

General Topics :: Oh, how the mighty have fallen! The terrible fall of Paul Cain.**Oh, how the mighty have fallen! The terrible fall of Paul Cain., on: 2008/5/21 14:20**

When Jimmy Swaggart sinned, and then covered himself, and refused discipline from his overseer's, many gloated at his fall. Paul Cain did not, but wept, quoting David's lament over Jonathon and Saul, his father, and David's mortal enemy. **"Oh, how the mighty have fallen!"**

David manifested God's heart for a prodigal son. Today, I am likewise melancholy. I received recent, confirmed, eyewitness reports that Paul Cain has endorsed Lakeland, and Todd Bentley, as the great revival prophesied. Todd Bentley, evidently, as the Elijah or equivalent to bring it. Paul laid hands on him, "passing a mantle", on stage at Lakeland, a few days ago.

While on stage and while speaking, he stated that he has been celibate for many years, having a gift of celibacy, and that there were many "allegations" about him, being passed around.

A few years ago, Paul confessed to homosexual sin, and was also caught red handed soliciting for sex, at Kansas city IHOP. This is well documented, and confirmed by the board of supervisors assigned to him to restore him.

I, until this very day, have been interceding for my brother, Paul Cain. It will cease today, as he has willfully given himself over to the enemy and the lie.

This has evolved from denial, into the psychotic and delusional realm, where the forked tongue rules and reigns. He may have believed, that his endorsement of Bentley would trigger an automatic purge of his "indiscretions", and thrust him back in the Lime-light, absolved. After all, he is the one who foresaw this awesome end-time revival of miracles and healing; over 100 times, in technicolor. It was his most vocal foundation in his prophetic ministry.

He probably never guessed that after the moment Todd received "THE ENDORSEMENT", of the "greatest living prophet", it would be all over. He is no longer allowed on the same stage, or probably, as I see the tide, on any stage with this "movement." Todd washed his hands of Cain, as Paul's own deluded desire to be in ministry at any cost, got the best of him. Hereby, the "celibate" comments, with "allegations" of course.

I have been loyal to Paul Cain until today. Anyone who says that he was always convoluted, has not been under his ministry when it WAS anointed by Jesus. Holiness, and Salvation....real healings and miraculous signs, and Words of knowledge reflecting secrets that only the holy Spirit would know or reveal.

Amazing power! brokenness and life.

"The gifts and callings of God are without repentance."...maybe there is the answer. I'm not sure. Maybe he was given over, somewhere along the way. He was so elite, that bodyguards surrounded his exit, at times. Maybe the pressure got to him, and he somehow believes that it never happened, and his delusional defenses have overridden reality....."They are out to get me...." kind of thing. I do not know. I do know that a true mighty man of God has fallen, and alas, I cannot help him.

How the mighty have fallen.

Re: Oh, how the mighty have fallen! The terrible fall of Paul Cain. - posted by Mattie, on: 2008/5/21 14:25

Brother, can i ask why you are bringing up a sin that has been confessed from awhile back? if he confessed it to the Lord, we must take heed not to throw it publicly in his face again.

proverbs says that "he who seeks love covers transgression, but he who repeats a matter separates friends"

take heed not to repeat a matter that the Lord very well may have overlooked.

i am not saying he genuinely repented. i don't know the man's heart. however, i don't know that he didn't genuinely repent either.

ultimately, God knows the ultimate end of man and we do not. why did God spare samson and not saul? the sovereignty of God friend.

let's leave Paul in His hands and not our own

Re: Bringing up sin???, on: 2008/5/21 15:02

This is not about bringing up sin, to condemn, but the issue is about deception, that will minister sin, to multitudes, inside of the church.

Can you see the difference? I have covered my brother with intercession for decades. Have you? I have personally reproved him. have you? I have loved him, as a father. Have you?

Even if you answer no, to all of these, you still have the right and command to judge another brother by their fruit, and , you like myself have the right to our opinion.

When a brother, or a sister, drifts over into the realm of the Wolf, endorsing the dark , as the light, then the Christian has the responsibility to warn, and sound the alarm, whether old sin is an issue or not.

Paul himself brought the issue up, PUBLICALLY, not me. He lied, I believe to deceive, so that his ministry would be received. He also blessed and endorsed a demonic revival, that will ultimately do great harm to the body of Christ, and probably for his own gain.

I do not want to sound condescending here, but "God knows the ultimate end of man, and we do not?"

"Let's leave Paul in God's hands, and not our own!"

The wolf must be identified, even in sheep's clothing! The wolf must be driven out, **or** it will eat, and devour the flock.

You cannot be this naive to the commission given to Pastor's, can you? Read Acts 20....Grievous wolves shall come in, after my departure, **not sparing the flock**, drawing away disciples after themselves.

I trust in the blood of Jesus, and any sin disappears and is forgotten for any saint who trusts in it, and forsakes their sin. It is the anchor of Mercy that is the rock of my faith. I forgive and forget, but no liar has an inheritance in His kingdom. To lie, to deceive is a sin against the body of Christ. This is that, and I will now sound an alarm, rather than a cry to restore my brother unto ministry.

Re:, on: 2008/5/21 15:06

Mattie... if Paul Cain repented and stepped down from public ministry permanently, then I would agree with you. It should not be brought up again.

However, as I understand it, Paul Cain is making inroads back into the ministry. Problem is scripturally he has disqualified himself from the ministry.

Since Paul Cain is scripturally disqualified from ministry... then discussing WHY he is disqualified is extremely relevant w

hen we see him back in public ministry.

And these IHOP people have a long history of sexually perverted issues. Bob Jones is another one... used his so-called "prophetic gifting" to sexually exploit women... got caught... couple months off... back in the ministry.

This ought not to be!

But hey... a homosexual giving his blessing on the Lakeland "revival"... I cant add anymore to that! I think that says it all.

Krispy

Re: - posted by Mattie, on: 2008/5/21 15:11

What makes him a wolf at this present time? I open to consider.

and also, what is the purpose and motivation of your cry? to warn the body of Christ? and if so, what is it that we need to be warned about?

it's one thing if paul cain is preaching things at this present time that is assaulting the character of Christ. but if he is not, then what's the point of warning anybody?

Re: - posted by Mattie, on: 2008/5/21 15:25

israel had quite a history also. sexual immorality, idolatry, pagan worship, etc. yet that didn't mean God forsook them.

the Corinthians had quite a history - committing sins even the Gentiles didn't commit. Yet at the beginning of the letter Paul still calls them saints and sanctified?

I wouldn't want to label Paul Cain a "homosexual". If He had put His trust in Christ for salvation, He is a brother who has had a fight with the sin of homosexuality, but His identity in the Lord is no longer that of a homosexual. We are righteous not because of our deeds but because of His deed. Paul Cain may have failed, along with others to "work out His salvation". He may have lied. But even in the midst of it all, I pray God's mercies.

Re: - posted by EVANGELIST (), on: 2008/5/21 15:39

Personal Message concerning Paul Cain

David Andrade

Sep 12 2007 12:10PM

Dear Friends.

I have come to really know Paul Cain in the past few years, having lived close to him day to day and seeing him through trial to trial.

For those that have issues with Paul,

I have not seen him return to any of the moral discrepancies that came into question.

We all have areas that we personally need to deal with, I have mine and you have yours.

Some of us have more or less than others. I believe Paul will continue to grow in the grace of God and that it would prove to no purpose to withhold him from the calling that Jesus has chosen for him. I believe that Paul deserves a chance to prove himself.

Please continue to pray for Paul as he emerges.

David Andrade

EARLIER RELEASES:

To Whom It May Concern:

Paul William Cain has been in the restoration care of RTV International Ministries since January of 2006. After careful evaluation and in consideration pertaining to his continual progress in all areas of spiritual and personal life; the administrative staff and Board of Life Recovery Centers of America with the Board of RTV International Ministries and the restoration team, unanimously affirm that there is no further need to continue the restoration process; And furthermore, release Paul W. Cain from restrictive oversight and restricted ministry. Paul William Cain is hereby free to pursue ministry and released to make personal decisions.

Dr. Cain will continue to remain in fellowship with the RTV International Global Family. Furthermore, RTV invites you to enlist Paul and his wonderful ministry to the Lord Jesus Christ and His Body.

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AND ANOTHER:

Jun 11 2007 03:58AM

Restoration update concerning Paul W Cain.

Many have lovingly written with grace to pray for Paul, asking "how to pray." These updates will assist many faithful in their support for Paul. Together with your support, Paul will continue to fulfill God's Will for his life.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the many of you that continue to pray for Paul and his family. Your continued prayers and encouragement have been so appreciated in the past 2 years.

PAUL'S HEALTH

Paul continues to gain strength. He has come to a good place in his life. I travel with Paul when necessary and continue to aid him in his personal affairs. Many of Paul's health problems are now resolved. Paul continues to undergo treatment and is responding positively. His strength has returned and with his present regiment continues to excel beyond our expectations.

FURTHER PROGRESS

I am presently in Kansas City at the request of Chuck Pierce and others that the restoration team make an effort at some kind of relationship with Mike, Bickle, Rick Joyner, and Jack Deere. I have always found Mike to be an honorable man and so many intercessors through PrayCal are praying for this endeavor. I will update you concerning how it went latter this week.

CONCERNING MINISTRY

Under term conditions, Paul has been allowed to do some ministry. We thank the Lord, Jesus Christ for proving Himself faithful. We have often witnessed an open heaven with demonstrations of Holy Spirit power, miracles and manifestation, and most important, many new souls arriving into the kingdom. To so many of you that have made request concerning scheduled ministry, Thank you. Please continue to send your requests to davidandrade@juno.com. Should we not respond immediately, please be patient. We will respond.

On behalf of the Restoration Team, The Cooke Center & RTV International Ministries

Blessings David Andrade

Re: moral discrepancies evangelist, on: 2008/5/21 17:00

First of all, this nine month old letter, from an outside source, deals with their ministry's assessment of a clean bill of health for Paul Cain. This, I may add, was after Paul was caught in a relapse situation, at IHOP K.C., and then soon rejected the original overseers who confronted his lack of compliance to restore him. All along, this group's stated desire was to restore Paul, and see him healed and brought back into his wonderful gifting, **in holiness**.

Recently, a law suit was threatened on Paul's behalf, that basically demanded that his original friends and restorative board back off entirely, of any critical statements concerning his restoration, or lack of it. the gist of it was, that Paul had to make a living, and they had no business interfering.

This letter may represent those very same people who covered him then. It sounds like it.

Only God can put you into true ministry, and only God can take you out. Notice the word TRUE here.

1. The issue is not about homosexuality, or sin of any kind. Paul, essentially lied, to deceive, about his lifelong character, probably knowing that many may not receive him unless they believed so. He did this saying that he has led a Chaste life for several years. He did this publicly, on a National stage.

2. He stated that there were "allegations" about him, that folks may have heard of. This, in effect, is bringing his restorers into the category of accusers, and liars, while propagating the myth that there was never any sin or corruption in the first place. He has been as pure as the driven snow, and is indeed seated in ministry. IE, these allegations are but persecution. He did this for his own gain, at the expense of his many friends, and regrettably. to the body of Christ.

3 In the process of all of the above, he endorsed a wolf, a deceiver, a false prophet, as being the carrier of true revival. He anointed this person, Todd Bentley, by the laying on of hands, using terms with Elijah's name involved, on a national stage, using the force of his otherwise prominent reputation as a world wide prophetic voice.

The issue is not a sin issue. The issue is not a sin issue. It is deeper, and much more profound at this point. It is about participating and endorsing apostasy, all for ministerial gain. See Baalim.

Re: Intercession for Paul Cain, on: 2008/5/22 3:52

I have found myself praying, asking the Lord to show mercy to Paul Cain, to forgive him, and not to hold his sins against him. I believe this is God's heart. Some, the bible says will have their works burnt up, but never the less, they themselves would be saved.

Manasseh was the most wicked, murderous, Satanic king ever in Israel's history, without doubt. It appears that repentance was granted him, and that he was granted salvation.

I am not comparing Paul Cain to him. No man, including myself, will enter into Heaven's gate, without receiving mercy. That cleansing is directly related to the blood of Jesus.

I watched an interview with Jeffery Dahmer a few years ago, conducted by James Dobson, in prison. Jeffery Dahmer

was a sodomite cannibal, who drugged his victims, and ritualistically ate them. There were about seventeen boys and young men who lost their lives in this shocking episode. They were all homosexuals.

Dahmer was caught, and went to prison. While there, someone preached Jesus to him, and he was saved, in a real and dynamic way. He then requested Dobson to interview him, as he wanted to leave a testimony of god's Grace in his life. To Dobson's credit, he complied.

The interview shows a stable and glowing young man, filled with love and faith, answering tough questions about his horrific crimes, and past life. Jesus is honored throughout.

Shortly after the interview, Jeffery Dahmer was murdered by another inmate.

God's views are so different than ours. Some, it seems, are cut off and turned over to terrible and swift judgement, while others, like Manassah, and Dahmer, are given extreme mercies.

One of my favorite scriptures is, "It is not he who runs, nor he who wills, but it is God who shows mercy."

I am praying for his life, and eternal life. This is different, and more important than praying for his restoration, and restoration to ministry.

I do know my own propensity to depravity. Without the grace of God, I am another Manassah or Nero. This makes me fear.

Never the less, when any brother drifts into the realms of deception, no matter his status or history, my loyalty to him is instantly trumped by my loyalty to the truth, and my Lord, Jesus.

Read about Paul the Apostle's fellow ministers that betrayed him, and the Apostle John's. Deception must be uncovered and expelled, to protect the flock.

Re: Oh, how the mighty have fallen! The terrible fall of Paul Cain. - posted by sonofthunder (), on: 2008/5/22 7:31

Just another example as to why (sof) avoids the naming of names (were it a matter you had apostolic authority like the likes of a John or a Paul) one might well bear with you!! and the post for that matter.

Often things turn UGLY between brothers, in these scenarios (sadly)

AS ON THE ONE HAND- THE ONE IS CLAIMING HE IS DOING US AND THE BODY OF CHRIST AND ALL THE REST OF US A SERVICE, AND A FAVOUR - IN BRINGING EXPOSURE - AND AWARENESS TO THE MATTER.

BUT STILL OTHERS CHIME IN DECLARING: IT'S OUT-OF-PLACE, NO LONGER RELEVANT, OR HE IS "JUDGING IN THE FLESH", NO NEED FOR IT. BEEN ADDRESSED OVER AND OVER BEFORE, TO WHAT PURPOSE DID YOU AWAKEN THIS OLD SORE AND PAST PREVIOUS OLD NEWS. ETC

Hence I brought up some OF these issues in the post "The issue of naming names and watchdog ministries"

The fact is God HAS already judged and reproved them - when it becomes public knowledge, and is made known "openly" as is made mention in Timothies epistle. Some men's sins go before the judgment and cannot be HIDDEN.

It will come out in due course - and then WHEN IT DOES - there is no where to run, nowhere to hide, the church KNOWS, the public KNOWS, the media KNOWS, as all - and sundry become aware and cotton ON - to it.

BUT THIS I DO ... I KEEP UNDER MY BODY AND BRING IT -- INTO SUBJECTION, LEST AFTER PREACHING TO OTHERS ... I should be a castaway !!

Actually we think (presume) because no one saw our "SIN" - that we got away with it "nobody" caught me out. And so they keep doing it -- . But God KEEPS good records and his "eyes" witness all. There is nothing covered that is not revealed or made known (Jesus stated) ALL things are naked and made manifest to the EYES of him, with whom we have to do. hmmm.

God brings it out, and why? -- because they are covering it up (and i state the obvious there) but also because the church believes you never judge "your own" the corinthian error(you leave people alone and never say anything) -- the result of this fallacious thinking then is this? he uses and turns to -the MEDIA- to bring it OUT and to expose corruption in the church and in the ministry -- who are hiding and covering up serious and severe sins. And i know some would fall back on Timothy saying them that sin rebuke before all, that others may fear. But that is when the situation affects you and your surroundings (and the elders of that work in progress) not a willie nillie arbitrary thing where all and sundry -can just rise up and make comment. and the text would also indicate the individual who has sinned is flagrantly unrepentant - in their rebellion and unbelief ... And so WE would fear -- going down the same road of UNBELIEF and apparent "falling away" they are rebuked before the assembly and congregation, that he himself once assembled with. He's being "rebuked" with the knowledge in mind - that the other congregants know - who this - individual is. Who has done despite to the spirit of grace and walked out on God ... and that, unrepentantly. !!

Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2008/5/22 9:29

So, what does Scripture say?

Proverbs 17:15: He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both are abomination to the LORD.

Jesus takes this concept one step further in dealing with fence-sitting: Rev 3:16: "So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of my mouth."

This is the final authority.
ginnyrose

Re: sonoffthunder.....where is the assassin?, on: 2008/5/22 11:42

Brother, I don't have to have a "watchdog ministry" to "name names", when error and deceivers arise, I just need the love of God so that those I do love are not destroyed by the liar.

Without being specific in warning, how is one to know exactly what is poison, or is not? We teach our children in very specific details on events and people so that they will not be hurt or taken in.

And no, it is **NOT** the media's obligation to mark those who bring heresies among the church, but the holy brothers and sisters and shepherds who understand that there is death afoot, and it must be absolutely identified and specifically avoided, at any cost.

Remember Cain's reply to the Lord, upon inquiry as to his murdered brother's whereabouts. "Am I my brother's keeper?" I am sorry if you cannot see this, but the rhetorical question the Lord imposed upon Cain was delivered not because he did not know of Abel's murder, but to expose the black assassin inside of Cain.

If we love our brother, as to the commandment, then we surely do not want him destroyed, do we? Should we warn in unspecific terms, or kind of hint a bit?" Well, this deceiver is six foot one, and has tattoos from head to toe, oh yeah, he has an IMP, about 20 inches high tattooed on his leg, and he may converse with female demons who look like fairies, and he lies, and enjoys loves dark, hellish music.....but I can't tell you who.....you might want to watch it now.."

We are admonished to "keep" our brother, to be his or her shepherd. The Deacon's and Elders are commanded to watch over the flock with greater responsibility, as they care for Souls, to protect them, and this is always direct and specific. If the shepherds do not, they are judged by a higher standard, with more severity.

Your attitude is naive to suggest that it should work out on its own, or that we should wait for Apostolic authority to name names. How long should we wait? Will you give me the number of a qualified modern day apostle please? He will surely identify all of the wolves for me.

To be honest, most of the rest of your post seemed contradictory...a yes name and do not name, all in one sentence. Loving is also protecting, and that must be done in sobriety and clarity, for in the long run, lives are at stake.

Re: The Way of Cain, on: 2008/5/22 12:44

Brother Tom, you are Christ-like in all your behavior from what I have seen in all of your posts. You speak truth and I have little doubt that you grieved over Cain's fall from grace and have most likely interceded with prayers in a more fervent manner than his 'busy colleagues' who have entrusted an International Team of apparent 'spiritual surgeons' while off chasing territorial spirits (Chuck Pierce) and endorsing a deceptive and false movement. Mike Bickle confessed that he enabled Bob Jones during his sinful indiscretions back in the early 90's when Mr. Jones used his status as a man of God to manipulate women into disrobing in front of him, which is a more grievous offense given that he used his status inappropriately to engage in the sin. Mr. Bickle admitted to promoting Bob Jones in error. Now we see Bob Jones back in ministry anointing Bentley by taking hold of his hand and evidently taking him to the 3rd heaven. This restoration process sounds more and more like the Roman Catholic method of 'hide the offender' and re-release after 'The Church' has deemed them 'healed', 'cured', or simply completing the 'necessary requirements'. A panel of high profile pastors did a test on Ted Haggard and determined that 'he is not a homosexual'. I got news for these 'anointed ones'. At the very moment Haggard was engaging in the conduct of homosexuality he was a homosexual. This 'Church induced face saving technique' of splitting hairs with sin is in itself, sinful. Subsequently, Haggard has been asking for money to put he and his wife through school because they are both pursuing a degree in psychology. What's my point? My point is that these 'restoration' tests and processes are developed more out of man's wisdom than God's power. Jesus said that those 'who hunger and thirst for righteousness WILL BE FILLED'. I don't think these teams of spiritual clinicians were around when He made this promise. Nor were they around when Jacob wrestled with God all night before he was changed from a supplanter and swindler into a man of God. And before I'm called into question about 'judging others' let me say that I have judged no one, I've simply made some observations. I've been judged more harshly for simply speaking against this false movement than I've ever judged anyone for a besetting sin or stronghold. If Cain and Haggard sincerely repent and are filled again with righteousness that comes for God then I am all for it. But both men have seemingly engaged in trying to figure out a sin problem through extra-biblical means that combines God with secular psychology. If the lawsuit allegation is true concerning Cain then to me this is tantamount to blackmail, not a right to earn a living. This does not appear to be conduct of someone who has the life of God within him...no this is the kind of stuff we see from politicians...act as if you've been victimized by the very consequences which stem from your own wrongdoing. And how arrogant is it for someone who has fallen as Cain has to assume that they still have this 'anointed mantle' to pass along to anyone else, let alone the authority to give it? I find this ridiculousness to be highly inappropriate and disturbing.

But ponder this: Suppose the Pope came out with a 'prophetic vision' from Rome stating that the angel "Emma" (who Bentley and Jones refer to often) was actually the Virgin Mary and will soon make a prophetic calling for deliverance and encourages all denominations to come together in unity under the Roman Catholic church. Would the Latter Rain Prophets sanction this? If not, how might they dispute it? By challenging the prophecy on a Scriptural basis? Well as we all know there is no 'angel Emma' in the Bible, nor are there descriptions of being transported into heaven through a 'portal' in the form of a pillar of fire to be operated on in 'beings in white coats' as they take your organs and sow into you 'truth'...as this man Bentley has claimed to have been...the same man Cain has appeared to have allied himself with by 'passing the mantle'.

Brothers, let us reason here. I mean who needs the Word of God if the truth can be sown into us by obscure heavenly beings in white coats? Does this sound like God? Does this take the form of a patient/intimate relationship that the Lord developed over those He used mightily in Scripture when Moses, David, Joseph and the like spent all that time in the wilderness (yes, I would call prison 'wilderness' in Joseph's case)? Yes the Apostle Paul did take a trip to the 3rd heaven but not by anyone else and after he paid many dues to the Father. Look at the passage closely, after he describes it Paul goes into much detail to put the experience in perspective so as not to boast in himself. Do we see this kind of humility? Or do we see one story after another about 'my experience'?

As far as naming names, I respect our Brother's position. However, Paul himself did this: 2 Timothy 4:14 "Alexander the metalworker did me a great deal of harm. The Lord will repay him for what he has done".

I personally have a family member who is currently deceived by this blatant absurdity and I don't want it to happen to anyone else so if I have to name names, I'LL NAME NAMES. No offense to you personally brother. O'Lord please br

ing your deceived out of their spiritual slumber...have mercy on us all!!!

Re: coley...The pedestal..., on: 2008/5/22 13:51

Thank you for your insights. I think there is no other reasonable course for a true brother or sister, than to clearly express our concern if we see disaster coming. We are obligated out of love to name and reveal that coming disaster.

I want to make a confession here, of a sin that held me, that you reminded me of. I held Paul Cain in such a high esteem, that it was akin to idolatry, surpassing the mandates of scriptural honor given to the brothers and sisters in Christ's body.

I, subconsciously, equated this amazing gifting in my brother, with Christ himself. I do not mean I believed Paul Cain was Divine, but I associated the anointing in him, with the gifting, as sacred, and as it seemed at times as he would prophesy, God himself would be talking through him. I had set Paul on a pedestal. I would not have admitted it, but now I see it.

Remember Paul the apostles response when churchmembers began to break off, each following his or her's favorite leader."Is Christ divided?, Was Paul crucified for you? Who is Appolos, or for that matter, me??? **NOTHING!**

The ministry model for the "anointing", and for the prophetic movement has always been a separate and elitist doctrine, They would never, nor will never, just "be a brother.

They will not participate in fellowship, nor in relationships with the least of the brothers. To them, it is beneath their sacred calling. The entire prophetic movement was, and is steeped in this professional and elitist identity, even as I speak.

The effect is, that the Prophet himself becomes cut off from the very grace he needs to survive, **AS** a brother, because life and protection flow within the body, **AS** each joint and ligament supplies. This applies to the pastoral ministry also, which is why you see so much perversion and immaturity in their ranks today. They have cut themselves off from graces that they need to survive, by their own self imposed elitism, or professionalism.

Paul Cain had bodyguards. He was so far above the common brother or sister in relationship, that he looked on high down to the clouds. It wasn't all his fault. I am partly to blame. I had my head in the clouds holding him higher. I am repenting, the hard way.

Re:, on: 2008/5/22 14:23

Brothertom,

It is easy to get caught up in following a man (men) instead of God. I listen to sermons more than spending time with God at times. The enemy opposes relationship with God which is why fellowship with others is a little easier. I got caught up a little in the word-faith thing awhile back and although I repented of that like you have, God works it out for the good as He promises. We are more discerning than we used to be because of our errors. Thanks for your post Brother.

Re: "Christlike" - posted by ChrisJD (), on: 2008/5/22 18:35

He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.

- John 7:18(KJV)

I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

- John 5:30(KJV)

I have many things to say and to judge of you: but he that sent me is true; and I speak to the world those things which I have heard of him.

- John 8:26(KJV)

Re: - posted by chadster, on: 2008/5/22 22:40

Krispy,

I take great offense at the way you generalize and say "these IHOP people" and put them all in the same boat...that is blatantly unjust! God has raised up IHOP which has been instrumental in raising up houses of prayer all over the world which are filled with people who have a passion for interceding and seeking God. It is a gross injustice to flippantly make such statements and discredit the entire ministry just because a few who were associated with it have fallen into sin. I assure you the people of IHOP are NOT on a forum like this bashing others, they're hidden in a prayer room, crying out to God 24/7 to purify His bride and to glorify the name of Jesus.

Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2008/5/23 9:39

Quote:

-----Loving is also protecting, and that must be done in sobriety and clarity, for in the long run, lives are at stake.

Amen, Brother! and AMEN!

If you have never been misled, you have no idea the horrible feeling this is when you discover you have been fooled! You experience self-loathing and you ask "why did someone not tell me??"

"Once burned, twice shy" is a proverb that explains much. So perhaps the experience will teach one - if he/she is open to learning.

Blessings,
ginnyrose

Re: chadster: concerning ihop and the current conflict, on: 2008/5/23 10:18

I am not speaking for Krispy, or for anyone but myself here.

IHOP, and Mike Bickle especially, have as much Godly integrity as anyone I have ever known, or heard of, in the body of Christ. To bundle them with people that have committed sin, or that have fallen into deception, that were at one time associated with Kansas City Fellowship, or IHOP, is just wrong, and absurd.

It could be akin to Peter being blamed for being a liar, and greedy, for the sin of Ananias and Sapphira, after they dropped dead, because they were part of the same church...It would be like the Apostle Paul being blamed for the wicked acts of the Pastors that he exposed in Acts 20, and warned the future church of, "Well, they went to Paul's church at Ephesus!"

Of course, it is absurd. In the 80s and 90s, Kansas City fellowship, which became Metro Vineyard, hosted hundreds of thousands of visitors, with thousands flocking worldwide, to join up with the prophetic movement there. Bob Jones and Paul Cain, being prophets, also came, and despite the apparent and current deception that both of them concur with today, they were a great blessing to all, then, and somewhat foundational in that church, and received worldwide.

Paul Cain received the ihop vision, in a unique prophetic encounter with the Lord, with evangelism coming.

Both Bob Jones and Paul Cain fell into sin. Both were publicly subjected to a Godly course of restoration by their peers; a board of mature elders. Both eventually rejected that process, and went their own way. How then can anyone accuse the church of participation, or endorsing their corruption? In fact, the exact opposite course was taken to restore the fallen unto a return to holiness and ministry.

I hope that when you refer to "a forum like this bashing others", that you likewise would not generalize that this forum is focused on destroying those that we might disagree with, or criticizing others to aggrandize our selves.

There is a wave of deception sweeping the world at the present, and exposing it for what it is must also include exposing the individuals perpetuating it, in light of the Word of God, and the agreement of biblical discernment by the Spirit of God. .

The Lord Jesus's ministry was filled with warnings about individuals and movements. John the Baptist, Peter, Paul, and Jude, to name a few, spent much of their time doing so, so that the church would not be mixed with deception, sin, and death. That is what this current discussion is really about.

If you are going to engage in public ministry, you must be able to accept a public examination as to the Christian fruit, and doctrine of your ministry. It is the Body's duty to do so, other wise Satan would get a free lunch, everyday. **This is that.**

I might add, "blessed are the unoffended", and if you believe in hidden intercession, please forgive us for offending you, and please pray and cry out for God to purify me more and my friends on this forum...thanks..

Re: - posted by chadster, on: 2008/5/23 12:07

Thank you, Brothertom, for your kind response and for helping to clarify what I trying to say in my post. I understand what the discussion was about, but I took issue with the manner in which Krispy generalized and put everyone associated with IHOP in bad light.

I especially appreciate your validation of Mike Bickle and IHOP, because this ministry has been severely bashed on this forum in previous threads...and I have nothing but the highest regard for this ministry and the message it preaches. Mike Bickle is a man who could be travelling the world as a big name conference speaker, but he prefers staying in KC, spending time in the prayer room. He's being faithful to his calling as an intercessor.

Re: chadster: mike Bickle and Paul Cain, on: 2008/5/23 21:16

I was simply relating that I entirely trust Mike's character. I would trust him with my money, my children, and my life, if he gave me his word.

He acted with integrity in the issues with Bob Jones, and Paul Cain, and I believe that he desired them to be restored, and also acted wisely in a manner that would protect the body at the same time. That does not mean that I agree with everything he does or oversees. I personally do not endorse IHOP, but that is another issue entirely, and does not affect my respect or fellowship with him.

Re: IHOP - posted by chadster, on: 2008/5/24 11:03

Brothertom,

I left you a couple of PM's and would appreciate it if you would consider responding.

Re:, on: 2008/5/26 7:51

Quote:
-----I take great offense at the way you generalize and say "these IHOP people" and put them all in the same boat...that is blantly unjust! God has raised up IHOP which has been instrumental in raising up houses of prayer all over the world which are filled with people who have a passion for interceding and seeking God. It is a gross injustice to flippantly make such statements and discredit the entire ministry just because a few who were associated with it have fallen into sin. I assure you the people of IHOP are NOT on a forum like this bashing others, they're hidden in a prayer room, crying out to God 24/7 to purify His bride and to glorify the name of Jesus.

That's all fine and good, but their core doctrines are simply unscriptural... which makes them false teachers. Period.

I won't apologize for offending you on that point. You're not offended by me, you're offended by God's Word. If it's an apology you desire, then seek one from God.

Krispy

Re: - posted by RevBenjamin, on: 2008/5/26 9:07

Quote:
-----I won't apologize for offending you on that point. You're not offended by me, you're offended by God's Word. If it's an apology you desire, then seek one from God.

Today, many try to vilify those engaged in the process of exposing lies or seeking truth as "accusers of the brethren, self-appointed heresy hunters, and those possessed by fault-finding demons."

The two most blatant examples of this is in an article by Grace Ministries associate Francis Frangipane and a portion of an article by Rick Joyner.

Listen to these intimidating remarks, hoping to shut the mouths of those who would question:

Frangipane writes:

"Satan has sent forth against the Church an army of fault-finding demons... How is the fault-finding demon manifested? It incites people to spend weeks unearthing old faults or sins in their minister of church... Beguiled by this demon, we circulate its accusations through a congregation or city, stimulating suspicion and fear among the people... But this enemy is not limited to attacks on local churches. Its attacks are also citywide and nationwide... To mask the diabolical nature of its activity, this fault-finding demon usually garbs its criticisms in religious clothing. Under pretense of protecting the sheep from a gnat-sized error in doctrine, it forces the flock to swallow a camel-sized error of loveless correction... In the final stage of this process we become crusaders against the other person. No defense he or she offers will satisfy. We are convinced the person is deceived and dangerous; it is up to us to warn others. Yet the truth is we who have succumbed to the fault-finder spirit are the ones who are deceived and dangerous... When the accuser comes, he brings distorted facts and condemnation. Satan never offers hope nor extends grace for repentance. Those who are trapped by this spirit never research the virtues in the organization or person they are attacking. Their goal is not to heal but to harm.

Joyner writes:

"It seems inevitable that the self-appointed 'heresy hunters' will always do more damage to the church than the actual heresies... The free associations and wild overgeneralizations of those whom Jude called 'fault-finders' are a destructive force that has ensnared and destroyed the effective spiritual life and witness of larger portions of the church than possibly any false teachings... We consider the callousness with which we have been prone to falsely accuse one another and overgeneralize in our references to one another's teaching or ministry a far more serious and destructive matter in the church than these particular doctrines... There are presently two ministries going on before the throne of God: one is intercession and the other is accusation. These are primary distinguishing characteristics of those who are walking by the spirit of Christ and those who are of the spirit of the evil one... Those who are of the nature of the evil one are the 'fault-finder

s' Jude warned about. 'Free association' and 'overgeneralization' are two of Satan's most effective tools in promoting innuendo and slander in his role as 'the accuser of the brethren.' These are the ones who 'cause divisions.'... One who has right doctrines and a spirit of pride or the accuser will devour far more sheep than those who just have some wrong doctrine."

To accept the above arguments as true would put the Apostle Paul in jeopardy of being accused of having a fault-finding demon. In Galatians 2:11-20, Peter (a Christian brother and Apostle, not a heretic) was teaching false doctrine. Paul knew Peter was incorrect and challenged him publicly on the subject. Until that controversy was resolved, the Judaizers no doubt wondered who that upstart Paul was that was causing division in the church. In II Timothy 2:15-18 Paul again mentions false teachers by name so that believers would not fall prey to their teachings and again in Acts 20:29. Paul kept on warning the church to beware of false doctrine for "three years."

The simple truth is that the New Testament is full of examples of public correction of false teachings both inside and outside the church. The key word in the process set forth in I Thessalonians 5:21 is "test" (from the Greek dokimazo - to test, examine, prove, scrutinize). This test applies to men, messages, and ministries. The basis of the test is the sure objective Word of God, not the unreliable word of today's prophets.

When it comes to such watershed doctrines as the person and work of Jesus Christ, and the accuracy and absolute authority of the Bible, we can and must challenge each other when our teachings denigrate either.

Christians, stop being browbeaten into silence by those who have set themselves up as modern day apostles and prophets.

R.G. Benjamin

Re:, on: 2008/5/26 10:00

Amen... the phrase "touch not the Lord's anointed" used by these people is taken out of context, and then is abused in the worse fashion to cover up gross heresy and lifestyles, and to silence those who would expose them.

...unfortunately for them, some of us are not easily intimidated.

If God be for me, who can be against me?

Krispy

Re: Those in glass houses should not throw stones..., on: 2008/5/26 13:49

In context, especially with Rick Joyner, a book could be written about the error expounded as "anointing". What biblical authority does he have to refute anything to do with revival? Will we be hacked to pieces by the great sword of the holy and brave Knights of Malta he carries?

Really. I'm not kidding.

Re: - posted by jiyouk, on: 2008/6/12 23:11

Quote:
-----I won't apologize for offending you on that point. You're not offended by me, you're offended by God's Word. If it's an apology you desire, then seek one from God.

Brother Krispy,

I think we would all accept the things you say better if you say it with more love brother. Many of the things you say sound like "I'm right cause the bible says so, period!" It's very childlike Krispy. I'm not saying that going to the bible is childlike

e, don't misunderstand me, I'm saying the manner in which you go about is childlike.

I have been angry at the church for some time with it's "religiousness," it's "yeast" it's lack of passion for Jesus. I have been deeply disappointed and said a lot of things to other believers out of my passion for truth. These things were true and the truth, but it was done in a manner that wasn't true; it wasn't done in love.

So I thought that all my criticisms were wrong and stayed quiet for two years. However, a man of God came to our church and essentially said the same things that I had been saying and flipped the church upside down in repentance. People met Jesus deeply. What was the difference between me and that man of God? I had the same message! But didn't have love, that anguish that David Wilkerson so fervently talks about.

So in the end, "He was full of grace and truth." These are two good pillars. If one just has grace, he goes on to say that everything is alright. If one has just truth, then he goes around telling everybody how they are wrong. If one has both.. Well, he'll "walk as Jesus did."

Bless you brother to walk in both grace and truth.