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Prophecies of the birth of Jesus Christ fulfilled

One of the greatest proofs that the Holy Bible is the unique Word of God and stands alone against all the world's 'great books of faith,' is that approximately one third of it is prophecy. All other 'holy texts' baulk at the challenge of prophecy, shunning the usage of this most divine of proofs of validity of claims to authenticity. Below is a table containing some of the Old Testament prophecies perfectly fulfilled each time by the Incarnation of Jesus Christ in the flesh of man.

Prophecy	Old Testament References	New Testament Fulfilment
Be the seed of a woman, bruising the serpents head	Genesis 3:15	Galatians 4:4 Hebrews 2:14 1 John 3:8
All nations blessed through Abraham	Genesis 18:17-18 Also, Genesis 12:3, 22:18, 26:4, 28:14	Acts 3:25-26 Matthew 1:1,17 Galatians 3:16
Come from the tribe of Judah	Genesis 49:8-10 Micah 5:2	Matthew 1:1-3 Hebrews 7:14 Revelation 5:5
Shall be born in Bethlehem	Micah 5:2-5	Matthew 2:1-6
Born a king of the line of David	Isaiah 9:7 2 Samuel 2:12, 13 Jeremiah 23:5, 30:9	Matthew 1:1 Luke 1:32 Acts 13:22,23
A child to be born	Isaiah 9:6	Luke 2:11
Born of Abraham's seed	Genesis 1:7, 8, 26:3, 4	Matthew 1:1, 17 Galatians 3:16, 29 Hebrews 2:16
Born of Isaac's seed	Genesis 17:9, 21:12, 26:2-4	Matthew 1:2, 17 Romans 9:7 Hebrews 11:17-19
Born of Jacob's seed/star out of Jacob	Genesis 28:13, 14, Numbers 3:13, 8:17	Matthew 1:2 Luke 1:33, 3:23-38
Born of a virgin	Isaiah 7:13-14	Matthew 1:1-23 Luke 1:26-35
Kings will bring Him gifts and bow down to Him	Psalms 72:10-11	Matthew 2:1-11
Be a firstborn son, sanctified of God	Exodus 13:2, Numbers 24:17,19	Luke 2:7, 23
Massacre of children	Jeremiah 31:15	Matthew 2:16-18
A rod out of the house of Jesse	Isaiah 11:1-2	Matthew 1:6 Acts 13:22-23
Hold eternal existence	Micah 5:2	John 1:1-4, 8:58 Colossians 1:15-19

What a glory unto God that He has provided such ample evidence of the validity of His Word the Holy Bible. Let us treasure it and wield this unparalleled tool as a living witness for the unique merits of Holy Scripture, that lifts it high above all pretenders claiming to be divine. There is but one Word of God, and it came in the flesh of man so that through faith in Him, we might live with Him forevermore in peace and glory. Amen

By Jonathan Badger

Precision of Execution

Life is a fragile thing. Those who are facing heartbreaking times know this all too well. Yet this immensity of fragility that is life is seen throughout all the universe. So much so that for any life to exist in the immensity of fragility in which all the universe exists, defies any nonsensical notion that any aspect of it came about by chance and evolution.

When we consider some of the most astonishing laws of nature as revealed by scientific investigation, we see undeniable proof that the universe and all life must have been created by a Supreme Creator God. Take for example the world of Quantum Physics. Deep within an atom's nucleus is a *quark*, an elementary particle that are the building blocks of protons and neutrons which are in turn the building blocks of an atom's nuclei. As of yet, physicists are yet to discover anything smaller than a quark. For these infinitesimally small particles to be able to exist in an ordered structure (known as a *hadron*, hence the Hadron Super Collider in Switzerland) and not collapse, thereby allowing these larger structures masses to be calibrated, requires an immensity of precision of existence that boggles the mind. The mathematical equivalent of these delicate structures existing in such a perfected state that their structure can be supported and thereby any life exist is 1 in 10 to the power 35! Or in other words, 1 in 100000000000000000000000000000000! Here we have incontestable mathematics declaring that Evolutionary Theory is impossible and ridiculous!

Yet the delicacy of any life existing in the universe gets far more fragile yet. The Cosmological Constant, a means of calibrating the energy density of Space in opposition to the force of Gravity by navigating the hereby yet unknown properties of 'Dark Matter'. No physicist can quantify what this Constant actually is (could it be God's upholding of Creation?), but it is nevertheless a necessary law needed to be able to reconcile what we know of the universe. For this Constant to operate and thereby provide a universe capable of sustaining life at even the atomic level, requires a level of precision equal to 1 in 10 to the power 90! So, take that big number earlier and add another 55 0's on the end of it! Therefore, the mathematical probabilities of our universe existing by mere chance or accident is far beyond the laws of mathematical possibility! Yet many still hold onto this worldview? A great tragedy indeed!

Such a tragedy of blindness towards God is seen in the observations of physicist Michio Kaku. He commented, 'It's shocking to find how many of the familiar constants of the universe lie within a very narrow band that makes life possible. If a single one of these accidents were altered, stars would never form, the universe would fly apart, DNA would not exist, life as we know it would be impossible, Earth would flip over or freeze, and so on.' There you have the epitome of Romans 1! A brilliant mind in all its foolishness before the inescapable evidence that God exists. How Michio notes the mind-boggling precision and exactitude of the universe so that any life can exist and yet he refers to these miraculous constants as 'accidents'. Pray for this man and for all those he is leading away from saving faith in Christ Jesus.



When we consider the precision of how God has established Creation so that life can exist, it boggles my mind that any Christian can believe that such a precision orientated God would not move or be able to preserve His Word through the centuries. All so that we can know we have His Word in all its purity and glory.

It amazes me further to consider how such an immense and powerful God, who has established all Creation with such astonishing exactitude, did something miraculous so that we insignificant and rebellious sinners might be able

to know Him in a manner not even the angels are privy to! For as we remember at Christmas time, He entered this world in the flesh of man so that He might succeed where even the best of us had failed, the fulfilment of the Law. He loved us so deeply, that He condescended to know us in our weakness, and moved in the blessed and pure love of God to open a way back to the Father through His shed blood. This pure blood shed on our

behalf, so that through His full and final sacrifice on the Cross, those who call upon Him for forgiveness of sins, might be freed from the weight of the burdens of spirit. Then, one day known unto Him, when we close our eyes a final time, we shall dwell with Him always, and we shall learn of all His glories and provisions from His very mouth. Blessed be the Lord Jesus, our Creator and Redeemer. Amen.

By Jonathan Badger

The Banality, Falsity and Delusion of the Charismatic Movement

With the loss of countless good evangelical churches across the land to this Movement, you need to be asking some serious soul-searching questions. The Evangelical Church as it was is dead. We now have a 'Religious Body', that is led by some of the most ignorant 'Pastors' and 'Teachers' that have ever stood on platforms and in pulpits in England. The Movement is full of unbelievers, unbiblical teaching, false theology, false prophecy, false miracles, women in unscriptural positions and other utter drivel. One has watched many evangelical believers lose their faith after some time in this 'bible-believing revival' who now find themselves not knowing what to believe any more. Many go nowhere to worship any more because all they can find are more contradictory false teaching Charismatic bodies.



As for our Bible Colleges, if you can find any, the students they turn out have no solid theological Church History, Expository teaching and scholarship which is why the modern church is led by spiritual dunces. If the 'Charismatic Spirituality' represents the New Testament Biblical Gospel in our land today then you should know that your land is in desperate trouble. I live in a famous south coast town which fifty years ago had many fine bible-believing, gospel-preaching churches, they are all gone. They are all replaced by shallow, wishy-washy unsound rubbish and this is so all over England. Down the road from me there is a Bible College, it was once one of the most Evangelical Biblical institutions. Today, it doesn't have the word Bible anymore and as recently I heard one soul say, 'its students don't know what they believe'.

Let me say to you dear soul if you are one of these dear believers who are so confused and led astray today by the teachings of a false body, get out of it and start to ask the Lord to guide you to a place of Biblical teaching. The Charismatic Movement is not a Second Pentecost, its theology is not built on rock-solid scriptural foundations and if there are any real Bible-believing Pastors left then step-up and speak-up. You are shepherds and Goliath is not one to be afraid of. God Bless.

By Dr David Badger

As It Was, So It Shall Be

The Incarnation of Christ Jesus in the flesh was a miraculous event that changed the course of history, bringing light to the world that had known only darkness. The timing of this joyous event that we remember at this time of year, was the precision engineering of the will of God. The arrival of the Messiah came when God's people, the Jews, were in great turmoil and oppression under the iron foot of Imperial Rome. This rule was enacted by the bloodthirsty and paranoid reign of King Herod, an Idumean by birth and therefore not a blood Jew, as he governed under the authority of Rome. This corrupt royal household had been sealed by Herod's father Antipater, a cunning politician who allied himself with Rome to ensure his rule over Judea under threats from rivals and the neighbouring Parthian Empire. Rome was all too happy to prop up Antipater and then Herod's

reign, for it afforded Rome a stronghold in a vital trade link between its empire's eastern and western provinces.

However, all this meant that Judea (Israel) was a nation ruled by Rome under the name of the puppet king that was Herod the Great. This rule brought oppression to the Jews, making the name of Rome a cursed one by the people. The one who ruled over them had willingly handed over power to a regime that brutally crushed any opposition and forcibly enforced polytheism upon the nation. Herod himself swore allegiance to Rome at the Capitoline Hill in Rome, at the site of the temple to the Roman god Jupiter, the head of the pantheon of Roman gods, thus breaking two of the Ten Commandments and turning his back on the God of Abraham, Issac and Jacob.

As the puppet king of the Jews signed up to the power of Rome as a means of securing his throne, the people of Judea (Israel) felt the force of the cruelty and oppression of the Romans under daily violence, corruption and heavy taxation. All this made daily life a misery for God's chosen people. They were awaiting the Messiah, one who would relieve them of this Roman rule and bring about a return to the golden age of King David. Yet they had misunderstood the nature of the Messiah, thanks to the poor and corrupted teaching of the Sanhedrin. These religious leaders had been riddled with scandal that included bribery and murder since the days of Ptolemaic rule. As a result, they were blind as to the suffering servant role detailed by the prophet Isaiah that the Messiah would fulfil. This spiritual blindness was passed on too many of the populace.

Yet in the mercy of God, this was the hour in which He would send His Son Jesus Christ, to be the Messiah, the one that would bring light unto His people who dwelt in darkness of both body and soul. At a time when the nation of Israel was being ground down under the weight of Roman rule, God sent a Deliverer unto His people. But they did not receive Him. Instead, they sided with the corrupt and murderous religious leaders, and placed their Messiah upon a cross and crucified Him upon Calvary's hill.



By the power of God however, He did not remain in the grave, for death held no grip on Him. So, He rose again, glorified and having given this wondrous news to His beloved disciples and many others, He ascended to heaven to sit at the right hand of the Father. There He intercedes daily for those who believe in Him before the Father, being our advocate, who in His righteousness pleads our innocence thereby freeing us from the heavy debt of our sins. So, He provides for us wonderfully each day whilst He prepares for the appointed hour in which He shall return to deliver His people the Jews in their hour of peril, the second advent.

That hour shall be as it was in the first advent. When Israel shall be greatly oppressed by a ruler who has corrupted the House of God with the worship of evil itself. This AntiChrist who shall be ridden by the Scarlet Woman that is Papal Rome, the successor to the Caesars of the time of Christ's walk in the flesh of man. Once more, the Jews shall cry out for a deliverer, yet this time they will know the name of the Messiah which they yearn for. They shall weep in repentance of their killing of the one they seek, knowing that Christ Jesus alone is able to deliver them from their destruction under the barbarism of the AntiChrist. Then at long last, the light that was once refused by the world, will set Himself to rule in power and glory from the throne of David in the city of peace that will be Jerusalem, having overthrown the AntiChrist and destroyed Papal Rome.

This is the true glory of the Christmas season. We remember that Christ Jesus came in the flesh to deliver the world from the weight of sin. Though the world did not know Him when He came in the humility of the flesh, it shall know Him when He returns in glory! Thank God with joyful praise that we know Him already, all by the grace of God. He opened our eyes so that we dwell in darkness no longer and instead we dwell in the light of Christ! Let us give thanks for this most precious of gifts, as we eagerly await the day when we shall look upon the giver of this wondrous treasure with our own eyes. Amen.

By Jonathan Badger

Revelation Chapter 17

'Mystery, Babylon the Great, the Mother of Harlots and Abominations of the Earth.'

'And I saw the Woman drunken with the blood of the saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus.'

The question of Revelation 17 is perhaps one of the most important issues of the interpretation of Biblical prophecy. Who is this Woman? John unveils her in the last book of the Bible. Do we view her as then existing or yet to come? It cannot be the Babylon of the Old Testament days because that was gone, the name Babylon then represents something else. It is important to remember that the Book of Revelation is Apocalyptic literature, therefore it is full of symbols and representations. So, is the name Babylon a 'code' word for something else? Now, I don't want to get dramatic or inventive but yes, I think we can show it is.

In early Christian circles, the City of Rome was often referred to as Babylon. Hippolytus writes of the Apostle John, 'This same John being in the island of Patmos beholds a revelation of dread mysteries....Tell me, beloved John, Apostle of the Lord, what did you both see and hear concerning Babylon for indeed that city banished thee.' Well, we know Rome banished John. Tertullian in his writings says, 'Names are employed by us as signs.... Babylon is a figure of the Roman city, mighty, proud of its sway, and fiercely persecuting saints.' The earliest extant Commentary on the Apocalypse is by a Bishop and martyr of Pannonia, he writes, 'The City of Babylon, that is, Rome; the City on Seven Hills, that is, and the Kings of the Earth will hate the Harlot, that is, Rome.' Babylon of the Apocalypse is Rome then.

In John's day, she was Queen of the World. To name Rome as evil was treason, which is probably why it is called Babylon. The Jews commonly called Rome Babylon. In fact, a Jewish proverb says, 'The redemption of Israel will not be accomplished, before Rome is destroyed.' In John's day it was also called 'the Seven hilled city.' The seven hills of Rome, a title applied to the original site of Rome since 390 B.C. Many Roman poets refer to this, for example Tibullus, Propertius, Virgil, Ovid and Horace. Four Imperial Medals of that age one



can see Rome shown as a Woman sitting on seven hills. On coins she is shown as a crowned city and a deified city. There was worship of the goddess of Rome, the city itself, further it is possible that even in the lifetime of John, Christians were martyred in the provinces at least because they would not worship the City. After all, the Emperor was worshipped and an image was made to which one was to bow. Even Augustine refers to Rome as 'the Western Babylon'. I think it is clear then that the Apostle John is referencing, via the title Babylon, to Rome.

In Ch17 then, the Apostle unveils a Beast and a Woman. 'Babylon', → Rome Pagan, is the Beast. Those who know the Book of Daniel will be aware of Daniel's prophetic references to four world Empires, Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece and Rome. The terrible Beast was clearly fulfilled in the Pagan Roman Empire. This fourth Beast was believed by many of the Early Church Fathers to exist. Rome Pagan was recognised as the seat of Antichrist. Believers were very familiar with the 'divine' emperor worship and the bloody persecutions of the Beast. However, despite the awful sufferings under Pagan Rome, the likes of Tertullian tell us that believers prayed for the duration of the Empire because they believed its destruction would bring about the rise of a more terrible form of the former. We should point out further, that if, as some argue, the warnings in Revelation 17 only apply to Pagan Rome then Revelation 17 is limited in final fulfilment to the fall of Rome in 410 A.D.

Now, the whole issue with this Chapter 17 revolves around the identity of 'the Woman'. The Reformers, identified the Woman as the Roman Catholic Church. Though few today stand by this interpretation, even in A-Millennial prophetic circles, none have ever really come up with any other adequate interpretation, other than to push the fulfilment into the future. Actually, long before the Reformation, not only were believers identifying Babylon as Rome, they were convinced that the 'Woman' was the Roman Catholic Church. The immediate counter to this assertion often is, there is no reference to the Roman Catholic Church in Scripture.

Well, assuming that assertion to be true for the moment, it leaves us with a big Church History problem. Why? Because for centuries the institution of the Roman Catholic Church has murdered millions of believers.

Now, what other thoughts in relation to Revelation 17 should we consider? Well, Kings and rulers have through history drunk from her cup. She wears the original colours of Rome Pagan. The Popes replaced the Roman Emperors, both are god on earth. Once she carried the word 'Mystery' on her mitres. Look, from the Sixth Century A.D. the charges accrue against the Woman on Seven Hills. There is a 'Church' in history that succeeded the Pagan Empire of Rome that was and is opposite to everything that the New Testament reveals about the Bride of Christ.

You can argue about that until you turn purple and scarlet (the colours of Rome), but it is a fact. We have a City and a 'Church' that kills God's people. Think, why was John so shocked? The brutality of Rome Pagan would have been common knowledge to him. But what if he saw a 'Church' doing these things? A 'Church' butchering God's people.

I want to bring to your mind a few testimonies of those who did spiritual battle with Rome in the past. Some of those souls died horrible deaths but their stories are not an unsuitable topic. Why should we be silent about a system whose cruelty had stained Europe and further afield for centuries. Let me give you some examples.

1. At Minerve, 14,000 believers were put to death in the flames, ears, noses and lips of 'heretics' were cut off.
2. In Beziers, 60,000 men, women and children were slaughtered.
3. Several hundred thousand Albigenes were butchered near Bremen and Oldenburg.
4. The Waldenses passed through 36 persecutions. These believers were cast from mountains, driven into caverns and suffocated by smoke from fires. Old men, babies and children were hung, drowned, disembowelled and torn to pieces by dogs and crucified with their heads downward.
5. The Roman Catholic Church in Ireland slaughtered 150,000 Protestants in one day which is twice as many Catholics as were killed in armed combat fighting Cromwell in a year.
6. People were sawn in half. Children's bodies were thrown to pigs.
7. Thousands had hands and legs chopped off.
8. In Louis of Paramo's work, 'The Origin and Progress of the Inquisition', he states that, between 1447 - 1597 30,000 Bible-believers were slaughtered.
9. In Rothenburg Michael Sattler, a converted monk was brought out in public to have his tongue cut out, his flesh torn with hot pincers, and then he was burned to death, at the same time Rome drowned his wife and several of his friends.
10. Jacob Hunter came to Moravia to help persecuted Baptists, the papists arrested him, dunked him in freezing and boiling water, they tore his flesh, poured brandy in the wounds and set him on fire.
11. Under Charles V of Spain, 50,000 believers were hanged, beheaded, burned or buried alive in Holland. Gallows and trees on the roads were full of dead bodies.
12. In less than 40 days, 50,000 Protestants were slaughtered in France.
13. At Montsegur, 200 believers were burnt on a fire.
14. Charles IX of France, via the hand of Rome, was responsible for the St. Bartholomew massacre. Under an oath of safety, the principle Protestants of France were in Paris to celebrate the marriage of the King of Navarre with the sister of the French King. Some 5,000 were massacred in Paris and in all about 30,000 died. Rome received the news with joy, a medal was struck having an image of the Pope on one side and a representation of the massacre on the other.



Now, I could file examples by the book full many times over. However, let me give you a more up-to-date thought, especially for all you foolish, spiritually and intellectually ignorant Charismatics of today. Those of you who say, 'Rome has changed', yet wont even accept she was and is wicked. Some years ago, I witnessed in simple terms just the gospel, (no history of his 'Church'), to a Roman priest in training. This young man

said to me, 'When we return to power, we will burn heretics like you.' Go and think on that you spiritual dupe. Let us continue, even the Roman 'Church' has admitted that 'Mighty Babylon' is Rome, Cardinal Baronius said, 'All persons confess that Rome is denoted by the name Babylon in the Apocalypse of John.' But Papal Theologians say it is Pagan Rome. However, Rome Pagan was no 'Mystery'. Her real character was never concealed. Further, the 'Woman' prophesied destruction is brought about by the horns or governments which had been previously subject to her, but the Goths who invaded Pagan Rome were not previously subject to her. But nations are and have been for some time becoming subject to Papal Rome again. There are political and religious aims toward world unity and government.

We are told that this 'Woman' is part of the 'Body of Christ'. The Bible tells us clearly that the gates of hell shall not prevail against God's true Church, yet she has for century after century corrupted and perverted the Bible, prostituted the Ministry and Persecuted the Saints of God. She has been doing hell's work. It is a fact, even according to Roman Catholic historians that more than 50 Popes were of the very lowest and most degraded types of humanity, yet these men are said to be the direct representatives of God on earth, Bishop of bishops. What blasphemy. Cardinal Baronius tells us that the world has never witnessed so many unmentionable vices as those committed in the Vatican. Of the so-called Successors of Peter, the Catholic Bishop of Cremorne Luitprand said of John XII 'No honest lady dared show herself in public, for the Pope John had no respect either for single girls, or married women, or widows, - they were sure to be defiled by him.' Pope John XXIII was proved by 37 witnesses, most of whom were priests and bishops, to be guilty of incest, adultery, fornication, sodomy, murder, theft and simony. It had proved he had seduced 300 nuns and had a harem of 200 girls.

We should say that is for example the fulfilment of Ch17 applies to Pagan Rome, it seems a little strange that believers should be so strongly warned of a persecuting power that they were already familiar with. But, if the prophesy applied to Papal Rome (the continuing form of Pagan Rome), it makes sense because Papal Rome was not at first a great persecutor.



Let us now consider 2 Thessalonians 2v1-12. Here we see a great Apostasy reference to and the 'Man of Sin'. First of all, let us note that Paul is warning the Thessalonians not to be thrown into confusion by false teachers, verbal messages, or letters that are forged in the apostle's name, v2. In v3 he speaks of a great falling away before the Lord's Return. Further, a tyrannical power would arise. However, in v6 something was at that time withholding the manifestation of the man of sin. Some see this as the Holy Spirit doing the withholding, whereas others see it as the Pagan Empire. The spirit of Imperial Pagan

Rome would be passed on to the Roman Catholic Church. History shows that the Roman 'Church' gradually developed itself into the pattern of the Empire it had conquered. Pagan Rome fell. But, Rome came to life again, as a World-Power, in the Roman Catholic Church, (note v8 of Rev17, its resurrection). The Popes of Rome were the heirs and successors of the Caesar's of Rome. The Vatican is where the Palace of the Caesar's was. It is built of Augury = a form of Witchcraft. Further, the Papal Palace, through history as the home of the Pope, has claimed all the authority the Caesar's claimed, and more.

In v7 we read 'mystery of iniquity'. False teachers were already teaching the worship of angels, abstinence from meats, bodily mortifications, foundations were being laid for Popery, but the Papacy cannot develop while the Emperors exist. Question? Can we believe that God gave warnings of Pagan Rome (giving an alarm of the lesser evil), yet no reference to the greater evil of Papal Rome? We are talking of a power that would wipe out believers in such numbers that by 1500 A.D, she claimed to have silenced all heresy.

Let me give you some more thoughts, 'names of blasphemy' v3. Well, the Pope used to have on their mitres VICARIVS FILII DEI the letters that are Roman numerals add up to 666. Further, it means 'Faithful Vicar of God' 'Vicarious (substitute) Son of God' and Shepherd Son of God'. Titles of blasphemy. Popes claim to hold

on earth the place of God. They claim supreme authority over human conscience. They claim obedience to them is necessary for salvation.

In the Dark Ages, the bishops of Rome began to put forth the claim that they were the only representatives of Christ on earth. Their claim was followed by the demand that believers in churches throughout the world were subject to their rule. They utterly forbade any other bishop to take the title pope or 'papa' and they themselves now lay claim to titles once held by the Roman Emperor, Constantine, namely, Pontifex Maximus, Vicar of Christ, and Bishop of bishops. There is no scriptural warrant for this, the Bible makes it clear the Lord is the Bishop of our souls.

The Roman Senate that governed the City under the Caesar's was called CURIA ROMANA (Roman Curia) that is now the name of (according to the Catholic Dict), the whole assembly of administrative and judicial offices through which the Pope directs the operations of the Catholic Church.

Now, consider John the Apostle's reaction in v6. He has seen the beast before as in Ch13, but there is no suggestion he is shocked or amazed by it, but he is astonished by the Woman. WHY? He must see something that is incomprehensible, even to an Apostle, and the most obvious answer to this is, that the Woman is a Church killing believers.

'The woman....is the great city' v18. Yes, Vatican City. The only City in the world that is the headquarters of a Church who is a Woman. 'Holy Mother Church'. 'Mystery' - the word represents Rome well, 'Mystrium fide' pronounced at the Mass.

Note also, v9 in Revelation17 the place of her seat and v18 in Revelation13. Now, let's take a moment over 666. In some modern bibles (all corrupted), you will see a marginal note which suggests another number, namely 616. Papias a Second Century witness, refers to Irenaeus who in one passage discusses the true reading, is it 666 or 616? He declares the number is 666. Again, he says that the world must wait until the Roman Empire is divided into several kingdoms, signified by the ten horns of the Beast; and that when these kingdoms are increasing in might, then a great Power will arise, which will overcome these kingdoms, and will be the Abomination of Desolation, it will be characterised by the number of the name of the Beast. For him, the word Lateinos Latinus contains the number expressing that power Latin Kingdom. Papal Rome made Latin its official language.

Now, consider, Irenaeus is writing on these matters within a relatively short time of the Book of Revelations completion. He himself, had been a pupil of Polycarp, who was a pupil of the Apostle John. Irenaeus is professedly in a position to be able to report tradition relating to the number from men who had personally known John. Two things of note, he doesn't see it as a reference to Caesar, and he believes that Greek numerals are the key to the lock not Hebrew. L30, AI, T300, E5, I10, N50, O70, S200. Total 666.

When the Pope is crowned at his coronation, the crown bears the inscription 'VICARUIS FILII DEI', numerical value 666. Further, in Hebrew, there are two words of interest we should note, namely, Romiti - 'Roman Man' and Romiith - 'Roman Kingdom'. Both have a numerical value of 666. Further, if 'Mystery Babylon' is the final form of the original idolatrous enemy of God's people, then we should remember that the mystery religion of the Old Testament Babylon was founded by Nimrod one of whose titles was Saturn → Chaldean STUR = 666.



Now, I could write on this subject forever, but, who today stands forth to expose the 'Woman'? The Reformers are gone, solid bible teachers who stood firm on the 'Woman' are gone. Today to meet this blasphemous body we largely only have the 'witness' of the Charismatic Church. That (evangelical body), is one of the most duped, deceived, ill taught groups around. This Movement is full of non-believers, its Pastors have

little if any real Bible knowledge. Its a church that sings choruses, claps, dances, performs 'miracles', and often embraces various forms of godless rubbish. They have every bible version going but can't stand the A.V, how strange, the only one Rome hates.

Rome weaves in and out of Charismatic Conferences, 'bible studies', fellowships and events. The deception set in motion now for years by Rome has worked hard. Bible Colleges know nothing of Church History today because they are largely training social workers and shallow minded 'love gospel' promoters. The real biblical gospel that once swept these shores with its light is almost gone and the 'gospel' that Charismaticism often preaches is false. Today's Church is and will be no match for the 'Woman'. The Charismatic Church limps from craze to craze and follows lie upon lie. To those within who love the Lord and want to grow in His Word then get out and find a real Bible Church with a solid Biblical Pastor, there are such, its your responsibility before God to go forth and seek His Truth. Remember, Ecclesia Perversa Tenet Facium Diaboli - The Church Perverted has the face of the Devil.

By Dr David Badger

The Book Of The Generation of Jesus Christ

**The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.
Matthew 1:1**

So begins the New Testament, with a supremely concise but immensely important genealogy of Jesus Christ that traces His fleshly lineage all the way back to the father of the faith that was Abraham.

The Incarnation of Christ Jesus in the flesh was carefully and wonderfully crafted by God so that any who would dare challenge the claims of Christ Jesus to be the Messiah, could be swiftly and fully put down. For within His lineage resided Israel's greatest king, the warrior poet that was David. One whom rose from the humble ranks of lowly shepherd to become a beloved king whose heart was after the Lord's own. How such a life foreshadowed the life of Christ, the Good Shepherd who came not to be served but to serve and was exalted to all glory by the Father at His triumphant resurrection from the grave.

Our Lord's lineage from Abraham carries with it the immensity of truth that He is so truly humble of nature, that He came in the flesh to join with those whom He promised to Abraham would be a great nation. He came to join all those who believe in Him together through Himself, so that we might be able to embrace each other as brothers and sisters through the Firstborn of God.



Yet such wonders of God's heart are conveyed within the selection of language used within His Word. For the New Testament opens with the revelation that Jesus is the son of Abraham and the son of David. This was not in the immediacy of the fleshly descent but in the supremacy of the roles He fulfilled. For as the son of Abraham, He was the first fruits of faith, the one first to taste the glory of the resurrection, this being the fulfilment of humble service unto the will of the Father. For whom else could fulfil such a mighty role within such a heavenly family? There is none but Christ Jesus who can. As Abraham's son in the flesh,

Issac foreshadowed on Mount Moriah, how Christ would willingly give Himself as an atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world. Yet God's hand did not prevent the death of His Son as it did with Abraham and Issac. For the son of Abraham that would be the sacrifice unto resurrection was not Issac but Jesus Christ.

Further, as son of David, He is the rightful heir to the glory of rule as King forevermore. For as the powerful and peaceful rule of David's son of the flesh Solomon foreshadowed, Jesus alone is the one who is truly worthy to sit in judgment on the throne of David and shall reign in all wisdom, power and peace. No other king of the line of David is so worthy of such glories, and so the one who is rightful to such wonders is the one whose heart he shared.

The New Testament opens with these wonders that are built upon with each following chapter and blessed verse. As the Lord revealed Himself to mankind in ever increasing depths through the passing generations of the Old Testament, so too did further glories reveal themselves through His Gospel. Yet the full delight in His wonders is still yet to come, as we await the prophesied day when He shall return for us. Then we shall see for ourselves how He is the fulfilment of faith, the son of Abraham, and the rightful heir and ruler of all as the son of David. Amen.

By Jonathan Badger

A Lukewarm Faith

Our boiler had recently developed an indeterminate approach to its function that left us with no heating and a modicum of tepid water that was meant to be hot. What would happen was the boiler would fire up recognising the water temperature in the cylinder had dropped. However, after about 30 seconds, the boiler would turn off again, leaving the hot water in the cylinder to get colder and colder. It would repeat this cycle again and again to the point of irritation.

After the engineer replaced the modulator valve up in the loft, I was told to keep an eye on the boiler as if it continues to have issues, the problem lies deep within the boiler and as the engineer said, 'that is not good!'

This whole situation with our undesired lukewarm water reminded me of our Lord's words to the Laodicean church in Revelation chapter 3. In this passage Our Lord expresses His frustration and indeed anger over the Laodiceans lukewarm approach to their faith. Their indifference as a church had come about from their desire to rest in their worldly comforts and behaviours. They were professing faith in Him but living as after the world, leaving them a fumbling and easily corrupted witness for the Gospel. This made them an unpalatable thing for Christ and so He 'spew them out' of His mouth as they were neither hot nor cold in their manner towards Him.

The Laodiceans lukewarm faith is being replicated on an alarming scale in western churches. Many Christians today profess faith in Jesus Christ but are happy to adopt worldly behaviours and traits (see modern 'worship' in many liberal churches), as churches tip toe around modern sensitivities for fear of offence. The steadfast faith of prior generations who held to a Pure Word of God and thus contended for the faith as instructed in Jude, has been replaced by a Christendom that has a bible version to suit every sensitivity of modern minds.

The problem then comes that because everyone's particular sensitivities must be catered for (just as the world seeks to do), everybody is left unsure as to who is actually right! So many Christians simply drift through their days hopping from one church to another; jumping from one bible version to another; picking up all manner of conflicting teachings along the way, that the passion of their faith grows dim. As a result, the confidence to separate from the ways of the world fails. Then, weakened believers begin to doubt whether God is able to preserve His Word, causing them to doubt which books are actually canon (the increase in interest in the Apocrypha amongst Christians is alarming!) and therefore how can we steadfastly hold to any teaching of Scripture. What results is a weak and confused Christendom that looks to the ways of the world to achieve 'success' but for God's glory. This is a pointless venture from the outset as made clear in 1 John 2:15-17.

Sadly though, like my malfunctioning boiler, many Christians will repeat this broken cycle over and over, all the while harming themselves in their faith and angering God. Yes, some liberal church franchises are full each week, but what they are producing is lukewarm output that has left the face of Christianity in the UK a sideshow joke. Just look at the various columns by mainstream newspapers (hardly Godly institutions) that are

lamenting the demise of Christianity in the nation and why it has become so weak and silent on pressing societal issues! It's because western churches and indeed much of Christendom has become just like the Laodiceans.

The heart of the problem lies deep within, much like my boiler. Swapping out peripheral parts won't get to the source of the fault. There needs to be a fundamental reworking of Christianity within the UK if it is to withstand the coming assaults from growing ideologies. This must be a return to a true adherence to the Word of God, holding firm that every word is profitable and breathed by God (2 Timothy 3:16).

Christendom must remember who Jesus Christ truly is, the Almighty King of kings and as such is worthy of trembling humility. When we apply this Scriptural truth to our faith, we will begin to see the immensity of those words in Luke 1:37, that with God nothing is impossible. As the potent heat from this heavenly flame burns bright within us, we will be stirred to see that yes, He is able to preserve His Word in all its purity through every generation to us today! Do you see? You will be allowing God to be God again, not a God fashioned after your lukewarm nature.

As we approach New Year, let this passion to move away from a lukewarm faith be our greatest resolution! While many will not heed this call, be one of those few who does. I promise you that you will not be disappointed, for many wonders of God are contained therein. Amen.

By Jonathan Badger

This Dark Hour

In this Dark Hour the most important matter is the Word of God. The very place where strength and spiritual power needs to be drawn from in exposing Rome, and Charismaticism amongst other false paths is now the weakest point of countless pastors. Without absolute confidence that God has given us a sure Word, that is, His Word, we shall lack the very weapon that can defeat false teaching, especially the false theology of the Church of Rome.

The nineteenth century saw the Bible torn apart by the German Higher Critical Movement. By the time we entered the twentieth century very few preachers any longer used the old A.V. Bible even Protestant Societies were selling the R.V. and other versions have been corrupted by liberal scholars, Roman Catholic scholars and even those with no religious leanings.

The evidence today against the modern bibles is massive, the tragedy is only a tiny minority of pastors and believers know this. Look, the scholarship undergirding the A.V. Bible is so huge that it is pitiable to hear a man argue that it doesn't come up to the level of say the N.I.V.

In a day of virtually zero discernment in the church none give thought to the fact of why Rome hates the A.V. Bible or why the Jesuits have tried to destroy its witness. The lessons of English History should teach us as believers that the A.V. Bible is not just another translation. Millions before us have reached this conclusion. We should not walk away from the collective testimony of so many faithful believers to the A.V. Bible.

Look, Rome does not want believers to have the Word of God. How do I find out where the Word of God is in the English tongue? Simple. Find the Bible Rome hates. Rome has been able to re-conquer so much of our land because so much of the church (Evangelical) has no definitive authority. It has a jumble of versions that go by the name bible (sometimes), but not in a month of Sundays could you tell which of them is the Word of God in English. We do have the Word of God and Rome knows it, that is why she has long laboured to destroy it. Buy the Bible Rome hates, and you will own His Word.

By Dr David Badger

I Was Jealous For Zion

Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I was jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I was jealous for her with great fury.

Zechariah 8:2

As the Israelites returned to their homeland after their captivity under the Babylonians, Zechariah, a prophet of God, spoke these words that hold a powerful resonance today. The whole of the Book of Zechariah speaks loudly of God's judgement upon the wicked and idolatrous. Yet it also declares joyfully the restitution of God's people the Jews, along with the coming glory of Christ's mighty reign upon the throne of David.

These words of Zechariah 8:2, reveal much of what we are witnessing in the Middle East today. Israel is under attack from multiple directions by an enemy intent of utterly wiping out God's chosen people. However, what has been revealed by these callous attacks, is the impressive ability of this small nation that is Israel, to defend itself with awesome power and effectiveness. This incredible defence and subsequent offensive action against its aggressors, has stunned the world as to how this little nation is able to act so steadfastly. Could it be that God is showing His jealousy over Zion to the world, and His fury towards those who seek to crush His people the Jews?

This word 'jealousy' has deeper meanings than our simple usage of the word today. It also means a 'defence of those who are vulnerable'. Doesn't this capture perfectly what we are witnessing in the Middle East currently! God is standing for Israel when it is vulnerable to attack from an enemy that hides away in tunnels, behind civilians, happily targets women and children, and surrounds the borders of Israel. Those leaders of Israel's enemies have recently experienced for themselves the great fury of a God jealous for His people, as leader after leader is killed swiftly and expertly.

Yet these words of Zechariah hold significance for us also. We who are not engaged in physical combat but in spiritual battle. For they are a reminder of Exodus 34:14, when we learn of the nature of the mighty God we serve. Yes, He is jealous when people follow false gods, for that worship should be given to Him alone, for He is uniquely worthy of our praise and adoration. But it also speaks of a God who is swift to defend those who are weak and vulnerable. Are we sinners not such souls? We are engaged in spiritual warfare every day and as such are under great assault when we still dwell in a house of clay and liable to stumble into sins of the flesh. Yet He is jealous for us and moves to defend us from the darts of the evil one. All so that one day, known unto Him, we shall also be restored to a fullness of glory like unto Christ Jesus Himself. Amen.

By Jonathan Badger

The Importance Of A Gift

Christmas time often brings a lot of head scratching as we wonder what gifts to get the various people in our lives. I have lost count of the number of times my wife and I have had the conversation as we stand next to an item on a shop shelf and quiz each other, 'Do you think they'll like this?' We know that a gift holds significance as to what it conveys as to how we see that individual. An ill thought out or hurriedly bought gift often misses the mark and causes the recipient to question how well the giver actually knows them.

This is where the gifts given to the infant Jesus Christ by the Wise Men, showed a stunning and insightful awareness of just who this miraculous little child was, even though in worldly terms they were complete strangers to one another.

The gift of gold reflected the Kingship of Christ Jesus. He, born of royal lineage from the House of David; prophesied from centuries past as the anointed ruler from tribe of Judah, was worthy of such a precious gift that displays royalty, power and glory. This shimmering gift of splendour denoting how He is worthy alone to be hailed as King of the hearts of mankind throughout all the generations of history.



The gift of frankincense, a pleasing perfume used for anointing, reflected the deity of one who stood before those Wise Men in the humble frame of a young child. For this gentle child was the full manifestation of the Godhead in the flesh and blood of man. He who spoke all Creation into existence; the one who breathed life into Adam's nostrils all the way back in Eden. The one who called Abraham out from Ur, so as to become the father of God's own chosen people the Jews. The one who uttered those immense and unmatched words when Moses stood before the burning bush and asked who he should say to the oppressed

Israelites had sent him to free them simply replied, 'I am'. This sweet-smelling perfume softly whispering of an anointing unto atonement for the sins of the world. An atonement that was received as a sweet-smelling savour by God the Father, so that those who believed on Him might be freed from their great debts of sin.

The gift of myrrh, a rich oil used for embalming the dead, pointing towards this eternal provision for repentant sinners, that He willingly gave so that they might be restored unto God forevermore. The temporary strangeness of such a gift for a small child speaks to us still today. It tells us that these Wise Men had been moved by the Spirit of God to know the purpose of this unique child in a manner that defies the mortal foresight of even the most astute of men. It points out to us that those who are truly wise are humble, thereby they know that one day we all shall die, and what awaits us hereafter is an echo of what we have been in these short-lived days. Thus, such humility drives us to find salvation in one who came to offer Himself up for we sinners, even whilst we yet hated Him, for only such a pure love can wipe away such deep stains of sin that corrupts our hearts.

Yet what if these gifts also reflected something of ourselves and how the Gospel of Jesus Christ moves within those who hear the call of the Good Shepherd? What if these gifts given humbly to the Son of God by weary travellers from the East, were witnessed in the lives of every person redeemed by Christ Jesus?

Consider how there are three gifts given. Reflective of the three offices fulfilled by Jesus Christ, Prophet, Priest and King. Furthermore, it reflects the triune nature of the Godhead. This triune nature of God is seen in those who bear His image, humanity. For we are made up of a body, soul and spirit as Scripture repeatedly outlines. Think on how Christ Jesus' resurrection unto a glorified body shows us how in Him alone, the body shall be restored unto it's intended state of eternal life. This is why we are to look after our bodies, for they have been bought with the greatest of costs, the precious blood of the Son of God. This is why we are not to defile it with such ill behaviours as sexual sins, smoking, drugs, alcohol, tattoos, for such things are of the Gentiles, and we who are believers in Christ are children of Abraham, born of the faith and members of that heavenly nation that outnumbers the stars in the heavens. Truly then our bodies are precious gifts to us by God, and are as sought after as gold. Rarely though do we see it as such a great gift. Instead, we oftentimes sacrifice it to pursue money, only to then sacrifice our money to pursue the health we gave away. Your body is a temple of God. Treat it as such, for it is a rich and beautiful gift of God indeed. Live in purity of manner and behaviours, and you shall glorify God wonderfully.

Dwell on how our souls, our very consciousness, was once set against Him, but now stands anointed as priest unto God by His atonement for our sins. As the frankincense was a beautiful perfume, the greater scent is the sweetness of how those who were once enemies of God, are made priestly servants through saving faith in His Son Jesus Christ. Through humble worship of Christ Jesus as our Saviour and Redeemer, acknowledging His deity before all, we are invited in His majestic goodness to share in His inheritance so that we may reign beside Him in peace and provision. What manner of love is this as the Apostle John so spoke.

Lastly, think deeply on how our spirits were dead in their sins before God. Unable to animate and revive ourselves back into life and take up eternity by our own power and strength, we were embalmed in the squalor of our sins, dead before the holiness of God. Yet, through the power and righteousness of Jesus Christ, our spirits are reborn in Him, so that our old self lies dead and gone at the foot of the cross, holding no more power over us. We are alive in Him! So much so that when death seeks to claim us it can only lay a temporary

hold on our fleshly bodies. For at the last closing of our eyes we shall swiftly open them once more to gaze upon the one who gave us eternal life!

The Lord God is the greatest gift giver ever, for He knows exactly what each of us wants. We all want peace, provision and to live forever. This He has given so abundantly in the form of His own Son Jesus Christ. It's up to the individual as to whether they show thankfulness for this incredible gift, or indifference. Make sure when you are offered it this Christmas time, you take it gladly and with a truly thankful heart, for it's the greatest gift you will ever receive. Amen.

By Jonathan Badger

A Continued Collapse – The Justin Welby Scandal

Just a few weeks ago, in the early days of November 2024, the Church of England faced its latest crisis. Following the news that the Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby had neglected to properly investigate allegations of prolific child abuse against a CofE lay preacher named John Smyth. As news of Archbishop Welby's incompetence and negligence surfaced, a petition began seeking his immediate resignation. Initially, Archbishop Welby refused these calls, but when the petition signatories swelled to 10,000, he finally stepped down from an indefensible position.

Archbishop Welby has single handedly done more damage to the Church of England than any Anglican Archbishop seen before. His absurd wanderings into liberal politics and aggressive encouragement of left-wing ideologies into the Church of England was not just bemoaned by conservative, 'fundamentalist' Christians, but by the secular media too! He has overseen a mass dilution and corruption of the Anglican church that has left it at its lowest ever ebb, taking it from being seen as a laughing stock in recent years, to now being seen as a pit of scandal and abuse. His wicked leadership has marred the message of the Gospel for so many, a crime he will pay heavily for (leading others before God is a heavy responsibility that all preachers, ministers and pastors must remember daily with utmost humility).

Sadly though, many experienced and faithful Christians saw this day coming. When Archbishop Welby spent tens of millions of pounds pushing the Church of England to be a platform for environmentalism, liberalism and inclusivity, and not the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the rotten fruits he brought forth showed the seducing spirit that had taken hold (1 John 4).

Yet when such experienced soldiers of Christ spoke out against Archbishop Welby's leadership, they were pilloried as bigoted, vitriolic, narrow minded and reactionary. However, time, as it always does, has brought forth the corrupted harvest that Welby sowed in the name of God. Tragically, many lives have been awfully affected by his awful, godless leadership. Strong words I know. However, if we are to live by Holy Scripture then we must abide by Christ's clear directive that those who truly love Him keep His commandments (John 14:15). Archbishop Welby has done much to undermine and dilute Christ's commandments, so the question must be rightly asked as to whether he was ever qualified before God to assume such an important role? And yes, we are commanded to judge all things by the Word of God (1 Corinthians 2:15), before anyone cries 'judge not' (always out of context). Personally, in the writer's view, such behaviours as witnessed throughout Archbishop Welby's 11-year tenure disqualifies him leading a house church let alone lead a national church!

In the midst of this chaos befalling the Anglican church, let's remember those who have suffered so terribly at the hands of those they put their trust in. We must pray for all the individuals affected and ask the Lord that He will care for them and lead them to peace and healing through faith in Jesus Christ. Secondly, we must



remember that there are still good, faithful souls within the Church of England and that we must pray for them also. We must ask our Lord that in this dark hour, they will realise what they have lost long ago, an adherence and defence of the Pure Word of God. Only such prayers will guard these souls against the work of even worse seducing spirits that are lying in wait ready to lead a wounded church back into the 'loving embrace of Mother Rome.'

By Jonathan Badger

Honey - An Ancient Provision

There are dozens of Scriptural references to honey, the most famous being the description of the Promised Land by God unto the Israelites as a 'land flowing with milk and honey' (Exodus 3:8, Ezekiel 20:6, Jeremiah 11:5, Numbers 13:27, Deuteronomy 11:9 etc). The picture of abundant provision of God for His people is captured in these two natural and wonderfully healthy sources of nutrition, and their partaking of is further encouraged by the wisest man who ever lived (outside of Jesus Christ) when King Solomon wrote in Proverbs 24:13, 'My son, eat thou honey, because it is good; and the honeycomb, which is sweet to thy taste'.

Honey is of course a sweet fluid made by honeybees using the nectar of flowering plants. There are hundreds of different varieties of honey, all varying in colour, scent and flavour. Honey contains mostly sugar along with a mix of vitamins, amino acids, minerals, zinc, iron and antioxidants. All these are powerful agents that can help sustain a healthy body day to day.

Research has shown that honey is a great tool against cardiovascular disease, as the high levels of antioxidants such as phenolic acid and flavonoids are useful defences against risks of heart disease. Epidemiological studies have indicated that regular consumption of phenolic compounds (as found in honey) gives protective properties such as antithrombotic, anti-ischemic effects along with being a vasorelaxant guarding against coronary heart disease. Also, smaller medical studies have shown that honey possesses an ability to assist in the lowering of cholesterol and inflammation levels when consumed in moderation. As an interesting side note, could these effective benefits for a healthy heart been the aids for the growth and sustaining of the giants that lived in the Promised Land before Joshua conquered the land in fulfilment of God's promise? (Numbers 13:33).

Honey has been shown to be a safe cough suppressant for those with upper respiratory infections and/or nighttime coughs. Honey has also been shown to be safe for children under the age of one to have as a cough suppressant. How the Lord is so good in providing a gentle and natural means to care for the sick so that even the little ones can gain effective treatment for ailments.

In relation to gastrointestinal issues, medical research suggests honey can help relieve gastrointestinal symptoms such as diarrhoea related to gastroenteritis (a common affliction particularly prevalent in the winter months). Honey has been shown to also be an effective part of oral rehydration therapy for those suffering with severe gastrointestinal conditions. This soothing, healing property speaks of the nature of God and points us to that happy day when all who are redeemed in Christ shall rest in His soothing and healing provision forevermore.

Neurologically, research indicates that honey offers antidepressant qualities. As we continue our walk through the dark and cold winter months, the benefits of honey for the 1 in 20 who suffer from Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) has been woefully underutilised. Instead, thousands are placed on side effect laden pharmaceuticals that can often cause more issues than they solve. Doesn't it make wonderful, God glorifying sense that the Promised Land flowed with a food that contains properties that assist in the maintaining of a happy, contented mood?! This beautiful thought is further upheld by the discovery that the regular consuming of honey can help with the lowering with anxiety levels. For those who rest in the assurance of God's Word

that He knows all the things we have need of (Matthew 6:8), we see this enacted in the provision of a food source that aids our very minds and bodies to enjoy the rest that comes from trusting in His care for us.

Furthermore, honey possesses anticonvulsant properties and has recently been investigated for possible benefits linking to the prevention of memory loss. With the immense rise of Alzheimer's and Dementia diagnoses within the West, maybe an effective treatment for the prevention of such awful conditions can be found within the pages of the Book that much of the world is sadly abandoning, all to its great cost!

Honey is a tremendous aid in the care of physical wounds. Topical use of medical grade (sterilised), high quality honey has been shown to boost healing, particularly in relation to burns. Honey's antibacterial qualities have long been known but surprisingly underutilised by many, as it helps in the removal of dead tissue from a wound and promotes the growth of new tissue (known as autolytic debriment). Researchers have found that high quality honey has defensive properties against salmonella, H.pylori and E.coli.



Honey's antimicrobial properties are plentiful. Firstly, its acidic nature means a low pH, thereby inhibiting bacterial growth. Unlike antibiotics, which targets a bacterium's cell wall, honey denies the microorganism water. The then low moisture content effectively starves the bacterium of necessary water to survive and grow. All the while, its high sugar content causes osmosis, physically extracting water from microbes thereby further affecting their growth and survival. Increasingly, doctors are turning to honey for topical infections due to antibiotic resistance. Honey is also effective as a treatment for eczema and dermatitis.

Isn't it incredibly interesting that a natural and sustainable (woke culture key word tick 👍) therapy for a vast array of ailments has been long in existence in a food source that defies all the lunacy of Evolutionary Theory (evolutionary scientists struggle to explain the immense complexity of the honey making process!), all gifted to mankind in God's abundant love. So as many of us will be looking to the New Year with ambitions of bettering our physical health, we would be well advised to return to a Biblical starting point. Then we might see that He has always known our needs and moved long ago to meet them in His gracious love and provision.

By Jonathan Badger

The Evidence Mounts

The sinister movements of the Catholic Church and its pursuit of a one world religion continues to accelerate as the months pass. Much of the driving energy for a world union is being wrapped up in the packaging of radical environmentalism. Now, as stewards of God's Creation, we are of course to tend to the wonderful gift that God has provided for us in the world in which we live. Yet what modern liberal environmentalism is pushing is a god-like reverence for Mother Earth, with a desire to 'care for the planet' placed on higher importance than reaching people with the Gospel. This point is backed up by the many modern church attendees I speak to who are increasingly saying that the messages delivered at churches are fixated on environmentalism and not the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

However, as this clamour to be eco-friendly and inclusive continues to swallow up church after church, Pope Francis is busily working away to show the Catholic Church as a leader in a world riddled by political insecurities, social disorder and climate change.

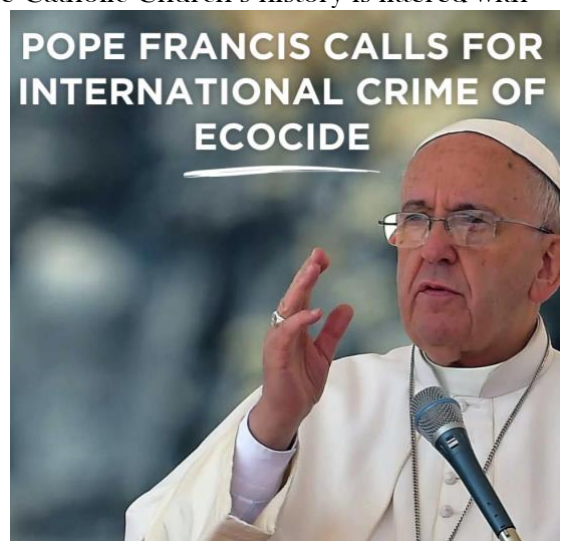
In October 2024, Pope Francis made a declaration that stunned even many within the Catholic Church. In a Papal address speaking on the Beatitudes, Pope Francis had the gaul to add to the Word of God (well, the

Catholic Church does dictate that the Pope is infallible and if the Pope's words disagree with Scripture, then we are to dismiss Scripture!). This he did by announcing that core ideals/virtues of Christianity such as meekness and mercy which are identified by Jesus Christ within the Beatitudes, are equal with the Pope's decree that 'Blessed are those who protect and care for our common home.' Here you have the Pope lifting up environmentalism as equal to the greatest sermon ever delivered to mankind that is the Sermon on the Mount! Is there a more potent and obvious declaration of the spirit of antichrist being displayed in the world today than by a sinful, wicked, fallen, mortal man declaring that his anti-scriptural ramblings are equal to the divine revealed Word of God?!

Yet the antichrist spirit of this Mystery Religion that is the Papacy does not end there. Furthering the Pope's declaration, it was put forward by the Pope and the Catholic Church that 'anything that is going to not care for what God made out His love is sin.' Now clearly the Pope and the Catholic Church are unfamiliar with 1 John 3:4 which gives the clear and simple definition of sin that it is a transgression of the Law. Nowhere in Scripture does it say anything that 'harms the planet' is a transgression of the Law of God. What is a transgression of the Law and therefore a sin are things such as idol worship (something the Catholic Church revels in with all its idols of Mary, Saints etc); cannibalism (the logical endpoint of action if the Mass is actually what the Pope proclaims it to be!); fornication such as sex outside of marriage (the Catholic Church's history is littered with illegitimate children who often rise to prominent positions within the Papacy) and worshipping other gods (the veneration of Mary and the Saints leaves the Catholic Church mired in great sin once more!). It is not a transgression of the Law to use fossil fuels, especially when such usage is for the aid of humanity and has allowed it to be fruitful and multiply across the face of the Earth as God commanded in Genesis!

The God-defying lunacy continues, however. Pope Francis has also recently declared that 'There is no ecology without an adequate anthropology.' What New Age, Satan inspired drivel! Here the Pope is lifting Nature above humanity, declaring that the world will not continue to exist for future generations unless mankind adapts to the needs of 'Mother Earth' (what religion already celebrates the love and provision of a great Mother?

Hmm, oh yes Roman Catholicism! - Environmentalism and Catholicism go very, very nicely together).



The Pope seems to be forgetting that this world will continue in seedtime and harvest, the cold and the heat, summer and winter, day and night until the Lord calls a close on time and makes all things new (Genesis 8:22). It will not continue to exist based on the efforts of a united world coming together in a brotherhood of man, all joining hands in adoration of Mother Earth. Indeed, the latest scientific research is showing that the Ozone Layer is actually healing itself mysteriously. The environmentalists are declaring that this is because of global efforts to reduce emissions. I fail to see such unity in energy usage policy from massively polluting countries such as China and India for example. Once more the evidence is going against secular thought and towards Biblical revelation.

This adoption of radical environmentalism by the Pope and the Catholic Church has drawn praise from extreme environmental groups such as 'Stop Ecocide' (is that a thing now?), whose co-founder Jojo Mehta announced, 'We're thrilled to hear Pope Francis calling for serious harm to the earth (ecocide) to be made a crime.' How long before owning a petrol driven car is a 'crime against the earth'? Oh yes, by 2030, or at least that's the hope of liberal, woke governments.

Worryingly but not unsurprisingly, the dark movements of the Vatican are continuing to come thick and fast as it recently launched its new mascot 'Luce.' It's an anime style girl carrying a trident looking staff, sporting blue hair under a yellow hoodie (giving it an androgynous look) complete with rainbow coloured rosary draped around her neck (see picture).



Designed by Tokidoki creator Simone Legno, the creation is meant to be a hook for younger generations in preparation for the Vatican's Jubilee in 2025. The alarming thing is that the Vatican has turned to an artist who is famous for producing Japanese Manga style LGBTQ+ characters, toys and gifts. How this sinful lifestyle is openly promoted in 'Luce' is obvious to all and it makes no apologies for positioning the Catholic Church as a driving force for this liberal, evil, God-defying agenda throughout the world.

As you can see from the picture, this evil design is furthered by the worship of Mary as little

Luce is seen praying not to Jesus Christ but Mary! Mary is given a halo as a symbol of her 'holiness' in the propaganda picture, with a dove carrying an olive branch as a symbol of peace that Mary will usher in through an 'all-inclusive' world society that recognises Rome as its lead. Furthermore, the rainbow-coloured conga line of abstractly drawn people rushing to hug the cross mirrors the LGBTQ+ messaging seen within the rainbow themed rosary worn by Luce. All this blasphemy is being dressed up as cute and delightful and pushed onto children the world over, as the Vatican pays scant regard for the Lord's warning against those who harm His little ones! (Luke 17:2) This is all before we consider the name of 'Luce' (as many people online have highlighted, 'is that short for Lucifer?') and her carrying of staff that resembles a trident missing a prong (traditional symbol of Satan).

All these blasphemies speak highly of the nature of what Papal Rome truly is. It is a child of the devil himself, and its works are being made manifest to the world! (1 John 3:4-10) Now when we add all this up with what Papal Rome has shown itself to be in history (please read Dr David Badger's article *Revelation 17* as seen earlier in this magazine issue) and follow sensible advice from even secular individuals such as Dr Jordan Peterson, that previous actions are the best predictor of future actions, then we have a somewhat inevitable conclusion forming ever clearer before our very eyes. As Pope Francis is busily declaring that the Romish Church 'must get its hands dirty' (as many have noted, aren't they dirty enough already?!) we must prepare ourselves and others for what the Bible has warned us will come as seen in the Book of Revelation.

Therefore, we are to eagerly seek to reach those who have been ensnared by Rome, whether they be within the Catholic Church itself or brought within its evil grip by the ecumenical movement and implore them to 'come out of her' (Revelation 18:4-5). We must seek to wield the Pure Gospel of Jesus Christ in all in its life-giving might, trusting that its power and simplicity is more than enough to reach lost souls in even this late hour of history. Amen

By Jonathan Badger

A Ticking Timebomb

A prominent American psychiatrist was recently asked on the *Dairy of a CEO* podcast, 'What topic is no one talking about now that historians will study in the future?' The response was, 'It's the insanity of the mental health industry that is destroying the mental health of America making diagnoses based on symptom clusters with no biological data. Last year there were 337 million prescriptions for antidepressants. 27% of all doctor visits, no matter the specialty, 27% people were leaving with a prescription for benzodiazepine like Xanax

(Prozac) or Valium. This is an insane time. They call me crazy, I'm not crazy. They're going to be talking about this dark time in psychiatry for centuries to come.'

It is a terrifying statistic that finds its counterpart in the UK through the NHS. Having long suffered with M.E and Fibromyalgia (along with other issues I won't bore the reader with), and after years of going it alone in regard to governing my ongoing treatment, I decided to see what help the doctors could offer. On each visit, the doctors were fixated on possible 'mental health' difficulties having suffered with a long-term condition. As a result, constant offers of antidepressants and counselling were offered. Each time I had to assure them my mental health was fine as I have the Lord Jesus, and I was purely seeking any possible help available in dealing with the physical issues I face each day.



Everyday thousands of people are dosing themselves up with side-effect riddled medication to treat conditions that can only be truly healed through saving faith in Christ Jesus. What Solomon wrote 3000 years ago stands true today, that a 'merry heart doeth good like a medicine' (Proverbs 17:22). I can attest that when I am grounded in the Lord, my physical struggles are so much easier to bear. Why? Because in going against the wisdom of the world, my mind is taken off fixating on my own struggles, wants, needs, wounds etc, and instead fixed upon the ever-present love of God. It is His love that reminds me that

He knows all my weaknesses and frailties better than I even do and moves each day to provide and care for me.

This is where churches should be stepping in and standing against this pharmaceutical tidal wave that is causing more issues than its solving and remind everyone that real 'mental health' comes from a heart at peace before God! This is achieved so simply, so swiftly through the repentance of sin and the placing of faith for the atonement of our sins in the Risen Lord Jesus.

A recent poll of UK church goers showed that 80% of church attendees want their ministers/pastors to make a stand on all manner of issues, including the modern mental health crisis. Instead, churches are funnelling troubled people towards potentially damaging 'therapies' that have no correlation to the healing nature of the Gospel.

As we approach January and the associated 'winter blues', as believers in Christ, let's encourage people to not put their hopes for a peaceful, fulfilled life in tablets but in a real, living individual. One who loves them with an everlasting love. One who gave Himself freely so that they might know His pure peace for themselves, and enjoy a certain hope that one day, they will live in perfection and glory alongside the King of kings! Let us be bold but gentle in offering this hope to what is likely to be many in a world riddled with worry and fear. For we must show them Jesus Christ, the one who has overcome the world.

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Hope for the future

I am aware that this has been a challenging issue to read. It certainly has been to write! Yet I wanted to end on a message of hope, for we redeemed in Christ live in certain hope that one day, known unto God, all will be set right and made new in Christ (Revelation 21:5).

As each day brings greater challenges against our faith, these challenges are tests of our faith and our courage in the face of those who seek to attack the Word of God. I came across two such stands against liberalism and its Satanic agenda from two unlikely sources. The first came from a well-known actor, who was challenged a few years ago on his views regarding race relations under President Obama. The left-wing reporter was obviously waiting for some puff piece soundbite to be delivered from the actor in question. However, what was offered was quite different. The actor in question said that no man can 'legislate for love. You cannot force a

man to love another.’ How true this is, in the world’s terms at least (think about that carefully), and yet anti-Biblical liberal ideology seeks to enforce by law who is to be loved by making critical statements against anti-scriptural groups such as the LGBTQ+ community a punishable crime.

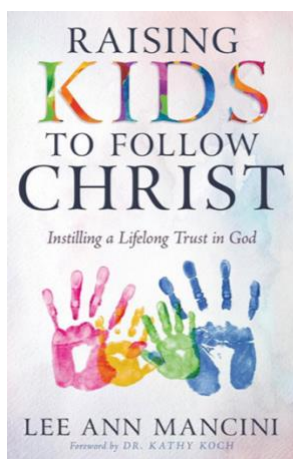
1 John makes repeated statements that we are to love one another (addressed to the brethren), but not at the expense of loving the Lord and showing this love to be true by the following of His commandments. As a result, Christians are to love such blind souls such as those in the LGBTQ+ community but not by accepting their sinful behaviours as acceptable (which they are not according to the Holy Bible), but instead by alerting them to their terrible situation as heading towards an eternity of torment in separation from all that is good and the loving presence of God! This is true love, Godly love and the definition of 1 John 4:16, in that we are to witness to such lost souls knowing that we are going to be persecuted for doing so. However, we esteem their welfare above our own comforts (Philippians 2:3) and so we seek to share the good news of the Gospel with them!

The second but similar example comes from a different actor, who when asked about his dislike for ‘Black History Month’, was quizzed by a reporter ‘How do we get rid of racism then?’ The actor’s response was blunt but insightful, highlighting the truth and wisdom contained therein, for he replied ‘Stop talking about it.’ He followed this by stating ‘If we stop referring to each other as black men and white men and simply refer to each as men, there is a solution.’ Such simple but brilliant logic highlights the self-defeating nature of ‘wokeism.’ If society were to turn to Christ Jesus, it would see for itself the freeing words of the Gospel in that in faith in Jesus, there is neither slave nor freeman, Jew nor Greek, male nor female, for we are all one in Christ (Galatians 3:28). Division would be over so, so simply if the Word of God were treasured and followed.

It is the great hope of all we in Christ, that one day such a time will come. It will not come by the strained efforts of mankind, but by the glorious rule of the Son of David, who will reign in all power and glory from the City of Peace. At long last, the swords of the soldier will be made plowshares and the spears into pruning hooks, as nation will no longer war against nation. Let us keep looking up with eagerness and anticipation for our Lord’s return so that blessed day may come quickly. Whilst we wait on Him, let us pray that He will make us worthy vessels for His Word so that many will join us in glory come that happy day. Amen.

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Resource Corner



Raising Kids To Follow Christ (Book)

Raising Kids to Follow Christ is a collaborative journey inviting parents to learn, grow, and flourish alongside their children as they become bold in their witness and committed to their faith rather than secular culture.

Effective Keys to Establishing a Spiritual Foundation in Your Child’s Life!

How can we raise the next generation to have an unshakable faith in God as they navigate the challenging terrain of modern culture?

Offering years of experience and countless success stories, author and parenting expert Lee Ann Mancini says what our children need is a heart change, not just a behavioural change, so that they become effective disciples. In *Raising Kids to Follow Christ: Instilling a*

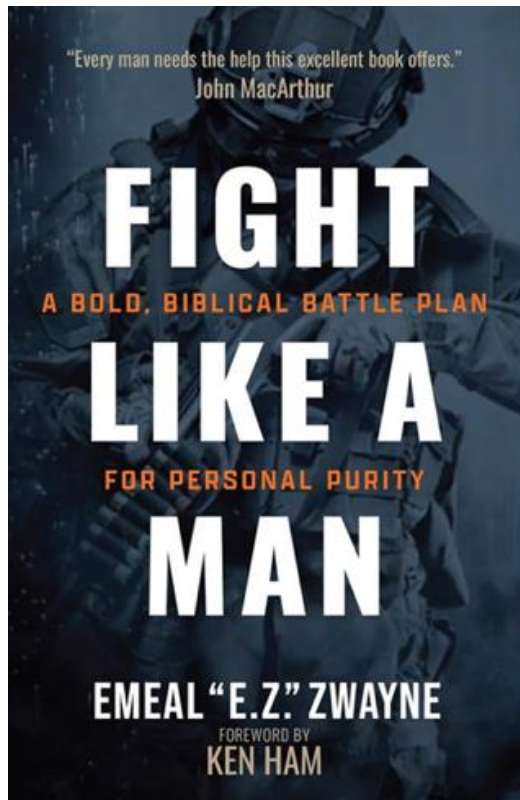
Lifelong Trust in God, she inspires parents, grandparents, teachers, and others to teach their children essential Christian principles to enable them to navigate the world with grace, integrity, and an unbreakable bond with their heavenly Father.

This book goes beyond surface-level advice, delving into the intricate matters of children’s hearts and minds and offering a blueprint for nurturing a deep and unwavering faith in Christ.

Raising Kids to Follow Christ offers:

- Decades of personal experience and training based on key essential principles in Scripture
- Practical strategies for addressing doubts, fears, and questions that arise in today's culture
- Ways to help children control their emotions and actions in various situations
- Suggestions from some of today's brightest Christian minds in children's spirituality
- Empowerment for parents to become their child's spiritual champion
- Easy-to-understand apologetics for children and adults
- Fun ways to connect your child's heart to Christ

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Fight Like a Man - A Bold, Biblical Battle Plan for Personal Purity (Book)

In a world that seeks to destroy sexual purity, the battle for holiness has never been fiercer nor the stakes higher. Sexual immorality has devastated too many men, damaged too many families, and marred the gospel's testimony too many times. Now is the time to prepare yourself to fight.

In *Fight Like a Man*, Emeal "E.Z." Zwayne presents biblical truth for combatting the enemies of purity that seek to hold you captive in sin. Not content to just reveal your adversaries' tactics, E.Z. also provides an arsenal of simple yet revolutionary strategies to equip you to conquer lust through the power of gospel-centered grace and the knowledge of God's mind-blowing character. No matter your past, you can embrace the freedom available in Christ and the fullness of a life that honours God with every thought, word, and deed.

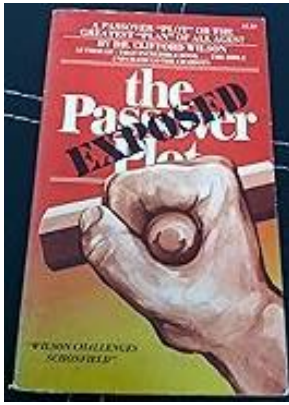
There is hope on the battlefield of purity. Fight like the man God created you to be and join the ranks of those who have fought this battle and emerged as true spiritual victors.

• Testimonial

“ In a masterful way, my good friend ‘E.Z.’ deals head-on with the issues of male leadership and sexual sin that so need to be addressed in our church culture. It’s ‘no holds barred’ for E.Z. as he challenges men concerning sexual purity. The statistics of men addicted to pornography and other sexual sins, even in the church, are horrific. But E.Z. doesn’t just give statistics and his opinions (though he does include engaging stories from his family and travels). I love the way he begins by building his entire case on God’s Word, beginning in Genesis . . . I’ve heard marketing for tours of the Holy Land say that after you visit Israel, ‘you’ll never be the same.’ Men, read this book, and I guarantee you will never be the same. (Excerpt from the foreword) ”

—Ken Ham, Founder CEO of Answers in Genesis, Creation Museum, Ark Encounter

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The Passover Plot Exposed (Book)

Was the death of Christ a massive hoax? Did Jesus plan His death with Joseph of Arimathea? Were there 13, not 12, at the Last Supper? Was it really Jesus who appeared on the Emmaus Road? And in the Upper Room? Or was it a case of deliberate impersonation? Did the Jews believe that God could be manifested in a human body? These are some of the questions Dr Clifford Wilson answers in this exposure of Hugh Schonfield's nonsensical speculations about the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, whom Wilson believes to be true Messiah of Israel and the Saviour who died for the world.

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Creation Calendar 2025



This 2025 *Creation Calendar* will make a wonderful feature in your home. Our world is arrayed in glory, and this calendar captures its magnificence. The stunning images reveal the gorgeous splendour that adorns the planet. Every month you will be amazed at the patterns, the colour, the symmetry, and the design in our world. Living creatures leap from the ocean, fly through the sky, and live on the land. There is so much to see: landscapes, animals, insects, birds, fish, and flowers.

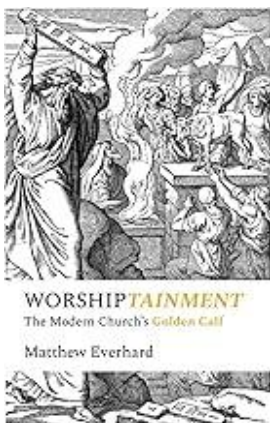
Every month in 2025 (plus January 2026) your calendar presents amazing facts. There is so much to learn. The more we discover the more we stand in awe.

Each month has a link to where you can find more information. Also, each month allows you to ponder a word from the Creator Himself: humble, gracious, and keen to bless you.

As an added bonus you can bless your friends and loved ones with a *Creation Calendar*. It's a gift that people will appreciate and love. Plus, all through the year it will remind them of you, and of the bigger joys of life.

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Worshiptainment: The Modern Church's Golden Calf (Book)

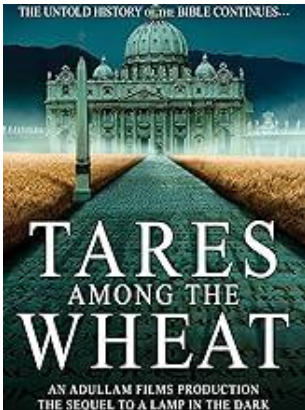


Worshiptainment: The Modern Church's Golden Calf is a hard-hitting look at the ungodly practice of mixing Christian worship services with the popular entertainment practices of the secular world.

In this book, Presbyterian pastor Matthew Everhard offers a sincere, heart-felt critique of the availing techniques that are all too common in our day, such as using worship as a platform to build celebrity pastors, gain large followings, and entertain the people. Meanwhile, such churches given to these theatrics are jettisoning traditional worship, Biblical doctrine, and reverent attention to the True and Living God.

In this work, Everhard looks at common "worshiptainment" practices as it regards preaching, liturgy, music, the sacraments, and Christian leadership. All the while, Everhard argues that the church should return to the Regulative Principle of Worship, the Reformation-era ideal of only doing in worship what God specifically requires us to do in Holy Scripture.

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Tares Among The Wheat

In the 19th century, a revolution in biblical scholarship was prompted by the publication of a manuscript – Codex Sinaiticus – declared to be the oldest Bible ever found. Shortly after this discovery, deniers came forward against it. The controversy surrounding this manuscript is perhaps the most incredible untold chapter in Bible history. Witness the struggle between Bible believers and deniers.

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Resisting The Green Dragon (DVD)

Are you being assimilated into the (eco)collective?

Without doubt one of the greatest threats to society and the church today is the multifaceted secular environmentalist movement. Although its approach is often subtle, there isn't an aspect of life that its proponents don't seek to force into its mold. This DVD series contains twelve 30-minute sessions featuring highly respected Christian speakers, along with a special bonus documentary, and a printable discussion guide. **Use for personal study, Sunday school, home school, and small groups.**

God calls us to carefully steward His creation. He designed the earth as an extremely robust environment, with an amazing ability to recover from natural and man-made disasters. But recently there has been a rabid increase in "radical environmentalism." American children who attend public schools get an aggressive, evolution-based approach to envirocare. There is no acknowledgment that the earth will one day be destroyed by fire and replaced with a new heaven and earth. **The idea behind evolution is that this is all there is, and such opinions have massive ramifications—even affecting laws about food distribution, energy use, population control, and much more. These DVDs reveal how the environmental movement's policies are devastating economies, and are an assault on the sanctity of human life itself.** Christians need to understand that the environmentalist movement is not simply about reducing pollution and saving the spotted owl. The biblical worldview is under massive assault and millions of Christians are being deceived. *Resisting the Green Dragon* also exposes how environmental organizations use sophisticated media campaigns and even seek increased global governance to promote their agenda among policymakers, religious leaders, and youth.

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