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1) The Emperor Has No Clothes On

There is a fairy tale called *The Emperor's New Clothes*.

In the tale, the emperor is a vain man and always wants the newest fashions.

A couple of swindlers convince him the clothes they’re making him are of such fine quality that they’re invisible to those who are not worthy to see them. The truth is there are no clothes at all.

The emperor also can’t see them, but he does not want people to think he is not worthy, so he wears the ‘clothes’ in the palace.

Everyone bows down and says what a fine set of clothes he has because they are afraid to contradict the mighty emperor.

Then he goes out and leads a parade to show off his new clothes to the people.

Everyone pretends to admire the clothes except one little boy, full of innocence who yells out ‘*But the emperor has no clothes.*’
Naked and Blind

Jesus described the Church of Laodicea amongst other things as being “naked and blind.” With today’s Christianity being compared by many commentators as being “Laodicean,” I want to make the comparison myself in no uncertain terms.

What do I mean by this?

A lot of what purports to be Christianity is not clothed in the Holy Spirit like the early Church, and to use Jesus’ expression is “naked.” The early Church founded by Jesus and continued by the Apostles had POWER. Wonder working Holy Spirit power! Power to save, heal and deliver. It was said of them, “These who have turned the world upside down have come here too.” (Acts 17:6)

The above is in sharp contrast to what we see around us today.

Christianity in its present form is VERY different and is having little impact on the world. I think most non-christians would say it is irrelevant, and why not, with there being an estimated 240,000 separated organizations and voices. The problem is; there is no evidence of the Holy Spirit being at work like it was at the beginning.

Look carefully at this word by Jesus to His disciples after His resurrection:

“I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.” (Luke 24:49 emphasis mine throughout)

They were to be clothed with power! Jesus came to die for His Church and His intention was that He would have a hell-withstanding Church that was united and glorious. However, just 60-70 years after His words above, look at what He had to say to the Laodicean Church as recorded in the book of Revelation and printed below.

The Luke-Warm, Naked, Laodicean Church

Jesus speaking:

“I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot. So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot I will vomit you out of My mouth. Because you say, ‘I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing’—and do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked...” (Revelation 3:17)

To attempt to do God’s work without the Holy Spirit is presumptive and arrogant. Harsh words I know but no harsher than what Jesus had to say about the Laodiceans. Isn’t Christianity today in the same category as the Laodicean Church who were rich, blind, powerless, and so sickening to the Lord, He wanted to vomit them out?
*(By the way; have you noticed how the words of Jesus were (and are) much more direct and judgmental than those who minister in our day and age? I think Jesus would empty our churches out very quickly if He came to preach. No doubt many would want to “crucify” Him again.)

A lot of activity, programs, loud music, impressive lighting shows, large screen backdrops, loud preaching, big auditoriums, celebrity pastors, and effective marketing… will never be of any value and are an anathema in God’s Kingdom if the Holy Spirit it not present. It’s all a waste of time, effort, and money, and offensive to God!

It’s time to repent the Kingdom of heaven is at hand!

Religion the Opium for the Masses

“Karl Marx's statement has a quiet genius. He wrote it in 1843 as a passing remark in the introduction to a book on philosophical criticism, never finished. Yet what he said still resonates. He felt that religion was something ‘the people conjured up for themselves, a source of phoney happiness to which they turned to help numb the pain of reality. It was the sigh of the oppressed creature.’”
(The Economist www.1843magazine.com)

Have the Current Church Systems Become Nothing More than Pure Religion?

It’s important we ask these kinds of questions if we are not to be seduced by the spirit of the age.

Why is it that there no Holy Spirit outpouring today like it was on the Day of Pentecost and in the Church that followed?

Why is it, with such large budgets, vigorous activity and programming, the Holy Spirit seems to be absent today?

Hasn’t the Holy Spirit left the building, and no one’s noticed?

The answer is obvious. Current divided and competitive Christianity in its multiple forms has no need of the Holy Spirit. Good marketing skills and money gets the job done nicely (so they believe). If they can draw a crowd, it would appear they assume God must be pleased.

Traditions Make the Word of God of No Effect

“So you nullify the [authority of the] word of God [acting as if it did not apply] because of your tradition which you have handed down [through the elders]. And you do many things such as that.” (Mark 7:13 AMP)

I know you’ve heard me say similar things before but please don’t stop reading.
Loud trumpets have been used to warn of impending danger in times past, and prophets impart warnings in every generation. However, we must now face we are living in the end – times. The day of the Lord is at hand, “a day of darkness” spoken of by Prophet Joel. (Joel 2:1-3). At the same time the vast majority of Christians today seem to be ASLEEP IN THE LIGHT. They are basking in a religious glow which is not coming from the Light of the World but from their own good works. Their faithful church attendance and corporate worship once a week lulls them into a sleepy, “everything is OK” attitude.

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**Religious Deception**

Many would be offended at what I’m saying because they would say it’s not right to criticise the beliefs of others. But what if most people are deceived or ignorant? Shouldn’t the prophets be warning them?

What if there is an EVIL spirit directing those who are determined to walk in disobedience to God’s word.

“... in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,”

(Ephesians 2:2)

Christian disobedience: Refusing to face up to or choosing to ignore what the Word of God declares.

“You revoke God’s word by your tradition that you have handed down. And you do many other similar things.”

(Mark 7:13 HCSB)

Deception: People doing things because this is the way they have always done them, or, this is the way the successful mega-church does it, so, it must be right. They are deceived.

As the saying goes: “There is none so blind as those who will not see.”

“So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world...”

(Revelation 12:9)

Today’s Christian churches, ministries and TV shows, are very, very different to the Christianity practised by Jesus and His apostles.

Let’s face it. Millions are deceived and are being deceived, and no wonder!

“For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into apostles of Christ. And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel
of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also transform themselves into ministers of righteousness, whose end will be according to their works.” (2 Corinthians 11:13-15)

These are strong words by Apostle Paul. Would he say the same if he were here today? I believe he would. Definitely.

As a result of the Fall, man’s default nature was and is, to come up with his own ideas and add a strong desire to draw attention to himself. It’s the promotion of ego (self). In the process many are drawn away and deceived.

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**2) End-Times Deception and the Love of Babylon**

(Babylon: read Revelation chapter 18. Jesus is speaking!)

Babylon: Said to be a mystery religion that tries to influence Christians whenever and wherever they have lived. It gradually wears them down simply by its presence as well as by occasional persecution. These Christians are then gradually weakened rather than strengthened and begin to feel the best thing to do is to give in to what is happening. They start to deviate from the truth of God’s Word.

How true. We are living in dangerous times, don’t you agree?

Here’s the revelation Jesus has for us today:

*And I heard another voice from heaven saying, “Come out of her, my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues.”* (Revel 18:4)

*“Come out of her,”* Jesus is saying, speaking of seductive Babylon.

If we are adopting a different Jesus, a different gospel, a different spirit, aren’t we a part of the whole world Satan is deceiving? We must depart, and come out.

People love Babylon and people want what other people want.

Ego is at the centre of everything in Babylon. An intense self-awareness. It’s all about me. I can be successful. I want to be famous. “Please ‘Like’ me on my social media posts!

Babylon also has a tendency to be all about great noise and spectacle. People love to be entertained. They want good entertainment and want it loud, to help them escape the reality of life.
“Babylonians” love large concerts in large auditoriums filled with a backdrop of moving images. Visuals are everything including the “hip” person leading the show. It’s where the crowds gather to be entertained.

Doesn’t this paint a picture of our slick, televised mega-churches today?

The people of Babylon are on a completely different path to the people Jesus is calling to be a part of HIS Church today.

The problem is, many want to be a part of Babylon and be a Christian as well.

Jesus is saying emphatically: “Come out of her, lest you share in her sins…”

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3) The Disturbing Outcome of the First Reformation

“It’s been said that the first Reformation started by Luther (1517), Calvin etc., was then continued and established by King Henry V111 and continued under Edward V1.


(The Supreme Governor of the Church of England to this day is a title held by the British monarch; currently Queen Elizabeth. Said to be a title only.)

The Shocking Truth


Luther condoned the bigamy of the Landgrave of Hesse, and the slaughter of hundreds of peasants in the infamous Peasant’s War.

Calvin also had hard teachings based on predestination. He said. “For all men are not created on an equal footing, but for some eternal life is preordained, for others eternal damnation…” (Betternson, p. 302)

Calvin burned at the stake a religious opponent, Michael Servetus.
Political

Both Luther and Calvin worked hard to connect with certain princes in their day to gain power and recognition. Their allegiance was political.

“The Reformation quickly fragmented – McGrath says it was "a movement of movements" that shared aspirations but disagreed on how they should be articulated, let alone obtained – though Protestants were gradually unified by Catholic persecution. Luther’s progress was reversed when farmers used his reasoning to seek reforms in the Peasants’ War of 1524, brutally repressed by German princes. Luther took fright, and started wooing princes and leaders for reform from the top.

Everywhere, religious motivations were mixed with political, social and personal ambitions. Theologian Michael Jensen calls the Reformation the first Brexit, a move away from Spanish and Italian control of Europe.”

“How Martin Luther and 'Christianity's dangerous idea' made the world we live in.”
By Barney Zwartz, Sydney Morning Herald 26 October 2017

The Question We Must Ask

Was the First Reformation a return to the practices of Jesus and the early Church? Since the first reformation, Christianity has divided into an estimated 240,000 separate denominations and ministries, largely with their own unique name and logo on them. The answer to the question must be definite no. “By their fruits you will know them.” (Matthew 7:16)

Having said that though, Jesus IS going to establish HIS Church in the earth, and it WILL be all-powerful. It’s important we resolve to be a part of it.

Reformed Theology Today

Calvinism (also called the Reformed tradition, Reformed Christianity, Reformed tradition, Reformed Christianity, Reformed Protestantism, or the Reformed faith) is a major branch of Protestantism that follows the theological tradition and forms of Christian practice of John Calvin and other Reformation period theologians. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Calvinism

Today, many of the clergy in denominational churches have been trained in Reformed Theology seminaries. With the fruit of the first Reformation being diabolical and evil, is it any wonder that so much of Christian traditions today are largely powerless and devoid of Holy Spirit manifestations. They seem reluctant to invite Him in.

Is it because many believe the manifestation of the Holy Spirit and His gifts passed away with the first Apostles?
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4) A Word from the Lord - Monday March 26th 2018

“There is so much “pollution in the air” around the earth that the people (masses) are unable to think straight, or determine accurately what is right and wrong.

People drift into religious enclaves to escape the confusion they feel about what is happening in the world. They look for safety. Safe-thinking to help overcome wild, out of control, thoughts.

For a short while on any given Saturday or Sunday, they feel at peace, their disturbed thoughts salved.

This is pure religion. It is not the “born-again” experience I spoke to Nicodemus about where a person must be born again to enter the Kingdom of God, and where it is no longer they who live but it is I (Christ) who lives in them.

This is not to say that fellowship is not important because it is. However the plethora of religious activity in the earth in all its forms is NOT what I came to bring. I came to bring LIFE more abundant.

I am the source of all LIFE.

If any man be in Christ he is a NEW creature. The old is gone and the NEW has come.

If you could reconstruct what took place in the upper room where the 120 waited for the promise, that would describe what Our intention is right now for our people. Daily, Holy Spirit encounters, people saved, healed and delivered.

Our intention now is that the final reformation of Our Church be an out-pouring of the Holy Spirit, just like it was 2000 years ago.

To be truly born-again it requires a face to face encounter with us, where there is a total abandonment of the old self-life and Our replacement Life taking over. A life more abundant.

It must be a case of, “I’ve been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me; and the life which I live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me,” as declared by Apostle Paul

Now there is a final rider to all of this. The abandonment of “self” requires that self must never be resurrected to take over again. It’s a matter of each one who would follow Me denying themselves, taking up their cross and following me. To turn back and let self dominate again is offensive to Us. Allowing self to dominate again is the very
thing that creates millions of religious people who have a form of godliness but deny the power thereof.

Offending the Holy Spirit (Our Spirit) is paramount to a married woman or man committing adultery.

Friendship with the world’s ways is always enmity with us.

While sin can be forgiven if the person is repentant; determined, self-focussed sin cannot. We require that the true Body of Christ be true. Not just a public display of religious fervour from time to time.

Total abandonment equals total freedom.

Whom the Son sets free is free indeed.

This message to you (David) must be a message shared with others who bear Our name, who will in turn share it with others.

This is the message:

“Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is here!”

As it was at the beginning of My Church, this must be the core message presented by Our people; each one a minister of the Gospel.

“Then I will give them a heart to know me, that I am the Lord; and they shall be my people, and I will be their God, for they shall return to me with their whole heart.” (Jeremiah 24:7)