



**"He that is least (with a John the Baptist ministry)
is greater than he." (Matt. 11:11)**

The Old Ship of Zion

Ministry of Cpt. Gordon Nelson

Water baptism is accepting God's salvation.

"He that believeth and is baptized" (Mk. 16:16)

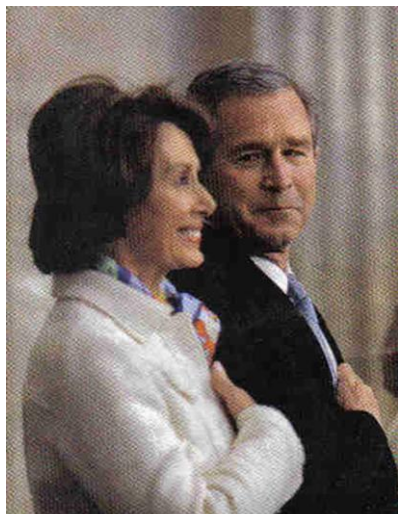
"Save yourselves" (Acts 2:40)

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TRANSFORMING THEMSELVES!

By Cpt. Gordon Nelson

"For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light." (2 Cor. 11:13-14)



Realism vs. Idealism - Time

Politically, we've now entered into what is now being termed the Senator Charles Schumer era. "First, there is the muscular realism of the Democrats who ran the election campaigns, Schumer and Emanuel. They chose the candidates on pragmatism not principle." (Time magazine 11/20/06)

America is witnessing the talents of the hard left in our political arena "transforming themselves" into moderates. This is a victory of the drive-by news media. *"Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!"* (Isa. 5:20)

Not since Goldwater has the media been so vocal

We haven't seen the mass news media as involved as we have in this 2006 mid-term election since the defeat of Barry Goldwater.

When Goldwater campaigned for the presidency, it was the first time the CFR-controlled mass news media flexed its muscles since its creation. Barry carried only six states. Dan Smoot, an ex-FBI agent, wrote a book entitled, The Invisible Government. Reading this one book opened my eyes so I could plainly see beyond the politics into the secret invisible government that controls the visible government. The New York Times and Time magazine are the mouthpieces for the CFR (Council on Foreign Relations) agenda. Rush Limbaugh openly defies that agenda, which is the reason they will attempt to employ the "Fairness Doctrine," designed to silence him and all other conservative radio talk show hosts. Would to God we had a John the Baptist from the church to replace him when they do. By the way, one is coming and his name is Elijah. *"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD."* (Mal. 4:5)

Invisible Government

Have you ever seen a picture of a landscape scene with instructions informing you that within the picture are a boy, a wagon and a dog? At first it seems impossible to find them in the picture, but as you

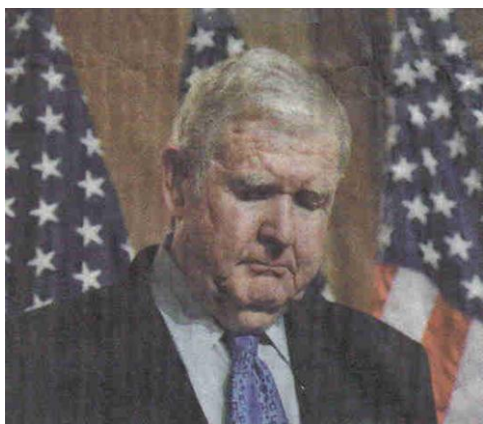
continue looking, suddenly the boy, the wagon, and the dog jump right out at you. After being able to see the camouflaged boy, wagon and dog in the picture, from then on it is all you see.

In the back of the book, The Invisible Government, Dan Smoot lists page after page of the membership in CFR. You must hold uppermost in your minds that the supreme purpose for the creation of the CFR was to control the office of the presidency, according to its founder, Col. E. Mandell House. Herbert Hoover, a Republican, was the very first CFR President. Believe it or not, he was a liberal. The party makes no difference. As a liberal, they will appoint a liberal to the Supreme Court. CFR's chief concern is the President's choice for the Supreme Court.

Sen. John McCain

The mass news media gives John McCain a million dollar's worth of free advertisement every day. "McCain for President." He is the darling of the news media because they know he is a liberal. John McCain "transforms himself" into a conservative, but the CFR knows John McCain will appoint another liberal to the Supreme Court. The legacy of any President is his appointments to the bench. This is all that really concerns the CFR. It was John McCain who came up with this group of twelve to hinder Bush's appointments from being finalized.

Col. House is the author of Philip Dru: Administrator. When you consider it was written in 1913, next to the Bible, it has the most amazing fulfillment of prophecy, which eventually brings Socialist Philip Dru to be the first dictator over the USA. The events portrayed in the novel are an ongoing saga even to this present hour. A mass news media inspired race riot brings about so much lawlessness that the people seek out a socialistic dictator to restore order out of chaos. This past election, won by the media, continues the march toward the target: a socialistic dictator. This election places progress of globalization back on track.



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LOSING EFFORT: Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa., lost in a secret ballot vote, 149-86.

Realism vs. Idealism

Time magazine's lead story on Nov. 20, 2006, on the past election, camouflages the real war with words like "realism" and "idealism." Of course, the Democrats are the realists. Nancy Pelosi, holding the number three spot to becoming President in the event of the death of both the President and the Vice President, is bringing San Francisco values to Washington D.C. As a nation, we've been enduring New York and Massachusetts values since the days of the Hoover administration. Now we have another donkey entered into the arena, braying the same value system. All three are at war with family values. Nancy Pelosi and John Kerry have one thing in

common: they both claim to be Catholic. From the evidence, we can conclude they are "liberal Catholics."

Nancy picks sleazy hard left John Murtha

Nancy Pelosi's first order of business was to appoint John Murtha as her House Majority Leader. His character is so sleazy, that if John Murtha were a Republican, the news media would destroy him completely. But Nancy goes so deep in the barrel that even the Democrats couldn't stomach him. However, in line with San Francisco values, John Murtha would be like a Judas Iscariot, calling for our troops to come home this week. We are in a cultural war, and Christians are sound asleep, living in Lala-land.

Nancy Pelosi is of the hard, hard left with George Soros and Michael Moore applauding her as the first woman Speaker of the House. This is war, but Time only calls it "Realism vs. Idealism." In reality, it is Humanism vs. the Judeo-Christian religion. These folks have the ACLU as their enforcer, clamoring with one voice, "Kill the Saturday and Sunday worshippers, alias the Jews and Christians!"

Jews and Christians need to hang together, or we'll hang separately

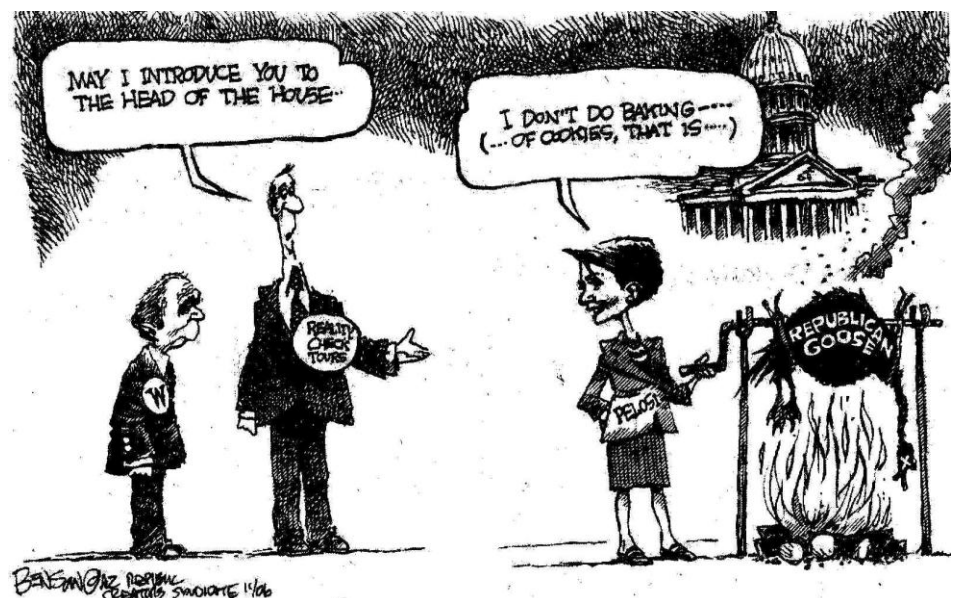
The Jews in America, some 80% of whom live in the Northeast sector, are asleep and snoring right along with the Christian church. We need to vote out Charles Schumer, Ted Kennedy of Chappaquiddick fame, Patrick Leahy, Rahm Emanuel, Harry Reid and Dick Durbin. In many cases, it is the Jewish vote that sustains them. If these Jews truly love Jerusalem, how can they do it? If we don't win this war against these men, they will! Humanism and Christianity cannot co-exist. Only one will emerge as the victor.

Nancy will be two heartthrobs away from being President

With Nancy Pelosi two heartthrobs from the presidency, it is dangerous even for a pair of Democrats to win the election in 2008. Make no mistake about it, our own CIA murdered John F. Kennedy because he spoke harshly to Russia. The CIA is the only one to have a motive. This was a classroom teaching exercise of the CFR for all CIA members who defect. Strangely, the Masons have a similar pledge to kill any Mason who reveals secrets. Our CIA is loaded with Skull and Bones initiates who have taken the vow while rising out of a coffin to forever serve Lucifer.

Christians asleep

The Christian community is sound asleep. We gave away the store in this last election. TBN worldwide Christian



San Francisco Value System vs. a Texas goose

television held their semi-annual marathon to raise money at the most crucial time in our history, the mid-term elections.

Christians should have fasted, wore sackcloth, and prayed during this crucial election, but instead we are busy worshipping the god of Baal, the mammon god. Jesus said, *“No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and (the) mammon (god).”* (Matt. 6:24) Paul Crouch is telling the church that you can. Paul Crouch, a Freemason, is sending a message to the powers that be, by having his god of mammon marathon at election time. He is telling them, “You have nothing to worry about from the Christian community”. It sounds to me more like a Judas goat leading the entire church into One World Religion.

Three strikes and you're out!

This recent election was proof enough for me how sound asleep the Christian Church really is. It is reminiscent of Gethsemane, where Jesus prayed three times, and in each case asked the disciples to pray with him. After his first prayer, he said, *“O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me...And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour?”* Jesus went away again and prayed the same prayer to His Father. *“And he came and found them (the disciples) asleep again: for their eyes were heavy.”* Three strikes and you're out! *“And he left them, and went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words. Then cometh he to his disciples, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest.”* (Matt. 26:39-45)

The first time George W. Bush ran for President, the Supreme Court had to determine the winner in Florida. The second time he ran for President, George W. Bush owed his re-election to a few Catholic votes in Ohio. It is evident the church never gets the message. WE ARE AT WAR! Is God telling us Americans the same thing? *“Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting.”* (Dan. 5:27) Is God telling America, “Sleep on now and take your rest.”

Why did the church go to sleep?

What caused the church of Jesus Christ to go to sleep? The kingdom of heaven, *“it is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.”* (Lk. 13:21) A woman is a type of the church. The church has hid three false doctrines into the body of Christ, namely,

#1 – pre-tribulation rapture doctrine;

#2 – eternal security before being sealed (Eph. 4:30);

#3 – All marriage is a covenant. *“What therefore God hath joined together.”* (Matt. 19:6)

To a large extent, John Darby hid these three doctrines which were later incorporated into the C.I. Scofield Bible which permeated every Bible College in America, along with Charles Larkin's charts. If what I'm telling you is the truth, then John Darby is the enemy who sowed the tares among the wheat. *“But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way...So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from*

whence then hath it tares? He said unto them, An enemy hath done this...Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.” (Matt. 13:25-30) Hence, until the harvest, both the Laodicea and the Philadelphia churches will grow side by side. But at harvest time, there is a separation of the wheat from the tares! Daniel tells us, “And in the days of these (ten) kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed.” (Dan. 2:44)

The ten kings

We'll first see the rise of these ten kings before we see Daniel's "little horn" (Dan. 8:9), who is the dreaded Antichrist. The North American continent is a territory being prepared now for one of these kings to rule over. Many believe the United States, Canada and Mexico will be one kingdom. This is the reason we will not protect our borders. If a wall is to be built, it will be at the southernmost part of Mexico. Another king will be over another region, from the border of Mexico to Argentina. We already have the G-8, and are now living in the preparation for the entrance of the G-10. The news media is just camouflaging all that is obviously going on all about us, and helping transform America into a globalist state, right before our eyes. Have you heard about the superhighway being built ten lanes wide from Mexico to Canada via Tulsa, OK and Kansas City, MO? Doesn't sound to me like any wall is even being entertained, rather, we are on a fast pace toward globalization.



Coming Through! The NAFTA Super Highway

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by Kelly Taylor

The planned NAFTA Super Highway would radically reconfigure not only the physical landscape of these United States, but our political and economic landscapes as well.

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All across America, mammoth construction projects are preparing to launch. The NAFTA Super Highway is on a fast track and it's headed your way. If you don't help derail it, you may soon be run over by it - both figuratively and literally.

The NAFTA Super Highway is a venture unlike any previous highway construction project. It is actually a daisy chain of dozens of corridors and coordinated projects that are expected to stretch out for several decades, cost *hundreds of billions* of dollars, and end up radically reconfiguring not only the physical landscape of these United States, but our political and economic landscapes as well.

In Texas, the NAFTA Super Highway is being sold as the Trans Texas Corridor. In simplest terms, the TTC is a superhighway system including tollways for passenger vehicles and trucks; lanes for commercial and freight trucks; tracks for commuter rail and high-speed freight rail; depots for all rail lines; pipelines for oil, water, and natural gas; and electrical towers and cabling for communication and telephone lines. One of the proposed corridor routes, TTC-35, is parallel to the present Interstate Highway 35 (I-35), slightly to the east, running north

from Mexico to Canada. Its present scope is 4,000 miles long, 1,200 feet wide, with an estimated cost of \$183 billion of taxpayer funds. It runs through Kansas City.

Integration vs. Independence

How would all of this affect you, your family, and your community? Let us count the ways. One of the most striking features of the proposed Super Highway is the plan to do away with our borders, as evidenced by the joint U.S.-Mexico Customs facility already under construction in Kansas City, Missouri. A U.S. Customs checkpoint in Kansas City? But that's a thousand miles inside America's heartland; isn't the purpose of U.S. Customs to check people and cargo at our borders?

Ah, but the mere asking of that question shows that you're still operating under the *old* paradigm that sees the United States as an independent, sovereign nation. However, that paradigm began to change following passage of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) in 1994. NAFTA, which was sold to the American public as a simple trade agreement, was actually far more than that, setting in motion a process for the gradual social, economic, and political "integration," or merger, of the three NAFTA countries - Canada, the United States, and Mexico - into a North American Union.

In 2005, this merger process became more explicit and aggressive when President Bush, Mexico's President Vicente Fox, and Canada's Prime Minister Martin launched what they call the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America (SPP). Any serious study of the SPP will clearly reveal that its ultimate aim is the dissolution of the United States into a North American Union patterned after the increasingly dictatorial regional government now running the European Union. Henceforth, under this plan, the borders between our nations will be incrementally erased in favor of a joint "perimeter" around all three countries.¹

TBN transforms another super highway for the Antichrist

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." (Matt. 24:14) The end of what? The Queen asserts her authority to permit her son, Prince Charles, to preach directly into the hearts of every believer listening to TBN. We are as sheep being led to the slaughter by a Judas goat. Joel Osteen, pastor of the largest congregation in America, is talking exactly as Paul Crouch, both seeing their grandsons taking over a family, non-profit business of preaching the gospel.

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." (Matt. 18:20) What is there in that verse that you builders can't comprehend? Read Matthew 18:15-20. It is about the simplest form of church government, but what power! *"Whatsoever ye (two or three elders) shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."* (Matt. 18:18) The two or three elders should consist of both Jew and Gentile to create the *"one new man."* (Eph. 2:15) So, even the Gentile Christian and the Messianic Jew is in a process of transforming themselves into the image of the "one new man." In this process, we become like Yeshua, Who is the Saviour of us all. *"Ye worship ye know not what (Christ said to a Gentile Samaritan woman): we (Jews) know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews."* (Jn. 4:22) Love for the Jew is the anchor that keeps the ship of state afloat to make us *"more than conquerors."* (Rom. 8:37)

¹ http://www.infowars.com/articles/nafta_superhighway_coming_through.htm

Are we on a road of transforming the family as we know it today?

“Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot...but the SAME DAY that Lot went out of Sodom (type of the rapture, and no one was ‘left behind’) it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all.” (Lk. 17:28-29) The “day of vengeance” of our Lord began.

In 1921, with the passage of the Suffrage Act, we were placed on a road of no return. The woman gained equal rights with men, and the communal property rights placed the seal of the coming matriarchal society we now live in.

In 1973, Roe vs. Wade transformed America into a humanistic state. Christianity was now considered a cult. Roe vs. Wade was passed into law by the liberal Supreme Court justices of Earl Warren. This court created the religion of humanism as the state religion. America has been in the process of “transforming themselves” into an atheistic humanist society since then.

The liberal mindset of our Fabian Socialist Thomas Dewey public school system calls for a change in our family values. In a free society, we should be free to love regardless of sex. This is what they call progress. We have removed the woman from the kitchen into mainstream America, working alongside and competing for the same jobs as men. We’ve created the superwoman that no man can live with, unless he commits jihad (submits).

In the book, 1984, which became a bestseller, marriage to the opposite sex became illegal. It was declared “too violent” of a relationship. It is unbelievable how accurate are the predictions of books such as 1984, Brave New World, and Philip Dru: Administrator. Billy Graham has said that over 90% of the predictions made in Brave New World have already come to pass.

Bringing San Francisco values to Washington D.C.

It is quite obvious that our futile attempts to save our family value system is not enough. Proof of this statement is evidenced by your voting Nancy Pelosi in as Speaker of the House. Barney Frank’s roommate maintained a gay brothel in Frank’s apartment. We have Ted Kennedy, a known murderer of Chappaquiddick fame, Senator Robert Byrd a member of the KKK, John Kerry dumping his millionaire wife to marry a billionaire heiress to the Heinz fortune. John Kerry is the grandson of a Czechoslovakian Jew. His grandfather changed their name to cover their identity. His brother is active in his synagogue. He was raised as a Catholic. How can it be that such sleazy characters almost made the presidency? What kind of appointments to the Supreme Court would John Kerry or Al Gore have chosen for the bench? Does it concern you at all when you go to the polls and vote? or do you simply vote for some free entitlement, or to raise the minimum wage? Who is going to sit on the bench is all that the CFR, the invisible government and the mass news media really care about. Shouldn’t you?

Is mankind reverting to the days of Noah?

Is mankind on a slippery slope downward? The Bible says it is. *“As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the DAYS of the Son of man.”* (Lk. 17:26) Just how was it in the DAYS of Noah? It is not at all like the days that Tim LaHaye paints in his novels and in the movies based on those novels,

Left Behind, and Left Behind II.

The Lord says, *“My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his DAYS shall be an hundred and twenty years.”* (Gen. 6:3) Moses lived to be 120 years old. God was judging mankind for his debauchery of life by cutting his tenure upon the earth. Prior to his declaration, man could live to 969 years of age, as did Methuselah. The entire earth was cursed because of sin. Sin still shortens your life on earth.

Sin shortens your lifespan

I had a sister who died on a street corner at 38 of cirrhosis of the liver, with the lining of her stomach totally collapsed from alcohol. She had her first glass of beer at age 13, and hardly saw another sober day until she collapsed in a pool of blood. *“Wine is a mocker (to scoff), strong drink is raging (be in an uproar): and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.”* (Prov. 20:1) Mel Gibson lives to regret just getting drunk one time too often and uttering a foul roar that came from his belly. I ask my readers to hold this man up in prayer.

He is a Traditionalist Catholic, follower of a breakaway branch of Catholicism that rejects the 1960s liturgical reforms implemented through the Second Vatican Council, including the abandonment of Latin in the Mass. His particular sect of Catholicism does not accept the infallibility of the Pope, but rather the infallibility of scripture alone. His movie, The Passion of the Christ, was scoffed at by Hollywood, who didn't believe there was an audience for such a Christian film. Mel Gibson's personal investment of \$30 million has netted him one billion dollars. To God be the glory!

I had a wife, as well, who died prematurely. A child of incest is the best way I know how to describe it. Fathers, when you commit incest with your own daughter, you are sending her to a premature grave. Our sex education classes in our public schools accomplish the same feat by awakening sex glands that should be dormant until married. My wife never lived to see any of her six grandchildren. Sin produces more sin. Now in order to marry, lies must be fabricated at the marital vows before God and man, which cause the entire family to become an accomplice to the hypocrisy called marriage.

Marriage is a contract! Adultery or fornication annul it.

The Bible says, *“What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.”* (Matt. 19:6) Do you believe in a full disclosure of infidelity before marriage? Do you believe God unites a virgin and a whoremonger just because they obtain a piece of paper that says “husband and wife”? The Bible makes an exception, or a contingency clause, *“except it be for fornication.”* (Matt. 19:9) After one is married, sex outside of wedlock is called adultery. Adultery, according to Jewish law, automatically dissolves any marriage. It is regarded as death by stoning.

One takes a husband or wife for better or for worse, provided you know the worst. Then, you choose! *“He (or she) that covereth his sins shall not prosper.”* (Prov. 28:13) Fornication, prior to marriage, is what is covered up at the marriage vows today. God does not unite a virgin and a fornicator. Is that too difficult for the church to grasp? Yet, most all preachers call every marriage an unbreakable covenant! Next to the Assemblies of God, Harold Camping is the biggest liar on the subject I ever heard.

“But from the beginning it was not so.” (Matt. 19:8) Marriage probably ceased being a covenant at the time of the flood. Why should man be permitted to live 900 years in debauchery and sin? God saw the ridiculousness of long life to a sinner. He limited man’s ability to live beyond 120 years as part of God’s judgment. However, Noah and his family *“found grace in the eyes of the LORD.”* (Gen. 6:8) Noah was the last man to live 950 years, and was never cursed because the Bible says, *“Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God.”* (Gen. 6:9)

Restitution is unknown among the 21st century Christians

It is the Holy Spirit’s work to convict of sin. *“And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin.”* (Jn. 16:8) For the first two years of my Christian experience, I was convicted of sin at every meeting I attended. Every sermon seemed designed for me to repent of sin. Down to the altar I would go! Folks must have thought I was crazy, just watching me run to the altar, crying over my sins. I was a virgin. I had never bought a pack of cigarettes, taken drugs, or drank a bottle of beer. You know, I’m so glad I ran to the altar after every message preached by the pastor. Also, I wanted to receive the Holy Ghost. One must learn how to empty out before asking God to fill one up! When I was fully emptied out, God filled me with *“the Holy Ghost, and with fire.”* (Matt. 3:11) That was some 64 years ago, while conviction over sin was still in the church. There were still all night prayer meetings, instead of our usual rock-a-thon praise services of today. Restitution is unknown in our Christian society today! I couldn’t think of going to the District Attorney without first confronting Dr. Bebe H. Patten. *“Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone...But if he will not hear thee, THEN take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.”* (Matt. 18:15-16) I took a witness with me on campus and gave Dr. Patten a chance to repent. “You’ll either talk to me, Dr. Bebe Patten, or you’ll talk in court!” Her response was, “I have nothing to say to you!” I then proceeded for a day in court. When the guilty party, or the preacher, owns the church, one can’t bring them before the church. One has no other alternative but the law to obtain justice from these family-owned, non-profit Christian businesses created by the IRS. Is this, also, too difficult for the 21st century church to comprehend?

The reprobate mindset. What is it? Can they be saved?

All of the foregoing message was designed for a subject I’ve never heard a preacher, pastor, evangelist, prophet or 21st century apostle even discuss. Why can’t preachers preach the whole *“counsel of God”*? (Acts 20:27) Is there a line drawn that if you cross over, you’re forever lost? I don’t believe such a line exists as far as a sinner is concerned. God saves to the uttermost!

In Hebrews we read, *“For it is impossible for those WHO WERE ONCE ENLIGHTENED, AND have TASTED of the heavenly gift, AND were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, AND have tasted of the good word of God, AND the powers of the world to come, if they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.”* (Heb. 6:4-6)

Haggard scandal rekindles debate on homosexuality 'cure'

Some argue people
cannot overcome
sexual orientation

By DAVID CRARY
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NEW YORK • Evangelical leader Ted Haggard, in apologizing for contacts with a gay prostitute, said he had sought help to combat a "repulsive and dark" side of his life — but no approach had proven effective.

Even as he pledges to undergo further counseling, Haggard's comments have rekindled debate over the controversial premise that people can overcome same-sex attractions through "reparative therapy." It's a concept espoused by many religious conservatives, and disputed by many mental health experts.

"Haggard is Exhibit A of how people can't change their sexual orientation," said Wayne Besen, a gay-rights activist and author. "With all that he had to lose — a wife, children, a huge church — he had to be who he was in the end. He couldn't pray away the gay."

Haggard denied some of the prostitute's claims but confessed to "sexual immorality" and resigned earlier this month as pastor of his 14,000-



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'EXHIBIT A': Ted Haggard's failed attempt to fight a "repulsive and dark" side of his life is called "Exhibit A" by a gay-rights activist for how people can't change their sexual orientation.

member New Life Church in Colorado. He gave up the presidency of the National Association of Evangelicals.

"There's a part of my life that is so repulsive and dark that I have been warring against it for all of my adult life," he wrote to his congregation. "Through the years, I've sought assistance in a variety of ways, with none of them proving to be effective in me."

Haggard did not specify how he had sought help or describe the healing-and-restoration program he vows to pursue now.

Ted Haggard, former president of the National Association of Evangelicals, with a wife, children, a huge church, and probably access to the ear of the President, couldn't pray away the gay lifestyle. Do you think anyone in Sodom could have been delivered from being gay? *"Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he (or she) was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?"* (Heb. 10:29)

These two scriptures in Hebrews are speaking to the church. Sinners cannot do despite to the Spirit of grace; only believers can. If you look at today's church, one may as well get a penknife and cut these scriptures out of the Bible. How about this one? *"For if AFTER THEY HAVE ESCAPED the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are AGAIN ENTANGLED (involved with) therein, and overcome, THE LATTER END IS WORSE WITH THEM than the beginning. For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them."* (2 Pet. 2:20-21) Calvinism, as taught in our churches, scoffs at these scriptures.

Realtor Randolph B. of Monterey County

Inspiration for this particular message came about through a telephone conversation where Randy B.

stated, "I am exactly like you." With this belief, he calls me Dad. "Exactly like me"? Wow! This is what really triggered the gift of the discerning of spirits. I was a follower of Bebe Patten in Oakland for five years, while Randy spent five of his most formidable years at the Lake Tahoe casinos, knowing every pit boss by their first name. At age 16, Randy punched his father, leaving him on a garage floor, and moved to the fast life of the Lake Tahoe casinos. The Lake Tahoe casinos would be his mom and pop until he wound up in my church five years later. Randy has followed me now for about 35 years, and believes he is now "exactly like me." I've loaned him as much as \$40,000, interest free money. Only by the grace of God did I retrieve mine: others did not.

You ask, “How could a guy get into your pocket for 40 grand? It is a gradual process, starting out with a mere \$2,000. Now to keep from losing the \$2,000 totally, you give him an additional \$3,000 as insurance money. The Bible says, “*Give to every man that asketh of thee.*” (Lk. 6:30) Also, I have a curiosity about spirits. I am forever inquiring within myself, “Who is this guy? What is the name of the controlling spirit that guides his life?”

I preached to a fully packed house at every service when I had my church. No one from the church would have dared come to the Captain’s place of residence. I don’t know the power that lies resident in God’s anointed that causes ordinary spirits to retreat. But, at age 21, Randy, in his cute baby doll haircut, came knocking on my door. I was 21 when I first became a Christian. Immediately, I invited him into my home. I told him then, “You know of course, that no one in the church would have knocked on the Captain’s door? Your spirit is distinguished from all the rest by your doing what the others feared.” Before he left on that initial visit, I made a promise to him, “Just remember this, Randy, about our acquaintance, I promise you I’ll get the last laugh.” My statement was based purely upon the gift of the discerning of spirits. My life story is that people possessing spirits have continually sought me out. The man of Gadara “*when he saw Jesus afar off, he ran and worshipped him, and cried with a loud voice, and said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of the most high God? I adjure thee by God, that thou torment me not.*” (Mk. 5:6-7) Why did he knock on Jesus’ door?

I don’t mind their coming and knocking on my door; I must make contact before I can help them. Jesus prayed and nothing happened. So then, Jesus found out the name of the spirit holding the man bound. “*What is thy name? And he answered, saying, My name is Legion: for we are many.*” (Mk. 5:9) When the mask is pulled off, the game is over!

Through both the women I married and through Randy, I was being subtly introduced to this most diabolical demon prevalent in the church today called “*a reprobate (rejected) mind.*” (Rom. 1:28) Esau is the father of the reprobate mind. “*Lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright. For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.*” (Heb. 12:16-17) You cannot believe one word Randy tells you. It is only relevant for that day. But he has pulled off the biggest con at the altar of marriage since the Wiley Kid, posing as a virgin. Randy’s eyes are opened to see both good and evil. His wife only sees good. This is the reason fathers must become more involved in their daughter’s marriages.