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The BIG Compromise....

When Evangelicals Compromise the Gospel for Unity



Rob Zins

In a recent edition of the *Southern Cross* magazine, Mark Brumley interviewed Dr. Norman Geisler on the subject of Roman Catholicism. Dr. Geisler is a well noted author and lecturer in the evangelical community. His comments are listened to and respected by a majority of readers. We have noticed of late a number of evangelicals who have found little or no problem in endorsing the Roman Catholic system. Dr. Geisler is no exception. He even takes a step further in his uncritical analysis of the Roman Catholic religion. This growing trend of evangelicals supporting the Roman Catholic religion is very disturbing. It is one thing to have a popular radio speakers, such as James Dobson, being unclear or guarded in the assessments of Rome. But it is quite another to have a prominent evangelical theologian come out and endorse Rome.

What gives here? How come, after 450 years of clearly drawing the line against the heresies of Rome, evangelicals are suddenly jumping on the bandwagon to promote Romanism as another rode to heaven?

We suggest that there are a number of factors involved in answering

this question. We have isolated three which we feel are critical in understanding why it is in vogue to support Rome.

First, the men and women of Rome are officially conservative in their political and moral outlook. The Vatican is solidly pro-life and anti-gay and lesbian. Also, the Vatican is hard-line when it comes to human rights and private education. There is the perception of good old fashioned morals and values flourishing within the Catholic religion. High profile men like Pat Buchanan, Bill Bennet and William F. Buckley are the balance to a world of liberal atheistic politicians and an army of special interest groups who are attempting the redefine the family and American culture. It is ironic that people are looking to the Roman Catholic religion to re-capture a sense of American conservative values!

Secondly, we feel that evangelicals are mis-leading in their efforts at defining Catholicism theologically. The Roman Catholic religion is more than willing, for now, to allow superficial redefinition of terms of their religion so as to enhance absorption of evangelicals. An example of mis-leading definition is found in Geisler. He maintains that,

"...most evangelicals don't know that Catholics believe in justification by grace."

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What Geisler refuses to tell us is that Rome understands grace as an infused substance to be dispensed by God from a heavenly storehouse on the basis of merit, good works and faithfulness to a Roman Catholic sacramental system. Evangelicals believe in justification by grace but it is not even close to the Roman Catholic definition. This misrepresentation of the Catholic religion is becoming a popular dishonesty among some American evangelical theologians.

Thirdly, we feel that evangelicals are unwilling to be critical of Rome. There is very little citation of official Roman Catholic doctrine and decree. There seems to be a denial of theology within the ranks of popular evangelical banquet speakers. Chuck Colson, an open advocate of the Roman Catholic religion, will be the guest speaker at the Dallas Theological Seminary inauguration ceremonies in honor of Chuck Swindoll becoming it's fourth president. Colson is popular. The fact that Charles Colson has openly endorsed Roman Catholicism evidently of no concern when it comes to this highly conservative seminary and the Baptist church hosting the event. In fact, the seminary teaches a course warning the students of the dangers of Roman Catholicism and how to witness to Catholics.

Dr. Geisler states openly for the world to hear that we hold in common with Rome "*the whole theological core of historic Christianity*". This is not true. One of the most outlandish statements by Geisler is his opinion of the Pope. Geisler says the Pope teaches "historic, orthodox, Christianity" and that Roman Catholics are "fundamentalists" when it comes to the vital truths of Christianity [statements made by Geisler, Jan 10, 1994 on the national radio program, *The Bible Answer Man*].

Muslims and Christians believe in the same God says Pope John Paul II in a greeting "To my beloved Muslim Brothers and Sisters" from the "Eid

Message of Pope John Paul II" published in the summer of 1991 *Hamdard Islamicus* journal. Muslims deny all the essentials of Christianity from the deity of Christ to the gospel message itself!

Is this what Geisler means by "historic, orthodox, Christianity?!"

Dr. Geisler is a popular speaker. Evangelicals have buried their collective heads when it comes to examining a man on the soundness of his theology before allowing him to take the platform. This denial of theology is perhaps the biggest reason Rome is not resisted by evangelicals.

In the end, if we are not careful, the Geisler's, Dobson's, Robertson's, Colson's and others will have gone a long way toward inoculating the nation against the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We sense this happening and have set our course with other ministries who are not afraid or intimidated to speak out against the Romanist intrusion into the gospel of our Lord. †

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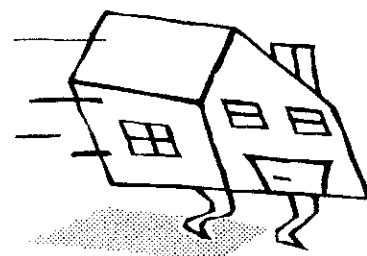
When Martin Luther stood at the doorway of the castle church at Wittenburg, as when he stood at the Diet of Worms, he had one thought on his mind: *sola fide, sola gratia, sola Christo, sola Scriptura, soli Deo gloria* — only faith, only grace, only Christ alone, only Scripture to the glory of God.

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Ερμηνεία = Interpretation

A Brief Study in a Biblical Passage



James White

"To whom much is given, much is required." Such words should give us pause in light of the tremendous amount of information available to us today regarding the text of the Holy Scriptures. Never before have we known more about the language and backgrounds of the Bible.

With this in mind we provide a short study of the meaning of *theotetos* (θεότητος) at Colossians 2:9, a central passage in the Biblical witness to the Deity of Christ.

There are really no translational difficulties presented by Colossians 2:9. There are no textual variants to worry about, and the meanings of the various words are pretty clear. However, two of the words *theotetos* and *somatikos* do need further elaboration. The Greek of the passage reads as follows:

hoti en auto katoikei pan to pleroma tes theotetos somatikos (ὅτι ἐν αὐτῷ κατοικεῖ πᾶν τὸ πλῆρωμα τῆς θεότητος σωματικῶς)

The clause opens with the idea of purpose, *hoti*, forming the basis of Paul's warning in verse 8. The rest of the phrase is so very expressive in the Greek that a brief look at it is certainly in order.

The first consideration has to do with the phrase *en auto katoikei*. "In Him is dwelling" is the literal translation. The verb, *katoikei*, is in the present indicative active third person singular. One can easily see a gnomic present, but a regular descriptive present is also quite possible. If one were

to take this as a regular present, Paul would be referring to the glorified resurrection body of the Lord Jesus as the place of residence of the "fullness of Deity." This seems the best sense in light of the context of a polemic against gnosticism. "*Katoikei*" is itself descriptive in meaning. Kenneth Wuest wrote:

The compound verb was used of the permanent residents of a town as compared with the transient community. The verb is in the present tense, showing durative action. The translation reads: "Because in Him there is continuously and permanently at home all the fullness of the Godhead in bodily fashion."¹

Hence, the fact of the indwelling of Deity in Christ is not as an alien presence, but as an inhabitant in his own home.

The phrase *pan to pleroma* was significant to the Gnostic readers of this work — it steals their own terminology from them. Its significance in combatting gnosticism is of great importance in understanding this passage.

Tes theotetos truly is the central word of this verse. The meaning as rendered by the *New American Standard Bible* seems to be the best: Deity. Most would be familiar with the King James rendering, "Godhead," though the meaning of this word is more obscure than that of "Deity." The Bauer, Arndt, Gingrich, and Danker lexicon renders the word "deity, divinity, used as an abstract noun for 'theos'."² Thayer's lexicon says, "deity, i.e. the state of being God, Godhead: Col. ii. 9." Thayer is here giving us Grimm's words. However, he then goes on to provide some

important information on his own, "[SYN. 'theotes, theiotes: theot'. deity differs 'theiot'. divinity, as essence differs from quality or attribute."³ This bit of information is vital. The word under consideration here, *theotes*, is not the same word as is found at Romans 1:20, *theiotes*. This difference is striking and purposeful. One cannot translate *theotes* as a simple quality or attribute — it refers instead to the actual essence of deity, not simply to its attributes. The most extensive passage on this important idea is found in Trench's *Synonyms of the New Testament*:

...yet they (*theiotes* and *theotes*) must not be regarded as identical in meaning, nor even as two different forms of the same word, which in process of time have separated off from one another, and acquired different shades of significance. On the contrary, there is a real distinction between them, and one on which grounds itself on *their different derivations*; *theotes* being from *theos*, and *theiotes*, not from *to theion*, which is nearly though not quite equivalent to *theos*, but from the adjective *theios*... But in the second passage (Col. ii. 9) St. Paul is declaring that in the Son there dwells all the fulness of absolute Godhead; they were no mere rays of divine glory which gilded Him, lighting up his person for a season and with a splendor not his own; but He was, and is, absolute and perfect God; and the Apostle uses "theotes" to express this essential and personal Godhead of the Son...⁴

Kenneth Wuest expanded on this idea in discussing the significance of *theotes* at Colossians 2:9:

The Greek is very strong here.

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One could translate, "For in Him corporeally there is permanently at home all the fullness of the Godhead." That is, in our Lord Jesus in His incarnation and in the permanent possession of His human body now glorified, there resides by nature and permanently the fullness of the Godhead. The word "Godhead" is from our second word *theotes*. The word expresses Godhead in the absolute sense. It is not merely divine attributes that are in mind now, but the possession of the essence of deity in an absolute sense. The Greek fathers never use *theiotes* but always *theotes* as alone adequately expressing the essential Godhead of the three several persons of the Holy Trinity. The Latin Christian writers were not satisfied with *divinitas* which was in common use, but coined the word *deitas* as the only adequate representative of the Greek word *theotes*.⁵

The concept here put forth is striking. It is impossible to conceive of a higher view of Christ. This statement, however, is not inconsistent with Paul's overall theology. Benjamine B. Warfield, while discussing Paul's conception of Christ, wrote:

...we are told not only that (naturally) in Him all the fullness dwells (Col. i.19), but with complete explication, that "all the fullness of the Godhead dwells in him bodily" (Col. ii. 9); that is to say, the very Deity of God, that which makes God God, in all its completeness, has its permanent home in our Lord, and that in a "bodily fashion," that is, it is in Him clothed with a body. He who looks upon Jesus Christ see, no doubt, a body and a man; but as he sees the man clothed with the body, so he sees God

Himself, in all the fullness of His Deity, clothed with the humanity."

There is little need to further elaborate on the obvious meaning of *theotes*. Let it suffice to say that such scholars as Alford,⁶ Nicoll⁸ and A.T. Robertson⁹ all view it in similar manner. Even a cursory glance at how some of the major translations render the word bear this out:

RSV: For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily...

NIV: For in Christ all the fullness of Deity lives in bodily form...

NEB: For it is in Christ that the complete being of the Godhead dwells embodied...

Barclay: For it is in Christ that the Godhead in all its completeness dwells in bodily form.

Amplified: For in Him the whole fullness of Deity (the Godhead), continues to dwell in bodily form - giving complete expression of the divine nature.

What does all this relate to us today? Can Paul's attack on an ancient heresy called gnosticism have any relevance now? It certainly can, and it most assuredly does! Most of the modern heresies find their roots in the Church's ancient foes ("So, there is nothing new under the sun," Eccl. 1:9). Arianism and gnosticism is still rampant today. Paul's sharp words in laying down the standard by which to test all teaching must be clung to with never weakening resolve today as never before! Does a certain group or teacher admit or proclaim that all the fullness of Deity dwells in Christ Jesus bodily? If they do not, they are placed by Paul right alongside "philosophy and empty deception." This passage

continues to speak today, and it will throughout eternity. May it shed its bright light on the Church until Jesus comes again! †

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The guests trembled in silence, knowing that von Zieten might be killed. But to their surprise, Fredrick grasped the hand of this courageous man, asked his forgiveness, and requested that he remain. He promised that he would never again allow such a travesty to be made of sacred things. (See Roman's 1:16) □

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The inerrant Word of God (2 Tim. 3:16-17) whereby the Gospel is preached which is "the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth" (Rom.

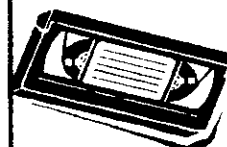
1:16) is the weapon of our evangelism. As Hebrews 4:12 states, "For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." This is the evangelical missionary methodology of CHRISTIAN ANSWERS — to bring the Biblical perspective to a culture that is almost completely ignorant of it. To bring Christian truth, Christian answers to those who, as the prophet Isaiah said, have made "lies...and falsehoods" their refuge (Isa. 28:15). To smash lies and falsehoods with the "hammer" of God's Word (Jer. 23:29).

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We are not afraid to stand up for Jesus Christ in public forums or wherever the Lord leads. Of course this type of ministry is not for the faint of heart and very often leads to the same type of suffering and persecution that we find in the Book of Acts. But as the old saying goes, "one life will soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last," and as Paul said, "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 3:14). Amen! ☩

"But even if you should suffer for the sake of righteousness, you are blessed. AND DO NOT FEAR THEIR INTIMIDATION, AND DO NOT BE TROUBLED,"¹³ but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence;¹⁴ and keep a good conscience so that in the thing in which you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame." For it is better, if God should will it so, that you suffer for doing what is right rather than for doing what is wrong. (1 Peter 3:14-17, NASB)

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The question then arises, "if Ellen G. White is God's prophetess, does she meet the requirements of a true prophet as found in God's word?" The Bible gives very clear distinctions for determining the verity of an alleged prophet, see Deuteronomy 13:1-5 and Deuteronomy 18:20-22. If Ellen G. White fails the test (1 John 4:1) then the religion she founded fails with her. This video series will give very shocking evidence to answer the above question.

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The “International Church of Christ”

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Bob L. Ross

The “main-line” Church of Christ developed from an original “reformation” / “unity” effort inaugurated by Thomas Campbell in 1809. The original group formed “The Christian Association of Washington, Pennsylvania” and at first sought “communion” with the same Presbyterian Church Synod which had earlier “censured” Thomas Campbell for his diversions.

After being spurned by the Presbyterians, the “Christian Association” decided to “assume the character of an independant Church,” and this was accomplished on May 4, 1811 at Brush Run. A short time later, under the leadership of Alexander Campbell, the son of Thomas, the majority of the small church arranged for immersion in water June 12, 1812, and the act was performed for seven members by a Baptist minister, Matthias Luce, in Buffalo Creek.

Thus the “order” of the beginning of this church was — first, they formed the church organization; second, they were immersed. As for their “gospel,” this was to come seven years later: the theory was first presented in 1823 by Alexander Campbell in a debate with W.L. McCalla, but the practice did not arrive until 1827 when Walter Scott, a disciple of the Campbells, immersed Mr. William Amend on November 18. This was supposedly the “restoration of the ancient gospel” of baptism “for (in order to obtain) the remission of sins.” Amend later joined

the Mormons.

All the foregoing historical details are from the Memoirs of Alexander Campbell and are also related in Campbellism, Its History and Heresies by Bob L. Ross, published by Pilgrim Publications, Box 66, Pasadena, TX 77501.

This movement grew thru the means of proselytizing Baptists, Presbyterians, and others and its leaders began calling it the “restoration movement.” They claimed they were “going back to the Bible” to “the ancient order of things,” restoring the New Testament church. Although it spoke of “unity,” it was never very strongly unified. Some of the members left to join the Mormon movement of Joseph Smith and took the “baptismal remission of sins” heresy with them.

Another “splinter” followed after John Thomas and called itself the Christadelphians, and they also taught the “baptismal remission” theory, adding the necessity of “understanding” the “purpose” of baptism for the act to be “scriptural.” Alexander Campbell, who did not hold to the “baptismal remission” theory when he immersed in 1812, wrote articles against the view of John Thomas and published them in his MILLENNIAL HARBINGER magazine in 1835 and afterwards. Campbell himself claimed a conversion “experience” before he ever came to America, long before his immersion (Memoirs, Vol. 1, pp. 48, 49, 2, pp. 111, 112). He had no use for the Thomas theory.

The movement divided in an even more significant developement in the mid-1800’s over two issues: The Missionary Society and Instrumental Music. As a result of the division over these issues, the “Church of Christ,” as known in the 1900’s, took its form

and substance, primarily molded by David Lipscomb and his associates thru THE GOSPEL ADVOCATE magazine and publishing house. There was a relatively solid unity in the anti-instrumental church until the mid-1900’s when the “institutional” issue became a divisive factor.

“Anti-institutionalism” involved opposition by many to the use of church monies for the support of orphan homes and other “man-made organizations.” Magazines were started to oppose institutionalism and several debates served to magnify the differences. The result was two “churches of Christ” — THE GOSPEL ADVOCATE variety (pro-institutional) and THE GOSPEL GUARDIAN variety (anti’s).

“Crossroadsism”

In the 1970’s, a new and aggressive “evangelism” began to assert itself under the leadership of Chuck Lucas at the Crossroads Church of Christ in Gainesville, Florida. There was a special emphasis toward the student body of the University of Florida. This new approach attached more importance to pre-baptismal and post-baptismal “discipleship” to accomplish its purpose, there was more regimentation of both the leadership and those being “discipled.” Methodology (technique, procedure, etc. became of the utmost importance, necessitating “seminars” and “manual” type instruction.

“Crossroadsism” eventually collapsed along with the ministry of Lucas, but not before it was absorbed and transplanted to Boston, Massachusetts by Kip McKean and his associates, in 1979. They have effectively used the basics of “Crossroadsism” and added a few touches of

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their own, creating the current "International Church of Christ," or as it is commonly called, "The Boston Movement."

McKean is committed to the Campbellite "restoration-of-the-church" ideology, plus he has added a "reconstruction" ideology. The latter is the term for proselyting "churches of Christ" already existing, covering "re-baptisms" of those who are deemed to need such baptism. He also has developed a "pyramid" structure of church "government" whereby the "hierarchy" at the "top" has control over the whole movement. This is on the order of Romanism and other cultic organizations which are dominated by one or more primary leaders. This system engenders "loyalty" and "mind control" on the lower stratas of the "pyramid." But these matters have to do with organizational format, not the "soteriology" (doctrine of salvation) of the movement.

Both "Crossroadsism" and "Bostonism" are basically the "Campbellism" or "church of Christism" of former times, teaching the "baptismal remission of sins" theory. The methodology and regimentation are more innovative, but the doctrine on "baptismal remission" and "conditional" salvation thereafter are the same. From our perspective, their doctrine is "salvation by works."✠

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BEWARE of FALSE PROPHETS



Larry Wessels

Jesus said, 'Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheeps clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves' (Matt. 7:15, KJV). Jesus says here that these false prophets will appear to be sheep (Christians) but in reality are wolves seeking to devour the flock.

This warning by the Lord to his people is very important and should not be overlooked. Paul likewise warns in his second letter to the Corinthians, chapter 11:

"But I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ. For if someone comes to you and preaches a Jesus other than the Jesus we preached, or if you receive a different spirit from the one you received, or a different gospel from the one you accepted, you put up with it easily enough... For such men are false apostles, deceitful workmen, masquerading as apostles of Christ. And no wonder, for Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light. It is not surprising, then, if his servants masquerade as servants of righteousness. Their end will be what their actions deserve." (verses 3-4, 13-15a NIV)

Throughout the Bible specific warnings concerning false prophets and teachers are everywhere to be found. In fact, almost half of the Bible itself is apologetic in nature, that is to say, a defense of basic Christian beliefs against attacks and heresies. For instance, Colossians and the First Epistle of John deal largely with refuting the Gnostic heresies of the first century.

The message then is clear; we as Christians are to "contend for the faith that was once for all entrusted to the saints" (Jude 3, NIV). This means a firm footing in the Word of God ("Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." — 2 Tim 2:15 KJV), the ability to discern false doctrine ("Prove all things; hold fast to that which is good" — 1 Thess. 5:21), the ability to defend the truth ("... and be

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ready to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason for the hope that is in you" — 1 Peter 3:15), and being unmovable from God's revealed Word ("As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves, and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming." (Eph 4:14 NASB).

The question then arises: Who are these false prophets and teachers? What makes them different? Where do they come from?

In today's terminology, many of

these so-called false prophets and teachers have been classified as members of religious "cults." The word "cult" itself has a rather negative connotation, especially since Jonestown and Mt. Carmel, and is vague at best. Therefore, for our purposes we will adopt a definition for the word. According to the late Dr. Walter Martin, founder of the Christian Research Institute and authority on the non-Christian cults in America, a "cult" can be defined as:

a group of people gathered about a specific person's interpretation of the Bible. For example, Jehovah's Witnesses are, for the most part, followers of Charles T. Russell and J.F. Rutherford. The Christian Scientist of today is a disciple of Mary Baker Eddy and her interpretations of Scripture... (taken from *Kingdom of the Cults*, page 11)

According to Dr. Martin and others, there are almost 20 million people in America alone involved in religious cults while another 40 million dabble or practice some form of the occult, such as astrology, spiritism, satanism, witchcraft, ouija boards, tarot cards, palm-reading, etc. Currently, there are over 5000 religious movements and practices in the United States and of these, all are seeking converts via one form of communication media or another.

The Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints (Mormons), for example, is by far the largest America-based cult. Although it has only been 174 years since its founder Joseph Smith

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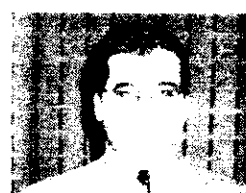
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WE BELIEVE in one God who is eternally existent in three persons — Father, Son and Holy Spirit — and that He created everything *ex nihilo* (out of nothing) for His own pleasure and purpose.

WE BELIEVE that the 66 books that comprise the Bible are the plenary, verbally inspired Word of God, inerrant and infallible in the original manuscripts, and the guide and final authority in matters of faith and day to day life, interpreted by the Holy Spirit to each individual believer.

WE BELIEVE in the existence and personality of Satan, his complete opposition to God and his power over the unregenerate.

WE BELIEVE that man was created perfectly in the image of God, and when he sinned, mankind incurred both physical and spiritual death; thus man became eternally separated from God and incapable of providing redemption for himself.

WE BELIEVE that the Lord Jesus Christ was begotten of the Father through the Holy Spirit, and was born of the Virgin Mary, and is true man without ceasing to be God. Thus He is the God-man.

WE BELIEVE that the Lord Jesus Christ lived a perfect

and sinless life that fully pleased His Father; that He gave himself of his own free will to be the sacrifice for the redemption of man and that He bore the judgement demanded by God's holy justice against sin, thus making it possible for God to remain just and yet at the same time to justify those who believe in His Son Jesus Christ.

WE BELIEVE that the Lord Jesus Christ rose in a glorified but human body from the dead, never to die again, and ascended to the right hand of the Father, where as high priest of His church He mediates between God and man for those who are repentant believers.

WE BELIEVE that those who by faith alone and through no merit of their own, receive the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior are miraculously born again of the Holy Spirit and become children of God and partakers of His divine nature and eternal life.

WE BELIEVE that the Holy Spirit baptizes all true believers into the one true Church, His Body, that He indwells them eternally, bestows spiritual gifts upon them, and empowers them for service and holy living.

WE BELIEVE that the Scriptures have given us everything pertaining to life and godliness, including not

only salvation from the penalty of sin but instruction in righteousness for present sanctification and victorious living to the glory of God.

WE BELIEVE that two ordinances, neither of which is essential to salvation, are to be observed by all believers in obedience to our Lord until Christ's return: baptism and the Lord's Supper.

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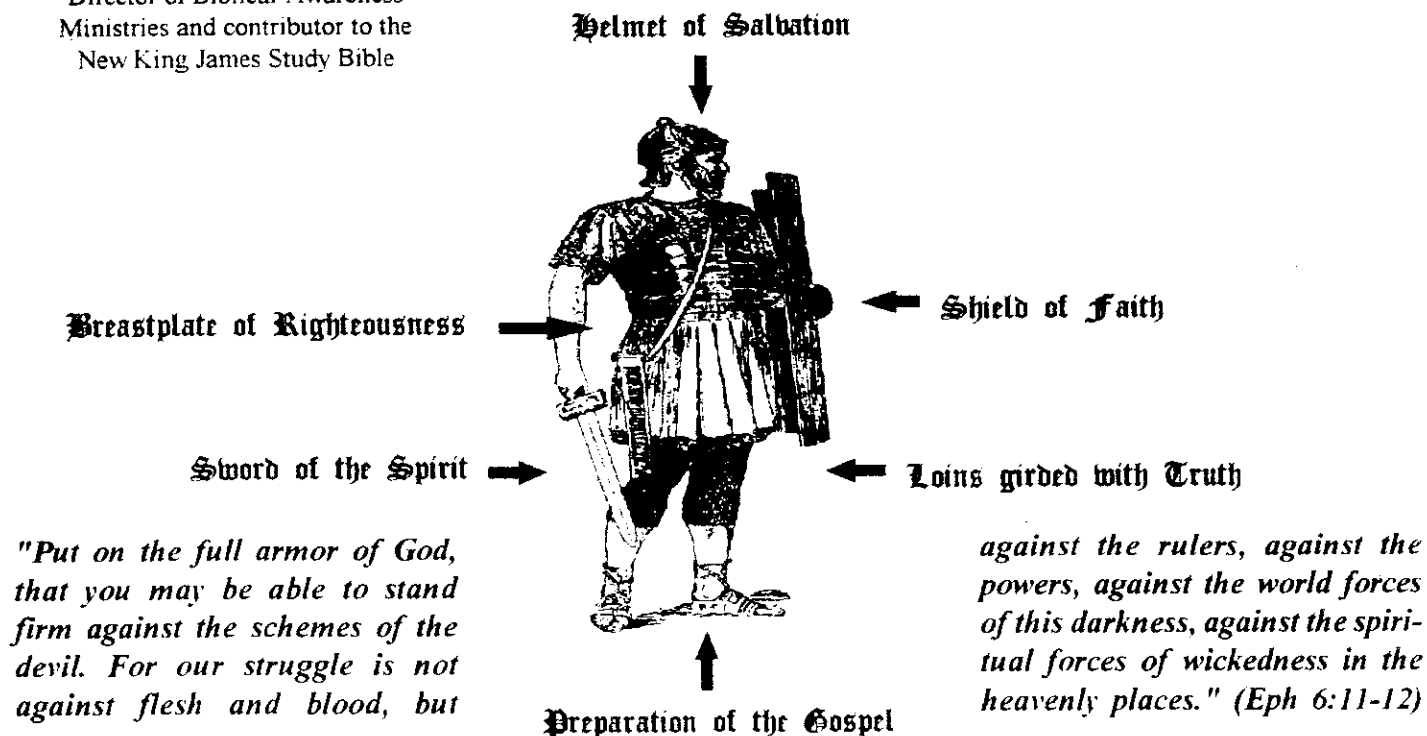
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Jr. allegedly had a vision of two gods, the Mormon church has grown to an estimated five million followers. In 1967, *Time* magazine reported that the Mormon Church grossed over \$365,000,000 a year and that figure has risen significantly. Consequently, the Latter Day Saints allocate big money for ads on network television and national publications such as *Reader's Digest* while fielding over 40,000 fulltime missionaries throughout the world.

To illustrate a point, the combined missionary effort (full and part-time workers) of all Protestant, Orthodox and Roman Catholic churches is approximately one third of the missionary effort of, say, the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society (Jehovah's Witnesses). Amazingly, the Watchtower Society's presses can turn out more literature in more languages in six months than all of Christendom can produce in a year.

But wait, what makes these religious groups any different than from the rest who are claiming to be Christians? Why are groups like the Mormons and Jehovah's Witnesses considered non-Christian cults while so many doctrinally different denominations and churches within mainline Christianity are not?

Although the answer is sometimes complex, the essential and fundamental difference is found in the Gospel of Luke where Jesus asked the question, "whom say the people that I am (Luke 9:18)?" The answer to this question is what separates Biblical and historic Christianity from the cults forever. In fact, failure to answer this question accurately will mean an eternity in darkness away from the presence of God.

Peter gave the correct answer as found in Matt. 16:16 when he said, "Thou art the Son of the living God." In essence, Peter here is stating that Jesus is God because the Jews of that day knew that the Christ was to be

God (see Isaiah 7:14, 9:6) and to say that someone was "the Son of God" was considered blasphemy by them (see Mark 14:61-65; John 5:17-18, 19:6-7).

Jesus claimed to be God Almighty many times as evidenced by the fact that he used the divine name of "I am" from Exodus 3:14 when speaking of himself. An excellent example of this is found in John 8:58 where Jesus said, "Verily, verily I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am." The Jews understood what he meant as "they took up stones to cast at him"

(verse 59). The Lord had earlier declared in John 8:24, "...for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins." Notice that the word, "he" is italicized in the King James version which means that its not found in the original Greek text. This verse, then would be more accurately rendered: "...for if ye believe not that I am, ye shall die in your sins." Therefore Jesus, by applying God's name of "I am" to himself, very dogmatically states in this verse that people must believe in he is God in order to be

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saved. Of course it must always be remembered that while Jesus Christ was 100% God, he was also 100% man (see Philippians 2:5-11).

The Jesus of the cults is not the Jesus of the Bible and the God of the cults is not the Biblical God.

What then do the cults say about Jesus? The following quotations from cultic sources should provide an answer.

1. *Mormon theology* says: "In the beginning, the head of the Gods called a council of the Gods; and they came together and concocted a plan to create the world and the people in it" (*Journal of Discourses*, Vol. VI, Sermon by Prophet Joseph Smith, p. 5). "Each of these Gods, including Jesus Christ and His Father, being in possession of not merely an organized spirit, but a glorious immortal body of flesh and bones ..." (*Key to the Science of Theology*, ed. 1965, Parley Pratt, p. 44).

2. *Jehovah's Witness theology* says: "...The true Scriptures speak of God's Son, the Word, as 'a god.' He is a 'mighty god,' but not the Almighty God, who is Jehovah" — Isaiah 9:6" (*The Truth Shall Make You Free*, p. 47.) "Scriptural evidence indicates that the name Michael applied to God's Son before he left heaven to become Jesus Christ and also after his return, Michael is the only one said to be an 'archangel'..." (*Aid to Bible Understanding*, ed. 1971, p. 1152).

3. *Christian Science theology* says: "Jesus Christ is not God as Jesus Himself declared but is the Son of God" (*Science and Health*, ed. 1914, p. 361). "Jesus, the Galilean prophet, was born of the virgin Mary's spiritual thoughts of life and its manifestation" (*The First Church of Christ, Scientist and Miscellany*, p. 261).

4. *Herbert W. Armstrong's theology* says: "Do you really grasp it? The purpose of your being alive is that finally you be born into the Kingdom of



Dr. R.C. Sproul & Larry Wessels

Dr. R.C. Sproul of Ligonier Ministries and CHRISTIAN ANSWERS Director Larry Wessels met in a Bible conference in late 1993 while Larry was still organizing and editing the *Researcher* newsletter. Larry asked Dr. Sproul if he agreed with the *Westminster Confession of Faith*

God, when you will actually be God, even as Jesus was and is God, and His Father, a different person, also is God! You are setting out on a training to become creator — to become God!" (*Why Were You Born?*, pp. 21, 22) "Jesus, alone, ever to achieve it..." (*Why Were You Born?*, pp. 11, 14)

5. *Unification Church (Moonies) theology* says: "Jesus, being one body with God, may be called a second God (image of God), but he can no means be God himself" (*Divine Principle*, ed. 1977, p. 211). "Jesus could not accomplish the purpose of the providence of physical salvation because his body was invaded by Satan" (*Divine Principle*, p. 148)

6. *The Way International theology* says: "...we note that Jesus Christ is directly referred to as the 'Son of God' in more than 50 verses in the New Testament; He is called 'God' in four. Never is he called 'God the Son.' By sheer weight of this evidence alone, 50 to 4, the truth should be evident" (*Jesus Christ Is Not God*, Wierville, Am. Chr. Press. 1975, p. 71).

The lists of different beliefs from different cults concerning the Lord Jesus could go on indefinitely. While cultic groups such as the Unity School of Christianity, the Bahai Faith, the Foundation for Human Understand-

which states that Roman Catholicism was apostate, the Pope was the anti-Christ (in the Reformation sense of the word), etc. Dr. Sproul's response was "absolutely!"

Larry also asked Dr. Sproul if he agreed with Dr. John Gerstner's comments concerning Romanism via Jonathan Edwards, i.e., that Roman Catholicism was the "Devil's Masterpiece." Once again Dr. Sproul agreed.

Dr. John Gerstner, professor emeritus of church history and mentor to Dr. Sproul, assisted Larry in writing his article entitled "*A Response to C.R.I.'s Attack*" in the Sept./Oct. 1993 *Researcher*. For a copy of the article please send \$3.00. [See also page 21]

ing, the Theosophical Society, the Family of God, Scientology, T.M., Hare Krishna, The Nation of Islam, and Eckankar are growing rapidly, a host of other non-Christian cults are popping up and spreading like weeds in an unkept yard. What is causing this phenomenon?

Dr. Martin states that 80% of the people in the kingdom of the cults came from an orthodox Christian background. The Scriptures give us the reason for this phenomenon: "They are of the world: therefore they speak of the world, and the world heareth them. We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us" (1 John 4:5-7; see also 1 John 2:18-19).

The Word of God also states that "My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will reject thee..." (Hosea 4:6). Ignorance of God's Word is an open invitation to cultic or occultic indoctrination. The only way to know a counterfeit is to know the original. Christians need to know not only what they believe, but why; 1 Tim. 4:16 commands: "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt save thyself, and them that bear thee." ■

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Jim Tounge

IFIRST BEGAN USING QUICKVERSE (version 2.0) for Windows well over a year ago. Since that time, my study of God's Word has not been the same. So, I decided that I would like to review this software in the CHRISTIAN ANSWERS JOURNAL to share with you the reader why I believe QuickVerse can help you in your study of God's Word.

In this article I will be doing an in-depth review of QuickVerse 3.0, the Bible translations, and Bible study aids available through Parsons Technology. I will also be writing two additional reviews in upcoming editions of the CHRISTIAN ANSWERS JOURNAL dealing with the PC Bible Atlas for Windows and the Bible Illustrator for Windows.

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Before I begin my review, I think that it would be in order to spend some time on the subject of why studying your Bible is of great importance and then I will go on to show you how QuickVerse 3.0 can help you in this endeavor.

Why You Should Study the Bible

As reformed evangelical Christians, our sole source authority lies with the Bible. In the Bible we find every major doctrine that serves as a guide for the Christian. Shouldn't Bible study then be an integral part of our lives?

How are we to know what God has revealed to us through His Word if we never read or study it?

As Christians, we are commanded in Scripture to:

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." (2 Tim 2:15 KJV)

And again in 2 Timothy 3:16-17

"All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness: that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work." (NASB)

Scripture, is the ammunition for spiritual warfare. According to 2 Timothy 3:17, if we don't study God's Word we are not adequately equipped for the job before us. To preach and teach the Good News of Jesus Christ.

As Christians, we should endeavor to spend as much time as possible in the Word of God each day so that when the opportunity presents itself, *"we need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."* Every Christian should know his or her Bible from cover to cover. If we don't, then how will we know when error creeps into the Body of Christ? (see Gal. 1:6-8) Now, I am not implying that this is

going to happen overnight, in one year or even in two years. It will take a lifetime of diligent study.

On the apostle Paul's second missionary journey, he traveled through Berea. A city located in Southern Macedonia about 50 miles from Thessalonica. Paul had just had a harrowing time with the Jews there and had been chased out of Thessalonica by them. However, the Scriptures tell us that the Jews he found in the Synagogue in Berea were:

"...more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily, to see whether these things were so." (Acts 17:11 NASB)

The Berean didn't just believe everything that the apostle Paul told them was in Scripture. They checked it out for themselves "to see if those things were so."

If the Bereans examined what Paul said against the Scriptures, shouldn't you examine what your pastor, Bible teacher, Sunday school teacher, or favorite TV evangelist teaches as well? In order to do this though, you must be familiar with what the Word of God teaches!

Effective Bible Study

I believe that it is important when studying God's Word to read more than one translation. There are many good modern translations available today for Christians to use when examining the Scriptures.

To give you an idea of how some of the translations compare, below I have listed four examples of Colossians 2:9:

"For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form," (Col. 2:9 NASB)

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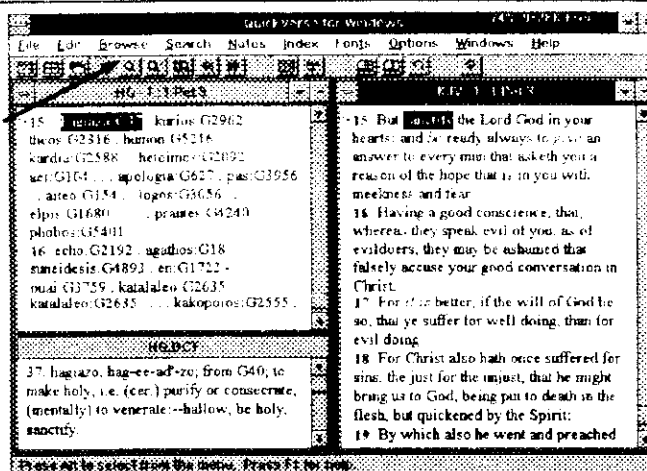
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"For in him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily." (Col. 2:9 KJV)

"For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily;" (Col. 2:9 NKJV)

"For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form," (Col. 2:9 NIV)

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As you can see — there are subtle differences in each verse. The use of the words "Deity" and "Godhead," "dwells," and "fullness."

The problem with having more than one Bible open at a time is keeping track of where you're at while comparing Scriptures, and there is also limited space to consider. After all, most Christians read their Bible while sitting in a chair or at a table or desk where there might not be much room to have more than one Bible open at a time. Or, maybe you only choose to study one translation. Whichever the case may be, QuickVerse 3.0 for Windows is the choice if you own an IBM or IBM compatible personal computer.

When Time's of the Essence

Something else to consider is sometimes it can become a tremendous burden in our fast paced society to find time to study the Bible with any depth. We have jobs and households to take care of and that can leave little or no time to devote to the precious Word of God.

As I mentioned before, when I study the Bible I usually don't confine myself to one translation. Most of the time, I will have three or four translations sitting in front me, a commentary, Bible dictionary, concordance, and a Bible handbook so I can reference the maps when I want to see a location. As you can imagine, this process could be quite burdensome

and time consuming. Cross checking references, looking up definitions of words in Hebrew and Greek, and so forth. But no more. Since becoming a QuickVerse 3.0 for Windows user, the time I used to spend going from translation to translation, etc., can now be spent in an in-depth study of God's Word.

What Is QuickVerse 3.0?

QuickVerse 3.0 for Windows is a comprehensive Bible concordance program for general and in-depth study of the Word of God. This program can perform complex searches and then permits users to add detailed notes. If you have ever wished that you had more room in the margins of your Bible to write notes, you don't have to worry about that anymore with QuickVerse. It has a nice little area at the bottom of the screen where you can write and then store your notes for later retrieval. QuickVerse will also allow you to write book and chapter notes as well.

One of the features that I have really enjoyed is the capability to print your notes along with the text after you have studied a chapter or book so you can examine those gleanings that you received from the Word.

QuickVerse can also easily allow you to compare between biblical interpretations (if you purchase additional

translations). The translations available from Parsons Technology at this time are: King James (KJV), New King James (NKJV), New International (NIV), New American Standard Bible (NASB), Revised Standard (RSV), New Revised Standard (NRSV), New Century (NCV), The Living Bible (TLB), Hebrew and Greek Transliterated Bible, and the Scofield Study Bible.

One of the things that has enhanced my study of the Bible the most, is the ability to view up to four translations at one time. The Hebrew and Greek transliterated Bible is keyed to the King James Version so that when you have both of them open and you highlight a word in English it will show you the word in transliterated Hebrew or Greek and give you Strong's definition of that word. You can also use the Hebrew - Greek Bible with the KJV to do in-depth word studies in passages of Scripture.

It doesn't matter whether you are a pastor, Bible scholar, evangelist, in ministry, or a layman. QuickVerse is for anyone who wants to get more out of studying their Bible.

As a writer who deals with biblical subjects on a daily basis, QuickVerse has greatly reduced the time I used to spend looking for that verse that I couldn't remember what chapter it was in or find. It has also saved my fingers and eyes much labor by being

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able to quickly paste a verse or series of verses into the document I am working on.

More Features Than You Can Shake a Stick at!

Some of the things you can use QuickVerse 3.0 to do are:

1. Perform complex searches with mixed booleans, for example "(Saul OR Paul) AND Barnabas", and now searches with four boolean operators: AND, OR, NOT, and XOR. QuickVerse also supports nested searches.
2. Perform case sensitive searches. For instance, you can search for verses with LORD (where "lord" and "Lord" won't match).
3. A cross-referencing feature has been added to QuickVerse 3.0 so that you can move from a book, chapter, or verse mentioned in notes that you have added.
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5. QuickVerse 3.0, now includes wild card capabilities for finding passages which contain words sharing certain roots. In addition to searching for "bapt*" (locating "baptist," "baptize," "baptized," and baptizing") wild card now searches for *rew, Heb?ew, and Heb*.
6. Note formatting has been enhanced to include the capability to *italicize*, **bold**, and underline in the note field.
7. In QuickVerse 3.0, right mouse button support has been added to provide the most common menu commands.
8. QuickVerse 3.0 also now includes Nave's Topical Bible. This used to be an add-on module for QuickVerse 2.0.
9. Allows for limiting or expanding

scans to cover any range of books, chapters or verses.

10. Retrieves every occurrence of selected search words in just seconds.

11. Allows you to create personalized topical indexes from word searches which can be retrieved at anytime.

Nave's Topical Bible

As mentioned earlier in this review, QuickVerse 3.0 now comes with *Nave's Topical Bible*. If you have never used Nave's in your study of God's Word, you don't know what you're missing! *Nave's Topical Bible*, is a collection of indexes arranged by topic allowing for more efficient study of any of the six translations available from Parsons. With QuickVerse 3.0, Nave's is within the reach of your mouse pointer. You have access to a total of 70,000 biblical references by general topic rather than limiting your scans to specific words or phrases. Nave's is a must for any serious Bible student who wishes to study the Bible in a topical fashion.

Holman's Bible Dictionary

The Holman Bible Dictionary is a tool for both understanding the Bible in the context in which it was written and then applying it to modern day living. It presents backgrounds, definitions, outlines and extensive theo-

logical information, which provides depth and consistency to every level of Bible study. Containing understandable essays and thorough scriptural references, the Holman Bible Dictionary for Windows puts complex or abstract theological concepts within easy reach of Bible students as a stand alone software package for Windows, or it can also be easily accessed from QuickVerse itself.

Putting it all Together

The combination of ease of use, extensive on-line help and power-packed tools of QuickVerse, the various translations, and Bible study aids that Parsons offer make this Bible software a definite must for every serious student of the Word of God.

There is much more that QuickVerse 3.0 is capable of, but, due to the limited space of this journal it was impossible to cover all the various aspects of QuickVerse 3.0 for Windows. If you would like more information about the products mentioned in this review feel free to contact Parsons Technology at the following address or phone number:

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Book Review:

The Roman Catholic Church in History

reviewed by Jim Toungate

Christian Answers Director of Research, Jim Toungate, reviews Walter Martin's little known book on Roman Catholicism published in 1960. Did CRI's founder Walter Martin believe that the Roman Catholic Church was a true church or that it was apostate? Do Christians need a pope to guide them in matters of faith and morals? Does Roman Catholicism nullify the gospel of Jesus Christ? Is there a reason why CRI does not promote this book in a time when their position is being questioned concerning Romanism? Learn the truth about Walter Martin's position from his own words! \$3.00 + S&H

A Tribute to a Dear Friend and Saint

The Story of Beverly McNulty

A note of explanation from C.A.'s director Larry Wessels:

A couple who has been dear to my heart, especially when I was working to lift the Research & Education Foundation to a national outreach ministry back in 1990 and 1991, was Beverly and Steve McNulty. I still remember talking to Beverly as if it were only yesterday during those early days. Her concern and vision for ministry was truly encouraging and she was also the first to pledge financial support.

The Lord took Beverly home after a battle with cancer and since that time I have, in some small way, wanted to honor her in tribute. I feel like the best way this can be done is by sharing several letters she had written to me so that by them she can still bless others. Her letters are followed by a short biographical sketch written by her husband Steve.

I am looking forward to meeting her again someday in the presence of Christ the King! Amen!



Beverly & Steve McNulty

Dear Larry,

Thank you for the informative, inspiring letter. I do cherish it.

What a joy it is to hear of lives given over sacrificially to Jesus Christ, but how sad for the necessity. The overwhelming majority of Christians work little or not at all. There seems to be such a tiny remnant of God impassioned, sinner-loving souls: the fields are so white to harvest, that the glare is blinding! Thank you for the encouragement I receive from your lives poured out as a living sacrifice of joyful, dedicated service to so Holy a master.

My devotion to all of you. May we

never grow so content in this life that we become patient waiting for Him though we are to be "patient waiting for Christ," we are to "run with patience the race that is set before us," this does not mean that we should not seriously desire that glorious day when Christ, at last, comes to take us home. "Even so, come Lord Jesus!"

Beverly McNulty
9/20/91

Dear Larry,

What a delight to come home last evening and discover your loving note and gift! You are good medicine for the soul!

I was greatly excited to get the catalog and other information. But right after they came, everything seemed to snowball. It has been constantly on my mind, but your precious note was the stimulation for me to lay all else aside and act.

Just between us — we haven't told anyone except those who had to know I was diagnosed with cancer in June. After two minor surgeries and some tests, there is no more cancer detectable. From the initial lab reports, I have no doubt but that this is a direct act of grace from God. I will undergo six months of chemotherapy as a precautionary measure. They tell me I will lose my hair! Oh, well, a small inconvenience for so gracious a gift.

We will endeavour to make our contributions to your sacrificial and much-needed ministry with more regularity. Let me know if you obtain a tax-deductible status.

May God bless, protect, encourage, and comfort you as you serve and love Him. Thank you for speaking the truth without counting the temporal cost.

Beverly McNulty
8/06/91

Dear Larry,

My dear friend, your cards and letters

are a refreshing drink of water to a thirsty soul. I realize that it requires great effort to carve out the time to write. The pictures help to bond us together. I have placed the last picture you sent on the bulletin board in my office, so that everytime I see it I will remember to pray for all of you.

I realize the work you do is exhausting and thankless, but your ministry is a blessing to the world and a glory to our God. May the Lord greatly bless you in this life and the life to come.

The chemotherapy has been more trying than I expected it to be, and in ways I never expected. How good to know that God is always in control.

Take care, dear ones, and God bless you all!

Beverly McNulty
1/01/92

Beverly Gail McNulty
by Steve McNulty

Born:

August 27, 1952, Wichita, Kansas
Moved to Hutchinson, KS just after birth.

School:

Graduated Butler High School - 1970
Graduated Wichita Business School in 1982 (certified court reporter).

Family:

Married Steven M. McNulty, June 12, 1970. No children. A Marriage made in heaven.

Beverly didn't come from a Christian home. During high school a dear girl friend and classmate kept inviting her to church. It was only when Beverly turned 16 (driving age in Kansas) that she drove herself to her friend's church, First Southern Baptist Church, Hutchinson, Kansas. Growing up Beverly being in love with animals and all of nature, sensed God. So accepting Jesus Christ as her personal savior was a most normal and joyful experience.

Beverly and I met on a blind date, arranged by friends at First Southern Baptist Church. Shortly after my discharge from the U.S. Navy. It was truly love at

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first sight. I accepted Jesus Christ as my personal savior in April, 1970 and we were married two months later.

All through our married life Beverly studied God's Word. She enrolled in a correspondence course from Liberty University, not for a degree or certificate although she could have easily taken and passed all exams, but just for personal growth in God's Word. Beverly was a prolific reader and writer. Her thirst for knowledge and truth was unquenchable, her stand for righteousness uncompromising.

Beverly always felt her witness was one of the most important ways she could share her faith.

Beverly started having health problems in 1984, with brain surgery in 1985 to correct a meningocele. Although this condition had taken the sight in her right eye, it never dampened her spirits. Breast cancer was diagnosed in July, 1991, followed by a mastectomy and six months of chemotherapy. In April of 1992, Beverly was given an all clear, it seemed that the treatments had been successful and no cancer remained. However, in December of that same year a cancerous tumor was removed from her brain. Upon returning to Wichita, Beverly started radiation treatments. But the cancer began to spread to her spine then back to the base of her brain. Beverly went to be with her Savior Jesus Christ on August 24, 1993. Her services were held on August 27th, her 41st birthday.

Beverly faced illness often, yet during those days of pain she never complained or felt sorry for herself. When she went in for surgery, as soon as able, Beverly was visiting other patients, talking about Jesus and how to be saved, along with placing tracts throughout the hospital, replacing Catholic brochures whenever possible. When taking her chemotherapy treatments, she was always concerned about the spiritual welfare of other patients, when she was in pain, she worried about their pain.

Beverly was also concerned for her Christian doctors, giving them biblical tapes and books for their personal encouragement.

Beverly was selfless, always keeping her eyes on the Lord as she traveled through life. She was able to "lay aside

the weights" and press toward the mark for the prize. When Beverly realized her time was nearing the end, she expressed her gratefulness for the life that the Lord had given her always reminding her husband to "keep praying and trust God."

Although her earthly life was short, Beverly's testimony of God's strength and grace continues to live on in the lives of those she touched.

As her husband, I cannot begin to describe the kindness, tenderness, support, love, dedication Beverly gave to me during the precious 23 years of our married life. I cry every day, I miss her so. She is truly my God-given "Proverbs 31" wife.

Beverly, I love you.

Steve
4/19/94

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A Voice from Eternity

You lived next door to me for years
We shared our dreams, our joys, our tears,

A friend to me you were indeed --
A friend who helped me when in need.

My faith in you was strong and sure
We had such trust as should endure,
No spats between us ever rose
Our friends were alike, also our foes.
What sadness, then, my friend, to find

That after all, you weren't so kind.
The day my life on earth did end
I found you weren't a faithful friend...

For all those years we spent on earth,

You never talked of Second Birth,
You never spoke of my lost soul
And of the Christ Who'd make me whole.

I plead today from hell's cruel fire
And tell you now my last desire,
You cannot do a thing for me,
No words today my bonds will free.
But do not err, my friend, again,
Do all you can for souls of men,
Plead with them now quite earnestly
Lest they be cast in hell with me.

Author Unknown

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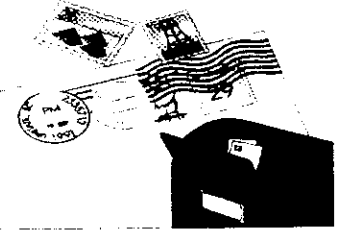
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LETTERS FROM THE FRONTLINE



Dear Larry,

I understand that R.C. Sproul does not agree with *Evangelicals and Catholics Together*..., as he stated in *Word* periodical, has spoken with Colson and Packer on this. I myself consider Protestants who endorse their written documents thereby became apostates and I will not appear with them on a Protestant program. R.C. has some liturgical tastes that may incline him Romeward but so far as I know he is core Protestant and Reformed.

I am very sorry to read of Geisler's [Dr. Norman Geisler] dreadful lapse.

As for my writing, I will soon have out for *Sola De Gloria* [a Reformed publication] a small work on Scott Hahn 75 or so pages and I am writing chapters for several other symposiums on this Roman crisis. A local radio station is having me give a one hour lecture soon, followed by an hour of call-in questions.

Yours in Christ,
Dr. John Gerstner
Ligonier, PA

Dear CHRISTIAN ANSWERS,

Lately I have been hammered with questions concerning the KJV Only people. Next year at my church I want to do a series on this. I was excited to see the materials you have concerning this. [Editor's note: see page 18]

David M.
Albuquerque, NM

Dear CHRISTIAN ANSWERS,

...just to refresh you on my request, I would be thrilled if I could get some tapes of the programs that Larry Wesels and Dr. Frank Beckwith did on

the pro-life, pro-abortion stances [Editors note: "Answering Abortionist's Arguments" — available for \$15.00 + S&H]. It was also a topic dear to my heart as well and they were probably the best I've ever seen. Keep up the great work! I am a faithful viewer of CHRISTIAN ANSWERS and all of the programs ya'll do on Austin Cable Vision Television. They helped my husband Bob to come to the Lord. Praise God!

Please put me on your mailing list as well. Is there anyway to get a program guide of upcoming shows?

Shona D.
Austin, TX

Dear CHRISTIAN ANSWERS,

I am afraid that Texe Marrs has an "Elijah complex" that's turned ugly. It doesn't particularly speak well of his 'discernment' ministry. **Not to mention the discord created.** [Editors note: see ad on the bottom of page 18.]

Kindly send the following materials. I would like to order more but funds are limited right now.

Bill G.
Newington, CT

Dear Jim,

I just returned from a company sponsored school on "Investment in Excellence" taught by the Pacific Institute, Seattle, Washington. The head guy is Louis Tice. Ever heard of him? I was uncomfortable with some of his teaching. He emphasized self-esteem, visualization and self-talk for self improvement. At one point while discussing achieving goals and intuitively finding the answers, he said "call it ESP, call it the Holy Spirit or whatever..."

Do you have a source for more info on self-motivators like Louis Tice? I'm noticing more and more "religion" appearing in corporate schools like this.

I feel much better knowing that there is someone out there who knows Christ and can share knowledge with me about these issues. May God richly reward your labors.

James M.
Jay, FL

Dear CHRISTIAN ANSWERS,

I need some clarification regarding what the apostle Paul meant in 1 Timothy 4:7 when he said to "*discipline yourself for the purpose of godliness.*"

Does this command apply to pastors only or to both pastors and lay people?

Deborah T.
Austin, TX

Dear Deborah,

In this passage of Scripture, Paul, Timothy's spiritual mentor is instructing him on how to be a good pastor. He tells Timothy in 1 Tim. 4:7ff "to have nothing to do with worldly fables..." This is a reference to 1 Tim. 1:4 where Paul tells him to "not pay attention to myths, and endless genealogies which give rise to mere speculation rather than **furthering the administration...**" (NASB)

I believe in context, Paul is speaking specifically to pastors. But, this is a valuable piece of advice for layman as well.

I hope that this helps answer your question. God Bless!

Jim Toungate
Editor

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compiled by Larry Wessels

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EDITORIAL

When the Well that provides Life is Poisoned.....



"But the Spirit explicitly says that in later times some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to deceitful spirits and doctrines of demons," (1 Tim 4:1 NASB)

In the town of Delburne, Alberta, there is an old water tower, built in 1926. Now standing empty, the building has been bought by two men who want to turn it into a dining and cocktail lounge. Plans call for a bar to be built on the second floor.

Something similar has already happened in various communities: that which was originally designed to provide the water of life has been "converted" into that which is providing resources detrimental to society. Schools were once thought of as sources of moral and spiritual benefit. In most cases they now are fountains of agnosticism and atheism. Even churches, built to convey to men and women the water of life, are now the providers of everything but the Gospel. There's bingo, and there are dances, and there are clubs. But they no longer function as conveyers of the Gospel. ☩

Feel free to send us your comments. Selected replies will be published in the next

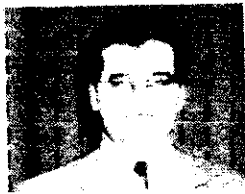
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An Evaluation of the Oneness Pentecostal Movement

by a former Oneness Pentecostal



Mark A. McNeil

The Oneness Pentecostals, primarily known as the "United Pentecostal Church," grew out of the Pentecostal movement of the early 1900's. The majority rejected the "Oneness" teaching as well as the corresponding doctrine of the "baptismal formula." A small group did accept these doctrines, however, and the movement has enjoyed some growth over the past several decades. It is not within the scope of this paper to trace the historical roots of these teachings, though such a study is quite enlightening. We will discuss the Scriptural basis appealed to by those who defend their teachings and show why Christianity has historically opposed these interpretations.

ONENESS

When the "revelation" of baptism in the name of Jesus appeared, it was immediately opposed by the argument that it called into question one's commitment to the doctrine of the Trinity. Baptism has historically been connected with one's commitment to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit (Matt. 28:19). The new doctrine seemed to weaken the importance of this basic truth to Christianity by stating that baptism should be performed in the name of Jesus only. In response the adherents to the Oneness doctrine proclaimed that the Trinity was not a Biblical teaching and therefore not an accurate reflection of the Christian faith.

The "Name" Theory

The basis of their teaching was that the singular "name" in Matthew 28:19 points us to one name of God. The name, it was concluded, was Jesus. Jesus, then must be the only person who is God. By this logic, Matthew 28:19 is reconciled with Acts 2:38 (and other verses) and the name of Jesus is exalted. The Trinity was pronounced as illogical and a damnable heresy. The terms "Father, Son, and Holy Spirit," only represent roles or offices of the one person of God. The "simple" solution to the difficult doctrine of the Trinity was quite attractive to those who were tired of struggling with the various controversies and who were constantly searching for something "new."

The "Evidence"

The Scriptural proofs for this understanding of the Biblical terms consisted in several lines of evidence. The first, and perhaps the main evidence, were those many passages which state and imply that there is only God (Dt. 6:4, I Tim. 2:5, Gal. 3:20, etc.). It was argued that this initial point is irreconcilable with the plurality demanded by the Trinitarian doctrine. Of course, one can never equal three. As a result, the Trinity was declared a mathematical absurdity.

The second step in the Oneness doctrine was to prove that Jesus was God. As with the Trinitarian, this was easily produced. "God was manifest in the flesh... In Him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily" (I Tim. 3:16, Col. 2:9) are oft quoted passages to demonstrate this truth. The one true God, then, revealed Himself in a human body. The human body, including the human nature in concept, is called the "Son" (Lk. 1:35),

while the Spirit of God which indwelt the human body was called the "Father." Jesus said the Father dwelt in Him (Jn. 14:9-11), as well as performed the works which our Lord did. The duality which literally covers our New Testament is accounted for by this principle.

Whenever we see the Father and Son distinguished, we are to view this as simply as a distinction between the divine and human natures. Simply put, if there is only one God, and Jesus is that God, then He must be the only one Who is God. If one chooses to do much study into this doctrine, he or she will find that most all the passages that are used to teach the doctrine of the Trinity are explained by one of the two principals we have already noted.

The Holy Spirit is explained as God in activity.

Refutation

The Trinity is comprised of several points which are clearly and solidly grounded on the evidence of Scripture.

First, we believe that God is both one and personal (Dt. 6:4, that God is personal is seen throughout the Bible).

Secondly, as Trinitarians, we believe that Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are each God (Eph. 4:4-6, Jn. 1:1, Heb. 1:8, Acts 5:3-5). This point is agreed upon by all those of the Oneness position.

Thirdly, we hold that Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are personal. By this we mean that those necessary elements that constitute personality can be demonstrated in each.

Fourthly, we hold that they are distinct enough so that they can perform actions toward each other. □

This excerpt was taken from Mark McNeil's 16-page booklet, *An Evaluation of the Oneness Pentecostal Movement* available from CHRISTIAN ANSWERS, for \$1.50 + S&H

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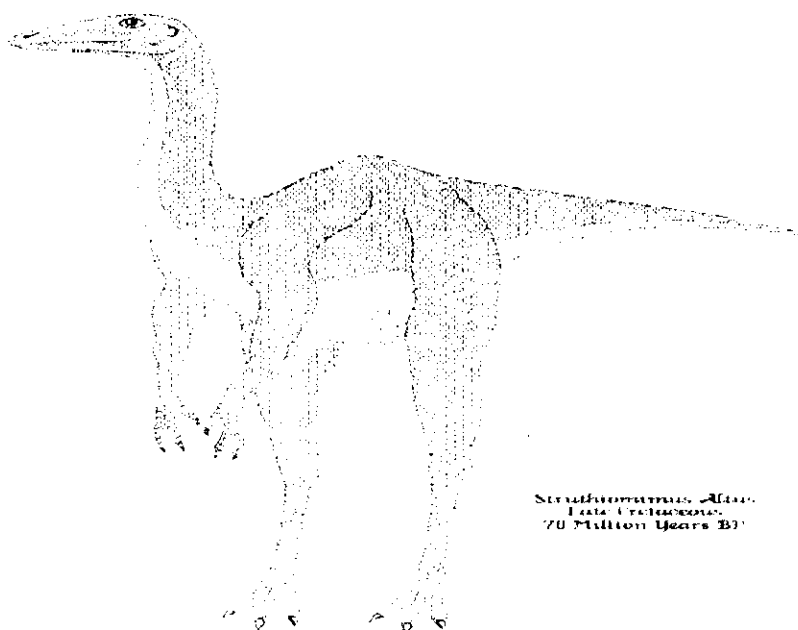
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