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Greetings in
The Name of

Editorial

W. B. Howard.

The Lord Jesus Christ!

This issue of Despatch will include an investigative report on THE BAPTIST UNION denomination in Australia, as it is aligned with the global BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE (B.W.A). Working on this material was hard on my emotions, as I was once a Baptist church member. How sad to see this denomination disintegrate into a mere pawn of the New World tyrants, which is what has occurred.

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PLEASE READ

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country. YOU must take the time to read about it, carefully, and prayerfully. Heavy going for some, but DO IT!

[*"The Deliberate Dumbing Down of America", an Education Expose is available, ask for details.*]

We have dealt extensively with FANTASY books and films this issue. So many Christians are getting involved with fantasy, they would rather read these books often than read the Word of God.

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- G. Macdonald's Fantasy books;
- J. R. R. Tolkien's "Lord of the Rings";
- Plus many and varied modern "Christian" fantasy books, all there in the "Christian" bookshops for the enthusiasts to grab.

Should we be concerned about this? Yes!

What about your own family members?

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For over a decade, prior to his retirement, Dr. Monteith led a delegation of physicians from Santa Cruz County to the House of Delegates of the California Medical Association. For 10 years he led the battle within organized medicine in California to address the AIDS epidemic as a medical issue rather than a civil rights issue.

As a result of his experiences trying to implement an effective medical approach to the HIV epidemic, he wrote the book, "AIDS: The Unnecessary Epidemic", the widely circulated pamphlet, "To Deceive a Nation", and more recently, "A Nation Deceived and Betrayed." He publishes HIV-Watch, a nationally circulated newsletter covering the HIV epidemic. Supported by physicians across our nation, his public health approach to the epidemic was eventually accepted by the California Medical Association. Unfortunately, powerful forces continue to oppose the dictates of doctors. ➔

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Adventist now turned Pentecostal)...and the ever present Father Tom Forrest. It's staggering to see such a lack of discernment in these men.

Who are the hosts? -

'The Servants of Jesus Community', which is made up of people from mainline Protestant, Catholic and Pentecostal Churches. Obviously these 'mainliners' aren't 'Protesting' anymore.

Mike Claydon Aust.



Dr Monteith currently spends three hours daily on talk radio in California. He writes extensively, and lectures on geopolitics. He has spent 30 years researching the causes for America's spiritual and moral decline.

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EDITORIAL

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A great book was sent to us by DR. CATHY BURNS. This prolific writer has produced a book which, in my humble opinion, is one of the best I have ever read on the subject of the overthrow of the Christian denominations and organizations by the Antichrist system! It is called "BILLY GRAHAM AND HIS FRIENDS." As we pore over this large volume with thousands of references and extensive documentation which can never be denied, we discover afresh the enormity of the deception which has been perpetrated against the "Christian" denominations! Many, many "Christian" organizations are exposed, hundreds and hundreds of respected leaders brought before our eyes, all with a finger in the pie of collaboration with the One World Church of the Antichrist system! Communists, high-level Freemasons, Theosophists, New Agers, Neo-Socialists, the United Nations of Lucifer are in control of Christendom, beloved of God! Right across the board we see the same horrible facts, which must be faced if we are to remain faithful to the Lord ourselves. And I thought I knew a lot about what is going on! The extent of the evil corruption in Christendom is vastly beyond what I had understood before. Names, men and organizations, I still saw as being 'Godly', shown in "BILLY GRAHAM AND HIS FRIENDS", without one shadow of doubt, as being just like the rest – collaborators, weak compromisers, enemies of God or the deceived!!!

What are we to do,**dear faithful ones, small remnant?**

There are a number of ways born-again believers deal with all this. They might

busy themselves with getting on with life, and forget about it. DENIAL. They might get red-faced and bluster, defending their own favourite denominations and leaders, calling anyone who exposes them "intolerant and judgmental." COMPROMISE AND DELIBERATE BLINDNESS. They might be so enraptured with their own churches and their own standing in those churches that will not want at all to destroy their comfort zones – and prestige – by taking any notice of investigative facts. LOVE OF SELF AND DENIAL OF A HOLY GOD. They might say piously, "I will not deal with negative things. I want to be positive, and not turn against my brothers and sisters in Christ! I will not tolerate intolerant conspiracy-theorists!" CALLING GOOD EVIL, AND EVIL GOOD. I could go on. But, the one way to deal with our present day religious disasters, one that will please the Lord God, is to courageously get understanding of the FACTS, evaluate these before God, and seek His wisdom about how YOU are going proceed in these perilous times. Get Dr Burn's book, "BILLY GRAHAM AND HIS FRIENDS" it is a MUST!

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There is much more of interest in Despatch, we pray that the Lord God will enlighten us all, work in us to will and to do of His good pleasure, and give us all hearts that will be true to Him and His Truth – and keep us from compromise with Satan's One World plans. →

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sion of a serious crime; responding to an apparent threat to the safety of a person; responding to a serious risk to an Australian intelligence operation or operative; or ... relates to an Australian person who is acting for, or on behalf of, or is suspected acting for, or on behalf of, a foreign power". The rules add that "a person within Australia shall be presumed to be an Australian person; and a person outside Australia shall be presumed to be a non-Australian person", subject to other evidence of nationality.

Last night, Senator Evans said the new rules raised questions not only about Australians' privacy but about what directions DSD was given during the Tampa affair.

Civil libertarians have already expressed fears about proposals to expand the powers of the domestic spy agency, ASIO.

Fairfax ~ Sydney Morning Herald



Extract: "Salt Shakers" Mar., 2002 p.13
<http://www.saltshakers.org.au>

BOB CARR GIVES \$325,000 TO BAIL OUT MARDI GRAS

According to recent newspaper reports the mardi gras was close to collapsing until Mr Carr offered to waive around \$325,000 in fees payable to the NSW people (via the government) for police, road closure and other costs associated with mardi gras.

This is not being done to save lives, it is not even to help AIDS sufferers, it is to assist a promotional, highly immoral and political sex parade through the streets of Sydney.

Anyone who runs a non profit or-

ganization in NSW should immediately write to him and ask for equal treatment/funding.

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Extract: Diakrisis [Aust.] Vol. 2:15

SHARE THE HOLY SPIRIT CONFERENCE

Arguably the most openly Ecumenical event of the calendar year is on again in 2002 - April 15-20 at Roman Catholic St. Josephs College, Hunters Hill, NSW. Brochures show photographs of the assorted ecumenists and heretics billed as 'Speakers'. The old familiar faces are there; Rev.Fred Nile, Barry Chant, Pastor David Crabtree (an ex Seventh Day.) →

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YOU MAY BE SPIED ON - FOR AUSTRALIA'S WELLBEING

By Laura Tingle,
Political Correspondent

Australia's top-secret satellite spy agency has been given sweeping new powers to report on Australians to the Federal Government.

New rules governing the work of the Defence Signals Directorate were quietly introduced during last year's election campaign by the outgoing defence minister, Peter Reith.

The old rules explicitly prohibited the deliberate interception of communications between Australians in Australia - but the new rules, and the legislation under which they are made, do not. Further, the new rules allow the DSD to report to the Government on



CHARLES CONT'D FROM P.59

square, to be named after the Prince, in Palmas, the state capital of Tocantins on the edge of the rainforest. The sculpture, which will invite comparisons with the statue of Christ overlooking Rio de Janeiro from Corcovado, is set on a marble base. At its feet is an untidy mass of human bodies, one drinking from a bottle of wine, which is said to represent the world in a mess which the Prince is busy saving. Jose Wilson Sequeira Campos, the Governor of Tocantins, in central Brazil, said: "It is Prince Charles saving the world. We think he is deserving of it...."



Australians if their activities affect national security, foreign relations and even the country's economic wellbeing. Previously, DSD was only allowed to report on Australians where their activities involved threats to a person's safety or involvement in serious crime.

News of Mr Reith's move to expand DSD's powers comes amid scrutiny of the agency's role in the Tampa affair.

The formal role of the DSD is to intercept foreign satellite and phone communications in the region for intelligence purposes, not the communications of Australians. But allegations emerged last month that DSD intercepted calls to and from the Norwegian ship MV Tampa, including with the Maritime Union of Australia. The Government later denied DSD had reported to it on communications "from" the MUA.

But the matter is now the subject of an inquiry by the Inspector General of Intelligence Services.

During questioning from Labor's defence spokesman, Chris Evans, at estimates committee hearings last month, DSD officials refused to release the rules governing Australians' privacy at the time of the Tampa crisis - on the basis that they were classified documents.

The new rules, formulated by Mr Reith on October 29, say they may now report on Australians where their involvement is already public knowledge or where the person is "a representative of the Commonwealth or of a state or territory in the normal course of official duties".

DSD may report on Australians if deleting reference to them would reduce the usefulness of reports related to "maintaining Australia's national security; maintaining Australia's economic wellbeing; promoting Australia's foreign relations; preventing or investigating the commis-

THE BAPTIST UNION & The Baptist World Alliance.

Reading through the book "*Billy Graham and His Friends*" by Dr Cathy Burns has brought Endtime Ministries into a new area, as far as the Baptist Union denomination in Australia goes. We now see it in far worse a light than we previously did!

This denomination had been seen as sound biblically here in Australia, back in the '50s - '70s. We tend to regard the Baptist churches in our towns and cities as still being rather conservative, or at least not being churches that are vastly in error. But, we then forget the world union, which IS the Baptist Church, and all those who make up this union - the Baptist World Alliance.

We need to get at the stunning truth about the BWA, and how it controls and affects the Baptist Union in Australia. It is not a pretty picture. The Baptist Union, it appears, is as SINISTER as



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"Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. And of some have compassion, making a difference: And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh. Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen." (Jude 21-25).



the World Council of Churches is!

The Australian Baptist Union is certainly a member of the BWA, lest you debate this fact. An international name to watch for is Australian, *Tony Cupit*. He is the Director, Study and Research, BWA, Australia and USA.

(See more below).

Despatch will now give a number of these quotes, which should reveal the extent of the BWA's compromise, and collaboration with the...

- Vatican,
- Communists,
- New Age,
- Freemasons and
- the New World Order.

We will show as well the complete involvement of the Australian Baptist Union. Yes, BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE [BWA] IS the AUSTRALIAN BAPTIST UNION [ABU]!

Despatch will give a few comments here and there to clarify.

THE BWA IS NOT WHAT YOU MAY HAVE THOUGHT IT WAS!

The following startling information has been taken from "*Billy Graham and His Friends*" by Dr Cathy Burns, p.p.481-487. Fuller documentary proof can be found in the book. Space in this magazine is limited. If the reader requires references

to documentation on a fuller level from Endtime Ministries, please write, \$2 for postage use stamps if possible for small amounts.

(Page 469) AMSTERDAM 2000

Amsterdam 2000 was a conference sponsored by the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA), and was held from July 29 to August 6, 2000. The conference included 10,000 evangelists and church leaders from 209 nations and more than 900 plenary and teaching sessions were scheduled to be conducted by some of the world's top "Christian" leaders.' The cost for this conference was around \$35 to \$40 million dollars.' Although Billy Graham himself was unable to attend due to being hospitalized, he did send greetings to those in attendance. I think it would be of interest to look at a few of the speakers selected to speak at this conference.

The first speaker we'll look at is John Stott. Stott claims that he believes in hell but he doesn't believe in eternal punishment. At a conference sponsored by the National Association of Evangelicals in the late 1980's, Stott "revealed that he was a proponent of conditional immortality, or annihilationism, a view that denies eternal punishment in hell for the unsaved." In the January 8, 1996 issue of Christianity Today, a magazine founded by Billy Graham, is an interview with Stott. Stott refers to his book, *Evangelical Essentials*, and suggests that "eternal punishment" may mean the ultimate annihilation of the wicked rather than their eternal conscious torment. I would prefer to call myself agnostic on this issue In my view, the biblical teaching is not plain enough to warrant dogmatism. There are awkward texts on both sides of the debate. " Elsewhere he stated that "the language of destruction means to destroy but can be a

metaphor when the Bible speaks of the Lake of Fire."

Stott is a strong supporter of the liberal, pro-Communist National Council of Churches? No wonder he writes: "The fundamentalist is like a caged bird, unable to escape at all."

He is also a contributing editor to the liberal, left-wing publication, pro-abortion, pro-homosexual, and pro-feminist magazine, *Sojourners*. I guess this isn't really all that surprising since Stott has said: "We must engage in a double listening, both to the voice of feminists and to the voice of God."

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BILLY KIM- *President of the Baptist World Alliance*. Another speaker at Amsterdam 2000 was Billy Kim." He was the interpreter for Billy Graham in 1973 when Graham went to Seoul, Korea.

At the conference, Kim "favorably quoted Martin Luther King, Jr., [Communist sympathizer] who, according to Kim 'pricked America's conscience and gave America a dream."

Kim, a Promise Keepers speaker, was the vice president and is now the president, of the liberal Baptist World Alliance (BWA). About three weeks prior to Kim speaking at Amsterdam 2000, the BWA had a "very important" and "excellent" several hour meeting with Cuban communist dictator, Fidel Castro. Castro was the guest speaker for the BWA's General Council meeting in July." Kim even had a private visit with Castro."

"The BWA resolution that gained the most publicity was the unanimous resolution calling for the end of the blockade of medicine and food products to Cuba. A BWA report says 'Baptists of the world stated very clearly that they thought it was unfair to punish the poor people of Cuba by such a blockade.' Why not a resolution against Castro's 'unfair' denial of

tree. In the book of the dead there are examples of a letter the deceased would write to the Goddess of the Tree, containing a prayer so that she would provide water and air.1 etc, etc, etc...
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DESPATCH: Send for the material re Earth Charter and the "copy cat" ark of the Old Testament. [posted \$5]

Participants form a "sacred circle" around the "Ark of Hope" to offer prayers and worship the vessel of Gaia's Earth Charter.



SNIPPETS

PRINCE CHARLES SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD



British News... "Times Online" March 12 2002
 March 07, 2002 Winged Prince is

'Saviour of the World'

by Andrew Pierce

THE Prince of Wales is to be immortalised in bronze as a muscular, winged god dressed in nothing more than a loincloth. He will be the first living member of the Royal Family to have a life-size statue dedicated in his honour. Although the Prince is destined to become Defender of the Faith when he becomes King of England, the inscription on the statue in Brazil will honour him as "Saviour of the World". He is shown naked, apart from the loincloth, with giant, angel-like wings protruding from his back. His arms are extended as if offering comfort and security. The Prince was clearly taken aback when presented with a miniature version yesterday, the second day of his visit to Brazil, after a trip through the Amazon rainforest. The statue will dominate the town

The Earth Charter & the Ark of the Gaia Covenant

by Terry Melanson

For those who may have dismissed the notion of a UN Agenda for a New World Religion based on pagan morals and values, I offer the following.


Inside this 'Ark of Hope' the Earth Charter is handwritten on papyrus paper, and ready for presentation to the United Nations; the Ark along with it's Gaia "Ten Commandments" - a new covenant to which every nation must adhere.

Each panel represents one 

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larities between *Medallion* and two explicitly pagan books — one a sixth-grade reader for public schools called *The Dark is Rising*, and a Wiccan manual by Starhawk called *The Spiral Dance*. In response to a review of *Medallion* by Berit Kjos, BJU trivializes the similarities, and states, "It appears that what this critique requires of *Medallion* rules out all fantasy for the Christian. We hold that no story can mix fantasy with the supernatural facts of Scripture without dangerously trivializing Biblical truth by associating scriptural realities with a dream world."

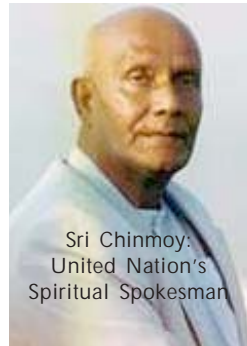
[COULDN'T HAVE STATED THE TRUTH MORE CLEARLY IF WE HAD TRIED!]

Contrary to the scholarly opinion of BJU's Literature and Language departments, "Christian" fantasy parallels the occultic literature for children, using similar images, story-lines, symbols, and characters. Literary fantasy, rather than being neutral, has occultic roots. 

(This paragraph was excerpted and/or adapted from the 10/96, *The Christian Conscience*, "Pagan Story for Christian Children," pp. 40-42; see page 41 for a detailed comparison of *Medallion* and *The Dark is Rising*.)

of the five traditional elements of **pagan worship:**

Water, Fire, Earth, Air and Spirit. According to the Ark of Hope website, the Ark's dimensions are 49" X 32" X 32" and it was crafted out of a single Sycamore plank. The obvious meaning behind the Ark



Sri Chinmoy:
United Nation's
Spiritual Spokesman

of Hope is to mock God's own Ten Commandments and the Ark of the Covenant. In this context the choice of Sycamore wood for the Ark of Hope's construction is a revealing one.

The Sycamore tree was sacred to most all the pagan religions in the middle east during biblical times, and in Egypt especially:

* To the Egyptians the Sycamore was a healing tree;

*The tomb of Osiris was built in Sycamore wood, and shaded by Sycamore trees;

* Burial in Sycamore coffins was a symbolic return into the womb of the mother goddess;

* The deceased hoped to live in the Sycamore



Oculitic United Nations
Meditation Room
[Ark Like Structure]

freedom to poor Cubans?"

The BWA leaders also "boldly stated that evangelism is more important than doctrine and faithfulness to the truth. Outgoing. BWA President Nilson Fanini stated in an interview that "theology sometimes divides us, but evangelism and missions bring us at together."

"The BWA is an ecumenical alliance of 191 Baptist denominations in more than 140 countries. It promotes the false teaching that unity is more important than doctrinal truth. In decades past it has been strongly influenced by communists, and it supports new age one-world organizations such as the United Nations (UN). At the 15th Baptist World Alliance meeting in 1985, the BWA commended the UN and, challenged Baptists to make a new commitment of prayer for the UN, promote interest and support for its programmes, and encourage world-wide rededication to the principles and purposes of its charter.' ...

"Among the denominations which are united under the BWA umbrella are the American Baptist Convention and the Baptist Union of Great Britain, both of which are permeated with the most blasphemous and heretical modernism under the sun."

BWA AT PAGAN-FEST

The BWA was represented at the 1986 Day of Prayer for World Peace in Assisi, Italy, along with "mantra-mumbling Buddhists Shiva-loving Hindus, spirit-worshipping Indians invoking the Spirit of the Sky, Shintos, Bahais, Jainists, African animists calling on The Great Thumb, fire-worshipping Zoroastrians, Sikhs, [and] Moslems crying to Allah." This event, by the way, was organized by Pope John Paul II!

What happened at Assisi?

The Associated Press reports.,

"Chants, temple bells and pagan spells echoed around the Roman Catholic shrines of Assisi yesterday as Pope John Paul II and his 200 guests from the world's 12 main religions prayed for world peace...."The medicine man of the Crow Indians [spirit worshippers-D.W.C.], Chief John Pretty-on-Top, offered to cast out evil spirits. Many came forward, among them a young Franciscan monk.

"In a chapel down the road, the head of the Zoroastrian church in Bombay prayed before a fire that symbolized his God.

"Next door, six turbaned Sikhs—all Italian converts—sat chanting their prayers in the lotus position to gramophone music. "At an old Roman temple, shoeless Moslems sat on prayer mats.

"The 14th Dalai Lama, exiled god-king of Tibet, headed the strong Buddhist contingent, mumbling sutras amid tinkling bells at the Basilica of St. Peter.

"In the gardens outside, a Shinto sect called Tenrikyo, in black kimonos, swayed to temple music." African animists, their togas the envy of any designer, invoked the spirits of trees and plants to come to the aid of once

"Two tribal animists from Africa intoned, 'Almighty God, the Great Thumb we cannot evade in tying any knot, the Roaring Thunder that splits mighty trees, the All-Seeing Lord up on who sees even the footprints of an antelope on a rock mass here on earth ... you are the cornerstone of peace.'

"Smoking a ceremonial peace pipe, John Pretty-on-Top, a Crow Indian medicine man [witchdoctor] from Montana, in a full-feathered headdress, recited, 'O Great Spirit, I raise my pipe to you, to your messengers the four winds, and to mother earth, who provides for your children ...I pray that you bring peace to all my brothers and sisters of this world. "

CHRISTIAN-MARXIST DIALOGUE BWA STYLE!

Paganism isn't the only attraction for some of the BWA leadership. In 1960, Jakov Zhidkov "preached the Communist line before the Baptist World Alliance and offered Khrushchev's disarmament program as the one behind which all Christians should unite."

"Bychkov, leader of the communist-controlled All Union Council of Evangelical Christians-Baptists, was also identified as a KGB agency by the FBI. April 17-23 [1988] Ecumenical Press Service reports that Bychkov met recently with the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in Richmond, Virginia. This infiltrator is also a member of the Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance, whose largest supporter is the Southern Baptists." 121

This really isn't surprising since at BWA's 15th World Congress in 1985 they decided to dialogue with heathen religions and communists. Dr. Glenn A. Igleheart (sic) wrote a report entitled "Why Baptists Dialogue with Others" in which he stated: "The situation in the world outside the churches demands dialogue take place. Other world religions have entered a resurgent missionary phase in their history, and Baptists should join with other Christians in utilizing dialogue as a means of truly entering into relationship with representatives of these faiths. Dialogue may cause Christians to rethink their perceptions of these and other faiths and to revise their approaches to them. In addition to other world religionists, Christians need to enter into Christian-Marxist dialogues in order to know how to cope with the followers of that ideology."

Iglehart, by the way, serves on a commission in the National Council of Churches.

As Christians, we are not to dialogue with other faiths. The Bible tells us that we should "mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them" (Rom. 16:17). I Timothy 6:3, 5 states: "If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness;... Perverse disputing of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth.. from such withdraw thyself." "Shun profane and vain babblings..." (II Timothy 2:16). II John 1:10-11 warns: "If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds." Finally, II Corinthians 6:14,17 cautions us: "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? ...Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you."

"We are to BELIEVE sound doctrine, Titus 1:9. We are to PREACH sound doctrine, II Timothy 4:2. We are to ADORN sound doctrine, Titus 2:10. All three of these are important."

RUSSIAN HAMMER & SICKLE.

In a previous chapter I mentioned that Graham had traveled with Communist sympathizer, Martin Luther King, Jr., to and from the BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE. From 1955 until at least 1993, Graham had given the closing address at each BWA Congress. After speaking at the BWA meeting in 1980, Graham "joined in a rousing applause accorded the Russian

These promote controversies rather than God's work — which is by faith.

(d) 1 Timothy 4:7 — Have nothing to do with **godless myths and old wives' tales**; rather, train yourself to be godly.

- Considering the present distress (2 Tim. 3:1), how can fantasy, no matter how supposedly good it may be, be found profitable? We need to concentrate on reality — the truth of the Word of God — and leave the fantasizing to those who are perishing (especially in light of the prevailing ignorance of the Word). And, especially when Paul describes the "against the true church" as those who will "be turned aside to fables," we ought to hold fast to the truth — the Word of God

(1 Thess. 5:21).

An Example from a "Christian" College A recent *FrontLine* magazine (Vol. 6, No. 4) with a cover theme, "The Christian and the Arts," carried a lead article titled "The God of All Beauty." The article is very disturbing because it lists so many Scripture references [out of context/misapplied], but the author's rationalizations fail to give due consideration to Pauline Epistle truths for this Church Age and the warnings about this world/age. Two other articles in this *FrontLine* issue are by Donna Lynn Hess of Bob Jones University (BJU), one on fantasy and the other on selecting reading material for children.

The first article refers favorably to C.S. Lewis, a devotee and author of occult fantasy with unbiblical metaphors; yet Hess claims that this kind of fantasy is useful in helping children "develop valuable literary skills" and in developing an understanding of "similar literary elements used in Scripture." In the second article by Hess, she states: "As Christian parents, we recognize the need for choosing books in which the theme is morally sound. But it is just as important to be sure that this

theme is artfully expressed"; she also says that it's okay to expose children to stories with themes "antithetical to Christian beliefs" in order to "help inoculate them against the false ideas, attitudes and behaviors these writers promote."

BJU's *ShowForth* video division ("The video source you can trust.") also markets three video productions of C.S. Lewis' fiction, and a documentary biography of Lewis himself. *ShowForth's* catalog layout (p. 7), under "Inspirational," lists C.S. Lewis as one of the "Warriors of the Word" along with C.H. Spurgeon. Considering Lewis' many theological errors, it is dangerously deceptive to place him in such august company. A pastor knowledgeable in the unbiblical teachings of Lewis wrote to BJU documenting Lewis' errors. BJU responded with an involved, articulate, but off-the-mark defense for using "fantasy" as a teaching tool.

In the articles in *FrontLine*, as well in articles sent out by *ShowForth*, Hess gives an unusually broad description to the term "fantasy," and does not give adequate consideration to the whole counsel of God. "Fantasy" should not be used, as BJU does, to describe the figures of speech and literary techniques found in God's Word. More serious study ought be made of the nature of God, the condemnation of all forms of spiritism throughout Scripture, the recurring theme of sober/sound mind (especially in the New Testament), and the disassociation in the Epistles with "fables" (myths) in presenting God's message.

In these times we live in, we believe pastors and parents must exercise extreme caution regarding the literary use of fantasy. But caution is apparently not in BJU's vocabulary concerning this matter. BJU Press has published *Medallion*, a popular fantasy reader for elementary age home-schoolers. There are strange simi-

Christian's pilgrimage in this life. Some would say, "The Bible uses (a) parables, (b) allegories, (c) figurative language, symbolism, etc., and (d) dreams and visions, so what's wrong with *Pilgrim's Progress* doing the same?"

A few examples follow:

(a) Parables are not fables.

Matt. 12: 33-35 (using a real idea, expressing another real idea)

Matt. 13:3-9/18-23 (real/real)

Matt. 13:24-30/13:37-43 (real/real)

Matt. 13:31-32 (real/real)

Matt. 13:33 (real/real)

Matt. 13:44 (real/real)

Matt. 13:45-46 (real/real - *He does not fly out of the realm of reality*)

Matt. 13:47-50 (real/real)

(b) *Allegory is symbolic, not mythical* — Gal. 4:22-31 (real/real)

(c) *Figurative is not mythical* — John 6:53-63 — Jesus does not fly out of the realm of reality. In fact, He uses such explicitly (real) language that people are having a hard time understanding Him. Yet, He explains that He is speaking in a figurative way (John 6:63).

(d) *Dreams and Visions are not untrue stories* — Daniel 7:1ff; 8:17 refers to truth; 8:26 ("is true"); 9:21 (writing of Truth). These are not untrue stories (fables). Ezekiel 1 & 10 — these are real creatures! So what about *Pilgrim's Progress*? There are serious problems in what that book teaches. For example, Christian leaves his armor behind and eventually his sword for the rest of his journey. This does not at all square with Ephesians 6.

Of course, someone would say, "It just a story." Exactly. It is a story that is supposed to illustrate truth, and when it fails to do this, it falls short and becomes an untrue story (fable), which is not doing a good job (at times) in illustrating truth.

No doubt, there are many aspects about the story that are interesting and thought-provoking, but that does not excuse the twisting of truth into a lie.

Here are some more problems:

(a) Is it a myth?

Yes. "But, it is a 'Christian' myth!" Is this supposed to make it okay? No, it makes it worse! That's what Paul was talking about in 2 Tim. 4:4? Pagan myths? No "Christian" myths!

That's why it is so dangerous.

(b) Another possible danger with *Pilgrim's Progress* is that the Christian life could be seen through the eyes of the story rather than solely through the Word of God. Romans says to transform our minds (12:1). Only the Word of God can do that, not "Christian" fantasy. A Christian's affection should be upon God's Word and His truth, not the fables of men. This type of Christian fable can pull our affections away from the Word.

(c) Has the Word of God become so dull, dry, drab, or undesirable to us that we would even think we would need such a book as *Pilgrim's Progress* to spur us on in the faith?

- A few more Scriptures indicate our concern with "Christian" fantasy:

(a) 2 Peter 1:16 — We did not follow **cleverly invented stories** when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

(b) Titus 1:14 — and will pay no attention to **Jewish myths** or to the commands of those who reject the truth.

(c) 1 Timothy 1:4 — nor to devote themselves to **myths and endless genealogies**.

hammer and sickle during the traditional Parade of Flags."

Additionally, Graham "encourages everyone to support the BWA. In 1995 the BWA honored Graham with a special award " In 1999, the Baptist World (BWA's magazine) "had an article praising Billy Graham as the 'greatest evangelist of this century,' and termed as Twentieth Century prophets' the likes of Bonhoeffer, King, and 'Oscar Romero.'"

CHINESE COMMUNIST.

Another person who attended a BWA meeting and spoke was none other than Han Wenzao, the Chinese Communist, who was discussed earlier. When he presented his appeal he mentioned the "socialist modernization in Mainland China "

PAST PRESIDENTS OF BWA - FREE MASONS!

Several of the past presidents of the BWA have been Masons such as

- William R. Tolbert, 33,
- George W. Truett, 32, and
- Louie D. Newton, 32'.
[former vice president]

BILLY KIM (at the time of this writing is the President of the atrocious BWA) pastors the 10,000-member Central Baptist Church in Korea, and "has traveled / spoken with David Yonggi Cho, the Assembly of God pastor of the world's largest church who has been said to use occultic mind techniques."

In spite of Cho's occultic inclination, Billy Graham has had Cho as one of his main speakers at Amsterdam '83!136 Graham was the main dedication speaker for Cho in 1973 when a new auditorium was added.

BISHOP TUTU AND THE WORLD CONFERENCE OF RELIGION AND PEACE - NEW WORLD ORDER.

"The apostate BWA featured socialist Bishop Tutu at a 1998 BWA meeting...." Tutu, a "proponent of leftist revolution in South Africa," is a former Anglican Archbishop and a Nobel Peace Prize winner." He was one of the ten Presidents of the World Conference on Religion and Peace (WCRP), a New Age organization working to bring in the new world order. In *Religion for Peace*, a newsletter from the WCRP, we find that the "*WCRP/International is actively seeking staff on loan from Buddhist, Hindu, Muslim and other religious bodies to serve on the Secretariat.*"

Tutu also attended the "Spirit of Peace" conference along with people like: **Marilyn Ferguson** leading proponent of the New Age movement; **Prince Bernhardt** (sic) of the Netherlands, commonly known as a leader of the one-world secret elitist society, the Bilderbergers; 'His Holiness' Tenzin Gyatso, the XIV **Dalai Lama** of Tibet; **Zentatsu Richard Baker-Roshi**, co-founder and second abbot of San Francisco Zen (Buddhist) Center; **Helen Caldicott** [Australian], president of 'Physicians for Social Responsibility,' an organization favoring U. S. unilateral disarmament; ... and **Robert Muller**, [former] Ass't Secretary General of the U. N., in charge of coordinating the work of 32 specialized agencies and world programs.

Tutu is very supportive of the United Religions Initiative and he also participated in (and was a co-chairman, along with **Mikhail Gorbachev**, of the State of the World Forum, an organization also working for a one world order. He was

one of the speakers for the Council on Foreign Relations in 1990.

In 2000 Tutu joined several prominent theologians "to urge religious leaders to work together to find a new image of God for the 21st century.

"No religion can claim to have the whole truth about the mystery' of faith, Tutu said...."Tutu also urged Christians to embrace other faiths.

TUTU CALLS FOR ORDINATION OF HOMOSEXUALS

Tutu has been a speaker for the New Age, one-world World Constitution and Parliament Association and he is a member of the Club of Rome (along with the Dalai Lama, Mikhail Gorbachev, and Robert Muller). He is the highest ranking Anglican to call for the ordination of practicing homosexuals, and has warned that rejecting homosexuals is "nearly the ultimate blasphemy." He even wrote the foreword to a book that is a collection of "Christian" liturgies for gays."

At a Windsor meeting in March 1995, Tutu said: "THE CHURCH MUST NOT EXCLUDE PEOPLE ON THE BASIS OF gender, culture, ethnic origin or SEXUAL ORIENTATION." [Emphasis in the original.] He added: "Let ours be inclusive communities, welcoming and embracing." On February 9, 1996, Tutu signed a public message in support of the Lesbian and Gay Christian Movement.

Tutu is a Marxist. In 1983, he said: "I find capitalism quite horrendous and unacceptable. I am a socialist." When he received the Nobel Peace Prize, he bragged: "I receive the Nobel Peace Prize on behalf of Nelson Mandelas, the Walter Sisulus, the Goven Mbekis, the Winnie Mandelas, the Albertina Sisulus." We've already taken a look at Mandela and his Communist connections, so you have an

idea of what kind of people Tutu finds inspiring!

You will get a better idea of who Tutu is by looking at a few of his quotations:

"Imagine what would happen if only 30 percent of domestic servants [in the white households-Ed.] would poison their employers' food."

(Remember, this statement comes from a Nobel Peace Prize winner!)

"I hate capitalism."

"Mandela is my leader."

"The West can go to H-11."

"I think I would use Marxist insights."

"When young people take up arms, I will not condemn them."

(ABC Interview, October 16, 1984.)

"In terms of the New Testament, the Jews must suffer. Therefore, we will put it into practice if we will be in charge and there will be no sympathy for the Jews when the blacks take over."

"I am glad I am not Christian."

"Some people thought there was something odd about Jesus' birth. It may be that Jesus was an illegitimate son."

BACK TO THE BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE!

So much more could be said about Tutu and his socialistic and un-Christian viewpoints, but this is the man who has spoken at the Baptist World Alliance of which Billy Kim, a Graham speaker at Amsterdam 2000, is now President!

Tutu also spoke at the World Council of Churches in 1993 and drew a standing ovation.

Peter 2:1-3 warns:

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

negation, affects one's view of reality. Remember when *Close Encounters of the Third Kind* came out? People believed it! Fantasy gets people to fantasize about reality. It is a slippery slide into lies unknowingly.

III. Fantasy Does Not Fit True Godliness

What is godliness (1 Tim. 6:3; Prov. 3:5-6; 28:14)? Romans 1:18 teaches that God's wrath is against "ungodliness." And as shown above, fantasy is ungodliness. Diving into fantasy, which, by its very nature is against the Truth, is a denial of God, what He says, and the Truth of His Word. How can a lie be used for evangelism, worship, or anything else godly? By its very nature, fantasy removes the person from the Truth (reality) and moves them into a realm away from God. This ungodliness is well depicted in the CBD Fiction Catalog, where it says on page 2:

"It's been said that reading fiction is one of the best ways to 'escape' from the cares of everyday life. Since the beginning of time, great thinkers and writers (even Jesus himself) have been inspired to create allegories, parables and epics, as well as the good, old-fashioned novel itself. What a tragedy to think we have to settle for fiction that merely grabs our attention, but lacks the values and spiritual insight we could carry with us when we return to the 'real world.'"

[Again, the move from fantasy to reality.]

Is this what the Lord wants us to do — "escape" from reality? No! Fantasy is an attack on the very core of one's being as a follower of Christ! And what about the claim that Jesus' parables and the allegories in Scripture, or figurative speech, are parallel to the use of fantasy? No! The Bible's parables, allegories, and figurative speech are not about fantasy at all. They are all about Truth!

IV. A Love For God Will Oppose Fantasy

God would not have His children take refuge in unreality. A love for God is equal to a love for the Truth (John 14:6). Matthew 22:34-40 teaches to love the Lord with all your *mind* (imagination). What does the Lord say in Ephesians 4:25? — Speak the Truth to one another! Do we ever stop speaking the truth and speak fantasy to one another, or write fantasy to one another? Is this how God would have us live? Notice Ephesians 4:29. What's the goal? Build each other up in the TRUTH! (not in fantasy). If a Christian is loving the Lord with all his MIND (imagination), he will be dwelling on truth, reality, His Word, and Him, NOT FAIRY TALES AND FANTASY!

Fantasy typically is filled with evil. What should be the Christian's perspective of evil (Rom. 16:19)? If we love the Lord with all our MINDS, then we will not only avoid taking any pleasure in fantasy, but we will hate it. Because fantasy is anti-reality, it is against godliness, it opens the door to deceit, and is an affront to the very core of your being as a Christian. And what is that? — Taking refuge in God, not escaping reality (Psalm 73:25-28).

- In 2 Timothy 4:3-4 ("For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to **myths**"), the Greek word translated myths means tales, stories, or fables (untrue stories). So what about *Pilgrim's Progress* and other so-called Christian stories like it?

Pilgrim's Progress (by John Bunyan) is claimed by many to be a good illustration of the truth — the truth of a

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of the eternal state of life and his connectedness with it when Simba, as an adult lion, asks the question, "You knew my father." Rafiki's answer: "Correction! I know your father." Recalling that his father had once told him that the stars are former kings who look down on the earth and guide its inhabitants, Simba looks up at the stars and cries out to his father, "You said you'd always be with me, but you aren't." Shortly thereafter his father appears to him [spiritism; cf. Deut. 18:10ff] in a cloud and reminds him of his responsibility to assume his rightful place in the circle of life. — "Look inside yourself, Simba," he says. "You are more than what you have become."

Besides the spiritism in the film, ask yourself a question — "Do animals talk?" Just on this fantasy alone (animals talking) it is a lie.

II. Fantasy Subtly Slips Into Reality.

It becomes very difficult to separate fantasy from reality, especially in the minds of children. There was an interesting article in *The Newhall Signal* (newspaper) in light of this. Noting one of the teachings of the popular fantasy games, "Death is usually seen as a temporary state with characters returning 'from beyond' to play again" (7/22/87, *The Newhall Signal*, "Fantasy Games Linked to Real Deaths," p. 16).

Notice a few more books in the *Christian Book D. Catalog*:

(a) *A Skeleton in God's Closet*, Paul L. Maier (p.25): "Move over, Indiana Jones! In this novel, Harvard archaeologist Dr. John Weber has just discovered a shocking secret — Jesus' bones. The evidence [an obvious denial of the resurrection] seems incontestable. When word of the discovery leaks out, pandemonium ensues and millions abandon their Christian faith. But

which is the hoax — the archaeological find or the Resurrection itself?" [How can this be edifying?]

(b) *The Guardian*, Jane Hamilton (p. 25): "A new frontier for Christian fiction! Tabris [a guardian angel] has been given a second chance. As a guardian angel, he was found guilty of committing the one unforgivable act against his human charge and against God. Yet God, with mercy and grace, has forgiven Tabris and given him one more assignment — one more human being to protect. Why? *Find out in this celestial parable* that will illuminate the indefinable love God has for his creation — *you, me, even angels.*" (Emphasis added.) [See the jump from fantasy to reality- cf. Heb. 2:16 — any angel who has ever sinned is a demon. Sinning angels are never forgiven, but doomed eternally!]

(c) *Darien: The Guardian Angel of Jesus*,

by R. Elwood (p.22):

"The ultimate adventure with an unforgettable guardian angel! Of all the guardian angels in heaven, God chose only one to protect Christ during His time on earth. He chose Darien. (That's the Darien who questioned God's decision to throw Lucifer from heaven and was sent to earth to witness Lucifer's destruction of the world in the novel *Angel Walk*.) You can imagine that Darien has quite a tale to tell, protecting God's own son — and he tells it with poignancy and originality. Through this angel's eyes, you'll go on a fascinating and even disturbing journey from the time of Lucifer's rebellion, to creation, to the miracles of Jesus' birth and life. If the stories of Christ's life have become just matter-of-fact Sunday school lessons to you, then here's the breath of fresh air you need!" [Notice the move from fantasy into reality? How are lies, deceit, and fantasy going to freshen one's love for the Word of God?]

This move from fantasy to reality, by defi-

bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not."

Also, Romans 16:18:

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

(CONCLUSION OF DR BURNS' MATERIAL).

TONY CUPIT, AUSTRALIA.

From Australian author Morag Swartz,

"The New Age Gospel: Christ or Counterfeit?"

published by Parenthesis Pub., back in 1987:

"1985:

Rev Tony Cupit, general superintendent, Baptist Union of Victoria, addressing annual assembly: 'We believe it is time that all our churches be involved in study to see what God through His Word is saying to His churches today about the whole area of peace. This of course includes peace with God, peace with our fellows, peace with ourselves and peace in the world.' Encourages Baptist churches to use Bible study series on peace in 1986 – the UN's International Year of Peace. (The Victorian Baptist Witness November 1985)...

The study book *'Peace I Leave You'* by Baptist minister Tony Cupit has found a ready market among Australian Christians keen to grapple with 'relevant' issues such as peace. One hopes that discerning readers will be able to sift the sparse items of

value from the vast tracts of humanist-influenced waffle about this trendy topic. ...The problem basically lies in the author's attempt to single out peace as a major theme for the church, when in fact peace is a consequence, or byproduct of other, far more weighty themes. Peace is merely one of the indications, or gifts, of the indwelling Holy Spirit, and peace in cosmic terms in (sic) before the time designated by and brought about by God Himself." (p.p.130-131).

AN ACORN BECOMES AN OAK TREE?

Tony Cupit, back in 1985, was merely the General Superintendent of the Baptist Union in Victoria. Today he is the Director of Study and Research for the Baptist World Alliance! No

doubt his political support for the New World Order's United Nations has massively aided his climb in influence since 1985. In his book back in the eighties Cupit distorted the role of the Lord Jesus Christ, showing Him not so much as a Redeemer in a spiritual sense Who brings peace with God for individuals, but as a Man Who brings peace politically to the unsaved world in our time-slot. Yes, Christ will bring political peace, but not until His Millennial Reign, after the Second Advent (and after God's judgment on the earth's nations – the Tribulation!)

Cupit brought a NEW AGE Gospel, (one with a sinister agenda within its pages), in *"Peace I Leave With You."*

Here are a few quotes: "here was the Galilean carpenter offering peace..." (p.12). "Peace is [Gods'] gift freely given..." (p.16). "the Galilean teacher makes an unashamed claim to



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of Australia**

grant peace..." (p.24).

As Morag Zwartz commented: "[Jesus Christ] is seen almost exclusively as a Peaceman, and portrayed as One offering around peace like a free balloon at a fair..." (p.131).

ALL THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN GLEANED FROM THE AUSTRALIAN BAPTIST UNION'S WEBSITE:

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As Director of Evangelism and Education, Cupit is responsible for the worldwide evangelism strategy of Baptists, which includes: proclaiming and demonstrating the Gospel; establishing new congregations; reaching unevangelized people and strengthening indigenous mission.



As Director of Study and Research, Cupit coordinates the six study commissions that deal with vital aspects of Baptist life, and has responsibility for the BWA's United Nations (NGO) involvement, the compilation of BWA's annual membership statistics and the International Mission Secretaries.

BAPTISTS & CATHOLICS MEET

(by Tony Cupit)

BUENOS AIRES (BWA) — On December 6, 7, 2001, thirteen Baptists and nine Roman Catholic church leaders met at the International Baptist Theological Seminary in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Though the majority of participants are leaders of Baptist and Catholic communities in Latin America this fraternal discussion was organized by the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity, Rome, and the Baptist World Alliance.

The origin of the meeting is related

to the fact that the BWA and the Catholic Church co-sponsored a phase of official international conversations during the periods 1984/1988 and published a report entitled "Summons to Witness to Christ in Today's World" (1990). While there is no intention at the present time by the PPCU and the BWA to begin a second phase of international conversations, both bodies are convinced that contacts and discussions between the two communities are of immense value and should continue.

A meeting was held in Rome in December 2000 between an international delegation of Baptists and leaders of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity. It was decided then to have another meeting the following year, this time in Latin America because of the interaction that exists between Baptists and Roman Catholics in almost every country of Latin America.

The participants in the Buenos Aires meetings were as follows:

Roman Catholic:

Walter Cardinal Kasper, President, Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity, Vatican City
 Bishop Marc Ouellet, Secretary Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity
 Monsignor John A. Radano, Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity
 Fr Juan Usma Gomez, Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity
 Bishop Julio Terán Dutari, Auxilliary Bishop of Quito, Ecuador
 Rev Jorge Scampini, Prof. of Systematic Theology and Moderator of the Dominican Center of Theological Studies, Buenos Aires, Argentina
 Rev Gabriele Cipriano, Secretary of Office of Ecumenism and Interreligious Dialogue, Brazilian Bishops Conference
 Rev Carlos Schickendantz, Professor of

"CHRISTIAN" FANTASY BIBLICAL OR OXYMORON?

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I. Fantasy Is Anti-Truth

Isaiah 32:6 describes error against the Lord. All lies are against God (1 John 1:21; John 8:44). Satan is the father of lies. Since fantasy is not true, then it is a lie! We have been duped into thinking there is some spiritual gray realm out there in which something can be neither true nor a lie. It's just called fantasy! But fantasy is made up of lies, deceit, and unreality, all wrapped up in a pretty (or sometimes, not so pretty) package.

How about the popular 1994 Disney occult/New Age "children's animation" film, *The Lion King*, which some consider wholesome "fantasy." One observer wrote this about *The Lion King*:

"The Lion King packs a powerful New Age symbolism and philosophy. Its theme, the 'Circle of Life' is a variation on the cycles of nature: life, death and rebirth, particularly as it relates to the theory of evolution. The film presents this theme from the perspective of the nature religion, more so than Disney films of the past — 'We are all connected in the great circle of life.' The accoutrements of shamanistic ritualism is graphically portrayed in the dedication of the baby Simba to the spirits of the earth"

(*Media Spotlight*, Vol. 15, No. 2, p. 3).

Yet, we have others who claim the name of Christ, like James Dobson's Focus on the Family, who would like to encourage you to go and see this film that is filled with abominable contents. (See the 8/15/94 *Parental Guidance* magazine, which is published by Focus on the Family.) FOTF claims that *The Lion King* has only a few *slight* imperfections, otherwise it is "a wholesome, brilliantly animated picture relating the importance of family and responsibility."

A "few slight imperfections"?

How about the character Rafiki speaking

by her mingled love and jealousy of her beautiful half-sister that she makes a complaint to the gods — and receives an answer she did not expect. This novel, possibly Lewis' best work and the one he considered his own favorite, is his compelling rework of the myth of Cupid and Psyche." [Sound like something you could want your children to read — about "the gods"??]

(c) *The Song of Albion*, Stephen Lawhead (p. 33): "Wolves prowl the streets of Oxford. A Green Man haunts the Highlands. A breach has been opened between our world and the Celtic Otherworld and anything, anyone, may now enter [sounds similar to *Poltergeist*, one of the most wicked movies ever produced]. But it's Lewis Gillies, an American graduate student at Oxford, who reluctantly stumbles through. In the savagely beautiful Otherworld, Lewis finds himself caught in an epic struggle between light and darkness — a struggle that will determine the fate of his own world. Memorably penned with vivid and poetic imagery, Lawhead's breathtaking reworking of Celtic myth will keep you reading long into the night" [no doubt, and right into the DARKNESS! — the Celtic civilization is the culture from which we have received much of our modern day Halloween practices.]

- "Well," someone might say, "I'm not *doing* anything wicked, I'm just reading about wickedness." But does this align with godliness?

There are four things about fantasy which must be considered:

- I. It is Anti-Truth.
- II. It Slips Into Reality.
- III. It Does Not Fit True Godliness.
- IV. A Love for God Will Oppose Fantasy

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A Family of Despatch Subscribers' lovely picture in the Standard ...Victoria. [Aust.]



Picture: ANGELA MILNE.

SCHREUDER FAMILY MAKES THE SOUND OF MUSIC

The hills are alive with the sound of music: Jenny Schreuder (left), with her musical children, Isaac, 2, Naomi, 4, Benjamin, 9, Daniel, 7, Jonathan, 8, Hannah, 9, Samuel, 10, Rachel, 11, David 17, and Dina, 20.

IT was like a scene from the movie
"The Sound of Music".

With violins poised, Jenny Schreuder and her 10 children -
the youngest just two years old -



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more than God will neither see God's greatness nor tolerate those who follow Him. That's why Jesus continues to warn His disciples, "If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.... If they persecuted Me they will persecute you... for they do not know the One who sent Me." John 15:19-21



stood, like the Von Trapp family singers, and made their stage debut as a family last night.

The Warrnambool family performed at the Carmel Ryan School of Music Christmas Concert.

Dina 20 the only one on flute - the rest on the violin have only just recently begun playing.

Mrs. Schreuder said the family had taken up playing the instrument for simple reasons:

"Because we have a love of then Lord in our hearts and we love to play His praises," she said.

Mrs Schreuder said the family glad been practicing diligently in the lead-up to the event.

The performance was taped for their husband and father, Albert, who has chronic allergies.

Piano and violin teacher Carmel Ryan said having such a large family play all at once was unusual.

"This has never occurred in my 25 years of instrumental teaching" she said.

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Cardinal Kasper and Dr. Lotz were co-chairs of the conference. Cardinal Kasper brought greetings from the Holy Father, **Pope John Paul II** and Dr. Lotz brought greeting from **BAPT**

"IST WORLD ALLIANCE PRESIDENT DR. BILLY KIM FROM KOREA.

The combined activities of the Baptist Churches within Australia include various national and international aspects. Below is a list of the ministry arms within the Baptist Union of Australia. A further description of each ministry can be found on subsequent pages. The Baptist Union of Australia is a member of the Baptist World Alliance and Asian Baptist Federation." [Website comments from Australian Baptist Union]

Anglican-Baptist International Forum (ABIF) - Communiqué

As a result of the decision of the General Council of the Baptist World Alliance (BWA) and the Lambeth Conference of 1998, the first official international conversations between the two communions were held from 21-24 September in Norwich, England. This was the first round of the conversations of the Forum which brought together Anglicans and Baptists from the Churches in Europe. Future meetings will bring together representatives from Baptist and Anglican Churches in Asia (2001), Africa (2002), the Caribbean and the USA (both in 2003). A continuation committee made up of 4 Anglicans and 4 Baptists will attend all the regional consultations and will be responsible for drafting the report to be submitted to the BWA and the Anglican Consultative Council (ACC) in 2005. The BWA and the ACC

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have agreed the following objectives for the conversations: To enable Anglicans and Baptists to learn from each other and to deepen mutual understanding of the relationships between the two Communion in the light of their histories. To share with each other our understandings of the faith and to work towards a common confession of the Apostolic Faith. To identify issues of doctrine and of the nature of the Church to be explored further in possible future conversations. To look for ways to co-operate in mission and community activities and increase our fellowship and common witness to the Gospel. Representatives from England, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Scotland and Wales shared information on the particular histories of Anglicans and Baptists in these countries, including, the ways the two Churches have related in the past. Papers were also presented on aspects of Anglican and Baptist ecclesiological self-understanding, in the European region. From the discussions several areas emerged which will likely be explored in further conversations in the different regions. These included questions related to continuity/apostolicity, the place of statements of faith or confessions, Christian initiation, eucharist, recognition/reconciliation, the meaning of "local church", the nature of oversight, and approaches to mission, evangelism and pastoral care. The years of grassroots ecumenical experience in local ecumenical partnerships (LEPs) in the British context contributed richly to the conversations. Nevertheless, the representatives acknowledged that the conversation would have been further enriched by more attention to the wider European reality. All felt that the discussions would be of help to local and regional bilateral conversations where they exist in Europe. While at Norwich the members

of the Forum worshipped together at Norwich Cathedral, and were grateful for the cordial welcome extended by the Dean and Chapter which contributed in no small way to the success and warmth of the meeting.

The following persons took part in the meeting:

ANGLICANS:

The Revd Dr Bruce Matthews (Canada, co-chairman, continuation committee),
The Revd Preb Dr Paul Avis (England, continuation committee),
The Revd Dr Timothy Bradshaw (England),
Dr Martin Davie (England),
Mr Charles Gore (Scotland),
The Revd Susan Huyton (Wales),
Mr Dermot O'Callaghan (Ireland),
Bishop Samuel San Si Htay (Myanmar, continuation committee),
The Revd Andrew Sully (Wales),
The Revd Canon David Hamid (Anglican Communion Office co-secretary, continuation committee)

BAPTISTS:

Dr Paul Fiddes (England, co-chairman, continuation committee)
The Revd Gethin Abraham-Williams (Wales),
The Revd Myra Blyth (England),
The Revd Christopher Ellis (England),
Dr Timothy George (USA, continuation committee),
The Revd Anna Maffei (Italy),
Dr Kenneth Roxburgh (Scotland),
Dr Karl Heinz Walter (Germany),
Dr L.A. (Tony) Cupit (BWA, co-secretary, continuation committee).
Ms Rosemary Palmer, Anglican Communion Office, served as the administrative assistant.

The Anglican Baptist International Forum, Asia/Pacific consultation will take place from 18-21 January 2001 in Myanmar.'



Brunner: Two Mere Christians, by Mark McKim, tells us that Lewis "was in part led back to Christianity as a result of his love for and knowledge of the great pagan myths. In Christianity, he concluded, the hints and suggestions in pagan thought were fulfilled.... For the rest of his life, and throughout his writings, Lewis would assert that non-Christian faiths could be the entré to Christianity." [21]

Like Dr. Hooper, Mark McKim included a portion of Lewis' letter to Arthur Greeves:

"...if I met the idea of sacrifice in a Pagan story I didn't mind it at all: again if I met the idea of a god sacrificing himself... I liked it very much and was mysteriously moved by it: again, that the idea of the dying and reviving god... similarly moved me provided I met it anywhere except in the Gospels. The reason was that in the Pagan stories I was prepared to feel the myth as profound and suggestive of meanings beyond my grasp even tho' I could not say in cold prose 'what it meant'. Now **the story of Christ is simply a true myth: a myth working on us in the same way as the others**, but with this tremendous difference that it really happened...." [21] *emphasis added*

Lewis was wrong in calling the gospel "a true myth" that works "on us in the same way as the others." The gospel is made alive in us by the work of the Holy Spirit, not by human imagination. God's mercy has always reached out to pagans around the world through the sacrificial lives of faithful missionaries. But His gift of salvation comes through His Word and Spirit. Believers who were formerly oppressed by occult forces were transformed *in spite of*, not *because of* their pagan beliefs.

Commenting on the same "momentous" event, historian Glenn J. Giokaris wrote, "Lewis had insisted myths were lies but

Tolkien responded, 'they are not . . . We have come from God, . . . and reflect a splintered fragment of the true light, the eternal-truth that is with God. Indeed, **only by myth-making . . . can man aspire to the perfection he knew before the fall.**'

"This conversation led Lewis to see that the relationship between the images of literature and the myth of truth was such that myths inevitably led to a point where **myth comes together with God to form reality**. Eleven days later, C.S. Lewis wrote to Arthur Greeves, 'I have passed from believing in God to definitely believing in Christ-in Christianity. My long night walk with Dyson and Tolkien had a great deal to do with it.'" [22] *emphasis added*

Finding God through "myth-making" can easily lead to compromise. And when "myth comes together with God" it produces an illusion of Biblical faith — a faith based on a misleading blend of truth, myth and human philosophies. We see this deceptive process today in the post-modern church movement. But long ago, God told us to — "*Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables [myths]. But you be watchful in all things...*" 2 Timothy 4:2-5

To be ready and watchful, we need to fill our minds with God's truth, not enticing myths. We need to put on the whole Armor of God — a set of vital truths about God and of our source of righteousness, peace, faith and salvation — then take our stand on His Word and refuse to compromise, no matter how unpopular our position.

Those who trust their imagination

covens, the Internet and other available sources, seekers can easily find tutors and practices that turn wizardly fantasy into practical occult reality. This sobering fact makes our world today radically different from the times when Tolkien and his friends shared their stories with each other.

Friendship with C. S. Lewis.

Did Tolkien really lead the unbelieving Lewis to a saving faith? Many Christians would answer "yes" — and therefore assume that Tolkien's myths would teach a Christian message. Walther Hooper, Lewis' last personal secretary, gives us a partial glimpse of that event.

"Lewis became an atheist when he was fourteen," wrote Hooper in *Tolkien: A Celebration*, a collection of essays. Apparently, the teenager was frustrated by teachers who viewed pagan beliefs as "nonsense." When they wouldn't show "how Christianity fulfilled paganism or how paganism prefigured Christianity," young Lewis concluded that Christianity was equally "nonsensical." [20]

His mind was changed on the night of September 19, 1931, the "most momentous of his life. Lewis had invited Tolkien and Hugo Dyson, a teacher at Reading University, to dine. By the time Tolkien left Magdalen at 3 a.m. Lewis understood the relationship between Christianity and paganism." A month later, Lewis wrote the following letter:

"Now the story of Christ is simply a true myth: a myth working on us the same way as the others, but with this tremendous difference that it Really happened: and one must be content to accept it in the same way, remembering that it is God's myth where the others are men's myths; i.e. the **Pagan stories are God expressing Himself through the minds of the poets**, using such images as He found there, while Christianity is God express-

ing Himself through what we call 'real things' ... namely, the actual incarnation, crucifixion, and resurrection." [20]

Maybe Lewis did, at that moment, receive Christ as Savior and Lord. But this statement falls far short of such assurance.

Two other accounts fill in some of the pieces.

According to Colin Gunton, Professor of Christian Doctrine in the Department of Theology and Religious Studies at King's College, London, the three friends were discussing the truthfulness of myths. Lewis questioned the compatibility of Christianity and paganism, and Tolkien explained why myths "are not lies:"

"Man is not ultimately a liar. He may pervert his thoughts into lies, but he comes from God, and it is from God that he draws his ultimate ideals ... Not merely the abstract thoughts of man but also his imaginative inventions must originate with God, and in consequence reflect something of eternal truth.

"In making a myth, in practicing 'mythopoeia,' and peopling the world with elves and dragons and goblins, a storyteller .. is actually fulfilling God's purpose, and reflecting a splintered fragment of the true light." [2]

The God of the Bible has a far lower view of the human imagination than does Tolkien, and He certainly does not take credit for its mythical speculations. Instead, He warns us repeatedly that "the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth." [Genesis 8:21, NKJ] While Tolkien seems to view Christianity and oneness with Christ from a universal perspective, God tells us that only those who are "born of the Spirit" can understand His truths and receive His thoughts. And even this select group is easily tempted to imagine or "invent" unholy myths and images.

Another report, C.S.Lewis and Emil

IMPORTANT DOCUMENT, PLEASE READ!

The disturbing information in this communication from CHARLOTTE ISERBYT should be read by all Australians. This shocking removal of all human rights is happening here in our country as well, as it is across the planet. Charlotte's ALERT is for your family and country – bring these events to the Lord in prayer, He will protect and guide us in these terrible days. ***"Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the Lord thy God, he it is that doth go with thee: he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee."*** (Deut. 31:6). [FULL TEXT cost - \$2 [use stamps].

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NOTE: VAST CHANGES IN EDUCATION ALSO HAPPENING NOW IN AUSTRALIA...

"No American Left Alone"

PLEASE FORWARD EVERYWHERE ON THIS PLANET

Some of you received an earlier version of this which is perfectly fine to use. However, this is the latest and the most complete since it incorporates the President's Speech to the Nation last night. Please, if you agree with my conclusions, do whatever you feel will best get this info to as many people as possible: ALL AMERICANS, liberals as well as conservatives.

*THANK YOU ALL AND GOD BLESS YOU.
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NO AMERICAN LEFT ALONE!



President Bush's ***"No Child Left Behind"*** could be referred to as ***"No American Left Alone"*** since what we

are looking at is what the National Alliance of Business, which supports a "planned economy," refers to as Kindergarten through Age 80 Education/Training. This is basically the United Nations Lifelong Learning/Brainwashing Agenda under the umbrella of what will eventually be "unelected" politically-correct school and community councils (council is defined as "soviet" in many dictionaries) which will make all decisions for us at the local level.

Former Senator Bill Bradley, N.J., called for this on one of the Sunday morning talk shows about four years ago. The Governors, very recently at their NGA conference, discussed the use of unelected citizens to police our communities. This is so unbelievable I find it hard to even write about it.

Although Pres. Bush, according to a Washington Times article by Bill Sammon, 1/9/02, said in regard to the education bill he signed that "Parents will have more information about the schools and more say in how their children are educated from this day forward,

all students will have a better chance to learn, to excel and to live out their dreams." Pardon me, but this is a plain lie, and a lie embraced by Mass. Senator Ted Kennedy and others supporting this legislation as well. The controlled right (Bush) and the controlled left (Kennedy) have met at the "radical, un-American center".

How can parents have a say in how their children are educated when the federal government is mandating testing of children's attitudes and values? (Sixty percent of the test items on the National Assessment of Educational Progress - NAEP are attitudinal.) Bush's mandate for testing will of course call for a mandated federal curriculum since one can't test what one hasn't taught. What tiny bit of local control remained prior to this legislation will be swept away. School superintendents and good teachers are already complaining about having lost control.

Even the New York Times has problems with Leave No Child Behind. It bragged that the more than 1000-page giant education bill will "dramatically extend the federal role in public education" and, indeed, is "a breathtaking intrusion of the federal government on states' control of education." ...

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This STW system calls for quotas for doctors, lawyers, janitors, etc. and limits freedom of choice for children or adults.

Minnesota and Indiana are two of the states that mandate children choose a job/career track in the 8th grade — just like Cuba or any other communist/socialist country! How accurate the National Alliance of Business has been to refer to this agenda as Kindergarten through Age 80 (life-long learning)!

The system is the UN's lifelong learning (brainwashing) system called for by Lenin (a.k.a. international socialism).

Very simply, such a communist system (Lenin's world government) can only be implemented when the following components have been put in place. Very sadly, to say the least, most, if not all of the following actions have taken place. They are included in my book *The Deliberate Dumbing Down of America . . . a chronological paper trail.*

1. FEDERAL CONTROL OF EDUCATION—

The chairman of the Communist Party, U.S.A., 1932, William Foster, in his book *Toward a Soviet America*, called for a U.S. Dept. of Education, the teaching of evolution, elimination of nationalism and religion in schools, the teaching of internationalism, and for the use of the Pavlovian method (direct instruction) on students, etc., etc. In 1985 President Ronald Reagan signed agreements with President Gorbachev of the Soviet Union, at the same time the Carnegie Corporation of New York signed agreements with the Soviet Academy of Science, both of which virtually merged the Soviet (Russian and former Soviet states) and U.S. systems of education.

Note: School choice, which is being implemented worldwide, is a Trojan Horse. The only requirement left to implement school choice is tuition tax credits or vouchers which will take over (control) the private sector. If those choice proposals do not fly in state legislatures or in Congress, federally-funded charter schools will be used, for homeschoolers as well, as is already the case in many states, to implement the school to work planned economic system.

2. FEDERAL CONTROL OF ECONOMY—

conformity.

To see through some of Tolkien's ambiguity, one might look at his sources of inspiration. Once again, Tolkien expert, Professor Wood, can help us out. In his review of Verlyn Flieger's *A Question of Time: J. R. R. Tolkien's Road to Faërie, he acknowledges that Tolkien was influenced by 19th century Romantics such as George Macdonald*, "since his friend and literary companion C. S. Lewis was also decisively shaped by them."

He continues,

"What comes as a genuine shock is the news that Tolkien's mind and work were marked by the fictional dream-journeys of George Du Maurier, by the psychic experiences of Charlotte Moberly and Eleanor Jourdain, by the time-travel fantasies of H. G. Wells....

"Flieger has shown us a darker, less cheering Tolkien than many of his Christian apologists have acknowledged. Here again she is right: Tolkien was a man whose faith was shadowed and doubt-filled.... Yet if the worth of a critical study lies in its illumination of an author's main work, then Flieger's book must be faulted even as it is to be praised. She fails to illuminate *The Lord of the Rings* nearly as much she explains two minor works that interest few folk other than Tolkienian archivists.... And because she finds Tolkien entertaining notions of reincarnation and psychic time-travel and occult experience at these particular points in his fiction, she assumes that they are at work everywhere in his work.

"Flieger is right to contend that Tolkien shared their neo-gnostic critique of our century's decadent and violent materialism. Yet she fails to see that Tolkien also resists what is spurious in the attempt to have God without incarnation or cross or resurrection—in short, to have God without *God*...." [18]

Yes and no. On this point, ambiguity reigns. Tolkien's mythical world does include a "God without God."

A God is there, but not the cross or resurrection. Christians, like pagans, may interpret him in whichever way best fits their worldview or satisfies their lust for imaginary flights into the occult realms of magic and mysticism.

Terry Donaldson, the Founder and Director of the London Tarot Training Centre makes this imaginary flight seem easy.. Already steeped in occult practices, he packaged his interpretation of Tolkien's myth in an attractive gift box. Its title reveals its nature: "The Lord of the Rings Oracle: A Mystical Pack with Middle-earth Cards, Map, and Ring for Divination and Revelation." The back explains:

"The realm of the Middle Earth lies within each of us, so cast the gold ring over the map, and foretell the future through the cards. The Lord of the Rings Oracle is a new and extraordinary divination system based on the bestselling Lord of the Rings... a story laden with mysterious magic." [19]

Surrounding the gift box were Harry Potter books and a multitude of more recent publications on witchcraft, palmistry, tarot cards and spell casting. Together they show the growing acceptance of a forbidden world once regarded with a sobering caution.

This spiritual shift has taken many Christians by surprise. For others, it took little more than an initial glimpse into occult mysteries to stir curiosity and cravings that drove them ever deeper into the unseen world their minds have unlocked. The Lord of the Rings is no exception. Decades ago, when witchcraft and wizardry were hidden from public view, young "Middle-earth" visionaries had no real-life place to test the new suggestions. That has changed. Through books, local

Theosophical Society, Madame Helena Blavatsky told about "revelatory spirits from the Orient" who brought insights from Atlantis and described its people as one of humanity's seven "root" races.

Countless other leaders and mystics, authors and psychics have dreamt of Atlantis. They include the "sleeping prophet" Edgar Cayce (who linked it to "Mayan land"), Rudolph Steiner (founder of Waldorf Schools) and Dr. Shirley McCune, keynote speaker at the 1989 Governor's Conference on Education in Kansas. In her book *The Light Shall Set You Free* (based on channeled messages from various angelic beings or ascended masters), she writes,

"The Atlanteans operated on this superior level of existence, connected to their Higher Selves. With the fall of Atlantis, humanity experienced a struggle for survival and became aware of the lower self, dominated by the will of the ego. Now after thousands of years of evolution, most people have forgotten ... how to connect with higher dimensions...."[13]

Tolkien paints a similar picture of Atlantis. He put the legend into the First Age of his mythical history. The destruction of Atlantis came in the Second Age. The *Lord of the Rings* takes place in the Third Age. But they all fit together:

"The particular 'myth' which lies behind this tale... is the Downfall of Numenor: a special variety of the Atlantis tradition. That seems to me so fundamental to 'mythical history' — whether it has any kind of basis in real history.... that some version of it would have to come in.... "[14] "Numenor is my personal alteration of the Atlantis myth and /or tradition, and accommodation of it to my general mythology. Of all the mythical or 'archetypal' images this is the one most deeply seated in my imagination, and for many years I had a recurrent Atlantis dream: the stu-

pendous and ineluctable wave advancing from the Sea or over the land, sometimes dark, sometimes green and sunlit." [15] *emphasis added*

"Numenor," explained Tolkien in an earlier letter, "topples and vanishes for ever with all its glory in the abyss. Thereafter there is no visible dwelling of the divine or immortal on earth.... So the end of the Second Age draws on a major catastrophe...."[16]

Myth and inspiration.

In "Lord of the Rings: True Mythology," an introduction to a series of articles on Tolkien, Leadership U (sponsored by Christian Leadership Ministries) notes that "Many critics have scorned the trilogy as mere escapism, but Tolkien saw it as *discovered reality*, that his *mythmaking* was an attempt to uncover what is real in the clearest way possible: '*true myth*.'" [17] *[emphasis added]*

Tolkien's mythical reality sounds a bit like an oxymoron. Myth, by standard definition, implies something other than reality. Tolkien himself denies the link between his myth and God's truth. Still, that link lingers in many contemporary minds — especially among those who love the story. But can it represent Biblical reality? Leadership U continues, "Biblical imagery, many claim, abounds within the tales— which actually contain no explicit mention of God, Christ or worship. This seeming ambiguity has left much room for neopagans and others to point out the abundance of gods, spirits, sprites and other mythical and pagan characters in the text." [17]

Today's culture is well accustomed to ambiguity. We see it in ads, in political propaganda, in the new laws being passed.... Lofty promises are in; defining terms are out. The latter clarifies and allows rational choices rather than feel-good

The planned economy will come to us through school to work legislation. There will be quotas for jobs; no upward mobility for children. Students must select their careers by 8th grade. It is the same as the Cuban system. STW is implemented in all states. This is the failed elitist system which brought the Soviet Union down but which is still being used worldwide. And, now our Congress has voted to implement it....

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3. FEDERAL CONTROL OF CHURCHES, PRIVATE SCHOOLS, & COMMUNITY.

The Washington Post refers to President Bush's Faith-Based Initiative as "communitarianism" which is defined in most dictionaries as "a member or supporter of a communistic community" or "a communistic form of government." The camel's nose is under the tent right now with Bush using/funding churches to "tutor" students in failing public schools.

Churches which accept federal monies will be controlled by the government as in fascist/communist countries. The same federal control applies to private schools or homeschooling families who accept one penny of federal money. According to Education Week, January 9, 2002, "The Bush/Kennedy education bill calls for 21st Century Community Learning Centers which for the first time will allow grants not only to school districts, but also directly to community-based organizations and other public or private entities, including faith-based groups. Any activity financed under the program must meet [federal] "principles of effectiveness" similar to those outlined for the safe-schools program. In Bush's January 29 Speech to the Nation he called for community service to be performed by "all" Americans. Doesn't this type of program

sound alien to our representative form of government? What will happen to citizens who don't want to perform unpaid service in their community as part of the President's Citizen's Corps? Just because Bush's proposal starts out "voluntary" does not mean that it will not become "mandatory". The U.S. Constitution forbids such, referring to it as "slavery." Americans are the most generous people in the world and have, as unorganized individuals, performed all sorts of important service in their communities and the world for that matter. (The subject of community education, communitarianism, community service, etc. and their fascinating roots in socialism/communism is dealt with extensively in "the deliberate dumbing down of America...a chronological paper." If there is a subject upon which Americans had better become informed, this is it!)

4. FEDERAL CONTROL OF NATION THROUGH UNELECTED COUNCILS & DROPPING OF COUNTY, STATE, NATIONAL BORDERS—

This control takes place through regional government which was referred to by a communist writer for the Daily World as the Soviet system that has "worked so well in the Soviet Union!" Lenin's international socialism (*regional government) is being implemented worldwide. The European Union is a good example of a major region being set up to implement Lenin's plan. [* *Also in Australia*]

DESPATCH COMMENT:
NOTE THE EUROPEAN UNION IS THE NEW SOVIET UNION! THE USA WILL BE INTERNATONAL SOCIALISM! 

Peter Hitchens, a well-known British journalist, in an interview last year with Geoff Metcalf of WorldNetDaily, stated his belief that the European Union is the new Soviet Union. So when President George Bush succeeds in extending NAFTA down to the tip of Latin America, we will have the American Union, another region necessary for the implementation of Lenin's international socialism.

Russia's reported recent call for a merger of the Russian and United States' military and political systems should be taken very seriously since this is exactly what the President of the Ford Foundation, Rowan Gaither, told Norman Dodd, the Congressional investigator of the tax-exempt foundations, in 1953: that the foundations received instructions from the White House to use their monies to change America so it could be comfortably merged with the Soviet Union.

5. CONTROL OF PHYSICAL/ MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM—

The government will direct and fund health care through the schools (school-based clinics for all children regardless of income). Hillary Clinton's health care system (socialized medicine) is being implemented without a whimper from those who fought its implementation. This seamless web includes all services under the umbrella of the school district (birth through death).

6. CONTROL OF LOCAL POLICING—

Community monitoring will be accomplished through the Community Oriented Policing System (COPS), put in under President Clinton. His administration laid the ground work for a strong community crime control strategy with federal,

state, and local partnerships to fight crime.

From the Clinton Administration's Law and Enforcement Strategy, March 1999, we read, "Across the country an expanded number of community police officers have been working together with block watches, neighborhood patrols, high school guidance counselors, probation and parole officers, religious groups and local businesses . . .".

Under the new Citizens Corps, recommended by President George W. Bush in his Speech to the Nation January 29, the White House describes service as 'a locally-driven initiative managed by the newly created "Citizen Preparedness Councils."' Will these councils be used for policing? Will they be elected or will they be appointed as in socialist/communist countries? Will the recently passed Patriot Act enforce this totalitarian agenda and limit citizen resistance. Eyes will be watching over us continually!

7. PARTNERSHIPS—

Business, education and religious partnerships with the government, pointed out above, extend the socialist/communitarianism agenda. An international conference entitled "Community Schools and Education Policy in Transition Countries During the 21st Century" was held October 9-13, 2000, in Omsk (Siberia) Russia. The goal was "to establish partnership between government education departments and the community school movement" (taken from Russian URL on Community Education.) Community Educator, out of Alaska, in the early 1970s at a Community Education conference in Washington, D.C., defined community education as the Chinese Communist system. Community education now comes under a variety of names including site-based management, regionalism, community 'whatever', school-based 'everything', life-

images — the opposite of God's warning in Romans 12:9: "Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good."

The movie version of *The Lord of the Rings* idealizes occultism and cheers the pagan practices used by "good" characters. Like *Star Wars*, *Harry Potter* and the world's pagan cultures, it seduces its fans into an imaginary world that pits "white" or benevolent magic against dark, evil magic. Both sides of this imagined "battle between good and evil" use occult practices that God forbids. [Deut 18:9-12]. Those who walk with Him, cannot delight in what He calls evil.

The fellowship of the Ring.

Tolkien's talent as a storyteller, gives life to this mythical world. He makes sense of the deadly ambitions of the power-hungry Lord Sauron who serves the evil Melkor. Therefore, the wizardry we would shun in the real world becomes a welcome solution in the context of this story:

A young Hobbit, Frodo Baggins, has inherited the Ring from his uncle, Bilbo Baggins. Unlike many previous owners, Frodo resists the impulse to keep the ring and use its magic for selfish purposes. Instead, he sets out on a difficult journey to destroy the cursed Ring in the fires of Mount Doom where it once was forged. But he can't do it alone.

Three of his loyal Hobbit friends join the team: Sam, Merry and Pippin. So do Aragorn and Boromir (two humans), Legolas (an elf) and Gimli (a dwarf). With help from three other powerful elves, the wizard Gandalf guides them along the way. Tolkien describes his nature:

"Gandalf is not, of course, a human being (Man or Hobbit). There are naturally no precise modern terms to say what he was. I would venture to say that he was an incarnate 'angel'.... with the

other Istari, wizards, 'those who know', an emissary from the Lords of the West, sent to Middle-earth as the great crisis of Sauron loomed on the horizon. By 'incarnate' I meant they were embodied in physical bodies capable of pain and weariness...." [11]

"Why they should take such a form is bound up with the 'mythology' of the 'angelic' Powers of the world of this fable. At this point in the fabulous history the purpose was precisely to limit and hinder their exhibition of 'power' on the physical plane, so that they would do what they were primarily sent for: train, advise, instruct, arouse the hearts and minds of those threatened by Sauron to a resistance with their own strength.... The wizards were not exempt, indeed being incarnate were more likely to stray, or err. Gandalf alone fully passes the test, on a moral plane anyway. For in his condition it was for him a sacrifice to perish on the Bridge in defense of his companions.... Gandalf sacrificed himself, was accepted and enhanced and returned." [11]

Gandalf really 'died' and was changed.... 'I am Gandalf the White, who has returned from death.'" [12]

This incarnate "angel" wouldn't fit into the host of Biblical angels. But he could well fit in the hierarchy of "devas" or "angels" and ascended masters in the elaborate spiritual system called Theosophy or "Ancient Wisdom." Founded by Madame Helena Blavatsky, this esoteric blend of Hinduism and Western occultism received its doctrines from "ascended masters" or spirit guides such as Djhwal Khul who channeled his messages to the medium Alice Bailey.

The allure of Atlantis.

The legendary Atlantis played an important part in the Theosophical world view — just as it did in Tolkien's grand mythology. *In the Secret Doctrine*, written for the

author of visions and dreams...."^[7]

Together, Ilúvatar and the lesser gods suggest an unbiblical blend of impersonal monotheism and personal polytheism, for only the lesser gods become involved in the lives of the people. In contrast, Christian faith rests on a clear understanding of God as He has revealed Himself in His Word. He alone is Creator and Lord of all, and He continues to be intimately involved in the lives of His people. He does not delegate that Lordship to any other deity.

Of course, myths and stories can't be held accountable to reality. Unlike God's absolute truth, myths are changeable — a timeless product of man's subjective search for meaning. Birthed in the human imagination and subject to human dreams, they are free to twist and stretch any "truth" they supposedly illustrate. We see this process in classrooms across the country, where the world's myths are altered in order to provide the "right" kind of models for the envisioned global spirituality.

[See Establishing a Global Spirituality]

Tolkien, himself, assures us that he didn't intend to teach Biblical reality through his mythical fantasy. In a 1956 letter he wrote, "There is no 'allegory' — moral, political, or contemporary — in the work at all. It is a 'fairy-story' ... [written] for adults. Later he continued,

"It is, I should say, a 'monotheistic but 'sub-creational' mythology.' There is no embodiment of the One, of God, who indeed remains remote, outside the World, and only directly accessible to the Valar or Rulers. These take the place of the 'gods', but are created spirits...."^[8]

Yet, many Christians argue that Tolkien's spiritual hierarchy does indeed parallel the Biblical account. Even Tolkien, in spite of his denials, has compared parts of his myth with corresponding aspects of

truth. But the obvious similarities tend to confuse rather than clarify Biblical truth. For Tolkien's myth twists Scriptures enough to change their meanings and muddle the true nature of God. Like the serpent's temptation in the garden, Tolkien's *illusions* of truth appeal to human feelings and may lead to deception.

For example, his elves and wizards — the creatures empowered with magical skills — enjoy the certainty of unconditional eternal life. But humans do not. Their lives — with rare exceptions [9] — must end with their physical death.

Instead of the Christian's hope of eternal life, Tolkien's world offers re-incarnation — but only for a select group. This popular notion defies the Scriptures that tell us that "it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment..." [Heb 9:27] Concerned about this contradiction, the manager of a Catholic bookstore asked Tolkien if he might have "overstepped the mark in metaphysical matters." Tolkien wrote this response, "Reincarnation' may be bad theology (that surely, rather than metaphysics) as applied to Humanity. .. But I do not see how even in the Primary world any theologian or philosopher, unless very much better informed about the relation of spirit and body than I believe anyone to be, could deny the possibility of re-incarnation as a mode of existence, prescribed for certain kinds of rational incarnate creatures."^[10]

Since Tolkien denies any supposed allegorical link between his myth and Biblical truth, it's not fair to hold his stories accountable to that truth. Nor is it wise to continue claiming that they teach us God's truth. Those who do could easily be tempted to lower their guard, set aside discernment, internalize the fascinating suggestions and be drawn to occult

long 'anything', sustainable development, communitarianism and other terms. (For those interested in this subject, education researchers are in possession of extensive documentation covering a period of 70 years and may be contacted through Iserbyt.)

"Deliberate Dumbing Down of America"

also carries several important entries on Community Education.)
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8. CONTROL OF LAND—

Environmental legislation and sustainable development efforts (beginning with the Earth Summit, Rio 1992, and culminating in Earth Charter in 2000), implements controls on the right to own and use property as one wishes. The President's Council on Sustainable Development (Clinton in 1996) helped form a joint effort between the U.S. Conference of Mayors and the National Association of Counties. They came together to form The Joint Center for Sustainable Communities. And the U.S. Conference of Mayors adopted a resolution endorsing the Earth Charter in 2001.

9. CONTROL OF BEHAVIOR USING SKINNERIAN/PAVLOVIAN METHOD—

This psychological method is stimulus-response-stimulus dog/animal training. It has recently been referred to as the Direct Instruction method, which is failed OBE mastery learning. Direct Instruction (same as mastery learning) is now being used to teach reading and math (Leave No Child Alone Bush/Kennedy education legislation calls for \$1 billion a year to "teach reading" using scientific research based phonics instruction (Pavlov/Skinner) This animal training method

is necessary for workforce training for dumbed down "third world" skills. Skinner said "I could make a pigeon [your child] a high achiever by reinforcing it on a proper schedule." Following this reinforcement method, teachers are forced to lead from a script, use hand signals as in dog training, clap their hands and, pop candies in students' mouths when they get the correct answer. President Bush is mandating this method in his No Child Left Behind that calls for retraining teachers to use "scientific research based" teaching methods. Not only is above reward and punishment method being used in the schools, one sees it all around in our communities with citizens who conform to the government agenda receiving rewards and those who resist being ignored, isolated or punished....

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CONCLUSION—

If one wants to bake a cake one usually use a recipe which calls for certain ingredients; if one wants to implement international socialism (communism) one would have to take certain actions over a period of time which are clearly spelled out in the Communist Manifesto and in William Foster's "Toward a Soviet America," and in many other books and documents. Those actions constitute a "recipe" so to speak. All those requirements have been met. I've spelled them out for you: free trade, international banking system, U.S. Dept. of Ed with teaching of evolution, humanism (atheism), internationalism, and use of Pavlovian method; faith-based initiatives (communitarianism defined in dictionaries as communism) and choice to control schools and community through the tax dollar, STW to control economy (planned economy), Patriot Act to control "us" when we resist.

NOW I ASK "WHAT LABEL WOULD YOU PUT ON A SYSTEM WHICH ENCOMPASSED THOSE ELEMENTS?"

No longer can we who love America and what she stands for say "If we don't do something, such and such will happen." We are now obliged to say "International socialism has happened and the United States is a major player in this unthinkable agenda." Isn't this tragic? Americans were bamboozled when the Soviet Union fell apart, believing communism was dead, when in fact it simply leaped across the oceans.

We were taken through what I refer to as The Four-Prong Fork, a most diabolical undertaking:

1. GRADUALISM

Put a frog in cold water, heat it up gradually and he won't have the faintest idea he's being boiled until it is too late. Americans are the frogs! The top change agents at the UN, federal government and state government levels, including non-governmental persons and entities, have been at this game for over one hundred years.

2. SEMANTIC DECEPTION

This is the use of familiar, nice sounding terms, which have one meaning to good Americans and entirely different meaning to "change agents." Example: Basic skills used to mean 3R's; now it means believing in tolerance of all behavior; the need to move to an international system; the need for a new Constitution; the need for a new economic system.

3. HEGELIAN/MARXIST

DIALECTIC

Create a problem; people scream; impose solution; people embrace "it" — not realizing they have been taken to the cleaners through the deliberate creation of a problem.

Example: Create high school budgets that create high property taxes which causes people to have to sell their houses and move. Then propose a solution to move funding of education from local to state level; the people embrace the idea since it lowers their property tax. However, locals have just lost all their control of schools to state, federal, and the international level. Also, dialectic includes moving from sound morals and values to situational ethics through constant discussion using group process. Pit "It's wrong to lie" against "It's OK to lie". Most Americans agree that lying is wrong, but through discussion and presentation of situations calling for compromise, one arrives at "Sometimes it's OK to lie." Then, eventually, one comes to the realization it is OK to lie, or kill, or steal, or do anything else that makes one feel good or that can be justified according to the situation (situation ethics),

4. BILLIONS OF TAX DOLLARS

Our money is spent on social engineering. Brainwashing is expensive; teaching basic skills is relatively inexpensive. Tax money is not spent on academic education as most people believe. Although parents and good educators deplore the declining test scores, the "change agents" at the UN and in key positions at the U.S. Department of Education, state departments of education, in multinational corporations, etc. are delighted with declining test scores and moral chaos since their goal is to change America from a free, individualistic country to a planned, collectivist, socialist economy in the World

TOLKIEN'S LORD OF THE RINGS:

TRUTH, MYTH OR BOTH? by Berit Kjos

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confuse rather than clarify the nature of the Biblical God.

In his personal letters (many are included in a book titled *The Letters of J. R. R. Tolkien*), he expressed caution toward occult practices. But he equipped his team of mythical heroes — the fellowship of the Ring — with the pagan powers that God forbids. For example, "Gandalf [*a helpful wizard*] is able to wield potent magic... To do battle with the forces of darkness, Gandalf the Grey can call upon not only his spellcraft, but also his staff of power and the Elven sword Glamdring."^[5]

A staunch Roman Catholic, he affirmed his faith in the One God who created the universe. But his mythical God stopped creating before the work was finished, then turned the rest over to a group of lesser gods or "sub-creators." In other words, Tolkien invented a hierarchy of deities that defied the Biblical God's wise warnings concerning both real and imagined idolatry. [6]

You won't meet those gods and spirits in *The Lord of the Rings*, for their creative work finished long before the current story began. But this strange creation story laid the foundation for all the other parts in Tolkien's many-faceted tale. It also helps us understand the author's thoughts and evaluate the message he spreads through his popular myth.

Dr. Ralph C. Wood, Professor of English at Baylor University and an expert on Tolkien's work, described those "lesser gods" or ruling spirits. Notice that the reigning God sounds more like the aloof deity of deism than the caring God of the Bible. Other "gods" would fit right into Norse and Celtic mythology (two areas of

research that fascinated Tolkien):

"At the top stands **Ilúvatar**, the All-Father, corresponding roughly to the One whom Christians call God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth. From him all things proceed, and to him all things return. He is the beginning and the end, the One who shapes all events to his own purposes. He... only rarely intervenes in his Creation, preferring instead to work through... fifteen subordinate beings....

"Manwë, the Good and Pure.... is most concerned with air, wind, clouds, and the birds that fly. Manwë's spouse is Varda, the Exalted. **She made the stars, established the courses of the Sun and Moon**, and set the morning and evening star Eärendil in the sky. Thus is she known to the elves as Elbereth (**Star-Queen**) and Gilthoniel (Star-Kindler). She listens to the cries of both men and elves in order to come to their aid and succor.

Next comes Melkor ("He who arises in Might"). Ilúvatar gave to him greater power and knowledge than to any of the other Valar.... He desired to have his own power to create things out of nothing—to give them true Being—as the All-Father did. So he searched in the Void for the Flame Imperishable, disturbing the original Music which Ilúvatar had created to keep the Timeless Halls in harmony....

Ulmo ("pourer, rainer") is... **lord of waters**... he dwells in the Outer Ocean or in the waters underneath Middle Earth, **governing the movement of all oceans and rivers**. Ulmo cares greatly for the Children of Ilúvatar, advising them by direct appearances, by dreams, or through the music of waters....

"Irmo ("master of desire") is the

single lawyer who would be willing to risk his/her reputation in order to defend these leaders. Many of the younger female evangelists who were questioned by police were brutally tortured and are doing quite poorly at this time. All the homes of the arrested leaders have been searched, and all their belongings have been confiscated. The windows and doors have been broken, and their food for the winter, as well as kitchen utensils, have all been taken away. Those who had savings accounts in the bank had their bank books confiscated, and their money taken away. In total, hundreds of thousands of US dollars' worth of belongings have been lost. 1000+ workers are currently without any source of income, and are unable to return to their homes.

We will add another report to this message, which describes some of the experiences of young evangelists of this church during the past months. Some of you may already have read it in the persecution report that we sent out last week.

These are the most urgent prayer requests for South China Church:


1. Pray for all of the leaders and workers who are currently imprisoned. Pray that they may have a victorious life and will be able to share the good news of the Gospel to other inmates. It is up to the Lord to decide when they will be released; their coming in and going out is entirely in his hands.
2. Pray for all the wives, husbands, children, mothers, fathers, siblings, and other relatives of South China Church workers, who are greatly affected by what is happening. Pray that the Lord would comfort them and walk with them through this time of trial.
3. Pray that, with God's help, we will be able to locate competent and godly law-

yers, who will stand up for these workers and defend them in the courts. Most likely, we will have to guarantee a source of income for the families of these lawyers, because after they have taken on this case, they will surely lose their licenses.

Let us pray together!!

The Following are three letters by three women who were forced to admit they were raped by pastor Gong Shengliang :

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Dear Friends,


UNITED NATIONS TAKEOVER...

Toogood Reports [Wed., March 13, 2002; URL: <http://ToogoodReports.com/>]

Next week, Mar. 18 through Mar. 21, is going to determine whether liberty continues to exist in the world or whether everyone will fall pray to the schemes of the United Nations to become a one-world government imposing a New World Order.

My friend, Henry Lamb, the chairman of Sovereignty International, [www.sovereignty.net/] recently wrote about the similarities between Hitler's mad dreams of global dominance and the United Nations' careful, slow creep and crawl toward the same goal. In the end, just as the United States and its allies put an end to Herr Hitler's villainy, the US remains the only power on Earth capable of ending the nightmare of enslavement by the global government plotters and schemers in the United Nations.

To make the bad news worse, President Bush will be among the more than fifty world leaders who will attend the event. Will he sign off on this most dangerous threat to our national sovereignty?..."

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Order (Carnegie, 1934). Well educated Americans, who understood their form of government and economy and understood the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights and who held sound morals and values would never allow what is happening to their families and their nation to take place. Only a dumbed down population which has lost its moral compass would allow the change in our form of government and economy taking place today.

SOLUTION (other than a tea-party)

The only solution that has the remotest possibility of saving our country, outside of getting out of the United Nations, is to throw out all rascals who voted for this education legislation in the next elections. The litmus test for candidates running for Congress should be "will they work to abolish the U.S. Dept. of Education and break up that cozy, in-the-same-bed, relationship it shares with the Department of Labor and the United Nations?"

Choice proposals are not supported by good teachers. They are traps supported by multinational corporations (David Rockefeller, etc., and by top education union officials who have no allegiance to the USA and care nothing for our children's upward mobility or America itself.)

Education must be returned to the local level, bypassing even state education agencies that take their orders from and receive between 60 and 80% of their operational budgets from the federal government. Education must be restored to its state of excellence prior to 1960 - the best education system in the world.


This can be done, and must be done, if our children are going to have upward mobility and if America is going to survive as a free country.

IMPORTANT QUOTES:

"This is the old great Russian aim, once documented by a competent man, a witness who cannot be suspected of being a modern cold warmonger. Russian policy is unchangeable," wrote this expert. "Russia's methods, tactics, maneuvers, can change; but the Pole Star of Russian politics—to rule the world—is a fixed star. There is only one way to deal with a power like Russia, and that is the way of fearlessness..." *Who wrote that?* The London correspondent of the old New York Daily Tribune in his reports on Eastern policy. His name: Karl Marx" (Excerpted from article entitled "The U.S. Must Not Leave Europe" a speech before the German Atlantic Society by Axel Springer, the West German publisher, reprinted in The New York Times, May 16, 1972.)

"The world has never before known a godlessness as organized, militarized and tenaciously malevolent as that preached by Marxism. Within the philosophical system of Marx and Lenin and at the heart of their psychology, hatred of God is the principal driving force, more fundamental than all their political and economic pretensions. Militant atheism is not merely incidental or marginal to communist policy; it is not a side effect, but the central pivot. To achieve its diabolical ends, communism needs to control a population devoid of religious and national feeling, and this entails a destruction of faith and nationhood. Communists proclaim both of these objectives openly, and just as openly put them to practice." (Alexander Solzhenitsyn, well-known author and inmate for many years in Soviet prison/labor camps, speech delivered at Buckingham Palace, May 1983)....

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TOLKIEN'S "LORD OF THE RINGS": TRUTH, MYTH OR BOTH?

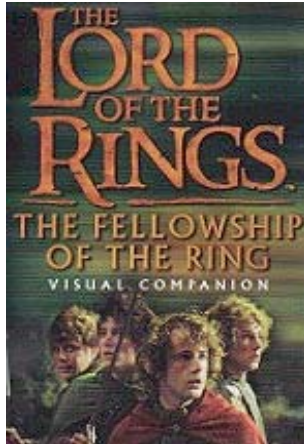
by Berit Kjos

"The Lord of the Rings trilogy by J. R. R. Tolkien has inspired more commentary, creativity and following than arguably any other modern-day work of art or literature. Surprisingly, it has also been interpreted by—and, thus, embraced by—the adherents of such wildly divergent philosophies as neopagans and evangelical Christians." [1] Lord of the Rings: True Mythology

"In making a myth, in practicing 'mythopoeia,' and peopling the world with elves and dragons and goblins, *a story-teller ... is actually fulfilling God's purpose*, and reflecting a splintered fragment of the true light." [2] J.R.R. Tolkien [*emphasis added*] "...the thing seems to write itself once I get going.." *The Letters of J. R. R Tolkien, p 91.*

"Harry Potter and Frodo Baggins, Tolkien's protagonist, will soon battle not only evil but also each other for the hearts and minds of a generation," wrote Brian Carney in the *Wall Street Journal* article, Tolkien runs rings around Potter, back in December. "If there is any justice in the world, Frodo should win." [3]

The race isn't over. Both studios bet their success on top-selling books and on the soaring popularity of myth, magic and mystical forces in our post-Christian world. Harry Potter's theme and thrills are simpler, more readable for today's visually oriented youth. But Tolkien's sophisticated mythology has gathered a huge following through the decades.



Both stories involve wizards, spells, mythical creatures and magic charms. Both demonstrate the battle between a mythical "good" and evil. Both pit heroic "white" magic against dark menacing occultism.

But Potter wields his "good" magic in an obviously occult setting with no claim to Christian symbolism. In contrast, Frodo, the hobbit hero of "The Lord of the Rings" lives in a world that supposedly reflects Biblical truth and Christ's redemptive love. But does it?

Does Frodo's suffering *really* represent the suffering of Christ? Does wizard Gandalf's self-sacrifice typify the crucifixion? Many Christian fans argue "yes." If they are right, what do these comparisons actually teach us about truth and redemption?

Or might this popular "gospel" be distorting God's truth? Perhaps Tolkien himself can provide some answers.

The man and his message.

John Ronald Reuel Tolkien (1892-1973) was a man of many contradictions.

For example: Back in 1969, he wrote a letter affirming that "the chief purpose of life, for any one of us, is to increase according to our capacity our knowledge of God by all the means we have, and to be moved by it to praise and thanks." [4] Yet the primary focus of his life was his mythical Middle-earth, headed by a distant and impersonal "God" who might

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view" by Elizabeth McDonald [UK writer][*obtainable in Australia*]. This deals with the same subjects, coming from another direction, includes the same agenda bringing in the One World Church doctrines, with the insidious dialectic praxis, syncretism in another form et al.

Thank you all for being willing to stand out against what is happening. We will be praying for you, let us know what happens!

Wendy Howard,
editor of Despatch.

Dear Friends,
Christians will be sued next for declaring from the Word of God that the Lord Jesus is the only way to Father God and that HE is the Way, the Truth and the Light.

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Please read the news below..

Welsh Church faces legal threat from Trans-sexual.

In an extraordinary and shocking case, Vine Christian Centre, a Baptist Church in Maesteg in Bridgend, is being sued by a trans-sexual for refusing him access to a ladies meeting and the ladies lavatories. Bill Parry, a married man with a wife and children has had GENDER REASSIGNMENT SURGERY; and now calls himself *Dian*. He is suing the church for damages and asking the court to order the church to accede to his demands. This case could potentially affect every church in the UK.

Mr. Parry has fathered three children. There is no doubt at all that from a Christian point of view he is a man. A church should not be forced by the courts to pretend otherwise.

We would ask you to pray for the Church and the pastor Alex Ashton. The next Court hearing is this Friday 15th February. We intend to support the Church and we will be launching an appeal soon.

Colin Hart Director ~ *The Christian Institute:*

Despatch comment:

We have heard no further details yet.

... A man is a man is a man!

Dear Friends

This is a very challenging e-mail from my friends in main land China, please scroll down to the main body text and please take your time to read it through. For their security I had to remove the names of my friends in China. Bruce MAHER.

pbmaher@powerup.com.au
Wednesday, February 20, 2002

Dear Friends,

I just wanted to forward the following rather lengthy but very disturbing report which I received from another missionary. Please read it and if you can get your church or Bible study group to pray for these poor folks.

The western world needs to know that these things are happening in China and seem to be on the increase. If you are interested to know the missionary's name and email address, please write me, and I will be glad to provide it.

Isn't it amazing how the world so strongly condemns America for the prisoners in Guantanamo Bay and Australia for the Taliban refugees, but remains virtually silent on this. God bless, R & S

As most of you have heard, we have been able to connect with South China Church in the last few weeks. We just want to send you an update about the current situation. We have been informed that, so far, more than 200 of the leaders of South China Church have been arrested. Seventy have already received a sentence and have been scattered to different high-security prisons all over China. The five top leaders who were sentenced to death have been granted a retrial, and while they are waiting, their sentences have been suspended for two years. The church has been unable to find a

draw us ever more into their web of subtle deceit. True the ecumenical fraternity seem to fall into this trap and compromise with syncretic thrust. My view remains **dialogue yes but syncretism never**. Truth cannot be compromised. Multiculturalism and post-modern ethics have no problem with their kind of tolerance and relativism. However, when tolerance is elevated as the paramount virtue truth unfortunately is its first victim.

Why am I bringing this to your attention? Mainly as I would appreciate your comment and any guidance toward useful material of the kind provided in 1998. Commenting upon the 1997 WCRP.

I am involved with a Christian Ethics group which may be known to you Saltshakers. We have only recently been launched onto the 20th century WWW.

www.saltshakers.org.au . This weekend we are confronting the media in regard to the mardi gras crowd number exaggerations.

Public contributions to the AMF must be made before April 8. Invitations have been in most major newspapers. However these are sometimes lost amongst the almost never read advert pages.

Following the path of truth led by LIC.

Neil E. RYAN

{ *When the righteous rule the people rejoice.* }

Dear Neil,

Thank you for your correspondence. Your use of my material on WCRP in Melbourne, July 1997, has been noted, and I am pleased with the use of this information in any way that may uncover the scope of the religious syncretism happening worldwide, and in our own country of Australia. I am not familiar with the name "Saltshakers," probably because our organization is not involved in a *political* way with the exposing of the international agenda to form up a world union of politics and religions. Let us know more about

yourself if you have the time. And as we get time we will access the website saltshakers.

Some documents on our website you may not have accessed.

<http://www.despatch.cth.com.au/Mini/minidespatchJune302001.htm>

http://www.despatch.cth.com.au/Books_D/Dialectic_praxis_alpha.htm

We are unable to find at this point the complete article by *Cornelia Ferriera* quoted in our reports, it appears to have been removed from its previous websites. It was an excellent article. It has been quoted also in the Billy Graham book mentioned here by Cathy Burns. If it comes to light we will send it to you.

One comment in your E-mail disturbed me. This was "**dialogue yes but syncretism never.**" The main way that syncretism is being achieved today is through the "**dialectic praxis**" – it is essential that you and your co-workers understand this. An American Christian, Dean Gotcher, has done an excellent job on researching the "dialogue" dilemma, and exposing the astonishing planning behind the indoctrination programs happening, across the board in multitudes of organizations on the earth today. All designed to bring about consensus, on-line with the world government/one world religion and new ethical dogmatism. I would like you to have a copy of one of his videos. Please view it, it is important.

The whole scene worldwide re. Syncretism of all religions and the One World religion is happening so rapidly now that the mind boggles! A book of extreme importance is "**Billy Graham and His Friends**" which is a MUST if your organization is to understand the deception that is occurring. It can be purchased by writing to Dr. C. BURNS, "SHARING" 212E, 7th STREET, MT CARMEL, PA 17851-2211 USA.

[See Editorial for ordering.]

The book, "Alpha, the unofficial guide, Over-

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“Christian” Fantasy Biblical or Oxymoron?

Biblical Discernment Ministries - 1/97 by R. Meisel

- The dictionary defines *fable* as:

“fantasy/fiction/falsehood dependent for effect on strangeness of setting (as other worlds or times) and of characters (as supernatural or unnatural beings); the setting is usually in a non-existent or unreal world, the characters are fanciful or unreal, or the conflict focuses on physical or scientific principles not yet discovered or contrary to present experience.”

* Fantasy is especially dangerous for children. While most children in the 1970s knew enough truth to place divination in the forbidden realm of the occult, today's children — who often feel more comfortable with occult games than Biblical truth — see nothing wrong with pagan practices. Fantasy movies, like Disney's *The Lion King*, are good matches for the new earth-centered paradigm or world view that is transforming childrens' views of reality. While God told us to continually communicate truth to our children (Deut. 6:5-7), today's culture trains children to see reality through a global, earth-centered filter. This "new" mental framework distorts truth, stretches the meaning of familiar words, and promotes mystical "insights" that are incompatible with Christianity. Packaged with entertainment, this message usually bypasses rational resistance, desensitizes opened minds, and fuels general acceptance of pagan spirituality.

(Berit Kjos, "*The Spirit Behind The Lion King*," 1/95, *The Christian Conscience*, pp. 32-34).

* Most true Christians would recognize fantasy, such as the movie *Star Wars*, as being extremely wicked (in this case,

sorcery — "The Force" being equivalent to black magic and white witchcraft). Yet, apparently, when we call it "Christian," this somehow sanctifies what we do with our minds (imagination), or what we allow our minds to entertain. For example, one can look in any issue of the Christian Book Distributors Fiction Catalog and find the most outrageous fantasy literature, yet it is all dubbed "Christian." The following is taken from the CBD Fiction Catalog, 9/94 premier edition:

"... now there's no more compromising for those who love Christian fiction, because you are holding the key to your next escape-from-it-all right in the palm of your hand ... CBD's brand new Fiction Catalog? It's filled with the latest and the best refreshing, thrilling, inspiring, wholesome fiction for you and your family" (p. 2).

Wholesome? The following is a sample of that which CBD considers "wholesome." [Much of this type of writing comes from medieval mysticism, which God hates (cf. Deut. 18: 10-12).]:

(a) *Millennium's Dawn*, by Ed Stewart (p. 25): "June 2001. The future never seemed brighter for Dr. Evan Rider and his new bride, Shelby, as they prepare to embark on the honeymoon of their dreams. But the dream quickly becomes a nightmare as a long-buried secret shared by three college friends erupts, engulfing the couple in a sinister plot of blackmail, terror, and betrayal."

(b) *Till We Have Faces*, C. S. Lewis (p. 34):

"The unlovely Orual, eldest daughter of the King of Glome, becomes so consumed

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Billy Graham & His Friends: A Hidden Agenda?

Extract :
From Cutting Edge Email.

Dr. Cathy Burns' new book — "Billy Graham and His Liberal Friends: A Hidden Agenda" — is selling well. The mammoth book of 800 pages and its 4,400 foot- notes, we have come to understand that Dr. Burns has done her research thoroughly. She documents what we Fundamentalist Christians have been worried about for 5 decades:

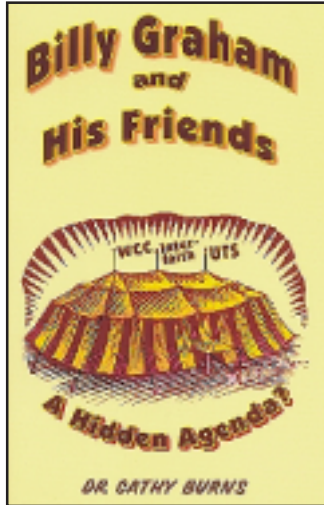
Dr. Billy Graham has so consistently gone leftward these past 50 years that now he is very instrumental in leading the world into the New World Order, a goal he verbally espoused in 1991!

Since God warned us to be careful with whom we make close associations, Dr. Burns has examined Graham's close associations that he listed in his own authorized biography. Closely following through each association named by Graham, Dr. Burns has illuminated the real Billy Graham!

His close associations are with known:

- *Illuminists,*
- *CFR members,*
- *Bilderbergers,*
- *World Council and*
- *National Council of Churches,*
- *Jesus denying clergy,*
- *Freemasons.*

Everyone needs this book! Since all signs



point to the soon appearance of Antichrist, you need to understand that the fulfillment of the incredible spiritual deception foretold by Jesus in Matthew 24:4, 11, and 24 is upon us, with Rev. Billy Graham leading the way.

One example of such an association should prove worthy.

Dr. Graham turned from opposing the socialist, apostate World Council of Churches in 1948 to expressing great admiration for them in 1966,

and hoping that he could attend their many meetings. In fact, Dr. Graham has been one of the most sought-after speakers at the World Council of Churches global meetings for the past 30 years; many times, Dr. Graham's speech will be preceded by shamans and witchdoctors performing their brand of occult worship.

New Age authors state that the World Council of Churches, and the Ecumenical Movement it has spawned, are the precursors to the Religion of the New Age Christ [Antichrist].

What does Dr. Graham say about this Ecumenical Movement?

"The ecumenical movement has broadened my viewpoint and I recognize now that God has His people in all churches." [P. 183]

This statement is clearly not Christian, not Biblical, and not of Jesus Christ. But, this



Dear sister,

In 1959/60, when **Roy Hession**, Dr. Joe Church and William Nagenda visited Brazil, my country, the Lord visited my heart and life through their ministry. How precious it has been all these years.

Now last weekend, in my searches through the internet, I happened to fall into your site. The Lord did it! And that same message began to fall like renewing showers deep into my heart. I am praising, and rejoicing, and being blessed.

No need to answer this e-mail. I am just sharing a bit to encourage you. I pray for you and this ministry of yours.

Your sister (75) *Clemen Moreira*
cbfmoreira@uol.com.br

Dear Clemen,

Sorry to be long replying even though you said it was not needed.

Thank you so much for writing, I was thrilled when I read your E-mail just now! I had not seen it before, although my co-worker had originally. What a privilege to have been involved with that wonderful ministry, back in 59-60. ["Calvary Road"] Yes, it is the message that brings REAL revival, and has been our own message, in a small way here, for a number of years. I have recently gone through a whole "beginning again" with the Lord, YET AGAIN! I thought I had been smashed to pieces before, and all would just be fairly smooth sailing. But, I found myself back into Self-works again - and the Lord had to bring me down low and

humble my proud and silly heart. What a fall I had - but, praise His name all is simple, peaceful and joyous again in His Presence. How wonderful that the Lord led you to our website - that He can use such as we are in His great work.

Write again, I will get down to answering E-mails quicker, hopefully, in the future.

Love in the Saviour,
Wendy Howard.

Dear friend in Christ,

I've just read (*and printed out*) your wonderful Beauty for Ashes web page. Thank you for the time and work it took to construct this site. It is wonderful, and just what we need to read.

I'm an American, but I can assure you that, as you have said, revival is not an American (*or even English*) phenomenon. The Lord moves in His own way in His own time, and I believe Australia will lead the world in the next sweeping revival. Lord, may it be so.

Blessings, *Beth Fisher*
Moscow, Idaho, USA

W.B. Howard, Editor
Despatch Magazine

The Australian Multicultural Foundation is calling for submissions re- Religion, Diversity and Social Cohesion. See their web site www.amf.net.au for further info.

A couple of years the Aust. HREOC called for responses to the Discussion paper 'Free to Believe' also the Senate committee re- Australia's response to religious persecution. In preparing submissions to these two invitations much of your material regarding the WCRP held in Melbourne July 1997 came to my aid.

I am of the opinion that all too few Christian (Biblical Believing) voices are prepared to make submissions to such councils. Meanwhile the sinister march of the secularists

But because Jesus lives forever, he has a permanent priesthood. Hebrews 7:24 *I [am] he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.* Rev. 1:18
22. RE LOVE: Islamic Jesus: There is no Scripture in the Koran or Haddiths which speaks of Jesus' love for the world.

...VS...

Biblical Jesus who loves the world:

A new commandment I give unto you (Jesus Christ speaking), *That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.* John 13:34. *For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.* Romans 8: 38-39. *Peace [be] to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.* Eph. 6:23

Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given [us] everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, 2 Thessalonians 2:16.

Grace be with you, mercy, [and] peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love. 2 John 1:3 *"And from Jesus Christ, [who is] the faithful witness, [and] the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,"* Revelation 1:5

There you have it. Here are two different versions of Jesus Christ: One which is Islamic and one which is Biblical. Clearly the Islamic Scriptures of the Koran, Hadiths, and Traditions and the Bible are not describing the same Jesus. So the question remains, does this make any difference? Well, clearly it does. Jesus Christ Himself said that many

false Christs would come in my name claiming he is the Christ and DECEIVE many. (Matthew 24:24 and Mark 13:22). The Apostle Paul is so severe in his warning that in Galatians he records that if any man preach a different Gospel (another Jesus) which he is NO gospel at all, let him be eternally damned. (Gal 1:6-9) The Apostle John says that whoever denies Christ (as God's son) is an anti-christ. God is not an author of confusion. No the Islamic Jesus is an imaginary Jesus. The Biblical Jesus is the true Mighty God, Everlasting Father and Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6). Any other Jesus is the Prince of Darkness. So, I invite you to choose today whom you will follow. If the Islamic Jesus is the true Christ, worship him and him only. If the Biblical Jesus is the Christ, worship Him and Him only.

And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served that [were] on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD. Jos 24:15
 Jesus Christ alone is prophesied in both the Old Testament and New Testament, both His First and His Second Coming. And He alone can present Him us whom he has redeemed!

That he might present it (the church) to himself (Jesus Christ) a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. Ephesians 5:27

In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreprouvable in his sight: Col 1:22

Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present [you] faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, Jude 1:24

Islamic Jesus can't do this because he did NOT purchase the Church with his Blood. [Full Article \$1.50 posted(stamps)]



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statement is perfectly compatible with Freemasonry and others teaching that all people worship the same God.

Since Dr. Graham reveres the World Council of Churches, it would be highly instructive to know that Communist Party leader, Gus Hall, thought highly of this council as well. Gus Hall stated that the goals of this Liberal church group were almost identical to those of his Communist Party in the USA! [P. 196] ...

In 1991, I was sneaked into a members-only House of Theosophy meeting, in which I learned that the Illuminati had decided to enact a five-step program to produce Antichrist. His actual appearance would be Step Five. Step One would occur by planning three global conferences, to be held concurrently and/or simultaneously. These three conferences would be Religious, Business, and Political. These three Antichrist conferences were actually held nine years later, in August 2000. Dr. Graham sent a key speech to this Antichrist conference by having his daughter, Anne Graham Lotz, deliver it on his behalf! Dr. Graham's true colors show through greatly by having Dr. Graham's speech at this Antichrist assembly. We explain this momentous event on CER1168.

Secondly, in May, 1998, I discovered that two official Freemason websites had listed Dr. Graham as a "Famous Mason". We explain this equally momentous event, and its vast religious implications, on CER1167.

Once you have read this book, spread the word as far as possible within your Sphere of Influence. Too many Christians have a wrong view of Dr. Graham, since their only perception of him comes from his televised Crusades.

Truly, the spiritual deception foretold by our Lord is upon us, but you do not have to allow any of your loved ones

to continue being deceived. Dr. Burns' vast amount of thoroughly documented material will convince any impartial mind.

May Jesus Richly Bless You, David Bay,
 Director Cutting Edge Ministries
 — — — <http://www.cuttingedge.org>

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Graham Joins Elite Group as Honorary Knight

WASHINGTON - For a lifetime of contributions to religious life, evangelist Billy Graham was made an honorary knight of the British Empire on Thursday - one of the highest tributes bestowed by Queen Elizabeth II.

The ceremony was conducted among Graham's friends and family at the British Embassy by Ambassador Sir Christopher Meyer. The honorary knighthood status comes without most of the trappings of medieval chivalry. Graham will not be called "Sir," but instead will be able to write the initials "KBE" after his name.

Meyer said Graham's ministry has had a profound effect on Britain. *"He has preached to more people in live audiences than anyone else in history"* Meyer said. *"His ministry is truly international."*

Graham first visited Britain in 1946, while working with the organization **Youth for Christ**. He has made regular visits since then.

Other **honorary knights** include former *Presidents Bush and Reagan*, Secretary of State *Colin L. Powell*, retired Gen. *Norman Schwarzkopf* and comedian *Bob Hope*. 

SEE EDITORIAL P. 4 FOR DETAILS OF OBTAINING THE ABOVE BOOK, AND AUDIOS FROM THE TEXE MARRS INTERVIEWS WITH DR. CATHY BURNS.

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THE EVILNESS OF "OMM-MMM -MM."


The chant "omm-mmm-mmm" is used extensively these days in the Western nations. All sorts of relaxation programs use it. The New Age classes, which are proliferating in our societies, mumble 'OM' obsessively! We saw on our television recently that YOGA is back in vogue in Australia. A recent television family program "EXTRA" showed a class doing Yoga, with the would-be yogis finishing the session using the ghastly "OM" as a sort of mind alerting tool! What is this chant, anyway? A quote from the book, "Earth's Earliest Ages" by G.H Pember shows that the "OM" or "AUM" is a Trinity of evil –

The pagan religions of the world which do not recognize the one true God of the Bible, and His Son Jesus Christ, worship false "gods" whose head is Satan! OM, no doubt, is a calling upon the nature spirits of the Earth Goddess, that the unholy Trinity should take ultimate power over the world system. Remember, reader, that the unholy Trinity in the Bible is Satan, the Beast or Antichrist and the False Prophet. On the magical mantras and chants of pagan religions, particularly the "Aum",

Pember comments:

"These are hymns of prayer and praise, some of the more ancient, without doubt, the common property of the whole Aryan family, chanted, it may be, in remote ages by our own ancestors; while others were subsequently added. If recited, or sung, in due form, they were supposed to exercise a magic power which not even the "gods" could resist, and to this day they are used as spells, either for imprecation [a curse, or a calling of punishment], or for the purpose of averting the influence of evil spirits. In verse, which sometimes rises to a lofty strain, they incul-

SNIPPETS cate [instill] a worship of the powers of nature, and testify to a fear of malignant

demons exactly like that which is expressed in the Chaldean magical spells. ...They reveal a Trinity in unity, and from the initials of one set of its names – Aditi, Varuna, Mitra – it is probable that the mystic word Aum, or, as it is sometimes written, O'm, was formed." (p. 270). 

Extract:s *THE GOOD WORD*,
February/March 2002 ...Tom McKenny USA

1... MORMONS PUTTING ON THEIR "CHRISTIAN" FACE FOR OLYMPICS

The Mormons, who spend a great deal of money trying to make the unsuspecting think they are Christians, are going roud these days, hoping to cash in on the millions who will be coming to Salt Lake City for the 2002 Winter Olympics. They are down-playing Joseph Smith, and moving Jesus to the forefront in their PR campaigns. Their missionaries are even being given a new approach when knocking on your door; rather than opening with Joseph Smith and the "burning in the bosom," they are opening with Jesus. Don't be deceived; they still have a very different Jesus (Satan's brother!), and they are still polytheists, believing that they will eventually become gods themselves (the men, that is), carrying on perpetual intercourse with their many heavenly wives, producing millions of "spirit children."

(Newsweek/ANS/et al)

2...HITLER, JEWS & THE OLYMPICS

One of the prominent Americans who died in 2001 was Marty Glickman. a popular sports announcer for 55 years. He was also a World-class track athlete. Glickman

MUSLIM JESUS VS. BIBLICAL JESUS

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of Mary, the Messenger of Allah.' **But they killed him not, nor crucified him, but so it was made to appear to them, and those who differ therein are full of doubts, with no (certain) knowledge, but only conjecture to follow,**




d. They are too proud to admit they are wrong.

e. Evolution is the only philosophy that can be used to justify their political agenda
7. Should we continue to use outdated, disproved, questionable, or inconclusive evidences to support the theory of evolution because we don't have a suitable substitute (Piltdown man, recapitulation, archaeopteryx, Lucy, Java man, Neanderthal man, horse evolution, vestigial organs, etc.)?

8. Should parents be allowed to require that evolution not be taught as fact in their school system unless equal time is given to other theories of origins (like divine creation)?

9. What, as an evolutionist, are you risking if you are wrong? As one of my debate opponents said. "Either there is a God or there is not. Both possibilities are frightening."

10. Why are many evolutionists afraid of the idea of creationism being presented in public schools? If we are not supposed to teach religion in schools, then why not remove evolution from the textbooks? After all, evolution is a religious worldview.

11. Aren't you tired of faith in a system that cannot be true? Wouldn't it be great to know the God who made you, and to accept His love and forgiveness?... 

for of surety they killed him not:
Koran: Surah 4.157

...VS...

Biblical Jesus is the Lamb of God. Behold the **Lamb of God**, which taketh away the sin of the world. **Gospel of John 1:29** ...

20. Islamic Jesus will break every cross. Christ son of Mary (PBUH) shall descend from heaven before their eyes... Even the trees and stones will cry out, "O Abdullah, O Abdul Rahman, O Muslim, come, here is a Jew behind me, kill him." In this way God will cause the Jews to be annihilated and Muslims shall be the victors. They will break the Cross, slaughter the swine and abolish Jizya (levied on Christians and Jews). (Mustadrak Hakim - A brief version of this tradition has been recorded in Muslim. Hafiz Ibn Hajar in Fath-ul-Bari Vol. VI, p. 450 declares this tradition to be authentic.)

...VS...

Biblical Jesus who breaks every curse of sin and death.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. Isaiah 53:6. *Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed [is] every one that hangeth on a tree: Galatians 3:13 And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb [Jesus Christ] shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: Revelation 22:3*

21. Islamic Jesus will die forty years after his return. He (Jesus) will perish all religions except Islam. He (Jesus) will destroy the Antichrist and will live on the earth for forty years and then he will die. (Sunan Abu Dawud Book 37, Number 4310). After his death, he will be buried beside the grave of the Prophet Muhammad (Wali ad-Din, Miskat Al-Masabih, (tr. James Robson), Vol.II, p.1159; Sahih Muslim, Vol.1, p.92)

...VS...

Biblical Jesus is alive forevermore.

etc., evolve?

15. Which evolved first (how, and how long, did it work without the others)?

a. The digestive system, the food to be digested, the appetite, the ability to find and eat the food, the digestive juices, or the body's resistance to its own digestive juice (stomach, intestines, etc.)?

b. The drive to reproduce or the ability to reproduce?

c. The lungs, the mucus lining to protect them, the throat, or the perfect mixture of gases to be breathed into the lungs?

d. DNA or RNA to carry the DNA message to cell parts?

e. The termite or the flagella in its intestines that actually digest the cellulose?

f. The plants or the insects that live on and pollinate the plants?

g. The bones, ligaments, tendons, blood supply, or muscles to move the bones?

h. The nervous system, repair system, or hormone system?

i. The immune system or the need for it?

16. There are many thousands of examples of symbiosis that defy an evolutionary explanation. Why must we teach students that evolution is the only explanation for these relationships?

17. How would evolution explain mimicry? Did the plants and animals develop mimicry by chance, by their intelligent choice, or by design?

18. When, where, why, and how did man evolve feelings? Love, mercy, guilt, etc., would never evolve in the theory of evolution.

19. *How did photosynthesis evolve?

20. *How did thought evolve?

21. *How did flowering plants evolve, and from what?

22. *What kind of evolutionist are you? Why are you not one of the other eight or ten kinds?

23. What would you have said fifty years ago if I told you I had a living coelacanth

in my aquarium?

24. *Is there one clear prediction of macroevolution that has been proved true?

25. *What is so scientific about the idea of hydrogen gas becoming human?

26. *Do you honestly believe that everything came from nothing?

After you have answered the preceding questions, please look carefully at your answers and thoughtfully consider the following questions.

1. Are you sure your answers are reasonable, right, and scientifically provable, or do you just believe that it may have happened the way you have answered? (Do these answers reflect your religion or your science?)

2. Do your answers show more or less faith than the person who says, "God must have designed it"?

3. Is it possible that an unseen Creator designed this universe? If God is excluded at the beginning of the discussion by your definition of science, how could it be shown that He did create the universe if He did?

4. Is it wise and fair to present the theory of evolution to students as "fact"?

5. What is the end result of a belief in evolution (lifestyle, society, attitude about others, eternal destiny, etc.)?

6. Do people accept evolution because of the following factors:

a. It is all they have been taught.

b. They like the freedom from God (no moral absolutes, etc.).

c. They are bound to support the theory for fear of losing their job or status or grade point average.



was a member of the U.S. Olympic team in 1936, headed for Munich, but was yanked. Why? Because he was a Jew, and our government didn't want to offend Adolph Hitler, the host of the 1936 games. Yet pro-Roosevelt historians and media people continue to claim that our government didn't know about Hitler's anti-Jewish pogroms. Yeah, sure. (World)

3...ENTROPY & THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

According to the law of physics known as Entropy, systems run down, wear out, and deteriorate with time. Sad to relate, we certainly see this in the Christian world. Churches, denominations, seminaries, and other Christian organizations that start out with pure motives and a blazing zeal for God, over time, slide slowly toward apostasy, doubt and denial (*Harvard and Yale were founded as schools to train Christian preachers*). Today the YMCA, though it still bears the name "Christian," has become little more than a health club. When I was growing up, it was a place for athletics within a Christian context; a generation before that it was a place where men were brought to Jesus. Alas, the same thing seems to apply to Bible societies. Except for a very few reactionary ones, they have become infiltrated with doubt and compromise.

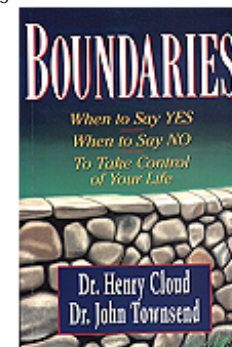
Example:

the American Bible society. A recent article in their publication, "*Record*," by Barclay Newman, the Society's Senior Translation Officer; the Book of Genesis can't be taken literally (note the man's position in the Society). Perhaps we shouldn't be surprised, since Sir John Marks Templeton, whom Dave Hunt describes as "rank unbeliever, occultist, anti-Christian" served on the Society's Board of Managers for 15 years. (ANS)



BEWARE – THE "TWELVE STEPS" PROGRAM.

Years ago Despatch exposed the horrors of "*The Twelve Steps*" recovery program, used by such humanistic groups as "*Grow*" and "*Alcoholics Anonymous*." Having recently read a "Christian" book called "*Boundaries*" by clinical psychologists, *Dr. Henry Cloud & Dr. John Townsend*, I was saddened to see the disastrous "*Twelve Steps*" program lauded and recommended in this book. How many believers, and unsaved people, have become deceived by the Twelve Step program, only eternity will reveal. Especially when churches sponsor "*Grow*".



Don't let one of them be you!

*TWO MORE BOOKS BY SAME AUTHORS:

- "*Boundaries at Home*" &
- "*How People Grow*"

JUST A QUICK OVERVIEW THEN ON WHAT ARE THE MAJOR ERRORS OF THE *TWELVE STEPS*, USED ORIGINALLY WITH DRUG OR ALCOHOL DEPENDENT PEOPLE :

1....STEP ONE.

"We admitted we were powerless over alcohol- that our lives had become unmanageable."

The Bible tells us we sinners are under the domination of SIN, we do not have a disease nor are we 'sick' people if we have

drug, emotional, or alcoholic problems. There is no way out for anyone unless they come to God and admit they are sinners, and trust Christ Jesus as their Saviour from sin. Psychology programs want people to find a way to overcome their mental or physical "diseases" which the "experts" say are causing their wrong behaviour. No one has an "unmanageable" life which can be transformed by applying psychological, or humanistic principles. They have SIN and spiritual death, SIN has separated them from God, and things like alcohol are the dreadful by-products of the FALL.

2... STEP TWO.

"Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity."

The God of the Bible is not a "Power" He is the Heavenly Father Who sent His Son to die for us on the Cross. Sinners are not in ghastly trouble because they are "insane" they are in a mess because they need New Life in Christ Jesus, and to find forgiveness and God's Grace through Christ's shed Blood. The people who are talking about religious "Power" and "The Force" are New Agers! All sorts of occult experiences are happening today, we need the doctrines of the BIBLE not a mere spiritual "Power."

3....STEP THREE.

"Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him."

This could mean any crazy idea of "God" or "gods"! The only Truth about God is found in His Word, the Holy Bible, and it is not up for grabs! God never tells us we can throw our lives into the care of some "god" of our own reasoning and understanding. If we will not submit to the true God of the Bible, and gain knowledge of Him Who has revealed Himself there, then we can only open our lives up to a mixture of lies, delusion and deceit from the

evil one – who is always ready to help us invent a false concept of God! This would then become idolatry!

4...STEP FOUR.

"Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves."

The Bible tells us NOT to rely on ourselves to seek an awareness of our own state before Him, morally, spiritually or ethically. The heart of man is desperately wicked and deceptive, we will always stand on our own side and refuse to see real truth about ourselves! Only the Holy Spirit can convict of sin and wrong, and show us what we are in God's Light. *"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the LORD search the heart,..."* (Jeremiah 17: 9-10).

5...STEP FIVE.

"Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs."

Can you imagine people who do not even know who the God of the Bible is, who have never been convicted of sin by the Holy Spirit, being able to admit to the "god" of their own "understanding" "the exact nature" of their wrongs? GOD must reveal those things, and our wrongs have to do with not accepting the Blood of Christ Jesus, not bowing the knee to the Almighty Creator, living by our own wills for our entire lives, etc, etc. To know our wrongs means being born-again and coming back to God through the Saviour, which is the only way back. Whose standards are these people going by? Their own seared, sinful consciences, dictated to by the world - or the Bible's Scriptures?

6...STEP SIX.

"Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character."

SIN is not a "defect of character" it is a manifestation of a FALLEN NATURE, lost and in spiritual death. Sinners need new life altogether, only found in being saved

QUESTIONS FOR EVOLUTIONISTS

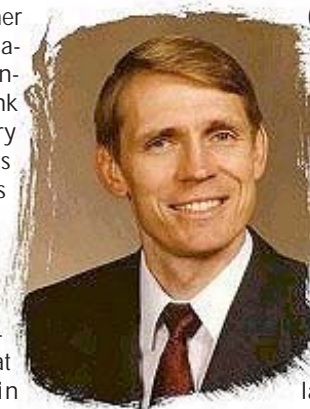
By Dr. Kent Hovind

The test of any theory is whether or not it provides answers to basic questions. Some well-meaning but misguided people think evolution is a reasonable theory to explain man's questions about the universe. Evolution is not a good theory-it's just a pagan religion masquerading as science.

The following questions were distributed to the 750plus people who attended my debate at Winona State University in Winona, Minnesota, on January 9, 1993. (The videotaped debate is #6 and can be obtained through www.drdino.com).

Questions added since the debate are marked with an asterisk.

1. Where did the space for the universe come from?
2. Where did matter come from?
3. Where did the laws of the universe (gravity, inertia, etc.) come from?
4. How did matter get so perfectly organized?
5. Where did the energy come from to do all the organizing?
6. When, where, why, and how did life come from dead matter?
7. When, where, why, and how did life learn to reproduce itself?
8. With what did the first cell capable of sexual reproduction reproduce?
9. Why would any plant or animal want to reproduce more of its kind since this would only make more mouths to feed and decrease the chances of survival?



(Does the individual have a drive to survive, or the species? How do you explain this?)

10. How can mutations (recombining of the genetic code) create any new, improved varieties? (Recombining English letters will never produce Chinese books.)

11. Is it possible that similarities in design between different animals prove a common Creator instead of a common ancestor?

12. Natural selection only works with the genetic information available and tends only to keep a species stable. How would you explain the increasing complexity in the genetic code that must have occurred if evolution were true?

13. When, where, why, and how did:

- a. Single-celled plants become multi-celled? (Where are the two and three-celled intermediates?)
- b. Single-celled animals evolve? c. Fish change to amphibians?
- d. Amphibians change to reptiles?
- e. Reptiles change to birds? (The lungs, bones, eyes, reproductive organs, heart, method of locomotion, body covering, etc., are all very different!) How did the intermediate forms live?
14. When, where, why, how, and from what did:
 - a. Whales evolve?
 - b. Sea horses evolve?
 - c. Bats evolve?
 - d. Eyes evolve?
 - e. Ears evolve?
 - f. Hair, skin, feathers, scales, nails, claws,

BRIEF COMPARISON OF THREE WORLD-VIEWS

CHRISTIANITY	NATURALISM (Atheism/ Humanism)	NEW AGE-ISM
1. GOD: All-knowing, All-powerful Creator of man and the universe.	1. NO Supernatural Creator; the God idea merely a myth created in primitive man's superstitious mind.	1. GOD: counterfeit "Creative Being." God is Everyone and Everything (pantheism or monism).
2. MAN: Created by God in His Image. Deny self; glorify Creator.	2. MAN: result of evolutionary chance of nature. Deny Creator; glorify self.	2. MAN: evolved physically, still evolving spiritually, ONE with all. Deny Creator; deify Self.
3. NATURE OF TRUTH: fixed, absolute; unchangeable, knowable (can know right from wrong).	3. NATURE OF TRUTH: Relative, constantly changing. Each decides his own "truth." "Do your own thing."	3. NATURE OF TRUTH: relation from within self or from a "spirit guide." Thus, varies from person to person.
4. MAN'S GUIDE & STANDARD: Word of the Creator God to whom man is accountable. "It is not in man ... to direct his [own] steps" (Jer. 10:23).	4. MAN'S GUIDE & STANDARD: No external authority. Man his own guide through science and reason. "I think." "I feel." "I'm okay; you're okay." Situation ethics.	4. MAN'S GUIDE & STANDARD: Science and the "god within" form counterfeit religious teachings. Basis for decisions: love of neighbor/world unity.
5. CHRIST: Jesus, God's only begotten Son, our Savior and Lord.	5. CHRIST: teacher of ethics, but not divine.	5. CHRIST: one of many who evolved to high spiritual plane.
6. HUMAN PROBLEMS: result of sin, failure to follow God. SOLUTION: faith and obedience to God/Jesus Christ.	6. HUMAN PROBLEMS: result of ignorance and superstition (religion). SOLUTION: knowledge (education), human reason, technology (science)	6. HUMAN PROBLEMS: caused by separation from the "ONE," each other and nature. SOLUTION: change "consciousness," align with "god within," reach "at-one-ment."
7. FAMILY: God-ordained and regulated by moral edicts; thus, protection for marriage/ children.	7. FAMILY: can be any group living together, free to set own standards; this tends to destroy stability and permanence.	7. FAMILY: through reincarnation, each spirit chooses family before birth; thus, relationships held dear.
8. DEATH: entrance into another world where spirit lives forever in heaven or hell.	8. DEATH: end of man's existence (annihilation); no heaven or hell.	8. DEATH: only an ILLUSION, merely passage into another life/body through reincarnation.
9. AIM: to teach all of God and Jesus Christ, for the abundant life here and hereafter.	9. AIM: to build a utopian society on earth through socialistic world government.	9. AIM: a utopian society through WORLD RELIGION and ONEWORLD GOVERNMENT: everyone united.
SUMMARIZED: "In the beginning God ... created man in his own image." "It is appointed to men ONCE to die, but after this the JUDGMENT."	SUMMARIZED: Human Potential is "god." Since the God idea was created in primitive man's mind, enlightened man knows that "God is dead" (never really existed).	SUMMARIZED: "God is very much alive for I AM GOD, and will continue to live in future earthly lives." (Mixture of transpersonal psychology, Eastern mysticism, occultism).

Extract: from "Are We Going Full Speed Backward to Paganism?" by Lottie Beth Hobbs [Florida Pro Family Forum USA] for the full leaflet posted \$1

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by Christ Jesus, and they need to die to self and sin and let God create the new creation in them by the Holy Spirit We can't have our "defects" removed by perfecting our old nature, by removing our "shortcomings." We haven't got defects as unsaved people; we are spiritual dead in sin. A saved person isn't told to let God "remove all these defects of character" he is told to be filled with the Life of Christ, and die altogether to the old nature!

"Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Rom. 6:11).

7...STEP SEVEN.

"Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings."

SIN is not shortcomings. The work of the Holy Spirit in a Christian's life takes a lifetime of consecration, reading the Bible and learning what God wants us to do, yielding and submitting to Him, and still we will die one day on this earth without being completely perfect, sinless, in ourselves. Only in Heaven we will put on immortality and perfection. How then can anyone, here on earth, imagine they can have all their own "shortcomings" removed? No, we have to accept God's Grace, forgiveness in Christ Jesus, and abandon ourselves to the infilling of God's Holy Spirit every day, so that God can cause us to grow into the image of Christ, that we might be progressively sanctified.

8...STEP EIGHT.

"Make a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all."

9...STEP NINE.

"Made direct amends to such people wherever possible except when to do so would injure them or others."

These two steps have only a mild kind of value in a humanistic sort of way. What we need, in reality, is the Biblical instruction of the Lord, to learn what pleases Him,

to know what He wants us to make amends to others about, and to grow in obedience to the Lord's instructions. There is no value in this step if it is merely humanistic in source and in action.

10...STEP TEN.

"Continued to take a personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it."

Admitted it to GOD, sought to be justified by Christ Jesus' sacrifice alone? No, just try to see what the self thought "I" might be like inside, and admit this shallow concept to other people. A subjective means of finding out what is "wrong" with us is NO GOOD! The Bible gives light on what is truly right and wrong, not recovery groups, psychologists and humanistic moralizers. "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." (Psalm 119:105). What are these subjectively worked out "wrongs" and 'rights'? Society tells us that living immorally before marriage is O.K., homosexuality is O.K.; abortion is justified when one does not want the baby, and situational ethics tell us that lying, cheating and resentment is fine – if the situation demands it! We need proper light from GOD, and a proper way of life in Christ that the Scriptures alone describe! Anything less is playing right into Satan's hands.

NO, God does not need The Twelve Step program to boost up His Biblical instructions and commands, He is not in need of a psychologist!

11... STEP ELEVEN.

"Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for the knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out."

Here again is this "god" whom we, supposedly, find in our own imaginations, worked out by various ways, maybe this 'god' could be nature itself, or the "god-

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dess" Mother Earth! Who cares, just be sincere the Twelve Steps tell us. The will of God is found in THE BIBLE, people need to search the Scriptures not these shallow psychology handbooks. What kind of "prayer" can the unenlightened, lost sinner offer up? What kind of "prayer" can a saved person offer up if they depend, not on the Truth of God's Bible, but on the sin-denying pretenses of the psychologists? What kind of "meditation" is suggested here? Zen, American Indian, New Age witchcraft, shamanistic practices? All this just leads people into an erroneous understanding of "god" and "spirituality" which is really occultism.

12...STEP TWELVE.

"Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs."

No one can have a "spiritual awakening" by following the Twelve Steps! It is impossible to have a spiritual awakening *except* through the only way to God, the Lord Jesus Christ and His sacrifice on the Cross. If you don't believe this, then you are calling our Lord a liar:

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


No one in their own strength can make their lives pleasing to God, and righteous, good - and nor can they overcome sin. The Bible tells us so:

"If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and

just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us." (1 John 1: 6-10).

I once went to a group called "Grow", a number of years ago, in order to investigate the program. The facilitator told us many stories of success, people who had found life and release through the *Twelve Steps and "Grow."* She even said the churches came to "Grow" for help, and to find out the wonders of the Twelve Step program. One day I arrived for the session, and no one had turned up but me! We sat there, the facilitator and I, for about half an hour waiting for the others. Then, I took the initiative, a stab in the dark so to speak. I said to her, *"You know the Twelve Steps have not helped you, personally. You are miserable inside, have no hope and long to find the Truth so much that you are in despair in your heart."* The facilitator stared at me blankly, then to my amazement rushed into the ladies' toilet in tears, and locked the door behind her! I could hear her sobbing deeply in grief. Finally she came out, and we sat and talked, with my arm around her shoulders. I shared the Gospel with her, about how the Lord Jesus loved her and wanted to bring her back to God and give her peace. Then she admitted she had known about Jesus Christ before she got the job with "Grow", but had refused Him, but now wanted to come to Him for salvation. She said she would leave the Twelve Steps program; this could not help people in reality - and she knew it!

No, only the Lord God of the Bible saves, heals, restores, gives light upon our sin and saves us from the tyranny of uncontrollable habits! **Praise His Name.**

"Evil men understand not judgment: but they that seek the LORD understand all things." (Proverbs 28). 

MUSLIM JESUS VS. BIBLICAL JESUS

Twenty Two Scriptural Reasons Why They Are Not the Same Jesus

A COMPILATION AND COMPARISON
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U.S., predominantly "Christian", then it would only make sense that these organizations have infiltrated the Church itself and are also actively leading it into the New World Order as well.

Do the world's leading Christian evangelicals have ties to these organizations?

Yes they do, and it is thoroughly documented. Money is being resourced to many of these leaders from the cult Leader Rev. Moon to the tune of millions of \$.

Kingpins In The Unholy alliance

- Rev Sun Myung Moon
- Rev. Jerry Falwell
- Tim LaHaye
- Beverly LaHaye
- Paul Crouch
- Bill Bright
- Robert Schuller
- Rev. Billy Graham
- Pat Robertson
- Rev. James Kennedy
- Rev. James Robison
- Ralph Reed
- Gary Bauer
- Dr. James Dobson
- Phyllis Schlafly
- Jay Sekulow


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The Islamic position on the identity of Jesus is taken from the Koran and Hadiths which together comprise the ultimate authority in the Muslim Religion. Most Muslims are not aware of most of these texts. Likewise, most Christians are not aware of their own Biblical Scriptures defending the identity of Christ. And certainly, many Christians are not aware of either the Biblical or Islamic Scriptures describing Jesus Christ. So, I believe it is crucial to bring into focus for you exactly what Islam says about Jesus and then compare it to what the Bible says about who Jesus is.

1. Islamic Jesus was created and not eternal. *The similitude of Jesus before Allah is that of Adam: he created him from dust, then said to him, "Be": and he was.* **Koran: Sura 3:59 ...vs...**

Biblical Jesus who is eternal
But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, [though] thou be little among the thousands of Judah, [yet] out of thee shall he come forth unto me [that is] to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth [have been] from of old, from everlasting. **Micah 5:2** *Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.* **John 8:58**

2. Islamic Jesus is a created human
He created him (Jesus) from dust, then said to him: "Be". **Koran: Sura 3.59 ...vs....**
Biblical Jesus is the Creator of everything that is *All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.* **John 1:3** *For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether [they be] thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.* **Colossians 1:16-17.**


3. Islamic Jesus is not the Lamb of God who was slain. *That they said (in boast), 'We killed Christ Jesus the son*  **P.39**

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to something from the 1999 blockbuster film, *"The Matrix"*.

Referring to the chip, David Coursey of ZDnet contends that "even paranoia has a point," and John Soat of Information Week predicts that now "the call for a national ID system takes on a whole new meaning."

At the center of the worldwide media stir: the announcement by Applied Digital Solutions of Palm beach, Fla. [Nasdaq: ADSX] of its implantable "VeriChip." ... [World Daily]


The full 17 page document on this subject can be sent, postage included for \$5. 

Extract: Florida Forum USA.

The New Order of Barbarians

"Note: This is a transcript of three tapes on the "The New Order of Barbarians", referred to on the tapes simply as the "new world system." Tapes one and two were recorded in 1988 and are the recollections of Dr. Lawrence Dunegan regarding a lecture he attended on March 20, 1969 at a meeting of the Pittsburgh Pediatric Society. The lecturer at that gathering of pediatricians [identified in tape three recorded in 1991] was a Dr. Richard Day [who died in 1989]. At the time Dr. day was Professor of Pediatrics at Mount Sinai Medical School in New York. Previously he had served as Medical Director of Planned Parenthood Federation of America. Dr. Dunegan was formerly a student of Dr. Day at the University of Pittsburgh and was well acquainted with him, though not intimately. He describes Dr. day as an insider of the "Order" and although Dr. Dunegan's memory was some-

what dimmed by the intervening years, he is able to provide enough details of the lecture to enable any enlightened person to discern the real purposes behind the trends of our time. This is a transcript of a loose conversational monologue."

DESPATCH: *The three tape transcript extract from "Florida Forum's" magazine, Winter 2001, can be posted to you for \$5. [The audio tapes can be purchased from the USA via one of our subscriber's VISA card access, for a deposit to confirm your order]* 

THE UNHOLY ALLIANCE CHRISTIANITY & THE New World Oorder

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- *The Bilderbergs*
- *The Trilateral Commission*
- *The council of foreign Relations*
- *The Central Intelligence Agency*

Most everyone has heard of these groups and some of the development of the "**New World Order**".

Now imagine for a moment there is something to this [and these theories]. That would mean that at almost every elevated level of business and government, world wide, men and women have infiltrated, become the controlling administrators and are working to effectively control every aspect of the life of the "world citizen"

One aspect of this that has not been properly searched out is the "religious" connecton. Surely, given that much of the world is religious, and in the currently reigning super Power nation of the

BILL seeks to end ban on Catholic monarchs

Ten-minute rule allows MP to challenge 300-year-old law

Clare Dyer, legal correspondent Monday February 11, 2002 The Guardian

A Labour MP will today publish a two-page bill to repeal the 300-year-old law which bans Catholics from succession to the throne, challenging the government's repeated claims that amending the 1701 Act of Settlement would be "complex in the extreme".

Princess Margaret's death at the weekend has sparked memories of the time the Queen's sister flirted briefly with Catholicism. Had she converted, she would have lost her place in the line of succession to the throne.

The act, a crucial cornerstone of the British constitution, was passed to secure a Protestant succession at the end of a century of warfare and religious strife. Tony Blair admitted in a newspaper interview before the election last June that the act was "plainly discriminatory" and promised to look at it again.

But the government's standard response to calls for change is that the process would be daunting, requiring amendment to at least eight other pieces of legislation, some passed before the acts of union with Scotland and Ireland, and needing identical legislation in at least 15 Commonwealth countries.

Kevin McNamara's treason felony, act of settlement and parliamentary oath bill repeals the provision which bans from succession to the throne all who "are or shall be reconciled to or shall hold com-



munion with the see or church of Rome or shall profess the popish religion or shall marry a papist".

The 10-minute rule bill goes on to remove from the Act of Settlement the

words "that whosoever shall hereafter come to the possession of this crown shall joyn in communion with the Church of England as by law established".

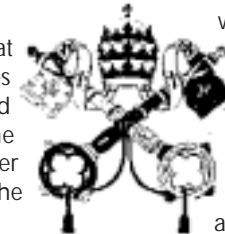
Mr McNamara's bill also amends section 3 of the Treason Felony Act 1848 to make it

no longer a criminal offence to advocate abolition of the monarchy by peaceful means, and removes the obligation on MPs to swear an oath to the monarch when taking up their jobs - all in two pages.

In December, (after a vote forced by the Rev. Ian Paisley [anti-Catholic]), Mr. McNamara won the right to introduce the 10 - minute rule bill by 170 (mainly Labour) votes to 32. But it has no chance of becoming law without government support.

Mr McNamara, MP for Hull North, hopes his bill will prompt the government to reassess the difficulties of amending the law. The Scottish parliament passed a motion in 1999 calling for repeal of the ban on Catholics succeeding to the throne.

The preamble to the statute of Westminster 1931 says that the UK needs agree-



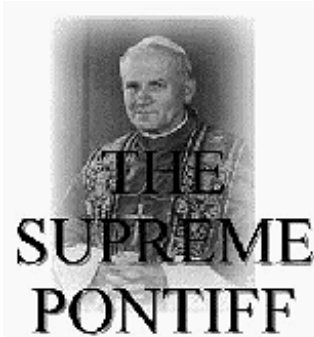
POPE'S PEACE TRAIN STOPS FOR ALL RELIGIONS

For John Paul II, it seems, life begins at 81.

The Age (Melbourne)
24 January 2002
By Desmond O'Grady
ROME

The peace train leaves the Vatican station at 8.30am tomorrow and will arrive in Assisi two hours later.

About 250 religious leaders, all Pope John Paul II's travel companions, will disembark and pray to show that those who kill in the name of God also betray him.



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ment from the Commonwealth countries for any changes in the law affecting them. Around 15 have the Queen as their head of state.

The human rights lawyer Geoffrey Robertson QC said: "The statute of Westminster is not a bar to progressive reform of the monarchy. Just like any other statute, it can be amended by a later act of parliament.

"There is no legal reason why a Commonwealth country can veto a UK government enactment to end discrimination against Catholics."

The attempt to amend the Treason Felony Act comes as the Guardian prepares to go to the appeal court next week to argue that the act conflicts with the European convention on human rights, which guarantees free speech.

The paper is appealing against the high court's refusal last June on technical grounds to allow the challenge to go ahead.

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There are grand muftis from Kazakhstan, Bulgaria, Albania and Bosnia, Prince Hassan of Jordan, and 25 Muslims from Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, the Philippines, Libya, Iran, Egypt and Algeria. Among Jewish representatives are Rabbi David Rosen of Jerusalem; among the orthodox

are Bartolomew of Constantinople, and a representative of the Moscow patriarchate. The Serbian patriarch will be present, BUT NO ONE from the Greek Orthodox Church will attend.

Representatives of 34 Christian denominations, including Anglicans, Methodists, Baptists and Pentecostals, will join Hindus, Buddhists, Sikhs, four Japanese religious groups and animist religions of Africa.

The Pope's peace train is a response to the September 11 terrorist attacks in the United States, which saw some extremists claim that killing innocent people was justified in a jihad, or holy war. The first pontiff to have entered a mosque for years, Pope John Paul II has been fostering better relations with the non-fundamentalist elements of Islam.

But the Assisi meeting is also a resumption of one of his initiatives designed to emphasise religious unity. In 1986, he invited leaders of all religions to Assisi, bringing enthusiastic responses from outside the Catholic Church, but shock from some Catholic traditionalists.

The protesters thought the first Assisi meeting diminished Christianity. Among other things, they were indignant that what were once called "witch doc-

tors" brought their totems into the Catholic churches of Assisi.

Pope John Paul II has a different attitude. For him, honest practitioners of all religions are paying tribute to God.

He combines strong reaffirmation of Catholic identity with a rare openness to other religions.

The clash had a political aspect, with dissenters claiming that openness was mistaken at a time when the West had to defend its culture against an increasing influx of Muslim immigrants.

But 16 years after the first Assisi meeting, Pope John Paul II is again bringing religious leaders to the birthplace of St Francis.

Delegates will make a common commitment to peace but will pray in different parts of Assisi's Franciscan monastery: the Buddhists in a hall that looks across the valley towards Perugia; the Muslims in a bare underground chamber; the Jews in a room of a study centre; and the Zoroastrians and Jains, who pray in the open, a cloister.

Pope John Paul II plans longer journeys soon: in May to Bulgaria to beatify three priests killed under the communist regime, and at the end of June he is expected to return to Poland and perhaps visit Belorussia.

On July 25, he will visit Toronto for the biennial World Youth Day, which is expected to attract about two million participants.

After World Youth Day celebrations end on July 28, he will visit Mexico City for the canonisation of an Indian, while on the way, reportedly would like to pay tribute to World Trade Centre victims in New York.

In September, he is expected to make his third visit to Croatia, while an Azerbaijan visit is possible.



SNIPPETS

2002 AUSTRALIA DAY MULTI-FAITH GATHERING

For the first time this year, Australia Day will be recognised with a Multi-faith Gathering. In past years the Commemorative Events Committee which organises the Australia Day commemoration has invited one of the city churches to organise Christian worship with ecumenical participation.

Queensland Churches Together has been invited by the Commemorative Events Committee to coordinate the Christian contribution to the gathering.

The venue is the open grassed area on Little Stanley street which runs parallel with Grey Street. Apparently it will be easy to recognise as there will be chairs and umbrellas set up. It will begin at 8.00am on 26 January 2002 and last for about 45 minutes.

- *The Governor,*
- *Heads of the Catholic, Anglican, Lutheran and Uniting Churches* (or their representatives) &
- *Leaders of other religious traditions*



SECURITY FEARS USHER IN SUBDERMAL CHIPS...

VeriChip recipients can be ID'd, monitored anywhere in the world

Heads up, future cyborgs! Implanatable chips are back in the news, with the current focus on a tiny chip that can be injected into your body, then used to identify and monitor you.

Media reports are calling it "stuff of science fiction," and Reuters likened it

