



Gustave Dore, "Pentecost-Descent of the Holy Spirit"

The Apostolic Church and the Counterfeit 'Christian' Church

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APOSTOLIC CHURCH DISTINCTIVES:

1. NOT THE CULT OF PERSONALITY--The apostles were personally commissioned by Christ himself NOT denominationally or ecclesiastically directed and appointed
2. TRULY, THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES--The apostles were Holy Spirit empowered, indwelt, moved, driven, and protected to establish a perpetual voice and legacy by imparting and living Christ's teachings out among the lost, the Spirit led individual

(That individual not yet chosen),¹ as well as the elect (That individual predestined from the foundation of the world. A soul called, as well as chosen)

3. A UNIQUE DISPENSATION--The apostolic leadership was given charge to **write and complete** God's inerrant love letter to sinful men
4. DURATION OF THE APOSTOLIC CHURCH--Jesus began his ministry as he turned 30 years old.² His ministry lasted 3.5 years as we learn from Daniel 9:27--'he confirmed the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he caused the sacrifice and the oblation to cease.' NO, this is not a reference to Satan as Francisco Ribera, the Catholic Jesuit, wants you to believe. The early reformers knew that the woman sitting on the scarlet-colored beast IS the Roman system rooted in the Chaldean Mysteries. The apostle John died in 99 A.D. The duration of the apostolic church age is calculated using the commencement of Jesus' public ministry and subtracting that from John the apostle's death in 99 A.D., namely 99 - 33 = 66 years
5. THE CLERICAL AGENCY OF MEN, ACTING AS INTERMEDIARIES, CEASED UPON COMPLETION OF THE CANON OF SCRIPTURE, GIVING WAY TO THE POWER OF CHRIST'S WORD AND RECOGNITION OF THE DISCIPLE AS A PRIESTHOOD BELIEVER³--Ever wonder why there has been, and continues to be, such an assault against the preserved⁴ and inerrant words⁵ of Christ? The spiritual charlatans known as pastors, ministers, rabbis, seminarians, and Greek and Hebrew 'experts' would

¹ Matthew 20:16--So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen. Matthew 22:11-14-- And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment: **12** And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless. **13** Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast *him* into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. **14** For many are called, but few *are* chosen.

Did you catch that! You can be called but lost. Believe me, you know when you are chosen. Not my will, but his be done!

² Luke 3:23--And Jesus himself began to be about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph, which was *the son* of Heli,

³ While the elect had many blessings imputed to them because of Holy Spirit baptism by Christ's righteousness, three things stand out: 1. Christ's payment, in full, for my sin 2. The Holy Spirit within as the believer's teacher 3. The completion of the scriptures giving the believer a spiritual authority and confidence over visible and invisible principalities and powers

⁴ Psalms 12:6-7--The words of the LORD *are* pure words: *as* silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. **7** Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.

⁵ II Timothy 3:16, 17--All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: **17** That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

All church leadership rejects biblical inspiration saying only the original autographs written by the apostles were perfect. So, what they are telling you is God is impotent and incapable of preserving his word despite the assaults of men against it. Woe unto them! What a pitiful and small god they serve! You can figure out what they believe, and it is not biblical in any sense of the word. 'If the foundations be destroyed, how can the righteous stand.'

convince you it is impossible to understand the words of God without their 'help' (the doctrine and commandments of men--the cult of personality)

6. STRUCTURE AND OPERATION OF THE APOSTOLIC CHURCH--Many of those unlearned, who wrest with Christ's words, would have you believe the apostolic church was socialist in its structure. This is clearly NOT the case. Consider this:

- **Holy Spirit led**--The apostolic leadership and those they had laid their hands on, most,⁶ were clearly led of the Holy Spirit, howbeit there were some weak moments in Peter's ministry when he fell prey to accommodating the circumcision,⁷ and wrongfully compelled the house of Cornelius to be water baptized in Cæsarea.⁸ Peter was rebuked by the apostle Paul in Antioch for his duplicitous and unscriptural teaching and example. There is also the story of Aquila and Priscila expounding the way of Christ in a more excellent way to Apollos as he knew only of John's baptism⁹
- **A voluntary, transparent membership based on a unity of the Spirit and respect and observance of God's laws, NOT a compulsory, mandated, incrementally and clandestinely legislated organization advocating the elevation of man through collectivist ideology**

⁶ It appears that the Nicolas, a proselyte (a convert to Judaism) of Antioch, whom the apostolic leadership had laid their hands on, turned out to be the leader of the Nicolaitanes, whom Jesus in Revelation 2:6, 15 said despised their deeds and doctrine. Extending to them grace, or as in the case of betrayers to Trump and our republic, white mail, Nicolas; however, returned to his vomit as the dog does, and the pig to its wallowing in the mire.

⁷ Galatians 2:11-14--But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed. [12](#) For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision. [13](#) And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was carried away with their dissimulation. [14](#) But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the gospel, I said unto Peter before *them* all, If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews, why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?

⁸ Acts 10:44-48--While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. [45](#) And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. [46](#) For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter, [47](#) Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we? [48](#) And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

⁹ Acts 18:26--And a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man, *and* mighty in the scriptures, came to Ephesus. [25](#) This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in the spirit, he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John. [26](#) And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto *them*, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.

While Jesus warned his followers in the Olivet Discourse (speech given from the Mount of Olives) that many would come in his name professing fealty to himself, Jesus also said earlier in his ministry, that you would know them by their fruits--the speech and actions of the counterfeiters would be incompatible

- **The clerical offices (elder, deacon, presbyter, bishop, minister, pastor) found in Acts all gave way to the authority of scripture upon its completion in 99 A.D.**

Either the words of Christ are the foundation, confidence, and authority on which the believer stands OR the shifting sands of man's wisdom, as well as his doctrines and commandments known as a private interpretation¹⁰ will dominate your life. Do you want man or God speaking to your innermost soul?

- **Dispensationalism (God has spoken to men throughout history in different ways) is taught in scripture**

Do a word search in the KJV. It's there! The church today is at war with Christ! Consider this. The church:

- Rejects grace for works
- Exchanges biblical inspiration for the doctrines and commandments of men
- Exercises sorcery on a weekly basis placing trust in a man, denomination, or movement instead of Christ
- Pushes 'Christian' psychology (the blame game) instead of building godly Christian character, refusing to take responsibility for one's actions and words
- Has become feminized through intuition, ignorance of the scriptures, feminism, wokeism,¹¹
- Refuses to observe worldly separation
- Repudiates the teaching of dispensationalism, while justifying the Charismatic, Tongues and Vineyard

¹⁰ II Peter 1:21--For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.

¹¹ A hypersensitivity toward cultural issues created by the Left, where no hypersensitivity existed heretofore. This is political correctness wearing a mask. Instead of examining issues rationally, logically, practically, and biblically, the person is culturally pressured to examine issues through the prism of emotion, intuition, feeling, and moral relativism. This misguided and misplaced devotion to moral relativism can be seen in Dave Mason's musical composition, "We Just Disagree." Mason, a British singer-songwriter released this song in 1977. The lyrics proclaim the following, "There ain't no good guy, there ain't no bad guy, there's only you and me and we just disagree." There's the Roman Catholic system with their proxy, the City of London. This song defined for us what moral relativism is all about--feelings, not objective, moral, absolute truth.

Movements since they insist their denominations possess the ability to speak in ‘tongues’¹² These denominations are telling you the Bible is incomplete!

I Corinthians 13:8-10--Charity never faileth: but whether *there be* prophecies, they shall fail; whether *there be* tongues, they shall cease; whether *there be* knowledge, it shall vanish away. [9](#) For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. [10](#) But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

¹² What they call ‘tongues’ has been proven by linguists to be gibberish or nonsense. The tongues spoken by the apostles, and those they had laid their hands on (there were 120 in the upper room) in Acts 2, were KNOWN HUMAN LANGUAGES. In I Corinthians 14 Paul addresses tongues--known human languages and the *unknown tongue*. They disappeared upon completion of the scriptures because the four avenues of tongues speaking, from I Corinthians 14:6, involved

- ◇ *prophecy* (predictive utterances)
- ◇ *knowledge* (all knowledge contained in the completed word of God)
- ◇ *doctrine* (all doctrines contained in the Bible)
- ◇ *revelation* (as in the book of the Revelation of Jesus Christ to John, this added information was given to us to complete God’s stated objectives to men)
- ◇ *unknown tongue*--Was a heavenly language, unknown to men, and given to an individual for the benefit of those Jews, and others, who did not believe in Jesus (I Cor. 14:22). It could not benefit the church unless the individual possessing such a gift could understand its message, OR if another individual, the interpreter of that divine message, could relay it to the church for the benefit of all. Paul spoke more tongues than any other apostle as he was the apostle to the Gentiles. He was divinely given this gift to impart to others, in their own language, the precious gospel of Jesus Christ

Discernment between the spirit of truth and the spirit of error, as well as a knowledge of the scriptures would tell you if tongues were still in effect today, the word of God would be incomplete. This is because tongues would still be adding new prophecy, additional knowledge, subsequent doctrines, and novel revelations to an already completed and inspired Bible. In short, that would mean God did not complete his word but, is adding to it daily. This mindset is absurd and detracts from the Bible’s inspiration, authority, and finality.