

Playing One End Against the Other

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Is the message of the New Age, along with aliens, ascended masters, spirit guides or whatever else they may be called, so inviting because by heeding it we erroneously believe that becoming “god” absolves us of all *guilt*? It is certainly a far more inviting way to enter into a perfected state of living, isn't it? Who wants to have to deal with the *facts* of the matter: that humanity fell in Adam and because of that, death is the result?

Adam and Eve gave into Satan for their own reason and they did so in spite of the fact that they had not *yet* sinned. Desiring to be gods was not necessarily sought after to *cover* or *expunge* their guilt since they had not yet done anything wrong. This is not the case with people today who chase after the fabrications of the New Age.

The desire of the average person today to be a god is for another reason entirely. I believe it is sought after in order to *assuage the guilt* that resides deeply within each individual. Unfortunately, this guilt continues to exist until such a time as God knows that the person is beyond their ability to respond to His calling.

There is a time when God gives people over to their deepest desires. He calls them. He woos them. He patiently and temporarily looks past their wrongdoings in order to give them opportunity to come to Him, and in so doing, He knows of course that by faith in Him, their sin will be canceled (cf. Romans 1).

He will do this as long as is necessary until it is clear that the person truly wants no part of Him. Sadly, sorrowfully, He will let them go their way, knowing full well that the way they have chosen does not lead away from Him necessarily. They will one day face Him in abject horror and terror from the hell that they find themselves in. They will do that with the additional horror of knowing that the same God who spent their life lovingly calling them to Him is now a God of wrath, pouring out His anger on them because of their sin for all *eternity*.

Satan would like us to believe that if we only embrace some inner deity, then we will move away from the guilt that is left over from the ancient past and has no place in the present. Embracing our inner divinity allows us to move closer to God, so we are led to believe.

The truth, of course, is far different. Not only do we end up embracing a complete lie, but we move further and further away from God, who is love, to find ourselves united with God who hates sin; something that unsaved people will fully become in eternity.

What people need to see is that all this talk of *aliens*, *reptilian shape shifters*, *Pleadians*, *Grays*, and other entities is all a *game*. It does not exist. It is a multi-leveled paradox perpetrated on unsuspecting humanity in order to keep us from receiving God's love, through which comes the only true salvation.

People are not guiltless. We cannot say with any truth that God is unfair. We get what we deserve. Though God loves His Creation, He has shown that He is willing to destroy parts of it that bring Him no glory. That is the root of the problem. In this world, all people are given the opportunity to glorify God or themselves. Those who for one reason or another choose self will be destroyed. Those who respond to God's call, opting to follow Him wherever He leads, will gain life. It is as simple as that, yet Satan has introduced a house of mirrors into the equation so that it *appears* to be far more complex.

I am always fascinated with what people are willing to believe. Many will believe just about anything if it comes to them with some sort of authority. These individuals view that authority as proof enough and believe they need nothing further, in spite of the fact that deep within them, something may be telling them to avoid and ignore what they are being tempted to believe.

This is just the case within the New Age and especially in the area of *aliens*. The world seems to be so open to the idea that aliens may well exist that they are willing to throw caution to the wind in their search for answers leading to some perceived truth. The problem of course is that the answers they find are rarely born of truth. While truth is mixed in with the answers they find, that truth is not complete because it lies alongside error. This doesn't bother people, though, because they have learned to go by *feelings* as opposed to *logic* or *intuition*; not that either of these is a perfect guard against falsehoods, but they often serve their purpose as the first line of defense.

I have spent many hours on the Internet viewing videos of people who claim to be mediums. These individuals routinely enter into trances (or appear to do so) and present the teachings of their familiar spirit (forbidden by Scripture; Leviticus 19:31; Deuteronomy 18:10-13; Acts 16:16-18) to viewers.

Much has been written about what these entities from beyond tell people, and it seems interesting to say that most do not make the connection between the message and the messenger. If people actually took the time to understand what was being foisted upon them, they might wonder why so many messages appear to be so similar and why almost all of them deal with aspects of a religious nature. Aside from authentic Christians and a few secular researchers, these questions are never asked by the average individual.

One of the most enlightening aspects of the message that is often transmitted from beyond our dimension has to do with what will occur in the future. For instance, the Bible speaks

of a number of events that are yet future. These events have come under great attack by liberal biblical scholars. Whether it is the idea that Jesus will physically reign for one thousand years on the planet, with His headquarters in Jerusalem, or whether an event known as the Rapture will actually occur is being debated more than ever today.

Rarely does it seem that people step back to look at the big picture. Those within Christendom argue and debate the veracity of such events like the Rapture with much rancor and vitriol. This is tragic, but I believe it is one of the ways in which the enemy gains the upper hand in matters of theology and doctrine. If he can cause Christians (professing and authentic) to be at each other's throats over aspects of theology, then he has certainly won a small temporary battle.

Christians who spend their time arguing about the Rapture or Tribulation, for instance, are not likely involved in evangelizing the people of this world who do not yet have salvation. I have been there myself, wasting time debating aspects of Eschatology (study of the end times or last days), until the Lord helped me realize that it amounts to nothing since most people who enter any debate already have their minds made up about their position.

Satan knows this and excels at creating environments that pit Christian against Christian. Not too long ago, it became in vogue to refer to Christians like myself who believe in the PreTrib Rapture as heretical. This is apparently because (it is said) when the Rapture does not occur prior to the Tribulation, then my bubble will burst, creating such a trauma within me that I will be blind to the reality of the Antichrist and will take the mark of the beast, mistaking the Antichrist for Jesus Christ. The absurdity of such a view is clearly seen, yet it persists.

The reality is that if the Rapture does not occur prior to the Tribulation as I believe it will, then I will be clearly *wrong* in my belief. If I am alive at that time when the Tribulation begins, the idea that I will somehow become so stupefied with blindness that I will not understand the difference between Antichrist and Jesus is equally irrational.

Is God able to protect His own? Of course! However, some apparently believe that He is unable to do that and that I will be left to my own devices.

Yet, while this argument continues unabated within Christian circles, all one has to do is look beyond Christian circles to the New Age to learn what Satan is telling his followers in that realm. While he is busy pitting Christian against Christian within Christendom, he seems to be telling New Agers a completely different story.

That's our show for today. Next time, we will spent a few moments looking into what Satan has been revealing to his followers within the New Age movement. Join us for that.

Until then, may the Lord open your eyes to show you how blessed you are in Him!