



Babylon is Falling Series #1

“...Come out of her my people” (Rev 18:4)

TOPIC:

COME OUT OF BABYLON: A DEN OF THIEVES

SUB-TOPICS:

- 1) GOSPEL OF PROSPERITY
- 2) MEGA-CHURCHES' MOVEMENT

To the Saints of God:

I salute you! In the name of Christ Jesus and the authority given us under the Spirit of Zerubbabel, we encourage you to always stand for what is true and what is honest. We trust that you do “*try the spirit by the spirit*” of Jesus in all things, that you be not deceived by the gospel of prosperity. Many shall ask and receive not; because ye ask amiss, and instead of grace they receive of the trappings of the gospel of prosperity. Ask and it shall be given. Be careful of what you ask...for it would be easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to get into the Kingdom of Heaven (Mark 10:23-25).

“...the eye of the needle,” is a small door fixed in a gate and opened after dark. To pass through, the camel must be unloaded. Hence, is the difficulty of the rich man; he must be unloaded, of his riches and hence the proverb (please read Matthew 19:21-24).

We begin first by noting that “**Gospel**” is the teachings of a set of beliefs held strongly by a group or person, or something believed to be absolutely and unquestionably true.

Christ set a period of time called the “Gospel of Jesus Christ”... the teachings of a set of beliefs held strongly by and set up for the gentiles to follow. We read in Romans 11:11-12:

- (v11) ***“I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, to provoke them to jealousy.”***
- (v12) ***“Now if the fall of them be the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentile, how much more their fullness?”***

Next, we note that **Prosperity** is the condition of enjoying wealth, success, or good fortune. Prosperity theology (also known as prosperity doctrine, the health and wealth gospel, or the prosperity gospel) is a religious belief found among "tens of millions" of Christians ... aka to the churches, as the "Word of Faith". Let us now visit this condition.

Gospel of Prosperity

The Gospel of Prosperity: A false doctrine of wealth – aka in the churches as "Word of Faith".

The "gospel of prosperity" is the belief that God wants Christians to be financially rich. It is promoted by many conservative evangelists, especially tel-evangelists. Prosperity gospel supporters "believe that faith works in the form of prosperity is a mighty power or force". That it is through their faith that they can obtain anything they want such as: health, wealth or any form of personal success.

The Gospel of Wealth: A central tenet of the "prosperity gospel" is that if a believer lives in poverty, that God wills him riches and the financial prosperity of every Christian BY ANY MEANS.

Offered to Christ First: Matt 4:8-10

This gospel of prosperity was offered **first** to Christ, who turned him down flatly, leaving an example for all Christians to follow, *especially including church leaders*. Notice how the devil said that he would give all these things to Jesus if he would fall down and worship him; this showed us that all this belonged to him (the Devil).

We continue on now with the gospel of prosperity, which is also called in evangelical circles the "Word of Faith". Let's look at the word faith and note the word faith in the scripture found in Hebrews 11:1: "***Faith is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen.***" The "gospel of prosperity" supports that: substance is wealth in the form of money and possession, a real or practical value, or importance that is individual, and is a belief that is caused by the individual. The evidence that demonstrate this fact – or the proof – is seen in the individual's possession, which is the basis of the faith of the believer in the "gospel of prosperity". The substance of a saint of God is not the cares and possessions of this world, but is rather in the substance of things not seen with the:

- Understanding of the precepts of Jesus Christ concerning faith,
- Understanding that the world was framed by the Word of God, offering a more excellent sacrifice of righteousness,
- Pleasing God, moving with love and the righteous fear of God when warned of things not seen, and
- Obedience and willingness to die in that faith because you are an "**heir of righteousness**", which is by faith

What does the Bible say about the prosperity gospel? Is it God's will for all Christians to be financially prosperous? The "gospel of prosperity" resembles the destructive greed that infiltrated the early church. Paul and the other apostles were not accommodating to the false teachers who spread such heresy. They identified them as dangerous, false teachers and urged Christians to avoid them in 1Timothy 6:5, 9-11. Riches were not the goal for the godly. If so, Jesus would have pursued it; but He did not, preferring instead to have no place to lay His head (Matthew 8:20) and teaching His disciples to do the same. It should further be understood that the only disciple concerned with wealth was **Judas**, as he sold his soul for prosperity (Luke 12:15; Matthew 6:19, 24).

Here is an example – giving proof – of how a deal was made with the Devil:

Evangelist that chooses the “gospel of prosperity” has, as has Catholicism, sold their soul for a symbolic 30 pieces of silver. The Roman government knew...at the directive of the dragon...that someone would take the money to stop the influence that the Word of God (the teaching of Christ) had on the people: Jew and Gentile alike. In December, 2007, ranking members of the Senate Finance Committee sent lengthy questionnaires to **mega-church** ministries to review whether pastors were complying with IRS rules that bar excessive personal gain through tax-exempt work. However, a major investigation of mega-churches that teach the gospel of prosperity came to an **immediate halt**. Because these are “Religious”, Non-for-Profit organizations, the IRS has already deemed that they’re **NOT** required to turn over information regarding their finances. Today, the ministries of Catholicism and its tenants – Protestantism, and their doctrine and teaching of prosperity in the form of evangelist churches as with Swaggart, Haggart, Long, Dollar, Pearson, the Bakkers (who are “Just the Tip” of the iceberg) – all were, and are “in bed” with the law makers/the government...and henceforth...the Devil (Revelation 17:2). **ABSOLUTE PROOF!**

Here is the “Dragon’s threesome” of spiritual fornication: 1) the knowledge of Evil, 2) the Religious System of Catholicism and all of her denominations, including the “gospel of prosperity”, and 3) the Nations (Kings and Presidents) of the Earth. In Revelations 18:2, the merchants/merchandise of the earth, promoted by the “gospel of prosperity”, is a movement of the **great whore** that has moved upon the people of all nations. Come out of her my people...!

Mega-Churches Movement

A Protestant, Evangelical

Fundamentalist Movement: The Mega-church movement is usually thought to have begun in the 1950’s and have a large number of local congregants who return on a weekly basis, and have extended its reach to include, television and internet followers: a source for more money.

A **mega-church** is a church having 2,000-or more attendees for a typical weekly service. The Hartford Institute's database lists more than 1,300 such Protestant churches in the United States. According to that data, about 50 churches on the list have attendance ranging from 10,000 to 47,000. Globally, these large congregations are a significant development in Protestant Christianity. While generally associated with the United States, the phenomenon has spread worldwide. In 2007, five of the ten largest Protestant churches are in South Korea. Most mega-churches tend to be evangelical or Pentecostal, and are often semi-independent from the major Christian denominations.

The Catholic Church has more than 68 million members; the United States has the fourth largest Catholic population in the world, after Brazil, Mexico, and the Philippines. The Catholic Church has the third highest total number of individual parishes in the US, behind Southern Baptists and Methodists. However, because the average Catholic parish is significantly larger than the average church from those denominations, there are more than four times as many Catholics as Southern Baptists and more than 8 times as many as Methodists.

The mega-church movement cannot compete with Catholicism, the mother of all religious abominations, set up by the Dragon. The mega-church movement cannot raise enough money to compare itself with Catholicism and all her 'delicacies'. The Dragon will not allow! Mega-church movement preachers, you have been deceived; the pope "calls the shots". You have been deceived as the pope will not vacate his authority to its sister denominations, until the man of sin dethrones the pope. The saints that recognize its abominations are coming out as we speak. Catholicism is the beginning and ending of the false religious doctrine of prosperity.

These are so-called ministers of the Word of God who are very eager to make other people share their beliefs or ideas. Woe unto you false teachers and preachers that use the "Gospel of Prosperity" as a call to liberate gay rights/ feminist theology and the systematic belief that the Holy Spirit **is the power to be put to use for whatever the believer wills** (1 Timothy 4:1-2).

A study in the United States, published in the Social journals conducted by Sociology researchers, found that believers of Judaism (those that say they are Jews and do not accept Christ) attained the most wealth, believers of Catholicism and mainline Protestants were next, while in general, people who attend religious services achieved more wealth than those who do not (taking into account tithing, church favors, religious politics and control, variations of education and other factors that support greed). The study further suggests that coveting, jealousy, greed and wealth accumulation is shaped by religious leaders.

The following scripture represent what Christ felt about the teachings of prosperity in the church: Matthew 21:10-13; Mark 11:15-18; St John 2: 13-16. Be not dependent upon false teaching and teachers whose possessions have blinded you and attempts to keep you from your first love. Come out of Babylon! Refuse her wine, her spiritual fornication, and her delicacies that seduce you to covet the cares of this world. Break up your fallow ground and receive the word of Christ. Come out of these churches as they are not teaching you the gospel of salvation (Matthew 13:14-23).

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