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"It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man" Psalm 118:8

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Old Earth, Evolution, Liberalism, Nazism Communism, and the Great Harlot The Spiritual & Logical Connections - II

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We concluded the last article (Part I) of this topic with a summary of the role of the Purpose Driven Church as a key part of the Great Harlot. Was this a rabbit trail? What does the PDC have to do with old earth, evolution, liberalism, etc? On the surface, perhaps little, but deeper, it has much to do with it.

The Bible is clear, the consummation of all things will be accompanied by the revelation of the antichrist and his rise to power, **rampant spiritual deception**, and a "Great Harlot" (apostate religious group) who will support the antichrist. When he is finished using her, the antichrist will destroy the Great Harlot.

According to Jesus, no one knows the *times or the seasons* of these consummating events, but contrary to the blatant lie taught by Rick Warren to his PDC, Jesus, while refusing to place dates, devoted 30 verses to a quite detailed account of the end times and the symptoms accompanying them (Matthew 24). Warren lies by posing a question asked in Matthew, but giving the answer Jesus gave to a different question in Acts.

The significance of this can not be overstated. A key part of the end times scenario presented in Scripture is **deception!** But, in his two key books, Warren not only never mentions "deception" but he specifically states that Jesus told the disciples that He did not want them to understand the end times. I believe, when considering all the rest of the deception in Warren's teaching, the reason becomes clear for his ducking of end times passages in Scripture... Warren does not want his followers to key on, much less understand, end-times deception.

Am I teaching that Warren is a key player in the end times.? NO! For all I know Warren will be dead, or exposed as a fraud, before all of the details are in place. But Warren is certainly **a** key player. The Great Harlot is a mighty religious group, not necessarily a monolithic single church. She "sits on many waters," (people groups). That could mean denominations or national groups, but I think it also means people groups in another way.

During the Reformation and the great rejection of Papal rule and many false doctrines of that church, virtually all the reformers viewed the Roman Church as the Great Harlot, and the Pope as an antichrist, or, perhaps The Antichrist. I believe the facts of history reveal they were right... and wrong.

Constantine befriended the Church, made it legal, and virtually presided over the Council of Nicea, thus creating a "Roman Church" in 325 AD. Before then, there was no super-bishop. Most of the 300+ bishops at that conference were undoubtedly believers whose life had, until recently, been in jeopardy, but power corrupts, and became their new master. Constantine probably never became a Christian, though baptized years later, near death by a heretical Bishop. The ones who would not succumb to his leadership, Constantine eventually replaced. Consider the spectacle of a non-Christian Roman Emperor choosing who will be the next Bishop of Antioch. Thus the Roman Church eventually



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adopted a series of new doctrines, totally foreign to Christianity, but retained the name. The Harlot had her first "water." The Reformers were right, but did not have the whole story.

Shortly after the Reformation, the rise of Liberalism began. This was a largely incoherent movement of unbelievers who held positions in, mostly Protestant Churches, schools, seminaries, etc., but who, perhaps largely as part of a revolt over the long duration abuses of the *Roman Church*, became essentially complete unbelievers. But, in their dishonesty, they did not leave their posts in established churches. These people wreaked so much havoc in many denominations that, today, believers tend to recognize them as organizations having some religious purpose, but, whatever they believe, it is not Christianity. The Harlot got her second "water."

But Satan wasn't finished, because there remained an enormous group which we will loosely call "Evangelicals & Reformed" (Evan/Reform) who tended to be Christians. Of course, we know that Satan will never achieve "victory," but he certainly does win much ground.

To appear victorious, Satan must win this "Evan/Reform" group. There have been many players, but a key one has been Robert Schuller of the Crystal Cathedral. Strongly influenced by his mentor, Norman Vincent Peale, Schuller was probably the first promoter of Church Growth via the "seeker friendly" church. He held many CG seminars for pastors and is said to have a TV audience of 20 million. Schuller promoted New Age leaders and ideas for virtually his entire career. The following quote, from Schuller himself, clearly defines himself as not a Christian: "I don't think anything has been done in the name of Christ and under the banner of Christianity that has proven more destructive to human personality and, hence, counterproductive to the evangelism enterprise than the often crude, uncouth, and unchristian strategy of attempting to make people aware of their lost and sinful condition." (http://en.Wikipedia.Org/wiki/Robert_H._Schuller).

Enter Rick Warren (and, obviously, others). Some 25 years ago, Warren attended several seminars at Schuller's Crystal Cathedral. Warren does not mention this in his first two books, he does mention Schuller's name, but only in the context of having a church in Saddleback Valley. Elsewhere, Warren is said to have acknowledged Schuller's influence. Warren's attendance at Schuller's seminars has been mentioned on TV by Schuller himself, and Warren's wife! Warren even helped teach at least one Schuller seminar. Anyone who has read Warren's books, and then reads the Schuller article at <http://www.issuesetc.org/resource/archives/gudel2.htm>, can see that Warren has stolen all his ideas from Schuller (the site is about Schuller, not Warren).

Schuller gave many seminars, and led many astray, but **Rick Warren claims to have trained 250,000 pastors, from all over the world!** Warren is also a fairly prolific writer with a website (pastors.com) where he markets his books and sermons to pastors all over the world. Items on this site can cost from \$60 for a set of sermons, to \$300 for a class series on how to become a pastor to 10,000 folks. Sale of just three of these items to 250,000 pastors would produce \$100 million in revenue.

He is rolling in cash. He has been elevated to a position on the infamous, left-wing, World-Government-pushing, Council on Foreign Relations. Warren's offer to 250,000 pastors that they too can pastor a church with 10,000 members has caused many of them to choose a new Master ("No man can serve two masters..." Matt 6:24). They are not slaves to Rick Warren, but they are basing their career, building and staffing plans all on the fantastic amounts of revenue they will raise from their new congregations of 10,000 people each. Will these people be Christians? **NO!** They will believe in Jesus. But demons, Muslims, atheists and Mormons all believe in Jesus!

Warren insists that "unity" takes precedence over "doctrine," therefore, it is forbidden to have disputes over silly things like "What do you believe about Jesus?" For any who do not find Warren's teaching consonant with Scripture, Warren has a written plan for treatment of "resisters" which eventually includes neat ways to marginalize them and force them out. For example, my son would not sign a covenant, so weekly phone calls for his services stopped completely.

We must (appear to) digress a moment. From Babylon to the present, Evolutionism has been a major enemy of God. Through a nearly endless list of "philosophers" and "scientists" this pernicious doctrine grew for nearly 3000 years. It exploded in the 1700's and really went wild after Darwin's Origin of Species, in 1859. Darwin's disciples, also influenced, even before Darwin, by a number of other absurd philosophies, began to grow in the Protestant Church. They could not debate with informed laymen, so many remained in seminaries where they produced disheartened, unbelieving graduates who did not have the honesty or ability to leave the church. Darwin himself was viewed as so incompetent by his father that he was only qualified to be a country preacher. Darwinism reinforced these "Liberals" and destroyed most of the seminaries. Unbelieving, virtually agnostic, graduates of these meaningless institutions flooded into the Evan/Reform churches (remember, "Evan/Reform" is a loose term).

Thus the foundation is now laid to add the last major "waters" to the Great Harlot. **I view Rick Warren, the current Pied Piper of Church Growth and Wealth, as Satan's Apostle to the Evan/Reform Churches (and miscellaneous other groups). Evolution helped as the underlying apologetic which**

destroyed Biblical conviction in enough folks to enable it all.

I did not say "Warren is the only apostle." Nor "Warren knows his mission," nor "He will have 100% success in his mission field." But, it seems clear that Warren's goal is to get rich while convincing the leaders of the last major group in the Christian Church they can *succeed* by building a huge organization of unbelievers who will someday learn to become Christians. The magnitude of Warren's claims and the evidence, both indicate Warren has been successful in convincing tens of thousands of church leaders, but, the growth he promises is often missing. He has destroyed many churches, even in our area.

Incidentally, **none of these three groups mean anything to Satan. The antichrist will destroy them all in a single day.** But, Satan's Great Harlot is now nearly complete, a global conglomerate of "religious organizations," most of whose members are not Christian, but fly a "sort-of christian" flag.

And where is the Church, the true disciples of Christ? Some are in remnant churches, some are a remnant in lost churches, and large numbers have left all organized churches and are meeting in homes (Not "Home Groups" of mega-churches, but Christians whose church once again meets in homes.) Those Saints who remain in a church, and those who leave, are without a voice. Thus, the Saints, have again become the "enemy of the church." Or, in Warren's term, "Resisters." The Great Harlot will (soon?) be "drunk with the blood of those saints." But, as mentioned last time, this will probably not be the result of murder of Saints by members of the Great Harlot. The historical pattern is that the state will do the killing. The Harlot will be guilty, but as an accessory. Anyone who is awake knows that this is happening all over the world today. The Roman Church is said to have killed 50 million Christians. Muslims who have killed millions of Christians, are "equal-opportunity killers," so they may become enemies of the Harlot.

After the believers have largely left (**millions** have now left Purpose Driven Churches as well as the Roman and Liberal branches), then the visible church will be all Harlot (not 100% of its members, but enough that believers will have no voice, as is the designed case in the PDC). Therefore, when the state begins ferreting out the believers and killing them, as happened to millions in the Reformation years, and millions more in communist countries, these Christians will be labeled "unbelievers," "bandits," "heretics," etc., and will appear to the visible church as "just renegades." "We feel for them, but there seems little we can do for them. After all, we are the state-approved church, you know." The Church is coming full circle. Unbelievers will run the visible religion, Christians are again retreating to the catacombs.

Contrary to Rick Warren's bold-faced lie, Jesus, and much of the rest of the Bible, do give the broad outlines of the end times. "*Wilt thou at this time restore...?*" is the question Jesus refused to answer. "*It is not for you to know the times or the seasons...*" Acts 1:7 Warren lied. The time is not known, but events are pretty plain from Scripture and wisdom from the Lord. We covered last time some of the final events, such as a suggested lineup of the battle groups in the "Last Battle." (C.S. Lewis' title, not the Bible's).

What should Saints do? Our job has really never changed. We are to win the lost, educate the saved and do good works. As always, many of the lost we'll be attempting to save will be already "churched" in the Harlot Church: a synagogue, pagan temple, Roman, Liberal, Purpose Driven, or other such "church." Some will even have ballet lessons, a vital feature of the Great Harlot Church (see Sept-Oct, 2007 issue).

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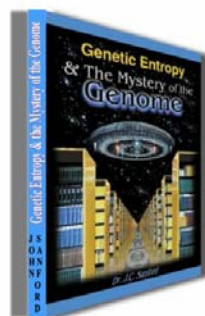
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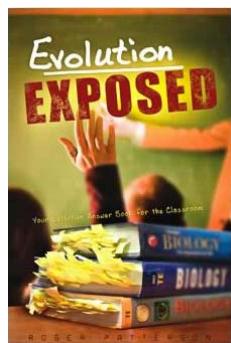
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