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WE ARE THE PEOPLE "UPON WHOM THE ENDS OF THE WORLD ARE COME." 1 CORINTHIANS 10:11

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"Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass until all things be fulfilled." Matthew 24:34. There is no one else coming! We are the final generation! The generational time clock began ticking after Israel won the "Six Day War," and seized Jerusalem in 1967. All prophecy in scripture concerns itself with Israel. It is this truth that is often overlooked by a Gentile prophetic teacher; hence his interpretations are often false.

"Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of person ought ye to be?...Ye therefore...beware lest ye also, being led away with THE ERROR OF THE WICKED, fall from your own steadfastness." 2 Peter 3:11,17. Apostle Peter is issuing a warning to Christians to be leery of this doctrine of "The Error of the Wicked." Why? The individual believer no longer trusts in a person, Jesus Christ, to save, but in a doctrine. The Bible theology is this, *"Christ in you, the hope of glory."* Colossians 1:27. Either Jesus Christ is in you, or else you are a reprobate (Gk.-rejected, cast away). 2 Corinthians 13:5. Knowing this, no doctrine or church can save.

What is this doctrine of "The Error of the Wicked"? Basically, it causes one to relax in your determination to serve Jesus Christ. I only saw Jesus Christ in a vision one time in my life. I was playing the slot machines in Reno. Right while I was pulling the lever for a jackpot, Jesus appeared above the slot machine with outstretched arms in the direction of the one-armed bandit, and said to me, "Carest thou for these more than me?" That was it--such soft loving words--and the vision was gone. Such love! I didn't think Jesus would appear in a casino. You'd think you would be safe from the Lord there! The Psalmist said, *"Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there; if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there."* Psalm 139:7-8. We cannot escape this "hound dog" of heaven! He knows how many sparrows fell to earth today. The very hairs of your head are numbered!

Legalism is not the reason why I no longer enter a casino. I just don't want to meet Jesus asking me again, "Carest thou for these, more than me?" I was trying a little "comfort zone" due to my new theology. Maybe these preachers on the radio and television are right. Jerry Falwell says, "All the sins you've ever committed in the past are forgiven, all you'll commit today are forgiven, and all the sins you'll ever commit in the tomorrow's are all taken care of."

Baptists have a better deal than the Catholic “indulgences”. Catholics had to pay money for these indulgences. The indulgence purchased granted freedom to sin for one week. One must purchase another for the following week. The Baptist believe they live in a canopy of the blood, and hence God can’t see what they are doing under this canopy. He can’t see through the blood! He has an extra hard time counting the hair on a Baptist.

Bob George, an international Christian talk show host, declares you only ask for “forgiveness from sin” just one time; when you first became a Christian! This is “The Error of the Wicked.” It even sounds too good to be true. Anything sounding too good to be true, usually is! *“If any man will do his will, he shall know OF THE DOCTRINE, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.”* John 7:17. After Jesus appeared to me in the casino, I knew right then, I had been believing a lie, and is the reason I fell from my own “steadfastness” in the faith.

Don’t you just love Jesus? He is so much different than man or religion. Just how long has this doctrine of “The Error of the Wicked” been around? I’d say, for at least 2,000 years or more. John the Baptist was confronted with it in the doctrine of the Scribes and Pharisees.

“We have Abraham to our father.” We are “unconditionally eternally secure,” being of the bloodline of Abraham. *“O generation of vipers,”* (Matthew 3:7) John the Baptist would scream at those who trusted “in the blood” of Abraham. *“We be Abraham’s SEED and were never in bondage to any man.”* John 8:44. Rome ruled over Judea through Herod the tetrarch (Gk.-ruler over a fourth part of a country). Their religion made them not only liars, but blind to reality. Rome ruled the world!

“We be Catholics, belonging to the only church God ever instigated.” Did not Jesus say, *“Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church”*? Matthew 16:18. As a member of this true church, we are then “unconditionally eternally secure.” “We be Assemblies of God.” We are the true Israel of God having been circumcised in our flesh; “speaking in unknown tongues.”

“We be Baptists,” secure in a doctrine already proven false through John Calvin. If God hadn’t raised up John Wesley when He did, history records that the world would have descended into another Dark Ages through Calvinism.

It is because this doctrine, “The Error of the Wicked” is so widespread that even Jesus questioned, *“Shall I find faith on the earth?”* Luke 18:8. You tell a good Baptist that he should quit gambling! He’ll retort quickly, “Don’t give me any of your legalism!”

God will raise up at the end of time what the scripture refers to as, “The Elect.” It will be a John the Baptist ministry crying, *“Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.”* Matthew 3:13. “The Elect,” always refers to the nation of Israel, except when God is talking about a singled-out people

“upon whom the ends of the world are come.” 1 Corinthians 10:11. Religion has managed to fool all of the people all of the time! Don’t you surmise that there will be a day of reckoning prior to His coming? At the first advent, God sent John the Baptist screaming out of the wilderness, *“Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”* Matthew 3:2.

God does not send judgment before first sending out a John the Baptist ministry, *“O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?”* Matthew 3:17. *“For there shall arise false Christs* (loners; “lord’s over God’s heritage,” 1 Peter 5:3), *and false prophets* (displaying a false unity between Billy Graham, the Pope, and Oral Roberts), *and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, IF IT WERE POSSIBLE, they shall deceive THE VERY ELECT.”* Matthew 24:24.

It was Abraham Lincoln who said, “You can fool some of the people all of the time, and all of the people some of the time, but you cannot fool all of the people all of the time!” “The Elect” are those “upon whom the ends of the age has come.” God never leaves the earth without a preacher. “The Elect” are a type of the 144,000 during the time of “God’s Wrath.” Noah warned his generation for 120 years, and never convinced one person of the coming calamity. *“And the LORD said (unto Noah), I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth...for it repenteth me that I have made them.”* Genesis 6:7.

What was Noah’s credentials to convey such a message to earthlings? After all, we are only human! So, everyone sins! *“Knowing this FIRST, that there shall come IN THE LAST DAYS SCOFFERS!”* 2 Peter 3:3. You scoffers don’t show up until the very end of this age. These “scoffers” (Gk.-mockers, jeers at, deriders, false teachers), are clearly defined as a sign of the end of the age! These “scoffers” are as much a SIGN of the end of the age, as are “The Elect.” Folk who mutilate their bodies by tattoos, piercing of the skin, utter disregard for the sanctity of marriage, the gay society, and nudity are all a part of the “scoffer generation” with Dennis Rodman and Madonna as the King and Queen of Scoffers. Don’t expect to convert them! The earth becomes so corrupt, the Apostle John declares, that the “filthy” become “tar babies.” Do you know what happens when you reach out to touch a tar baby? Have you forgotten Uncle Remus’ Br’er Rabbit?

If the “foolishness of preaching” doesn’t affect a change, your reaching out will not avail. *“For the time is at hand. He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which be filthy, let him be filthy still.”* Revelation 22:11. You try and help and now you are full of “tar.” Noah just kept busy building on his ship! “It will never amount to anything,” said the scoffers. “Every day is going to remain as the day before, the scoffers said. *“And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation.”* 2 Peter 3:4. These, are the ones Peter is talking to when he said, *“But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night.”* 2 Peter 3:10.

But the door is always open for salvation to all types of sinners, even at this late hour, Jesus says, *"Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."* Acts 2:29.

God told Noah exactly when calamity would strike: *"his days shall be an hundred and twenty years."* Gen 6:3. He came as a thief to those in darkness. *"But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day."* 1 Thessalonians 5:4-5. We are of the day, hence, know the signposts of His return. 2 Thessalonians 2:3.

If you will order Robert Van Kampen's book, The Sign, P.O. Box 113, West Olive, MI 49460, or phone 1-800-627-5134, you will be convinced of the "Pre-Wrath Rapture" doctrine as well.

"As in the natural, so in the spiritual." If you'll listen to KSFO, 560kc (out of San Francisco), Hot Talk show, you'll hear Geoff Metcalf, Jim Eason or Ken Hamblin crying out against this "brainwashed society." The pulpit is silent. Due to fear of losing their "non-profit" status, the I.R.S. has *"muzzled the ox that treadeth out the corn."* 1 Corinthians 9:9. We cannot rely on the news media to give us the truth! Thank God for KSFO. I hope you will turn on to these "firebrands." Just as they continue to cry out against the sins of liberalism, I would like to feel the *RIVERBANK NEWS* is a *"voice crying in the wilderness,"* "Wake up!"

In Matthew 24:1-13, is the story of five wise and five foolish virgins. The number ten means complete! *"While the bridegroom tarried, they ALL slumbered and slept. And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet him."* Matthew 24:5-6. I really believe Gail A. Riplinger and her book, New Age Bible Versions, is a type and forerunner of this midnight cry of Matthew 25:6. Virgins are waking up! as a result of this book. The actual "midnight cry" of scripture is the *"abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet."* Matthew 24:15. Beyond the middle of the week, *"No man knows the day nor the hour."* Matthew 24:36. But, Laodicea sleeps on!

This bestselling book is almost impossible to get through your local Bible bookstore for obvious reasons. This one book, New Age Bible Versions, could bankrupt the store. If believed, we then could possibly see Bible burning bonfires! No longer would any of these twelve various versions be popular with Christians. In Joshua's day, eleven of the thirteen spies sent into the Promised Land returned an evil report. Today, we have twelve New Age spies who have spied out the Promised Land (the King James version) and they have given us an evil report. Are you going to believe the personal copyrighted report of these spies? One of the spies, in spying out the Promised Land (KJ version), reported Isaiah to be liar when he stated the mother of Jesus would be a virgin. His unbelief gave a false report of Isaiah 7:14. *"Behold a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel."*

These five wise virgins could be a type of the Philadelphia church (Revelation 3:7-13), and the foolish virgins, Laodicea (Revelation 3:14-22). Laodicea and Philadelphia exist side by side like the ten virgins and represent the complete church.

Midnight is the darkest part of the night! This cry at midnight will give the bride time, *“for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife (the church) hath made herself ready.”* Revelation 19:7. What did she do to make herself ready? First, they all awoke out of their sleep. Second, they all trimmed their lamps (the Bible). *“Thy WORD is a LAMP unto my feet.”* Psalm 119:105. While trimming their lamps, they discovered various “New Age versions: that obscured the light. They trimmed their lamps by cutting away foliage (the New Age versions) that obscured the TRUE LIGHT from shining forth.

Next, while in the process of trimming (Gk.-put in proper order), they discovered the insufficiency of merely repenting, but must obey Acts 2:38 to be saved. Just being a virgin (unspotted from the world) was not enough. We also need OIL--a type of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost that John the Baptist referred to in Matthew 3:11.

Finally, the five foolish virgins, the Laodicean church, said to the five wise virgins, the Philadelphia church, *“Give us of your oil; for our lamps have gone out!”* Do you think that when Christ shall appear, His chief concern is over your wealth? *“We are rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing,”* (Revelation 3:17) but their lamps (probably a NIV, NASB, NKIV, NRSV, NAS, REB, RSV, CEV, TEV, GNB, Living, Phillips, New Jerusalem or New Century Bible lamp) went out. I wonder why?

“But the wise answered, saying, Not so (the wise realized the importance of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost); go ye rather to them that sell (preachers sell the gospel) and buy (“Buy the truth and sell it not!” Proverbs 23:23) for yourselves.” Matthew 25:9. They procrastinated too long to buy the Holy Ghost! Time is money! Mankind is too busy “buying and selling.” *“Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot: they...bought, they sold, they planted, they builded.”* Luke 17:28. They have no time for “tarrying.” It’s such a waste of time, when we could be busy “buying and selling.” *“Behold, I send the promise of the Father upon you; but TARRY (Gk.-sit down) ye in the city of Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high.”* Luke 24:49.

Martha is a type of Laodicea *“cumbered (Gk.-to distract [with care]; to drag all around) about much serving.”* Luke 10:40. Mary, the sister of Martha, is a type of the Philadelphia church. According to this analogy, the New Agers (Servers Of The World) will go to hell. They were too busy doing the *“way of Cain,”* which is human reason for justification. You need OIL, more than any materialistic thing that this world has to offer. Man is deceived into believing a doctrine or a religion will suffice.

We are the people *“upon whom the ends of the (this) world (age of grace) are come.”* 1 Corinthians 10:11. *“Now these things were our examples...”* 1 Corinthians 10:1-6.

#1 - All passed through the Red Sea (type of blood).

a) All were born again, having come out of Egypt, a type of the world.

#2 - All were baptized--in the sea and in Moses' cloud.

#3 - All ate the same spiritual meat.

a) *“Thy bread (the Word) that I will give is my flesh.”* John 6:51.

#4 - All drink the same spiritual drink, for they drank from the spiritual ROCK!

a) *“But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst, but the water (the Word) that I shall give him will be in him a well of water.”* John 3:14. *“He is with you, but shall be in you,”* inferring the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.

You that fully trust in “The Error of the Wicked” doctrine, Paul is saying to you, *“Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.”* 1 Corinthians 10:12. *“Now all these things happened unto them for examples: and they are written for our admonition (Gk.-calling attention to, warning), upon whom the ends of the world are come.”* 1 Corinthians 10:11. The children of Israel did “everything according to Hoyle.” Yet, they all died and went to hell, save Joshua and Caleb. *“But with whom was he grieved forty years? Was it not with them that had sinned, whose carcasses fell in the wilderness? And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not? So we see they could not enter in because of unbelief.”* Hebrews 3:17-19.

Therefore to conclude, *“to the intent.”* 1 Corinthians 10:6-12.

#1 - We should not lust (Gk.-covet, crave)

#2 – Neither be idolaters

#3 – Neither be fornicators

#4 - Neither tempt Christ

a) as Oral Roberts did in his prayer tower

#5 - Neither murmur (Gk.-grumble).

1 Corinthians 6:9. *“Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate (Gk.-soft, fine clothing), nor abusers of themselves with mankind (Sodomites), nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers*

(Gk.-railer), *nor extortioners (con-artists) shall inherit the kingdom of God.*” God knew this doctrine of “The Error of the Wicked” would be so homogenized into the religious world that He gave this special admonition to warn “The Elect,” *“upon whom the ends of the world are come.”*

This is 1997, only two years and nine months until the year 2000. The One World Government Is taking over this United States of America! Since NAFTA and GATT became law, it is at an accelerated speed. These naval stations are being emptied for whom? Christians will become ONE all right, but only under persecution. Soon it will cost you, even your lives, for serving the Lord Jesus Christ. Are you prepared to die, or to live? *“He that seeketh to save his life shall lose it.”* Luke 9:24.

Whenever a parable is mentioned in three out of the four Gospels, we are to hearken, as though it were a “verily, verily” (Gk.-this is truth warning). The parable of a certain householder is recorded in Matthew 21:33-41, Mark 12:1-11, and Luke 20 20:9-16. The Lord of the vineyard was hoping the servants would “reverence his Son.” Jesus said, *“In the beginning was the WORD, and the WORD was with God, and the WORD WAS GOD.”* John 1:11. Instead of showing reverence (Gk.-regard) for the Lord’s Son, they killed Him. Let me ask you (lovers of various versions), are you not guilty of killing the WORD by making the WORD of no effect--it is now dead. The “dead letter” has no life, by this pollution of these “New Age Versions” of the Bible.

Just suppose we had more than one Constitution. You are doing the same thing with the Bible. We are not at liberty to copyright a Bible to fit our own theological position. Using the same analogy, we should have a Republican Constitution, another for the Democrats, and still another for the Libertarians.

“But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman under the law.” Galatians 4:4. The birth of Christ brought about the fulfillment of many prophecies. This fulfillment was brought about by God’s time clock, *“the fullness of the time.”* The day of Pentecost was exactly fifty days following Passover. This final generation commences on time! The countdown of the final generation is already ticking away! It is later than you think!

“Having made known unto us the MYSTERY OF HIS WILL, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself: that in the dispensation of the FULLNESS OF TIMES he might gather together in ONE all things in Christ.” Ephesians 1:9-10. NOW, are you ready for the \$64,000 question? When is this “Dispensation of the Fullness of Time?”

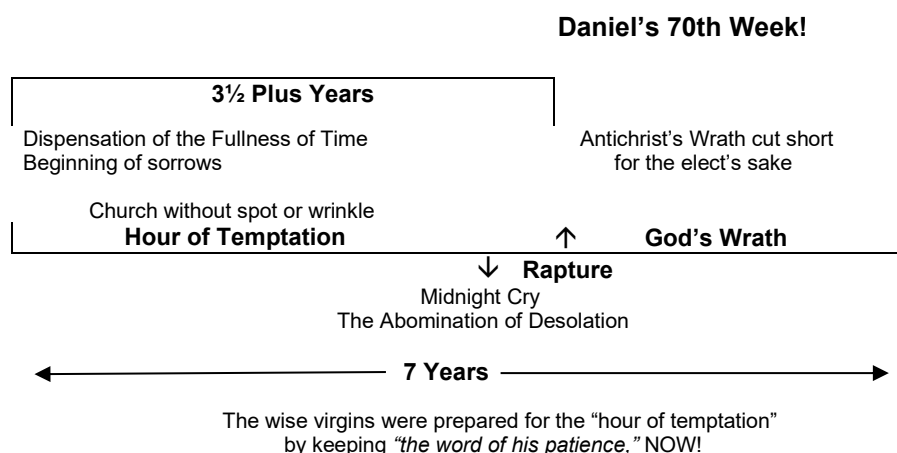
According to C.I. Scofield, “A dispensation is a period of time during which man is tested in respect of obedience to some specific revelation of the will of God. Seven such dispensations are distinguished in scripture: Innocence, Conscience, Human Government, Promise, The Law, Grace, Kingdom.” The “Dispensation of the Fullness of Time, is not mentioned!

Dr. C.I. Scofield relegates the doctrine of the fullness of time to the kingdom age, or the millennial reign on earth. I can feel your pulse already, challenging the “Pope of Fundamentalism.” Just as the Pope of Catholicism has been wrong, so the Pope of Protestantism.

Dr. C.I. Scofield taught a “pre-trib” rapture doctrine, enhanced by the Charles Larkin’s dispensational charts. Scofieldism, through the Bible bearing his own name, ruled supremely over the world of fundamentalism. Only the charismatic revival introduced to the world by the appearance of William Branham in the late 1940’s-1960’s broke the monopoly that this school of theology held over God’s people for years, which said, in essence, the day of miracles was over.

“Upon the solid Scofield notes I stand,
All other footnotes are sinking sand.
My hope is built on nothing less,
Than Scofield’s notes and Scripture Press.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
So wholly lean on Scofield’s fame.
Still others may but swear and cuss
Because this is my only trust”

In the “pre-wrath doctrine,” of which I am a convert, you have a period of time between beginning of Daniel’s 70th week, and when the rapture transpires!



The church needs the Antichrist to bring it to full fruition! What would Moses be without Pharaoh? Just as Pharaoh was a necessary ingredient, so is the Antichrist necessary to provide God a bride without spot or wrinkle.

“His foundation is in the holy mountains. The LORD loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.” Psalm 87:1-2