

# The Great Deception

*How To Keep From Falling Away in the Last Days  
(Part 5)*

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## *Hebrews 5:8-14 AMPC*

*8 Although He was a Son, He learned [active, special] obedience through what He suffered.*

*9 And, [His completed experience] making Him perfectly [equipped], He became the Author and Source of eternal salvation to all those who give heed and obey Him,*

*10 Being designated and recognized and saluted by God as High Priest after the order (with the rank) of Melchizedek.*

*11 Concerning this we have much to say which is hard to explain, since you have become dull in your [spiritual] hearing and sluggish [even slothful in achieving spiritual insight].*

*12 For even though by this time you ought to be teaching others, you actually need someone to teach you over again the very first principles of God's Word. You have come to need milk, not solid food (**meat**).*

*13 For everyone who continues to feed on milk is obviously inexperienced and unskilled in the doctrine of righteousness (of conformity to the divine will in purpose, thought, and action), for he is a mere infant [not able to talk yet]!*

*14 But solid food (**meat**) is for full-grown men, for those whose senses and mental faculties are trained by practice to discriminate and distinguish between what is morally good and noble and what is evil and contrary either to divine or human law.*

### **Hebrews 5:12-14 KJV**

12 For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong **meat**.

13 For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe.

14 But strong **meat** belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

### **Hebrews 6:1-3 AMPC**

*1 Therefore let us go on and get past the elementary stage in the teachings and doctrine of Christ (the Messiah), advancing steadily toward the completeness and perfection that belong to spiritual maturity. Let us not again be laying the foundation of repentance and abandonment of dead works (dead formalism) and of the faith [by which you turned] to God,*

2 With teachings about purifying, the laying on of hands, the resurrection from the dead, and eternal judgment and punishment. [These are all matters of which you should have been fully aware long, long ago.]

3 If indeed God permits, we will [now] **proceed [to advanced teaching].**

The advanced teaching is.... THE MEAT of God's Word!

The ultimate goal of this End Time spirit of Jezebel and others (Esau, Korah, Balaam), regardless of how it is manifested (church, government, education, media/news, entertainment), is to stop people from spending eternity in heaven. That is satan's single focus, his goal.

But, you and I are here for such a time as this (Esther 4:14). To preserve or conserve the traditions of, or the truth of God's Word at all times and everywhere. Unashamed, not afraid, no fear and rightly divide the Word, the Truth so people can clearly hear the gospel and decide who they will serve and spend eternity.

**John 8:32 KJV**

32 And ye shall know **the truth**, and the truth shall make you free.

In this passage, Jesus says, the truth: my words, my commands all meaning the same thing. God's Word is His commands and the Father will love you and will come to whoever keeps them.

But, there will be people as the Word says (Romans 16, 2 Peter, Jude) that come to divide you and I, or the Church, from the outside or the dark but also from within the Church. This spirit will manifest itself by sharing partial truths, speaking false or heresy and also speaking/acting outside of the pulpit contrary to God's Word. They will also use their platforms and podiums to mislead people by their cunning and subtle deceptions.

### **Genesis 3:1 KJV**

*I Now the serpent **was more subtil** than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?*

### **Genesis 3:1 AMPC**

*I Now the serpent **was more subtle and crafty** than any living creature of the field which the Lord God had made. And he [Satan] said to the woman, Can it really be that God has said, You shall not eat from every tree of the garden?*

Satan is referenced all throughout God's Word and we are given his characteristics or his character in order to not be fooled.

## **Synonyms for Satan**

**Adversary, angel of the bottomless pit, accuser of our brethren, the devil, enemy, evil spirit, father of lies, liar, lying spirit, old serpent, power of darkness, prince of this world, prince of demons, prince of the power of the air, spirit that worketh in the children of disobedience, tempter, the god of this world.**

God knows the character of satan because He created him and knows how he is trying to deceive you and I along with the 1/3 of the angels that left to go with satan to rule this world.

As the: prince of this world, ruler of this present darkness, the spiritual force of wickedness, he uses multiple venues or spiritual green houses to grow the wicked seed or sinful seed. This is a resurrection of the giants which is the seed of the serpent that God's people are supposed to destroy and that Paul said "I die to daily."

So, how does this seed (good or bad) grow? The good seed needs to be watered by a good or righteous environment to grow righteously or holy. In our development of that good seed, as we accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, the pastor, preacher and teacher is commanded to come along and help in this process - but, you have to participate in this process, you're commanded to as well.

## **2 Timothy 4:1-5 AMPC**

*1 I charge [you] in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, Who is to judge the living and the dead, and by (in the light of) His coming and His kingdom:*

*2 Herald and preach the Word! Keep your sense of urgency [stand by, be at hand and ready], whether the opportunity seems to be favorable or unfavorable. [Whether it is convenient or inconvenient, whether it is welcome or unwelcome, you as preacher of the Word are to show people in what way their lives are wrong.]...*

*And convince them, rebuking and correcting, warning and urging and encouraging them, being unflinching and inexhaustible in patience and teaching.*

*3 For the time is coming when [people] will not tolerate (endure) sound and wholesome instruction, but, having ears itching [for something pleasing and gratifying], they will gather to themselves one teacher after another to a considerable number, chosen to satisfy their own liking and to foster the errors they hold,*

*4 And will turn aside from hearing the truth and wander off into myths and man-made fictions.*

*5 As for you, be calm and cool and steady, accept and suffer unflinchingly every hardship, do the work of an evangelist, fully perform all the duties of your ministry.*

The bad seed needs to be watered or grown in a wicked/evil environment. That seed needs growth or watering from an environment, that environment (government, education, media, woke/liberal church) helps to grow seed. God's Word, His commands, is meant for the believer's protection from being with other "bad seed".

First, let me remind you on the importance of knowing, believing and acting in alignment with or in obedience to God's Word. That is called being righteous or habitually righteous and we need to surround ourselves with God's Word, preaching and teaching or God's Word (rightly divided) and our close relationships need to be Godly. This is why you read the questions from the New Testament church, what do I need to do in order to be ready for the Rapture, we don't want to miss it.

In Hebrews, and all his teaching/preaching, Paul was answering questions from the New Testament church regarding the Rapture, what will be the signs prior to the gathering together in HIM or caught up together with them in the clouds. They were asking the question because they believed that Jesus was the Son of God and when He didn't come back to set up His Kingdom at that time, they thought they were going through the Tribulation.

**1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 KJV**

13 But **I would not have you to be ignorant**, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

15 **For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord**, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and **the dead in Christ shall rise first**:

17 Then we **which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air**: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

18 Wherefore **comfort one another with these words**.

This event is described by a word in our English language and that word is ***rapture***. In the Christian church, the word ***rapture*** creates many different emotions from joy, excitement, disbelief, even anger. You will find people in the church that will call you a heretic saying, “the Bible doesn't even use the word ***rapture***”.

In series' past, I have taught from God's Word on words/phrases in four different passages in the Bible that are used instead of the word *rapture*. These are Bible based words that were translated from the Greek instead of an English theological word to describe the event.

Below are those passages in their English translations... remember, this is what the spirit of Jezebel and (Esau, Korah, Balaam) are working through: in order to stop you and I from spending eternity in heaven.

**1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 KJV**

16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be **caught up together** with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

**Key Word:** Caught up together

**The Meaning:** to seize or pluck up by force

The Apostle Paul after spending three years learning in Mount Sinai from the Lord himself, received the revelation. The first letter he writes is to the church in Thessalonica and every chapter makes reference to the Rapture of the Church.

### Ephesians 1:10 KJV

10 That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might **gather together in one** all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

**Key Word:** Gather together in one

**The meaning:** To sum up together in one

### 2 Thessalonians 2:1 KJV

2 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our **gathering together** unto him,

**Key Word:** Gathering together

**The meaning:** A complete collecting of

### Hebrews 12:22-24 KJV

22 But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,

23 To the **general assembly** and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

24 And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

**Key Word:** General assembly

**The meaning:** To assemble all

Remember, the Apostle Paul is not stating something new, but rather giving further revelation to the words that Jesus already has spoken and the Old Testament prophets.

## **Revelation defined:**

...a fact this is disclosed or revealed, an uncovering, a bringing to light of that which had been previously wholly hidden or only obscurely seen...to reveal what was before hidden, or present.

### **John 14:1-3 KJV**

*1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. **I go to prepare** a place for you. 3 And if I **go and prepare** a place for you, **I will come again**, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.*

Let me ask you a question to begin this series...Why did Jesus make this statement in chapter 24 of Matthew's Gospel?

### **Matthew 24:41 KJV**

*41 Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.*

### **Matthew 24:41 GNT**

*41 Two women will be at a mill grinding meal: one will be taken away, the other will be **left behind**.*

Why did Jesus say keep our lamps trimmed and burning in chapter 25 of Matthew's Gospel?

This is an ancient oil lamp from the time of Jesus Christ. Oil was placed through the opening at the top and a wick was at one end. The oil had to be fresh in the lamp to ensure that you would have light at night.



**Matthew 25:1-13 KJV**

*1 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.*

*2 And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.*

*3 They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:*

*4 **But the wise** took oil in their vessels with their lamps.*

*5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.*

*6 And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.*

*7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.*

*8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.*

*9 But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.*

*10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.*

*11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.*

*12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.*

**13 Watch therefore**, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

We need to watch, be ready, not be ignorant, found meeting together even more as the day of the Rapture is coming closer. We see the signs that were told to us from the beginning about the end and the things from ancient times that have (but will) happen shortly. (Isaiah 46:9-10)

So, we need to fight this spiritual battle not just in the heavenly or spiritual realm but it (the battle) manifests itself in the natural. We are fighting these End Times battles in the following: church, government, education, media/news, and entertainment.

### **Ephesians 6:11-13 AMPC**

*11 Put on God's whole armor [the armor of a heavy-armed soldier which God supplies], that you may be able successfully to stand up against [all] the strategies and the deceits of the devil.*

*12 For we are not wrestling with flesh and blood [contending only with physical opponents], but against the despotisms, against the powers, against [the master spirits who are] the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spirit forces of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) **sphere**.*

*13 Therefore put on God's complete armor, that you may be able to resist and stand your ground on the evil day [of danger], and, having done all [the crisis demands], to stand [firmly in your place].*

### **Ephesians 6:11-13 KJV**

*11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.*

*12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in **high places**.*

*13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to **withstand** in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.*

How do we **Withstand**? Read the Word daily, believe the Word, speak the Word and act on the Word. We need to put on the whole armor of God which is our equipment that is needed to not only defend but to take ground against the enemy or giants in the land.

These giants (seed of the serpent/spirits) want to prevent you, family and friends from the promises in God's Word and ultimately the promise of eternity in heaven. They want to stop God's Word, God's Laws and the TRUTH from being implemented here on earth right now for such a time as this.

### **2 Timothy 3:1-5 KJV**

*1 This know also, that **in the last days perilous times (spiritually difficult times) shall come.***

## **2 Timothy 3:1-5 AMPC**

**1 But understand this, that *in the last days will come (set in) perilous (spiritually difficult) times of great stress and trouble [hard to deal with and hard to bear].***

The causes of these “spiritually difficult times” is what we are identifying during this study. There is the seed of the serpent that we are born into that we need to die to every day. Then, there’s the spiritual wickedness in high places. These forces are the world rulers of this present darkness, spirit forces of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) sphere or realm.

This is happening in the world but also the Church. The Church is getting pulled into the world by saying “let’s unite”. On the surface this sounds Biblical but what is happening is pastors are watering down God’s Word and twisting it and “uniting” at the lowest of common denominators that aren’t found in the Word.

**The church is no longer a light in the darkness or salt that says repent**, but a feel good message that is no longer a voice in the wilderness. Those voices are being shut down and called legalist or “trouble makers”, nationalists, Republicans, conservatives by today’s woke, liberal or liberating from the church. These leaders, pastors, preachers, teachers, bishops twisting God’s Word for their own gain, align with the liberal godless culture in the name of “keeping the doors open”, to be loving by not speaking the truth. They will not teach about the Old Testament Prophets but if they do they dismiss obedience, God’s Precepts or Law. They teach love and grace in a deceptive manner which is and will lead many to hell.

These are the ones that are and would assist in the shutting down of John the Baptist and Jesus himself (the WORD) which were both voices in the wilderness crying out REPENT.

The passage that we read last week in Romans is not something the “unify with the world” or “be loving” pastors are going to use...they are more interested in not offending the world than not offending God. God will grow His church and that is through the correction of His Word and protection of His Word which can only be done by getting on the meat of the Word so we can rightly divide the truth and discern evil in the Last Days.

**Romans 16:17-20 AMPC**

*17 I appeal to you, brethren, to be on your guard concerning those who create dissensions and difficulties and cause divisions, in opposition to the doctrine (the teaching) which you have been taught. [I warn you to turn aside from them, to] avoid them.*

*18 For such persons do not serve our Lord Christ but their own appetites and base desires, and by ingratiating and flattering speech, they beguile the hearts of the unsuspecting and simpleminded [people].*

*19 For while your loyalty and obedience is known to all, so that I rejoice over you, I would have you well versed and wise as to what is good and innocent and guileless as to what is evil.*

*20 And the God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah) be with you.*

Last week we finished with 2 women in the Old Testament with the Jezebel spirit and 2 women in the New Testament.

Remember this spirit which is predominately found in women will kill the seed, good seed, and kill the seed of the gospel or Truth from being spread. She wants to be in authority and will do it at any cost - we will get into the specifics of the characteristics shortly.

One of the women in the New Testament was named Herodias. She was the woman who had a daughter that Herod lusted after. The lust burned so bad that he said I will give you anything you want even up to half of the kingdom.

So, she went back to her mother and said I want you to get the head of John the Baptist.

**Matthew 14:8 AMPC**

*8 And she, being put forward and prompted by her mother, said, Give me the head of John the Baptist right here on a platter.*

Herod was terrified of John, but went ahead with the vow that he made and had John the Baptist killed and brought his head to her on a silver platter.

When you go back to the time of Ahab in 1 Kings 18, **there were thousands of prophets who were beheaded by Jezebel.** When you go forward to the time of Christ, you have that same spirit. That spirit is operating the same way, she is taking away the voice of a man in the wilderness (just like the prophets of old). This is the way it will be at the “Time of the End” as well.

### **Matthew 3:1-6 AMPC**

*1 In those days there appeared John the Baptist, preaching in the Wilderness (Desert) of Judea*

*2 And saying, Repent (think differently; change your mind, regretting your sins and changing your conduct), for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.*

*3 This is he who was mentioned by the prophet Isaiah when he said, The voice of one crying in the wilderness (shouting in the desert), Prepare the road for the Lord, make His highways straight (level, direct).*

*4 This same John's garments were made of camel's hair, and he wore a leather girdle about his waist; and his food was locusts and wild honey.*

*5 Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the country round about the Jordan went out to him;*

*6 And they were baptized in the Jordan by him, confessing their sins.*

Often times a church doesn't want to hear repent, doesn't want to hear stop being like the world, doesn't want to hear stop the craziness, doesn't want to hear all religions don't believe the same...John had to leave the religious structure, he literally had to remove himself from the people who were supposed to be preaching the truth and go out and preach The Word. That Word was what Jesus preached as well, repent. They preached that we are the called out ones, not to unite with the world as the church.

This spirit is trying to seduce the men of God to stop preaching the truth, to twist the truth - it is seducing men to stop the seed from going out.

Herodias (spirit of Jezebel) hated that voice so much (killing the seed or babies) that she did whatever she could to cut off the head of John the Baptist to silence any opposing voice.

Why was she mad at John? Because she had been someone else's wife and Herod had come in and stripped her away from that man (his half-brother) and John the Baptist said it is illegal to be married to her.

She didn't like what he was saying - coming up against "her rights" so she had him killed. Right to choose, or wanted to sin without it being called a sin. She didn't want others to hear the truth, that spirit wants people in iniquity or unrepentant sin because iniquity won't enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

Now, we have another Jezebel in the New Testament, it was a female teacher in Thyatira which was one of the seven churches mentioned in Revelation. What happened in the beginning will happen in the end (Isaiah 46)...

**Revelation 2:18-29 AMPC**

*18 And to the angel (messenger) of the assembly (church) in Thyatira write: These are the words of the Son of God, Who has eyes that flash like a flame of fire, and Whose feet glow like bright and burnished and white-hot bronze:*

*19 I know your record and what you are doing, your love and faith and service and patient endurance, and that your recent works are more numerous and greater than your first ones.*

20 *But I have this against you: that you tolerate the woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess [claiming to be inspired], and who is teaching and leading astray my **servants and beguiling them into practicing sexual vice and eating food sacrificed to idols.***

**21 I gave her time to repent, but she has no desire to repent of her immorality [symbolic of idolatry] and refuses to do so.**

22 *Take note: I will throw her on a bed [of anguish], and those who commit adultery with her [her paramours] I will bring down to pressing distress and severe affliction, unless they turn away their minds from conduct [such as] hers and repent of their doings. **23 And I will strike her children (her proper followers) dead [thoroughly exterminating them].** And all the assemblies (churches) shall recognize and understand that I am He Who searches minds (the thoughts, feelings, and purposes) and the [inmost] hearts, and I will give to each of you [the reward for what you have done] as your work deserves.*

24 *But to the rest of you in Thyatira, who do not hold this teaching, who have not explored and known the depths of Satan, as they say—I tell you that I do not lay upon you any other [fresh] burden: 25 Only hold fast to what you have until I come.*

26 *And he who overcomes (is victorious) and who obeys My commands to the [very] end [doing the works that please Me], I will give him authority and power over the nations;*

27 *And he shall rule them with a sceptre (rod) of iron, as when earthen pots are broken in pieces, and [his power over them shall be] like that which I Myself have received from My Father;*

28 *And I will give him the Morning Star.*

29 *He who is able to hear, let him listen to and heed what the [Holy] Spirit says to the assemblies (churches).*

Notice, God didn't say she was a prophetess...no, she called herself a prophetess. If you are prophetic, you don't have to go around telling everybody that you are a prophet and call me prophet so and so...

Let's go back to the original Jezebel...God, in the Old Testament tells us what He thinks of this woman and this spirit during that day and today.

**1 Kings 21:25 KJV**

*25 But there was none like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to work wickedness in the sight of the Lord, whom Jezebel his wife **stirred up.***

**1 Kings 21:25 AMPC**

*25 For there was no one who sold himself to do evil in the sight of the Lord as did Ahab, **incited** by his wife Jezebel.*

**1 Kings 21:25 GNT**

*25 There was no one else who had devoted himself so completely to doing wrong in the Lord's sight as Ahab—all at the **urging** of his wife Jezebel.*

The original Jezebel and now the spirit of Jezebel that God's Word said will be in the Church at the Time of the End, will be disguised as prophet, pastor, preacher, teacher, bishop will deceive many, trick man in the Church regarding sin, judgment, righteousness and things to come. The meat of God's Word is to discern this spirit, call it out, spit it out and eat or gather where the meat is being taught.

Before we continue...when we say the spirit of something, the spirit of Cain, the spirit of Balaam, the spirit of Korah...this is what God told us and why He told us. They will always have followers and just like the followers of the Jezebel spirit in Revelation chapter 2, if they don't repent, they will spend eternity in Hell.

### **Jude 11 AMPC**

*11 Woe to them! For they have run riotously in the way of Cain, and have abandoned themselves for the sake of gain [it offers them, following] the error of Balaam, and have perished in rebellion [like that] of Korah!*

### **Jude 11 GNT**

*11 How terrible for them! They have followed the way that Cain took. For the sake of money they have given themselves over to the error that Balaam committed. They have rebelled as Korah rebelled, and like him they are destroyed.*

First, Cain murdered his brother over an offering (Genesis 4). Then, Korah was a man in the Old Testament who was at the time of Moses and he wanted to be priest so he led a rebellion against spiritual authority. (Numbers 16)

Balaam was a compromiser, he knew he couldn't curse Israel but he told the King of Moab that if you really want to get to them, have their God curse them. The only way for God to curse them is to get them to sin. So, Balaam told the king of Moab how to set up the Israelite men with the Moabite women in their tents to have relations and it would anger God. (Numbers 22-25)

Balaam is a negative name, Korah is a negative name and Cain is a very negative name... Balaam is dead, Korah is dead and so is Balaam, all dead. So, why does Jude talk about these people who are all dead and will spend eternity in Hell.

The point is, when the Bible uses names like Korah, Balaam, Cain or Jezebel, God is saying learn the characteristics of these people. Learn what they did that brought damage so we won't get deceived, duped or tricked and become passive to these spirits that manifest themselves in: **church, government, education, media/news, and entertainment.**

God is saying learn what they did that displeases me and I will show you lessons that can be repeated in history or in our case avoided in history if we pay attention to the people who lived in the past.

Here is the characteristic of this first spirit, the spirit of Jezebel.

**Revelation 2:20 AMPC**

*20 But I have this against you: that you tolerate the woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess [claiming to be inspired], and who is teaching and leading astray my servants and beguiling them into practicing sexual vice and eating food sacrificed to idols*

**Revelation 2:20 GNT**

*20 But this is what I have against you: you tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a messenger of God. By her teaching she misleads my servants*

# Characteristics of the Jezebel Spirit

- 1 Jezebel's ultimate goal is always control.
- 2 The Jezebel spirit is always motivated by its own agenda, which it relentlessly pursues. takes people out in their way
- 3 The Jezebel spirit attacks, dominates or manipulates, especially male authority.
- 4 Queen Jezebel usurped political authority of the kingdom. This spirit's ultimate goal is to conquer or neutralize the prophet or that one who tells the truth, because a discerning leader is its greatest enemy.
- 5 Jezebel causes fear, flight and discouragement.
- 6 This spirit often causes a spiritual leader to flee from his appointed place by character assassination and ruining his reputation.
- 7 People under Jezebel's influence are natural leaders, although often covertly.
- 8 The Jezebel spirit attempt to seek out people of influence to win their ear, gain credibility and win endorsement for their toxic cause.
- 9 People under Jezebel's influence are often insecure and wounded, with pronounced egocentric needs. (only think of themselves)
- 10 They are often trying to fill a love deficit. People under Jezebel's control always have deep, unhealed wounds from sources such as rejection, resistance, fear, insecurity, self-preservation and bitterness, which in turn, spreads its defilement to many. (contaminates)
- 11 The Jezebel spirit functions subtlety and deceptively. People controlled by Jezebel use flattery to win you over to their domination. Jezebel spirits are masters of manipulation by guilt and undermining or discrediting another's influence. Those under Jezebel's control use flirtation or faltery and are extremely jealous of anyone they perceive to be a threat.
- 12 Ultimately, people under Jezebel's influence are proud, independent and rebellious. (who are their lieutenants)  
Rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft (1 Sam. 15:23) and will attempt to control others through any means other than the Holy Spirit.
- 13 It takes an Ahab to let a Jezebel spirit operate unchallenged. (as long as they get paid or get to do what they want )  
Those under Jezebel's influence do not operate without someone under an Ahab spirit's influence enabling them to function.
- 14 A Jezebel spirit is always in alignment with a religious spirit.  
Both Jezebel in the Old Testament and Revelation in the New Testament operated under the cover of religion. Its religious deeds are done for all to see. Look how much I do for the kingdom of God....True and pure spiritual gifts attract people to Jesus, not to the people who exercise the gifts.
- 15 The families of people under Jezebel's influence are often out of order. (rebellious and troubled children)  
Those under Jezebel's influence control their partners and cause their children to take sides, grow up insecure, disrespect their fathers, feel manipulated and become distrustful toward true authority.

The never wrong Prophet Joel said...

**Hosea 4:6 KJV**

*6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.*

Remember Jude said I was going to do “business as usual” or preach “get back to our regular schedule programming” as many pastors are doing, calling the last 15 months a brief interruption that doesn’t mean anything... they are WRONG! It is a trumpet blasting, alarm sounding time.

The following are terms and ways that this spirit of Jezebel ( Cain, Balaam, Korah ) are and will continue to manifest as we get closer to the Rapture, in the **church, government, education, media/news, and entertainment.**

George Orwell knew that the way to control the debate is to control the language. “War is Peace. Freedom is Slavery. Ignorance is Truth,” he wrote in his science fiction classic, “1984.” But even Orwell might blush today at the way liberal/progressives in and out of the Church have mastered the tactic.

Here’s some quick examples, illegal immigrants became “undocumented immigrants” and then in some circles “undocumented Americans.” Use of such terms as “illegal immigrants” or “illegal aliens” the legal moniker became tarred as racist, with those who utter those words shunned.

From “killing babies” or “abortion”, it is now referred to as “a women’s right to choose” or “reproductive rights” and “my, body, my choice”. This is happening in this godless, woke, liberating from the truth culture in which we are living. It is and has happened in the Church and God does not want us naive or ignorant to what is happening, Jesus commands us to know the signs.

During this series we will break these “things” down in god’s Word, rightly dividing them, calling out and identifying the wickedness that is happening in the Church by failing to address these issues and in many cases, agreeing with a godless culture.

## **LGBTQ / TRANSGENDER / Sexual Orientation/ Gender Identity**

The term sexual orientation refers to the gender to which a person is attracted. There are several types of sexual orientation that are commonly described: (LGBTQ) Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, or Queer. It is now being purported that there are literally 100’s of genders. Gender is no longer confined by male & female.

Transgendered people – whose condition was seen as a serious mental illness from the dawn of psychiatry until 2013, when the powerful LGBT lobby pressured the American Psychiatric Association to “de-pathologize” this behavior.

## WOKE

Transgender isn't really a sexual orientation — it's a gender identity. Gender is another word for male or female. Transgender people may have the body of one gender, but feel that they are the opposite gender, like they were born into the wrong type of body.

The LEFT/LIBERAL/UNBIBLICAL teaches being straight, gay, or bisexual is not something that a person can choose or choose to change. “People don't choose their sexual orientation any more than they choose their height or eye color. Medical experts and organizations such as the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and the American Psychological Association (APA) view sexual orientation as part of “someone's nature”.

According to the LEFT/LIBERAL/UNBIBLICAL, without proof, efforts to change gay people to straight (sometimes called "conversion therapy") have been proven to be “ineffective and can be harmful” and the Left/Liberal/unBiblical has been attempting to criminalize attempts at such therapy. Health and

## GENDER IDENTITY

mental health “professionals” caution against any efforts to change a person's sexual orientation.

“I identify as.” Used to communicate which identity group you regard yourself as belonging to (and that you require others to identify you as belonging to).

## SOCIAL JUSTICE

Woke is a fairly modern term that has come to mean “conscious or awakened to injustice in society.” A “woke” person is especially attentive to racial discrimination and the issues surrounding it. Although the word woke has been closely linked to the rise of the Black Lives Matter movement, the term goes back further than that and can be found in the 2008.

The metastasis of the “woke” ideology is the most comprehensive threat facing the American republic. It is appallingly totalitarian, insofar as the woke wield the levers of cancel culture to suppress all dissident speech, root out all wrongthink, and achieve by sheer force an intellectual homogeneity.

As if out of a dystopian novel, though, the woke ideology has nonetheless become the unifying creed of the American ruling class. That ruling class, which extends from public sector bureaucracies to the Fortune 500 to Hollywood to Silicon Valley and sundry others in between, has in recent years universally come to promulgate and disseminate the core tenets of “wokeness.”

“Governmental authorities and corporations now coordinate in enforcing the dictates of the new secular progressive faith.” Thus has the woke ideology completed, à la the Italian Marxist theorist Antonio Gramsci, its long march through the institutions.

And let’s not mince words: This is Marxism.

The core value of social justice is to redistribute “resources and advantages to the disadvantaged (i.e. primarily black Americans but also includes any ethnic minority, women, & LGBTQ - essentially anyone other than white males) to achieve social and economic equality” for all. But for this to happen, it requires the identification of those who have advantages and resources with those who do not.

This is the first problem with social justice. It pits people groups against each other and instills jealousy in those deemed “oppressed” of those who are “oppressors.” It creates a victim mentality in the oppressed and forces them to look to blame others (oftentimes unjustly) for their plight. While biblical justice unites and uplifts people, social justice tears down certain groups and creates division.

The second problem with social justice is that it surrenders more power to the government, since it appears to be the only one powerful enough to correct these systematic inequalities. Voddie Baucham said that social justice seeks to find out who is to blame for unequal outcomes (academically, economically, politically) and then “there needs to be a redistribution of power and resources in order to address those issues.” This removes personal accountability/responsibility for one’s success or lack thereof.

This is communism at its finest: the redistribution of wealth so that all equally share resources.

But as Soviet Russia, Fidel Castro-led Cuba and modern-day Venezuela show us, this type of thinking and government only bring destruction and chaos. However, people who don't have a biblical sense of justice will look for an anti-biblical solution to the problem of injustice, which always leads to problems.

Our world is full of injustice and always will be until Christ comes and restores his kingdom where he rules in justice. Until then, we are commanded to "seek justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with (our) God" (Micah 6:8). But as we walk through life and seek to reflect God's justice, we must do so in accordance with God's will, not the destructive ideology of social justice.

## VIRTUE SIGNALING

Virtue signaling is the act of speaking or behaving in a way that's meant to demonstrate one's "virtue"/good moral values. The defining trait of virtue signaling, as a form of signaling, is that its main goal is to demonstrate one's good moral values (i.e. to signal virtue).

For example, if a person widely proclaims on social media that they strongly support a certain cause, just because they want to show others how caring they are, that person is virtue signaling. It's disappointing to see so many deceived Christians, but I'm not terribly surprised. For too long, the modern Church has rejected intellectualism and commitment to scripture in favor of feelings and personal experience.

Believers parroting popular LIBERAL talking points about poorly theorized/unsubstantiated concepts of “fragility” or “privilege” is the inevitable result.

It is our fallen human nature that creates a tendency to practice virtue signaling. We naturally want others to think well of us, to like us, and it is so easy on social media to publicize our own good deeds or proclaim our lofty values. But we’ve been called to be faithful before God, not to seek the world’s acclaim: “Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: but a faithful man who can find?” (Proverbs 20:6, KJV).

## WHITE FRAGILITY

White Fragility, Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism, Robin DiAngelo (published in 2018) -The term "white fragility" is a phrase coined by DiAngelo & refers to what she claims as a “broad range of responses—from confusion or complete dismissal to full-on rage—white people may have in reaction to discussions on racism. Though white fragility can describe reactions to discussions on racism against all people of color, DiAngelo narrows the focus of her book to specifically describe it when it's a response to racism against Black people.

DiAngelo argues that any white person who does not admit to their own racism is blinded by their “white fragility.” In DiAngelo’s words, because white people are, “socialized into a deeply internalized sense of superiority that we either are unaware of or can never admit to ourselves, we become highly fragile in conversations about race.”

This fragility purportedly explains why, “people who identify as white are so difficult in conversations regarding race.”

Throughout *White Fragility* DiAngelo tries to convince readers that white people are inescapably racist, writing, “All white people are invested in and collude with racism,” and that “The white collective fundamentally hates blackness for what it reminds us of: that we are capable and guilty of perpetrating immeasurable harm and that our gains come through the subjugation of others” - hence “systemic/structural racism”.

Therefore, if ANYONE accuses you of racism or fragility and you disagree in any way-through argument, silence, or withdrawal-your reaction is considered proof of your fragility.

DiAngelo leaves white readers with only two options. Either acknowledge your fragility, which proves DiAngelo’s theory, or deny your fragility, which according to DiAngelo, also proves her theory. If our legal system worked this way, no person accused of a crime would ever be acquitted because their denial would prove their guilt....If You Don’t See Racism Everywhere, You Aren’t Looking Hard Enough...

## WHITE PRIVILEGE

Former professor Peggy McIntosh made the phrase white privilege famous in her 1989 essay, “White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack.”

She claimed “white privilege” are the everyday advantages of being born with white skin, an unspoken advantage that the dominant culture has over people of color.

In other words, power, benefits, and other advantages are distributed in unequal ways among the different groups in society. Specifically, with respect to white privilege, the advantage rests with white people.

'White privilege' is a fake concept, created by white liberals to make them feel superior to both non-whites & other white folks. It makes non-white people feel inferior & embrace victimhood. It minimizes the struggles of poor white people. 'White privilege' is a racist idea.

## CRITICAL RACE THEORY (CRT)

CRT, an offshoot of Marxism, that views society through the lens of a power struggle between the race of the oppressors and that of the oppressed. It claims that people who are “white” and from European backgrounds have succeeded because of their color, and they OPPRESSED black people. As a result, according to the theory, ALL long-established institutions of Western society are considered to be tools of racial oppression including our form of government, education, law enforcement, medicine, etc.

CRT is a teaching which divides people into ‘oppressed’ and ‘oppressor’ groups based on race—is infiltrating even innocuous subjects. Even math is under attack.

A program backed by the Bill Gates Foundation called “A Pathway to Equitable Math Instruction,” instructs teachers about “Dismantling Racism in Mathematics Instruction.” Stated examples of what this material purports to be “white supremacy” in math include:

- Focus on getting the right answer
- Students required to show their work
- Treating mistakes as problems by equating them with wrongness.

When teaching ‘math in the real world’, teachers are instructed to “limit or eliminate references to money”, since this could be used to uphold a capitalist or imperialist understanding of the world.

A Christian must realize that real racial reconciliation in the Church occurs when we prioritize our identity in Christ OVER our belonging to a racial category or ethnicity. Members of the body of Christ should feel more at home in their Christian family than even in their own ethnicity: “There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus” (Galatians 3:28).

As Christians, we should be “woke” to the love of God for our family in Christ: “Anyone who hates a brother or sister is in the darkness and walks around in the darkness. They do not know where they are going, because the darkness has blinded them” (1 John 2:11).

We should be “woke” to the light of the gospel (2 Corinthians 4:4). We should be “woke” to the fact of temptation in the world (Matthew 26:41).

We are reconciled with God and united to Christ (2 Corinthians 5:18), allowing us to be truly reconciled with one another. Real change and real answers to the problems of racism, injustice, other societal evils are found in God's Word and in the peace He gives.

**Colossians 2:1-4 AMPC**

*1 For I want you to know how great is my solicitude for you [how severe an inward struggle I am engaged in for you] and for those [believers] at Laodicea, and for all who [[a]like yourselves] have never seen my face and known me personally.*

*2 [For my concern is] that their hearts may be [b]braced (comforted, cheered, and encouraged) as they are knit together in love, that they may come to have all the abounding wealth and blessings of assured conviction of understanding, and that they may become progressively [c]more intimately acquainted with and may know more definitely and accurately and thoroughly that mystic secret of God, [which is] Christ (the Anointed One).*

*3 In Him all the treasures of [divine] wisdom ([d]comprehensive insight into the ways and purposes of God) and [all the riches of spiritual] knowledge and enlightenment are stored up and lie hidden.*

*4 I say this in order that no one may mislead and delude you by plausible and persuasive and attractive arguments and beguiling speech.*

This is the GOAL & what we all in Christ should aspire to!

### **Colossians 3:10-11 AMPC**

*10 And have clothed yourselves with the new [spiritual self], which is [ever in the process of being] renewed and remolded into [fuller and more perfect [a]knowledge upon] knowledge after the image (the likeness) of Him Who created it.*

*11 [In this new creation all distinctions vanish.] There [b]is no room for and there can be neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, [nor difference between nations whether alien] barbarians or Scythians [[c]who are the most savage of all], nor slave or free man; but Christ is all and in all [[d]everything and everywhere, to all men, without distinction of person].*

## **SYSTEMIC RACISM**

Systemic Racism, also called structural racism or institutional racism, is the belief that the systems and structures that have been in place since our nation's founding, are meant to disadvantage African Americans in order to create and maintain racial inequality in nearly every facet of life for the black community.

It is taught by the Left that this creates disparities in many "success indicators" including wealth, the criminal justice system, employment, housing, health care, politics and education. This type of "structural racism" is meant to prevent or make it more challenging for people of color to participate in society and in the economy.

This racist theory gained popularity due to what is called the "1619 Project" lead by Nicole Hannah Jones, which the NY Times pushed & published, claims that protecting slavery was a main motive of the American Revolution, her unfounded statement that Abraham Lincoln "opposed black equality" and her avowal that blacks fought "alone" for equal rights after the Civil War, which has been debunked by numerous historians. This project was named for the year when the first African slaves were off-loaded in Virginia, the central theme is that slavery and its effects are the central driving force in American history, the underpinning of everything from corporate capitalism to suburban sprawl.

Thomas Sowell, a well known & highly acclaimed black economist, told Mark Levin that the Left's claim that America is beset by "systemic racism" has no definitive meaning and cannot be "tested" in any empirical manner.

"It really has no meaning that can be specified and tested in the way that one tests hypotheses," answered Sowell, who added that the currency of the phrase reminds him of the "propaganda tactics" of Nazi Germany, where Sowell claimed that if a lie was "repeated long enough and loud enough" it would be widely believed.

Systemic racism is being touted & fueled by the media, the Black Lives Matter (BLM) self-proclaimed Marxist organization and ANTIFA. But the actual facts just do not back up what they have to say. Many successful/conservative black Americans such as Dr. Carol Swain, formerly of Vanderbilt and Princeton,

Dr. Ben Carson, Candace Owens, Dr. Thomas Sowell and Dr. Walter Williams & Larry Elder all believe that systemic racism is false, at least in the way it is being reported.

A leading scholar of the Civil War (McPherson) said he was “disturbed by what seemed like a very unbalanced, one-sided account, which lacked context and perspective on the complexity of slavery.” Oakes, a leading historian of Reconstruction, calls the idea that “slavery or racism is built into the DNA of America” one of several “really dangerous tropes.” He adds: “They’re not only ahistorical, they’re actually anti-historical. The function of those tropes is to deny change over time.”

Which helps explain why The 1619 Project makes short shrift of black leaders and their white allies who led successful fights to make enormous change. “One of the many odd things about the New York Times’s 1619 Project, on slavery,” notes Steven Hayward, author of the two-volume “The Age of Reagan,” “is that Martin Luther King Jr. is barely mentioned (ditto Frederick Douglass).”

A journalist named Wilentz told The Atlantic’s Adam Serwer, “To teach children that the American Revolution was fought in part to secure slavery would be giving a fundamental misunderstanding not only of what the American Revolution was all about but what America stood for and has stood for since the Founding.” Anti-slavery ideology was a “very new thing in the world in the 18th century . . . there was more anti-slavery activity in the colonies than in Britain.”

Or, as McPherson explains, every society has had slavery, and the British Atlantic seaboard colonies were one of the first societies to spawn an anti-slavery movement, with several voting to abolish slavery in the first years of the republic.

One peculiar thing about the Times' effort to seize control of the central narrative of American history is that it comes just a few years after American voters elected and reelected an African American president. The election of Trump has been taken by many of his critics, not least of which is the Times, as the election of a racist by a racist country — an irremediably racist country, if you take the view promoted by The 1619 Project. Slavery determines everything and always will.

This antiAmerican, anti history teaching is being pushed throughout our education systems throughout our nation, from elementary schools on through our universities through the 1619 Project.

In Louisiana, the Orleans Parish school board adopted a resolution that says “our country’s racist history” is “still pervasive in today’s systems” and calls this nation “an unjust systemic racist America.”

Human slavery is evil. However, too many American students are being taught the false theory that America invented worldwide slavery in 1619 when the first slaves landed in North America. Our nation's schools are being infiltrated by the divisive, political agenda of the “1619 Project” and “Critical Race Theory.”

# CLIMATE CHANGE

According to the EPA, “The Earth's climate IS changing. Temperatures are rising, snow and rainfall patterns are shifting, and more extreme climate events – like heavy rainstorms and record high temperatures – are already happening. Many of these observed changes are linked to the rising levels of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases in our atmosphere, caused by HUMAN activities.”

Climate Change has now become Climate CRISIS according to President Biden who issued the following EO during his first several days in office: “The scientific community has made clear that the scale and speed of necessary action is greater than previously believed. There is little time left to avoid setting the world on a dangerous, potentially catastrophic, climate trajectory. Responding to the climate crisis will require both significant short-term global reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and net-zero global emissions by mid-century or before.”

Dr. E. Calvin Beisner and his organization, the Cornwall Alliance for the Stewardship of Creation, for instance, believes that man-made climate change exists — but that doomsday scenarios of "catastrophic anthropogenic global warming" are exaggerated and unrealistic. The group also feels that any large-scale ban on fossil fuels would have a devastating effect on the poor.

"Evangelicals have a high regard for the Bible as truth revealed by God, and the worldview they derive from it affects how they understand everything," Beisner said by email, noting the difficulty of reconciling "infinitesimally" small changes in the atmosphere with having a huge impact on the planet. "[Especially] with the Biblical teaching ... that an infinitely wise God designed, an infinitely powerful God created, and an infinitely faithful God upholds the earth and everything in it, including its climate system."

Even after controlling for political ideology, those committed to an "end-times theology" – like U.S. evangelicals – still show a greater tendency to oppose the scientific consensus on environmental issues.

A 2015 Pew Research Poll found only 28 percent of white evangelicals believed that the Earth was getting warmer because of human activity — by far the lowest percentage of any religious demographic in the survey. U.S. Christians, especially evangelical Christians, identify as environmentalists at very low rates compared to the general population. According to a Pew Research Center poll from May 2020, while 62% of religiously unaffiliated U.S. adults agree that the Earth is warming primarily due to human action, only 35% of U.S. Protestants do – including just 24% of white evangelical Protestants.

Christian interest groups publicly dispute the climate science consensus. A coalition of major evangelical groups, including Focus on the Family and the Family Research Council,

launched a movement opposing what they describe as “the false worldview” of environmentalism, which they believe is “striving to put America, and the world, under its destructive control.”

North America is the only high-income region where people who follow a religion are substantially more likely to say they favor their religious teachings over science when disagreements arise. This finding is driven mainly by politically conservative U.S. religious denominations – including conservative Catholics.

A landmark study from the 1980s noted that Evangelical Christians are associated with a commitment to human dominion over nature, and that this attitude may explain what they the Left/Liberals deem as an “anti-environmentalist” position.

As followers of Christ who believe His unchanging Word, we know God is ultimately in control. Scripture is clear that God is sovereign over everything (Psalm 115:3), including the weather (e.g., Psalm 148:8). We certainly can impact the environment, and we do, but we are not the “be-all and end-all” of what happens here on earth; God is, and his plan will triumph. And he has revealed the end—and life on earth won’t end by man-made climate change! It’ll end when God judges the earth with fire and creates new heavens and new earth (2 Peter 3:1–13).

How, then, should a Christian view climate change? Christians should look at climate change biblically.

What does the Bible say about climate change? Not much. Likely the closest biblical examples of what could be considered climate change would be the end times disasters prophesied in Revelation 6–18.

Yet these prophecies have nothing to do with greenhouse gas emissions; rather, they are the result of the wrath of God, pouring out justice on an increasingly wicked world. Also, a Christian must remember that God is in control and that this world is not our home. God will one day erase this current universe (2 Peter 3:7-12) and replace it with the New Heavens and New Earth (Revelation 21–22). How much effort should be made "saving" a planet that God is eventually going to obliterate and replace with a planet so amazing and wonderful that the current earth pales in comparison?

While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease (Genesis 8:22). God has promised that we will continue to have seasons and that we will continue to be able to grow food. Will climate change? Absolutely. It has in the past, and it will change in the future. That may close off some areas to agriculture but may open up new areas we currently cannot use. But even as the climate changes, we can know the predictable seasons will continue, even if they don't look quite how they looked to previous generations living in a particular area.

Our primary focus should always be on people. Genesis 1:27 tells us that humans alone are made in God's image. We hold a unique status that no other creature holds.

That's why Jesus said, Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows (Matthew 10:29–31).

Notice that sparrows are not unimportant to the Father—not one falls to the ground apart from God's divine sovereignty. God's creation matters to him, but we are of far more value than sparrows in God's eyes. So, we should always have a “humans first” approach to environmental issues.

How does this impact how we view climate change? Well, many of the radical policies being suggested by alarmists will have detrimental effects on the poor. For example, one of the best ways to lift nations out of poverty is to provide access to inexpensive energy. But with the global push for only renewable (and therefore expensive and often unreliable) energy, developing nations will have a harder time to advance, and poor populations are likely to remain in poverty.

Many environmentalists focus on side issues which they mistakenly associate with the preservation of the earth. For example, a disturbing number of them are avidly pro-abortion. That's because they feel that “overpopulation” is a grave threat to the well-being of the planet. As for the evangelicals who have joined the “global warming” camp, we can't help feeling that in some cases, their focus and emphasis have been misplaced.

Why devote more attention to an unproven theory than to the reality of ongoing attacks against life, the family, and the Christian worldview?

Christians, of all people, understand that we do not own the world in which we live. The earth, like the vineyard in Jesus' parable (Matthew 21:33-46), is a trust given into our keeping by its Maker and Proprietor. God has tasked us with the tending of His garden - make disciples. We owe Him a positive return on His investment.

## CANCEL CULTURE

Added to Merriam Webster 2021 - "the practice or tendency of engaging in mass canceling as a way of expressing disapproval and exerting social pressure".

## IDENTITY POLITICS

The attempt to divide people not based on character or values but on such things as race, gender, sexual preference. Out of this has come the phrase "intersectionality" which is taught as the "tendency of different forms of oppression to combine (or "intersect") as they are directed against specific identity groups based on gender, race, age, class, status, physical or mental challenges, sexual preference or identity, religion, or ethnicity. For example, women of color are oppressed both as women and as persons of color.

Moreover, the same person can be both oppressed and oppressor in relation to different groups: a white woman is oppressed as a woman by men, but is an oppressor of women of color as a white person. The goal of identity politics is not to unite as Americans around our common values but to ultimately pit one group against another.

MALE PRIVILEGE and WHITE PRIVILEGE are the big ones. INCOME INEQUALITY is also widely used. WHITE SUPREMACIST and RACIST and BIGOT are also used to refer to anyone who disagrees with their radical and idiotic political views. HATE SPEECH is speech that they disagree with.

## BLM/MARXISM

Black Lives Matter was founded by 3 women, Alicia Garza, Patrisse Cullors and Opal Tometi, all of which are self proclaimed communists/Marxists, two of them being lesbian/queer. Black Lives Matter began in 2013 when the media suddenly started focusing a tremendous amount of attention on what they portrayed as the rise of unjustified, racially motivated killings of African American men by white police officers, beginning with Trayvon Martin's death & George Zimmerman's acquittal.

This began their claim that law enforcement is racist and must be defunded which is a huge part of their movement. They have been behind the marches & riots that have occurred the last several years, most notably with George Floyd where they organized riots across the country.

The Black Lives Matter Network is not what it makes itself out to be. It is a wolf in sheep's clothing. They pretend to be the liberal friends of African Americans, but in reality they are their mortal enemies. The policies that they so aggressively push cause nothing but more damage to the African American community.

The group's radical Marxist agenda would supplant the basic building block of society—the family—with the state and destroy the economic system that has lifted more people from poverty than any other.

Under the guise of eliminating racism they push a policy to “Defund the Police”. This is right on the front of the Black Lives Matter website. Under the guise of eliminating racism they push a policy that they call, “Stop The Mass Incarcerations”. This is a policy that promotes the release of prison inmates before their time is up and putting them back on the street.

Under the guise of eliminating racism they push for the decriminalization of drugs offenses, and the immediate pardon of all drug offenses with reparations paid to those convicted of drug offenses.

This was stated on their website: “We disrupt the Western-prescribed nuclear-family-structure requirement by supporting each other as extended families and ‘villages’ that collectively care for one another.”

Once well meaning Americans who wanted to support “black lives”, learned of the organization’s stated goals of dismantling the nuclear family, removing the father from the home, affirming & pushing the LGBT agenda, their support began to wane. As a result, these stated Marxist mission statements were deleted from their website.

What we are seeing happening in the world right now under the guise of “eliminating racism”, – the destabilization of society, the protest, rioting, looting, burning, and killing are NOT spontaneous, grass-roots events. It’s all coordinated by those at the top of the Black Lives Matter & their supporters. They are indeed the enemy of African Americans, but they are actually the enemy of us all. African Americans are just being used as cannon fodder in their game of global domination.

## **BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW**

Biblical Worldview - views everything through the lens of scripture. Absolute truth, now relative truth which are beliefs that are not shaped by the Bible but by feelings, opinions, personal experiences, feelings, and opinions tend to be valued above objective truth. As the Bible ceases to be viewed as God’s definitive word, what a person feels to be true becomes the ultimate authority for faith and practice.

You can't believe in God but not believe in absolute truth because one negates the other. Yet that is what's actually happening in Christianity.”

We need to be extremely vigilant about what the Bible says because if we are not, then we will begin to read the Bible with that same sort of relativism. And when you do that, you're not starting from a premise that the Word of God is absolute, that God's Word is supreme.

John Cooper of the Christian rock group Skillet recently wrote, "What happens in relativism is you say, 'No, I am supreme. My feelings are supreme, my experience is the brain, I can find truth in my heart.' Then I look through that filter at the Word of God, and then I shape the Word of God to meet my needs. So we need to be extremely vigilant about this because it is wrecking Christianity."

## PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIANITY

One of the main differences between Progressive Christianity and Historic Christianity is its view of the Bible. Historically, Christians have viewed the Bible as the Word of God and authoritative for our lives. Progressive Christianity generally abandons these terms, emphasizing personal belief over biblical mandate.

### **Feelings are emphasized over facts...**

In Progressive/Liberal churches, personal experiences, feelings, and opinions tend to be valued above objective truth. As the Bible ceases to be viewed as God's definitive word, what a person feels to be true becomes the ultimate authority for faith and practice.

I thought homosexuality was a sin until I met and befriended some gay people....

I just can't believe Jesus would send good people to hell....

### **Essential Christian doctrines are open for re-interpretation**

Progressive author John Pavlovitz wrote, "There are no sacred cows [in Progressive Christianity].... Tradition, dogma, and doctrine are all fair game, because all pass through the hands of flawed humanity." Progressive Christians are often open to re-defining and re-interpreting the Bible on hot-button moral issues like homosexuality and abortion, and also cardinal doctrines such as the virgin conception and the bodily resurrection of Jesus.

Another word that tends to get a Progressive make-over is the word "love." When plucked out of its biblical context, it becomes a catch-all term for everything non-confrontative, pleasant, and affirming.

### **Comments you might hear:**

God wouldn't punish sinners—He is love....

Sure, the Bible is authoritative—but we've misunderstood it for the first 2,000 years of church history...

It's not our job to talk to anyone about sin—it's our job to just love them....

