



## Revivals And Church History :: Gold teeth is it from God?

**Gold teeth is it from God? - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2004/5/29 11:57**

Quote:  
-----I simply want to state that my wife had ordinary black tooth filling change to silver then to gold before our very eyes, in a service where this type of thing was talked about. The preacher's name was Ian Turton (www.miracelerevival.com).  
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[Image: <https://www.sermonindex.net/images/forum/2004/may/tooth01.gif>]

**IS** God blessing the body of Christ with riches and prosperity? Is He giving a special anointing to ministers to pray for regular filling to be turned into gold?

**Re: Gold teeth is it from God? - posted by moreofHim (), on: 2004/5/29 12:21**

hmmmmm. my son got a gold (looking) crown on his back tooth but now it has turned black. :-o i suppose this means we aren't blessed ;-)

Don't mean to make light of the issue- i don't know much about it.

in Him, chanin

**Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2004/5/29 12:33**

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Are you serious Chanin? I am very saddened by this so called **NEW** blessing that is happening, I am surprised that you, yourself aren't shocked, appalled and sickened by it in your spirit. I just can't understand how we have come to the point of accepting this as genuine and from God it goes against ALL the bible and ALL Church History and also goes against my conscience as it bears witness with the Holy Ghost.

ALL these teachers and prophets (so called), evangelist and even apostles are ALL false, it doesn't matter to me how well intentioned they are and how much good things they have to say from God, or how long they spend in prayer, they are clearly deceived themselves. The devil is bringing dispute on the Spirit-filled movements of God and clearly is making a mockery of them. I don't know how long God is going to hold back His judgement on us, from backslidden Christians, to Christians who are being deceived, Christians practicing sin. When will we get back to REAL Christianity before it's too late and seek the face of God. Could not God's Judgment have already fallen on the Church? could He not be right now allowing the saints to be deceived with false signs and wonders?

As Carter Conlon said in one sermon "RUN FOR YOUR LIFE" if you are involved with any of this, RUN!. God help us.

**Re: Gold teeth is it from God? - posted by lwpray (), on: 2004/5/29 13:10**

I have my second home in Swaziland – a nation in the southern part of Africa. The Royal family has invited me to minister several times. It is a poor nation. If crops fail starvation is close at hand.

A lady minister from the U. S. found her way into the country to do her thing. Gold dust, gold fillings and the like. She even wore a cosmetic mask of golden substances to reflect “The Glory of God”. Our ministering friends had to ask questions about veracity and authenticity.

Why was there not enough gold dust to gather during those sessions for the people to pay bills and cover daily needs. If God is working miracles of this category, does he do it to tease the poor and needy.

The real issue: Who is God, what does He do to produce a solid testimony about what Heaven is like? What plumb line must be used over items and issues of this kind? Fascination, self-gratification, emotional stirrings or spiritual maturity? True spirituality will immediately close the door for the spiritual powers teasing a poverty stricken people.  
Lars W.

**Re: My conscience bears witness - posted by eagleswings (), on: 2004/5/29 13:26**

Greg writes:

“I just can't understand how we have come to the point of accepting this as genuine and from God it goes against ALL the bible and ALL Church History and also goes against my conscience as it bears witness with the Holy Ghost.”

Well put, Greg. It's what John meant when he wrote:

“But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things. I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth. ....These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you. But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him. 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 2:20,21; 26-28).

Roger

**Re: new blessing - posted by moreofHim (), on: 2004/5/29 13:59**

I agree with you Greg that it is appalling. I was on a short rampage awhile back to expose a lot of this "false prophet" and false apostle stuff. What I realized after a while though, is that there are a lot more Christians being deceived about how to be "saved" and accepting a "false gospel" in other ways- and it was affecting many more Christians than these charismatic extremists.

I think that these extremes are very bad, then on the other hand, I see many other things wrong in Christendom that are having far worse and wider spread effects. (such as "say this prayer, come to church and you will go to heaven") Now THIS is a false gospel to vomit over because it is spread throughout Christendom like a virus and most don't know any different. This charismatic extremist stuff is only part of the real problem- the bigger problem of Apostasy.

Lukewarmness in the church and Christians being deceived into thinking they're "saved", when they have not surrendered their whole lives to Christ- is what really gets to me. :-x

just my thoughts here.

in Him, Chanin

**Re: - posted by moreofHim (), on: 2004/5/29 14:08**

thoughts still coming....

Actually, I am wondering if these people were brought to Christ in "truth" and given the full gospel- maybe they wouldn't be falling for this stuff in the first place.

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Goodness look at what happened to Ananias and Sapphira and now we have this nonsense?  
Are we even talking about the same religion anymore? I think Greg is right and even more amazed that those who are in this are that gullible, that it didn't get shut down before it started, same with all these other so called 'manifestations'. Talk about a strong delusion...

**Re: - posted by crsschk (), on: 2004/5/29 15:18**

Brought this over from another thread...

'I thought this whole gold teeth thing was long since dead...Heard about this years ago'

Is this still going on?  
IF it is I must be a backslidden heathen, cause I need some serious dental work.... :(

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this was actually my first thought. I am surprised that this is still going on. it kind of reminds me of the whole PTL thing. i thought, soon enough the cover would be blown- i thought it would just be a passing thing.

i don't hear or see any of this type of thing going on around the midwest. i just see alot of hypocrisy and phariseeism.

in Him,chanin

**Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2004/5/29 16:11**

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Brother Mike, that is so right! I really believe that God has removed His presence from the Church, He manifest presence or He would be judging this nonsense for the validity of His name sake. As Tozer has stated the 'shekinah presence of God has departed from us, the pillar of fire is gone, we have departed from the God of Abraham to our own God of our imaginations and design' (thats paraphrased big time but you get the idea).

**Acts 5:1-11** - Now a man named Ananias, together with his wife Sapphira, also sold a piece of property. With his wife's full knowledge he kept back part of the money for himself, but brought the rest and put it at the apostles' feet. Then Peter

said, "Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land? Didn't it belong to you before it was sold? And after it was sold, wasn't the money at your disposal? What made you think of doing such a thing? You have not lied to men but to God."

When Ananias heard this, he fell down and died. And great fear seized all who heard what had happened. Then the young men came forward, wrapped up his body, and carried him out and buried him. About three hours later his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. Peter asked her, "Tell me, is this the price you and Ananias got for the land?" "Yes," she said, "that is the price." Peter said to her, "How could you agree to test the Spirit of the Lord? Look! The feet of the men who buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out also." At that moment she fell down at his feet and died. Then the young men came in and, finding her dead, carried her out and buried her beside her husband

**Matthew 24:24-25** - For false Christs and false prophets will appear and perform great signs and miracles to deceive even the elect--if that were possible. See, I have told you ahead of time.

**1 Timothy 6:3-5** - If anyone teaches false doctrines and does not agree to the sound instruction of our Lord Jesus Christ and to godly teaching, he is conceited and understands nothing. He has an unhealthy interest in controversies and quarrels about words that result in envy, strife, malicious talk, evil suspicions and constant friction between men of corrupt mind, who have been robbed of the truth and who think that godliness is a means to financial gain.

Or in the KJV version it say instead of 'godliness is a means to financial gain' it says 'GAIN is GODLINESS' what a false doctrine from the pits of hell. The teachers and pastors that teach these false doctrines of gain and God wanting to bless the body of christ in the last days with prosperity are 'conceited and' they understand nothing' even though they have an appearance of wisdom.

**Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2004/5/29 16:19**

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If this was just a phase and many of us where sucked into it and fooled then imagine what else the devil can trick us into . I believe this doctrine and false miricale is still happening in many parts of the world, the reason I started this thread is a brother from australia reported to me that his wife recieved a silver tooth then a gold tooth. So this happened recently t here and is surely prevelant across much of the world. I am not just willing to rub it off and say fine its passing, the dama ge done is irrevocable and permentant, only a truly God led movement of His spirit can repair the damage done, a showin g of God actually working amongst men. Lord redeem your name from this movements and falsities, show yourself stron g on those who are truly seeking the truth. Lead us into truth spirit of truth.

**Re: - posted by Gideons (), on: 2004/5/29 18:47**

This is such a troubling thread to me. So many people are not really seeking Jesus, they're seeking signs and wonders. I've never heard about gold teeth or silver teeth for that matter. It's all rather strange to me.

I don't see any Biblical basis for it and I'm not sure how this would glorify God. I agree with Chanin that we need to get b ack to the Gospel that we are all sinners doomed to hell, unless we're willing to turn our lives over to Christ. Surely the L ordship of Christ is not followed closely by the current in the Western world. Is Jesus Lord? If so, He must be Lord of all . Anything less than full surrender is not really surrender.

As far as judgment I'm reminded of 1 Peter 4:17 For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: an d if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

The day of judgment is close at hand. Surely the Lord will vindicate His name.

Re: Pride and Deceit - posted by eagleswings (), on: 2004/5/29 19:00

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Mike and Greg,

Art Katz has a penetrating observation to make about this situation:

"That men and women are not being struck dead instantly in our congregations is not a statement of God's tolerance of our deceits and lies. Judgment may not be as sudden, but it is no less certain. **"Bread obtained by falsehood is sweet to a man, but afterwards his mouth will be filled with gravel" (Pr.20:17 NAS)** How much of the esteem, the joy, the prestige, and the peace presently being enjoyed in the Church is destined to turn to gravel in our mouths? It tastes sweet at the moment. There has been no Peter to challenge us. Truth has fallen into low regard, and there is little, if any, fear of the God who hates lies in any form. "White lies" and exaggerations and subtle misrepresentations are so frequent as to be considered normal, if not even desirable and required, in the conduct of Christian life. The perverse logic of deceit is made to seem true after all. If the ministers of God who transgress against truth are not being struck down like Ananias and Sapphira, God must have changed, or else truth has changed since the days of the Book of Acts. The reality is that God has not changed. Our lies are still killing us, only more slowly. We are starving, because the bread of deceit, no matter how sweet and plentiful, is not real food.

"Every lie is an act of astonishing presumption. What must take place within my heart for me to believe that God does not discern my deceit? I must exalt my own rationalizations above the Spirit of God. Every lie is an elevation of self above truth, above the one lied to. I cannot lie to someone and still regard him as greater or even equal. The very act of lying lifts me above the one deceived; it lowers him in my sight. By lying to the Holy Spirit, Ananias and Sapphira were exalting themselves above God.

"It is not surprising, then, that Peter said to Ananias, **Why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit" (Acts 5:3)** The devil was a liar from the beginning, and he is the father of lies (Jn 8:44). He is also the father of pride. His fall was an act of self-exaltation, a supreme presumption to ascend up to the level of God Himself. His pride is itself a lie, an assertion of being more than He in whom truth resides. Pride and deceit have been intimately related from the beginning. They have a common nature, a common source. It was indeed nothing less than Satan that filled Ananias' heart, just as surely as it was no one less than God to whom Ananias lied.

"The Spirit of God was present in great power to heal the sick and to bring many to repentance in the very same hour that Peter was moved by the same Spirit to confront Ananias and Sapphira. That power is absent today, and it will not be restored to the Church until the Church is restored to the standard of truth that God established in the beginning."

from Chapter 8, "Humility: The Way of Truth"  
in [The Spirit of Truth](#)

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**Re: removed presence - posted by moreofHim (), on: 2004/5/29 21:29**

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-----Brother Mike, that is so right! I really believe that God has removed His presence from the Church, He manifest presence or He would be judging this nonsense for the validity of His name sake  
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I have spoken before about this "removal of God's presence" with Greg and a tiny bit on the forum. I don't know if anyone caught it or not.

I had had a dream that my First Love was leaving my house. He was downcast, seemed upset but also hurt. I thought maybe it was me. But this friend by Him said no, that is the way He has been lately. When He left, He left me with a stack of letters (which would represent my words from my journals or maybe the bible) I opened one up after He left and it said "Now you know what it is like to live with all of this" and I knew He meant all of this sin and lukewarmness. He couldn't take it any more. then it said "So now I must leave, and go to Ill. and then He mentioned one other state which I could not remember or read. I was so sad.

Now, two or three nights ago, I dreamed that this same First Love called me on the phone from where ever He was. At first he could not speak because He was in such anguish about being away. I said "I know", like I know "I feel the same anguish". He finally said "I just wanted to see how you were doing." It was the worst feeling.

If this really means He has removed His manifested presence- then I'd like to tell you that it breaks His heart. I know that individually, His presence dwells in us. I am not sure about His manifested presence as a whole. I am not familiar with this is enough.

Any added comments would be welcome.

in Him, chanin

**Re: - posted by KeithLaMothe, on: 2004/5/29 22:16**

Exodus 33

- 3 "Go up to a land flowing with milk and honey; for I will not go up in your midst, because you are an obstinate people, and I might destroy you on the way."
- 4 When the people heard this sad word, they went into mourning, and none of them put on his ornaments.
- 5 For the LORD had said to Moses, "Say to the sons of Israel, 'You are an obstinate people; should I go up in your midst for one moment, I would destroy you. Now therefore, put off your ornaments from you, that I may know what I shall do with you.'"

**Re: - posted by CJaKfOrEsT (), on: 2004/6/2 8:37**

If anyone was wondering, I was the one who sent the message to Greg. The lady was my wife. The message was sent to Greg to offer a "first person" view point, rather than the usual second hand comments that enter into these discussions.  
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I would like to rether to J. Edwin Orr, in his message "Why does God Exist" <http://calvarychapel.com/ccbcgermany/orr/Melbourne.mp3> In this message, he mentions the fact that, he doesn't believe in Lepraucans, but doesn't feel the need to convince others of there non-existance. Although he was refering to atheists trying to convince us that there is no God, I believe that this is relevant to this issue.

I understand that a great deal of people who frequent this site, have a Berean style view of spiritual matters, and this is to be commended. However, can anyone present a "contextual scriptual criticism" to this old dust-old tooth" thing? My int

erpretation is apart from the actual personalities involved, and onto the actual events.

It is commonly held that Jesus' miracle of turning water into wine was to demonstrate His divinity by changing this liquid on a molecular level. I personally believe that this is what is happening here. This isn't about "paying off churches". This is merely a byproduct not a prime product.

I'm hitting this hard, because it seems that the association with Toronto has caused a lot of eye brows to raise. Ian Turton, the evangelist that was visiting our church when this happened to my wife, hails from Hobart in Australia. He was a pastor in Hobart, and this phenomena happened in his church. He began to travel, and this happened where he went. I have a respect for this man as a preacher who emphasises total repentance from sin. I only mention him to state my source as not associated with Toronto.

I'm not trying to get people to embrace this phenomenon, just suggesting that we back off it. My wife, and I are well saved Christians, who embrace the cross daily and are vigilant when it comes to sin. Do we sin...of course. Do we resist it in our hearts...wholeheartedly.

We need to bare in mind the evangelical and pentecostal Christianity has no set orthodox doctrinal view point on a lot of issues. We have Calvinism vs Arminianism, four views on the rapture, full immersion vs sprinkling...just to name a view. And that just among denominations that are considered orthodox by many who frequent this site.

I have heard the scriptural views on the "laughing revival", and I must say, there is logical scriptural reasoning to be wary of it...however, it would be well noted that even Art Katz in "Holiness Or Blessing" <https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/visit.php?lid=3324> wisely stated that he would not outrightly deny that God could work though what is happening in Toronto and the like, only that he would rather err on the side of caution. And that from a man who is against it all.

By the way, the photo at the start of the post is not of my wife. I don't know why it was used

:smart: (Greg) :-P

**Re: apology - posted by moreofHim (), on: 2004/6/2 9:41**

Aaron,

I want to apologize for my comments. As I look back over my posts, I see that it was not in the right spirit. As I stated in my first reply, I don't know enough about it but when I read the original post - the Holy Spirit did not send me any "warning" signals. My first thoughts were that this is nothing compared to the hypocrisy in the church.

Though there are things I find disheartening in the charismatic extremists, I know there are many people whose hearts desire nothing more than to become closer to Christ. Their hearts are right.

What I cannot overemphasize is that Jesus rebuked hypocrisy more than anything else. Hypocrisy is found in all denominations including conservative denominations and churches. I would rather spend time with an on-fire holy roller than a lukewarm, hypocritical baptist anyday. When there is a passion for Jesus- there is much to fellowship about!

It is not about doctrine but about the heart. The Lord has shown this to me over and over. He has shown me a catholic, a holy roller, a lutheran- whom I already had preconceived ideas about- and shown me that their hearts wanted nothing more than to surrender to Him and do His will. He can deal with, change, etc... someone's doctrine- it is the heart that must be open to Him.

Again, I am sorry that I replied at all except to make the point that we should not find these things as offensive as hypocrisy and phariseism- because that is the way Jesus felt. He was constantly rebuking them for acting so pious when inside they were far from what they should have been and their hearts were hard.

in Him, Chanin

**Re: Brother Aaron - posted by Gideons (), on: 2004/6/2 9:59**

As someone who came to Christ in a conservative Baptist Church and is now at least somewhat charismatic in doctrinal views, I apologize as well.

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How true Chanin. Since I've made some many errors in my Christian life, I'm so afraid of doctrinal error that sometimes I automatically reject things. Surely this fear discloses some unbelief in me that I need release from.

If we love Jesus with all our heart, He will never misguide us. Sometimes I do much better to keep my mouth shut (or fingers still in this case) but I apologize if I offended you or your wife in any way.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2004/6/2 12:15

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Brother Aaron, I realize that the conversation was initially meant for discussion between us but there was just a jealousy stirred in my heart for the Lord and his people at SermonIndex that I had to show that even people coming to this site and listening to these life changing materials **can be** deceived.

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I would say that this phenomena exists and is dangerously acceptable to the Christian that seeks selfishly over things not of the spirit in a spiritual context. I would not want to be branded with gold teeth, it would be a shame to me. Why did not Jesus have all gold teeth? why would he not give them to his followers? Why didn't gold dust fall from Jesus hair? I grieve my spirit to even write these things but it shows the utter deception that these phenomena carry. It's contrary to the message of Christ and the apostles and really in light of scripture of new doctrines, deceptions, miracles, signs and wonders, I am flabbergasted that any Christian with the Holy Spirit wouldn't be alarmed with these happenings. It's a NEW thing people and has not been happening all throughout church history. We are being deceived!! And it's not a joke, it's not a funny passing whim ITS life and death, it's a VERY serious matter and if any spirit filled Christian makes light of it I would not want to be in his or her shoes. God is grieved over his church and has been giving her into sin and deception, we do not love the truth anymore, wake up church.

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I am actually being led by the Lord to raise up these issues of late and to be a spiritual watchguard against these things. We need to discuss these things and bring them into the light to see how clearly wrong they are. If I was an unbeliever and saw the silliness that is happening by so-called Christians I would write it off as a religion of selfishness and deception. Where are the prophets of God, who knows the truth who is willing to stand and speak the MIND of the LORD! With what little divine truth I have I cannot but say what I have been shown.

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Yes but in the same way he could say that of any situation in a Christian circle no matter how bad it gets. God even works through Christians who are in judgement under His hand. He uses all things for His glory. Sadly even Christians being deceived as Jesus said possibly even with tears: 'even the elect' could be deceived, the fact of the matter is God is glorified through this, for He is worthy to be sought out like a precious stone, the truth must be desired after with ALL that we are. Christianity is not served on a silver platter, it's not a religion where you come to a place to receive things from God selfishly and really for **your** own glory.



**Jeremiah 8:4-12** (niv) - "Say to them, 'This is what the LORD says: "'When men fall down, do they not get up? When a man turns away, does he not return? Why then have these people turned away? Why does Jerusalem always turn away? They cling to deceit; they refuse to return. I have listened attentively, but they do not say what is right. No one repents of his wickedness, saying, "What have I done?" Each pursues his own course like a horse charging into battle. Even the stork in the sky knows her appointed seasons, and the dove, the swift and the thrush observe the time of their migration. But my people do not know the requirements of the LORD. "'How can you say, "We are wise, for we have the law of the LORD," when actually the lying pen of the scribes has handled it falsely? The wise will be put to shame; they will be dismayed and trapped. Since they have rejected the word of the LORD, what kind of wisdom do they have? Therefore I will give their wives to other men and their fields to new owners. From the least to the greatest, all are greedy for gain; prophets and priests alike, all practice deceit. They dress the wound of my people as though it were not serious. "Peace, peace," they say, when there is no peace. Are they ashamed of their loathsome conduct? No, they have no shame at all; they do not even know how to blush. So they will fall among the fallen; they will be brought down when they are punished, says the LORD.

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Sister Chanin, this is the FRUIT of a hypocritical church, a Church having of the Lord and having of the world, a double minded church. 'Though there are things I find disheartening in the charismatic extremists, I know there are many people whose heart desires nothing more than to become closer to Christ. Their hearts are right.' you are wrong if their hearts are right **they would** not be in a place of deception, God would not allow it if their hearts were in the place of 'being after God's own heart'!

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There is truth in that brother but at the same time we are to guard our minds, Pauls call to **us** being on guard to to equip ourselves against the attacks of the devil. We can't just love and think everything will work out in the end. We need to be vigilant and on guard the devil does not rest 24/7 attacking us and wanting to bring the name of Christ to shame. I just can't let things pan out in the end, God has really put a fire in my bones to speak out and try and guide people into the truth at all costs. As Erlo Stegen said in his sermon 'God, as an enemy' he thanks God for people with a backbone, he said we have to many jellyfish! that seems abit crude but its very true I am praying that God will give me a backbone to stand up for the truth. I would say that most of the truly God possessed men I have heard and known speak out very little against these things but rather show the truth of God in their words and life that just being around then you would know the other things are counterfeit. But on the otherhand God raises up some men at different points and times to speak his mind and heart on the issue. As much as I know God I believe that His heart is grieved over all these deceptions in the church!

**Re: - posted by RobertW (), on: 2004/6/2 16:11**

I was thinking about how I would view this if it were my wife and we were in a service and this happened. As a Pentecostal I have seen a lot of stuff over the years. My wife was dying of congestive heart failure 3 years ago and now she don't even need diuretics. God is a miracle worker. No need to follow them around. As for getting gold fillings I would tell her not to give too much heed to it- but listen to the message and test it according to scripture, watch the ministers life and look for the fruit of the Spirit.

Signs and wonders are not necessarily a good thing- though its neat to see them. Why? Because an evil and adulterous generation SEEKS after a sign. (Matthew 12:38-39) And the last days are characterized by LYING signs and wonders. As it is written... Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, 10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. 11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie. (II Thessalonians 2:8-11)

My thoughts are that no matter what type of phenomena takes place we must NOT allow the phenomena to be the final authority- nor should we allow it to be the basis for authenticating the speaker. The message of genuine repentance is a

tremendous message and I have taught it for months on end now; however, the greater message is Jesus Christ and Him crucified. Who is preaching the CROSS these days? Who is preaching on the blood of Christ? Who has been brought into question concerning the resurrection of the dead?

God used the prophets to do a lot of weird things to get peoples attention (eating dung cakes, laying on side for 100's of days, etc.)- but this is not what we are seeing today with the 'manifestations' of various kinds. But what is the message? What are the FRUITS of their life? That is how we shall know them. Men and women are known by their fruits.

Consider this:

Â¶ If there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and giveth thee a sign or a wonder,  
Â 2 And the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying, Let us go after other gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them;  
.3 Thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: for the LORD your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

It is a strange thing that the "signs of the times" are shouting "REPENT" and yet who is listening? If a man would not be persuaded if one would return from the dead- will they repent at the sight of gold or silver? What miracle is greater than resurrection from the dead? My point is this- there are going to be a lot of signs and wonders taking place in these last days. We better not follow signs- we better follow Christ. :-)

God Bless

**Gold teeth from the devil? - posted by andrewjames (), on: 2004/6/2 21:33**

Quote:  
-----ALL these teachers and prophets (so called), evangelist and even apostles are ALL false, it doesn't matter to me how well intentioned they are and how much good things they have to say from God, or how long they spend in prayer, they are clearly deceived themselves.  
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man you got to be careful with saying stuff like this, sounds a bit like.  
this man cast out demons with the prince of demons.

How can a man judge another mans heart. I know some of these people personally, the false ones you speak of, and their hearts are to see Jesus lifted high. not to call glory to themselves.

wouldn't it be just as easy for me to say anyone who has a website passing out sermons is unscriptural because the internet is a NEW thing. God has never communicated this way before in all of christian history. The one who is doing this is false even though the messages are good and the fruit of it is good.

I however do not think that of you Greg because when I talk to you I discern a person whose heart is after God, just as when I speak with people who glory dust falls on or who have gold teeth manifesting have hearts after the father.

I can not ofcourse speak for everyone, but I can speak of those I have had conversations with and spent time and have heard speak.

Bottom line it has to be about Jesus I don't care what is manifesting in your life, signs and wonders or a website or a "worship" minstry.

may the spirit come and reveal to us all who Christ is in us.

**Re: - posted by HakkaMin (), on: 2004/6/3 4:49**

Quote:

Â“You are wrong. If their hearts are right they would not be in a place of deception, God would not allow it if their hearts were in the place of 'being after God's own heart'!Â”

IÂ’m afraid IÂ’ve gotta stand with andrewjames on this one, Greg. I think your judgments against Aaron and his wife (as well as all who might believe the gold dust phenomena) are far too harsh, and possibly unjust. Do you honestly believe t

hat you can know what their heart motives are? Do you really think that you can stand in that place and declare that "if their hearts are right they would not be in a place of deception?" Pretty presumptuous stuff. You are obviously angry at something, but I'm afraid that your anger has caused you to cross some personal boundaries you probably shouldn't be crossing.

Quote:

"I would not want to be branded with gold teeth, it would be a shame to me. Why did not Jesus have all gold teeth? Why would he not give them to His followers? Why didn't gold dust fall from Jesus hair? It grieves my spirit to even write these things but it shows the utter deception that these phenomena carry. Its contrary to the message of Christ and the apostles and really in light of scripture of new doctrines, deceptions, miracles, signs and wonders, I am flabbergasted that any Christian with the Holy Spirit wouldn't be alarmed with these happenings. It's a NEW thing people and has not been happening all throughout church history. We are being deceived!!"

I've been following this thread for awhile and have some problems with the way several posters have been responding. I have yet to read the scriptural evidence that this phenomena could not be from God. (This is a good time to point out that I am in no way associated with this phenomena, and am personally uncomfortable with it.) Some of the main responses here are emotional diatribes based on the presumption that this "gold thing" is unbiblical. Maybe it is, but forgive me if I don't jump on either wagon just yet.

Jesus tells us how to judge whether these things are from Him or not. "You will know them by their fruits." (Matthew 7: 16) Our judgments need to be based on the fruit of both the leaders and participants of this movement. (Fruit = their words, actions, character, and zeal and success in reaching the lost.) So my big question is "... what is their fruit like? I honestly don't know, as I'm not anywhere around this movement. That's why I would shy away from making too many bold judgments against it at the present time.

I have read a little about it from different sources, and haven't seen an obvious relationship to the "Word of Truth" (prosperity) movement. (That relationship has been expressed here a couple of times.) The explanations I've read don't seem to indicate that the gold dust/fillings are God's stamp of approval on the philosophy that He wants us to be wealthy and healthy. I've only read the idea that this phenomena is from God so we can have greater revelation of His character— either His generosity or His holiness. (Which gold would be a symbol of.) What do I know? Nothing, really ... so I stay my judgments. And I haven't seen any posts yet that might help me to make righteous judgments on this issue. Where is the scriptural evidence that it is an unbiblical movement? And what about the fruit? I just don't know. Do you?

You come against "new things", but that is not a particularly strong argument. No, Jesus didn't have gold dust falling from His hair. Neither did He speak in tongues. Do we toss that out too? Think about all the amazing phenomena that came out of the revivals of the 18th and 19 centuries. New stuff. People falling out of their houses under conviction of the Spirit. Ships off the east coast that didn't dare to dock because of the presence of the Spirit that met them when they arrived. (And everyone ultimately getting saved on board.) People screaming in terror and hanging onto pillars of the church when hearing "Sinners In The Hands Of An Angry God." None of these things are described in the New Testament record. They were "new things." It's God's prerogative to do new things if He so desires. It's our job to test these new things, and to judge them with a righteous judgment. Let's just make sure it's righteous.

I'm not for the gold dust movement ... but I'm not going to take an emphatic stand against it until I can be certain that God is not moving in new ways that I just don't understand. I'm going to examine the fruit. I'm going to examine any underlying or hidden doctrines. We have a great opportunity with Aaron and his wife in Australia to get some first-hand reports. Let's listen and learn. Calmly.

**Re: Gold teeth from the devil? - posted by lwpray (), on: 2004/6/3 8:18**

Our common desire to track down personal, affirmative miracles which tell us that we are something special in God's eyes opens for that which speaks out of flesh. We all have a tendency to spell Jesus with a small "j" to reduce and down play his total claims on each his child. Fleshly desire to bring confirmation and self-gratification opens for meaningless miracles and minimises on the greater one which is death to self and the world through the Cross of Christ.

Many will appear on the religious scene in the name of love for Jesus and zeal for the Kingdom and will do it just to be able to claim fame and publicity – prophets and apostles back their position by predictive pronouncements and vanity miracles which redefine the Berean investigative attitude in terms of openness to anything strange as being spiritual – another name for it is gullibility. Many are ready to deceive, and many are ready to be deceived.

Now, the difficult part is to show constructive love towards the deceived – the miracle itself produces an air of truth, love and reliability to be apprehended by the one who had the experience. Someone out there cares. The one attacking the experience and stealing the blessing is looked upon as the perpetrator in this game, not the deceiver who shows such immense care by transferring the so called blessing.

The issue and difficulty lies with our view of what we think God is occupied with. What is a blessing from above? By what means does He develop our love for him? Does he allow us have our miracles our way?

Greg gets furious when friends shallowly accept anything which looks like a spiritual intervention as a gift from God – and so do I. But are we turning our backs to our friends. On the contrary. . .

Who are the ones to be judged? What about the necessity to judge? Anything drawing the attention of God's children away from God as he really is, needs to be discerned and judged. Anything that twists the view of God needs to be judged. This judgment would come under the title prophetic contextual criticism based on the insight of who God is and what God does. The simple man engages in such procedures and calls it speaking truth in love. Many of us heartily dislike the plain man's approach, not wanting to be corrected, not willing to be brought under conviction.

There is a picture of Jesus in the first chapter of the book Revelation. It shows Jesus as he is while walking among the churches. There is a sword in his mouth, and it is directed towards the ones in the churches who bring falsehood, who twist the view of what church is meant to be.

Our dilemma is this: He has a sword in his mouth.

Our dilemma is this: His sword is ready to cut.

Our dilemma is this: We prefer our own contextual interpretations.

Our dilemma is this: Our Christianity, yours and mine, does not measure up to Christ.

We all need to move on, guarding against deception and eagerly watching and waiting for His salvation which brings gold of a different kind.

Lars W.

**Re: - posted by RobertW (), on: 2004/6/3 8:55**

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Monday I asked a group of believers what would Christ say to the churches today if He were to say to John the Revelator, "Take up a pen and write..." I can feel both Greg's frustration and the caution of others. One truly would have to wonder what God would be saying to us through such a phenomenon? Could it be James 5:3: "Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days." Could it be, "I counsel of you to buy of me GOLD tried in the fire that you may be rich?" What possibly could be the message- if in fact it is God working?

These things practically scare me to tell you the truth. Why? Because Jesus was ready to pull the Ephesians' Candlestick

look over them leaving their first love. He was going to cast the children of those who followed Jezebel into a bed of GREAT tribulation. And also was going to flat spew Laodicea out of His mouth! Where are we in this mix? I am rich and increased with goods and have need of nothing? Yet we are poor and miserable and blind and naked? So God is going to increase our goods even more by raining gold upon us? That sounds like David Wilkerson's the Vision when he said in the last days it would be the opposite of Job. The Devil would go before the throne and demand that God bless, bless, and bless the people to prove they will serve the God of Mammon and not Him once prosperity reached a certain level.

Moreover, look at how this topic has distracted us from revival? Would I believe God was "among us" if my fillings turned Gold? I don't know what I would think. I would be sorely confused. One thing I do know though; let a few people drop dead for lying to the Holy Ghost or stealing His glory and I'll know He's there. Let a man turn and smite a scoffer of the true Gospel with blindness and we'll be a little closer to the Book of Acts. Let some people begin to cry out from the crowd, WHAT MUST WE DO?" Or a crowd take up sticks and stones to take the man of God out and that will be a pretty good indicator the devil ain't trying to hear it. When the Prophets of God arise we'll know it. All that live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. When the Gospel begins to confront this wicked world as God would have us do the potential difference between the message of the Cross and the wickedness of the people is going to create some serious dust!

God Bless,

**Let it all come out - posted by andrewjames (), on: 2004/6/3 9:04**

"Our common desire to track down personal, affirmative miracles which tell us that we are something special in God's eye opens for that which speaks out of flesh."

That's it too isn't it. But my point is this why are we just picking on those who happen to be involved with weird miracles? Why not all those who have drawn attention to themselves in the public arena by having a public ministry?

Do we really have to have a public forum where the intention is obviously not to build up but to tear down?

What if it was my crusade to see anybody who has a website so beat up publicly and have their name run through the mud that they would reject the path that they're on. And when they do so I could say "praise God I got rid of all those evil websites."

or "praise God I got rid of all those useless church buildings."

how about this one "Praise God I helped Him get rid of those priests I mean pastors."

why stop at miracles? let's take this one the whole way. And then my convictions can be right and my mission from God can be correct and you can be wrong.

You know something God is not all lovey dovey but that is a facet of Him, He is also a jealous God as well as Jesus. There is a balance that is needed in the body of Christ and the only way to get that is to truly understand that our flesh is already dead and that Christ lives in us.

Be blessed y'all I pray for mercy and justice to prevail and a real revelation of Christ in us the hope of glory. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Andy

**Re: Let it all come out - posted by crsschk (), on: 2004/6/3 10:51**

Brethren,

I wholeheartedly ask that we truly consider the words in both Lars and Roberts' replies. Thank you both for helping to express what I felt but couldn't form into words. This is not a witch hunt, but a guard and a loving concern for the sheep of which we all are, even if it doesn't get conveyed 'properly', hope that can be kept in mind.

I have been following from afar as the replies have come in and asked myself the same questions as to the reality or unreality of what this may or may not be. I find it all very grievous, primarily because it detracts and is a cause of division.

I will offer the following for now:

God's Blessing or God's Approval

From the book "New Wine in New Wineskins"

- Zac Poonen

There are two types of believers - those who seek only God's blessing and those who seek God's approval; and there is

a world of difference between the two. In Rev. 7:9-14, we read of a great multitude of believers - so vast that they cannot even be numbered. Their testimony is that they owe their salvation to their God (v. 10) and that their robes are washed white in the blood of Christ (v. 14); or in other words, that God has blessed them. This is good, no doubt. But it is a vastly different testimony from that of the group of believers mentioned in Rev. 14:1-5.

There we read of a small group that can be numbered. In fact they are only 144000 - a small number, when you consider that they have been selected out of the billions of people who have lived on earth. Their testimony is that they followed Christ totally on earth, no guile was found in their mouth, and they kept themselves from being defiled by 'women' (that is, the women mentioned in Revelation 17 - Babylon and her daughters). Or in other words, they pleased God.

Notice the contrast. The first group received God's blessings. The second received God's approval. We get what we seek. If we are satisfied with God's blessing, then that is all we will get. And if we are satisfied with God's material blessings alone, then we will not even advance to getting His spiritual blessings.

Most believers are satisfied with being blessed by God - and that too mostly in the material realm alone. That is why Christian book stores are flooded with books on how one can be healed of one's sicknesses and become wealthy by tithing, etc. The emphasis is on physical and material well-being - health and prosperity. This is the clearest symptom of a self-centred life. And yet, we read in God's word, that Jesus died in order that we should no longer live for ourselves but only for Him (2 Cor. 5:15); or in other words, not to please ourselves but only Him. Or to put it in yet another way, Jesus died in order to deliver us from a self-centred life, and to bring us into a God-centred life.

One of the things that can puzzle us these days is the way God blesses a lot of Christian work that is so thoroughly compromising in its character. Does this mean that God is not disturbed by the compromises and the deviations from His word? No, it certainly does not mean that. God blesses many ministries that He cannot totally approve of.

Even when Moses disobeyed God's word and struck the rock (when God had told him to speak to it), God still 'blessed' that disobedient ministry. In fact, two million people were blessed through it. Yet God dealt with His disobedient servant severely afterwards (Num. 20:8-13). God blessed that ministry because He loved those two million needy people, and not because He approved of what His servant did. It is even so today.

Many ministries are blessed because God loves the needy people who need salvation, healing, etc. But He certainly does not approve of much that goes on in the name of Jesus today. He will certainly punish the compromising preachers in due time.

The only condition to be fulfilled in order to get God's material blessings is that one must be either good or evil! For Jesus said that God sends sunshine and rain on both the righteous and the unrighteous (Matt. 5:45). Material blessing is therefore no sign of God's approval on one's life. Two million Israelites disobeyed God for forty years in the wilderness - so greatly that God was angry with them (Heb. 3:17). Yet God gave them food and healing throughout all those years - and that too miraculously (Deut. 8:2). Even miraculous answers to prayer in the physical realm are therefore no indication that God is happy with a person's life.

God's approval, on the other hand, rested on Jesus when He was thirty years old, only because of one reason: Jesus had faithfully overcome temptation during all those years. He had lived a life centred in His Father and not in Himself. He never did what pleased Himself (Rom. 15:3). At His baptism, the Father testified, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased" and not "This is My well-beloved Son whom I have blessed". The latter testimony would have meant nothing. It was the former, indicating God's approval, that meant everything for Jesus. To follow Jesus is to seek for the same testimony ourselves.

As children of Adam, we are all born self-centred. We grow up expecting everything to revolve around us and to serve us. When we get converted, we expect God also to serve us and bless us in various ways. We come to Him initially to be blessed with His forgiveness, and then go on to seek the blessing of healing, answer to prayer, material prosperity, employment, housing, marriage partner, etc. But it is possible for our lives to be self-centred still, even when we are deeply 'religious' in our own and other people's eyes. God becomes just one more person in our 'orbit', and we seek to get what we can out of Him. The prodigal son came back in order to get food from his father; but the father still received him. God receives us even when our motives are utterly selfish. He loves us so much that He longs to receive us even when we come to Him with an obviously self-centred motive. His hope however is that we will mature quickly to realise that true spirituality is to partake of His own nature, which is to give rather than to receive. With the vast majority of His



children, however, God is never able to realise that purpose. They live and die in their self-centredness thinking only of 'I', 'Me' and 'Mine' and of material and physical blessings.

To be mature is to have our mind renewed so that it is no longer centred on what we can get out of God, but rather on what God can get out of us in our one earthly life. This renewing of our mind is what brings transformation (Rom. 12:2). This is what qualified the 144000 (in Rev. 14) to stand with the Lamb on Mount Zion.

True spirituality is not just getting victory over anger, irritability, lustful thoughts, love of money, etc. It is to cease living for oneself. It is to cease seeking our own - our own gain, our own comfort, our own convenience, our own will, our own rights, our own honour and even our own 'spirituality'.

When the disciples asked Jesus to teach them to pray, He taught them a prayer that does not contain the words 'I', 'Me' or 'Mine' in it even once (Lk. 11:1-4). He taught us there to be concerned first about the Father's name, kingdom and will, and then to be concerned as much about our fellow believers (their material and spiritual welfare) as about ourselves ('us', 'us', 'us' and not 'me', 'me', 'me'). It is easy to learn that prayer 'by heart' and to repeat it like a parrot. But to learn that lesson in our heart requires that we truly forsake all and put God in the centre of our heart. The law that we will find most frequently in our members (Rom. 7:22), if we are honest in judging ourselves, will be the law of selfishness, the lust to seek our own convenience and our own rights all through life.

Jesus taught us to seek the kingdom of God first - that is to dethrone 'Self' and to put God and His interests in the centre of our life. Jesus gave up the comfort of heaven in order to do His Father's will on earth. Paul gave up the comfort of being a Christian businessman living luxuriously in Tarsus, in order to be an apostle facing hardships for the Lord. Every one of the apostles lived that sacrificial God-centred life. They gave their all for the promotion of God's kingdom on earth, unlike many of today's 'tourist preachers'.

A holiness that still leaves us seeking our own comfort and convenience is a false holiness - even if we have overcome anger and dirty thoughts. This is what many have not realised; and hence Satan has been able to deceive them. Many Christians travel or migrate to different countries seeking conveniences and comfort and wealth. They can still have God's blessings upon their lives, but not God's approval - for no one can serve both God and mammon (that is, wealth, pleasure, comfort, etc.). If we think that God's blessing on our lives and on our children is an indication that He is also happy with us, then Satan has truly deceived us. God's blessing and God's approval are two totally different things. At the end of our earthly lives, the testimony that we have should be the testimony that Enoch had before he left the earth: "He pleased God" (Heb. 11:5). Only three words - but no one can have a more powerful testimony to his earthly life. This is the testimony that Jesus and Paul had. To merely have a testimony that 'He was blessed by God' is worth nothing, for millions of unbelievers too can have that testimony.

God looks for those who will seek His approval, and not just His blessing.

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**Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2004/6/3 13:51**

I have just read all the recent responses in this thread and I would like to share my clarification of prior statements here God willing and I pray that they can be understood properly and that they can be interpreted by the spirit that they are given.

The first thing I would like to clarify is that I am **angry**, there is somewhat of a godly righteous anger in me over the monopoly of the devil in our modern day christendom. If my posts of prior in this thread has appeared to have anger in them when I am expressing myself you are right in your judgement. But please discern of what type of anger it is. I am saddened by the various greivous ways the devil is working in this chaotic, dangerous and superficial age in the church.

Quote:

-----I am very saddened by this so called NEW blessing that is happening, I am surprised that you, yourself arent shocked, appalled and sickened by it in your spirit.  
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My question is how does God react to deception and false teachers in the church?



**2 Timothy 3:8-9** - Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so also these men oppose the truth--men of depraved minds, who, as far as the faith is concerned, are rejected. But they will not get very far because, as in the case of those men, their folly will be clear to everyone.

This scripture speaks of leaders, a rebellion, teachers of depraved minds.. they are rejected.. REJECTED by God. They oppose God and the truth, they speak against the truth.

Quote:  
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I do care... I do care... I DO CARE! we have to.. we soo have too! We cannot allow anything to happen in our spiritual experience we MUST measure everything with the scriptures. We must know that it is of God, we cannot, I repeat we cannot just accept any new revelation glibly without the scriptures of God to bear witness to it. A.W. Tozer said: "If an angel with the wing-span of a constellation came to me with some new wonderful truth, I would ask him for a reference (scripture) and if he could not show it to me in the bible, I would say I am sorry if you cannot provide a reference I must decline." (paraphrased). The point is that we cannot accept anything that is new, it is the biggest deception that we have become into a place in the modern day church where people would accept anything, and yes the devil is **very** active in all of this.

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I am not judging their hearts but clearly stating that they are deceived. But even in a stage of deception if the people seek after truth they can be brought into the truth of God. Would you say the same things to the apostle Paul who zealously condemned and spoke against falsities in his day and was constantly grieved after saints who are being deceived by wolves that have come into the flock.

**Jude 1:11-13** Woe to them! They have taken the way of Cain; they have rushed for profit into Balaam's error; they have been destroyed in Korah's rebellion. These men are blemishes at your love feasts, eating with you without the slightest qualm--shepherds who feed only themselves. They are clouds without rain, blown along by the wind; autumn trees, without fruit and uprooted--twice dead. They are wild waves of the sea, foaming up their shame; wandering stars, for whom blackest darkness has been reserved forever.

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I am sorry as far as I know the LORD I cannot say that this is Him. How well do you know God? How well do we know God people? Where is the man that knows God as a friend and speaks face to face, surely God would speak to His people who earnestly desire to hear Him speak into the confusion and muddled situation of Christianity our day. My 7 years of prayer and reading the holy scriptures bears all witness against these manifestations and trends in modern Christianity. I cannot argue and convince you of the truth but God by His spirit can bear witness to my words and I pray He changes all the people's hearts that read these words. I pray they are words of life and speak life into your heart dear reader.

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If you leave something to say well we will see the fruit, it will come and choke you as a weed in a garden choking a healthy plant of small tree. That is an unbiblical mode of dealing with truth, you look at the tree and examine its fruit right now! What do you see? how can you parallel the madness that is happening in the name of Christ with scripture.

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**lwpray** - Lars your words have the fragrance of Christ and your insight and the way the spirit has given the words to speak is remarkable, I really pray people read and re-read your comments and get the spirit of it.

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Dear brother you steal the words from my mouth. I do have an intense love for God's people and I pray that I am not looked down at as a 'stealer of the blessing' but I do admittedly say I have a better blessing to bestow: 'the richness of heavenly blessings in Christ Jesus'.

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I am speechless, that is divine truth being expressed through a mortal man, I praise God for your being used as a vessel brother Lars.

**Re: - posted by CJaKfOrEsT (), on: 2004/6/3 19:02**

I am posting an extended version of my wife's testimony, as I PMed to Greg last night, for further discussion. This will be my last post on this matter, as I don't want to cause further strife in this community. Anyone who would like to discuss further, I am contactable via email, msn messenger, or you can PM me.

She told me that when this phenomena happened, no one was praying for her and she was praying on her own. People were checking in other people's mouths. My wife had a funny taste in her mouth, and someone looked to see her tongue covered in gold. Next we checked her fillings and saw them change to gold before our eyes.

Before this happened, she was going through some issues of self hatred and thought God felt the same of her. This made her feel special to God, because He could have done anything with the gold, but He put it in her teeth. It's not an obvious thing (it happened to her back molars), but it's a special thing between her and God, that no one else had to know about. Just like a private word from God, just for her.

It had nothing to do with the gold or the teeth, but the motives behind it. He knew what she needed at the time to make her feel valued. She wasn't looking for the sign, it just happened.

Yours in Christ

Aaron

Ps-To Greg, no hard feelings bro!:-)

Re: - posted by joyfultdove222, on: 2004/6/29 20:16

Greg,

I have seen the same thing happen to other people in a meeting.

I am a firm believer of the Bible and I do check things with the Bible so I don't go astray.

But, can you imagine when Jesus first turned the water into wine and people say, "Well....can we believe this? Let's check the Bible...."

I guess when people start to seek after the phenomenon then there is a problem. But, if people get closer to God through the miracle, I say, "Praise the Lord!"

People say, "Why miracles?" I'd like to say, "Why not?" Only God knows the why and why not. Why do we need to put our experience of God and God in a box?

Happy experiencing God!

Joy

P.S. Ugh..... I hope I don't get some of you angry.....