



# The Lost In Church

It Is By Faith That It Might Be By Grace  
Lost in Church part 3

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Place a frog in a kettle of boiling water and he will jump out.

Place a frog in a kettle and slowly bring it to a boil, and he will sit in it and boil to death. And it will be unaware of the danger.

Each generation has been worse then the last.

“The Lost in Church”.

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**This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith. But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all *men* , as theirs also was. - 2 Timothy 3:1-5**

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“And the Thunder Rolls”.

It is now the 12th day of March in the year MMVI of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed is the name of the Lord.

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**And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees; When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand. So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.— The Gospel According to Luke 21:29-31**

**He spake also this parable; A certain *man* had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none. Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree,**

**and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground? And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: And if it bear fruit, *well* : and if not, *then* after that thou shalt cut it down. - The Gospel According to Luke 6:6-9**

Dung It.

**I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and God doeth *it* , that *men* should fear before him. That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth that which is past.**

**And moreover I saw under the sun the place of judgment, *that* wickedness *was* there; and the place of righteousness, *that* iniquity *was* there. I said in mine heart, God shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for *there is* a time there for every purpose and for every work. - Ecclesiastes 3:15-17**

**“IT IS OF FAITH: THAT IT MIGHT BE BY GRACE”.**

**Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near *me* with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men: Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people, *even* a marvellous work and a wonder: for the wisdom of their wise *men* shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent *men* shall be hid. Woe unto them that seek deep to hide their counsel from the LORD, and their works are in the dark, and they say, Who seeth us? and who knoweth us? Surely your turning of things upside down shall be esteemed as the potter's clay: for shall the work say of him that made it, He made me not? or shall the thing framed say of him that framed it, He had no understanding?**

***Is* it not yet a very little while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be esteemed as a forest? <sup>18</sup>And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness. The meek also shall increase *their* joy in the LORD, and the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of**

Israel. For the terrible one is brought to nought, and the scorner is consumed, and all that watch for iniquity are cut off: That make a man an offender for a word, and lay a snare for him that reproveth in the gate, and turn aside the just for a thing of nought. Therefore thus saith the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob, Jacob shall not now be ashamed, neither shall his face now wax pale. But when he seeth his children, the work of mine hands, in the midst of him, they shall sanctify my name, and sanctify the Holy One of Jacob, and shall fear the God of Israel. They also that erred in spirit shall come to understanding, and they that murmured shall learn doctrine. - Isaiah 29:13-24

**“Make Straight This Crooked Thing Straight”.**

The blessing of him that was ready to perish came upon me: and I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy. I put on righteousness, and it clothed me: my judgment *was* as a robe and a diadem. I was eyes to the blind, and feet *was* I to the lame. I *was* a father to the poor: and the cause *which* I knew not I searched out. And I brake the jaws of the wicked, and plucked the spoil out of his teeth.

Then I said, I shall die in my nest, and I shall multiply *my* days [as The Phoenix] as the sand.

“Regenerations” 2.

My root *was* spread out by the waters, and the dew lay all night upon my branch. My glory *was* fresh in me, and my bow was renewed in my hand. Unto me *men* gave ear, and waited, and kept silence at my counsel. After my words they spake not again; and my speech dropped upon them.

And they waited for me as for the rain; and they opened their mouth wide *as* for the latter rain.

*If* I laughed on them, they believed *it* not; and the light of my countenance they cast not down. I chose out their way, and sat

**chief, and dwelt as a king in the army, as one *that* comforteth the mourners. - Job 29:13-25**

“The Phoenix”

“In His Presence”. Our Lord Jesus Christ. I remain His Servant.

**And *if* thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noonday: And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not. And *they that shall be* of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in. - Isaiah 58:10-12**

**Ask ye of the LORD rain in the time of the latter rain; so the LORD shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field. For the idols have spoken vanity, and the diviners have seen a lie, and have told false dreams; they comfort in vain: therefore they went their way as a flock, they were troubled, because *there was* no shepherd. Mine anger was kindled against the shepherds, and I punished the goats: for the LORD of hosts hath visited his flock the house of Judah, and hath made them as his goodly horse in the battle. - Zechariah 10:1-3**

**Then said he unto me, Prophecy unto the wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live. - Ezekiel 37:9**

And I then I prophesied to the Wind:

Thus saith the Lord God; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.

“Breathe”

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“IT IS OF FAITH: THAT IT MIGHT BE BY GRACE”.

Thus saith the Lord God; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.

**Then shall we know, *if we follow on to know the LORD: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter *and* former rain unto the earth.* - Hosea 6:3**

“The Great Awakening”. The greatest outpouring of God’s Spirit. Of Grace.

Second only to the Cross... and Jesus Christ.

“Who then to will pray for rain”?

“Who then will with a repentant heart and bent knee Shout Lord Save Us! Save Me! Restore!

**“Make Straight This Crooked Thing Straight”.**

FOR IT IS OF FAITH: THAT IT MIGHT BE BY GRACE”.

Laying aside all false doctrine, naughtiness and carnal division: Lifting your Hearts and Holy Hands Unto the Lord. Flee false doctrine. The “Doctrines of Mere Men”.

“It’s Always A Matter of Heart”

“The New Ark”.

History... the “Cycle” has repeated itself once more.

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**But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them. - Ephesians 5:1-7**

**For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith. For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; - Romans 1:16-18**

**For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: As free, and not using *your* liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. Honour all *men* . Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king. - 1 Peter 2:15-17**

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Note: When Our Lord first prompted me to use the term “Jackal”, I must admit I knew very little about the “little critter”. So I paused in the course of this writing and did a lookup on it. The results that I found, is located in the link to the .pdf file at the top of this page. For those of you that are downloading perhaps from an alternate download site, you will find the link to the file on the corresponding page by the same name at our web site.

What I found was quite interesting. I found that the “critter” was in actuality quite often a scavenger and nocturnal; something I did not know. And perhaps two other things most yet interesting still. “A Jackal” was the God Innubus or the “Idol” of the dead underworld for the ancient Egyptians.

Quite fitting I suppose, to those of the false prosperity message who have “coveted” material wealth. The “Idol”.

But perhaps the most interesting thing I discovered, was that one of the worst enemies to this nocturnal creature of the night... was the Eagle... and in the case of false teachers and false teaching that damn men’s souls beloved... it’s worse enemy...

“The Phoenix”.

Once again my thanks to my Lord Jesus Christ, for without His inspiration, none of this would be possible.

“Follow Jesus Christ”.

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**And I will strengthen the house of Judah, and I will save the house of Joseph, and I will bring them again to place them; for I have mercy upon them: and they shall be as though I had not cast them off: for I *am* the LORD their God, and will hear them. - Zechariah 10:6**

FOR IT IS OF FAITH: THAT IT MIGHT BE BY GRACE”.

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It is now the 13th of March in the year of our Lord Jesus Christ MMVI.  
Blessed is the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord awoke me this morning with just one more task at hand.  
This message study. What I considered to be finished, was not yet  
complete. D as I fully know with all wisdom, that it is not complete  
until He says it is.

What He wishes me to address is that of Eternal Security.

Before I begin, I would like to make perfectly clear, that there is  
eternal security in Christ. "In Christ". And only as long as you abide  
upon the vine. (John 15).

You familiar with the pages of Phoenix Seven, will find that I have  
spoken out against the doctrines of "Once Saved Always Saved" and  
"Security of the Believer".

The reason that I am opposed to both of these doctrines is for what  
they have become "In the Eyes of the Believer". Often viewed by  
those in the Church as a "License to Sin", to walk the false path, "Fall  
Short of the Mark", a part of a "lukewarm" apostate Church, and still  
be saved. That discounts the true "perseverance of the saints". Those  
that "overcome". The world.

Twisted and distorted within the Church by the deception of Satan.  
And yes his "Angels of Light" that deceive many by the millions.  
Through "The Doctrine's of Mere Men" and not of God.

"Once Saved Always Saved" that teaches that once one was saved  
or had the conversion experience, it is impossible for them to err from  
the faith; to err from the truth, shipwreck one's faith, and to fall from  
Grace. A doctrine "in the eyes of many", that takes advantage of this  
Grace, and discounts the roll of faith. "The Faith". "Saving Faith".

An outstanding example of this would be the gainsayers. Those that I  
mentioned earlier in this message. The reason that I am opposed to  
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the Believer".

The Gainsayers. One where you can covet the “return seed”, and cares and pleasures of this life more than the fruit of righteousness.

Lay us now pause for just a moment for an excerpt from “The Good Heart” located in the archive section of our site.

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**But this / say , He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give ; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God *is* able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all *things* , may abound to every good work: (As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever. Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for *your* food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness;) - 2 Corinthians 9:4-10**

**Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God. For the administration of this service not only supplieth the want of the saints, but is abundant also by many thanksgivings unto God; Whiles by the experiment of this ministration they glorify God for your professed subjection unto the gospel of Christ, and for *your* liberal distribution unto them, and unto all *men* ; - 2 Corinthians 9:11-13**

The multiplication of your seed sown (the means of you doing good)... increase the fruits of your righteousness (the blessed results to yourselves and others)... and not a worldly (self) gain or prosperity. True prosperity are those of the fruits of righteousness. The true increase.

The coveting of the seed sown, more than the true increase of the fruit of righteousness, that giving is to increase. This is the difference. And such a vast difference.

One is a coveting or giving for the purpose of financial gain, (the seed that multiplies) the other for the fruit it produces... Goodness, Truth...Love. To name a few. And the greatest is Love.

Love...now there is a thing above all to covet for increase.

Yes, before I receive any email on this. Scripture tells us that we are to covet these things not things of this world.

This is what makes the prosperity message false. Not that God will not increase your seed sown, but THE REASON for the return. And the coveting of it.

The vast difference of giving from the “Good Heart” or “Good Ground” in the spirit of Love for the furtherance of the Gospel and the Kingdom of Christ, and giving for the purpose of receiving not more seed for you to sow to do more goodness; but instead as Paula White states, to be taken to the “wealthy place”. One emphasizes “true increase and liberty” and the other ... only bondage.

Children...Children...hear me..be no longer infants. Babes in Christ. One is “light” and the other is a “darkness” of “the heart”. An “eclipse of the Heart”. Overrun by shadow...the shadow and darkness of a false message being taught. Know this.

Do you not know that no covetous man shall inherit the kingdom of God?

**For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. - Ephesians 5:5-6**

What many that are embracing this false prosperity message do not understand or do not grasp is this : Just as the Apostle Paul and

myself have instructed, you are not to give out of covetousness but out of bounty, you are not to covet the return of the seed to you, but look for the true increase, the fruit that that giving produces. The fruit of righteousness. And Love.

As to the further coveting of “the seed” and love of money, Paul addresses it in the letter to Timothy:

**If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, *even* the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness; He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings, Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.**

**But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment let us be therewith content.**

**But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.**

**But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses. - 1 Timothy 6:3-12**

Such a tragedy. This message that drowns men in destruction. And errs them from the true faith. Over the past several years I have watched and listened to those of this false prosperity movement lead men and women just as perhaps your self, to destruction. And many of those like Paula White, twisting and distorting the very Word of God which is Christ, turning it into cares of this world. Such a tragedy.

Many of you out there have heard the term “Love Offering”... people this term says it...all. And you still miss the point.

Yet the greatest tragedy of all... you didn't know the difference. Well some do and have. But a small amount... a “puny” amount. Strait is the gate, and few there be that find it. A small “puny” amount.

**Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait *is* the gate, and narrow *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.**

**Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits.**

**Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. <sup>18</sup>A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither *can* a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. - The Gospel According to Matthew 7:13-20**

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Many of you by “Your definition” would define “and are defining” those of the false prosperity message to “be saved”. “Christian”. And scripture tells us they are not. They have erred “from the faith”. Perhaps YOU are one of them.

And to those that teach falsely? Scripture is clear and perfect and without error. Those that lead others into perdition and destruction, are damned.

That's not "judging" as many that hide behind those words speak. That is WISDOM: and knowing that God's Word is perfect and that He is just. Wisdom: And heading the warnings that God placed in the Word for you almost 2000 years ago. "People that is a matter of being smart". And Knowledge. Knowing that all that embrace the Psuedo Christos and false Word of their understanding will view corruption. For to "Deny the Word is to Deny Christ".

**Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things. Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. - Galatians 6:6-8**

I will be addressing more on this subject with a page of it's own title in the near future. In closing now, I will be adding a small excerpt I found upon the net a brief excerpt from a page titled "Eternal Security". But before I do I wish to leave you with one more thing to ponder and reflect upon:

This: Those that deny that one can fall from Grace, discount Galatians Chapter 5 and where the Galatians had sought out another means of justification than by just faith. One that embraced both works and Christ.

You see beloved they themselves had erred from "The Faith". And has lost there justification in the eyes of God.

"IT IS OF FAITH: THAT IT MIGHT BE BY GRACE".

(Beginning brief excerpt from "Eternal Security" from the internet)

"They which correctly understand this God exalting doctrine never contend for the preservation of those who consistently cultivate evil,

and those which use this doctrine to support themselves in a low standard of Christian conduct are, I fear, damnably deceived.

"Moment by moment, I'm kept in His love.  
Moment by moment, I've life from above."

(end of excerpt)

However it is a matter of true repentance. "A Matter of Heart".

"The New Ark".

Follow Jesus Christ.

**Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away *their* ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry. - 2 Timothy 4:2-5**

"I Watch".

**And of some have compassion, making a difference: And others save with fear, pulling *them* out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh. - Jude 1:22-23**

"So Be It".

"the Phoenix"

"In His Presence".

"IT IS OF FAITH: THAT IT MIGHT BE BY GRACE".

“Testify to Love”.

Ask millions of “Christians” today, and they will tell you salvation is by Grace. But only a small few “puny” tiny amount may perhaps add “through faith”. And an even smaller amount may reply “It is by Faith that it might be by Grace”.

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Please do contact us and let us know. We would love to hear from you.

**And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: - Ephesians 4:11-13**

May God Bless You and Keep You Well,

...”and I will multiply my days as...

The “Phoenix”

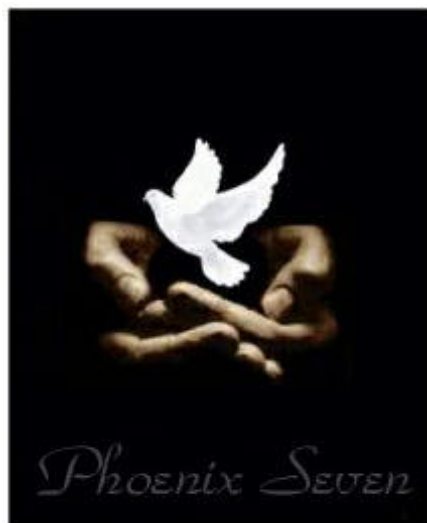
Job:29:18

“Saving Grace”



The Real Jesus Christ  
For there is salvation in no other

For it is of Faith: that it might be by Grace.



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