

# DOCTRINAL DESPAIR

*T*here's this secret doctrinal war going on between the "Oneness" and the "Trinitarian" churches and I must say it's completely out of ignorance. The oneness say: "God does not move like this in those Trinitarian churches." "Give me 1 holy ghost filled oneness to 5 of those Trinitarians." The Trinitarians say: Oneness doctrine is wrong and their going to hell because of it. Even though they are practically the same belief wise, nonetheless they are at odds with one another. I'm sure all that confusion works real well with the devil as he just sits back admiring the whole thing.

Every church has their little habits, of which some are good while others not so good. Some churches just do things that are downright annoying. Some take up way too many offerings. Every time you turn around; "Pledge this," "Give for that," "Tithe 20% for an additional blessing," "Support the building fund...." Now I realize that some of these things are out of necessity, but how much of it is just the pastor building bigger barns for himself? But I do have to say, one thing that really got on my nerves when we went to a Oneness church was the fact that every chance they got, they mentioned "Jesus only." It was like everything they said referred to their doctrinal belief. Now that was annoying! I think that it was because I was there though (me being "Other than" Oneness). "Just preach will ya!" Quite frankly, I'm now considering myself just "A Christian," never mind all that confusion churches involve their members in. I stand for Jesus,

righteousness and salvation because I've already experienced what all these so called holiness churches are all about, and it aint "Holiness."

The Church I went to proclaimed that they would bring this great revival to the states and take it overseas with them. After all, everyone needed the revival that they were spreading; or to be more precise, stopping. I'm not sure what kind of revival starts by kicking its preacher or and lying to its members (in the name of Jesus) but I guess that's the new age stuff that's going around these days. Anyway, let's get down to business, shall we!

I don't mean this as a dismissal to full gospel churches that really do have the goods, but personally, I've been to two of them myself, and neither of them amounted to anything when it came down to just being a brother. Never mind all of that trying to be spiritual front every second of every day, up there trying to prove how close to God you think, or have others persuaded into believing that you are. Because God knows you're heart, and I want people to be able to see a fake preacher from a mile off. Before the deceiving words even come off of their lying lips, we need to identify them as a trap that devours souls.

Let me give all of you tongue talking, sanctified, Holy Ghost filled Christians some clarification and a wakeup call. First off, you are whatever you profess because that's either what you were raised in or what the church was when you first started attending. Now arguably some churches are just flat out cults because they do everything to divert the attention from Christ and the bible, onto their manmade books of theology; plain and simple. If you go somewhere and there is no Holy Ghost moving, to me, that's a sure sign something is wrong in the pulpit, period. Without Him we can do nothing, therefore when nothing is always the theme in the church....you figure it out. When the pastor never has anything new to say, then you know God stopped talking to him a long time ago. Let me get myself back on subject here because what I have to say will totally blow away your ideologies on some things.

There are scriptures that cause each of these groups to lean towards what they believe, but truthfully, what they do with these scriptures only makes since to "Them." If you give a Oneness the following scripture (which plainly states that

Jesus is talking to someone other than himself), they will not receive it: **Luke 23:46 And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit....** I guarantee you that they will tell you, “You just need to understand a little better the Characteristics of God (or something like that). Sure they will fire back with this verse of scripture: **John 10:30 I and my Father are one.** I assure you that if elders from each sect were to sit down and debate “Who is right,” in their belief system, they’d all be angry at each other by the time the evening was concluded. Honestly, both groups are stubborn and bullheaded in “Their” ways.

Now here’s the clincher; I went to both types of churches and the Holy Ghost moved. So what does that tell me, you, us, them? Believe me, I know religion and by his grace I am able to quickly decipher things that are amiss in a church. So when I tell you I felt the Holy Ghost in both of these types of churches at different points in time, it’s the truth. Honestly there’s nothing wrong with going to either one of these types of churches providing they are doing right before God and by the people. You can agree or disagree here, but I believe that either group can go to heaven believing what they do. Not believing that Jesus is the savior is a whole different matter all together (as I will explain later). If I knew of a Oneness church that would just take me and love me as a Christian brother instead of trying to indoctrinate me, I’d be go there in a heartbeat. And all of this is coming from someone who went to nothing but Trinitarian churches all of his life (and look where it got me).

You want to know something interesting; the Oneness church even allowed us to participate in their service after just visiting a few times. Much to my surprise the pastor called me up to “Say something good for the Lord,” and wouldn’t you know it....the spirit of God agreed and the Holy Ghost moved upon the congregation. Go figure you that one out sister spiritual! You have to pardon the puzzled look on everyone’s face when I was called up to the front to testify. I had respect for that pastor because he was following what the Lord wanted for the order of that particular service. Hey, guess what, he even addressed me as “Elder!” I never got called that even after going on twenty years in the church

that I was a faithful preacher in. The closest that I ever got to that was when one of the pastors wife's said I wasn't anointed; and that's okay because she wasn't a sister either. Not get this (you bunch of self-righteous hypocrites) My wife went to their singing classes and even got a chance to play the piano and sing during a service. Once again...God moved. Why, because they had enough God to understand that my wife and I are spiritual people, but unfortunately, they failed in acknowledging that my Trinitarian status meant nothing when it came to worshipping together. Oh, we even went to their prayer meeting, and it was still the same God moving again. Did you learn the lesson here?

This is where I shed the light on what some call the "Truth." I'm going to call out the sole reasons why so many churches split, fail, compromise and lose favor with God. I'm going to accomplish this feat with just two verses from the bible:

**Proverbs 21:2** "Every man is right in his own eyes: but the Lord pondereth the hearts." This verse includes me, you, and everyone in between. Understand this; that God has the last say so on whether or not our actions and beliefs are justified. God sees past the outside, and goes straight for the heart. If you're honest...He'll know, if you're deceptive...He'll know, if you want to worship Him....He'll know. This is not the second verse, but a nice little companion verse would be: Hosea 14:9 "...For the ways of the Lord are right, and the just shall walk in them." God still understands everything!

**Mark 10:40** "For he that is not against us is on our part." Oops, so much for being our brother's keeper. Here we are members of the same family (even though you don't accept it) fighting against each other. Churches are still too busy acting out of manmade fears, traditions and biases; all the while wondering why God hasn't brought revival to their camp in years. They have swallowed even the biggest lie of Satan; which makes a fellow Christian your common enemy. Addition, subtraction, multiplication....oh, I knew there was one I forgot, "Division." Ole' "Slew foot" did it again, pulled the wool over our eyes and got us to fight each other. I guess history does tend to repeat itself over and over and over and...

And we wonder why there's always so much talk about revivals of the past, cause as long as we stay in the state of mind that we're in, it'll all just be a memory of things. But what will you do when God sends someone to your church? Will you try the spirits to see if they be of God? Or will you do the traditional knee jerk reaction and do what the disciples did (Mark 10:38)? Albeit there are some who come in the name of a false prophet to sow discord amongst the saints, a spiritual leader in the church should be able to discern their true intent. Once again, the ways of the Lord are right and true and he will give the gift of discernment for every situation that arises in the church. Stay prayed up pastor...you have no choice!

Fact: Many times we do things "Wrong" because we have not been taught the "Right" way. Jesus clearly showed the disciples the right thing to do. In the situation of someone else doing Gods will and work according to the scriptures, we are to accept them (Forbid them not) because we truly are on the same team.

So here you have two churches (you thought I forgot right?) where God is apt to move in mysterious ways, but "Secretly" there's a doctrinal war going on that neither of the two groups realize is causing division. The next time your pastor start going on his doctrinal tangent, trying to prove how holy he isn't, just slip him a note with these verses. That's not a commandment from God, do that only if you see fit and in the right spirit. I think you get what I'm saying here, [Done!](#)