

Wolves in Costume: Rick Warren

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Introduction



Richard Duane Warren (i.e. Rick Warren) is the founder and pastor of Saddleback Church in California, and gives the impression to the world that he a good preacher and minister of Christ. *"We know that HOPE comes from the Scriptures... People need to hear the Gospel and the HOPE in CHRIST more than ever."*

-Rick Warren, "Learn, Love, Live The Word," retrieved Dec 23, 2014, [rickwarren.org/about]

That sure sounds good doesn't it?

I am *NOT* saying that no one has ever been born-again saved at a Rick Warren event. I am *NOT* saying everyone who has studied Rick Warren is a heretic. I am *NOT* saying that everyone who works with Rick Warren is unsaved. **I'm saying is that there is very little evidence that Rick Warren believes in the Jesus Christ of the Bible, and a lot of evidence that Warren believes in a false new-age idol he calls "jesus."**

Rick Warren has spoken beside leaders of countries all over the world, and is highly respected in the world, but the Bible warns us not to be blinded by respect to someone's person.

But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors.

-James 2:9

We need to look carefully at the doctrine someone teaches to determine what they really believe in their hearts:

Then understood they how that he bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

-Matthew 16:12

Someone's appearance and demeanor are not the basis on which we should judge truth.

Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.

-John 7:24

Warren might seem charismatic, but even Satan himself is charismatic. Satan and his ministers can appear to be as angels of light.

And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

-2 Corinthians 11:14-15

Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

-Matthew 7:15

Rick Warren is deceiving millions (if not billions) around the world, leading them to the wide gates of hell with his "feel good" message.

Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

-Matthew 7:13-14

Warren is at the forefront of the ecumenical (i.e. universalist, one-world, or all religions go to heaven) movement today, and one of the top poster-boys for the new-age, lukewarm, compromising church. Though many of his statements are against the Word of God, Warren is more deceptive and dangerous because of what he doesn't say, or what he hides. (If you don't already know what I'm talking about, you'll see later in this article.)

There are many people out there working to expose Rick Warren for his heresy, but I hope this will be a consolidated beginner's guide for those who may not understand the danger in his doctrines. I pray this would help to bring the born-again believers out from under Warren's worldly yoke.

Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?... Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.
-2 Corinthians 6:14-18

All Wolves Go to Heaven

First of all, we must establish that Rick Warren, just like other unbelieving heathen (e.g. **Billy Graham, Mother Teresa, Michael W. Smith**, etc), teaches what's called a "universalist" position, meaning he believes everyone of all major religions will end up going to heaven:

"You may be Catholic or Protestant or Buddhist or Baptist or Muslim or Mormon or Jewish or Jain, or you have no religion at all. I'm not interested in your religious background. Because God did not create the universe for us to have religion. He came for us to have a relationship with him."

-Rick Warren, quoted by Tamara Hartzell, *In the Name of Purpose: Sacrificing Truth on the Altar of Unity*, Xlibris Corporation, 2007, p. 241-242, ISBN: 9781425736262

Now we can begin to see some of the deception. Warren is using the term "religion" very loosely, and does not point specifically back to the Christian God of the Bible, claiming that they all worship Him, just in different ways.

For example, he claims that people in other religions, like Hindus and Muslims, follow Christ:

"I happen to know people who are followers of Christ in other religions."

-Rick Warren, quoted at the Aspen Ideas Festival, The Aspen Institute, July 6, 2005, "Discussion: Religion and Leadership," with David Gergen; See also Tamara Hartzell, *In the Name of Purpose: Sacrificing Truth on the Altar of Unity*, Xlibris Corporation, 2007, ISBN: 9781425736262

The very definition of the word "Christian" is to be a follower of Christ. It's not possible to follow Christ in any other religion apart from Christianity.

"To me, I define religion as man's attempt to get to God. And I have studied all the major religions... and they all just have a different way to get to God."

-Rick Warren, quoted by Tamara Hartzell, *In the Name of Purpose: Sacrificing Truth on the Altar of Unity*, Xlibris Corporation, 2007, p. 243, ISBN: 9781425736262

Warren changes the definition of "religion" to whatever he wants it to mean, and then creates a definition that suits everyone of every belief and calls them all valid. That kind of double speak abandons all reason. For anyone out there who studies the Bible seriously, this should be all you need to see to know to sanctify yourselves from this heretic.

But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.
-Galatians 3:22

For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;
-1 Timothy 2:5

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
-John 14:6

Rick Warren believes that one can be saved by Jesus Christ without repenting of Buddhist, Muslim, or Catholic beliefs and practices, that each of these religions has its own exclusive way to God, and that other pagan religions

worship the Christian God of the Bible. This is heresy to Christ's doctrine, but it begins to show us why Warren's so highly esteemed among men.

And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

-Luke 16:15

The world has received from Warren the impression of a new-age fluffy, cotton-candy "god" that makes people feel good about themselves. Even a worldly publication like *The New Yorker* understands the message Warren is preaching:

"Warren's God is not awesome or angry and he does not stand in judgement of human sin. He is genial and mellow and he wants to be your best friend."

*-The New Yorker, Sept 12, 2005; See also Mark Lawrence, "Rick Warren and the 'End Times' Apostasy," *Secrets of Survival*, retrieved June 16, 2014, [www.secretsofsurvival.com/survival/rick_warren_apostasy.html]*

God judgeth the righteous, and God is angry with the wicked every day.

-Psalm 7:11

Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

-Psalm 33:8

Those who study Rick Warren come out with an idea of a new 'god'; one who does not judge the sins of mankind. **This is NOT the Christian God of the Bible.**

(Read "Unbiblical Cop-Outs: Don't Judge Me!" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

Yea, and why even of yourselves judge ye not what is right?

-Luke 12:57

But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

-Matthew 12:36

And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

-Hebrews 9:27

One of the main sources for this new-age concept comes from Warren's very popular book, *The Purpose Driven Life*, in which he teaches a "message of salvation," that completely excludes repentance:



"First, believe. Believe God loves you and made you for his purposes. Believe you're not an accident. Believe you were made to last forever. Believe God has chosen you to have a relationship with Jesus, who died on the cross for you. Believe that no matter what you've done, God wants to forgive you.

Second, receive. Receive Jesus into your life as your Lord and Savior. Receive his forgiveness for your sins. Receive his Spirit, who will give you the power to fulfill your life purpose... whisper the prayer that will change your eternity: 'Jesus, I believe in you and I receive you.'

*-Rick Warren, *The Purpose Driven Life: What on Earth Am I Here For?*, Zondervan, 2008, quote from Chapter 7: The Reason for Everything, ISBN: 9780310296119*

Warren doesn't say what exactly God is forgiving people for, and that's because **repentance is completely removed from Warren's version of salvation.** He didn't even bother to mention that you need to believe that the Lord Jesus Christ shed

His blood on the cross and was resurrected from the dead.



I find it amazing today how many church-goers ask people if they know Jesus, but almost no one talks about if Jesus knows you.

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, **I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.**

-Matthew 7:21-23

But now, **after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God**, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage?

-Galatians 4:9

The first thing Christ did in ministry, and the first thing His disciples were instructed to do, was tell people to repent.

From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, **Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.**

-Matthew 4:17

And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye depart thence, shake off the dust under your feet for a testimony against them. Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment, than for that city. And they went out, and preached that men should repent.

-Mark 6:11-12

(Read "Is Repentance Necessary?" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

Rick Warren has no intention of bringing people to the Jesus Christ of the Bible, or to develop a heart for the Almighty God; Warren wants to lead people to his ecumenical idol he calls "jesus." It's not hard to see when we look at the fruits of Warren's labor because his followers are focused on the world, just as this Warren fanboy states:

"Warren says the goal of *The Purpose Driven Life* is to **help people develop a heart for the world.**"

-Erin Curry, a promoter of Rick Warren, "Rick Warren Book Calls Christians to Seek a 'Purpose Driven Life', Baptist Press, Sept 25th, 2002

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

-1 John 2:15

If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

-John 15:19

The world is supposed to hate us, not love us, and we are not supposed to love the world. We born-again in Christ love one another, and we love our neighbors, but Warren teaches a doctrine that focuses men and women to the things of the world.

Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

-James 1:27

Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

-James 4:4

Why does the above quoted author from the *Baptist Press* need a brand-new unbiblical teaching from Rick Warren to educate Christians? Is the Bible insufficient? The problem here is not loving our neighbors; the problem is that Warren wants us to accept and yoke up with the world's paganism and idolatry.

If we Christians were to bring up these Biblical arguments to Rick Warren or his new-age churches, how would they respond?

"You've got to **protect the unity** of your church. If that means **getting rid of troublemakers**, do it... As pastors, as shepherds of God's people, it's our job to **protect our congregations from Satan's greatest weapon – disunity**... It's not

always easy, but it's what we've been called to do.

-Rick Warren, quoted by Joseph Farah, "Rick Warren's Inquisition," *World Net Daily*, Nov 11, 2007, retrieved June 16, 2014, [www.wnd.com/2007/11/44801]

What does Jesus Christ say about "disunity?"

Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division:
-Luke 12:51

Please understand that Warren is not defining 'troublemakers' as "those who are causing and getting into trouble," but rather a 'troublemaker' is anyone who would cause any division by the preaching of the Word of God. In other words, Warren is accusing the Lord Jesus Christ of being a troublemaker and "weapon of Satan."

Warren may indeed have been "called" to teach that message, but he wasn't called by the Lord God. The only unity spoken of in the Gospel is within the Holy Spirit, not unity of the world. The Bible teaches us to sanctify (i.e. separate) ourselves from the world, and especially from those deceptive men who teach false doctrine.

*Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences **contrary to the doctrine** which ye have learned; and avoid them.*
-Romans 16:17

We don't mark them that divide or offend; we mark them who divide and offend **CONTRARY** to the doctrine we've learned because there is a division and offense that is Biblical, and a division and offense that is unbiblical. In other words, we mark them which divide and offend in **OPPOSITION** to God's Word; for example, men like Rick Warren who will label anyone who teaches the truth of the Bible a "troublemaker."

Correction is grievous unto him that forsaketh the way: and he that hateth reproof shall die.
-Proverbs 15:10

Warren casts out true born-again Christians as "evil" people:

*Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and **cast out your name as evil**, for the Son of man's sake.*
-Luke 6:22

(Read "Did Christ Come to Bring Peace?" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

We are just getting started on Rick Warren's lies, but we need to first understand that **Warren believes all people in major religions around the world will get to heaven without the Christian God of the Bible, all pagan religions worship the same God, God is not angry with anyone, God loves everyone no matter what they do, God does not judge anyone, and all religions should be united together as a single one-world entity.** However, that's going to take a lot of money...

Warren's Doctrine on Giving

Warren wrote an article to help train pastors on how to get their congregations to give more money:

"People give when they trust the leadership... Study after study has proven that in the heirarchy of giving, people give first of all to people they believe in... Even if you use a consultant to help you raise money, you as the pastor still need to be out front. Because the person who asks for the giving needs to be the person with the most credibility. And if you are a Pastor and you are not the most trusted person, you have a leadership problem and you're not ready to teach people to give yet. You need to be the most visible because the person who is the best qualified to ask for money should be the person whose the most trusted."

-Rick Warren, "8 Reasons Believers Give to Your Church," *pastors.com*, retrieved June 18, 2014, [pastors.com/8-reasons-believers-give-to-your-church]

*Thus saith the LORD; **Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.***
-Jeremiah 17:5

Blessed is that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.
-Psalm 40:4

It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.

-Psalm 118:8

Rick Warren teaches a pastor, as the single head authority over his church building (an unbiblical concept), that he take advantage of his position over the crowd, knowing that they will respect his person, and thus give him more money. This is an extremely common tactic among preachers today, one that I have seen many times, and one that is sure to anger our Lord Jesus Christ.

(Read "Is the One-Pastor Church System Biblical?" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre [money], but of a ready mind;

-1 Peter 5:2

Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's [money's] sake.

-Titus 1:11

"People give when they catch a vision, not when they see a need."

-Rick Warren, "8 Reasons Believers Give to Your Church," pastors.com, retrieved June 18, 2014, [pastors.com/8-reasons-believers-give-to-your-church]

Yes, the world typically gives when they catch a vision, but that's not how born-again *CHRISTIANS* are supposed to operate.

And all that believed were together, and had all things common; And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need.

-Acts 2:44-45

Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold, And laid them down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need.

-Acts 4:34-35

The entire purpose of Biblical giving is to provide charitably *FOR NEEDS*, not for a pastor's vision. The reason people give of vision and not of need is because they are of the world, and not joined together with the saints who have a love of the truth in the Word of God.

(Read "A Biblical Understanding of Charity" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

"People give when their gifts are appreciated... Figure out seven ways to thank people for their gift... A little appreciation goes a long way in encouraging people to be generous for the long haul."

-Rick Warren, "8 Reasons Believers Give to Your Church," pastors.com, retrieved June 18, 2014, [pastors.com/8-reasons-believers-give-to-your-church]

The king by judgment establisheth the land: but he that receiveth gifts overthroweth it.

-Proverbs 29:4

Thy princes are rebellious, and companions of thieves: every one loveth gifts, and followeth after rewards: they judge not the fatherless, neither doth the cause of the widow come unto them.

-Isaiah 1:23

He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house; but he that hateth gifts shall live.

-Proverbs 15:27

When reading the context, you'll find the Bible condemns giving gifts for the purpose of receiving favor, and that countries fall to ruin and slaves are made through such practices. There's nothing wrong with being grateful for a gift or donation, but Warren is making that appreciation the foundational motivation to get people to give more.

Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven.

-Matthew 6:1

When someone gives for the express purpose that they want a "thank you" in return, they are giving in order to receive recognition, and that is not charity. Worse still, Warren encourages pastors to use and abuse those people who give to get recognition, manipulating individuals with their own pride by glorifying their gifts.

Warren, along with the millions of preachers he influences, is putting a burden of sacrifice on their "laity;" a burden which they wouldn't touch with one finger.

For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers. But all their works they do for to be seen of men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments, And love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues,
-Matthew 23:4-6

Warren also teaches the false doctrine on tithing:

"We develop spiritual fitness when we honor God by giving him a tithe every week."

-Rick Warren, "Spiritual Habits of Effective People: Tithing," May 21, 2014, retrieved Dec 23, 2014,
[rickwarren.org/devotional/english/spiritual-habits-of-effective-people-tithing]

In our article, "[Is Tithe a Christian Requirement](#)," we covered how the Old Testament law of tithe was brought back around by the Wesleyan church in the late 19th century for the purpose of getting them out of debt. Tithe has never been a New Testament duty of Christians, and it only remained popular because pastors started making more money when they taught the "storehouse tithing sermons."

There's also a contradiction in that Warren calls it a "gift of tithe," when tithe is not a gift. Tithe is a requirement, and they call it "giving" to make sound better in church building. If tithe is charitable giving, then paying your property taxes is just love offerings to the government.

Furthermore, Rick Warren is claiming that the money church-goers are giving to Warren in his church building is equivalent to "giving to God:"

"Tithing is the spiritual habit of giving back to God the first 10 percent of all I make. If I make \$100, I give \$10 back to God; if I make \$1000, I give \$100 back to God. I get to keep 90 percent but I give 10 percent to him. Why would anybody have to do that? Because God says so and that's reason enough. If you don't do it, you're disobeying God."

-Rick Warren, "Spiritual Habits of Effective People: Tithing," May 21, 2014, retrieved Dec 23, 2014,
[rickwarren.org/devotional/english/spiritual-habits-of-effective-people-tithing]

I've heard this from many preachers, but there is nothing in the New Testament Scripture to back that up. So where does Warren go to back up his claim? The Old Testament, specifically in Deuteronomy 14:23.

And thou shalt eat before the LORD thy God, in the place which he shall choose to place his name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks;
that thou mayest learn to fear the LORD thy God always.
-Deuteronomy 14:23

There are a few problems with this, first being that this was for the Jews, and that we (born-again in Christ) are freed from the bondage of law. Second, God doesn't mention 10% of their money anywhere in this verse. Finally, Warren ignores the liberty of the Gospel of Christ in cheerful giving:

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.
-2 Corinthians 9:7

Warren does not care what the Word of God says; he only cares what he can make his new-age bible versions say by twisting them. This deception paves the financial road to his ultimate goal.

Warren's One-World Religion and Government

Many people are unaware that Rick Warren is a member of the CFR (Council on Foreign Relations). This is an organization that no born-again Christian would ever be involved in because it would require one to deny the Gospel of Christ in order to be a member. Rick Warren is listed under 'W' on the CFR's website.



Membership Roster

(as of December 23, 2014)

Download the print version of the membership roster as it appears in the 2014 Annual Report.

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(See "Membership Roster," *Council on Foreign Relations*, as of Dec 23, 2014, [www.cfr.org/about/membership/roster.html?letter=W])

After we've already seen Warren's false doctrine on worldly unity, he obviously does not care who he's yoked up with, but for those of us who are discerning Christians in the Spirit of God, the following names of other people on the CFR roster should set off some warnings in your mind:

- David Rockefeller
- Bill Clinton
- Al Gore
- Newt Gingrich
- Angelina Jolie (Actress)
- Barack Obama
- Tom Brokaw (NBC News)
- Colin Powell

There are thousands more beyond these few from around the world, who are fornicators, sodomites, extortionist, thieves, murderers, and flat-out God-hating people. These wicked men and women hold positions in major news outlets, high-ranking military authorities, university boards, international banks, and even major religious leaders, such as the Roman Catholic Pope. The only way anyone claiming to be a Christian could say that God approves of this yoke is if he/she is a wolf of the Devil, deceived and being deceived.

But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

-2 Timothy 3:13

And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.

-Ephesians 5:11

Just like most other apostates out there, Rick Warren sides with the Catholic church, their rejection of the Jesus Christ of the Bible, and the Pope's ecumenical one-world agenda.

(Read "Corruptions of Christianity: Catholicism" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

"Pope Francis' actions as he has eased into the papacy have made headlines and drawn accolades from world leaders; Saddleback Pastor Rick Warren joins those applauding the Bishop of Rome. 'I am nothing but impressed by this new pope,' the bestselling author tells Piers Morgan in tonight's primetime interview."

-Paul Murphy, "Rick Warren: 'I am nothing but impressed with the new pope'," The Piers Morgan Interview, CNN, Dec 6, 2013, retrieved July 1, 2014, [piersmorgan.blogs.cnn.com/2013/12/06/trick-warren-i-am-nothing-but-impressed-with-this-new-pope]

Pope Francis and Rick Warren go hand-in-glove for the most part; they have no objections about working together in perfect harmony. In Newsmax's "Top 50 Megachurches in America," Warren is #1:

"The church he founded remains one of the five largest in America, but Pastor Warren's influence expands way beyond Saddleback. His book, "Purpose Driven Life," is second only to the Bible in non-fiction best-sellers; he was recently the subject of a major motion picture; he's trained hundreds of thousands of church leaders in every nation in the world; and he's on the speed dial of presidents, prime ministers, rock stars, and celebrities. For years, insiders have joked that Warren is the 'evangelical pope.' No one was joking any longer when Pope Francis came to America for the World Meeting of Families in September and invited the evangelical Pastor Warren to deliver the keynote address."

-Johnnie Moore, "Newsmax's Top 50 Megachurches in America," *Newsmax*, Nov 11, 2015, retrieved Dec 29, 2015, [newsmax.com/TheWire/megachurches-top-united-states-newsmax/2015/11/11/id/701661]

This shouldn't be a surprise, since Warren opening gave a speech to call on all non-Catholic church-goers (false converts) to join up with the Catholic Church:

"Pastor Rick Warren has called on non-Catholic Christians to join with Pope Francis and the Catholic Church in pursuit of their common goals... 'If you love Jesus,' [Warren] said, 'we're on the same team.' Pastor Warren's remarks were polite and well reasoned, and were well received in the Catholic community."

-Kathy Schiffer, "Megachurch Pastor Rick Warren Joins Pope Francis in Support of Common Mission," *Aleteia*, Dec 19, 2014,

retrieved Dec 29, 2015, [aleteia.org/2014/12/19/megachurch-pastor-rick-warren-joins-pope-francis-in-support-of-common-mission]

The world loves the good words and fair speeches that Warren gives:

This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.
-Matthew 15:8

For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.
-Romans 16:18

Help, LORD; for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men. They speak vanity every one with his neighbour: with flattering lips and with a double heart do they speak.
-Psalm 12:1-2

Currently, there is a large (and sickening) ecumenical push by the Catholic church called "Catholics Come Home," in which they are trying to bring everyone who claims Christ into their devilish cult to continue in Eucharistic sacrifice that will lead them to hell. Their organization and mission is endorsed by Rick Warren:

"The mission of Tom Peterson and Catholics Come Home to bring souls home to Jesus and the church is critically important during this challenging time in our history. I fully support this New Evangelization project."

-Rick Warren, "Catholics Come Home Announces First Book From Founder Tom Peterson," catholicscomehome.org, Dec 20, 2012, retrieved July 1, 2014, [www.catholicscomehome.org/catholics-come-home-announces-first-book-from-founder-tom-peterson]

There is no reason for a Christian to respect Warren's person (his title, fame, money, etc), but many church-goers do. They follow him like a pied piper straight into the arms of the Devil, and through his "endorsement," many may end up in the lake of fire with their hopes in a pagan system that can't save them.

Rick Warren's Stance on the Devil's Ministers

Warren's *Purpose Driven Life* is published by Zondervan, which is owned by HarperCollins "Christian" Publishing. (They also publish things like the NIV and the Satanic Bible; we will mention this again later in this teaching.) HarperCollins is (currently; 2016) owned by Rupert Murdoch, one of the most wicked ruling elite on the planet.

Rick Warren sat down for an interview with *The New Yorker*:

"I had dinner with Jack Welch [former CEO of General Electric] last Sunday night,' he said. 'He came to church, and we had dinner. I've been kind of mentoring him on his spiritual journey. And he said to me, "Rick, you are the biggest thinker I have ever met in my life. The only other person I know who thinks globally like you is Rupert Murdoch." And I said, "That's interesting. I'm Rupert's pastor! Rupert published my book!" Then he tilted back his head and gave one of those big Rick Warren laughs."

-Malcolm Gladwell, "The Cellular Church," *The New Yorker*, Sept 12, 2005, retrieved Jan 8, 2016, [newyorker.com/magazine/2005/09/12/the-cellular-church]

It's not just that Rupert Murdoch is Warren's publisher, but he's also a member of his Saddleback Church. Just like **Billy Graham**, Rick Warren loves to rub shoulders with the world elites, and I'm sure Murdoch has donated huge amounts to Warren's "ministry." When you take into consideration Warren's connections in the CFR on top of all this, it really begins to paint a clear picture that Warren's Purpose-Driven Church movement is mainly sponsored by the Illuminati.

Murdoch made his fortune as a newspaper baron in the 1950s, and has acquired control of news publications around the world ever since in a "divide-and-conquer" fashion. As of January of 2016, Forbes rated Murdoch at #35 in the list of the most powerful people in the world.

(See "The World's Most Powerful People: Rupert Murdoch," *Forbes*, retrieved Jan 8, 2016, [forbes.com/profile/rupert-murdoch])

Murdoch has always been well-known for publishing nude women in some of his media outlets, but in 2007,

Murdoch also began running a series of hardcore porn channels for television. When Rick Warren was asked about pastoring a man in the porn industry, he said:

"I don't have to agree with 100 percent of what another person does in order to work with them on the 20 percent that we do agree on."

-Rick Warren, quoted in "Murdoch Pastor Gets Heat For Mogul's Porn Channels," *World Net Daily*, May 10, 2007, retrieved Jan 8, 2016, [wnd.com/2007/05/41520]

In Warren's eyes, there is no such thing as sin. There is no repentance. There is no judgment. There is no rebuke. Warren will yoke up with any man, no matter how evil and wicked they are, so long as they have the cash to support him.

Rick Warren calls apostate Roman Catholic Pope Francis "our pope"

<https://youtu.be/igNCUw1adIw>

WARREN: *"The authenticity, humility -- Pope Francis is the perfect example of this. He's doing everything right. You see, people will listen to what we say, if they like what they see. And as our new pope, he was very symbolic in his first mass with people with AIDS, his kissing of the deformed man, his loving the children, this authenticity, this humility, this caring for the poor, this is what the whole world expects us Christians to do. And when they go, 'Oh that's what a Christian does,' in fact there was a headline here in Orange County and I loved the headline, it said, 'If you love Pope Francis, you'll love Jesus.'"*

As a side note, I was laughing when I heard him call the Pope "the perfect example of humility." Does this look humble to you?

Notice that Warren said "**OUR** new pope." That's because he is joined hand-in-hand with Rome.



Warren is more focused on getting people to like him. Suffering affliction is too burdensome to bear because he does not have the Spirit of God in him:

But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions [i.e. grief], do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

-2 Timothy 4:5

Warren is not suffering affliction for what he teaches, and he certainly isn't suffering any persecution. He's loved by the world; he's definitely not hated by them.

Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

-2 Timothy 3:12

If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

-John 15:19

If you claim to be born-again of Christ, and everyone around you loves and adores you, and you're friends with everyone - be warned, you're either not of Christ, or you're not doing something you're supposed to be doing. If we teach the Gospel of Christ as we are supposed to be teaching it, then we will be hated. (I can testify of that first hand.)



Again, Warren is loved by the world, which means he's not of Christ. Even the baby-killing, lying, socialist Barack Obama (our U.S. President as of 2015) invited Rick Warren to give an opening prayer at his inauguration. [Just like the worldly false preacher Billy Graham](#), Warren is being invited up to share in the self-glorifying platform with the wicked rulers of darkness. (See Susan D. James, "Pastor Warren Sets Inclusive Tone at Inaugural," *ABC News*, Jan 20, 2009, retrieved July 1, 2014, [abcnews.go.com/Politics/Inauguration/rick-warren-invocation-president-obama-inauguration/story?id=6687731])

[For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.](#)
-Ephesians 6:12

Warren and Obama are faking Christian belief, deceiving the world for the Devil's sake. Just as the Lord God told Israel when all the pagan nations gathered against them:

[Behold, they shall surely gather together, but not by me:](#)
-Isaiah 54:15

Warren believes these politicians, like the communist baby-killing Obama, are "extremely valuable:"
"I've never met a politician I completely agreed with... the bible says I'm to show respect to everybody because they're all extremely valuable. I don't agree with them, but they're extremely valuable."
-Rick Warren, "Learning My True Identity In Christ," Saddleback Church, Oct 13, 2014, retrieved Jan 13, 2016, [youtube.com/watch?v=AolN3_JldmI]

Warren has appeared on the panel of the "World Economic Forum," to discuss one-world issues to unite all religions:

Rick Warren Speak Heresy at 2008 Conference

<https://youtu.be/aveEga489uc>

WARREN @0:31 -- "To my Islamic brother here from Italy, I would say I'm not really interested in inter-faith dialogue, I'm interested in inter-faith projects. We've got enough talk. So... a few weeks ago, at Georgetown University, we brought in three imams, [i.e. Muslim Priest]we brought in three Catholic priests, we brought in three evangelical pastors, and we brought in three Rabbis and we said 'what can we do about AIDS?' And we started on some common ground on those issues; what can we do that we all care about?"

*[Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore **come out from among them, and be ye separate**, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.](#)*
-2 Corinthians 6:14-18

This reminds me of a few years ago when I was invited to participate in a discussion with some people who claimed to be Christians (they ended up being false converts in a cult) along with some atheists. I listened to one of the "pastors" tell the atheists that both parties should work together, and that is directly against what the Word of God instructs us to do. We

should help the unbeliever in their needs, be charitable to them, and tell them the truth of the Word of God, but we are not supposed to associate with them as if Christ has concord with Belial.

Rick Warren does not lead people to the Word of God, but rather is leading them to a revolution of a one-world religion that will unite under his guidance **in the fashion that Hitler led the Nazis**. Don't think that's over exaggeration until you read Warren's own words:

Rick Warren Urges Christians to Be Dedicated as Hitler Youth #2

<https://youtu.be/7fzwljL2LTQ>

WARREN @3:17 -- *"What is the vision for the next 25 years? I'll tell you what it is. It is the global expansion of the kingdom of God. It is the total mobilization of his church. And the third part is the dream of a radical devotion of every believer. Now I choose that word 'radical' intentionally, because only radicals change the world. Everything great done in this world is done by passionate people. Moderate people get moderately nothing done. And moderation will never slay the global giants... In 1939, in a stadium much like this, in Munich, Germany, they packed it out with young men and women in brown shirts, for a fanatical man standing behind a podium named Adolf Hitler, the personification of evil. And in that stadium, those in brown shirts formed with their bodies a sign that said in the whole stadium, 'Hitler, we are yours.' And they nearly took the world.*

[Vladimir] *Lenin once said, 'give me 100 committed, totally committed men, and I'll change the world.'* And he nearly did. A few years ago, they took the sayings of Chairman Mao, in China, put them in a little red book and a group of young people committed them to memory, and put it in their minds and they took that nation, the largest nation in the world, by storm because they committed to memory the sayings of the Chairman Mao...

Jesus said, 'I want you to do this publicly,' so what I want you to do is take the card and in just a minute, and if you say 'Rick, I am willing to serve God's purposes in my generation.' I want you to open up to the sign that says, 'Whatever it takes.' Whatever it takes. And I want you to just say, 'This is my commitment, before God and in front of everybody else. I'm in.' And I would invite you to just stand quietly and hold up 'Whatever it takes.'



With something so deceptive and manipulative and wicked, where do we even start breaking this down? First, Jesus Christ did not say to stand up and pray publicly in front of everyone else:

And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

-Matthew 6:5-6

Warren is attempting to use priests of Evolutionism (e.g. Hitler, Lenin, Mao) as an example for his church-ianity cult. These men killed millions by their philosophy, and Warren believes they are an example to his so-called "church."

Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

-John 18:36

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Ephesians 6:12

When it comes to Warren's One-World mission, he expects everyone to be ignorant and blind to the truth. Warren himself is blind, and leads the blind.

Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.

-Matthew 15:14

Warren went to Syria, the place with his so-called "Muslim brothers," and said he found no persecution of the Jews: *"Warren went to Syria and could find no persecution of Christians. He could find no persecution of Jews. He could*

find no evidence of extremism. He could find no evidence of the sponsorship of terrorism."

-Joseph Farah, "Megapastor Rick Warren's Damascus Road Experience," Nov 20, 2006, retrieved Nov 12, 2014
[wnd.com/2006/11/38958]

A few years ago, I watched a video of a Syrian child being executed (shot in the head) for theft. If they're willing to shoot a young boy in the head because he stole some food, what do you think they're willing to do to people who declare their prophet to be false?

(Read "Islam: A Religion of Terror" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

Joseph Farah of World Net Daily had a short email exchange with Rick Warren over his preposterous statement about Syria:

"In fact, after I called him out last week in my column, Warren e-mailed me claiming to have been misquoted by the official Syrian news agency. 'Joseph, why didn't you contact me first and discover the fact that I said nothing of the sort?' he pleaded. 'The trip was a favor to my next door neighbor, had nothing to do with policy, and was done with the State Department's knowledge – who told us to expect exactly what Syria did – a PR blast. I don't pretend to be a diplomat. I'm a pastor who just gets invited places.' I pointed out to Warren that WND had indeed attempted to contact him about his trip. No one from his Saddleback Church ever returned our calls the day the story broke. 'I'm sure since you were warned in advance by the State Department that you took the precaution of recording your own words,' I suggested in my response. 'We look forward to seeing the transcripts or hearing the recordings.' I also asked if he could respond specifically to the words put in his mouth by the Syrian news agency. And lastly I suggested that he should have 'counseled with me, or other people knowledgeable about the Middle East before doing so much damage with your reckless trip.'

*I really didn't expect to hear back from Warren – but, a few minutes later, I did, with an absolutely stunning retort. He let me know he is a close friend of President Bush 'and many, if not most, of the generals at the Pentagon.' **He also told me he did not tape anything while in Syria,** 'because it was a courtesy call, like I do in every country.' Warren explained that he had also counseled with the National Security Council and the White House, as well as the State Department, before his little courtesy call for a neighbor. 'In fact,' Warren added, 'as a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and Oxford Analytica, I might know as much about the Middle East as you.' He continued: 'I hope you'll not choose to believe Syrian propaganda even though, as you pointed out at the start of your article, you've been wanting to criticize me for some time'...*

No sooner had I received this surprising response from Warren, I also got an e-mail providing a link to a YouTube video of Rick Warren in Syria explaining how great the Assad regime treats Christians and Jews and how Damascus 'does not permit extremism of any kind.' Not one to let lies go unchallenged, I wrote back to Warren with a link to the YouTube video: 'If you didn't tape anything, what's this? Do you really believe Syria does not allow extremism of any kind? There are more terrorist organizations based in Syria than anywhere else in the world!' It might be that Rick Warren, deep in the bush of Rwanda, never received those last questions, because he never responded – at least not in the last three days. He did, however, within minutes make sure the YouTube video he recorded independent of his meetings with the Syrian brown shirts was removed from the network. Vanished."

-Joseph Farah, "Megapastor Rick Warren's Damascus Road Experience," Nov 20, 2006, retrieved Nov 12, 2014
[wnd.com/2006/11/38958]

It's obvious Rick Warren is a liar, but for what reason? As a member of the CFR, we can only speculate, but the speculation is based on evidence because Warren may have tried to get his statement off the net, but wiser men made sure to back it up before he did.

Rick Warren's Hidden Syria Comments

https://youtu.be/u-KW0-B_CSU

WARREN: *"Syria is a place that has had Muslims and Christians living together for 1400 years. So it's a lot more peaceful, honestly, than a lot of other places... Christians have been here the longest and they get along with the Muslims and the Muslims get along with them and a lot less tension than in other places... It's a moderate country and the official government role and position is to not allow any extremism of any kind."*

So again, Rick Warren is a liar, but this is two-fold. First, because he lied about what he said, and second, because the U.S. Department of State, whom Warren claimed to have consulted before his trip, has had Syria on the list of state-sponsored terrorism since 1979:

"Syria has been on the U.S. list of state sponsors of terrorism since the list's inception in 1979."

-U.S. Department of State, "U.S. Relations With Syria," Mar 20, 2014, retrieved Nov 12, 2014, [state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm]



I'm not saying I fully trust my government, but someone's lying, and based on the violence coming out of the Middle-East against Israel, I'd have to say it's Rick Warren in this instance. (Or both if you want to include the lies about Palestine.) Perhaps now you can see why Warren was so quick to remove that video of him saying this, especially after he had claimed to be so knowledgeable about the Middle-East.

(Read "[Corruptions of Christianity: Islam - Two Major Lies Christians Need to Understand](#) here at creationliberty.com for more details; the Jews are Palestinians, not the Arabs.)

[For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.](#)

-1 Thessalonians 5:3

Warren's true goal is to promote the "peace and safety" motto to deceive people into uniting under a One-World government and religion. Of course, Warren will have a high-seat in leading it, because after all, it's his "peace plan" that is being endorsed, but it is a false peace that is founded on a lie.

Warren's Pagan Foundation

Rick Warren is not a Christian. He's what's known as a "pantheist." Pantheism is a belief that the total sum of nature is the essence of an all-encompassing god, and pantheists do not believe in a personal god.

pantheism (n): the doctrine that God is the transcendent reality of which the material universe and human beings are only manifestations: it involves a denial of God's personality and expresses a tendency to identify God and nature (See 'pantheism', Random House Dictionary, 2014, [www.dictionary.com]; See also Collins English Dictionary, 10th Edition, William Collins Sons & Co, 2009)

In *The Purpose Driven Life*, Warren says:

"This is God's ideal. In Eden, worship was not an event to attend, but a perpetual attitude; Adam and Eve were in constant communion with God. Because God is with you all the time, no place is any closer to God than the place where you are right now. The Bible says, 'He rules everything and is everywhere and is in everything.'"

-Rick Warren, *The Purpose Driven Life: What on Earth Am I Here For?*, Zondervan, 2008, p. 88, ISBN: 9780310296119

Nowhere does the Bible say that "God is in everything." If that is stated anywhere, it's in some new-age version that has altered the Word of God, and then Rick Warren takes on his own personal paraphrased interpretation of what he wants it to mean.

(Read "Why I Use the King James Bible" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

Warren might profess a belief in a personal deity that involves a distinct character, but that's not what he actually believes in. In Warren Smith's expose on Rick Warren, he gives more detail:

"Warren seemed to be teaching what I had been taught by my New Age teachers and teachings: that God was 'in' everyone and everything. I wondered which one of his many Bible versions had told him that. His footnote told me that Ephesians 4:6 scripture he was citing came from a Bible entitled the New Century Version... The bible does not teach this. The New Century Version that Rick Warren quotes is dangerously mistaken in its translation of Ephesians 4:6... In fact, it

didn't take me long to find this same unbiblical principle in A Course in Miracles. The word 'purpose' was curiously prevalent throughout the teaching."

-Warren Smith, *Deceived on Purpose*, Mountain Stream Press, 2004, p. 81, ISBN: 0-9763492-0-5

Smith is correct, and the context of Ephesians 4 speaks to the unity of the Spirit in all of us called by God in the faith of Christ, which does not include Rick Warren and his cult followers until they repent and believe on the Jesus Christ of the Bible:

I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

-Ephesians 4:1-6

This means God the Father is through all things that are of the Spirit, which is the faith, baptism, and belief in one Lord with meekness and longsuffering, but Warren decides to paraphrase concepts he learned from new-age bible versions. Smith also points out Warren's frequent use of terms found in *A Course in Miracles*, so let's take a look at what it teaches: "God is in everything I see. The idea for today explain why you can see all purpose in everything. It explains why nothing is separate, by itself or in itself. And it explains why nothing you see means anything. In fact, it explains every idea we have used thus far, and all subsequent ones as well. Today's idea is the whole basis for ision. You will probably find this idea very difficult to grasp at this point. You may find it silly, irreverent, senseless, funny and even objectionable. Certainly God is not in a table, for example, as you see it. Yet we emphasized yesterday that a table shares the purpose of the universe. And what shares the purpose of the universe shares the purpose of its Creator."

-Helen Schucman, *A Course in Miracles - Manual For Teachers*, Lesson 29, self-published, ISBN: 9781883360269

A Course in Miracles is a heretical book that teaches new-age philosophy, and has brought forth many modern-day heretics. These are just a few of the heresies taught in the book:

- There is no sin. (p. 182)
- Christ dying on the cross has no meaning. (p. 425)
- Clinging to the old rugged cross is a pathetic error. (p. 52)
- Jesus Christ is nothing more than a symbol of the names of many gods. (p. 58)
- Recognizing yourself is the same as recognizing God. (p. 147)
- The 'Oneness' of God is found in your own power. (p. 125)

(Helen Schucman, *A Course in Miracles: Combined Volume*, Foundation for Inner Peace, 2008, ISBN: 9781883360269)

I hope the reader can now fully understand why I keep referring to this as heresy against the Bible.

But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

-2 Peter 2:1

Warren has thoroughly studied *A Course in Miracles*, pulled his new-age pantheistic doctrine from it, and you can see the striking similarities between Warren's statements and pantheism.net:

"We take the real Universe and Nature as our starting and finishing point, not some preconceived idea of God. We feel a profound wonder and awe for these, in some ways similar to the reverence that believers in more conventional gods feel towards their deity, but without anthropomorphic worship or belief that Nature has a mind or personality that we can influence through prayer... We use the name pantheism because it has a long and venerable history. Our beliefs are entirely naturalistic, and compatible with atheism, humanism, agnosticism, universalism, and those forms of paganism that see magic and the gods as symbols rather than objective realities."

-World Pantheism, quote from their home page, retrieved July 1, 2014, [www.pantheism.net]

When pantheists say they do not have a "*preconceived idea of God*," that means the presupposition that the Bible is Truth, and that God's Word is the final authority in all matters of faith and practice, is thrown out the window. Without the presupposition in the Word of God, then the faith in the Jesus Christ of the Bible is non-existent, no matter what someone claims to believe, which is why the Bible says they do *NOT* serve the Lord Jesus Christ:

For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.

-Romans 16:18

On the pantheist website, you'll notice that they list out compatibility with many things, even atheists. Warren's beliefs are also compatible with atheism to a degree, which is why he has no problem quoting atheists to support his ministry:



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"To argue with a person who has renounced the use of reason is like administering medicine to the dead" Thomas Paine

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Some people were shocked and/or laughing that he didn't know Paine was an atheist, but I disagree--I believe he *DOES* know Paine was an atheist. The problem is that atheism is compatible with Warren's belief system because his foundational teaching in *A Course in Miracles* was authored by an atheist:

"A Course in Miracles has been produced... by Helen Schucman, an atheist psychology professor at Columbia University. According to Schucman, from 1965 to 1972, the entire A Course in Miracles manuscript was 'scribed' under the direction of an inner voice Schucman knew to be Jesus Christ. The dictation began with the words, 'This is a course in miracles, please taken notes.' The result would be 1,200 pages of spiritual-psychological revelation that would range over a 622-page textbook, a 478-page workbook, and a short explanatory manual, all presented as, in Marianne Williamson's words, a 'correction to Christianity--beginning from a premise of original innocence rather than one of original sin,'"

-Stephen Mansfield, *Where Has Oprah Taken Us?: The Religious Influence of the World's Most Famous Woman*, Thomas Nelson Inc, 2011, p. 122, ISBN: 9781595553089

Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments [first teachings] of the world, and not after Christ.

-Colossians 2:8

The above quotation comes from an author describing Oprah Winfrey's foundation for her new-age spiritualist beliefs, which are heavily influenced by atheist Helen Schucman. We also saw how the new-age spiritualist heretic Marianne Williamson was mentioned as promoting *A Course in Miracles*, and Oprah has been influenced by both, which is why she refers to Marianne Williamson in backing up her false doctrine:

Oprah Denies Christ (Rebuked on Live TV)

<https://youtu.be/x7TQ29r2qAU>

OPRAH: *"Marianne Williamson says in her book, Return to Love, that we're always walking in the direction of one or the other, that all of your actions in life, you're either moving toward the darkness or you're moving toward the light. She calls it fear and love...one of the mistakes human beings make is believing that there is only one way to live, and that we don't accept that there are diverse ways of being in the world, that there are millions of ways to be a human being--"*

WOMAN 1: *"Well then how do you please God?"*

OPRAH: *"There are many ways, many paths, to what you call God. Her path might be something else, and when she gets there, she might call it the light, but her loving and her kindness and her generosity--if it brings her to the same point that it brings you, it doesn't matter whether she called it God along the way or not."*

WOMAN 1: *"And I guess the danger that could be in that--I mean it sounds great on the onset, but if you really look at both sides--"*

OPRAH: *"There couldn't possibly be just one way."*

WOMAN 2: *"What about Jesus?"*

OPRAH: *"What about Jesus?"*

WOMAN 2: *"You say there isn't only one way. There is one way, and only one way, and that is through Jesus."*

OPRAH: *"There couldn't possibly be just one way."*

WOMAN 2: *"Because you say there isn't. Because you say, you intellectualize it and say there isn't. If you don't believe that, you're all buying into the lie."*

I'd like to point out that there is one thing Oprah said that was true; she said *IF* the works one does (e.g. kindness, lovingness, generosity) gets one to the same heaven as a born-again Christian, then it really doesn't matter whether people call it "God" or not. Yes, if God's Word was a works-based salvation, then she would be correct, but the problem is the Bible doesn't teach that:

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.

-Ephesians 2:8-9

Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

-Matthew 7:13-14



Of course, this is why Oprah doesn't do open shows like that anymore, however, she does invite other pantheists who agree with her, such as Rick Warren. Warren appeared on Oprah's *Lifeclass*, which is a cesspool of false doctrine.

First of all, just his appearance on anything Oprah has hosted should be enough to keep away a discerning Christian, but also, Rick Warren does not

present the truth of Christ in these sessions, which is apparent when reading the testimony of a Muslim in the audience, who begins his statement by quoting Warren:

"You can waste your life. You can spend your life. Or you can invest your life. The best use of your life is to invest it in that which will outlast it. Invest it in serving others. And that's what it means to live a purpose-driven life." This last quote really struck home with me. Islam is all about living a purpose-driven life. Our purpose on this earth is to worship God [Islam's pagan moon god 'Allah'] and live in a manner that is pleasing to Him. And that includes using our talent and wealth to make a positive impact on the less fortunate. By the end of the program, tears had been shed, 'hallelujahs' were cried out and souls were opened up to the possibility of living for something more in this life. I, along with the majority-female audience, left the show that day with a renewed sense of purpose and much spiritual food for thought. Aha overload indeed!"

-Wardah Khalid, "I have Aha Moment Exhaustion! My Afternoon With Oprah and Pastor Rick Warren," Oct 12, 2012, retrieved Nov 11, 2014, [huffingtonpost.com/wardah-khalid/aha-moment-exhaustion-afternoon-with-oprah-and-rick-warren_b_1953000.html]

Muslims can recognize their pagan moon god in Warren's teachings. The reason for this is because when Warren is asked for specific information on "God," he gives them a vague answer:

"What was really hard to watch is when a woman in Norway Skyped to say she realized she needed God but wanted to know who God is and she asked, 'What should I do?'...Instead of giving the gospel, Rick Warren seemed uncomfortable and finally just said something like, 'Go to God and find your purpose.' It was a terrible moment! The woman looked surprised and sad, like she was expecting something else. I prayed for her later and am hoping that the many Christians who witnessed this will pray for her. Not only that, but when Oprah referred to God, as she often did, Rick Warren agreed with her as though she was referring to the biblical God, which she was not."

-Marcia Montenegro, "Rick Warren and Joel Osteen Join Hands With Oprah," Oct 6, 2012, retrieved Nov 11, 2014, [solasisisters.com/2012/10/rick-warren-and-joel-osteen-join-hands_6.html]

The reason I wanted to show all these quotations is to demonstrate that Warren's "god" is a multi-purpose god that can be applied to anything and everyone, just as pantheists believe. The funny part about Warren's pantheistic "God is in everything" statement we read earlier is that he contradicts his own previous teachings back in 1997:

"God is not in everything. You hear this all the time. Everything is in God and God's in everything. That's a bunch of baloney! God is not in everything. God created everything. No doubt about that. But God is not in everything and everything is not God. That is called pantheism. It's about 5000 years old. The most ignorant groups of people bought into this."

-Rick Warren, "Developing Trust," 1997, retrieved Nov 11, 2014

[www.brandonweb.com/sermons/sermonpages/deuteronomy13.htm]; See also Tamara Hartzell, *In the Name of Purpose: Sacrificing Truth on the Altar of Unity*, Xlibris Corporation, 2007, p. 122, ISBN: 9781425736262

In case there are any fanboys or fangirls out there who support Warren and hate that I'm teaching he's a pantheist, there's a quote directly from Warren defining his own teaching as pantheistic.

Rick Warren Endorses Masters of Yoga, Sex Magic, and Meditation

Recently, Rick Warren has joined forces with a man called "Dr. Amen:"

"The Centers for Disease Control says nearly half of all Americans suffer from chronic obesity, which is part of what inspired Pastor Rick Warren of Saddleback Church to join forces with Dr. Daniel Amen and Dr. Mark Hyman to create 'The Daniel Plan: 40 Days to a Healthier Life.'... He thought to himself that 'we are all fat,' and that he himself was overweight too. He said that's where the idea for 'The Daniel Plan' came from and he asked his church members if they wanted to lose weight with him... 'The Daniel Plan adds three additional things to the traditional



health and fitness program. Most programs deal with food and exercise, but we say human beings are a lot more complex than that,' said Warren. 'There are emotional reasons why you eat. There are spiritual reasons why you eat. There are mental reasons. So we added faith and focus and friends – or accountability, and changing the way you think and a spiritual motivation.' Warren also said that they believe these added elements are the things that will keep people going, because most diets are based on will-power, which he thinks 'eventually doesn't work.'... However, it's not just

about support. [Dr.] Amen told the co-hosts that weight loss is often connected to the human brain."

-Shoshana Davis, "Rick Warren, co-authors discuss their diet program, 'The Daniel Plan,'" *CBS News*, Dec 4, 2013, retrieved Jan 8, 2016, [cbsnews.com/news/rick-warren-co-authors-on-their-diet-program-the-daniel-plan]

Daniel Amen wrote a book called *The Brain in Love*, in which he endorses something called "tantra yoga," which in simple terms is sex yoga. If you decide to do research into this subject, I would exercise caution in what you look for because you'll mostly find pornography, but the websites that have "tantra specialists" use tantra as a part of black magic rituals to cast spells.

After discussing sexual connections in the brain, Amen writes in his book:

"Best known in the West are the several forms of tantra yoga in which worship services take the form of sexual rituals featuring slow, nonorgasmic intercourse as a prelude to an experience of the divine. This broad category of tantric sex ritualism, which derives from the pre-Hindu religions of Shaktism and Shaivism, has in turn produced two schools of practice: the 'right hand path,' a meditational, monogamous rite; and the 'left hand path,' in which dozens--or more--couples engage in the ritual sex act at the same time, sometimes following the lead of a pair of teachers."

-Daniel G. Amen, *The Brain in Love: 12 Lessons to Enhance Your Love Life*, Three Rivers Press, 2009, p. 146, ISBN: 9780307587893

I know this may not sound as sophisticated as Dr. Amen might prefer, but where I come from, that's called a sex orgy. He then goes on in his book to recommend potions for love and sex, which is complete witchcraft. This man was hand picked by Rick Warren to ministry to his congregation. What things do you think they'll learn from Dr. Amen?

In addition, we saw Dr. Mark Hyman mentioned, and he was nominated to be on President Obama's health advisory group, which should tell you just about everything you need to know about how wicked Hyman really is. Hyman's job in Warren's church is to turn people on to Buddhist meditation:

"Mindful meditation is a powerful well-researched tool, developed by Buddhists"

-Mark Hyman, *The UltraMind Solution: Fix Your Broken Brain by Healing Your Body First*, Simon and Schuster, 2008, p. 384, ISBN: 9781416549710

To put a cherry on top of the sin Sunday, Rick Warren also gets Oprah's pet Dr. Mehmet Oz to join his trio. I don't want to turn this into an expose on Dr. Oz, because that's something I may do separately in the future, but Oz has had witches on his show performing psychic medium cold reading.

(See Dr. Oz, "Psychic Medium Laura Lynne Jackson Does a Reading," Nov 9, 2015, retrieved Jan 8, 2016, [doctoroz.com/episode/bobby-brown-opens-about-his-life-after-bobbi-kristina?video_id=4603118652001])



These are the things that Warren is allowing men to minister into the Saddleback Church congregation in addition to their diets. Not only is it a total abomination in the sight of God, but we have to ask ourselves, if Rick Warren is promoting these things, how much of this stuff has he participated in himself?

The all-inclusive "God is in everything" message makes charismatic speakers a lot of money, and makes them very popular, because it is so highly esteemed by men, and I'm sure it didn't take Warren long to figure that out. This message of "whatever you say and do, it's okay because you'll go to heaven," is a feel-good message that scratches the itching ears of Warren's listeners, and gives them a justification to make up in their mind an idol that they call "God" after themselves, based on their own thoughts and feelings.

These things hast thou done, and I kept silence; thou thoughtest that I was altogether such an one as thyself: but I will reprove thee, and set them in order before thine eyes.

-Psalm 50:21

And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

-Luke 16:15

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

-2 Timothy 4:3-4

They falsely believe that their "hallelujahs" are giving praise to God, but He is not hearing their pagan mouths or seeing their pagan hands. When the Jews turned to their idols and pagan concepts, the Lord God told them the following:

Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them. And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood.

-Isaiah 1:14-15

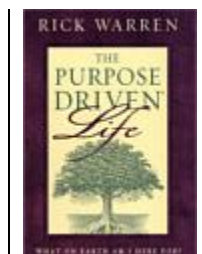
In summary, Rick Warren makes sure that everything he teaches is compatible with most of the pagan religions around the world. All this is in effort to cut out any Gospel of Christ in hopes to give the world a new purpose together in a One-World Religion under Satan.

Exposing The Purpose-Driven Church

Let's begin by listing some interesting facts about *The Purpose-Driven Life*, which is Warren's most well-known accomplishment. It's published by a company called "Zondervan," which is owned by HarperCollins Christian Publishing, who are also responsible for publishing the *Satanic Bible* by Anton LeVey, who started the First Church of Satan.

(See Anton LaVey, *Satanic Bible*, Harper Collins, 1976, ISBN: 9780380015399)

In many other teachings and articles, I have warned Christians to beware of people who use multiple new-age bible versions in their teachings because they often switch back and forth to get their texts to say what they want it to say. (i.e. They don't care about the absolute truth of doctrine.) **Rick Warren's Purpose Driven**



Life uses 15 different new-age versions to create whatever paraphrasing he thinks best supports his heretical teachings. (See Rick Warren, *The Purpose Driven Life: What on Earth Am I Here For?*, Zondervan, 2006, ISBN: 9780310276999)

"This book contains nearly a thousand quotations from Scripture. I have intentionally varied the Bible translations used... we often miss the full impact of familiar Bible verses, not because of poor translating, but simply because they have become so familiar... Therefore, I have deliberately used paraphrases in order to help you see God's truth in new, fresh ways."

-Rick Warren, *The Purpose Driven Life: What on Earth Am I Here For?*, Kenneth Dorn, 2012, Appendix 3, ISBN: 9780310335504

Rick Warren's foundational training is already based on heresies, and now he's going to mix and match verses from many different new-age versions in order to get the text to say what he wants it to say. What most of Warren's readers actually end up learning is his paraphrasing, which is not the Word of God, and does not contain the truth.



And it's not just Warren's use of new-age versions, he also specifically attacks the King James Bible:

[In Warren's section on "Preaching to the Unchurched," he tells people to:] *"Read Scripture from a newer translation. With all the wonderful translations and paraphrases available today, there is no legitimate reason for complicating the Good News with four-hundred-year-old English. Using the King James Version creates an unnecessary cultural barrier... I once saw an advertisement that claimed if King James were alive today, he'd be reading the New International Version! That's probably true."*

-Rick Warren, *The Purpose Driven Life: Growth Without Compromising Your Message & Mission*, Zondervan, 1995, p. 297, ISBN: 9780310201069

According to Rick Warren, ANY version is acceptable, EXCEPT the King James Bible. However, Warren's precious NIV says: *"I beat my body and make it my slave,"* in 1Cor 9:27, and **the only reason Warren isn't teaching his congregation that they need to flog themselves is because he doesn't "paraphrase" it that way.** (i.e. It doesn't matter what the text says, Warren will go to another version until he finds something he likes.)

Again, I highly recommend reading our article, "[Why I Use The King James Bible](#)," in order to get the full understanding of why Rick Warren is so far out of line here. What he's claiming is preposterous on so many levels, it would take too much space to cover it all in this teaching, but being that the NIV was translated from the corrupt documentation out of the Roman Catholic Church, it's willful ignorance, pride, and laziness that leads people away from the sanctified Word of God in the KJB.

Not only does he turn the Bible into alphabet soup, but Warren (in *The Purpose Driven Life*) also quotes from a long list of incredibly worldly apostates and heretics to back up his claims:

- C.S. Lewis; Pagan author; not a Christian. (p. 37, 39, 50, 55, 80, 98, 131)
(Read *Fantasy Novels: Invitations to Hell - C.S. Lewis*" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)
- Billy Graham; heretic; not a Christian. (p. 125, 231)
(Read *Wolves in Costume: Billy Graham*" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)
- Mother Teresa; Roman Catholic and Pagan; not a Christian. (p. 125, 231)
(Read *Wolves in Costume: Mother Teresa*" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)
- Aldous Huxley; Evolutionist and drug-addict; not a Christian. (p. 248)
- Brother Lawrence; Roman Catholic mystic; not a Christian. (p. 88)
- Madame Guyon; 17th century Roman Catholic mystic; not a Christian. (p. 193)
- Anais Nin; 20th century author of female erotica; not a Christian. (p. 41)
- Henri Nouwen; 20th century Roman Catholic priest; not a Christian. (p. 108, 269)
(See Rick Warren, *The Purpose-Driven Life: What on Earth Am I Here For?*, Zondervan, 2002, ISBN: 9780310205715)

There is a heavily implication in the book that those who would dare to question Rick Warren are people who do not fulfill God's purpose, don't love others, and don't focus on important issues. Warren was asked how he deals with critiques, or in other words, people who would rebuke him for his heresies:

"He advised that if the criticism is true, leaders should listen and learn from it. If it is untrue, ignore it, he added."

-Nicola Menzie, "Rick Warren Talks Leadership Traps, Handling 'Haters and Critics' at Hillsong Conference," *Christian Post*, July 2,

2013, retrieved Jan 7, 2016, [christianpost.com/news/rick-warren-talks-leadership-traps-handling-haters-and-critics-at-hillsong-conference-99247]

For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

-1 Corinthians 1:17

Many people think that a "wise" quote from a man is equivalent to Biblical teaching. It's not. When people focus on the use of "wisdom of words" from men, especially heretics, it makes the cross of Christ of none effect.

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That's obvious for anyone in any field doing anything; he's just giving a vague answer. What I want people to notice is that he doesn't tell them to search the Scriptures for truth, nor does he say that anywhere in the interview, but rather that people decide for themselves if something is true or not. (i.e. If they don't like the message, then it becomes "untrue.")

"Conflict is usually a sign that the focus has shifted to less important issues, things the Bible calls 'disputable matters.' When we focus on personalities, preferences, interpretations, styles, or methods, division always happens. But if we concentrate on loving each other and fulfilling God's purposes, harmony results."

(See Rick Warren, *The Purpose-Driven Life: What on Earth Am I Here For?*, Zondervan, 2002, p. 162, ISBN: 9780310205715)

It's important to point out this commonly-referenced Scripture about "disputable matters" in Romans 14, because that's not what it says.

Him that is weak in the faith receive ye, but not to doubtful disputations. For one believeth that he may eat all things: another, who is weak, eateth herbs. Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and let not him which eateth not judge him that eateth: for God hath received him.

-Romans 14:1-2

I've had numerous preachers (and their wives) use that same phrasing about "disputable matters." Typically, when you hear someone use that phrase, you can tell they've been trained in new-age doctrine. The Bible actually says "doubtful disputations," with doubtful meaning ambiguous,

doubtful (adj): ambiguous, not clear in its meaning, uncertain

disputation (n): argumentation, opposition, controversy

(See 'doubtful' & 'disputation', American Dictionary of the English Language, Noah Webster, 1828, retrieved Mar 12, 2016 [webstersdictionary1828.com])

A man who approaches others with vague accusations is an example of a man who is of doubtful disputation, and we are not to receive those men, but if it's over something simple like the eating of meat, there ought not to be bickering among one another. I've heard people condemn those who eat meat, and other people condemn those who don't eat meat; yes, I've heard both sides of the coin from different preachers. These are the doubtful disputations Paul is referring to, men coming to one another with vague accusations that neither party can prove, but that's not what Rick Warren is talking about.

Warren takes the phrase "disputable matters" from a new-age version, and that phrase has a completely different meaning; a subjective one. In other words, Warren may listen to the Biblical rebuke of someone exposing his heresy, but he will ignore it because he will call it a "disputable matter," or a matter that is not worth calling into question.

What Warren ignores are these verses:

Then Jesus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees... Then understood they how that he bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

-Matthew 16:6-12

For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision: Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake... This witness is true. Wherefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith;

-Titus 1:10-13

Them that sin rebuke before all, that others also may fear. I charge thee before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the elect angels, that thou observe these things without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality [i.e. playing favorites].

-1 Timothy 5:20-21

And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them... But all things that are reproved are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light.

-Ephesians 5:11-13

"Nothing on earth is more valuable to God than his church. He paid the highest price for it, and he wants it protected, especially from the devastating damage that is caused by division, conflict, and disharmony."

(See Rick Warren, *The Purpose-Driven Life: What on Earth Am I Here For?*, Zondervan, 2002, p. 162, ISBN: 9780310205715)

Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, **Nay; but rather division:** For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three.

-Luke 12:51

Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences **contrary to the doctrine** which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.

-Romans 16:17-18

Notice the words "*contrary to*," which means there is an offense and division that of the Lord Jesus Christ, and an offense and division contrary to (or against) the Lord Jesus Christ. Rick Warren believes that all division is bad, and that's because he's not of God and has no idea what sanctification means in the Bible.

(Read "Did Christ Come to Bring Peace?" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

When Warren says that division causes "devastating damage," he is (in his ignorance) accusing Jesus Christ of doing devastating damage to His own Church. It's no wonder he would make such statements when he eliminates the Biblical concept of righteous judgment in his teachings: "God warns us over and over not to criticize, compare, or judge each other... When you criticize what another believer is doing in faith and from sincere conviction, you are interfering with God's business."

(See Rick Warren, *The Purpose-Driven Life: What on Earth Am I Here For?*, Zondervan, 2002, p. 164, ISBN: 9780310205715)

In case you didn't fully understand what Warren just said: If anyone says to you, "*God told me this*," you are not to question them under any circumstance, or you are not following God. In fact, not only are you not following God for daring to question the man/woman that said this to you, but you're actually working against God; that's Warren's teaching.

But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But **he that is spiritual judgeth all things**, yet he himself is judged of no man.

-1 Corinthians 2:14-15

Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.

-John 7:24

Yea, and why even of yourselves judge ye not what is right?

-Luke 12:57

Warren has to destroy the concept of Biblical judgment because if people start doing it, they'll realize he's a fraud. That's why he has to keep people away from sanctification, and why he has to juggle many new-age bible versions, so people will not have knowledge of the Christian God of the Bible, following Warren instead of Christ. Repentance, sanctification, discernment; all these things require righteous judgment learned from the Word of God, and Warren turns people from these things into his "purpose-driven" cult.

(Read "Unbiblical Cop-Outs: Don't Judge Me!" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

Rick Warren has not only stripped the important distinguishing qualities of a Christian from his "ministry," but he has also taught church buildings to restructure everything they do to make it more attractive to the world. Noah Hutchings wrote a book called *The Dark Side of the Purpose Driven Church*, in which he studied the hidden structure in which pastors are encouraged to completely change the way their church building operates. He describes 24 general changes church buildings need to make to become a Rick Warren church, which I would like to review.

-Noah Hutchings, *The Purpose-Driven Plan to Destroy The Church*, retrieved Jan 7, 2016, [swrc.com/media/pdfs/Going%20PDC.pdf]

- "1. Change in music to a contemporary rock style."

Warren wants to use things that sound more appealing to the world.



- "2. Removal of hymn books; eliminating the choir."

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

-1 John 2:15

Warren loves the world, and the things of the world, and he wants followers who love the world and the things of the world. These are the beginning steps of gathering together false converts.

(Read "What's Wrong With Christian Rock?" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

A choir is totally unnecessary in the first place, so that doesn't really matter. However, the removal of hymn books is important to Warren because many of those hymns have phrasing that borrows from the King James Bible, and as we read earlier, he doesn't want people reading it.

- "3. Replacement of organ and piano with heavy metal instruments."

I want to make sure the reader understands that one of the first things Warren targets is the music because he knows it can be used to manipulate crowds. Music can be a wonderful tool, or it can be a hypnotic deception.

- "4. Repetitive singing of praise lyrics."

This is what the Bible refers to as "vain repetitions."

But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.

-Matthew 6:7

There's nothing wrong with singing a song, don't misunderstand, but the purpose of this repetitiveness is to deceive the people. A good preacher I used to know called this "7-11 music," or in other words, it's seven words repeated eleven times. That kind of music has no substance for understanding, but it is rather designed to put people in a trance of emotion in their hearts.

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

-Jeremiah 17:9

He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.

-Proverbs 28:26

Brethren, be not children in understanding: howbeit in malice be ye children, but in understanding be men.

-1 Corinthians 14:20

These vain repetitions Warren is introducing are seen in wicked religions all around the world, including Catholicism, Islam, and Buddhism. Hindus call it a "mantra," which is words or sounds repeated over and over. The more this is done, the more someone relies on the feelings of their heart instead of the understanding of their minds.

- "5. Dressing down to casual and informal attire."

Some readers may object to me saying this, but this one never really struck me as evil in any way, although it would depend on what he means by "dressing down." If it includes inappropriate dress, either through images on the clothing, or a lack of clothing in areas that would require it, then I would be strictly against it. However, the main point is that Warren wants people to come as they are, but more importantly, to *STAY* as they are, and that's the heresy.

They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

-John 17:16

It's not that "dressing down" necessarily makes an individual more like the world, but in this particular instance, Warren is trying to get all church-goers and non-church-goers alike to dress the same, to make them equal, so there is no difference between the members of the church building and the outsiders. In short, it's another way to get Warren's church to look more like the world.

- "6. Eliminating of business meetings, church committees, council of elders, board of deacons, etc."

This one sounds great initially, for those of us who understand the wickedness of 501c3, but keep in mind, Warren is focusing this specifically onto 501c3 church buildings. What he's really doing is attempting to eliminate the elders, which is more heresy, and emphasize a single-head authority under the pastor (i.e. himself), which is no different than a priesthood.

(Read "Is the One-Pastor Church System Biblical?" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

- "7. The pastor, or a new leader with a few assistants, usually four, takes charge of all church business."

See what I mean? His goal is to have a chief take dominion over the church buildings.

But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

-Matthew 20:25-28

It's not difficult to see where Warren is going with this, and it's the complete opposite of what Christ taught us.

- "8. A repetitive 40-day Purpose Driven Church study program stressing psychological relationships with each other, the community, or the world, begins."

Repetitive means that they keep the program on cycle continually and this study program is founded on the principles Warren has laid out in his so-called "Peace Plan."

Warren & Satan's PEACE Plan

"The P.E.A.C.E. Plan, a 'Purpose-driven-Missions' Global plan started by mega-church pastor Rick Warren, is a massive outreach effort led by small groups to fight the five major global evil giants of today – spiritual blindness (emptiness), corrupt leadership, poverty, disease, and ignorance (illiteracy) – through the strategies and means of church planting, servant-leaders equipping, assisting the poor, caring for the sick and educating the next generation, respectively. 'This is why God made me,' says Warren, according to Purpose Driven ministries. 'Everything else I have done was simply preparation for the PEACE Plan.'"

-Pearl Onishi, "P.E.A.C.E. Plan to be Revealed at Pilot Briefing," Christian Post, Sept 2, 2005, retrieved Jan 7, 2016,

[christianpost.com/news/p-e-a-c-e-plan-to-be-revealed-at-pilot-briefing-3836]

It sounds so good on the surface, but as we've already seen, Rick Warren has a perverted version of "spiritual sight" and "good leadership." The problem is that those who would teach the truth of Christ's Gospel are considered "spiritually blind" and "corrupt people" in the eyes of Rick Warren, because those born-again Christians have learned from the Word of God that division and sanctification is necessary to keep the Body of Christ pure, holy, and presentable before the Lord Jesus Christ. (Read "Did Christ Come to Bring Peace?" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

Warren announced his peace plan at his 25th Saddleback Church anniversary, and opened the service by singing Jimi Hendrix's *Purple Haze*.

"'You know,' Warren said, grabbing the microphone, 'there are two things I've always wanted to do in a stadium.' He turned his body sideways, playing an imaginary guitar, and belted out the first few lines of Jimi Hendrix's 'Purple Haze.'"

-Malcolm Gladwell, "The Cellular Church: How Rick Warren's congregation grew," *The New Yorker*, Sept 12, 2005, retrieved Jan 12, 2016, [newyorker.com/magazine/2005/09/12/the-cellular-church]

The demon-possessed Jimi Hendrix said:

"Things like witchcraft, which is a form of exploration and imagination, have been banned by the establishment and called evil. It's because people are frightened to find out the full power of the mind."

-Jimi Hendrix, quoted by Curtis Knight, *Jimi: An Intimate Biography of Jimi Hendrix*, Praeger, 1974, p. 127, ISBN: 9780275198800

"I can explain everything better through music. You hypnotize people and when you get people at their weakest point, you can preach into the subconscious what we want to say. That's why the name 'electric church' flashes in and out."

-Jimi Hendrix, "An Infinity of Jimis," *LIFE Magazine*, Vol. 67, No. 14, Tim Inc, Oct 3, 1969, p. 74, ISSN: 0024-3019



Warren starts off by quoting the words of devils, then later tells everyone in his audience:

"My hope is for a new reformation in the Church and a new spiritual awakening throughout the world."

-Rick Warren, quoted by Dan Wooding, "Author of Purpose Driven Life, Rick Warren, Unveils Peace Plan to Mobilize One Billion Believers in a Worldwide Spiritual Awakening," *Breaking Christian News*, Apr 18, 2005, retrieved Jan 12, 2016, [breakingchristiannews.com/articles/display_art.html?ID=563]

Understand that most of what Warren says is vague and can be interpreted in a variety of ways. It is precisely this vagueness that allows all pagan unbelievers everywhere, even those who falsely claim to be of Christ, to be united under a common belief of "change," but vague change, just like Barack Obama and his "change" campaign.

Rick Warren's peace plan has nothing to do with belief and doctrine of Christ, to lead sinners to repentance, but rather, it is founded on works:

"I'm looking for a second reformation. The first reformation of the church 500 years ago was about beliefs. This one is going to be about behavior. The first one was about creeds. This one is going to be about deeds. It is not going to be about what does the church believe, but about what is the church doing."

-Rick Warren, "Rick Warren's Second Reformation," *Belief Net*, retrieved Jan 12, 2015, [beliefnet.com/Faiths/Christianity/2005/10/Rick-Warrens-Second-Reformation.aspx]

Then Jesus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees. And they reasoned among themselves, saying, It is because we have taken no bread. Which when Jesus perceived, he said unto them, O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread?... Then understood they how that he bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

-Matthew 16:5-12

But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven

against men: for ye neither go in yourselves, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in... Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves... Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess. Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness.

-Matthew 23:13-27

As we have already read, Rick Warren yokes together with Hindus, Muslims, atheists, and any other brand of wicked thinking and practices to accomplish his goals for a false peace founded on a lies. He is the embodiment of the hypocrite Christ is accusing for being inwardly dead in his sins, on his way to hell, helping others into the lake of fire, and still working to make himself appear clean on the outside, taking the name of the Lord Jesus Christ in vain by calling himself a "Christian."

Like Billy Graham and Robert Schuller before him, Rick Warren is yet another stepping stone for the world to walk the path to the one-world religion and one-world order of the final antichrist.

- "9. Funded budgeted programs are abandoned, or ignored, with ambiguous financial reports made."

First, let's make sure we know what ambiguous means:

ambiguous (adj): open to or having several possible meanings or interpretations; lacking clearness or definiteness; difficult to comprehend; uncertain
(See 'ambiguous', Random House Dictionary, 2016, [www.dictionary.com]; See also Collins English Dictionary, 10th Edition, William Collins Sons & Co, 2012)

The financial reports will be fairly vague to all the church-goers. Many of the programs a church building has will get abandoned because the pastor now gets to decide where all money goes, and everything will be focused on tithe instead of charity, but also any financial reports must not give specific details that would cause anyone to doubt that the pastor is doing what's right. (i.e. deception to keep the masses in line)

(Read "Is Tithe a Christian Requirement?" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

- "10. Sunday morning, evening, and/or Wednesday prayer meetings are changed to other times; some may even be eliminated."

The rearranging of prayer meetings is to get people off of regular prayer that is not personally overseen and approved by the commander-in-chief pastor. This pastor will even eliminate prayer meetings if he deems them to be a threat to his authority, or a conflict of interest to the false converts he's trying to gather together.

- "11. Sunday School teachers are moved to different classes, or replaced by new teachers more sympathetic with the changes being implemented."

If you're a Bible-believing born-again Christian working to educate others on the doctrines of Christ, which conflict with Rick Warren's teachings, then you will be removed from teaching and replaced with someone who is on board with Rick Warren's one-world goals. In other words, if you rightly divide the word of truth, you'll be kicked out.

- "12. The name "Sunday School" is dropped and classes are given new names."

I really don't care what they're called, and I don't believe the Lord Jesus Christ does either. However, what we need to keep in mind about this is *NOT* whether or not "Sunday School" is some kind of holy name that cannot change; this is about Rick Warren seeking to make the church buildings more of the world than ever before. Warren simply wants worldly unbelievers to be comfortable coming into his buildings and giving money to be entertained and uplifted in their sin.

- "13. Crosses and other traditional Christian symbols may be moved from both the inside and outside of the church building. The pulpit may also be removed."

First, concerning the symbols, I'm actually in strong favor of that, but not for the same reasons as Warren. In our teaching on symbols, we have demonstrated that the so-called "Christian" symbols, like the cross and "Jesus fish," are actually pagan in origin and nature, and the Bible specifically points out that we ought not to use and refer to those things as

"Christian" in any sense. Warren is not removing these symbols for the purpose of cleansing the church because he falsely believes that these symbols are Christian symbols; but rather what he is doing is trying to disconnect every idea about Christianity in the Bible from the church buildings in order to get them to appeal more to worldly, sinful people. (i.e. He's doing the right thing in this instance, but for the wrong reason; which doesn't make it right.)

(Read "Christian Symbols Are Not Christian" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.

-Acts 17:29

More evidence of Warren's disconnection to Christianity is the removal of the pulpits. The pulpit was originally designed as a podium to place the Bible on (back when Bibles used to be really big, much bigger than Bibles we see today), so everyone could hear the reading of the Word of God, and thus, Warren wants to eliminate that concept of Scripture reading. (i.e. Although it is not wrong to remove them, he's doing it for the wrong reasons.)

- "14. In accordance with Dr. Warren's instructions, new version Bibles are used; or only verses flashed on a screen are referenced during regular services."

We covered this earlier, that Rick Warren doesn't want anyone reading the King James Bible, so he puts everyone under whatever new-age version he feels like quoting at the time. It creates a false unity under Warren's paraphrasing, instead of unity on the preserved Word of God.

- "15. Purpose Driven Church films, purchased from Saddleback, precede or are used during regular services."

Warren has to make sure that all pastors use his videos to subliminally control the audience with his false message.

- "16. The decor, including the carpets, may be changed to eliminate any resemblance to the former church."

Again, this is another one that doesn't matter. The church buildings themselves are a senseless overhead that is unnecessary, and typically houses false converts who don't understand that the temple of God is in the body, not a building. These are costs that are a complete waste in the eyes of the Lord Jesus Christ, and no amount of decor and carpeting is going to save people from the wrath of God.

- "17. The word 'church' is often taken from the name of the church, and the church may be called a 'campus'. Denominational names may also be removed."

Again, the name of something or a denomination, all of these things are frivolous and vanity, but because they carry a "Christian" connotation in the eyes of the public, therefore, Warren wants to disassociate his cult from them.

- "18. An emphasis on more fun and party sessions for the youth."

Because what the Bible says is irrelevant according to Warren:

Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded. Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.

-James 4:8-10

Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

-Galatians 5:19-21

revel (v): to feast with loose and clamorous merriment

(See 'perish', *American Dictionary of the English Language*, Noah Webster, 1828, retrieved Jan 12, 2016 [webstersdictionary1828.com])

Though the Bible says to mourn and weep and be afflicted for the purpose of humbling ourselves before God and the truth of His Word, Warren wants lead these teenagers deeper into the world by cranking up the parties and encouraging the reveling. Increasing the parties, music, and other worldly inventions keeps people from examining themselves.

Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

-2 Corinthians 13:5

reprobate (n): a person abandoned to sin

(See 'reprobate', *American Dictionary of the English Language*, Noah Webster, 1828, retrieved Jan 12, 2016 [webstersdictionary1828.com])

Warren simply wants a mega-church in which people come in with their sins, and learn to justify their sins by getting approval of their sins by a priest overseer they call "pastor." This will be incredibly appealing to a lustful, untempered crowd of young men and women.

- "19. Elimination of altar calls or salvation invitations at the close of the services."

The altar calls are totally unbiblical anyway, but the message of salvation by the Lord Jesus Christ needs to be removed from Warren's church buildings because they don't match the Hindu and Muslim ways. Anything that would eliminate paganism from the church (e.g. the Word of God) must be removed from Warren's organization.

- "20. The elimination of such words as 'unsaved,' 'lost,' 'sin,' 'Hell,' 'Heaven,' and other Gospel verities from the pastor's messages."

There is no such thing as an unsaved person in Warren's eyes. Sure, Warren has spoken of hell, but he also believes everyone goes to heaven eventually, so there's a problem.

I had originally prepared a bunch of quotations here on a teaching Rick Warren did called "How to Be Certain You're Going to Heaven," but I decided not to quote anything specific in it because it was a total waste of my time in which he didn't actually answer that question as much as he addressed the question, "How to know if God loves you." After putting up with a half hour of his boasting about football stars calling him, and his three-minute long commercials with the "buy our stuff" message, in short, he answered the question of how to know God loves you by saying: *"He wants you to feel it; to experience it; to understand it; to feel it in your soul. Most people have never felt the unconditional love of God. Because when you feel it, it transforms your life... the day you actually feel totally loved by God, after that day, you will never again have to deal with inferiority, or insecurity, or low self-esteem, or the depression that comes from a feeling of worthlessness."*

-Rick Warren, "How to Be Certain You're Going to Heaven," *Daily Hope with Rick Warren*, Part 1, Jan 12, 2015, [rickwarren.org/listen/player/?bid=3bde68cd-2242-42e9-8970-1f9c4391cb3b]

This message is the "feel-good" message that is in direct opposition to the Word of God. There is no repentance of sin whatsoever.

O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?

-Romans 7:24

Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

-Revelation 3:17

Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged.

-Isaiah 51:1

What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

-Psalm 8:4

And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

-Acts 17:30

Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.

-Acts 8:22

Warren preaches a message that God does not hate any man, and that is simply not true.

These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.

-Proverbs 6:16-19

As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.

-Romans 9:13

So not only does Rick Warren have no understanding of what love is in the Bible, but he also doesn't answer the question for people about how they can know they're going to heaven. He automatically assumes everyone who listens to him is saved and going to heaven, and they just need to trust in their hearts to "feel" a warm, happy fun-time feeling inside, and if they feel that, then they're going to heaven.

He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.

-Proverbs 28:26

I would highly recommend readers to check out our article "[False Doctrine: Learn to Love Yourself](#)," and study the Word of God carefully about the definitions of love in Scripture. This false doctrine is no different than [Mormonism](#), when they say in order to know if their church is true, you need feel a "burning in the bosom."

- "21. The reclassification of the saved and lost to the 'churched' and 'unchurched.'"

In Warren's eyes, no one is saved or unsaved, you simply go to church, or you don't. The beliefs do not matter to Warren, and more evidence of this was presented during his speech to a "Faith Angle" conference in Florida, 2005:

"So then I asked myself, what kind of church are we going to be? And I decided, why don't we be a church for people who hate church? And so I went out and for twelve weeks I went door to door, and I knocked on homes for about 12 weeks and just took an opinion poll. I had a survey with me. I just said, 'My name is Rick Warren. I'm not here to sell you anything, I'm not here to convert you, I'm not here to witness to you. I just want to ask you three or four questions. Question number one: Are you an active member of a local church – of any kind of religion – synagogue, mosque, whatever?' If they said yes, I said, 'Great, God bless you, keep going,' and I politely excused myself and went to the next home. When I'd find somebody who'd say, 'No, I don't go anywhere,' I'd say, 'Perfect; you're just the kind of guy I want to talk to. This is great, you don't go anywhere. So let me ask you a question. Why do you think most people don't attend church?' And I just wrote the answers down. I asked, 'If you were looking for a church, what kind of things would you look for?' And I'd just list them."

-Rick Warren, "Myths of the Modern Megachurch," *Pew Research Center*, May 23, 2005, retrieved Jan 13, 2015, [pewforum.org/2005/05/23/myths-of-the-modern-megachurch]

Warren believes in a philosophy of the devil that says if you go to church, you go to heaven, so to him, it's simply a matter of making the church like the world so people go to church. It's ridiculous, childish, and totally heretical to any teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ, but Warren believes it anyway because he doesn't have a love of the truth.

And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

-2 Thessalonians 2:10

In case anyone reading this is still wondering why Rick Warren's church is so worldly, wonder no more. He went directly to his true master, the world, to get his foundation for his church building.

- "22. The marginalizing, or ostracizing, of all who are not avid promoters of the new Purpose Driven Program."

If you're not with Warren, you're with the terrorists -- just kidding. However, it's partially true. They won't kick anyone out of their church building because after all, it's all-inclusive, but they shun anyone who doesn't agree with every word of Rick Warren.

- "23. Closed meetings between the pastor or chosen staff members without any reports made to the

general membership."

You can't know what they're doing or why they're doing it. The only knowledge you will get is what Rick Warren wants you to hear.

Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.

-Jeremiah 17:5

In Warren's church building, you have no choice but to put your trust in him.

- "24. Open hostility to members who do not openly embrace the new program, or who may have left for another church."

This is exactly how ex-Mormons have been treated, or anyone else who has been involved in a cult and left, but it doesn't stop there. Hutchings continues to describe the program, that church building leaders are encouraged to round up and force out anyone who would dare stand up in righteous rebuke of these heretical changes:

"Church Transitions, an associate of Saddleback Church in California, trains the clique initiating the change in eight published steps. The church membership is not to be informed of the transition until the fourth step. After the sixth step in the process of change, if there are some in the church who voice concerns, the following is suggested:



1. Identify those who are resisting the changes;
2. Assess the effectiveness of their opposition;
3. Befriend those who are undecided about the changes;
4. Marginalize more persistent resisters;
5. Vilify those who stay and fight;
6. Establish new rules that will silence all resistance."

-Noah Hutchings, *The Purpose-Driven Plan to Destroy The Church*, retrieved Jan 7, 2016, [swrc.com/media/pdfs/Going%20PDC.pdf]

Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

-Matthew 5:11

Warren's church is "united" because they have eliminated any opposition, leaving the press with the false appearance of unity because there's no one else left to object. This is precisely how dictators are installed in governments, and how corporate cartels push out the competition, so it leaves us begging the question: Where did Rick Warren learn all this?

The Origins of Warren's Philosophy

There are two primary people that Rick Warren learned his philosophy [i.e. his way of thinking], and one of them is the heretic Robert Schuller:

"An indisputed fact is that I am the founder, really, of the church-growth movement in this country... I advocated and launched what has become known as the marketing approach in Christianity... The secret of winning unchurched people into the church is really quite simple. Find out what would impress the nonchurched in your community and then shape your church to meet their expectations."

-Robert Schuller, quoted by Gregory A. Pritchard, *Willow Creek Seeker Services: Evaluating a New Way of Doing Church*, Baker Books, 1995, p. 51 ISBN: 9781441215239

This connection between Warren and Schuller is not well-known today because Warren has made effort to cover up his connection to Schuller. For example, World Net Daily reported in their interview with Warren:

"[Warren said:] 'I always own up to mistakes that I actually do. I just won't own up to mistakes that weren't really a mistake.' Many false claims, he contended, have taken on a life of their own on Internet blogs, such as assertions he was mentored by positive-thinking pastor Robert Schuller... 'I've only met Robert Schuller twice, I believe. I've never had a one-on-one conversation with him. Not once. So how do I even know him?'"

-Art Moore, "Rick Warren: 'I Always Own Up to Mistakes'," *World Net Daily*, Dec 11, 2007, retrieved Jan 13, 2016, [wnd.com/2007/12/44969]

I have no doubt that Rick Warren owns up to his mistakes (not his lies though; he does those intentionally), and I wouldn't argue that he hasn't had a one-on-one conversation with Schuller. However, he doesn't have to have met Robert Schuller in order to have been heavily influenced by his doctrine. Rick's wife Kay gave us more detailed information than Rick was willing to share:

"During his last year in seminary, he and Kay drove west to visit Robert Schuller's Institute for Church Growth. 'We had a very stony ride out to the conference,' she says, because such nontraditional ministry scared her to death. Schuller, though, won them over. 'He had a profound influence on Rick,' Kay says. 'We were captivated by his positive appeal to nonbelievers. I never looked back.'"

-Tim Stafford, "A Regular Purpose-Driven Guy: Rick Warren's genius is in helping pastors see the obvious," *Christianity Today*, Nov 18, 2002, retrieved Jan 8, 2016, [christianitytoday.com/ct/2002/november18/1.42.html?start=3]



Warren is being very careful with his words, knowing that if he says he never had a one-on-one conversation with Schuller, then people will walk away thinking there is no connection between him and Schuller, and people like me are just liars. I have never met and shook hands with Paul the apostle of Christ, but I have been heavily influenced by the things he wrote in the Word of God, and likewise, Warren was heavily influenced by Robert Schuller.

Schuller said:

"What has been accomplished already through this church is phenomenal because of the dedicated members and friends we have. I see the results today of the Institute for Successful Church Leadership which we dared to launch 35 years ago and it is still going strong. Here ministers are inspired to believe in their dreams and to present the good news of the gospel in positive terms. And some of those students are well-known... there's Rick Warren, a pastor who today is phenomenal. He came to our institute time after time. And in 'Christianity Today,' his wife was quoted as saying, 'When we came to that institute, we were blown away.' How God has blessed him. And today Rick Warren is blessing millions of people."

-Robert Schuller, "What Will Be The Future of This Ministry?" *Hour of Power*, May 15, 2004, retrieved Jan 13, 2015, [hourofpower.org.hk/data/readdata100/readeng-129-text.html]

In fact, Robert Schuller is quoted at the beginning of Rick Warren's book, *The Purpose Driven Church*:

"I'm praying that every pastor will read this book, believe it, be prepared to stand corrected by it, and change to match its sound, scriptural wisdom. Rick Warren is the one all of us should listen to and learn from."

-Robert H. Schuller, quoted by Rick Warren, *The Purpose Driven Church: Growth Without Compromising Your Message and Mission*, Zondervan, 2007, ISBN: 9780310294085

Many people don't realize that Warren graduated from Schuller's school. This author noted something interesting posted on Robert Schuller's website back in 2004:

"You're Invited to Discover a Fantastic New Dream for Your Church! The theme for 2004 Robert H. Schuller Institute for Successful Church Leadership is, If You Can Dream It You Can Do It! Dare to dream that your church can overcome, can succeed, and can make a difference in your community and in your world today... Send your pastors and lay church leaders to the 34th Robert H. Schuller Institute for Successful Church Leadership; which brings together the most prominent pastors who make faith come alive in some of the country's largest churches, like Bill Hybels of Willow Creek Community Church, and Rick Warren of Saddleback Church, both graduates of the Institute."

-Warren Smith, *Deceived on Purpose*, Mountain Stream Press, 2004, p. 80, ISBN: 0-9763492-0-5

So I went to the *Hour of Power* website, and found this from Schuller:

"The Institute [for Successful Church Leadership] was started out of my love and concern for the pastors and churches that were coming to me for help. Since its beginning, some 50,000 pastors have come and heard the principles for church growth. Among those who attended in those first years are today the pastors of the largest churches in America, including Bill Hybels and Rick Warren..."

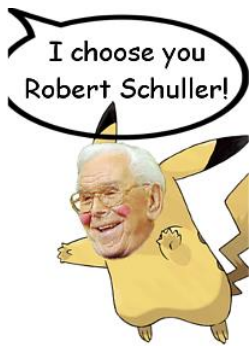
-Robert H. Schuller, "The Shoe Can't Tell The Foot How Big To Grow," Jan 10, 2010, retrieved Dec 31, 2014, [www.hourofpower.org/messages/detail.php?contentid=5222]

From personal speculation, I believe the reason Warren has disconnected from Schuller is because Schuller ran a very traditional Catholic-style church building. (Most church buildings today are designed after the Catholic Church and they

are blind to it.) Because Warren wants to disconnect from anything considered tradition, he also wants to disconnect from Schuller. I also believe it's partially because Rick Warren wants to get credit for coming up with all this himself, since he loves to be glorified before men.

For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
-2 Timothy 3:2

This brings us to our next point about the self-esteem doctrine. There are many areas where the teachings of Robert Schuller and Rick Warren line up perfectly, and this is because there is a commonality in philosophy.



"God chooses us to serve his purpose. 'You did not choose me, but I chose you.' Our self-esteem is rooted in our divine call. God's dream for our life and work gives purpose and pride to our life..."

-Robert H. Schuller, *Here's Happiness*, C.R. Gibson Company, 1987, p. 1, ISBN: 9780837818269

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.
-1 John 2:15-16

The self-esteem movement is precisely fulfilling the prophecy of 2 Timothy that men would love themselves. Rick Warren and Robert Schuller have this in common.

"I don't know any better antidote to low self-esteem than to read God's Word every day... and apply it in your life."

-Rick Warren, "Eliminate Negative Self-Talk," *Daily Hope with Rick Warren*, May 21, 2014, retrieved Jan 13, 2016, [rickwarren.org/devotional/english/eliminate-negative-self-talk_255]

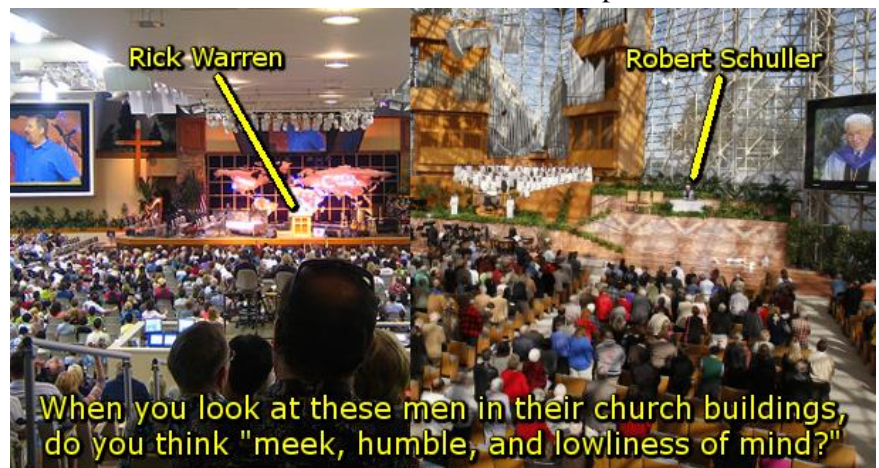
But the Bible tells me the opposite:

Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.
-Phillipians 2:3-4

Neither Schuller nor Warren teaches a lowliness of mind, to esteem others better than ourselves in humility. If someone reads the actual preserved Word of God in the KJB, they will come away lowly esteeming themselves, which is yet another reason why Warren wants people to throw away the King James Bible.

Furthermore, the grand reputations they have formed for themselves, is condemned in the same chapter:

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.
-Phillipians 2:5-8



We quote Robert Schuller in "[Wolves in](#)

[Costume: Billy Graham](#)" and provided video of a live interview between Graham and Schuller in which both of them asserted that all men everywhere would get to heaven by any means, no matter which false doctrine they followed. To Schuller, it's all about making people feel good, and never preaching to them the truth about their sin, as he demonstrated on a Larry King Live interview:

"KING: To Victoria, British Columbia, hello.

CALLER: I'd like to know what your position is on gay marriage. I'm not actually a Christian but I was wondering what

your positions are.

SCHULLER: *I am addicted to excellence, totally committed to excellence. That's where I'm coming from. It's a different position on this and any time there's a controversy, choose the interpretation that is more excellent. And I feel that heterosexual marriage is the more excellent way, and it surely is approved holy by the Holy Bible, and it holds so many more possibilities... I want you to know we've had homosexuals as representatives of our church the last 40 years."*

-Larry King & Robert H. Schuller, "Interview with Former President George H.W. Bush; Evangelists Robert Schuller and Son Discuss Ministry," Jan 23, 2006, retrieved Dec 31, 2014, [transcripts.cnn.com/TRANSCRIPTS/0601/23/kl.01.html]

Schuller has the same "come as you are and stay as you are" doctrine that eliminates any repentance. Warren follows along:

"During an interview this week with the Huffington Post... Hill asked Warren if he believes homosexuals will go to Hell, he replied that they will not. 'No, not because they're gay,' he said. 'We go to Hell because we choose to reject the grace of God.' When Hill asked what happens to a homosexual that accepts Jesus, Warren responded enthusiastically. 'He's going to Heaven!' he declared. 'Without a doubt.'"

-Heather Clark, "Rick Warren Uncertain if Homosexual Behavior is Sinful, Says 'Gays' Go to Heaven," *Christian News*, Nov 29, 2012, retrieved Jan 13, 2016, [christiannews.net/2012/11/29/rick-warren-uncertain-if-homosexual-behavior-is-sinful-says-gays-go-to-heaven]

Again, Warren excludes repentance, and the vague term "acceptance" is applied to everyone who says "I accept God." He believes that a person who claims to be of Christ, and actively lives a sodomite lifestyle, is of God. Warren makes specific effort to yoke himself together with sodomites like Elton John, who asked Warren what would happen if they kissed, to which Warren (jokingly) replied it would be: *"The kiss heard 'round the world."*

-Rick Warren, quoted by Anugrah Kumar, "Rick Warren Says Foreign Gov'ts 'Not Nearly as Afraid of the Church as' US; Testifies With Elton John to Urge Congress Not to Cut AIDS Funding," *Christian Post*, May 7, 2015, retrieved Jan 13, 2016, [christianpost.com/news/rick-warren-foreign-govts-not-nearly-as-afraid-of-the-church-as-us-testifies-with-elton-john-to-urge-congress-not-to-cut-aids-funding-138772]

Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

-1 Corinthians 6:9-11

The media, defending Warren, says he was just joking and they attack terrible people like me who would dare to call him out on comments like this, but if an actress walked up to Warren and said, "What if you raped me right now," and Warren jokingly replied, "I think I'd really enjoy it," people would suddenly find that to be very offensive and suspicious. However, since the "gay agenda" is such a hot topic in the mainstream right now, anyone can say anything they want in support of gays, and the wicked media is always there to back them up with flattering words.

Schuller and Rick Warren both follow pantheistic teaching that we covered above:

"Yes, God is alive and He is in every single human being!"

-Robert H. Schuller, "The Hour of Power," broadcast Nov 9, 2003

He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

-1 John 4:8

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

-1 John 2:15

There are very few doctrines that Robert Schuller taught that Rick Warren does not currently teach, or at least support in the same manner. However, Robert Schuller hit bankruptcy, whereas Rick Warren is flourishing, and the difference between them leads us to Warren's next influence, Peter Drucker:

"During the inaugural Peter Drucker Forum in Vienna celebrating Drucker's 100th birthday in 2009, Rick Warren, author of The Purpose Driven Life and founding pastor of the Saddleback Church in Lake Forest, Calif., talked about his mentor's breadth of influence. I'm often embarrassed at how often I quote Peter Drucker,' Warren said. 'He had a way of saying things simply. Peter was far more than the founder of modern management, far more than a brilliant man, one of

the greatest minds of the 20th century. He was a great soul. If I summed up Peter's life in three words, it would be integrity, humility and generosity... Peter was the only truly Renaissance man I've ever known. He had a way of looking at the world in a systems view that said it all matters."

-John H. Ostdick, "Peter Drucker: The Father of Management Theory," *Success*, June 7, 2010, retrieved Jan 13, 2016, [success.com/article/peter-drucker-the-father-of-management-theory]

"Peter Drucker was actually my mentor for about 25 years, and his birthday is coming up next week – his 100th birthday. He died five years ago at 95, and I spent 25 years going to his house, sitting with him, talking with him on leadership. He had a profound influence on my life. And they asked me to be the keynote speaker in his hometown in Vienna. So I'm going to do that in Austria next week."

-Rick Warren, quoted in transcript, "The Future of Evangelicals: A Conversation with Pastor Rick Warren," *Pew Research Center*, Nov 13, 2009, retrieved Jan 13, 2016, [pewforum.org/2009/11/13/the-future-of-evangelicals-a-conversation-with-pastor-rick-warren]

Warren attempts to deny the years of influence he received from Robert Schuller, but is very open about his 25 years of influence from Peter Drucker. Who is Drucker, and why is he so important to Rick?

The Drucker Institute's official website gives us an overview:

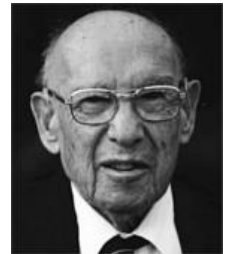
"Peter F. Drucker was a writer, professor, management consultant and self-described 'social ecologist,' who explored the way human beings organize themselves and interact much the way an ecologist would observe and analyze the biological world. Hailed by BusinessWeek as 'the man who invented management,' Drucker directly influenced a huge number of leaders from a wide range of organizations across all sectors of society. Among the many: General Electric, IBM, Intel, Procter & Gamble, Girl Scouts of the USA, The Salvation Army, Red Cross, United Farm Workers and several presidential administrations."

-Drucker Institute, "Peter Drucker's Life and Legacy," retrieved Jan 14, 2016, [druckerinstitute.com/peter-druckers-life-and-legacy]

In case you may not understand from the description on his website, Drucker helped to make several major wicked corporate cartels into what they are today. (e.g. P&G, GE, etc) Drucker's goal was to aid those who wished to destroy the free market economy the U.S. once had:

"Every few hundred years in Western history there occurs a sharp transformation... Within a few short decades, society rearranges itself--it's worldview; its basic values: its social and political structures; its arts; its key institutions. Fifty years later, there is a new world. And the people born then cannot even imagine the world in which their grandparents lived... We are currently living through just such a transformation. It is creating the post-capitalist society."

-Peter Drucker, quoted in *Business 2.0*, Vol. 3, Imagine Media, 1998, p. 125, [University of Minnesota]



What readers need to understand is that Drucker, for the most part, invented what we know as the corporate business structure and methods that we experience today in the work place. All the frustrations we have expressed about companies not concerned about their workers, workers' input being ignored and more focus put on company policy instead, and the general management that many people complain about when working for a company is mostly thanks to Drucker's influence into the philosophy of business.

Drucker's overall philosophy was that the individual worker was irrelevant, and that companies should push a worker's focus into being a part of something bigger than themselves, creating a false feeling of importance, so that they can feel fulfilled to somehow change the world in their otherwise meaningless lives if they simply adhere to company goals. In short, the vision of the company CEO is paramount, and workers should feel important that they carry out his/her vision. Based on everything we've read about Rick Warren so far, this should be making a lot of sense to readers, since his entire "Purpose Driven Church" is based on that same concept.

Later in his life, Drucker, desiring to make a difference in the world, slightly turned from the corporate businesses, and focused his attention to non-profit corporations. He believed that non-profit church corporations (i.e. mega-churches) could solve the problems of the world by developing in the same way as the business corporation.

(Read "[501c3: The Devil's Church](#)" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

Drucker said:

"Society needs a return to spiritual values--not to offset the material but to make it fully productive. However remote its realization for the great mass of mankind, there is today the promise of material abundance or at least of material

sufficiency. *There is the vision of economic development by means of which man can break the fetters of want that have always made Mammon the master rather than the servant of man. To what ends then should we use the material?"*

-Peter Drucker, *Landmarks of Tomorrow: A Report on the New*, Transaction Publishers, 2011, p. 264, ISBN: 9781412814133

You can see Drucker's philosophical struggle about materialism being the motivating factor of corporate business. He realizes that money cannot solve all problems, and that people end up worshiping it, making all their decisions by it. So he concludes:

"Mankind needs the return to spiritual values, for it needs compassion. It needs the deep experience that the Thou and the I are one, which all higher religions share."

-Peter Drucker, *Landmarks of Tomorrow: A Report on the New*, Transaction Publishers, 2011, p. 264-265, ISBN: 9781412814133

Some of you may not quite understand what he's saying because you've never heard of "Thou and I are one," and that's because he's referring to a German philosopher named Martin Buber that published a book called *Ich und Du*, which translates *I and Thou*. Buber believed that existence was made up of experiences one himself ("I") would have in contrast to the experiences others ("Thou") would have, and that mankind can only find meaningfulness in life through those interactions, which he called relationships. In a nutshell, Buber believed that the way to experience "God" was through relationships with others, and that once again shares the pantheistic view (i.e. God is in everyone and everything) that Rick Warren, Robert Schuller, and Peter Drucker all believe.

Because of Rick Warren's endorsement of Drucker, some people have gotten the idea that he was a Christian, but Drucker said:

Peter Drucker "I'm not a Christian"

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DRUCKER *"I'm not a born again Christian. No. I've been going to church and tithing all of my life, but I do not claim to be. The best thing I wrote was an essay on a great religious thinker. If you read one thing of mine, read my essay on Kierkegaard. The best thing I ever wrote. Easy."*

Soren Kierkegaard was a 19th century existentialist philosopher (who claimed to be a born-again Christian), which basically means he wrote about man's feelings as the foundations for mankind's knowledge. If any of you have listened to Rick Warren's preaching, you will already know that he preaches with that philosophy, that the foundation of his belief is on feelings of hearts, and not the Word of God. Drucker attempted to take this philosophy from Kierkegaard and his reflection on the individual, and go one step further to create a solution that would impact society as a whole.

"In spite of his need and search, Christianity and the churches have been unable to provide a religious social solution. All they can do today is to give the individual religion. They cannot give a new society and a new community. Personal religious experience may be invaluable to the individual; it may restore his peace, may give him a personal God and rational understanding of his own function and nature. But it cannot re-create society and cannot make social community life sensible... like Kierkegaard, for whom God was a purely personal, untranslatable, and uncommunicable experience which only emphasized his own isolation and loneliness, and the utter irrationality of society."

-Peter Drucker, *The End of Economic Man: The Origins of Totalitarianism*, Transaction Publishers, 2011, p. 102, ISBN: 9781412814058

The problem with all this is that Drucker was not of Christ, and without the Lord Jesus Christ, there is no solution. Every idea that will be created from the minds of these men will only lead people into further deception because without Christ, all the thoughts and imaginations of the heart are only evil continually.

And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

-Genesis 6:5

But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear, but walked in the counsels and in the imagination of their evil heart, and went backward, and not forward.

-Jeremiah 7:24

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

-Isaiah 55:8

For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

-Romans 1:20-22

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

-2 Corinthians 10:3-5

Peter Drucker had specific interest in mega-churches, enormous buildings with huge amounts of followers and cash flow. He wanted to inject his philosophies into these mega-churches, so they would change society, but he had absolutely no interest in sound doctrine or truth. Drucker's only goal was to use the mega-churches as the vehicle to introduce a new style of socialism that the whole population would support:

"Over the last 20 years Drucker has had a good deal of interaction with what he calls 'pastoral' churches. These include mega-churches like Bill Hybel's Willow Creek or Rick Warren's Saddleback Community. Bob Buford's Leadership Network has invited Drucker to speak to conferences of large-church leaders and has linked him to many pastors seeking advice."

-Tim Stafford, "The Business of the Kingdom: Management guru Peter Drucker thinks the future of America is in the hands of churches," *Christianity Today*, Nov 15, 1999, retrieved Jan 14, 2016, [christianitytoday.com/ct/1999/november15/9td042.html]

Drucker started working with Bob Buford to raise up potential leaders for this movement, and they had to teach these young men what to do:

"Buford helped take a new approach to ministry, a reinvention of American Protestantism, and fused it with leadership savvy, the principles he learned from Peter Drucker... Together, Buford and Drucker made a huge impact on the direction of the church. Simply put, your church probably sings like a Calvary Chapel, but is led like a Saddleback. Those two men are part of the reason why... About 30 years ago, Buford pioneered Leadership Network and began to influence the influencers. He invested his time to train the trainers. He sought to create learning communities that might foster mutual learning among high capacity leaders. He did this early on with men like Bill Hybels, Rick Warren, and Robert Lewis."

-Ed Stetzer, "A Catalyst that Fostered a Movement: Thoughts on Bob Buford and Leadership Network," *Christianity Today*, Apr 9, 2014, retrieved Jan 14, 2016

In order to get the population to support these new pastors, they have to find out what the population wants, and give it to them:

"Consider the pastoral megachurches that have been growing so very fast in the U.S. since 1980 and that are surely the most important social phenomenon in American society in the last 30 years. There are now some 20,000 of them, and while traditional denominations have steadily declined, the megachurches have exploded. They have done so because they asked 'What is value?' to a nonchurchgoer and came up with answers the older churches had neglected to provide."

-Peter Drucker, "Management's New Paradigms," *Forbes*, Oct 5, 1998, retrieved Jan 14, 2016, [forbes.com/global/1998/1005/0113052a.html]

At the beginning of this section we read a quote from Robert Schuller that said, "The secret of winning unchurched people into the church is really quite simple. Find out what would impress the nonchurched in your community and then shape your church to meet their expectations."

Before that, I had quoted Rick Warren in a Florida conference saying, "I decided, why don't we be a church for people who hate church? And so I went out and for twelve weeks I went door to door, and I knocked on homes for about 12 weeks and just took an opinion poll... 'So let me ask you a question. Why do you think most people don't attend church?' And I just wrote the answers down. I asked, 'If you were looking for a church, what kind of things would you look for?' And I'd just list them." Hopefully, the reader can now clearly see how all these philosophies are intertwined; they are all creating mega-church buildings that are appealing to the world, and the true "Driven Purpose" behind it is a socialist community

that will push for a one-world religion. This is easily recognizable to not be the Church of Christ because we Christians are not supposed to be appealing to the world, and we are to remove from the church those who refuse to repent of sin.

But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat. For what have I to do to judge them also that are without? do not ye judge them that are within? But them that are without God judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person.

-1 Corinthians 5:11-13

The Tongue of a Viper

The Lord Jesus Christ said:

O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

-Matthew 12:34

If a man has a philosophy (way of thinking) after the world, and not after Christ, then those things will proceed out of his mouth.

Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

-Colossians 2:8

So when Rick Warren speaks, he speaks with the philosophies of atheists and pantheists, not with the philosophy of Christ. Among the born-again remnant in Christ, many of you who have heard Rick Warren preach have been left with frustration and a disgusting feeling in the pit of your stomach, and sometimes you don't even know why because there a number of things he says that are true. I'm going to try to explain in simple terms why Rick Warren's preaching makes those of us born-again in Christ so uneasy:

Rick Warren speaks to a crowd of unbelievers, who have no repentance in their hearts, and gives them of the promises of God that are meant for those born-again in Christ. Meanwhile, he avoids defining any of the terms he uses, and brainwashes his audience by letting them fill in the blanks with their own interpretations.

Because Warren teaches unbelievers to go by their feelings, each man in the audience feels right in his own eyes, and because he gets a good feeling about it, he then thinks Warren is a wonderful preacher. So actually it's not Warren they think is wonderful, but themselves because Warren teaches them the **false doctrine of learning to love yourself**.

Every way of a man is right in his own eyes; but the LORD pondereth the hearts.

-Proverbs 12:15

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

-Jeremiah 17:9

There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

-Proverbs 14:12

This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud... Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

-2 Timothy 3:5

To give an example of Warren's brainwashing and deception, he has a teaching out called "40 Days of Love." In one of his videos, quotes from a corrupt new-age version in 1Cor 14, saying "Let love be your highest goal," but let's read that from the Bible that Warren hates:

Follow after charity, and desire spiritual gifts, but rather that ye may prophesy.

-1 Corinthians 14:1

Prophesying is the giving of the Word of God to people who need it. It is rebuke and reproof to sin from the Scriptures. Charity is the topic of the verse, but Paul says, rather to prophesy because the understanding of the Word of God is what leads to charity.

Warren then says:

"He said it [love] needs to be your number one priority. Your primary objective. Your greatest ambition. Your life purpose. He's saying don't put love in your top ten, like one of the things I want to do in my life is have good loving relationships."

-Rick Warren, "40 Days of Love Small Group Bible Study by Rick Warren," Zondervan, Feb 14, 2013, retrieved Jan 15, 2016, [youtube.com/watch?v=XEhyxGhxFvM]

Remember earlier we had analyzed Rick Warren's mentors, and how the philosophy of Drucker was based on the "I and Thou," which is the pagan philosophy of discovering God through relationships between people. That's Warren's definition of love, but he doesn't directly tell people that, he quotes a corrupt new-age version and lets them fill in the blanks on their own. This philosophy of "God is found in relationships" is littered throughout Warren's teaching, and every time you hear him speak of "love" in the Bible, this is his true definition of the word.

"It's as if God is writing it in capital letters: Relationships, love, is what matters most in life."

-Rick Warren, "40 Days of Love Small Group Bible Study by Rick Warren," Zondervan, Feb 14, 2013, retrieved Jan 15, 2016, [youtube.com/watch?v=XEhyxGhxFvM]

This is one of the only places I've ever heard a general definition of what Warren really means by what he's saying, but most people don't catch it because they don't know about the pagan philosophies he believes behind the scenes. Rick Warren continues cheapening the love of God and the blood sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ by quoting from the *Backstreet Boys*:

"If you want to know how much you matter to God, look at Christ with his arms outstretched on the cross, saying, 'I love you this much! I'd rather die than live without you.'"

-Rick Warren, *The Purpose Driven Life: What on Earth Am I Here For?*, Zondervan, 2008, quote from Chapter 10: The Heart of Worship, ISBN: 9780310296119; See also -Rick Warren, "How to Be Certain You're Going to Heaven," *Daily Hope with Rick Warren*, Part 1, Jan 12, 2015, [rickwarren.org/listen/player/?bid=3bde68cd-2242-42e9-8970-1f9c4391cb3b]



This is a statement that builds pride in self-love. It makes mankind believe they are so valuable and so amazing that the Lord God just can't function properly without us. Warren's statement is based on the emotion of worldly lust, not the love of God.

"God's love is not based on your performance on what you do. It's based on the fact that he chooses to love you unconditionally."

-Rick Warren, "How to Be Certain You're Going to Heaven," *Daily Hope with Rick Warren*, Part 1, Jan 12, 2015, [rickwarren.org/listen/player/?bid=3bde68cd-2242-42e9-8970-1f9c4391cb3b]

According to Rick Warren, God loves everyone no matter what, and as we covered earlier, the Bible does not say this. God did love mankind first, as it states in John 3, which Warren often quotes:

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

-Johns 3:16-17

But Warren includes Muslims, Hindus, witches, pagans, and an assortment of other sinful beliefs into the "going-to-heaven" crowd. We quoted this at the beginning of this teaching, but one more time:

"I happen to know people who are followers of Christ in other religions."

-Rick Warren, quoted at the Aspen Ideas Festival, *The Aspen Institute*, July 6, 2005, "Discussion: Religion and Leadership," with David Gergen; See also Tamara Hartzell, *In the Name of Purpose: Sacrificing Truth on the Altar of Unity*, Xlibris Corporation, 2007, ISBN: 9781425736262

He doesn't bother to keep reading to the next verse:

He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

-John 3:18

Warren loves to tell people that Christ didn't come into the world to condemn them, because it makes them feel warm and happy inside. The Lord Jesus Christ didn't have to condemn the world because they were already condemned by the law of God. Warren coincidentally leaves out are verses like this:

He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

-1 John 5:12

So instead of having to explain why all these false pagan religions are not going to heaven, he instead redefines them by claiming they all worship God and Jesus, but they just don't know they're doing it. In other words, Warren thinks people can be of Christ without having to confess Him.

Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

-Matthew 10:32-33

Rick Warren often states things that are in complete opposition to the Word of God. For example, he teaches that shame only comes from Satan:

"Satan uses hurt and he uses pain in your life to deceive you... if he can get you angry, guilty, or ashamed, he knows you're going to miss your true identity... All shame comes from Satan, it doesn't come from God."

-Rick Warren, "Learning My True Identity In Christ," Saddleback Church, Oct 13, 2014, retrieved Jan 13, 2016, [youtube.com/watch?v=AolN3_JldmI]

But thou hast saved us from our enemies, and hast put them to shame that hated us.

-Psalm 44:7

But thou hast cast off, and put us to shame; and goest not forth with our armies.

-Psalm 44:9

The days of his youth hast thou shortened: thou hast covered him with shame. Selah.

-Psalm 89:45

We are never ashamed of the Lord Jesus Christ and His Word, but shame is a part of repentance unto salvation, so that believers in the Lord God would sanctify themselves.

Then they killed the passover on the fourteenth day of the second month: and the priests and the Levites were ashamed, and sanctified themselves, and brought in the burnt offerings into the house of the LORD.

-2 Chronicles 30:15

Fill their faces with shame; that they may seek thy name, O LORD.

-Psalm 38:16

And said, O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my God: for our iniquities are increased over our head, and our trespass is grown up unto the heavens.

-Ezra 9:6

It is those who reject the Word of God, who seek to build up church buildings in their own name and glory, men like Rick Warren, who need to be ashamed.

And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed.

-2 Thessalonians 3:14

Because there is no repentance in Warren's church, there are thousands of people sitting in his audience that should be ashamed. However, those of us that abide in the Word of God, keeping Christ's commandments, and exposing men who teach and practice false doctrine, we will have no need to be ashamed.

And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.

-1 John 2:28

That is for those of us in Christ who keep His commandments, but Warren takes this and applies it to false converts in his cult. Rick Warren is the enemy of Christ, who will be shamed, either in this life, or standing before the Judgment Seat of God:

For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.

-Phillipians 3:18-19

Another example of Warren calling God's Word of Satan's word:

"[Satan] says... you could never do anything right."

-Rick Warren, "Learning My True Identity In Christ," Saddleback Church, Oct 13, 2014, retrieved Jan 13, 2016, [youtube.com/watch?v=AolN3_JldmI]

But the Word of God says:

As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God. They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

-Romans 3:10

This shows us once again that Rick Warren is the enemy of Christ. The righteousness we have has been imputed into those of us born-again, and the good works we do are a result of the cleansing blood of the Son of God.

"I love you period. I love you in spite of yourself. I love you regardless of what you do for me. I love you. That's real love. That's kind of love God has for you; it's unconditional love."

-Rick Warren, "Learning My True Identity In Christ," Saddleback Church, Oct 13, 2014, retrieved Jan 13, 2016, [youtube.com/watch?v=AolN3_JldmI]

Certainly, the Lord God has loved those born-again in Christ before we were born-again, and that he has done for us before we had understanding, but Rick Warren teaches his audience that they are all children of God, without repentance, no matter what they say and do.

Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

-2 Corinthians 6:14-18

The Lord God did not say that he would accept everyone as His children no matter what they say and do. He commanded us to come out from among the wicked of the world and be separate (sanctified) from them, and *THEN* He will be a Father to us, and we will be His sons and daughters. Our salvation is not based on our works, but our works are a direct result of our salvation, and the sons and daughters of the Lord God follow His Word.

(Read "False Converts & Eternal Security" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

-Luke 6:46

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

-John 10:27

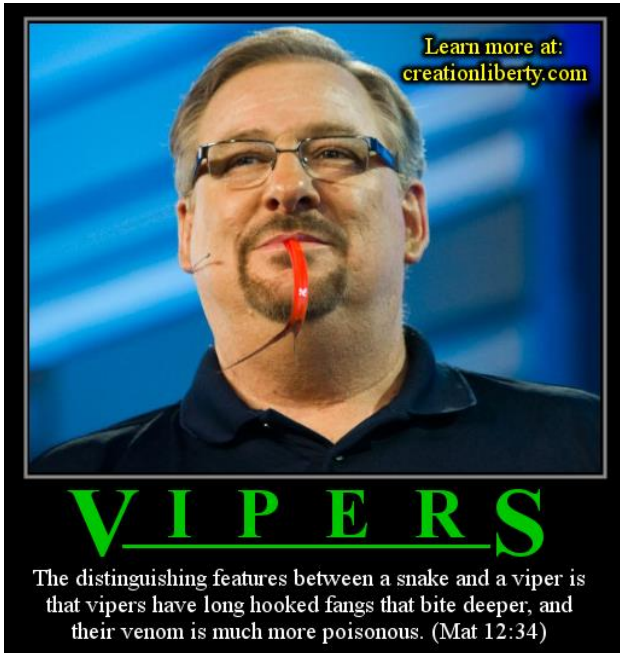
Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many

wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

-Matthew 7:21-23

Those that are calling Christ "Lord" are those who claim to believe on Him; they followed Rick Warren's message of "believe and receive," but why don't they make it into heaven? Because there is no salvation without repentance. There may be change in the lives of people listening to Warren, but it's not change that is good according to the Gospel of Christ. (Read "Is Repentance Part of Salvation?" here at creationliberty.com for more details.)

Certainly, as Paul wrote, nothing can separate us from the love of God, but that was written to those born-again, not to those who are unsaved, sitting in Rick Warren's deceptive church building, hearkening to all his lies.



According to Rick Warren's own teaching, his ministry is stupid. This is not a railing comment; this is from Warren's own mouth:

"When God puts a thought in your mind, we call it inspiration... when Satan puts a thought in your mind, we call that temptation. When you get a thought in your mind, we call that stupidity."

-Rick Warren, "Learning My True Identity In Christ," Saddleback Church, Oct 13, 2014, retrieved Jan 13, 2016, [youtube.com/watch?v=AoIN3_JldmI]

We know Rick Warren didn't get his doctrine from God, so I'll leave it to you to conclude where he got it from.

Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

-John 8:44

Their throat is an open sepulchre; with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps is under their lips... There is no fear of God before their eyes.

-Romans 3:13-18