all these people are promoting the ecumenical non- Protestant church; the confusion thus generated has been overwhelming.

Historically, all Protestant denominations, at their inception repudiated and refuted, and preached and taught against the great System of Mystery Babylon religion, with all the spiritual weapons at their disposal. And in many, many, cases sealed their witness in the flames of martyrdom. The dissenters before the Reformation, the Reformers, the Puritans, the Huguenots, the dissenters after the Reformation, ALL believed that they were in a life and death struggle with the Papal Man of Sin. They were struggling against him, and all his henchmen who were dealing out wars, massacres, sieges, mayhem, and every type of persecution known to man against them. Now the heirs of that glorious Protestant heritage, have all made their peace with the Man of Sin, having dropped Reformed Protestant eschatology. This is the consequence of following a Jesuit eschatology.

The Charismatics now want to cut THE HEAD OFF the giant of Protestantism; meaning they want to destroy him completely. However, they do NOT want to cut the head of the Papal Man of Sin; they do not want to destroy him completely. They obviously want him to flourish, so that those who once separated from him, and repudiated him, will NEVER AGAIN trouble or divide the great apostate ecumenical religion of humanity governed by him.

What does this mean?

Well, it means that they must love all the errors and blasphemies of the Papal Man of Sin. They must love the blasphemy of the Mass which is the chief act of worship in the Romish communion. They must love working for their salvation. They must love penance rather than repentance. They must love Mary more than Christ. They must love Purgatory, that chief of all blasphemies against the total forgiveness that Christ has accomplished for all those who believe in Him. They must love making saints and prayers for the dead, candles, and a hundred and one other evils of the Papal Man of Sin.

At the same time they want to destroy SOLA SCRIPTURA, the glorious Protestant teaching that Scriptura ALONE is the ONLY AUTHORITY for faith and practice in the church. Thus ruling out all popish edicts, ecumenical councils, Oral

Tradition, and all forgeries of papal history. They must also want to destroy SOLA FIDE, that the sinner is justified by faith ALONE. They must love all the anathemas that the Papal Man of Sin has called down on such a wonderful doctrine. They must want to destroy SOLUS CHRISTUS, that salvation is not found in the church but in Christ ALONE. They must want to destroy SOLA GRATIA, THAT GLORIOUS Bible doctrine that the sinner is saved by GRACE ALONE, without any works of merit done by the sinner. Then they must all want to destroy SOLA DEI GLORIA, that all the glory belongs to God ALONE for everything. He that glories let him glory in the Lord. God has chosen the weak and the foolish and the despised, and the things that are not, that NO FLESH should glory in His presence.

Talk about unmitigated confusion. Those who claim they get revelations from God are led to repudiate the glorious truths the historic Protestants gleaned from the Scriptures ALONE; and in their place they want all the errors and blasphemies, that have been added over and above the Scriptures by the Papal Man of Sin down through the centuries. May the Lord enlighten the eyes of the modern church to the truth as it is in Jesus and as it is found in the Holy Scriptures ALONE! Romanism is built upon a foundation of total irrationalism. It may be called "classical" Christianity by the irrational neo-orthodox manologians of today but it has nothing to do with Christianity. What is called "classical" Christianity today is medieval mythology. The Apostles Creed may have been repeated by some in the middle ages, and some scholars may have known something about the ecumenical creeds, but the people were swamped in superstition. As Bishop J. C. Ryle said, their religion,

was superstition of the LOWEST AND MOST DEGRADING DESCRIPTION. Of the extent to which this was carried few, I suspect, have the smallest idea... The blind led the blind, and both fell into the ditch. In a word the religion of our ancestors, before Hooper's time, was little better than an organized system of Mary worship, Virgin Mary worship, saint worship, image worship, relic worship, pilgrimages, alms-giving, formalism, ceremonialism, processions, prostrations, bowings, crossings, fastings, confessions, absolutions, masses, penances, and blind obedience to the priests. It was a grand higgledy-piggledy of ignorance and idolatry and service done to God by deputy. (Emphasis his) 13

It was an absolute carnival of irrationality and superstition, John Bale, in his commentary on the book of Revelation, said,

I beheld an execrable beast, very odious and hateful to look upon, rising out of the ravenous and roaring sea. By this monstrous ugly and most odious beast is meant the universal or whole anti-christ, comprehending in him all the wickedness, fury, falsehood, frowardness, deceit, lies, crafts, sleights, subtleties, hypocrisy, tyranny, mischiefs, pride, and all devilishness... How is this beast recognized? He takes error and establishes it as an infallible truth, and makes it a necessary article of faith, as they have done with purgatory, pardons, confessions, saint-worshiping, and such like... No abomination nor mystery of iniquity was ever found in these kingdoms that now reigneth in the detestable papacy or monstrous kingdom of antichrist, the Assyrians, Chaldeans, and Parthians were bad but nowhere was ever more pride,

vanity, whoredom, filthiness, hypocrisy, falsehood, fickleness, extortion, vainglory, covetousness, sorcery, superstition, and unfaithfulness, seen to have defiled the holy temple of God, than that seen in the Roman Catholic System.¹⁴

The medieval mythology based upon tradition and not the Bible, promoted and defended the magic of the Mass, that a magic trick is performed every time the priest says his hocus-pocus over the bread and wine. It defended the myth of Purgatory. It promoted and extolled relics and bones. It developed a whole religion around Mary. It promoted and defended pilgrimages and shrines. It promoted the gross lie of indulgences. It promoted the lie that defied the Man of Sin as our Lord God the Pope. It denied salvation by grace ALONE, and justification by faith ALONE. And denied that the church was to be governed by the Bible ALONE. So whatever was promoted and followed in the religion of Rome, it had nothing whatsoever to do with either classical Christianity or Reformed Christianity. It simply was NOT Christian in any way, shape, or form.

It is this classical form of irrational traditional mythology that the Jesuits are promoting in America today, as a Christian Social Order. And many "Christians" are lined up with them, helping their cause with all the power and support they can muster.

Martin says of the Jesuits,

The Society of Jesus was started in 1540 by an obscure Basque named Inigo de Loyola, better known as Ignatius of Loyola. You cannot place Inigo's Jesuits on a par with any other organization for the simple reason that no single organization we know of has yet rivaled the Jesuits in the immeasurable services they have rendered to the human family-over and above what they did on behalf of the papacy and the papacy's Roman Catholic Church... the Society has withstood every test of time and circumstance...

Not even Inigo could have seen the quasi- miracle of his Society's organization, its meteoric and brilliant success, and its universal influence on the world of man when he founded it. For the next 425 years, the tens of thousands who joined Inigo's company established a record that in its own category stands unmatched in past or present history...

Once his men harnessed their energies within his organization to the worldwide work of the Roman Church, they produced a unique phenomenon of human history. "Never," wrote the eighteenth-century German theorist Novalis, "never" before in the course of the world's history had such a Society appeared. The old Roman Senate itself did not lay schemes for world domination with greater certainty of success. Never had the carrying out of a greater idea been considered with greater understanding. For all time, this Society will be an example to every Society which feels an organic longing for infinite extension and eternal duration."

They were giants, but with one purpose: the defense and propagation of papal authority and papal teaching. ¹⁵

This great antichristian conspiratorial Order of the Jesuits, animated by the great Spirit of Error, is changing the American church even as we write. And the spiritual warfare that the Protestants and Puritans of America used to wage against it, is all but over. The theological battlefield is enshrouded in silence in the "Christian" churches of America; the noise of battle is heard only in American culture. The eschatologies of the Jesuits have seen to that. So while many "Christians" sleep a stealthy and deceptive enemy still wages his war against them.

We close with those immortal words of Grattan Guinness,

I see the great Apostasy, I see the desolation of Christendom, I see the smoking ruins. I see the reign of monsters; I see those vice-gods, that Gregory VII, that Innocent III, that Boniface VIII, that Alexander VI, that Gregory XIII, that Pius IX; I see their long succession, I hear their insufferable blasphemies, I see their abominable lives; I see them worshiped by blinded generations, bestowing hollow benedictions, bartering lying indulgences, creating a paganized Christianity; | see their liveried slaves, their shaven priests, their celibate confessors; I see the infamous confessional, the ruined women, the murdered innocents; I hear the lying absolutions, the dying groans; I hear the cries of the victims; I hear the anathemas, the curses, the thunders of the interdicts; I see the racks, the dungeons, the stakes; I see that inhuman Inquisition, those fires of Smithfield, those butcheries of St. Bartholomew, the Spanish Armada, those unspeakable dragonnades, that endless train of wars, that dreadful multitude of massacres. I see it all, and in the name of that ruin it has brought upon the Church and in the world, in the name of the truth it has denied, the temple it has defiled, the God it has blasphemed, the souls it has destroyed; in the name of the millions it has deluded; the millions it has slaughtered, the millions it has damned; with holy confessors, with noble reformers, with innumerable martyrs, with the saints of the ages, I denounce it as the masterpiece of Satan, as the body and soul and essence of antichrist.

What can the true believer do in the face of apostasy, false religion, and the compromise with such evils? He can do no better than to follow the advice of the Apostle Paul,

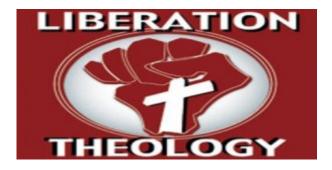
Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the Devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of

the gospel of peace; above all taking the shield of faith, wherewith you shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God; praying always with all prayer and supplication for all saints; and for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the Gospel (Ephesians 6:10-19).

(End of The Effect of the Jesuit Eschatologies on America Today — by Dr. Ronald Cooke.)

If you read the entire booklet, congratulations! You should now know more than most born-again Christians about who the real enemy is. I used to think it was the Jews, and then later the Illuminati / Freemasons / Bilderbergers / CFR / International Bankers / Rothschilds / Rockefellers / ______ (fill in the blank with your favorite bad guy), at the top of the pile of evils in this world, but now based on my knowledge of the Protestant Reformation and the Roman Catholic Church's reaction to the Reformation which is called the Counter-Reformation, I believe ALL these people and organizations are controlled by the Jesuits and the Vatican. Dr. Ronald Cooke's booklet added more details to that knowledge.

The Effects of the Jesuit Cultural Struggle Upon the United States Today



This is chapter 10 of <u>The Effect of the Jesuit Eschatologies on America Today</u> – by Dr. Ronald Cooke.

The Jesuit-Futurist view puts Antichrist away off into the end times. So he does not affect church or nation today. The Jesuit-Preterist view puts Antichrist back into the first century ONLY. He disappeared before AD 70. So he no longer affects either church or the world today.

So the Jesuits then can get on with the job of Romanizing the world for the Pope of Rome. The deceived evangelicals and Reformed Bible-believers are now caught up in this Jesuit cultural struggle to "Christianize" America and the

world.

The idea of "Christianizing" the world arises from the Jesuit Alcasar's view of the future. Antichrist arose and fell before AD 70. So with such opposition out of the way, the coast is clear to set about "Christianizing-Romanizing" the World for the Papacy. This is what is happening in the United States today.

There was a lot of gobbledegook written by the Jesuits, Du Chardin, and Tyrell, to name two, but one thing is clear: American Protestantism had to go, And the Jesuits were prepared to make it go, and to replace it with their Jesuit-Social-Order.

We as Jesuits must recognize that we participate in many sinful structures of American society. Hence we run the risk of sin UNLESS WE WORK TO CHANGE THAT. $^{\rm 1}$ (emphasis added)

The Jesuit cultural struggle is how they are working to change America. This cultural struggle takes place on many fronts: theological, political, ecclesiastical, philosophical, educational, scientific, and yes militarily. One of the aspects of the Jesuit cultural struggle is euphemistically called LIBERATION THEOLOGY.

Malachi Martin, who hated liberation theology, does recount some details about it and those Jesuits who promoted it and were deeply and personally involved in its execution on the battlefield.

Malachi Martin wrote,

As one swallow does not make a summer, so one McGovern (the Jesuit author of Marxism: An American Christian Perspective) or even one-Jesuit National Leadership project-does not make a war. Its stated policy aside, in every practical sense the Society (Jesuit) is committed corporately to this class struggle. Its message comes today from a thousand different sources among clergymen and theologians living in the countries of democratic capitalism. It is enshrined in a totally new theology — the Theology of Liberation — whose handbook was written by a Peruvian Jesuit, Father Gustavo Gutierrez, and whose Hall of Fame includes a remarkable number of prominent Latin American Jesuits such as Jon Sobrino, Juan Segundo, and Ferdinand Cardenal. Those are not household names heard on the nightly news in the USA. They are however, men of significant international influence for the Americas (North and South) and for Europe. ²

(Ferdinand Cardenal of course, was one of the Jesuits who was a leader of the bloody Sandinista revolution in Nicaragua shortly before Martin wrote.)

The Jesuits promoted the universal church and the people's church: the church of all humanity. The only problem is that not all are convinced by the Jesuit Message. This is where Liberation Theology comes into the picture.

The message of universal salvation is now preached by Roman Catholics and

non-Catholics. God loves everybody. All humanity is the elect of God. The message sounds great, but what if some do not cooperate?

God loves everybody unconditionally. But what if everyone does not love God? What then? The message that love inevitably triumphs over hate sounds great; but what if hate does not cooperate and believe the message preached? Well then if hate does not give way to love peacefully: it will have to be convinced by other means.

The Jesuit, Francis Carney, was more honest than some other Jesuits, for he unashamedly and vocally believed and preached, that military force was necessary to set up the kingdom of God on earth. His idea of liberation was based on dialectical theology: the theology of conflict. Conflicting opinions must give way to a series of struggles between people of different ideologies. This was God's plan for the world. God was engineering evolution to bring about universal salvation, but this evolutionary determinism included conflict and armed revolution if some people refused peacefully to accept the ecumenical church of all humanity.³

The Jesuits were the masters and originators of Liberation theology. The impact of liberation theology is not well known in non-catholic circles today in modern America. Yet liberation theology rises from the Jesuit eschatology. Luis Aleasar said that the Antichrist arose and fell in the first century. So then the church can "Christianize" the world for there is no system of anti-Christianity to oppose it.

This is what they work for day and night. How is this take over of the world to be achieved? Well, for years Jesuits worked through political intrigue and education to achieve their goals. They still do. However, men like Pierre Teilhard Du Chardin, with other Jesuits, sought to speed up the take over of the world and to speed up the destruction of Protestantism, particularly in the United States of America.

So the idea arose that the "church" needed to become more militant. Not like former days when the papacy sought the military help of kings and princes to achieve their domination of Europe. The CHURCH needed to become more militant itself, and not only seek for the help of the secular rulers, but in many cases overthrow the secular rulers by armed aggression. The Reformed (really Jesuit) Reconstructionists also taught the same thing: military might to overcome all opposition and thus "Christianize" the world and bring in the kingdom of love and light by the armed aggression of Liberation Theology.

Carney was not just whistling "Dixie." He was directly involved with the jungle-based guerrillas in Latin America, particularly in Honduras. Malachi Martin wrote that,

Carney was Chicago born and bred. He trained as a Jesuit… and then volunteered for work in Central America… he became a Honduran citizen. Over the years Carey drank in Liberation Theology like rare wine… His name and activities were publicly associated with jungle-based guerrillas. Even when a price was laid on his head by Honduran Army authorities, there was NO MOVE by Jesuit Superiors to curb Carey's

guerrilla associations. Indeed, Carney was only one of several Jesuits in Honduras, Nicaragua, Guatemala, and Costa Rica who were all following the same course with the BLESSING of their local Roman Superiors. ⁴ (emphasis added)

The Jesuits not only promoted Liberation Theology; they were deeply involved in the actual fighting. (We recount in more detail the Jesuit bloody triumphs in Nicaragua, in our previous study, The Jesuit Kulturkampf in the United States.)

Many Roman Catholic priests became involved in actual revolutionary activity in Latin America. The leaders of this theological and military effort, this liberation theology, were the Jesuits. What few people seem to realize is that the same Order of Jesuits was at work in the United States to promote liberation theology.

In the United States, the task was much more difficult. For there were not the masses of poverty-stricken people to provide the cannon-fodder for a full-blown revolutionary war as there were in Nicaragua, El Salvador, Guatemala, and other South American countries like Bolivia and Paraguay. In the United States, a different strategy would have to be employed.

As early as the decade of the 1960s the Jesuits, while still promoting the establishment of a Christian Social Order, also established a "Jesuit National Leadership Project." This Was a fundamental change in direction. Their "Working Paper" was explicit about their intention to change the political structure of America from that of a Protestant capitalistic republic to a classless society that was neither communistic nor capitalistic: it would be a reinterpreting of the gospel mission about the salvation of souls, to an economic non-supernatural dynamic conflict. It was the class struggle with a different end in view: a NEW kind of society which endorsed revolution as a catalyst of theological, political, and economic change. The change thus brought about would be complete. "It would be at one and the same time, a cultural-spiritual change, and an economic-social-political change as well." This then, is the struggle that many gullible non-Catholics are now engaged in promoting.

Carney ended his autobiography with a plea to all "Christians" to get rid of their unfair and un-Christian prejudices against revolution and Marxism. He wanted all Christians to join the NEW idea of revolution: a Christian revolution. ⁶ (The IRA in Ulster at that time began their Roman Catholic revolution against Protestant Ulster. The Protestants of Ulster were viewed as intransigent and therefore must be annihilated to pave the way for the ecumenical church of all humanity. The IRA were, and still are, merely putting into practice Jesuit Liberation theology).

Carney, with the agreement of His Jesuit Superiors, illegally crossed the border into Honduras to share the hit-and-run life of a guerrilla commando, It was the beginning of 12 years of the now gun-toting revolutionary Jesuit priest pressing forward in the dialectical conflict to bring about the NEW future of Catholicism and the NEW church of all humanity. He was putting Liberation Theology into action. This is where that miserable idea of "doing"

theology now rampant in non-catholic circles came from. Carney's theology was transposed into military combat. Martin wrote,

In September 1983, (12 years after he started his war) Carney's ninetyman commando unit was wiped out in a battle with Honduran troops... a few of his men survived and were thrown into a rectangular pit in the jungle... Was Carney one of these men? No one has ever been able to find out.

That's the kind of war this is... it's a war in which blood is spilled regularly and in great quantities. Priests like Carney are not exceptions... not all go so far as to live the life of commando fighters. But in many and varied roles they do play in the world's purely political arena, men such as Father Carney S. J., each and every one of them, are essential to the success of the Jesuits. 8

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The Destruction Of Jerusalem



Forward by the Webmaster:

I was inspired to transcribe part of Dr. Chuck Baldwin's message on the destruction of Jerusalem from a YouTube posted by Liberty Fellowship. I was not asked by Liberty Fellowship to do this. I am receiving no remuneration from them.

I think this message is extremely important for all Christians to know. It contains information that I certainly didn't know. And I think having a message in text format makes it more accessible to all. It sure helps me absorb the message deeper in my heart when I can read it. I hope you appreciate it and share this article with your friends.

The Destruction Of Jerusalem — by Dr. Chuck Baldwin

Open your Bibles please to Matthew chapter 23. Matthew chapter 23. I am preaching a message today that most of you have never heard a message of this nature preached in your life. You might be a senior citizen well up in years. I would venture to say you've never heard a message like I'm going to bring today, not because this message is not important, it is critically important, but the problem is there has been a great falling away among the Church over the last hundred years, and many of these great truths of the Word of God are not being taught any longer. This is one of those.

I'm speaking today on the destruction of Jerusalem. Matthew chapter 23 in verses 37 and 38, hear what Jesus said:

Matthew 23:37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!

38 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.

God introduced His covenant with Moses with mighty signs and miracles as we have already discussed. Again and again, again and again, the children of Israel, in spite of those miracles, rejected God, His Word, and His messengers. God sent them warning, after warning, after warning, prophet after prophet, miracle after miracle, oppressor after oppressor, and still Israel remained stiff-necked, hard-hearted and obstinate.

Moses in Exodus 32:9 said, "I have seen this people and behold it is a stiff-necked people."

In Exodus 33:5: "For the Lord said to Moses say unto the children of Israel ye are a stiff-necked people."

In Deuteronomy 9:6 "Understand therefore that the LORD thy God giveth thee not this good land — the promised land — to possess it for thy righteousness." He's not giving you this land because you have been righteous. "For thou art a stiff-necked people."

Deuteronomy 9:13: "Furthermore the Lord said unto me saying I have seen this

person and behold it is a stiff necked people."

2nd Chronicles chapter 30 and verse 8: "King Hezekiah said now be he not stiff necked as your fathers were."

In Acts chapter 7 verse 51 Stephen said: "Ye stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, you do always resist the Holy Ghost, as your fathers did, so do ye."

Jesus said to Jerusalem, "Thou that stonest the prophets, killest them that are sent unto thee." Jesus meant that.

Samuel was stormed against by the people, threatened, rejected, and mauled over by public opinion, Isaiah murdered with a wooden saw by King Manasseh, Joel, Uzziah, the son of King Amaziah, clubbed him to death. Amos, the son of a priest, drove a nail through his Temple. Micah was murdered by Joram, the son of Ahab. Habakkuk, stoned to death by Jews in Jerusalem. Ezekiel murdered by the chief of the Jews in Chaldea. Zachariah, King Joash murdered this prophet between the steps and the altar of the Temple, and then sprinkled his blood on the horns of the altar. Jeremiah, imprisoned, tortured, starved, and stoned to death by the Jews.

Look at Jeremiah chapter 19, take your Bibles to Jeremiah chapter 19, hear the prophecy of Jeremiah relative to the destruction of Jerusalem. Jeremiah chapter 19. I'm going to be giving you a *lot* of material today, and I know it may be hard to remember everything that I'm going to say that's why I hope that you'll get the video afterward, but I hope you'll watch intently at this prophecy of Jeremiah as it is applied to the destruction of Jerusalem, because *every single thing* that Jeremiah said in this chapter came to pass, and we will see it in this message.

Jeremiah 19:1 ¶Thus saith the LORD, Go and get a potter's earthen bottle, and take of the ancients of the people, and of the ancients of the priests; 2 And go forth unto the valley of the son of Hinnom, which is by the entry of the east gate, and proclaim there the words that I shall tell thee, 3 And say, Hear ye the word of the LORD, 0 kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, the which whosoever heareth, his ears shall tingle.

- 4 Because they have forsaken me, and have estranged this place, and have burned incense in it unto other gods, whom neither they nor their fathers have known, nor the kings of Judah, and have filled this place with the blood of innocents:
- 5 They have built also the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire for burnt offerings unto Baal, which I commanded not, nor spake it, neither came it into my mind:
- 6 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that this place (Jerusalem) shall no more be called Tophet, nor The valley of the son of Hinnom, but The valley of slaughter.
- 7 And I will make void the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem in this place; and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hands of them that seek their lives: and their carcases will I give to be meat for

the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth. 8 And I will make this city desolate,

What did Jesus say? "Jerusalem, your house is left unto you desolate."

Jeremiah 19:8 And I will make this city desolate, and an hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished and hiss because of all the plagues thereof.

- 9 And I will cause them to eat the flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters, and they shall eat every one the flesh of his friend in the siege and straitness, wherewith their enemies, and they that seek their lives, shall straiten them.
- 10 ¶Then shalt thou break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with thee,
- 11 And shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Even so will I break this people and this city, as one breaketh a potter's vessel, that cannot be made whole again: and they shall bury them in Tophet, till there be no place to bury.
- 12 Thus will I do unto this place, saith the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and even make this city as Tophet:
- 13 And the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of Judah, shall be defiled as the place of Tophet, because of all the houses upon whose roofs they have burned incense unto all the host of heaven, and have poured out drink offerings unto other gods.
- 14 Then came Jeremiah from Tophet, whither the LORD had sent him to prophesy; and he stood in the court of the LORD'S house; and said to all the people, 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.

That was Jeremiah's prophecy of the destruction of Jerusalem. Every word came to pass as we will see in a minute.

Description of Jerusalem

First, let's talk about the city of Jerusalem itself. It was built on two major mountains, and five lesser mountains. Three massive walls surrounded the city on every side except one side which was inaccessible. One wall was erected on a hanging rock and fortified by sixty towers. The middle wall had fourteen towers. The third wall had nearly 90 towers. In clear weather, one could see the Mediterranean Sea, Arabia, and the entire nation of Israel, from one vantage point. The towers were built of white marble. The tower stood between 90 and 135 feet high. Again, they all stood on the top of great hills and mountains. Nearby on the north side was the royal palace with its porticoes, galleries, apartments, groves, gardens, walks, fountains, aqueducts, all made from the costliest and most elegant materials. The Temple and the fort of Antonia were on the east side directly opposite the Mount of Olives. Inside the fort was the castle of Antonia, seventy five feet high, each side faced with marble. The towers of the fort were elegant and massive beyond description. The foundations of the lower Temple were four hundred and fifty feet deep, and the stones of which they were composed were more than 60

feet long and seven feet high, made of the whitest marble. The circuit of the whole building was four furlongs. Its height 100 cubits, 160 pillars each 27 feet high, ornamented and sustained the immense and ponderous edifice. In the front, spacious and lofty galleries wainscoted with cedar were supported by columns of white marble in uniform rows. In short, says Josephus, nothing could surpass even the exterior of this Temple for its elegant and curious workmanship. It was adorned with solid plates of gold that rivaled the beauty of the rising sun, and were scarcely less dazzling to the eye than the beams of that luminary. Of those parts of the building which were not guilt when viewed from a distance, some, says he, appeared like pillars of snow, and some like mountains of white marble. The splendor of the interior parts of the Temple corresponded with the external magnificence. It was decorated and enriched by everything that was costly, elegant, and superb.

In the lower Temple was placed the sacred curiosities; the seven-branched candlestick of pure gold, the table for the show-bread, and the altar of incense, the two latter of which were covered over with plates of the same metal, gold. In the sanctuary were several doors 55 cubits high, 16 in breadth which were all likewise of gold. Before these doors hung a veil of the most beautiful Babylonian tapestry composed of scarlet blue and purple, exquisitely interwoven, and wrought up to the highest degree of art. From the top of the ceiling depended branches and leaves of vines and large clusters of grapes hanging down five or six feet all of gold, and of most admirable workmanship. In addition to these proofs of the splendor and riches of the Temple may be noticed its eastern gate of pure Corinthian brass, more esteemed even than the precious metals. The golden folding doors of the chambers, the beautiful carved work, gilding and painting of the galleries, golden vessels of the sanctuary, the vestments of scarlet, violet and purple, the vast wealth of the treasury, abundance of precious stones and immense quantities of all kinds of costly spices and perfumes, in short, the most valuable and sumptuous of whatever nature or art or opulence could supply was enclosed within the consecrated walls of this magnificent and venerable edifice.

On Palm Sunday Jesus entered into that city, Jerusalem. The people laid palm leaves in His path and shouted, Hosanna! Blessed be the king that cometh in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest. But listen to what Jesus said, Luke 19:41 through 44.

Luke 19:41 ¶And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it, 42 Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes. 43 For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, 44 And shall lay thee even — even — with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.

On Wednesday of that week, Jesus rebuked and confounded the scribes and the Pharisees, and warned the disciples of the barbarous treatment that they would receive very soon at the hands of the Jews. He then said those words that we began this address with.

Luke 13:34 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings, and ye would not!

35 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate:

The Olivet Discourse

Turn in your Bibles to Matthew chapter 24 beginning in verse 1.

Matthew 24:1 ¶And Jesus went out, and departed from the Temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the Temple.

Not sure this was all of the disciples. It could have been Peter, James, John and Andrew, but they came out to Jesus and engaged in a private conversation with Him, and Jesus foretold the destruction of the city of Jerusalem.

Verse 2 And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things?

Remember this discourse took place on the Mount of Olives which commanded a full view of the city of Jerusalem and the Temple. Jesus and the disciples are looking at the city. They're looking at the Temple when Jesus said, "See ye not all these things?" Jerusalem, the Temple, the walls, the towers, the beauty, the grandeur, the riches. "Verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down. Jesus here predicts the city and the Temple's complete demolition.

Verse three: And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? — the destruction of Jerusalem — and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world? Or the end of the age. meaning the end of the Jewish age, the end of the Jewish world, not talking about the end of the world as almost everyone interprets this verse to mean. Jesus is talking about the destruction of Jerusalem, the end of an age, the end of the Jewish system, the end of their city, the end of their Temple, the end of their worship. When shall these things be?

Verse 4 ¶And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.

5 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

Within a year after Christ's death and resurrection, many false Christs appeared. Dasu Theas the Samaritan, Simon Magus a second Samaritan false Christ, a false Christ named Tudas under the government of Felix, a host of false Christs appeared claiming to perform great signs and miracles. An Egyptian false Christ collected 30 thousand followers. In the time of Festus, another false Christ appeared, and this is just a sample of the hundreds and hundreds of false Christs that came into Judea and Jerusalem shortly after the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, just as He had predicted.

Verse 6 And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. 7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

This is not talking about the end of the world, this is talking about the destruction of Jerusalem. There were wars and commotions occurring so frequently between Jesus death and the destruction of Jerusalem that the whole interval could be regarded as the fulfillment of this prophecy. War between Herod and Aretas king of Arabia Petraea, the wars of Caligula, the wars against the Jews by the Greeks and Syrians in the city of Seleucia with a huge slaughter, the wars between the Jews and the Philadelphians at Perea, the battle between the Jews and Kuminus resulting in the deaths of 10,000 Jews, war between the Jews and the Samaritans, war between the Jews and the Syrians in Ceceria resulting in the deaths of 20,000 Jews, war in Damascus, Tyre, Ascalon, Gadara, and Scythopolis. In the first three cities I just mentioned 10,000 Jews were killed in one hour. The siege of Chapada killed 40,000 Jews. In Alexandria the Romans killed 50,000 Jews. You shall have wars and rumors of wars, nation against nation. It was all fulfilled just as Jesus said between the time of Christ's death and the destruction of Jerusalem.

And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, Jesus said. Within that same period of time of this prophecy, this was literally fulfilled. In the reign of Claudius there was an great earthquake in Rome. There was an earthquake in Apamea, another earthquake in Syria, another one in Crete, there were earthquakes in Smyrna, Meletis Caius and Samos, another in Laodicea as well as Hierapolis and Colossi, and a dreadful earthquake occurred in Jerusalem a short time before the Roman siege against Jerusalem began. It **all** took place just as Jesus said. Jesus said, famines, great famines at the time extended through Greece and Italy but were felt most severely in Judea and especially in Jerusalem. Helena, Queen of Abiabeena, sent large supplies of grain to Jerusalem to help the starving in the city. The Gentile Christian Churches at the urging of the Apostle Paul sent much relief to the city of Jerusalem because of the starvation and famine in the city just as Jesus predicted.

Jesus said pestilences would occur. The first occurred in Babylon about 40 AD. The second occurred in Rome in 65 AD. Tens of thousands of people, maybe hundreds of thousands perished by the disease accumulating due to starvation and sickness. Dead corpses rotting on the streets, infected rats and insects, just as Jesus said, disease permeated the region for many years in between the death of Christ and the destruction of Jerusalem. In Luke chapter 21 and verse 11 Jesus said:

Great Signs from Heaven

Luke 21:11 ...and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.

The following extraordinary signs occurred just as Jesus said:

A meteor resembling a sword hung over Jerusalem during one entire year. This could not be a comet for it was stationary and was visible for twelve successive months. A sword too, a fit emblem of destruction.

"On the eighth of the month, (before the feast of unleavened bread) at the ninth hour of the night, there shone round about the altar, and the adjacent buildings of the Temple, a light equal to the brightness of the day, which continued for the space of half an hour." This could not be the effect of lightning, nor of a vivid aurora, for it was confined to a particular spot and the light shone unintermittently thirty minutes, as the High Priest were leading a heifer to the altar to be sacrificed, and brought forth a lamb, in the midst of the Temple.

Such is the strange account given by the historian. Some may regard it as a "Grecian fable," while others may think that they discern in this prodigy a miraculous rebuke of Jewish infidelity and impiety, for rejecting the ANTITYPICAL Lamb, who had offered Himself as an atonement, "once for all," and who, by thus completely fulfilling their design, had virtually abrogated the Levitical sacrifices. However this may be, the circumstances of the prodigy are remarkable. It did not occur in an obscure part of the city, but in the Temple, not at an ordinary time, but at the Passover, the season of our LORD'S crucifixion, in the presence, not of the vulgar merely, but of the High Priests and of their attendants, and when they were leading the sacrifice to the altar.

About the sixth hour of the night, the eastern gate of the Temple was seen to open without human assistance. When the guards informed the curator of this event, he sent men to assist them in shutting it, who with great difficulty succeeded. This gate, as hath been observed already, was of solid brass, and required twenty men to close it every evening. It could not have been opened by a "strange gust of wind," or a "slight earthquake;" for Josephus says, it was secured by "iron bolts and bars, which were let down into a large threshold; consisting of one entire stone."

Soon after the feast of the Passover, in various parts of the country, before the setting of the sun, chariots and armed men were seen in the air, passing round about Jerusalem. Neither could this portentous spectacle be occasioned by the aurora, for it occurred before the setting of the sun, or merely the fancy of a few villagers, gazing at the heavens, for it was seen in various parts of the country.

Beyond that, at the subsequent feast of Pentecost, while the priests were going by night, into the inner Temple to perform their customary ministrations, they first felt, as they said, a shaking, accompanied by an indistinct murmuring, and afterwards voices as of a multitude, saying, in a distinct and earnest manner, "LET US DEPART HENCE." This gradation will remind the reader of that awful transaction, which the feast of Pentecost was principally instituted to commemorate. First, a shaking was heard, this would naturally induce the priests to listen: an unintelligible murmuring succeeds; this would more powerfully arrest their attention, and while it was thus awakened arid fixed, they heard, says Josephus, the voices of a multitude, distinctly pronouncing the words "LET US DEPART HENCE." And accordingly, before this period for celebrating this feast returned, the Jewish war had commenced, and in the space of three years afterwards, Jerusalem was surrounded by the Roman army, the Temple converted into a citadel, and its sacred courts streaming with the blood of human victims.

And the last and most fearful omen, Josephus relates that one Jesus, the son of Ananus, a rustic of the lower class, during the Feast of Tabernacles, suddenly exclaimed in the Temple, "A voice from the east, a voice from the west, a voice from the four winds, a voice against Jerusalem and the Temple a voice against bridegrooms and brides — a voice against the whole people!" These words he incessantly proclaimed aloud both day and night, through all the streets of Jerusalem, for seven years and five months together, commencing in A.D. 62, when the city was in a state of peace, and overflowing with prosperity, and terminating amidst the horrors of the siege. This disturber, having excited the attention of the magistracy, was brought before Albinus the Roman governor, who commanded that he should be scourged. But the severest stripes drew from him neither tears nor supplications. As he never thanked those who relieved, so neither did he complain of the injustice of those who struck him. And no other answer could the governor obtain to his interrogatories, but his usual denunciation of "Woe, woe to Jerusalem!" which he still continued to proclaim through the city, but especially during the festivals, when his manner became more earnest, and the tone of his voice louder. At length, on the commencement of the siege, he ascended the walls, and, in a more powerful voice than ever, exclaimed, "Woe, woe to this city, this Temple, and this people!" And then, with a presentment of his own death, added," Woe, woe to myself." He had scarcely uttered these words when a stone from one of the Roman engines killed him on the spot. The great signs just as Jesus predicted.

Matthew chapter 24 verse 8 Jesus continues saying all these are the beginning of sorrows.

Luke 21 verse 12 Jesus said that before all these things they shall lay hands on you — the disciples — and persecute you delivering you up to the synagogues and into prisons being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake. In the verse 16 of that chapter, and ye shall be betrayed both parents and brethren and kinsfolks and friends, and some of you they shall cause to be put to death. As we know John the Baptist had already been beheaded, Peter and John were in prison, Stephen was stoned to death, James was beheaded, Paul was beheaded, eventually all of the disciples except John were violently martyred, just as Jesus said.

Verse 14 in Matthew 24: And this Gospel of the kingdom shall be preached into all the world for a witness unto all nations and then shall the end come. He's not talking about the end of the world, he's talking about the end of the Jewish world, the end of the Jewish age, the Gospel shall be preached to all the world, then shall the end come. The persecution of the Jews against the early Church forced the apostles and disciples to flee the city of Jerusalem. The book of Acts records the preaching of the Gospel into all the world, Rome, Corinth, Galatia, Ephesus, Philippi, Colossi, Thessalonica, Pontius, Cappadocia, Bethinia.

Colossians chapter 1 verse 23 listen to what the Apostle Paul said.

If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the Gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached — which was preached — to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am

made a minister. Just as Jesus said, the Gospel would be preached to **everyone** in the world, everyone under heaven. So here Paul proclaims the fulfillment of Jesus prophecy which was preached to **every creature under heaven**!

All of this, all of this was Jesus prophecy of things preceding the destruction of Jerusalem. Everything we have discussed to this moment happened *prior* to the destruction of Jerusalem. They were the precursors of that which was to come.

The wars referred to earlier escalated between the Jews in Jerusalem and Rome until it reached a boiling point. Nero appointed Vespasian to prosecute the war against the Jews in Jerusalem. Assisted by his son Titus, they marched an army of 60,000 men against Jerusalem in 67 AD. As the Roman army marched through Judea towards Jerusalem, it spared no one, woman or child. The siege and surrounding Judea went on for 15 months. Vespasian leveled the cities of Galilee and the chief towns of Judea killing at least a hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants. The terrors and calamities in the coastal city of Joppa were especially dreadful. Thousands of Jews took to ships to escape Vespasian's fury, but a great tempest of wind pushed the ships back to land, and hundreds of vessels were dashed against the rocks. Many Jews killed themselves to escape being tortured by the Roman army. Over four thousand dead bodies were strewed along the coasts, and thousands more were killed inland. Thus was fulfilled Jesus prophecy Luke 21:25 and upon the earth distress of nations with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring.

While Vespasian returned to Caesarea to plan his great and final assault against Jerusalem, he was summoned back to Rome upon the death of Nero. His son Titus was left in charge of the Roman army. Thus there was a respite of almost two years before Titus would seize the city of Jerusalem. God again gave the Jews yet another chance to repent and turn to the Lord. After all these things that have already happened, pestilences, disease, death, earthquake, wars, 150,000 killed in Judea, after all of this there was a twoyear respite. The Jews could have repented. The Jews could have turned to the Lord. God gave them another opportunity after all of the opportunities God had given Israel from the time of Moses, to the time of Joshua, to the Judges, to the prophets, over and over and over and over and over and over and over again for thousands of years God gave them an opportunity to repent, an opportunity to come to the Lord, an opportunity to obey God, an opportunity to be faithful to His Word, so many opportunities they're too numerous to count! And now on the very verge of their destruction, on the very verge of the total annihilation of their people, their way of life, their religion, their Temple, their city, God gave them another chance to repent. And they did not. Think of all the opportunities God gave the children of Israel from the time Moses delivered them from bondage all the way through the times of the prophets. The plagues, the judgments, the invasions, the captivity, the miracles, the deliverance. And then came John the Baptist and they killed him. Then came their Messiah, and they crucified Him. They're hard to stubbornness iniquity wickedness and blasphemy only grew worse and worse.

And now on the verge of total annihilation, the rebellion of the Jews against God intensified to unspeakable proportions. Inside the city of Jerusalem a

great civil war broke out between the inhabitants. These two "factions" spared no one, women or children. They killed each other by the thousands. Eighty five hundred bodies lied rotting on the streets of Jerusalem killed by fellow Jews. Twelve thousand Jewish leaders were killed including many Pharisees. Their carcasses lay in heaps along the city streets. Unrestrained lawlessness ran rampant throughout Judea. There was no law. There was rampant, rampant, unbridled violence, murder, rape, pillage, plunder, death, destruction, Jew against Jew!

It was during this background that the city inhabitants became aware that the Roman army was approaching for its final assault. Listen to Jesus in Matthew chapter 24 begin reading from verse 15:

Matthew 24:15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

- 16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:
- 17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:
- 18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.
- 19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!
- 20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:
- 21 For then shall be great tribulation, (**He's talking about the destruction of Jerusalem!** There shall be **great** tribulation!) such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

Let me pause right there. There has never in the history of the world been a slaughter, been an annihilation, been a destruction, of any people, of any city, anywhere in the history of the world, that compares to the destruction of the city of Jerusalem. And since that dreadful destruction, in modern history, with all of the advances in technology, and all of the warfare, the bombs, the planes, the ships, the guns, the canons, everything, World War I, World War II, think of all of the great horrors of military conflict that have taken place, to this very day there has never been an annihilation of any people, anywhere, in any war, that compares to the annihilation of the city of Jerusalem just as Jesus said in Matthew chapter 24 and verse 21, read it again, for then shall be Great Tribulation such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor shall ever be.

22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

And in Luke 21 verse 20 Luke adds this, Jesus speaking:

Luke 21:20 ¶And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed (or surrounded) with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

When you see the Roman armies surrounding this city, your doom is upon you. Previously Jerusalem had been invaded, Jerusalem had been captured, Assyrians, the Babylonians, the Chaldeans, but now Jerusalem will be utterly

and totally annihilated.

The day on which Titus encompassed Jerusalem was the Feast of the Passover, the 37th anniversary of the day when the Jews crucified their Messiah, 37 years to the day. Unaware of the bloodshed and the mayhem that was taking place in Jerusalem, tens of thousands of Jews faithfully came to Jerusalem to celebrate Passover as they did each year, but in doing so this year they ignored the warning of Jesus.

Luke 21:21b ...and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto. (The city of Jerusalem.)

If you're in the country, stay there. Do not enter the city of Jerusalem. The tens of thousands, yea, hundreds of thousands of Jews did just that. Josephus, the greatest of all Jewish historians, was an eyewitness to the destruction of Jerusalem. He was **in** Jerusalem when the siege began. He was taken prisoner by the Roman army, and when they recognized who he was, they spared his life, and they charged him to be an eyewitness on-site reporter, and to record every detail of the events that he witnessed during the course of this siege which is exactly what he did. Josephus said there were so many Roman crosses in Jerusalem one could hardly walk through the city. Rumors among the Roman troops were that Jews had swallowed gold, and you can imagine what the Roman troops did to the Jewish bodies in an attempt to recover the swallowed gold.

After visualizing the carnage that the Jews had inflicted upon themselves, and that now his troops were inflicting, Titus was so grieved at the scene that he stopped, raised his hand toward heaven, and prayed to God that he never intended so much death and destruction as the Jews had inflicted upon themselves. But the horrors of famine intensified. People were eating their belts, their sandals, the skins of their shields, dried grass and the order (???) of oxen. Men were eating each other, and women were eating their children. Remember the words of Jeremiah? Again Jesus warned Luke 23:28 as He was carrying his Cross to Mount Calvary and the women around Him were weeping Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem weep not for me but weep for yourselves and for your children!" They had no idea what He meant, but Jesus knew what was soon to come to this city.

Finally, the Romans breached the inner wall, I am trying to make this as expeditious as I can leaving out so many details of this. Your imagination can take you to the scene and you can only imagine the horror that was taking place as I tell you about this. The Romans breached the inner wall and gained possession of the great Tower of Antonio in advance toward the Temple. Titus had determined in planning the siege to not, I repeat, to not destroy the Temple. He wanted to preserve it as a trophy of Rome. Titus would not have his way. As his soldiers began burning the Temple, Titus personally rode to the scene and commanded his men to spare the Temple. But so violent was the battle between the Romans and the Jews that they either did not see their commander, or if they did, they ignored him. Jews were rushing from every quarter to save the Temple. There is no language to describe the scene of fire and smoke and blood and death that ensued as the Jews fought desperately to save the Temple of God! And the Romans, obsessed with their destruction,

it was something so unimaginable, it's impossible to describe.

The old and the young, the feeble and the fit, the priests and the commoners, the Pharisees and the scribes, mothers and fathers, parents and children, brothers and sisters, the ground could not be seen! The ground could not be seen for dead bodies. Men were not walking on the earth, they were walking on the bodies of the dead. In some parts of the city, blood was up to the horse's bridle.

Before the final demolition, however, Titus took a survey of the city and its fortifications. And while contemplating their impregnable strength, could not help ascribing a success to the peculiar interposition of Almighty God. He said, "Had not God himself aided our operations, and driven the Jews from their fortresses, it would have been absolutely impossible to have taken them. For what could men and the force of engines have done against such towers as these." — The Roman general Titus.

After this he commanded that the city should be raised — leveled — to the foundations. Of the Jews destroyed during the siege, Josephus records not less than 1,100,000, to which must be added above two hundred and thirty seven thousand who perished in other places, and innumerable multitudes who were swept away by famine and pestilence of which no calculation could be made. The actual number of Jews killed in the siege of Jerusalem was somewhere within a million at the least, and maybe two million dead.

In executing the command of Titus relative to the demolition of Jerusalem, the Roman soldiers not only threw down the buildings, but even dug up their foundations. You remember? Four hundred fifty feet deep! They dug up the foundations, and so completely leveled the whole circuit of the city that a stranger would scarcely have known that the city had ever been inhabited by human beings. Thus was the great city which only five months before had been crowded with nearly 2 million people, who glorified in its impregnable strength, entirely depopulated and level to the ground. And thus also was our Lord's prediction that her enemies shall, "lay her even with the ground," fully accomplished. This fact is confirmed by Eusebius who asserts that he himself saw the city lying in ruins.

Thus was literally fulfilled the prophecy of Micah in Micah 3:12

Micah 3:12 Therefore shall Zion for your sake be plowed as a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of the forest.

So significant was the destruction of Jerusalem, that it is the subject of a very large portion of prophecies in both the old and new testaments. Pause, sadly the vast majority of pastors either ignore these prophecies or they misapply them, and take away their meaning completely applying it to something that wasn't true! And so most people don't even realize how many scores and scores of verses in both the Old and New Testaments prophesy the destruction of Jerusalem! In other words, God placed the destruction of Jerusalem as a monumental sign and lesson, not to Israel, but to the Church.

First this caveat: Titus was the most unlikely man throughout the Roman armies to become a scourge to Jerusalem. He was eminently distinguished for his great tenderness and humanity, which he displayed in a variety of instances during the siege. He repeatedly made specific overtures to the Jews, and deeply lamented the infatuation that rejected them. In short he did everything which a military commander could do to *spare* them and to *preserve* their city and Temple, but without effect. Thus was the will of God accomplished by human agency, although contrary to the wish of Titus, and his predicted interposition to punish his rebellious and apostate people in this way rendered more conspicuously evident. In other words, by using Titus to be the one through whom the destruction of Jerusalem would come, **in itself, was a miracle**, a sign for the Church, **forever**, that everything about the destruction of Israel was divine in origin. It was the fulfillment of prophecy, the **judgment** of God **forever** upon Israel, Jerusalem, their Temple, and their religion.

Think of it: Not a single Christian perished in the siege of Jerusalem. Think of it, Jerusalem is where the Church began. Remember the day of Pentecost 3,000 were saved baptized and added to the Church in one day, in Jerusalem. The Church grew by leaps and bounds! But not one single Christian died in the siege of Jerusalem. They were dispersed in persecution, and those that weren't heeded the Oracles of God pertaining to the destruction of Jerusalem, and left before the siege began.

When Jesus said, "This generation shall not pass before all these things were fulfilled," it came to pass just as He said. A generation is 40 years in biblical terminology. Within 40 years time everything that Jesus had predicted had come to pass. That generation of people did not pass. They saw, experienced, lived and died in that fulfilled prophecy.

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The Abomination of Desolation of Matthew 24: Jerusalem Compassed with Armies





The early Protestant Reformers asserted that "Scripture interprets Scripture", which means the Bible is its own best interpreter. With that in mind, let's look at the Olivet Discourse as told in two of the three synoptic Gospels of Matthew 24 and Luke 21. I am not including Mark 13 because it's similar to Matthew 24.

Matthew 24:15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

- 16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:
- 17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:
- 18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.
- 19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!
- 20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:
- 21 For **then** shall be **great tribulation**, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

The parallel passage of the Olivet Discourse in the Book of Luke adds more detail to what Matthew wrote.

Luke 21:20 And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

- 21 Then let them which are **in Judaea** flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and **let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto**.
- 22 For these be the **days of vengeance**, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.
- 23 But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be **great distress** in the land,

and wrath upon this people.

24 And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and **Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles**, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

How Luke 21 explains Matthew 24

Let's compare Matthew 24 verse by verse with Luke 21 and see what we can learn.

Matthew 24:15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

Luke 21:20 And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

Luke 21:20 tells us what Matthew 24:15 doesn't. It explains clearly the final prophecy of Daniel 9:27:

Daniel 9:27b ... and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

The "overspreading of abominations" is the Roman army. "He shall make it desolate" is the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple. Notice Luke 21:20 says, "the desolation thereof is nigh"? The desolation of what? Clearly from the context, it's talking about Jerusalem. And when? In 70AD by General Titus.

Matthew 24:16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

Luke 20:21 Then let them which are **in Judaea** flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and **let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto**.

See how Luke adds more detail to the Olivet Discourse compared to Matthew? Not only does it tell the people of Judea to flee to the mountains, but it tells those who live outside Judea not to try to enter it! And why? Because if you do, the Romans will kill you! Do you see how this prophecy applies only to the people Jesus was talking to at the time? It's cannot possibly be an Endtime prophecy unless you include 70 AD as part of the Endtime. Jesus was telling who to flee? The people who lived in Jerusalem and Judea, not anywhere else in the world. And who obeyed Jesus' warning? The Jewish Christians! Every one of them was saved from the slaughter of the Romans! The ones who were killed were the ones who believed the false prophets and fled to the Temple to be saved.

Luke 24:22 For these be the **days of vengeance**, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

This verse is not included in Matthew 24. It explains why Rome was attacking

Jerusalem. The "days of vengeance" are God's wrath on the unbelieving Jews who rejected Jesus of Nazareth as the Christ, the Messiah. Jesus Himself brought the Roman army to destroy Jerusalem and the Temple to show that God is done with the Jews as a people. True Israel today consists of both Jews and Gentiles! The Epistles of Paul and the Book of Hebrews make this abundantly clear.

Galatians 3:26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

- 27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
- 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.
- 29 And **if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed**, and heirs according to the promise.

Hebrews 8:8 For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when **I will make a new covenant** with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

- 9 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.
- 13 In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

Matthew 24:21 For then shall **be great tribulation**, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

Luke 21:23b ... for there shall be **great distress** in the land, and wrath upon this people.

When was the "then" of Matthew 24:21? It was when Rome was attacking Jerusalem. The "days of vengeance" are God's wrath on the unbelieving Jews who rejected Jesus of Nazareth as the Christ, the Messiah. Those days are over. There was never such tribulation of the Jews as there was in 70 AD!

Notice that Matthew 24 says "great tribulation" and Luke 21 says "great distress"? There are both the same thing! And Luke goes further and says, "wrath upon this people". Upon which people? Upon the unbelieving Jews who did not obey Jesus' warning to flee Jerusalem and Judea! They were killed by the Romans. According to pastor Chuck Baldwin of Liberty Fellowship, General Titus did not want to totally destroy the city of Jerusalem and the Temple. His army was so enraged against the Jews his couldn't stop them! The soldiers therefore must have been divinely inspired to do what they did! Not even their own general could stop them from destroying the city and the Temple.

I hope I have given you enough food for thought in case you believe in the

Futurist doctrine of a comimg third Temple of Solomon and a future Antichrist occupying it for a seven-year peace pact with the Jews. The Temple may be rebuilt in the future, but I would not call it a fulfillment of prophecy. And I certainly wouldn't call it the "holy place" of Matthew 24:15! It would be an abomination to God because it would reflect yet the further rejection of the Blood of Christ in preference of the blood of animal sacrifices. God is finished with animal sacrifices! How do I know that?

Daniel 9:27 ...he (the Messiah) shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease...

Hebrews 9:11 But **Christ** being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, **not made with hands**, **that is to say**, **not of this building**;
12 **Neither by the blood of goats and calve**s, but **by his own blood** he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.

"Ok James Japan! So you're saying there won't be great tribulation in the Endtime?" I'm not saying there won't be tribulation caused by the enemies of Christ resulting in persecution of Christians. And I certainly do not believe that the Lord will rapture the Saints out of the midst or even before the beginning of great persecution. Nowhere does the Bible say that. If you think it does, please state the Scriptures that say so in the comments below. What I am saying is we do not know how long such a tribulation will last. It may be much shorter than 3 and a half years. It may be much longer than that. We cannot go by a final seven years scenario as I was taught because such a doctrine is based on a false interpretation of Daniel 9:27.

"So what will happen, James Japan?" I don't know! We only know that Christ will return for us. When? We don't know. Did any prophet of God predict that antichrists would bring the entire world into bondage and many into economic hardship by engineering the coronavirus scare which resulted in pandemic phobia and leading to greater government control of the people through vaccinations and vaccination passports? NO! NOT ONE PROPHET OF GOD PREDICTED THAT! Am I wrong? If I am, please educate me in the comments below. Thank you!

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The Three Great Deceptions of Church History



Forward by the webmaster:

The text below was transcribed from a video of a talk Dr. Chuck Baldwin gave to Liberty Fellowship in Kalispell Montana on May 19, 2019. The reason I took the time to transcribe the text is to inspire you to want to listen to the entire talk!

The three great deceptions Pastor Chuck talks about are:

1. Judaism in the Church. The Apostle Paul in his epistles and the Book of

- Hebrews deals with it extensively but it sadly continues to this very day in the Hebrew Roots movement.
- 2. Romanism: The false church of Rome and the rise of the true antichrists, the office of the papacy, the Popes of Rome.
- 3. Christian Zionism: The false doctrine that Christian support of the modern State of Israel is needed to bring about the return of Christ.

In this talk Pastor Chuck quotes from Adam Clarke, (1762-1832) a British Methodist theologian and biblical scholar. He along with Matthew Henry and John Gill are Bible commentators whose works are not tainted with false doctrines of dispensationalism.

Dr. Chuck Baldwin's Message



Dr. Chuck Baldwin

Open your Bibles please with me to the book of Matthew chapter 24. I'm going to ask for the attention of you folks here at Liberty Fellowship and you folks that are watching online because the message that I'm bringing today is the the first message of many others to follow, but it's the first message that will give you I trust a foundation for many of the things which are to follow. This message I'm preaching today is very important.

Virtually every preacher, every TV evangelist, every radio preacher you will hear will tell you that Matthew chapter 24 is speaking of the second coming of Jesus Christ. And they will interpret all of the verses in this chapter as having to do with the second coming of Jesus Christ. That is a **totally false interpretation of this chapter**. This chapter is not talking about the second coming of Jesus Christ. Only in the sense that toward the end of the chapter he relates the events of chapter 24 as a *precursor* of Christ's coming. That's the only way that this chapter deals with the second coming of Christ. It is not dealing with the second coming of Christ whatsoever.

The misinterpretation of Matthew chapter 24 by these modern Christian Zionists is a **major error** upon which much of the Christian Zionist doctrine is built. The proper understanding of Matthew chapter 24 is the beginning of learning the truth about all of this Zionist prophecy that we hear so much about and that we ourselves believed for so long.

Let me give you the introduction of Matthew 24 by Adam Clarke. You know I love to quote these old Bible scholars who wrote in the 17th 18th and 19th centuries. If you read just about any commentator of the 20th century, in the 21st century, you are reading error and misinterpretation of Scripture. I don't waste my time with 20th century and 21st century commentators. I read the guys that wrote before Israel became a state in 1948 and therefore they were not blinded by that event.

Here is the introduction from Adam Clarke to Matthew 24. Listen carefully.

This chapter contains a prediction of the utter destruction of the city and temple of Jerusalem, and the subversion of the whole political constitution of the Jews; and is one of the most valuable portions of the new covenant Scriptures, with respect to the evidence which it furnishes of the truth of Christianity.

Not a word about the return of Christ. This chapter contains a prediction of the utter destruction of the city and the Temple of Jerusalem and a subversion of the whole political Constitution of the Jews and is one of the most valuable portions of the New Covenant scriptures with respect to the evidence which furnishes the truth of Christianity.

This chapter Adam Clarke is saying is critical to understanding the New Covenant! Meaning the misinterpretation of Matthew 24 and related Scripture means a person doesn't truly understand the New Covenant that God gave us through Christ! All these people that are laboring under this Christian Zionist philosophy of biblical prophetic eschatology are missing a very important truth relative to the New Covenant. That's what Adam Clarke is saying.

Everything which our Lord foretold should come on the temple the city and the people of the Jews, has been fulfilled!

Has been fulfilled! Has been fulfilled! Past tense!

... in the most correct and astonishing manner; and witnessed by a writer who was present during the whole, who was himself a Jew, and is acknowledged to be an historian of indisputable veracity in all those transactions which concern the destruction of Jerusalem. Without having designed it, he has written a commentary on our Lord's words, and shown how every tittle was punctually fulfilled, though he knew nothing of the Scripture which contained this remarkable prophecy. His account will be frequently referred to in the course of these notes.

He's talking about of course the most famous of all Jewish historians, Josephus. What he's saying is, Josephus who was a eyewitness recorded accurately everything that Jesus had predicted in this passage concerning Jerusalem and the Temple and the people of the Jews.

Matthew chapter 24, and we'll pull out three verses because they're dealing with the subject at hand.

Matthew 24 verse 4: And Jesus answered and said unto them take heed that no

man deceive you.

Verse 11: Many false prophets shall rise and shall deceive many.

He's talking about the interim 35 years or so between the death and resurrection of Christ and the destruction of the city of Jerusalem. During that 35 year period, maybe one or two years off either direction, many came pretending to be Christ. Many came predicting that they were the Messiah and trying to draw Jewish disciples after them. Jesus was predicting this would happen after His death and His resurrection that many would come and say they were the Messiah. He's telling his disciples do not believe them, do not follow them, they are false prophets coming in my Name. Do not let them deceive you.

Verse 24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch...

And I want you to know, I want you to mark this last portion of Scripture, and I want this to sink you into your heart.

...that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

If it were possible, they, these false messiahs coming to the city of Jerusalem between Christ's resurrection and the destruction of the city saying, "I'm Christ, follow me", and if it were possible, they will deceive the very elect. They will be that convincing. But it says if it were possible. Jesus intimates that it's not possible for the elect to be deceived by these false Christs.

Just real brief summary: When the destruction of Israel was about to begin, and it was a two-year process where first the Roman army surrounded the city of Jerusalem and cut it off from the world, dried up its water supply, its food supply etc., two years of that before they actually invaded the city. When all of this first began, God sent messengers, Oracles they're called in the Scripture, to the city of Jerusalem proclaiming to the elect Jews, those who had trusted Christ as their Savior, the elect Jews of Jerusalem as Gentiles who trust Christ as their Savior are the elect Gentiles. These Oracles told them of the impending doom coming at the hands of the Roman army and told them to flee the city to get out and head to the mountains.

This is all a matter of church history. The elect Jews of Jerusalem those who had trusted Christ as Messiah and Savior, listened to the warning of the Oracles, and they fled the city before the siege against Jerusalem took place. The Jews who were not the elect, who had not received Christ as Messiah and Lord, ignored the warnings of the Oracles, and they stayed in the city, and they were slaughtered. God spared the elect by not allowing them to succumb to the deception of the false Christs, and by giving them the discernment of spirit to follow the true Oracles of God to safety and to salvation. Please try to remember that story as we proceed.

Let me give you just a few other scriptures of the New Testament that deal with this matter of deception.

2 Timothy 3:13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

That's interesting isn't it? Because not only are they deceiving other people, they themselves are also deceived.

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Please listen to the entire message!

Adam Clarke's commentary on Matthew 24:29

Matthew 24:29 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:

Commentators generally understand this, and what follows, of the end of the world and Christ's coming to judgment: but the word immediately shows that our Lord is not speaking of any distant event, but of something immediately consequent on calamities already predicted: and that must be the destruction of Jerusalem. "The Jewish heaven shall perish, and the sun and moon of its glory and happiness shall be darkened — brought to nothing. The sun is the religion of the Church; the moon is the government of the state; and the stars are the judges and doctors of both. Compare Isaiah 13:10; Ezekiel 32:7, Ezekiel 32:8, etc." Lightfoot.

In the prophetic language, great commotions upon earth are often represented under the notion of commotions and changes in the heavens: —

The fall of Babylon is represented by the stars and constellations of heaven withdrawing their light, and the sun and moon being darkened. See Isaiah 13:9, Isaiah 13:10.

The destruction of Egypt, by the heaven being covered, the sun enveloped with a cloud, and the moon withholding her light. Ezekiel 32:7, Ezekiel 32:8.

The destruction of the Jews by Antiochus Epiphanes is represented by casting down some of the host of heaven, and the stars to the ground. See Daniel 8:10.

And this very destruction of Jerusalem is represented by the Prophet Joel, Joel 2:30, Joel 2:31, by showing wonders in heaven and in earth — darkening the sun, and turning the moon into blood. This general mode of describing these judgments leaves no room to doubt the propriety of its application in the present case.

The falling of stars, i.e. those meteors which are called falling stars by the common people, was deemed an omen of evil times.