Satan's Global Church

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Greetings, brethren! Satan is going to have his false, short substitute for the Millennium of God. God is giving him permission now to go ahead and begin mobilizing all the forces and all the people that he has working for him to do and accomplish his purpose. Let's see where the world came to, quickly, right after the Flood. Let's also understand that the world is coming back to that again.

Genesis 11:1: "And the whole earth was of one language and one speech." Today we're getting close to that, because English is the predominate language in the world. But more importantly, there is the one language of computers. That puts everything on an accelerated basis.

Verse 2: "And it came to pass, as they traveled from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar. And they settled there. And they said to one another, 'Come, let us make bricks and burn them thoroughly.' And they had brick for stone, and they had asphalt for mortar" (vs 2-3). This was to make it waterproof.

Not only would they have a tower which would reach unto heaven, but it was also they knew they were going against the commands of God and they were going to thwart God's power by saying, 'If He brings another flood, we'll make it though.' That's what they were trying to do with this.

Verse 4: "And they said, 'Come, let us build us a city and a tower, with its top reaching into the heavens. And let us establish a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered upon the face of the whole earth." Of course, God intended them to be scattered. God intended them to be put into their own inheritance—all the people—according to their families, according to their genealogies, according to their races. God put them in their own inheritance. But, they didn't want to do that. They wanted to all be one

Verse 6: "And the LORD said, 'Behold, the people *are* one and they all have one language. And this *is only the beginning of* what they will do—now nothing which they have imagined to do will be restrained from them."

This tells us the power of the human mind. Under the inspiration of Satan the devil, men are able to do awesome and fantastic things. Almost every one of them are to glorify man, to resist God. Now, because man has a combination of good and evil in his nature, there are some things that man does that are good. But the overall thrust is that Satan has deceived them. The ultimate end of

everything that man does—though it may seem good and appear good—is death and destruction and defiance against God.

Verse 7: "Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, so that they cannot understand one another's speech." So, instead of sending a flood, God did something entirely different! He changed their languages so that they couldn't understand one another. Of course, that's been a great barrier down through the centuries.

Verse 8: "So the LORD scattered them abroad from that place upon the face of all the earth. And they quit building the city. Therefore, the name of it is called Babel [Tower of Babel], because the LORD confused the language of all the earth there" (vs 8-9).

We're told something very profound that we need to understand concerning the last days, concerning the times in the way that they are leading up to return of Jesus Christ.

Matthew 24:37: "Now, as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it also be at the coming of the Son of man. For as in the days that were before the Flood..." We can also say and the days after the Flood were still the days of Noah. What they were doing in building that tower is reflected here, because it has to do with the days of Noah not only before the Flood, but also the days after the Flood count as the days of Noah.

"...before the Flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark; and they were not aware until the Flood came and took *them* all away; so shall *it* also be *at* the coming of the Son of man" (vs 37-39).

It's going to come when everything looks really good; it looks like man has finally solved his problems. You know what we are fighting? We're fighting the same tactics that Satan has used way back during the days of Gen. 11. Shortly after that it comes right down to Abraham. 'Abraham is the father of the faithful. And if you be Christ, then you are Abraham's seed and heirs according to the promise.' So, it's very important that we understand that we have to be like Abraham. We have to serve God, love God and have that close relationship with Him just like Abraham did.

Genesis 11:27: "Now, these are the generations of Terah: Terah begat Abram, Nahor and Haran. And Haran begat Lot. And Haran died in the presence of his father Terah in the land of his birth,

in Ur of the Chaldeans" (vs 27-28). We don't know why he died. Could it be that he was rebelling against God just like we had with the first two sons of Judah—that God killed them for their wickedness. Here we're not told, but Ur of the Chaldeans was the place of the 'religious' headquarters for that part of the world. The Chaldean 'mystery religion' is what has come down to us known as Roman Catholicism and all of the branches of Roman Catholicism. Also, it has come down to us in the form of Buddhism and Hinduism. Ur of the Chaldeans was a city filled with idols; a city filled with all the false gods.

Verse 29: "And Abram and Nahor took wives for themselves. The name of Abram's wife was Sarai. And the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah. But Sarai was barren. She had no child. And Terah took Abram his son, and Lot, the son of Haran, his grandson, and Sarai his daughter-in-law, his son Abram's wife. And he went forth with them from Ur of the Chaldees to go into the land of Canaan. And they came to Haran and lived there" (vs 29-31).

So they left! They left all that wickedness; they left Satan's headquarters of religion as it were; they fled to get away. We're going to see that today there are things that have affected us in the same way, and we're going to see that down through history it has affected us in the same way that it did them back there. Satan is using the same tactics.

So Abram left; you know the rest of the story concerning Abraham, but the thing that is important is this: We also are to come out of the world! Whatever our setting is, whatever the timeframe that it is in the world, we are to come out of the world! Now, Chaldeans are the ones who formed Babylon. That's why God says, 'Babylon the Great is fallen, is fallen!' and why we are admonished to 'come out of her, My people.' We're going to see how the trap is beginning to close again. Babylon is coming back and rising greater and greater, and there's great danger in it for the Churches of God. Let's understand that there were a lot of false prophets: priesthoods, false religions, everything. Abraham was the only one who was willing to follow God.

Genesis 12:1: "And the LORD said to Abram, 'Get out of your country, and from your kindred, and from your father's house into a land that I will show you. And I will make *of* you a great nation. And I will bless you and make your name great. And you shall be a blessing. And I will bless those that bless you and curse the one who curses you. And in you shall all families of the earth be blessed.' Then Abram departed, even as the LORD had spoken to him. And Lot went with him...." (vs 1-4)—and so forth.

In our day today we're confronted with much the same thing: false religion in many guises, many brands, many variations—especially those now. We're in a situation where that all the pagan religions are coming in and they are just completely taking over—Catholicism and Protestantism—and they're all getting back with the ecumenical movement; back to the way it was back in the Ur of the Chaldeans.

Leading up to the return of Christ, Matthew 24:11: "And many false prophets shall arise, and shall deceive many." I tell you what, brethren, not only are there false prophets in the world, but there are many false prophets trying to get into the Church of God, trying to get into fellowship groups, leading people astray.

As a matter of fact, there are some publications that are devoted to, supposedly, fairness within the Churches of God. But, it is just an instrument of Satan the devil to confuse the brethren with all of the false doctrines. What has happened? The true doctrines of God have been reduced from the point of being the Truth of God's Word—which it should be—to being the opinion of whoever is speaking or whoever is writing. So then, if it comes into the realm of opinion, well then it's okay to change it or do whatever you want. That is how many false prophets arise and 'shall deceive many.'

Notice what this is going to result in, v 12: "And because lawlessness shall be multiplied, the love of many shall grow cold.... [here's a promise]: ...But the one who endures to *the* end, that one shall be saved" (vs 12-13). There's enduring that we're going to have to do. We also have to watch and see the things that are coming, the things that are taking place.

Let's see where we are to watch, to where we are to be on guard all the time. There is a great assault that Satan is deceiving the whole world, and deceiving the whole world with such wrong and terrible thinking that it's almost the most incredible thing that you can imagine. Here's a warning to us:

Luke 21:34: "Watch yourselves..." Take heed, be on guard to yourselves, because the deception starts when you begin to believe the deceiving preachings of anybody.

"...lest your hearts be preoccupied with high living..." (v 34). Are we living where the living is high today? *Yes, indeed!*

"...and drinking... [this is *spiritual* and *physical*] ...and *the* cares of *this* life..." (v 34). You get so wrapped up in it. A lot of people say today, 'Well, we just have a terrible, stressful life.' Why don't you try going on horseback? Why don't you

try being chased by Indians? shot by robbers? being rooted out of your home? How about going across the country in a covered wagon, taking two years to do it? *No! We live a life where there's a lot of stress;* and a lot of stress is because we get so wrapped up in the world, and are so selfish and wrapped up in ourselves that we get stressed. That's why we need to have the love of God. That's why we need to

- *walk* in the Truth
- *live* in the Truth
- *study* the Truth
- let the Spirit of Truth lead us

That way we won't get caught up in any of these things.

"...and *the* cares of *this* life, and that day come upon you suddenly. For as a snare it shall come upon all those who dwell on the face of the earth" (vs 34-35). A snare is like a great huge net that has been concealed. Those who are going to fall victim to it don't see it until the day that it is sprung. That's going to be when the Great Tribulation starts. When that happens, people are going to run to and fro.

They're going to wonder: Where is God? They're going to be those of the saints who have not taken care of their spiritual lives, as we find in Matt. 25 with the five foolish virgins. They are going to lose out. That's exactly what it says there. Christ says, 'I know you not.' The reason being is because they ended up going to sleep, not having any of God's Spirit, playing religion and all these sorts of things.

Here's what we are to do, v 36: "Watch therefore... [that's a command] ...and pray at all times that you may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man"—the ultimate goal is to stand before the Son of man at the resurrection.

We are living in dangerous times far more dangerous than war! Far more dangerous than assault! Far more dangerous than police knocking on the doors! Everything is calm, everything is peaceful, everything is smooth. We have plenty of everything, and Satan is working and working and we're going to see that he has this whole world in a pitch of thinking that is going to have things come about in *his way* and what *he wants*. It's going to be accomplished! The religions of this world are going to get together. They just are!

I know some people think that's impossible. But let's understand something here: The 'woman is going to ride the beast'—the woman and her daughters, and it's going to result in some very profound things. Here was the great whore and the

whole world was made drunk by the 'wine of her fornication.'

Revelation 17:1 "...the great whore who sits upon many waters." That's over many peoples, languages, tongues and everything permeates the whole world just like it was in Gen. 11.

Verse 2: "With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and those who dwell on the earth were made drunk with the wine of her fornication." That's *spiritually* drunk! Not knowing right from wrong, Truth from error; not understanding the Scriptures; having the Scriptures perverted! Yes, that's been an activity that he's been doing so that the saints won't know the Truth.

Verse 3: "Then he carried me away in *the* spirit to a wilderness; and I saw a woman sitting upon a scarlet beast that had seven heads and ten horns, full of names of blasphemy. And the woman *was* clothed in purple and scarlet, and *was* adorned with gold and pearls and precious stones; *and* she had a golden cup in her hand, filled with abominations and *the* filthiness of her fornication; and across her forehead a name *was* written: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF THE HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.... [it's going to be the woman with her daughters] ...And I saw the woman drunk with the blood of the saints..." (vs 3-6).

Let's see a prophecy of what the 'religionists' are going to do. Not only does this apply to the prophets of Israel, but this applies to all of the 'religions' of today. This is why, brethren, that we have emphasized here for quite a while that God's way is not a 'religion.' God's way is

- the way of Truth
- the way of life
- the way of everlasting

It is not a 'religion.' A religion is man's substitute for God's way! Howbeit, when people in the world—because they understand nothing of God or any kind of god unless they put it in the category of a 'religion'—look at the things we do and say we're 'religious.' That's okay for them to call us 'religious' in that sense. But let's see what's going to happen to the 'religions' of the world.

Ezekiel 13:1: "And the Word of the LORD came to me, saying, 'Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel who prophesy. And say to those who prophesy **out of their own hearts...** [it's not out of the Scriptures; it's not from God] ... "Hear the Word of the LORD: Thus says the Lord GOD, 'Woe to the foolish prophets who follow their own spirit and have seen nothing! O Israel, your prophets

are like the foxes in the ruins. You have not gone up into the breach, nor built the wall for the house of Israel..." (vs 1-5). No, they are tearing it down.

"...that it might stand in the battle in the Day of the LORD" (v 5). This is when it's going to be, in the Day of the Lord it's going to be fully revealed, just like Rev. 17 said that 'God will put it in their hearts to fulfill His will.' So, this is going to be in the latter days.

Verse 6: "They have seen vanity and lying divination, saying, 'The LORD says.' And **the LORD has not sent them...**" That's why they're deceived, they say 'the Lord says'; they use the name of Jesus, use the name of God.

"...but they hoped to confirm their word.... [bring about everlasting peace] ...Did you not see a vain vision, and speak a lying divination? When you say, 'The LORD says'; although I have not spoken.' Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, 'Because you have spoken vanity and seen lies, therefore, behold, I am against you,' says the Lord GOD. 'And My hand shall be against the prophets who see vanity and who divine a lie. They shall not be in the assembly of My people... [the Church] ...nor shall they be written in the writing of the house of Israel... [and we can add: neither shall they be written in the Book of Life] ...nor shall they enter into the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord GOD'" (vs 6-9). This is really a powerful indictment against them!

Verse 10: "Because, even because they have seduced... [deceive and take down] ...My people, saying, 'Peace'; and *there was* no peace—..." This means they will come along and say, 'here's the way to peace.

- Isn't it going to be nice if everyone gets along together?
- Isn't it going to be nice if we could all find common ground?
- Isn't it going to be wonderful if we could just sit down and work out all of our differences?

'Let's just have a dialog and see where we can connect.' It's coming now more than just in the form of ecumenism through the Catholic Church. This is another part that I'm going to show you that is taking place. It's going to reach out and it's going to not only include the ecumenism of the Catholic Church, that's included, but there's more to it beyond that.

"...and when anyone builds a weak wall... [a project; here's what we're going to do] ...they cover it with whitewash" (vs 10-11)—'untempered mortar' (*KJV*)—those things which have no strength, which have not the Word of God; which have not

the Truth of God, and the 'untempered mortar is going to totally collapse. The 'untempered mortar' is *humanism*—that's what it is!

Verse 11: "Say to those who cover it with whitewash, that it shall fall; *there* will be a flooding rain; and you, O great hailstones, shall fall, and a stormy wind will break forth."

That's going to be fulfilled during the seven last plagues. The sixth plague is that out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the false prophet went forth spirits as unclean frogs, which are spirits of demons to deceive the earth and the kings of the earth to come to the battle of the great Day of God Almighty and Armageddon. That's what this is talking about. They're going to come. What is the final thing that is going to happen to them? The great hailstones out of heaven weighing 180-pounds a piece! It's what it's talking about.

Verse 12: "And, behold, when the wall has fallen, shall it not be said to you, 'Where *is* the whitewash with which you have covered it?' Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, 'I will cause a stormy wind to break forth in My fury. And there shall be a flooding rain in My anger, and hailstones in fury to destroy it. And I will break down the wall that you have covered with whitewash...." (vs 12-15).

What does this wall do? This wall cuts them off from God! And it keeps people from knowing the true God, so God is going to consume it.

Verse 14: "...And bring it down to the ground; yea, I will expose its foundation. And it shall fall, and you shall be destroyed in her midst; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

Now, if you want an interesting Bible study, just go through the book of Ezekiel especially and read how many times God says, "...and you shall know that I am the Lord." They're going to be shaken out of their complacency and deception.

Verse 15: "And I will fulfill My wrath... [the seven last plagues were the wrath of God] ...on the wall and on those who covered it with whitewash. And I will say to you, 'The wall is no more;' and, 'Those who whitewashed it are no more—that is, the prophets of Israel who prophesy concerning Jerusalem, and who see visions of peace for her, when there is no peace,' says the LORD" (vs 15-16).

That's exactly what Ehud Barak, the prime minister of Israel at the time, was saying 'we're going to speed up the peace process.' There will temporarily be peace, but it will be peace that cannot last because it's not of God.

Verse 17: "And likewise you, son of man, set your face against the daughters of your people, who prophesy out of their own hearts...." We're living in an age when we have a lot of women preachers. We have it where women are ruling over men, and we have some of the leading ministers in the ecumenical movement that are women. The women are pushing for the Catholic Church to have women priests, and I believe they're going to get it. I don't see how they can deny them. After all:

- Don't they worship Mary?
- Isn't she adored?
- Isn't she claimed to be one making intercession for people on earth to God?
- How are they denying women to be in the priesthood?

You wait and see, when the current pope dies, another ones comes on the scene, maybe he's going to institute a lot of things and all of a sudden many people will come back to the Catholic Church. Probably accept birth control, abortion and women in the priesthood, and they will get 75% of the Catholics back that left. No question about it! So, the women will be active in it.

These are not only the "...daughters of your people... [but these are the daughters, the harlots (Rev. 17)] ...And prophesy against them, and say, 'Thus says the Lord GOD, "Woe to the women who sew magic charms on their sleeves... [in other words, doing their little religious thing] ...and make long veils for the head of every woman of stature, to hunt souls! Will you hunt down the lives of My people but preserve your own?.... [Can you bring salvation? God is mocking them!] ...And you have profaned Me among My people for handfuls of barley and for pieces of bread, to kill the souls that should not die; and to save alive the souls that should not live, by your lying to My people who listen to lies" (vs 17-19).

That is exactly what is happening to the churches. There are so many lies taking place in the churches—even in the Churches of God—it's hard to find Truth anywhere, brethren. The thinking that is taking place is absolutely amazing! I'd like to call it *Stinkin' Thinkin'* because that's what it is. It's Satan's *stinking thinking* to try and take you away from God. We even have it entering into the Church in ecumenism.

Just understand this about ecumenism: If you are not right with God and if the other person is not right with God it doesn't mean 'two hoots to a whirlwind' what you may agree upon, because you're building on a foundation of man and not

Christ. You need to understand that! Ecumenism is a huge and giant trap! The Catholic Church, which is the most evil organization upon the face of the earth, kills and destroys. They have tried to blot out all of the things concerning the Inquisitions and the wars that they have caused. God says that He holds her accountable for all of the dead on the earth. Now, they're coming sweet and nice. Protestants used to be those who were condemned to hell; now they are 'separated brethren.' Just mark the words of history, when ecumenism is complete then the iron fist is going to come down, and all this supposed niceynicey, lovey-dovey, fuzzy-wuzzy is all over, because it's all a trap from Satan the devil. Just like with these women here doing their thing!

Verse 20: "Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, 'Behold, I am against your armbands with which you are hunting the souls, as birds. And I will tear them from your arms, and I will set free the people whom you hunt as birds. Also I will tear your long veils and deliver My people out of your hand, and they shall no more be in your hand to be hunted. And you shall know that I am the LORD. Because with lies you have saddened the heart of the righteous, whom I have not made sad; and have made the hands of the wicked strong, so that he should not turn from his wicked way, that his life may be saved; therefore you shall see no more vanity, and you shall not divine any divination. And I will deliver My people out of your hands; and you shall know that I am the LORD" (vs 20-23).

And that's going to happen when the 144,000 and great innumerable multitude are sealed (Rev. 17). God is going to deliver them.

Now, let me just show you something here very important. I gave this in 1993. This is about the parliament of the world's religions in 1993 in Chicago, Illinois. We need to understand that there are many things taking place, many things bringing religions together.

(*Chicago Tribune*, Aug. 29, 1993): From Angelicans to Zoroastrians the world's religions come to Chicago.

It's quite a profound article. It's really something! Here you have an Indian temple right there in Chicago. And right around Chicago you have almost every religion in the world, major denominations of them.

A slight man dressed in Oriental robes with a white turban wrapped around his head, Virchand Gandhi arrived in Chicago as a unique "chosen one." He came to attend the 1893 World's Parliament of Religions, a trip that came about only after considerable debate among leaders of his

faith, Jainism, a religion in India that shares roots with Hinduism. Here was their dilemma: They had been invited to Chicago to what they knew would be a breakthrough event...

They're all invited into Israel—aren't they? Just like the prophecy says.

...the beginning of religious pluralism in the Western Hemisphere. It would be the first chance for most Eastern religions to introduce themselves in the United States. And it would be the first public forum anywhere for leaders of different faiths from around the world.

Now, at that time in 1893 they had 4,000 people attend. This one here in 1993 had thousands and thousands attend! They had

Roman Catholic, Confucian and Taoist priests, Buddhist monks, Protestant ministers and Hindu swamis, all variously garbed in scarlet vestments, vermilion cloaks, ocher robes and dark suits,

Now we have it here, right in Chicago there's a \$3-million Jain center. This has led to the common cause and here's what they want to do:

The central issue of both parliaments is the same—namely, how do various religious traditions understand one another?

So, they had 600 scholars there who were offering a wide range of scholarly presentations and papers and things like that.

The Parliament, however, has two specific goals...

Remember, this is 1993! The reason that I'm reading it is because we're going to see that they have reached some of these goals and are on the verge of fulfilling them.

...[#1] That top religious leaders adopt a Declaration of a Global Ethic, and [#2] that the delegates set up two ongoing interfaith organizations—a working group in Chicago and an international network as a kind of religious United Nations.

Above all, the Parliament aims to showcase the great diversity of religions in an atmosphere of harmony and understanding.

We're going to see that that has been happening. Ecumenism has gone forward so fast. Here's another one, I'll just read the headline:

Bridging the Gap Between Religions That's what they are doing.

Many Ways to Worship

All of this comes back to the kind of thinking which now permeates the whole society. I've mentioned it before, but I'm going to mention it again, which is this: the book by Thomas Harris_[transcriber's correction], I'm Ok, You're Ok. That has been what has changed the thinking; and not only that, we're going to see that the organizations of this world—through education, through religion, through government—particularly in religion are molding the minds of our children to be communists, socialist and pagan, and to accept all this coming global religion of Satan!

Here's another article: <u>A Call for Unity!</u> It shows the religious leaders sitting around there, standing behind the altar at Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church,

Cardinal H. Keeler last night called for Christians to unite in promoting family values. It is very powerful. I think it is a sign of good things to come.

Yes, it's going to look like good things to come.

Religion and Ethics: Finding common ground in two worlds of God.

I've got two files at home with many different articles.

<u>Interview with the Dalai Lama: Christian Salvation is through Jesus Christ.</u>

Yes, but the Catholic Church a few years ago would have said there's no salvation outside of the baptized state. It doesn't say that anymore. In fact it says quite the reverse. There is a merging of the thinking of 'eastern religions' and so-called 'western orthodox religions,' including Catholicism and Protestantism. Why do you think you see so much Buddhism on the television today? That's programming people to accept it.

First of all, the church rejects nothing that is true and holy in other religions.

Matthew 7:13 are the words of Christ. What we are talking about here in reading this article and what the Dalai Lama is talking about is what Christ warned of:

Matthew 7:13: "Enter in through the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and many are those who enter through it; for narrow is the gate and difficult is the way that leads to life, and few are those who find it. But beware of false prophets who come to you in sheep's clothing, for within they are ravening wolves. You shall know them by their fruits. They do not gather grapes from thorns, or figs from thistles, do they? In the same way, every good tree produces good fruit, but a corrupt tree produces evil

fruit. A good tree cannot produce evil fruit, nor can a corrupt tree produce good fruit. Every tree *that is* not producing good fruit is cut down and is cast into the fire. Therefore, **you shall assuredly know them by their fruits...**" (vs 13-20).

That's why it's so profound what they're saying here [in the articles read]. First of all, it says the church [worldly churches] rejects nothing that is 'true' and 'holy' in other religions. *All religions come from Satan!* I know that's probably going to make some people mad.

Let's see what Jesus told His disciples on the Passover night. This is why we need to understand this, this is so profound, brethren; not only *understand it*, but:

- believe it
- live it
- be convicted of it
- · know it

so that we cannot be deceived!

John 14:6: "Jesus said to him, 'I am **the Way**..." He talks about in Matt. 7, the way to life is narrow, straight, and few be that find it. Why? Because they have to come to Christ! Not <u>a</u> way. What they are doing in the 'religions' of the world, they are finding many ways and putting these all together—it is <u>a</u> way, not <u>the</u> Way.

"...and **the Truth**..." (v 6). There can be no other Truth. Truth is in the Word of God. **Your Word is Truth!** We are sanctified with the Truth. We have the Spirit of Truth. Brethren, we don't have to be intimidated and put down by anybody whatsoever.

"...and the Life..." It can't be any other way.

What the Dalai Lama is talking about here is the building with the *untempered mortar*—'one builds a wall and another dabs it with untempered mortar.' The pope comes along and says something. The Dalai Lama comes along and says something else, and the 'right reverend' over here says something, the 'left reverend' over there says something and you've got the wall being built.

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Let me continue reading this article:

First of all it [the Catholic Church] rejects nothing that is true and holy in other religions.

So, in other words, there is 'truth' and 'holiness' in other religions. Do you see how they twist and turn?

Secondly, it says quite clearly in its Vatican Council documents it respects and

accepts the fact that there are others outside of the Christian revelation or the Christian fold who will come to salvation.

That doesn't mean these people reject Jesus, I don't know of any 'good person' who would reject Jesus. You might relate to Jesus in a different way, just as I don't reject Moses, nor do I reject Buddha, but I would relate to them and understand them in a different way. I am a Christian. I find truths and mysteries of the Christian tradition infinitely satisfying and expansive in truth. That doesn't mean that I reject the Truth or goodness of other religions.

This is *I'm okay; you're okay*. This is the philosophy that is in the world, the background for the ecumenical movement. This is what is being taught to children in schools. Here's an article:

World's Religious Leaders Gather Together to Establish Peace on Earth

Aren't they the ones saying 'peace, peace,' and there is no peace!

Let's become better acquainted with other religions since it will help missionaries move the world toward one Christian religion.

Now, it won't be a one-Christian religion. But this is also from the world's Parliament of Religions.

"We will not change the world overnight, but it will begin to establish an alternative framework [the Parliament of World Religions] for religion for which people could be accountable," says Rev. Donald Rumage, Chairman of the council sponsoring the events. Others seek more, including some form of international organization to carry on the work of the Parliament. "I'm very much in favor," he says, "of a United Nations of Religions."

This was said by Ashad Hussein, Pres. of the American Islamic College in Chicago and Trustee of the Parliament. It's going to happen, brethren.

"We're going to give the lead for a religious renaissance that will give real hope and happiness to people in the world."

Here's another one. This is quite a picture here, quite an article: <u>United Faith</u>—bringing in Hinduism.

Calls arise for a spiritual UN to cooperate in the names of God.

Names of God! Now, let me just tell you something here. I was sitting in the chiropractor's office the other day and here was a man with his daughter. He had a book and he was reading to her about all the ancient, Egyptian religions. He was saying that this one was a god and that one is a god and the other one is a god. And the little four-and-a-half or five-year-old girl was just drinking it in. Even on a family level!

The inner-faith movement is fresh and full of energy!

Who gives the power? Who is the spirit of the power of the air? *Satan the devil!*

Spiritual people are aligning themselves with political and social people who are moving toward peace and justice.

Quite something! Here's another article: <u>Charismatic</u> <u>Catholics</u>—and that's how the Catholics are seducing the Protestants and other religions.

Benny Hinn is a charismatic Catholic

That's why if you have seen the *Jesuit Agenda* videos, that's why the nuns were at his meeting and were on their backs speaking in tongues.

Here's another article: <u>Lutherans Move to</u> <u>Heal Divisions</u>—it shows a picture here with the vestments, with the rainbow colors for the priests. That's coming!

In 1529 Luther drew the words, 'This is My body,' in chalk on the table at Philip of Hessies castle in Marburg, Germany, with a message which allowed no compromise in theological belief that the body and the blood of Christ are real in the bread and wine of communion. Luther set himself apart from reformed tradition of his day. Nearly 470 years later, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America finished its church-wide bi-annual assembly declaring that all baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion in its churches.

In a remarkable week, culminating in a remarkable summer of church love...

Always love, the false love, the huggy, mushymushy, insincere *I'm okay*, *you're okay* love. That's just dabbing with 'untempered mortar.'

The Lutherans attempted to heal many of the divisions created by the Reformation, the great 16th Century divide that split Christianity into hundreds of pieces.

When Luther nailed his thesis on the door at the Wittenberg Cathedral, October 11, 1517, I tell you what, because I have another article how far it's gone with the Catholics and the Lutherans and what is going to happen at the Wittenberg Cathedral this October 11th.

Here's one by a minister: <u>The Ten Pathways</u> to God—all of this is just a 'Christianized' way of the Jewish Sephirot in being able to lead people into spiritism.

The minister had some unorthodox ideals, for example: that reincarnation has possibilities as a Christian concept.

No, it doesn't! It doesn't have any possibilities! But because it comes from him people out there say, 'Oooooo, isn't he a nice man? Isn't he broad in his thinking? Doesn't he just love other people?

Christianity is evolving along ten pathways from exclusivism to pluralism; from hierarchical to democratic; from body denying to body affirming and so on.

He's a graduate of the Harvard Divinity School.

Here's another one. Here's a man who is 'reinventing Jesus'; Jesus made up in their own mind:

...which is Bob Funk's radical reformation....

He goes along and is just tearing down everything that he can to rebuild into a one-world thing.

Here's one that really will get you. This is the Torah and the Dharma, the Dharma is the Buddhist book.

The American Buddhist community, especially in its New Age form is populated with a vastly disproportionate number of Jews. The Torah and Dharma Jewish seekers in eastern religion, psychologist Judith Linzer explores the phenomena of Jews seeking spiritual fulfillment in eastern religions, particularly Buddhism.

That's why they had a Buddhist 'seder.' I saw that last year.

Using a different religious system as a pathway to Judaism. This is all written with the intention of encouraging unity and understanding among all Jews.

So, there it is! It has both Zen mediation and yoga. Then there's Jewish religious feminism. It talks about how Judith Linzer is doing this.

Many of these seekers are looking for a way to have a direct spiritual experience without having to do deal with our historical, particularly all of our trauma, textual and theological baggage.

So, they have that. Can you imagine Jews getting together with Buddhists? Here's another one:

Mary's Role as Redeemer The Meaning of Mary

There is so much being done to make Mary a coequal redematrix with Christ. Whereas, the Bible says there's *one Mediator* between God and man, and that is the man Jesus Christ.

Let's see how this is going to come together. There are these two movements. You have the one the first part of Rev. 13, leading to the *beast power*. You have the other one here:

Revelation 13:11: "And I saw another beast rising out of the earth..." What comes up out of the earth? Where does Satan come from? *He comes from the abyss!* Then he's the king of the abyss—isn't he?

"...and he had two horns like a lamb, but spoke like a dragon; and he exercises all the authority of the first beast before him; and he causes the earth and those who dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. And he performs great wonders, so that he even causes fire to come down to the earth from heaven in the sight of men. And he deceives those who dwell on the earth by means of the wonders that were given to him to perform in the sight of the beast..." (vs 11-14).

People will accept it then as a stamp of God's final authority, and all this ecumenism; 'we're finally all together.' And now look at the miracles and people getting along. Even the Muslims and Catholics love each other, and the Buddhists, the Hindus and the Protestants and everybody! *Except those of the Church of God!*

"...saying to those who dwell on the earth that they should make an image for the beast..." (v 14). And that image of the beast is always the image of the mother goddess of this earth now in the form of so-called virgin Mary.

Let's also notice here, the religionists are getting in on the economics:

From World Bank to World Religion

So the religious leaders got together with the banking leaders of the world and said, 'Look, let's share the wealth.' So, that's going to happen.

The Bold Attempt to Close the Breach between Religions

Won Buddhists [a sect of Buddhism] have been promoting united religions for the past 25-years and have prepared a place in

Korea where a similar number of Christians and Buddhists live. Moreover, as the United Nations is located in the United States, a United Religions organization should be located somewhere else.

It's going to be located probably right here in the United States. This all has to do with the California Episcopal Bishop William Swing. This was when he was the host of the United Religions summit right here in San Francisco. They have offices in the presidio of San Francisco, which is right close to where Mikhail Gorbachev happens to have his world-peace offices. Isn't that interesting? Most people don't realize that.

A release that came out in June 1999:

Vatican City: Coming to terms in a century old dispute, Roman Catholic and Lutheran officials will release an accord next week on the means of salvation, both sides said Wednesday. The joint declaration on the doctrine of justification is meant to resolve a doctrinal debate at the heart of the 16th Century Protestant Reformation which split western Christianity. The Vatican and Federation Lutheran World crafted compromise language on one of the key unresolved points regarding what theologians call justification or how mankind receives salvation.

For Lutherans, it depends upon the grace of God, while Catholics maintain that good works are also involved.

That's a very broad innocuous statement, brethren. The Catholics believe that you must have works and merit.

With the declaration, Catholics and Lutherans have agreed that Divine forgiveness and salvation come by God's grace solely and that good works flow from that. Cardinal Edward I. Cassidy, president of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and Rev. Ishmael Noko, general secretary of the Lutheran World Federation will announce joint acceptance of the document of June 11 in Geneva.

Let's understand something here: Geneva is the world headquarters for ecumenism.

Agreement was announced by both sides almost a year ago, but closing the gap on the wording took months more. The Vatican Council indicated once that the accord would be signed in the next week's

event. The Lutheran World Federation said it is expected to sign still later.

Where are they going to sign the final one? The final was signed at the Wittenberg Cathedral on October 11, 1999, and it signals the end and the death of Protestantism!

Here's an article showing how that Catholicism can be brought into it. Let's understand something concerning Catholicism and Islamism. Islam believes in Jesus and Mary. They believe in a Jesus who was a prophet, not *an only begotten Son of God*. So, when all the religions reduce Jesus down to merely a prophet or a 'good man,' and then there will be the things concerning the virgin Mary and the vision of Katema, then it's all going to come together and they will be all together in peace again.

<u>Israel to Invite Pope to Israel for the Millennium.</u>

They also want to go down and they want to have a united worship service at the great pyramid in Egypt, which will really be the ushering in of all of those things that are going to bring about more fullness of Satan on the earth.

In a Quest for Religious Tolerance: The Geneva Cathedral is to welcome the Dalai Lama in Geneva. Geneva's St. Pierre's Cathedral is to welcome the Dalai Lama, spiritual leader of Tibet's Buddhists, to preach at a Sunday service on August 8, 1999. Between 5,000 and 15,000 worshipers are expected to attend the service at the 12th Century building of Geneva's old town, which in the 16th Century became the Church of John Calvin.

Again, nailing another nail into the coffin of the death of Protestantism.

Ecumenical Groups Continue to Mass Together into a One-World Religion: The ongoing secretary of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, an organization which groups more than 200 churches and 75 million Christians and more than 106 countries, has urged greater cooperation between ecumenical and confessional organizations. Ask during an interview with ENI what the main lesson was that he had learned in ten years as the leader of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, he said [Dr. Malone Opasinski], he had seen, "Above all, the need for constant reform growing and cooperation mainstream church organizations." They want to have their ecumenical headquarters in Geneva.

Preparing the Way: How do you spell God?

They're teaching kids this! Then they spell out various spiritual names such as:

Buddha, Jesus, Brahma, Vishnu—the theme is centered on inner-faith similarities and good ecumenical relations between stories. An animated monk converses with a Rabbi and a Catholic priest and appears to instruct all about Karma, which is the teaching that each part of humanity—in this case the religions of the world—are connected and each need each other to be complete. It is geared to program the children to accept all forms of worship as being right with God.

I'm okay; you're okay!

Now I want to read you something, which was the benediction given at the United Nations 50th Anniversary. the inner-faith service that took place in 1995. This is a take-off from the Parliament of World Religions. They've been busy, they've been active, and you are going to be shocked. I'm going to show you that they have a united religions initiative that is already to go. They have a charter. They have a declaration of what they are going to do. They have a plan of action. They have people behind it.

It is moving forward, brethren. United Religions—the abbreviation is the two letters UR—pronounced in Gen. 11 as Ur of the Chaldees. So, it's all coming right back to the Chaldean religion that Abraham left. Here is what Bishop Swing—the bishop of the Episcopal Grace Cathedral in San Francisco—gave as the benediction. I saw that on television and it was quite a moving thing. Here's what he wrote:

We declare we are independent.... [one of the key words—I'm ok, you're ok-interdependent] ... Each of us depends on the well being of the whole so that we have respect for the community of living beings: for people, for animals, for plants; and for the preservation of the earth: the air, the water and the soil. We take individual responsibility for all we do, all our decisions, actions and failures to act have consequences.

Now, all of this sounds so good, but this is philosophical mealy-mouthed, satanic humanism. That's all it is.

We must treat others as we wish others to treat us.

Instead of preaching the Word of God and teaching about loving your neighbor, teaching about the sacrifice of Christ, teaching the Truth of God, we have all of this together. One of the hymns we sing says, 'why do the wicked take my compact upon their lives?' It's exactly what's happening here.

We make a commitment to respect life and dignity, individuality and diversity.

Another key: diversity; pluralistic society

So that every person is treated humanly, without exception we must have patience and acceptance. We must be able to forgive, learning from the past, but never allowing ourselves to be enslaved by the memories of hate. Opening our hearts to one another, we must sink our narrow differences. For the cause of the world community, practicing a culture of solidarity and relatedness. We consider human kind our family. We must strive to be kind and generous. We must not live for ourselves alone, but we should also serve others, never forgetting the children, the aged, the poor, the suffering, the disabled, the refugees, and the lonely. No person should ever be considered or treated as a second-class citizen or be exploited in any way whatsoever. There should be equal partnership between men and women. We must not commit any kind of sexual immorality. We must put behind us all forms of domination and abuse. We must commit ourselves to a culture of nonviolence, respect, judgment and peace, and shall not oppress, torture or kill other human beings, forsaking violence as a means for settling differences.

That's why they want to collect all the guns. That's all behind it! Brethren, you need to think big, how big this is and how it's sweeping the world. The thing is that too many in the Churches of God are caught up in this in the Churches of God. All they're doing is laying themselves open for an ecumenical disaster.

We must strive for social justice in the economic order...

That's why the religionists and the bankers got together.

...in which everyone has equal chance to reach full potential as a human being. We must speak and act truthfully with compassion, dealing fairly with all and avoiding prejudice and hatred. We must not steal. We must move beyond the dominance of greed for power

[Communism] prestige, money and consumption to make a just and a peaceful world. The earth cannot be changed for the better unless the consciousness of individuals is changed first. We pledge to increase our awareness by disciplining our minds and by meditation, by prayer, by positive thinking. Without risk or a readiness of sacrifice, there can be no fundamental change in our situation.

Therefore, we commit ourselves to this global effort to understanding one another, to socially beneficial peace-fostering and nature-friendly ways of life. We invite all people whether religious or not to do the same.

Now it includes all atheists as well. Isn't that amazing!

<u>United Religions Initiative, the Benchmark</u> Graft Charter

They already have a charter ready to go. They've got quite an extensive thing. This is already fait compli. Here is the preamble:

We, people of many faiths, called by our tradition to compassion and response to the suffering of humanity and the crisis which endangers our earth community wish to create a permanent form where we gather in mutual respect, dialogue... [key thing]...and cooperative action to foster peace and flourishing of all life. We respect the uniqueness of all of each religion and faith tradition. We value voices that value others and believe that our shared values can lead to act for the good of all.

We declare that our religious life can support us in building community and respect for one another rather than dividing us. We affirm, in spite of the differences of practice or belief, our faiths call us to share with one another. We believe that the wisdom of our religions and spiritual traditions should be shared for the health and well being of all.

Therefore, as communities of faith and independent people rooted in our faith we ought now unite for the sake of peace and the healing among religions, peoples and nations, and for the benefit of the earth and all living beings. We unite to pray for peace, to practice peacemaking, to be a force for healing, to provide a safe space for conflict resolution. We unite to support freedom of religion and belief and the right

of all individuals as set forth in international law.

I've got right here that there is an International Court of Law set up and most people don't realize it, but it's based upon the laws of what is called the *Noahide Laws*. So, once they get international law, then when you start going against it they can bring you in.

We unite in responsible cooperative action to bring the wisdom and values of our religious traditions to bear on the economic, environmental and social crises that confront us at the dawn of the new millennium. We unite to be a voice of shared values and international awareness of politics, economics and media and the service of forms of research and excellence on values and action.

We unite to provide an opportunity for participation of all people, especially those whose voices are not often heard. We unite to celebrate the joy and blessing and light of wisdom in both movements and stillness. All members of united religions do solemnly vow to use our combined resources for non-violent compassion to action. We devote our wholehearted efforts to awaken our deepest truths and manifest divine love among all life on the earth community.

Then it has the draft principles for the organization and the organizational design. By the way, it's designed so there's not a hierarchy. Isn't that interesting?

The Christian Biblical Church of God is designed without a hierarchy, because that's *God's way!* Here's the counterfeit! This paper goes through and discusses all of these: religious rights and responsibilities; sustainable justified just economics; ecological imperatives; building cultures of nonviolence and respect; showing the wisdom and cultures of faith-traditions supporting the UR agenda. It goes through all of these things that can be done in the community, in the churches, in ecological movements, in various service clubs. The whole thing! It is amazing, the whole thing concerning this, and what they are doing! I tell you, you need to get this. It talks about human responsibilities:

<u>Universal Declaration of Human</u> Responsibilities is Timely.

Now, what I'm going to read you has been downloaded from the Lucis Trust:

<u>Fundamental Principles for Humanity</u> (lucistrust.org)

The Lucis Trust is the trust money that Lucifer is using to bring about this deception in the world. It used to be called the Luciferian Trust.

Article I: <u>Every person</u>, regardless of gender, ethnic origin, social status, political opinion, language, age, nationality or religion has a responsibility to treat all people in a humane way.

Article II: No person should lend support to any form of humane behavior, but all people have a responsibility to strive for the dignity and the self-esteem of all others. No person, no group or organization, no state, no army or police stands about good and evil. All are subject to ethical standards. Everyone has a responsibility to promote good and to avoid all evil things.

Of course, that is going to happen when we are called evil and we become the prey of it. It's got all kinds of articles here: religious freedom, mutual respect and partnership, then it gives the endorsement of all of those who have endorsed it—all the world leaders. Satan is working, brethren! Let's understand something: This is not the first time that this has happened to the Church of God!

Colossians 2:1: "Now, I want you to understand what great concern I have for you, and for those in Laodicea, and as many as have not seen my face in the flesh; that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love... [the true love of God, the true love of each other] ...unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, unto the knowledge of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ; in Whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.... [not in the various religions; in God! In His Word] ...Now this I say so that no one may deceive you by persuasive speech" (vs 1-4). Some of the things I've read to you have some pretty powerful and persuasive speech—doesn't it?

Verse 5: "For though I am indeed absent in the flesh, yet, I am with you in spirit, rejoicing and beholding your order, and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ. Therefore, as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, **be walking in Him...** [He's the way!] ...being rooted and built up in Him..." (vs 5-7). That's why it's so important, brethren, that you really grasp what God is doing and that you understand what Satan is going, and that you be on guard so that one is going to deceive you.

"...and being confirmed in the faith, exactly as you were taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving. Be on guard so that no one takes you captive through philosophy and vain

<u>deceit</u>..." (vs 7-8). That's what every bit of this is!—philosophy and vain deceit of humanism!

"...according to the traditions of men... [humanism] ...according to the elements of the world... [comes from Satan] ...and not according to Christ. For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily" (vs 8-9).

- you don't need any other religion
- you don't need any other way
- you don't need any other thing
- you don't need to follow along with this kind of mush-headed thinking: I'm ok, you're ok

"...and you are complete in Him, Who is the Head of all principality and power in Whom you have also been circumcised with *the* circumcision not made by hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ" (vs 9-11). You've had your sins forgiven; you've had them all put away.

Here's the warning! I want you to understand that this is going to come! We are going to be put in the spotlight sooner or later, because we are not going to be going along with all of this ecumenism of the world and the broad way of the world, which leads to destruction. We better not have any part of doing anything whatsoever under any guise in working an ecumenical thing in the world. We need to be absolutely *beware* of any ecumenical thing trying to reorganize all the Churches of God, to try and get them back the way that they were.

Mark my words, *that is not of God!* God has scattered the Church so He can purge it and purify it and get it away from all the spiritual corruption, political corruption, monetary corruption, and abuse of the brethren in the way that the churches have been run. Get rid of all the false doctrine that has crept in, and *come back to the Word of God!*

Paul continues his warning here, v 18: "Do not allow anyone to defraud you of **the prize**... [Christ] ...by doing his will in self-abasement and the worship of angels..." That is where every bit of this is going to lead. It's going to culminate in the greatest and most fantastic one-world religion, united world religions and the pope is going to come out on top of it with miracles and all of those things. It is going to sweep this world! It's going to be voluntary humility.

"...self-abasement and *the* worship of angels intruding into things that he has not seen, vainly puffed up by his own carnal mind and not holding fast to the Head, from Whom all the body, being supplied and knit together by the joints and bands, is increasing *with* the increase of God. Therefore, if you have died together *with Christ* from the

elements of the world, why are you subjecting yourselves to *the* decrees *of men* as if you were living in *the* world?" (vs 18-20). And that's what these things are, *decrees!*

Verse 21: "*They say*, 'You may not handle! You may not taste! You may not touch!' The use of all such things leads to corruption, according to the commandments and doctrines of men" (vs 21-22).

All of this united religion is going to lead to the absolute corruption of humanity and the destruction of the world as prophesied in God's Word! That's why we are called to 'come out of it,' brethren. We are to 'come out of it' and let's not become caught up in the *false millennium* of this world, which is going to last just a few years.

"...which indeed have an outward appearance of wisdom in voluntary worship of angels, and self-abasement, and unsparing treatment of the body, not in any respect to the satisfying of the needs of the flesh" (vs 22-23).

We are warned in Rev. 2 & 3 about the synagogue of Satan and the synagogue means a coming together. The Greek word 'synagogue' means a coming together. This who is led by Satan the devil, who are coming together of the synagogue of Satan to bring all these humanistic, anti-God things into the world. It sounds so good! But:

- it excludes God
- it excludes Christ
- it excludes the Word of God

And always remember this: All ecumenism comes to the lowest common denominator and the lowest common denominator will be Satan the devil. That's why God has called us:

- to life
- to serve Him
- to love Him

That's why we

- keep His commandments
- keep His Feast days
- we're keeping the Feast of Tabernacles

we need to learn and grow in

- the Word of God
- the Truth of God
- the Spirit of God

as never before!

These times are coming upon the world and it's going to be awesome indeed! Remember *there is a coming global Church of Satan!*

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