

# Apostasy is Destroying the Church, Part 2

2 Thessalonians 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, **except there come a falling away first**, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition. We are witnessing the falling away. Churches by the dozens are going a different direction than the principles of God dictate and they don't seem to care. I heard a preacher tell the story of a dream he had where he was in hell and witnessed a man running around looking into the many pits of fire there and he would occasionally stop at one look in reach in a grab someone and pull them out only to throw them back in. This preacher was so curious he asked the guy what he was doing and he said he was looking for the preacher who lied to him! That should curl the hair of any preacher. God holds a minister of the gospel to a higher standard than the average pew sitter. I've sat under preachers that are more afraid of the IRS than they are of God. They're so afraid of losing their 501(c)3, they won't take the chance of offending anyone.

Tithes are another sacred item to a pastor. I understand that those tithes are important. You have bills to pay and a payroll to make but God tells us in 2Timothy 4:2 **Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.** That means whether it is a popular message or not, preach it. If the government doesn't like it, too bad, preach it. Government has no authority over what the minister of the gospel preaches. They tried to control the church and did for many decades with the Johnson Gag Order, but Trump has removed that obstacle. Now preachers can preach the truth including who a Christian should vote for.

Now I'm sure that there will be some that think that it is unconstitutional but before the Johnson Gag Order in 1954

preachers would always inform their parishioners who they should vote for. In reality, even with the Gag Order, a minister had the right to compare candidate/Party to the principles of God but so many stepped away from that responsibility because they didn't want to offend anyone. One church I attended did bring up the difference between the candidates in 2008 and lost a bunch of his black congregation. He refused to bring it up again even though Obama was the most ungodly man to ever sit in the White House. In fact, you'd never even know there was an election going on in 2010, 2012, and 2014 because it was never mentioned in the pulpit again. His church has continued to decline in membership. The mandate is to preach in season and out of season. When it is popular and when it isn't popular.

I know another pastor that felt convicted that he needed to get political from the pulpit and did. He too lost a lot of people but believed God would bring in the people that would listen and He did. His church is now almost twice what it was. There are churches that ignore the 'trend' and preach what God has called the church to preach and they are flourishing.

Then we have churches that totally ignored Gods scriptural teaching on Israel. Some consider Israel to be a product of the Rothchild's instead of what God said he would do with Israel in the end times. Some even refer to Israel as terrorists.[1] It is said of them because they attacked Egypt as they were building up forces against Israel. Surprise is always an advantage when war is imminent. Even with the many excellent churches that support Israel, there are some that consider the churches Zionism as anti-Semitic and a danger to Israel and Palestine. ***In reality, right-wing Christian supporters of Israel like CUFİ pose a grave danger to the safety and well-being of both Jews and Palestinians, as well as to hopes for a true and lasting peace in the Holy Land. Anyone who actually listens to CUFİ's leader, the Rev. John***

***Hagee, will be horrified at the meeting's toxic blend of anti-Semitism, racism, homophobia, Islamophobia, and sexism.***

***Hagee and his more than 5 million followers believe that the establishment of Israel in 1948 and its subsequent military occupation and colonization of Palestinian and other Arab lands are the fulfillment of biblical prophecy and the necessary precursors to the return of Jesus Christ and the coming of the apocalypse. [2]***

The failure of pastors to understand what God said He would do with Israel is mind-boggling. Numerous times He stated that He would scatter Israel over the world: Ezekiel 20:23 ***"I lifted up mine hand unto them also in the wilderness, that I would scatter them among the heathen, and disperse them through the countries;"*** and then He said that in the end times He would bring Israel back to the land He gave them: Jeremiah 33:7 ***And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return, and will build them, as at the first.*** It's not rocket science, but some preachers have determined that they must redefine Israel of the end times.

One of the main purposes of the church is to raise up men to be placed in positions of authority: Exodus 18:21 ***Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens:*** but for the last sixty-five to seventy years they have failed miserably at it. They have failed to follow God's precepts and hold our leaders accountable for their ungodly actions. Now we have a political party, Democrats that won't even pass a law to protect our unborn or even those born alive during a botched abortion! They have blocked the bill over 70 times this year that would require the doctor to give a child medical attention that survived an abortion. Churches aren't talking about it! What kind of insanity is that? I assure you it is NOT a representation of the church of Jesus Christ. It is a

representation of the church of satan and no one can call themselves a Christian and support the Democrat Party. That would be apostasy on steroids.

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**Footnotes:**

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