

Message: A State of **Denial** Exists

1 Peter 4:17-19 “¹⁷ For the time *is* come that **judgment** must begin at the **house** of **God**: and if *it* first *begin* at us, what **shall** the end *be* of **them** that obey **not** the gospel of **God**? ¹⁸ **And** if the righteous scarcely be saved, where **shall** the **ungodly** and the **sinner** appear? ¹⁹ Wherefore let them that **suffer** according to the **will of God** commit the keeping of their souls to **Him** in well doing, (Gal 6:9-10) as unto a faithful **Creator**.”

— “**God Isn’t Fixing This**,” the “**Daily News**” headlines 12/3/2015, “**Prayers Aren’t Working**” the paper wrote.

— **Most** people just don’t know **God**, because **He** is seeking truth seekers that put **Him** as their first love. (1 John 4:1-6 = **Spirit of Truth/Error**)

Exodus 20:3 “Thou shalt have **no** other **gods** before **Me**.”

— **Ye** cannot **serve God** and **mammon**. (Matthew 6:24)

— **Seek ye first the kingdom of God**, and **His righteousness**. (Matthew 6:33)

John 4:23-24 “²³ But **the hour cometh**, and **now is**, when the true worshippers shall worship the **Father** in spirit and in truth: for the **Father seeketh such to worship Him**. ²⁴ **God is a Spirit**: and **they that worship Him must worship Him** in spirit and in truth.”

— A Famine for Hearing the **Word of God** Exists

Amos 8:11 “Behold, the days come, saith the **Lord GOD**, that **I** will send a famine in the land, **not** a famine of bread, **nor** a thirst for water, **but** of hearing the **Words** of the **LORD**...” [This is happening today.]

— What do we find if we examine the **Word of God** on this topic from Genesis to Revelation? [**Famine** to **Apostasy**]

2 Timothy 4:3-4 “³ For the **time will come** when **they will not** endure sound doctrine; **but** after **their** own **lusts shall they** heap to **themselves** teachers, having itching ears; ⁴ **And they shall** turn away **their** ears from the **truth, and shall** be turned unto fables.”

— Let’s Examine **Apostasy** that’s in the Church Today?

— **Apostasy** is **rebellion** against **God** [to know the truth, **but reject** it].


— **Apostate churches** bargain/compromise the **Word** to avoid conflict, sacrificing the truth at that **cost** of “knowingly committing a **sin**, which is a “Clear **and Present**” danger to any/all churches.

Revelation 22:18-19 “¹⁸ For I testify unto every man that heareth the **Words** of the prophecy of this book, if **any man shall add** unto these things, **God shall add** unto him the **plagues** that are written in this **Book**: ¹⁹ **And if any man shall take away** from the **Words** of the book of this prophecy, **God shall take away** his part out of the **Book of Life**, and out of the holy city, **and from** the things which are written in this **Book.**”

— Today **Christians** are looking for signs of the arrival of the **antichrist**, **but very few** are looking for a great **falling away** that **must come** first “the **Apostasy**,” that’s already present in far too **many** churches. **Amen.**

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4 “³ Let **no** man **deceive** you by any means: for *that day shall not come*, **except** there **come** a **falling away first**, **and** that man of **sin** be revealed, the **son of perdition**; ⁴ Who opposeth **and** exalteth **himself** above **all** that is called **God**, **or** that is worshipped; so that **he** as **God** sitteth in the temple of **God**, **shewing himself** that **he** is **God.**”

— Today **many** grand bargains **or** compromise, have replaced **absolute truths** w/**lies**, making the action of **sin** legal in the form of laws, statues, ordinances, executive order(s), constitutional amendments, **and/or** interpretation by **unholy/ungodly men/women** in the court systems.

- In this case, **denial** is an **attitude/state** of mind wherein the government  church **refuses** to acknowledge that **absolute Biblical truth(s)** exist.
- Think about it, when at sea a fire is a ship's worst nightmare, "When a fire breaks out onboard ship, everyone becomes a firefighter in order to stay afloat?"
- Applied to the Church, "when the fire of **sin** enters the Church, it's **all** hands on deck, **Spirit and Truth** filled children of **God** become firefighters to battle the blaze, **and** fight the good fight w/unwavering **faith, trust, and obedience** to the **will** of **God.**" Amen.
- Strong **Warnings** to the Church - One Way = **CJ**

Revelation 2:4-5 "4 **Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.** 5 **Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.**"

— **7 Deadly Sins = Abominations** (Proverbs 6:16-19); **Abortion = Murder** (Jeremiah 1:5); **LGBT-Q-U = Abomination** (O-N/T - Leviticus 18 and Romans 1); and All **Liars** shall have **their** part in the lake which **burneth** with **fire and brimstone**: which is the **second death** (Revelation 21:8) "All **Unrighteousness**" = **Evil = Sin** (1 John 5:17)

— What about **ideological** solutions to the **problems** of the **world**?
 — Against popular opinion, "**Donkey and/or Elephant**" solutions have **failed**, not only in America, **but** the world. Amen.

— **Extremism Ideology** [**Left/Right**] = Broken Promises

— **Political Machines** [**Threat - Bribe - Both**] = **Evil** ≠ **Righteousness**

1 Timothy 6:10-12 “¹⁰ For the **love** of **money** is the **root** of all **evil**: which while some **coveted** after, **they** have **erred** from the **faith**, and **pierced themselves** through with **many sorrows**. ¹¹ **But** thou, O man of **God**, flee these things; **and** follow after **righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness**. ¹² Fight the **good** fight of **faith**, lay hold on **eternal life**, whereunto thou art also called, **and** hast professed a **good** profession before **many** witnesses.”

- **Why is it that many churches need to repent and change course?**
- **Let me borrow some words used by many workers of iniquity:**
- **Comments Made In Church by False Pastors/Deacons/Members**
 - You must pick one of the two sides “Donkey” **and/or** “Elephant,” **and** then do what they tell you to do – “you can’t go it alone.”
 - You must be willing to **kill** to protect the jobs of your people.
 - We will **not** give up “our power” to be One Church is **≠** Bible.
- **Think about the Words of Jesus in John 10:10, “[a] The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, [murder] and to destroy: [b] I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly?”**

Ephesians 4:4-5 “⁴ *There is one* body, **and one** Spirit, even as ye are called in **one** hope of your calling; ⁵ **One Lord**, **one** faith, **one** baptism, ⁶ **One God and Father** of all, who *is* above all, **and** through all, **and** in you all.”

Matthew 21:13 “... **It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.**”

- **God** does **not** condone **spiritual wickedness**. [One Sin Ended Paradise]

Psalms 9:17 “The **wicked** shall be turned into **hell**, **and** all the **nations** that forget **God**.”

— Today, **spiritually wicked men/women** have infiltrated **many** churches, **diluting/poisoning** the infallible **Word** w/the **lies** of the **world**, **and** that encroachment **threatens** the survival of **all** saints.

— **Who will be in the Kingdom of Heaven?**

Matthew 7:21-23 “²¹ Not **every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord**, shall **enter into the kingdom of heaven**; but **he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven**. ²² **Many will say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy name? And in Thy name have cast out devils? And in Thy name done many wonderful works?** ²³ **And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from Me, ye that work iniquity.**”

Luke 13:28 “**There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the Kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out.**”

— **How many are worried right now and/or concerned about things around them?**

— “Well Don’t Worry, Be Happy, **God’s** Always In Perfect Control.”

— **How many of us would be saved today if God were not longsuffering toward us? [That’s why the true Church must be longsuffering. – 2 Peter 3:9-10]**

Isaiah 26:4 “Trust ye in the **LORD** forever: for in the **LORD JEHOVAH** is everlasting strength...”

— Remember, the power of **God** will never take us [the **Church**] where **His** grace will **not** be sufficient.

— Paul’s words of encouragement to the Church, “**What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?**” (Romans 8:31)

— For the **God** on the mountain, is still **God** in the valley. **Amen!**

— “**A state of denial may exist today,**” but let us **all** choose this day to serve **Jehovah God** according to **scripture**, to make a **faithful stand** against the **wiles** of the **devil**, to trust and obey **His Holy Will/His Commandments, Genesis to Revelation.**

— In closing, **remember** what **CJ** said to the **Church?** “**If ye love Me, keep My Commandments.**” (John 14:15)

Galatians 6:9-10 “⁹ **And** let us **not** be weary in well doing: for in due season we **shall** reap, if we faint **not.** ¹⁰ As we have therefore opportunity, let us do **good** unto **all men, especially** unto them who are of the **household of faith.**”

Revelation 21:7-8 “He that overcometh **shall** inherit **all things; and I** will be his **God, and he shall** be **My** son.”

— **What is the only workable solution available to the lost/dying world, JC, the Alpha/Omega?**

2 Chronicles 7:14-15 “¹⁴ If **My** people, which are called by **My** name, **shall** humble themselves, **and** pray, **and** seek **My** face, **and** turn from **their wicked ways;** then will **I** hear from heaven, **and** will **forgive their sin, and** will heal **their** land. ¹⁵ Now mine eyes **shall** be open, **and** mine ears attent unto the prayer *that is made* in this place.”