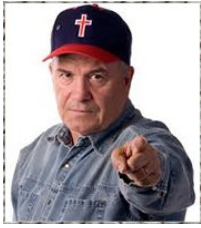


Spiritual Dementia



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I've recently begun to ask myself what in the heck is wrong with the church? Jesus told us that we were supposed to be "the salt of the earth and the light of the world" but the impact of Christianity on the American culture and the American way of life is almost non-existent.

Jesus called it "losing His savor...good for nothing...except to be cast out and trodden under the foot of man."

American Christianity has been trodden flatter than a pancake. How has this happened? [Jesus told us](#) to ***"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."***

By the way, it is called the Great Commandment...GO and TEACH. It is a commission, an order...not a suggestion...from our COMMANDER IN CHIEF...KING. Go teach them to OBSERVE...follow...what I taught YOU!!

And what is the reward you receive when you [OBEY HIS COMMAND](#)? ***"And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved."***

That's called "spreading the Gospel." What good is KNOWING the Gospel if you can't, or won't, teach it to others? When we fail to do so we are disobeying a direct order from The

King of Kings!!

But the American Church has lost its identity. A rash of confusion has flooded the American pulpit and the virus is infecting those in the pew. Jesus commanded us to "Occupy till I come." Today's pulpits are preparing the saints for an evacuation rather than an occupation.

Look, Christianity is more than simply "getting people saved." Jesus told us to go and teach so that there would be more soldiers for the battle. Getting people "saved" IS EXPANDING the Kingdom!! The Kingdom advances with each new recruit. What is it the Lord's prayer says...THY KINGDOM COME, THY WILL BE DONE, **ON EARTH...**? Why has Christianity washed its hands of Cultural issues? Politics is messy business but it is THROUGH the political process that God's Kingdom can be expanded.

Teaching them to observe all I have commanded you...

But American Christianity has an identity crisis...a form of Alzheimer's disease where we have forgotten who we are. How else can you explain the confusion that is masquerading as American Christianity?

Did you know that there are [45,000 DENOMINATIONS](#) of Christianity in the world today? [Here is a list.](#) Did you know that the word Denominate is a math term? Remember second grade math? Numerator and denominator. The numeration is the whole number while the denominator is the number used to DIVIDE the whole number. Is it any wonder there is so much dementia in the Body of Christ?

Oh, by the way, [dementia is defined](#) as "a condition characterized by progressive or persistent loss of intellectual functioning, especially with impairment of memory and abstract thinking, and often with personality change, resulting from organic disease of the brain."

The Church is supposed to be the care-taker of the culture but today too many churches have demented leadership.

Let me put it another way. Is Almighty God schizophrenic? Why would He COMMAND us to *"go and teach all nations (ethos...ethnic groups) to observe all things whatsoever He commanded us"* if, as our pastors tell us, we were not supposed to mix religion and politics? Sorry folks. Religion IS politics. Luciferians run our Government.

According to [I john 3:8](#) *"For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might **destroy the works of the devil.**"* That is what Jesus accomplished by His death on the cross...He destroyed the works of the Devil!

Perhaps God has dementia. Perhaps God is confused. Perhaps God was unsure of why He had His son publicly murdered.

Satan is defined as "The Prince of the Power of the air." But he is a PRINCE not a KING. A Prince is subjected to the authority of THE KING. Jesus is the KING of KINGS. He rules and reigns over ALL the earth. Right now. Today. Jesus is King...RIGHT NOW!!

The American Christianity has lost sight of who we are and whom we serve. We have a massive identity crisis. Just like a dementia patient, we have forgotten who we are and whom we serve.

Could you name for me one area of the American Society that Jesus Christ is not King over? Education? Media? Entertainment? Medicine? Government? The fact that His church is not fighting to crown Him King in the battle for the culture does not mean He is not the rightful and ultimate authority.

Jesus said "ALL POWER IS GIVEN UNTO ME BOTH IN HEAVEN AND EARTH." If He has all power why are the children of the Devil running everything?

Is God pleased with the moral confusion in this nation? Is this REALLY what He wanted for the “shining city set on a hill?” The stewardship of American society by Christ’s ambassadors to this world has been abysmal.

The American Church has a major identity crisis. We have forgotten who is King. Don’t blame the Devil and his minions for fighting for this world. They are only doing what their leader asked them to do. Why don’t Believers do the same?

Christians are suffering from Spiritual dementia.

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