

MIRACLE DELIVERANCE MINISTRY

NEW AGE PASTOR TO THE WORLD ~ RICK WARREN

FROM HIS WORD! ~ PAT HOLLIDAY, PH. D.



Signs are exploding everywhere that Jesus Christ is coming back soon. Apostasy and the great falling away is a key sign.

The Seeker Friendly Church Model promoted through the New Age Internationalist Pastor, Rick Warren of the Saddleback Church, is a system that no longer holds to the Biblical principles or the fact that Jesus is the **ONLY** way back to God the Father!

“Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me,” (Jn. 14:6).

Envisage Jesus’ Second Advent; what sinner can bear to see in their minds eye it? **“But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked”-- Isaiah 11:4. KJV**

We must search ourselves and make our calling and election sure, so that the coming of the Lord may cause no dark forebodings in our mind. We pray for grace to cast away all hypocrisy and to be found of Him sincere and without rebuke in the day of His appearing.

“And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according to his work shall be. 13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. 14 Blessed are they that do his commandments that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. 15 For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie,” -- Revelation 22:12-15 KJV

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1 Sam 15:23, “For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry.

Religion

Marduk
and his son Nabu



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TESTING SPIRITS

Try the spirits whether they are of God. (1 Jn. 4:1) **“...and Believe not every spirit,”** all people are commanded to examine all spiritual things with our critical faculties to see if it is truly the Word of God being presented. There are evil spirits that can produce paranormal phenomena therefore we are exhorted by the Scripture to Prove the spirits test the spirits; prove all things; hold fast only to that which is good.

Proving all things requires the use of our reason and understanding but

we cannot rely only to our intellect. We cannot be swayed by our inward feelings but we can trust the illumination and guidance of the Holy Ghost, but the greatest principle concerning how to test the spirits are the Scriptures themselves. The Bible is the Truth.

(1 Cor. 12:3), *"Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit God calleth Jesus accused: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord but by the Holy Ghost. The supreme test of discerning spiritual things."*

John, said the same thing: *"Hereby know ye the spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: and every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God,"* (1 Jn. 4:23).

SIGNS OF HIS COMING



(Matthew 24:34), *"While He was seated on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately and said, 'Tell us, when will this take place, and what will be the sign of Your coming and of the end of the age?' _ Jesus answered them, 'Be careful that no misleads you (deceiving you and leading you into error)."*

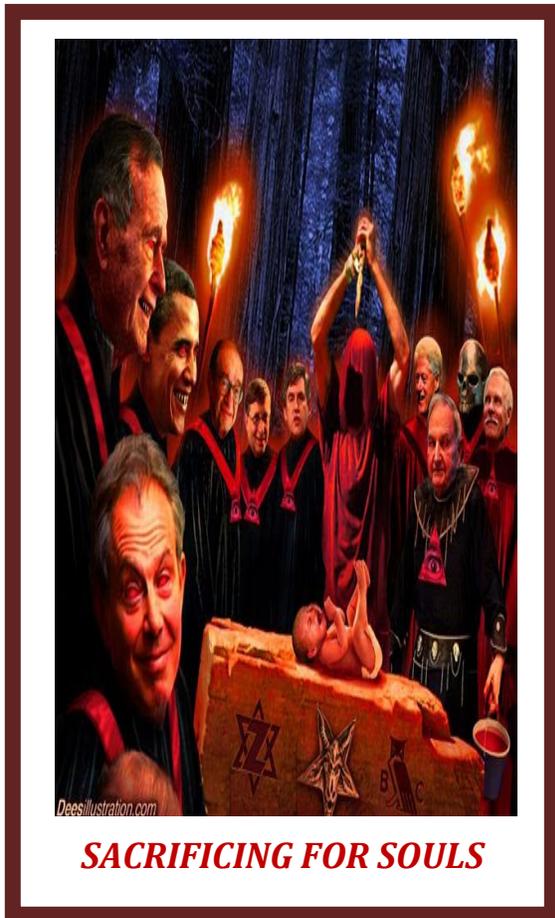
I find this exchange highly instructive; the disciples asked Jesus for THE sign of His coming and of the accompanying End of the Age. However, Jesus gave them many signs, from verses 4_32. When a person gives a complex answer to any question, he is likely to prioritize the answers, beginning the most important In this case, the first sign Jesus gave was to warn of the unparalleled deception of the Christian believer the hallmark characteristic of the End of the Age is unparalleled deception.

(Matt. 24:11), *"And many false prophets will rise up and deceive and lead many into error." We should expect false "Christian" leaders to arise, to give false assurances to Christians and lead them astray. ~. The fact that we are seeing such a huge number of just such false leaders calling themselves "Christian" is proof positive that we are living in the Last Days of Time.*

(Matt. 24:24) *"For false Christs and false prophets will arise, and they will show great signs and wonders so as to deceive and lead astray, if possible, even the elect."*

This last warning even gives us the clue that such false "Christian" ministries and ministers will be able to perform many of the same "lying signs and wonders" foretold of Antichrist. Such false ministers will employ great power, but it will be the power of the occult, and will be exercised for the express purpose of **leading both believer and unbeliever astray.**

RICK WARREN NEW AGE INFLUENCES



We are living in perilous times. Jesus warned us to be vigilant, **“This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. 2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, 3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, 4 Traitors, heady, high minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; 5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. 6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, 7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth,”** (2 Tim. 3:1-7).

Furthermore, Jesus notified of danger of the great darkness. Nevertheless, it is also a time for great light to shine into the darkness. Jesus said, **“And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. 20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds**

should be reprov'd. 21 But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God,” (Jn. 3:19-21).

Christian witnessing can be especially powerful because of the tremendous darkness that has spread across the world. The Christian Church is surrounded by the enemy and infiltrated by New Age doctrines camouflaged in Biblical language. To be successful, we must be a vigilant, but Word enlightened church

In the premier issue of Purpose Driven Connection, Rick Warren has once again brought in New Age influences, which are given as tools to build Purpose Driven connections. America's most popular evangelical pastor, who few Christian leaders have dared to challenge on his beliefs and actions, is moving swiftly toward a global spirituality that will ultimately reject the Gospel message of Jesus Christ. The Purpose Driven Connection is a step toward this reality.¹

In a section of the magazine called "The Scene," one page is devoted to popular "Christian" books. Warren has included books that have contemplative and or emerging slants, such as Brennan Manning's Ragamuffin Gospel, Bill Isley, MD says, “A man-centered gospel

¹ Rick Warren's New Magazine Promotes the New Global Spirituality, Lighthouse Trails Report

will always exalt man by downplaying his true sin nature. It will then reconstruct any and all elements of its theology to be consistent with that man-centeredness. Manning has clearly accomplished that objective in this, and presumably, other works. Man desires an egalitarian God Who is not sovereign and Who would never judge a person.²

Also listing *The Shack* as a "notable best-selling Christian" book (no disclaimer or warning provided, which gives the indication to readers that this is a good trustworthy book, and yet within its pages is the message of the Black Madonna, that God is in all things.³



RICK WARREN AND "PRESIDENT" OBAMA

YOU WERE CREATED FOR CONNECTIONS WITH HUMANS?

An emphasis in Rick Warren's new magazine is "Connection." In the "Editor's Letter," Rick Warren says: "YOU WERE CREATED FOR CONNECTIONS.... Life is all about connecting. A disconnected life merely exists" (p.2-3). Warren promises that the Purpose Driven Connection will give the "power" and the tools for this connection. "Power flows through connections.... When you're a member of the Purpose Driven Connection, we'll help you develop the four kinds of relationships you need in order to

grow: mentors, models, partners, and friends"⁴

False prophet and false gospel . . . absolutely not! You were born to fellowship with God and He's made the provisions to do so!

The blood sacrifice of Jesus Christ!

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The Ragamuffin Gospel <http://www.psychoheresy-aware.org/ragmuffin114.html>

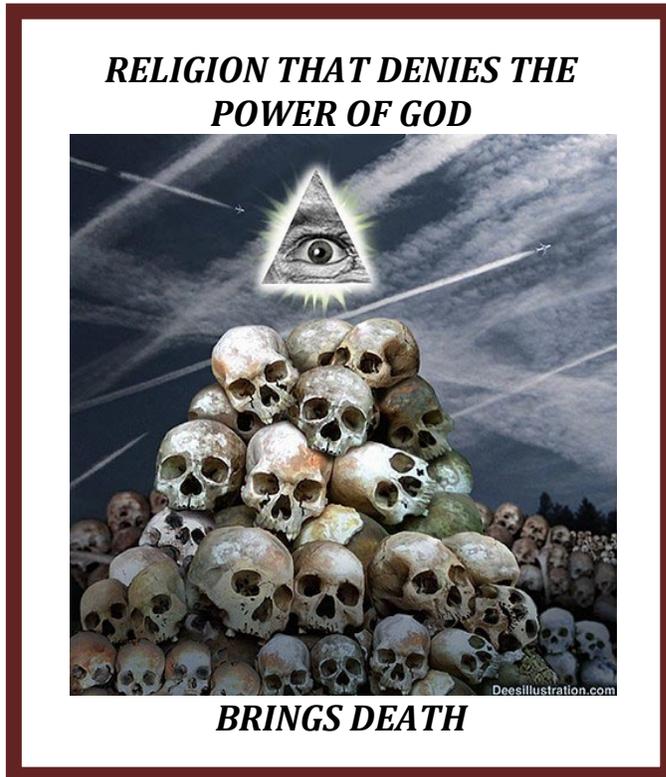
A Critique by Bill Isley, MD

³ ibid

⁴ Rick Warren, Connection Magazine, page 3

At the tomb, it seemed that Satan had finally triumphed but Praise God! Early on the first day of the week, all was changed completely, for time and eternity. The Son of God came out of that tomb, the keys of hell and death dangling at His belt (Rev. 1:18). This was total victory!

- **“For this purpose the Son of God was manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil.”** (1 Jn. 3:8). God knows the subject of principalities and powers. He witnessed Lucifer, the archangel of praise and worship, becomes a potentate of evil principalities and sinful powers. God says that Christ is the creator of all power.



- (Col. 1:16), **“For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers; all things were created by him, and for him.”**

God says Christ is the head of all power.

- **“God elevated Christ above all principalities and power,”** -- Colossians. 1:16.
- **“And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality**

and power.” -- Colossians 2:10.

- **“Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come.”** -- Ephesians 1:21.

God says that Christ destroyed the devil’s power.

- **“And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.”** (Colossians 1:15).

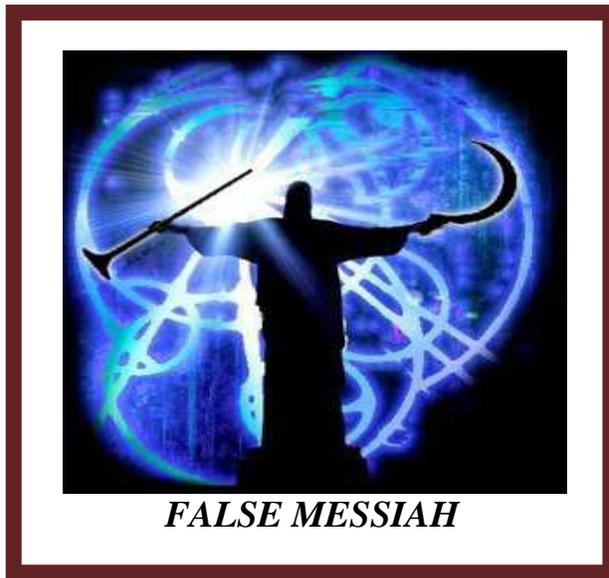
God reveals wisdom to the church.

- **“To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God, --”** Ephesians 3:10.

God reveals the believers’ position in power.

- *“Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.”* (Rom. 8:37).
- *“For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come.”* (Vs. 38).
- *“Nor height, nor depth nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus or our Lord.”* (Vs. 39).

SPIRITUAL DECEIVER Rev. Warren goes Wahhabi



The Islamic Society of North America (ISNA), an organization with ties to Hamas and other terrorist groups, will hold its annual convention—the largest yearly gathering of Muslims on the continent—in Washington, D.C. over the Fourth of July weekend.

Keynote speaker will be Reverend Rick Warren, senior minister of the Saddleback Church, an evangelical mega-church, Lake Forest, California.

Rev. Warren has become one of America’s leading Christian leaders. Sadly more than 400,000 pastors attend his “purpose-driven” church seminars; his

books, including “The Purpose Driven Life,” have become international best-sellers.

The nation’s leading Protestant evangelist was unavailable for comment, but his scheduled visit at the convention follows ISNA leader Sayyid Syeed’s appearance at the Saddleback Church last December”?⁵

Islam scholar Stephen Schwartz describes ISNA as “one of the chief conduits through which the radical Saudi form of Islam passes into the United States.”⁶

Terrorism expert Steven Emerson maintains that ISNA “is a radical group hiding under a false veneer of moderation”; that it “convenes annual conferences where Islamist militants have been given a platform to incite violence and promote hatred” (for instance, al Qaeda

⁵ Email Article By Dr. Paul L. Williams Thursday, June 25, 2009 thelastcrusade.or

⁶ Islam scholar Stephen Schwartz describes ISNA

supporter and PLO official Yusuf Al-Qaradhawi addressed a previous ISNA conference); that it has held fundraisers for terrorists (after Hamas leader Mousa Marzook was arrested and eventually deported in 1997, ISNA raised money for his defense); that it has condemned the



U.S. government's post-9/11 seizure of Hamas' and Palestinian Islamic Jihad's financial assets; and that it publishes a bi-monthly magazine, *Islamic Horizons*, that "often champions militant Islamist doctrine."

Emerson writes: "I think ISNA has been an umbrella, also a promoter of groups that have been involved in terrorism. I am not going to accuse the ISNA of being directly involved in terrorism. I will say ISNA has sponsored extremists, racists, people who call for *Jihad* against the United States."⁷

ISNA is described in a Muslim Brotherhood document—entitled "An Explanatory Memorandum on the General Strategic Goal for the Group in North America" – as an organization which shares the Brotherhood's goal of destroying America and turning it into a Muslim nation.⁸

Mr. Warren, there exists no one else except Christ who is all of God, Creator, Redeemer, Savior, Counselor, and King of all kings (Jn. 1:1-4; Col. 1:15-17; Eph. 3:9; Heb. 1:2-3; Rev. 1:8). Jesus Christ is unique in all of history. No other was born of a virgin by the Holy Ghost, called "God with us," showed us the Father, lived a perfect and sinless life, conquered death by "the sacrifice of himself," satisfied the claims of the Father's justice as He did "taste death for every man," died on a cross with the superscription "THE KING OF THE JEWS," was buried and guarded by numerous soldiers and then fulfilled His own prophecy by rising from the dead to prove He is the very Son of God and Messiah, and promised to return for His own (Matt. 1:23; 24:30; 27:37; Jn. 1:1-4; 14:9; Rom. 1:4; Heb. 2:9; 9:26). There is no one comparable to Jesus Christ.

CHRISTIAN HERETIC RICK WARREN AN ISLAM CONVERT

Rev. Warren will be sharing the podium with Ingrid Mattson, professor of Islamic Studies at the Macdonald Center for Islamic Studies, and of Christian-Muslim Relations at Hartford Seminary in Connecticut.⁹

Only people who don't read and heed their Bible can be hoodwinked by such a ranking charlatan.

⁷ WTHR, an Indianapolis television station located close to ISNA's Indiana headquarters,

⁸ ibid

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“Let me not, I pray you, accept any man's person, neither let me give flattering titles unto man. For I know not to give flattering titles; in so doing my maker would soon take me away.” -- Job 32:21-22

In her article “Finding the Prophet,” Ms. Mattson writes that she came across a book entitled *Islam*, by Fazlur Rahman in the summer of 1987 - - the time of her conversion from Roman Catholicism to Islam. “His book sparked in me a keen desire to study the classical heritage of Islamic theology and law,” she recalls. In his book,

Rahman wrote of an attack on a Jewish tribe that, in his estimation, was “occupying Medina” and that, as punishment for their “Jewish treachery,” they were “ruthlessly massacred.” He maintained that the “most sinister and heartless role was played by the ‘Hypocrites’ [Muslim traitors] who were no doubt in league with the Jews.”¹⁰

Evidently, Rahman’s book had “sparked” much more in her, as she soon after would leave for Peshawar, Pakistan to do “relief” work. Peshawar, at the time, was the home base of the organization that would later become Al-Qaeda. For one year, from 1987 thru 1988, Mattson was the Director of Projects for Afghan Refugee Women. She operated out of Akora Khattak, a small town where dozens of Taliban leaders, including Taliban Commander Mullah Mohammed Omar, were educated at Darul Uloom Haqqania a.k.a. “University of Jihad.”¹¹ At present, Ms. Mattson participates in ‘Live Dialogues’ on *Islam Online*, a website that supports suicide bombings, mandates attacks against American troops, prescribes murder for homosexuals, and discusses how to behead human beings.

Mr. Warren’s presence in such questionable company will come as small surprise to many of his critics and detractors.

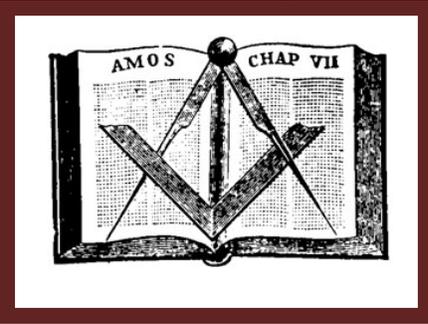
At President Barack Obama’s Inauguration, Rev. Warren offered an Invocation in which he quoted the Koran and spoke of Jesus as “Isa,” the Muslim’s name for Jesus, the founder of Christianity.

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¹⁰ “Finding the Prophet,” Ms. Ingrid Mattson

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This is not a new thing Christian friends. As long as sinful men have been on earth, there



have been those who emulate their father the devil in seeking to exalt themselves. Mr. Warren's transgression is obviously not demonstrative of Christianity. Unfortunately, he has 400,000 so-called blinded Christian pastors following him and without repentance, they'll fall into the ditch.

“ For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.” -- 2 Corinthians 11:4 KJV

RICK WARREN PRAYS ISLAM JESUS

“Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity, and they have caused them to stumble in their ways from the ancient paths, to walk in paths, in a way not cast up. . .” -- Jeremiah 18:15 KJV

Rick Warren, a pastor who serves the government as a CFR member by his own admission, openly prayed in the name of Islamic 'Esa' during Invocation of the Inauguration of Obama.

An Islamic religious site states: "the name Jesus in Islam is Esa as he is known to Muslims, is one of Allah's prophets who brought the same message as all of God's messengers - worship the One true God without partners Muslims, do not believe that Jesus is the neither son of God nor God himself. Islam believes Jesus was simply a man who was born to Mary." What the unholy Qur'an says about Jesus: "They slew him not, nor did they crucify him but it was made dubious to them."

Heretic Warren stood before the world grouping together Jesus as just another prophet!

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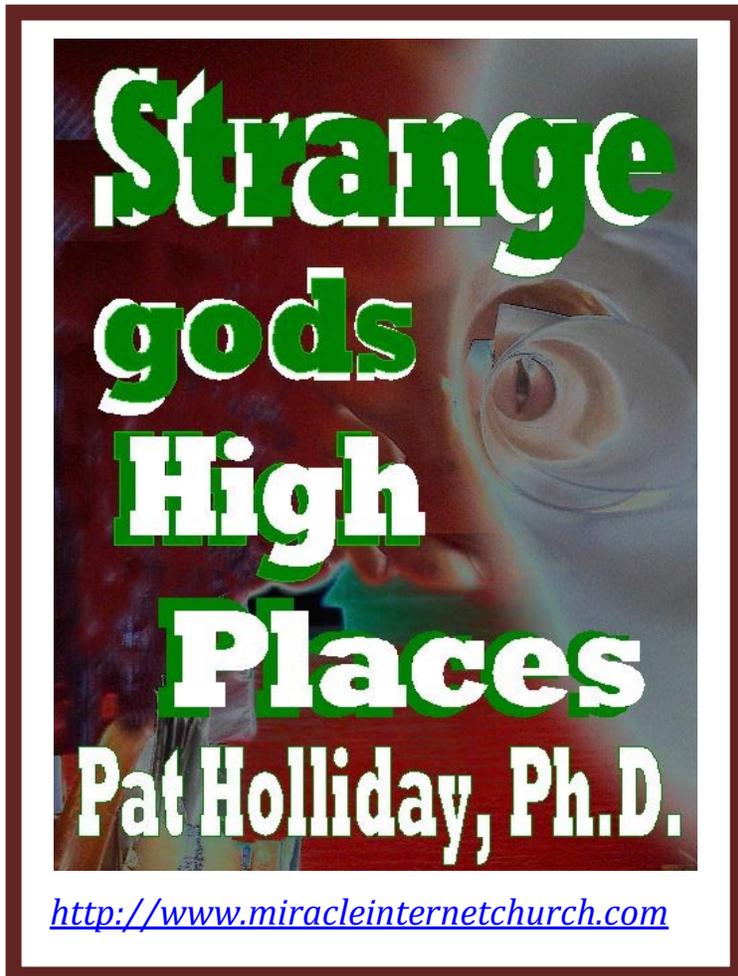


The Christian Church has slept through the great witchcraft revivals. Communion with God is a participation in eternal life by grace through by faith. Such communion is not achieved by imagination, visualizations, solitude, or mystical formulas. To purport any other communion with God apart from grace through faith is to attempt to overthrow the Gospel. False teachers have attempted to supplant the Gospel by seducing multitudes with doctrines that can damn their souls for eternity.

“God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high.”-- Hebrews 1:1-3

Rick Warren is a false prophet that spreads the doctrine of devils. Jesus is NOT EQUAL TO ALLAH! He is above every demonic god. Mr. Warren does not represent the kingdom of God which only represents Jesus Christ; and Jesus is above ourselves and every god of the universe. This is foundational to our taking up the cross for the joy of glorifying the LORD supremely (Ps. 40:8; Heb. 12:2). “And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.”-- Romans 1:4

“I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.” Rev 2:13 KJV



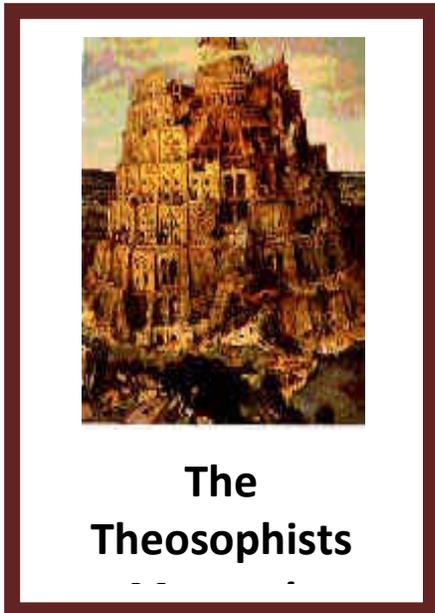
Christians take pleasure alone in the divine Person, work, and riches of Jesus; He alone **“the treasures of wisdom and knowledge ...are hid.”** -- Colossians 2:3 We are **“complete in him, Who is the head of all principalities and powers”**; Colossians 2:10 privileged for the fullest sufficiency of **“the redemption that is in Christ Jesus”** Who is the **“propitiation for our sins”** -- Romans 3:24-25 -- 1 John 2:2; 4:10. We delight in Jesus’ name, life, power, and superiority, as the only **“Head,” “High Priest,”** and Mighty **“Potentate”** Supreme Ruler of His eternal God; all others posing as such unduly elevate themselves as they seek to steal His glory. These are brazen wolves, thieves, counterfeit, and wholly false (Matthew 7:15-20; 24:5, 11, 24; John 10:1; Colossians 2:4-19; Hebrews 3:1; 2 John 7-11).

Rick Warren Transformation into the New Age Plan

Rick Warren is a guy with a plan; the New Age Movement calls it **“The Plan.”** They plan to bring forth a personality that they call **“The Christ”**. This mystical figure, they claim is alive. They believe that he will arise and lead the world to peace. Consequently, we have a liberal so-called Christian leader, Pastor Warren who is connected to the Council of Foreign Affairs, (CFR) galloping around the world promoting the agendas of the New Age Movement and the United Nations leading the church to a new religious transformation. And more than 400,000 pastors attend his conferences yearly. I’d say he’s a winner for Satan.

“Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.'” -- John 14:6

Mr. Warren says, "[W]e are possibly on the verge of a new reformation in Christianity and another Great Awakening in our nation ... The signs are everywhere, including the popularity of this book."¹²



"I really do feel that these people are brothers and sisters in God's family. I am looking to build bridges with the Orthodox Church, looking to build bridges with the Catholic Church, with the Anglican Church."¹³

"And they said, 'Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth.' But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower which the sons of men had built. And the LORD said, 'Indeed the people are one and they all have one language, and this is what they begin to do; now nothing that they propose to do will be withheld from them.'" -- Genesis 11: 4-6

All blinded pastors who follow Rick Warren, I suggest that you fall to your knees and seek Jesus in **repentance**.

Jesus warns, "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity."-- Matthew 7:22-23 KJV

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New Age teacher Barbara Marx Hubbard, a "self-described futurist and '**conscious evolutionist**'. She writes 1966 that she heard an 'inner voice' that came in response to a question she directed to God aloud. "What is our story? What in our age is comparable to the birth of Christ?" Then she fell into a dreamlike state and was given an intense vision of the future." □

Metanoia is a favorite word of the Theosophists. New Age leader Barbara Marx Hubbard Leonard Sweet used it, she has a twist. Her use of the word has to do with creating an alternative future for mankind. The Theosophists don't like the biblical scenario in the book of

¹² **Rick Warren**, Baptist Press, Sept. 2004

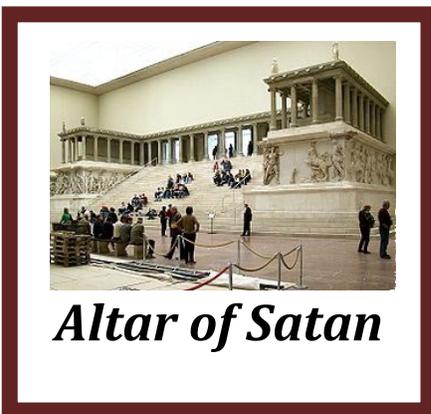
¹³ **Rick Warren** at Anglican conference, 11/05

Revelation that speaks of end time disasters and God's judgment. Instead, Hubbard wrote her own book *The Revelation* in which she proposed an **Armageddon** alternative called the "**Planetary Pentecost.**" In the twinkling of an eye, we are all changed by this experience. It is a mass **metanoia**, a shared spiritual experience for the human race, a peaceful second coming of the divine in us as us. "

She teaches that people can rewrite the Bible through their new *metanoia* or transformations of their minds and spirits. What does a New Ager mean by metanoia or transformation; Born Again (Rebirth): Personal or Planetary transformation and healing. The point at which a New Age believer "let's go" and allows his Higher Self or Inner Guide (translated: demons) to guide and direct his life. Some New Agers describe this as Kundalini, a Hindu term meaning "serpent power." □

Rick Warren, New Age Gurus Bewitching the Christian Church ¹⁴

INTERSPIRITUAL WATCH - Methodists, Lutherans, Catholics Take Historic Ecumenical Step



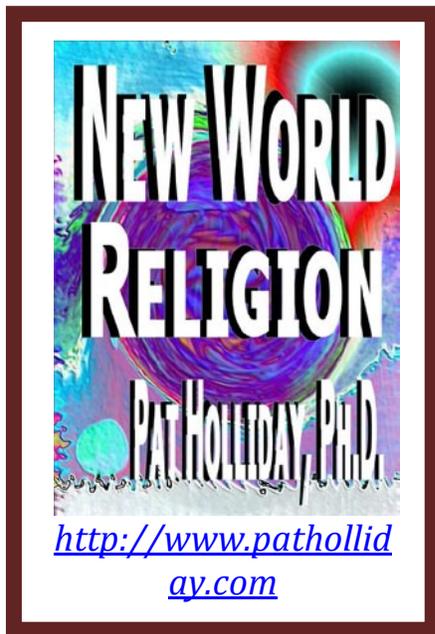
In the name of peace and unity, the world's religions are more and more joining together. And with that joining together will come a consensus that it is narrow minded and even hateful to say there is only one way to salvation. Henri Nouwen, who is endorsed and favored by many Christian professors and leaders, said this:

Today I personally believe that while Jesus came to open the door to God's house, all human beings can walk through that door, whether they know about Jesus or not. Today I see it as my call to help every person

claim his or her own way to God." ¹⁵

¹⁴ William Johnston, *The Mirror Mind* (New York: Fordham University Press, 1990) p. 7.

¹⁵ From *Sabbatical Journey*, Henri Nouwen's last book, p. 51, 1998 Hardcover Edition
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The following article is another example of inter spirituality. **Methodists, Lutherans, Catholics Take Historic Ecumenical Step** SEOUL, South Korea: Three world church bodies made an unprecedented move in ecumenical history on Sunday when Lutherans, Roman Catholics and Methodists signed a joint agreement on justification. "We plowed new ground today," commented Dr. George H. Freeman, general secretary of the World Methodist Council. "This opens the door for future ecumenical relationships." Following years and even decades of dialogue with one another, the Lutheran World Federation (LWF), the Roman Catholic Church, and the World Methodist Council took part in what Dr. Ishmael Noko, LWF general secretary, identified as "a new ecumenical landmark" and what will go down in history.¹⁶

While the majority of the Christian church has become seduced and mesmerized by Purpose-Driven, mysticism, the emerging church and so on, inter spirituality is on the move. Evangelical leaders as well as New Age gurus and other religious leaders across the world are joining in this effort.¹⁷

"Webster is aptly describing the transformation occurring in American spirituality today, "millions of devout followers of Jesus Christ are repudiating tepid systems and practices of the Christian faith and introducing a wholesale shift in how faith is understood, integrated, and influencing the world. Because human beings become what they believe, and practicing what they believe is the swiftest and surest means of generating lasting change, this revolution of faith is the most significant transition you or I will experience during our lifetime."¹⁸

For the past 30-40 years, there has been a massive undertaking to indoctrinate and train evangelical pastors and leaders through various entities such as, (Leadership Network) and para church organizations to become "**change agents**" for "**transformation.**" This leadership training, even though often done in the guise of "servant leader" (to make it more palatable), utilizes corporate business and marketing models.¹⁹

¹⁶ Lighthouse Trails Publishing

¹⁷ ibid

¹⁸ Ibid. p. 33, 39.

¹⁹ Thomas Merton, *Conjectures of a Guilty Bystander*, Image edition Dec. 1989 (Garden City, New York: Doubleday, 1966) pp. 157, 158. This book has official Roman Catholic approval

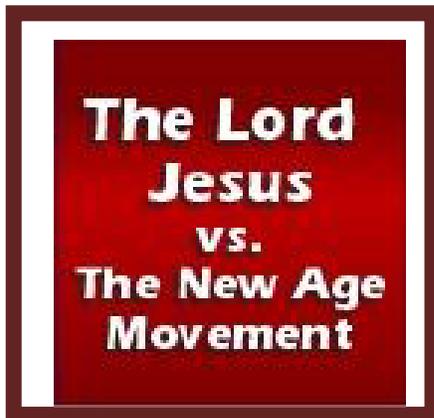
For example, leaders are trained to develop a company "vision" and then, by using sophisticated group marketing techniques, persuade the "customers" (people in the pews) to "buy into" this vision. This approach is top-down, not laity-initiated^{20, 21}.

“Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; 2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;” -- 1 Timothy 4:1-2 KJV

KNOW THAT JESUS IS THE TRUTH AND LORD

We have to live our lives knowing that Jesus Christ is the truth. Jesus must be in control of our lives.

The Devil is shaking his fist in the face of God saying to Him, “I will conquer You because I have more people following me than You do.” Friends, it doesn’t matter how many people choose to follow the Devil to hell; God is still God on the Throne and is more powerful. He has truly more powerful than the Devil. However, God gave you the power to overcome the Devil. You have the power to become the purest. Get serious with God!



Revival fires will not come with Christians going to meeting after meeting, falling on the floor together and laughing crying out to God, “more, God, more”! The tickling of the ears and the flesh will accomplish nothing but destruction to their spirits and large bank account and churches for their leaders.

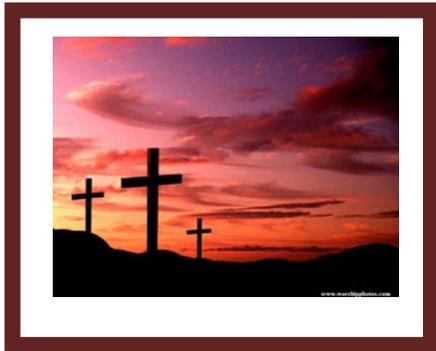
Meanwhile, hell is enlarging itself and its breath is getting hotter and hotter while Satan is destroying souls. **AWAKE NOW SAITH THE LORD,** come unto Me all who are heavy laden and I will give you rest to your souls.

Biblical truth and doctrine are absolutely imperative for true righteousness and holiness and the spread of the Gospel. It is impossible to bring a clean thing out of an unclean thing. The Church’s root and foundation must first be purified and established. If the doctrines are not pure, then the fruit cannot be pure. **“For if the first fruit be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy, so are the branches,”** (Rom. 11:16).

²⁰ ibid

²¹ William Shannon, *Seeds of Peace Contemplation and Non-Violence* (New York: Crossroad Publ. Co, 1996) p. 73

The Holy Spirit in Proverbs said, "**The wicked desireth the net of evil men: but the root of the righteous yieldeth fruit,**" (Prov. 12:12). Again, He said, "**A man shall not be established by wickedness: but the root of the righteous shall not be moved,**" (Prov. 12:3). The Book of Job gives an eternal principle. "**Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one.**" (Job 14:4). The impure doctrines of our present church systems have muddied the waters of religion until it hardly favors the Holy Bible and the true church. Revival is impossible until we return to "**the love of the truth,**" (2 Thess. 2:10). The love of the truth is the saving power of God.



evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation," (1 Pet. 2:9-12).

The Apostle Paul reveals our position in Jesus, "**But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light: 10 Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy. 11 Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; 12 Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as**

"Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice."

1 Samuel 15:22

Saul had been commanded to slay utterly all the Amalekites and their cattle. Instead of doing so, he preserved the king, and suffered his people to take the best of the oxen and of the sheep. When called to account for this, he declared that he did it with a view of offering sacrifice to God; but Samuel met him at once with the assurance that sacrifices were no excuse for an act of direct rebellion. The sentence before us is worthy to be printed in letters of gold, and to be hung up before the eyes of the present idolatrous generation, who are very fond of the fineries of will-worship, but utterly neglect the laws of God. Be it ever in your remembrance, that to keep strictly in the path of your Saviour's command is better than any outward form of religion; and to hearken to His precept with an attentive ear is better than to bring the fat of rams, or any other precious thing to lay upon His altar. If you are failing to keep the least of Christ's commands to His disciples, I pray you be disobedient no longer. All the pretensions you make of attachment to your Master, and all the devout actions which you may perform, are no recompense for disobedience. "To obey," even in

the slightest and smallest thing, "is better than sacrifice," however pompous. Talk not of Gregorian chants, sumptuous robes, incense, and banners; the first thing which God requires of His child is obedience; and though you should give your body to be burned, and all your goods to feed the poor, yet if you do not hearken to the Lord's precepts, all your formalities shall profit you nothing. It is a blessed thing to be teachable as a little child, but it is a much more blessed thing when one has been taught the lesson, to carry it out to the letter. How many adorn their temples and decorate their priests, but refuse to obey the word of the Lord! My soul, come not thou into their secret. ²²

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²² Spurgeon's Daily Devotional

