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## Seven Secrets of The Religious Illusionists That Cause People To Lose Sight Of The Kingdom – and What You Can Do About It

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**WHAT** is it that makes people tick? What guides men's thoughts and actions? Are they "led" by spirit beings (ghosts)? Is there a good ghost (the so-called "Holy Ghost") that has power over people? Is there an evil ghost (the so-called "Devil" or "Satan") with similar power over people? Is there a multitude of ghosts ("demons" and "angels") that coerce people do things?

Are we "victims," possessed by ghosts into thinking and doing things we wouldn't ordinarily think or do? Or are we personally responsible for our own actions and mistakes?

Further, are we two-part creatures (dualities - as churches teach) mortal flesh bodies incarnated and controlled by immortal spirits?

Whether you want to admit it or not, invisible entities are basic to religion the world around. In the west, also, Spiritism is alive and well in the churches. Everything revolves around this superstition that prevents a correct understanding of Scripture.

This study will show that the pagan (non-Christian) model of "spirits" has been adopted by churches. It is not only non-Biblical, it is consistent with non-Christian religions the world around. World religions are replete with supernatural creatures such as demons, spirit beings, along with an arch demon/god (like the churches' "Satan") that supposedly can take possession of flesh bodies.

Conventional religious belief is that the real inner-self of a man is a spirit being that controls the human body like a pilot controls an airplane. They claim that upon the death of the body, the spirit being does not die but moves on to another body (another machine; another form of life).

We'll show that the Illusionists of religion (church pastors, evangelists and other religious figures) employ this pagan model of thinking, along with various tricks, in order to make the

real Jesus and His Kingdom vanish right before the eyes of their audience.

On the other hand, the Biblical model of "spirit" has a more sensible definition. A person's thinking is what drives him to do and believe things. A man is NOT driven by spirit beings. His spirit is his disposition, and he can choose to align it with God, or not, depending upon his character (or lack of it). God first puts out the call, or invitation, but then each man is responsible for his own actions. If he responds correctly toward God's call he is demonstrating "holy" spirit.

"Holy" means "separate." "Holy spirit" is the motive or disposition to be separate.

If he responds contrary to God's call, then he is demonstrating that he doesn't have holy spirit, and has a carnal disposition or mindset. THOUGHTS AND EMOTIONS (not ghosts) direct men's actions.

Christians are NOT "ghosts in machines." We are God's creation, and we are able to make good decisions or bad decisions.

There is no independent spirit entity inside us who lives on when we die. When we die we are DEAD, inside and out. We just cease to exist altogether ... for the time being. That inexistence is temporary, ending at a future literal raising to life immortal when we will be raised as Christ was raised after his death. But men are not ghosts, nor are they half-ghosts. There are no ghosts inside us who "go to heaven or hell" when our "mortal shells" die.

According to the Word of God, ghosts (i.e., elements of Spiritism) DO NOT exist in any form, and are figments of pagan superstitions!

### THE ADDED "GHOST"

Without question, man needs holy spirit ... which comes from God. But the churches, by changing the words

and redefining the terms, have blinded people to the truth.

The Hebrew word for "spirit" in the Old Testament is RUWACH (Strong's #7307). Its basic meaning is "wind" or "breath." In the New Testament the Greek word for "spirit" is "PNEUMA" (Strong's #4151). Its basic meaning is "air in motion" (i.e. breath or wind). Both the Hebrew "ruwach" and the Greek "pneuma" were used in Scripture as symbols of "mental disposition." As Christians, we must learn to define Bible words correctly.

The basic meaning is AIR IN MOTION. In the Bible, as well as other literature, "air in motion" ("spirit") indicates MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL MOTIVATION. The idea is that "air in motion," although invisible to sight, can push against solid objects and compel them to move or become animated. For instance, when a current of air pushes upon a tree it causes the branches and leaves to move. Likewise, when a breeze meets the sail of a boat, the boat is compelled to move across the surface of the water. Thus, "spirit" causes movement; it is "motivation."

Just as spirit causes leaves and boats to move, a man's spirit (MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL DISPOSITION) motivates and compels him into action. If he accepts God's Law, righteous principles, and loves the truth, he is compelled and motivated by a Christian disposition (spirit). This compels him to act accordingly. He is driven by spirit.

But if his disposition is devoid of these things, but instead is filled with thoughts of self-worship, dishonesty, fantasies of ghosts, and rejection of God's authority over him, then instead of holy spirit, he is being motivated by unholy spirit: "*the lust of the eyes, the lust of the flesh, and the pride of life*" (1 Jn. 2:16).

These are not ghosts or hocus-pocus – only dispositions and motiva-

tions of a man's heart and mind!

6. *That which is generated of the flesh is flesh; and that which is generated of the spirit is spirit.*

7. *Marvel not that I said to you, You must be generated (driven) from above.*

8. *The spirit (wind) blows where it wants, and you hear the sound of it, but can not tell from where it comes, or where it goes: so is every one that is driven of the spirit.*

– Jn. 3:6-8

With their superstitious beliefs, churchgoers miss this entire analogy of the animating power of wind that signifies “spirit.” Instead they redefine “spirit” and make it a living being: a ghost. Instead of men being led by their dispositions, there are ethereal ghosts that possess the flesh, sit at the controls and direct men to do things.

Besides the original pagan concept of ghosts (the supposed disembodied “spirits” of dead people) there are demons, devils, angels, and other demi-gods. All these so-called living beings are believed to be formless, invisible and without physical substance. So in order to affect the physical world, these so-called spirits (ghosts) must borrow the physical forms of people. This enables them to interact in the physical world.

This is why pagans carve or sculpt idols. Pagans believe that the ghost “spirit” can enter into the sculpted idol and inhabit it. Or the ghost can enter and inhabit a physical human form. This is called “incarnation.”

If you are not already aware of the belief of “incarnation,” you can go to a library and research the details of this pagan superstition in world religions. Or, you can read the doctrinal statement from a church that teaches Jesus was an incarnation of Yahweh.

However, the point we are trying to make is that the Bible is clearly AGAINST the concept of “incarnation,” and it tells us how we should structure our mental disposition regarding the entire subject of ghosts.

For example:

26. *For all the gods of the people are IDOLS: but Yahweh made the heavens.*

– 1 Chronicles 16:26

4. *About the eating of the things offered to idols, WE KNOW THAT AN IDOL IS NOTHING IN THE WORLD, and that there is no other God but one.*

– 1 Corinthians 8:4

The gods of the pagans are idols. An idol is nothing. So, think about it: what does “nothing” mean?

Obviously, the sculpted idol itself is something. You can see it and touch it, so the actual idol itself IS real. What, then, might Paul mean by his statement that they are “nothing”?

He simply meant that the so-called “spirits” that the idols were intended to represent were fake. The idols were nothing but wood, stone, etc. No “living spirits” were in them. Thus, “incarnation” is impossible.

**“INCARNATION” IS MYTH!  
GHOSTS ARE MYTH! SPIRITISM IS MYTH!**

The word “idol” connotes the concept of “incarnation” (i.e., ghosts residing in physical sculptures). In the first verse the word “idol” is translated from the Hebrew word “eliyl” which means: A THING OF NAUGHT (#457 in Strong's Concordance). A thing of naught doesn't exist.

It is also interesting to note that the Random House College Dictionary includes as one of its definitions of the word “idol”: “a figment of the mind; fantasy ... a false conception or notion; fallacy.”

There is plenty of evidence that “incarnation” is a fallacy.

Here is another Bible passage which echoes the same thought:

Speaking of Israel ...

34. *They did not destroy the nations, concerning whom Yahweh commanded them:*

35. *But were mingled among the heathen, and learned their works.*

36. *And they served their IDOLS: which were a snare to them.*

37. *Yea, they sacrificed their sons and their daughters to DEVILS,*

38. *And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters, whom they sacrificed to the IDOLS of Canaan: and the land was polluted with blood.*

39. *Thus were they defiled with their own*

*words, and went a whoring with their own inventions.*

– Psalms 106:34-39

This passage describes how Israel went astray and served heathen idols. And notice the words, “*their own inventions.*” They created their own words, and their own gods. Their idols and incarnations were nothing but inventions of men's imaginations.

17. *They sacrificed unto DEVILS, not to God; to GODS whom they knew not, to new gods that came newly up, whom your fathers feared not.*

– Deuteronomy 32:17

“New gods” were newly invented by men.

As you look over these Bible passages notice that three terms are used interchangeably: “gods,” “idols,” and “devils.” This means they are all “nothings”: INVENTIONS OF MEN'S IMAGINATIONS.

But let's take this reasoning one step further. Pagans, including churchgoers, believe that devils and demons are “fallen” angels – invisible spirit beings. This would mean that devils and angels are the same kind of creature except that one is good and one is bad. They are all angels!

The evidence adds up: idols are synonymous with devils (demons), angels, gods and ghosts ... from the pagan perspective. The word “idol,” itself, represents the pagan concept of “incarnation.”

If God told Moses, Israel, the prophets, and the Apostle Paul that demons, devils, angels, gods, ghosts and idols are “things of naught,” why do the churches teach that they are real live beings?

The Bible states a simple, universal truth: demons, devils, angels, gods (GHOSTS) and idols (INCARNATIONS) are “nothings”; “no gods”; myths; figments of pagan imagination!

So why did the King James translators cast “The Holy Ghost” as a proper name, suggesting a supernatural being? And why did they insert the word “ghost” into these passages when it is not there in the Greek text? Why do most Christians accept the pagan superstition of “incarnation” ... even for Christ himself? They believe that Jesus was not a mortal man, but

was “God Incarnate” (a ghost god possessing a flesh body). Theologians like to refer to Him as an “envelope” of flesh in which God Himself lived.

The simple answer is that churches have adopted heathenism, and went “a whoring with heathen words and inventions.”

The truth is the idea of invisible ghosts is a pagan addition to God’s Word.”

Our actions are driven by our thinking – not by some imagined ghost.

With the concept of ghosts jamming the machinery of your mind you WILL forever be deceived by the religious pagans.

But when you get wise to this mind-altering trick, you can give up the “Ghost” and see how the illusionists of religion use tricks on people to change their “spirit” or mental disposition so that they won’t be able to find Jesus or his Kingship.

## RELIGIOUS TRICK #1: MYSTERY

Mystery is the key to pagan religious thought. Illusionists of the black arts – especially religion – love mystery because with it they can capture and control the thinking of people. Study the sordid history of most cultures and you’ll see a litany of secret societies, mystery religions, divine mysteries, and secret meetings and rituals behind closed doors. Governments especially are replete with secrets and “classified” codes and “intelligence” organizations.

There are secret incantations, code words, code names and handshakes. All of this is done not because it is higher intellect or “divine,” but because a small group of people are exercising control over the masses. The controllers know that the secrets behind the mysteries are merely illusions, but the people being controlled don’t. Like the Wizard of Oz, as long as they keep the smoke and mirrors working they can exercise control, commit crimes, and get away with them ... and call it all “divine mystery” or “national security.”

Priestcraft relies upon illusion and sleight-of-hand. Like magicians on stage, the religious illusionists carefully guard the secrets to their magic acts, because if their secrets were to be re-

vealed everyone would know that it was nothing more than deception. They need deception and mystery to maintain their positions of power.

So why do churchgoers love the “divine mysteries” of Priestcraft? It doesn’t fit the teaching of Scripture! And yet they insist on it. They have “The Holy Trinity” doctrine, for example, known throughout Christianity as a divine mystery. Is God trying to con people? Is Jesus a master of illusion?

Hardly! However, this may cause you to rethink the true mission of Church religion falsely called “Christianity.”

TRUE Christianity has a different mission:

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

John 8:32

*17 ... where the spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.*

2 Corinthians 3:17

True Christianity provides freedom and liberty. Mystery religion, on the other hand, causes confusion and bondage.

Mystery is the tool used by the illusionists of religion to change truth into myth; to make Jesus and his Kingdom vanish right before our eyes. Where is Jesus? Oh, He left us holding the bag here on Earth after He relinquished rule to Satan and flew off to Heaven. But He’s going to return someday with more power so He can try to challenge the Devil once again. But prophecies said He would conquer sin. If He didn’t, how can we be sure He will succeed next time? I guess it is a “mystery.”

If you are caught up in the mystery of what churches wrongly call “Christianity,” then, you probably are confused about many things and the only answer you will ever receive for your questions from the church authorities and experts is “God’s ways are mysterious. Just believe.”

This answer only leads to more confusion and a Bible that doesn’t make sense. Like stage magicians, they use mystery to make the real Jesus vanish along with his Kingdom which gets relegated to an ever-future, never-quite-here existence.

Every year some new and even more spectacular excuse is invented (like the Y2K bug) to explain how the world is going to end and the Kingdom is going to come. And yet, year after year, decade after decade, Jesus (their version) never returns. We always SEEM to be in “the latter days” just before “Kingdom Come,” but the Kingdom (their version) never comes.

The mystery and that promise of a magical Kingdom is why people love church religion. Like being entertained at a magic show, they cannot understand how the magician does his tricks, but they truly enjoy the show.

The people have bought the idea that we common folk are unlearned in “the mysteries” and can’t interpret doctrine without a priest that understands the secrets or the mysteries of God. And we are rebellious if we try to bypass the priest to find out the answers.

As a result, we are constantly seeking answers from the church because we have no idea what God is doing.

Why do evil men seem to prosper? Why does God change when He says He “changes not”? Why do God’s so-called “chosen people” (the Jews) hate Jesus Christ? How did God die on the cross when He says He cannot die? Is Jesus a real King, or not ... and where is He now? Etc..

## RELIGIOUS TRICK #2: THE MAGICAL EXPERIENCE

*3. But I fear that perhaps, as the serpent beguiled Eve by his stratagem, your minds also might be corrupted from the simplicity and innocence that is in Christ.*

– 2 Corinthians 11:3

To Churchgoers, religion is one magical experience after another. Without magic and mystery they would lose their interest in it! Magic and mystery are the required tenets in the minds of Churchgoers ... and they wrongly label it “Christianity.” Why is this? Well, it is the thrill of mystery and surprise used to beguile Churchgoers. The religious illusionists create, in the imaginations of Churchgoers, the thrill that comes with a magic trick. Anything simple and straight forward won’t do. The victims love being fooled by the power of suggestion.

There would be no surprise, no mystery, and no entertainment. The “magic” would be gone!

Religious illusionists offer the magical experience of religion. People attend church to feel a sense of magic or euphoria, not to seek the truth. They get excited about mystery, magic and ghosts. They are corrupted away from the simplicity that is true Christianity.

Witness the stories of people who flock to some adobe wall in a third-world country village where someone claims the face of the Virgin Mary magically appeared as a smudge on the wall. It’s a magical wonder to them, and it is all they need to believe in an illusion of church magic.

We’ve seen many variations on this theme over the years: the statue of Mary or an angel that either bleeds or cries real tears. And there’s the magic surrounding holy relics: objects that once belonged to saints, etc.. Church buildings themselves are relics.

We have seen the movies where these things are portrayed as magical artifacts. Prayer cloths are another manifestation of people’s hunger for magic. If you buy a prayer cloth from a famous evangelist and hold it a certain way while you are praying, then your prayers are supposed to have more of a chance of being answered.

People also happily believe in an entire supernatural realm of ghosts – invisible demons and angels that do magical things. People see and hear angels that do battle with supernatural demons. This, of course, is a useful for creating a protection racket.

Then there is the attraction of being “possessed” by “The Ghost” that gets inside people at church gatherings and causes them to throw fits and act like spastics.

In fact, the Charismatic spirit (mental disposition) provokes people to compete against each other to see who can get the most of the Ghost. During an altar call the pastor behind the pulpit informs everyone to seek “The Ghost,” telling them to come forward. Some people seem as if they have been tapped on the shoulder by “The Ghost.” And they’ll tell you they definitely “felt” the Ghost upon them, personally! In this Charismatic charade the winners are those who appear to be the most “touched” and special

because they act the strangest, speak the most gibberish, or have the greatest fits and seizures. These “great signs and wonders” (illusions) manifest most in churches where “The Ghost” is promoted the most.

But what about the emotional strain on sincere individuals who are just being normal and aren’t seized by fits of spasms? Are they spiritually defective? Has “the Ghost” spumed them?

Many people are so conned by this “magic” explanation of Christianity that they want to feel “The Ghost” in the same room with them, just like in a pagan seance. After all, the veteran spiritualists claim they see magical angels and feel the presence of “The Ghost” when they pray. This then becomes the measure of how “Christian” you are. The real tragedy with this saturation of magic is that when children and newcomers want to lead Christian lives, they assume it means they must feel the presence of “The Ghost” ... without regard to living in accordance with Godly precepts.

The obsession with magical experiences to prove one is a bona fide Christian is simply a clever diversion which the illusionist uses to take your mind off the real goal; the real message of the Bible.

Eventual this causes a dissatisfaction with God’s creation. Instead of being thankful people resort to obsession with imaginary magical realms in the clouds. Since that “magic” doesn’t exist here and now, the insinuation is that this earth and everything in it must be defective.

Churches lead people to think that the Kingdom must be filled with magic and have only good things in it. In fact many modern Christians assume that Christ’s Kingdom cannot exist except in a sterile atmosphere where there is no pain, disappointment or sin. But God has said, “*I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things.*” (Isaiah 45:7)

God can handle both good AND evil in His creation!

Don’t let the illusionists fool you with their trick of the magical experience! The truth is that your “Walk with God” (your relationship with God) is NOT mysterious. It isn’t measured by mystery and “ghosts” and mysticism. Instead, your “Walk with God” is mea-

sured by your desire to follow and know Jesus, and by your love for truth.

Mystery and magic are a earmarks of Paganism, not Christianity!

### RELIGIOUS TRICK #3: MADNESS = DIVINITY

You’ve probably heard the old adage: “Cleanliness is next to Godliness.”

Well, here’s another old adage: “Madness equals Divinity.” Although this adage is not as often repeated, it is nonetheless a religious tenet.

American Indian tribes commonly believed that someone who had fits or was mentally strange was possessed by a spirit (a god). Their shamans (witch doctors) derived their offices by virtue of having fits of ecstasy or delirium at any given moment.

In the same manner, ancient Romans believed that Epilepsy was a divine disease since it commonly afflicted many of their emperors. When an emperor went into an epileptic fit, Romans imagined that one of the gods had come down from Mount Olympus to get inside the Emperor’s body. Both cultures were pagan (non-Christian), and in each case madness equaled divinity.

The problem is that Churchianity (wrongly called Christianity) adopted pagan belief models, including the worship of madness. This is not the way of Christ!

*7. For God gave us not a spirit of cowardice; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.*

– 2 Timothy 1:7

We should follow common sense, and refuse to build upon anything we cannot understand. What we cannot understand we cannot believe. For belief is the assent of the mind to an intelligible proposition.

John Toland, in his work CHRISTIANITY NOT MYSTERIOUS, wrote, “*Reserve judgment on whatever is uncertain, and assent only to clear precepts.*”

A man’s beliefs should be based on clear precepts and the workings of a sound mind and an intelligible grasp of the subject under consideration – not on dark theory and mystery.

But the religious and political illu-

sionists say otherwise to lead you away from logic, intelligibly, and sound thinking. The reason they are successful at working their magic is because they constantly demean reason and common sense in churches. They know that planting unsound thoughts in your mind helps them pull off all manner of religious tricks right before your eyes and all you'll do is ooh and ahh over their slick legerdemain.

Here's how they do it: They make an all-out frontal attack on logic, claiming it is bad. They say that "man's logic" (ration thinking) is ungodly because it prevents "faith." They'll try to convince you this is the case because they say God's ways cannot make logical sense to men.

It's true that unregenerate man (having no eyes to see or ears to hear) is unable to perceive God's ways ... but what you must remember is that the illusionists of religion insinuate that God's ways are unknowable to all men! They infer that God is mysterious and therefore beyond human logic. They teach that man should not try to understand God or his Word. "Belief" (faith) to them means accepting an unintelligible proposition ... like the Trinity doctrine. Thus, in effect, they claim that a "sound mind" is evinced by the sort of "faith" that accepts unintelligible mysteries.

This is patent nonsense!

Even a child can reason the truth of the matter: that is, when you exercise logical, intelligible thinking you have a SOUND MIND. God urges us to cultivate sound minds:

7. *For God has not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.*

– 2 Tim. 1:7

What reason would God have had to give us higher intellectual abilities other than to know Him?

Theologians' rhetoric has been used to de-emphasize the need for reason and common sense ... and this has crippled the thinking ability of millions. Instead sound minds this has engendered fear and confusion.

God's Word, however, advocates a "sound mind."

18. *Come let us reason together...*

– Is. 1:18

10. *The fear of Yahweh is the beginning of wisdom: they that do his commandments have a good understanding:*

– Ps. 111:10

17. *Wherefore do not become senseless, but understand what is the will of the Lord is.*

– Eph. 5:17

7. *Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all your getting get understanding.*

– Prov. 4:7

Logic is a sensible method of reasoning! God is logical. Jesus, himself, is called "The Logos" (as in "logic"). God communicates with man through logic and "the Logos" (Jesus).

However, the religious illusionists do not use sound logic. Here are some examples:

### Trinitarianism & Dualism

The Trinity doctrine, and it's cousin the Dualism doctrine, are prime examples of the unsound thinking of the churches. Here, again, a ghost is connected to the Trinity doctrine.

The Trinity & Dualism doctrines are malicious diversions from the true identities of Yahweh and his Son. And if that weren't bad enough, the religious illusionists also mix in a ghost myth, thereby making something they call "the Triune Godhead" – a mysterious and incomprehensible deity.

The Thirty-Nine Articles of the Church of England, 1571, Art. I, states: "*And in the unity of this Godhead, there be three persons*"

When the smoke clears, the real God of Israel, and his Son, have been tossed out in favor of a mysterious pagan "Godhead." But churchgoers accept this mystery because it is "official church doctrine."

This mental and spiritual burden is heavy indeed. It robs churchgoers of their reason and common sense.

If we are to understand who our God really is we must give up these ghosts and stop clinging to them altogether! We must face the fact that the Father and the Son are not part of a triune godhead.

As we have seen earlier, "incarnation" ("the ghost in the machine") is a pagan idea.

Church "authorities" and "experts"

over the past centuries adopted this pagan ghost concept and established it as absolute dogma.

The popular church definitions of "the Godhead" are:

1. The Trinity (Triune Godhead): Three gods in one: The Father (Yahweh), The Son (Jesus), and The Holy Ghost (also called The Holy Spirit) are three beings. Together these three beings make one god. Thus the "Trinity" is one god and at the same time three gods. It is a "divine mystery" we cannot understand but must believe"). Three = one, and one = three.

2. Dualism (Biune Godhead): Two gods in one: The Father (Yahweh) and The Son (Jesus) together are called one god. Two = one, and one = two. Here, "The Holy Ghost" is not a third entity, but simply another name for God. The Dualism doctrine, like the Trinity doctrine, is basically a "two-faced" doctrine – double-minded, deceitful. I'll show you why later in this article.

The analogy offered by the priesthood's concept #1, to explain their mysterious "Triune God," is that God is like a triangle. A triangle is one object but has three sides. Thus they justify the absurdity of one equals three and three equals one.

However, the triangle analogy does not explain their so-called Trinity since they do not claim that God is one being playing three roles (i.e., having three sides). No, they claim that God is actually three separate beings and also one being, simultaneously! An accurate analogy, therefore, would be three separate objects that are also one object!

For example, using the geometric analogy as the Trinitarians do, imagine THREE DIFFERENT geometric forms: a Rectangle, a triangle, and a circle. You could just as easily choose a trapezoid, a parallelogram and an octagon. There is no significance to the number of sides or lack thereof in relation to each object, because we aren't addressing the descriptive attributes of each object – only the claim that three distinct objects can be both SEPARATE and ONE simultaneously.

Let us say the THREE SEPARATE OBJECTS represent THREE SEPARATE ENTITIES! Furthermore, the triangle, rectangle and circle are at the same time one object (let us call it a

“trirectacircle”). The obvious truth is that when the three objects are separate they are three in number. And when they are joined together they become one in number. They must be three, or it must be one – they cannot be both simultaneously. The very concept defies SANITY!

When man’s mind is working as it should he has a “sound mind.” Now, let’s use that sound mind to look at the so-called “Unforgivable Sin” in relation to our subject of “The Ghost.”

32. *And whosoever speaks a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever speaks against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come.*

– Matthew 12:32

This scripture presents a problem for those who believe in a triune god whose parts equal one. If the three are one, then they equal each other, and no one part can be blasphemed without blaspheming all three.

This scripture doesn’t work under the Dualist Two-Faced God doctrine either. You see, if “The Ghost” is just another name for Yahweh, and if Yahweh is also Jesus Christ, then blaspheming one would be the same as blaspheming the other. In order for Matthew 12:32 to work sensibly and logically Yahweh, Jesus and the holy spirit MUST be separate.

Later on in this study we will examine just what the “Unforgivable Sin” or “grieving the holy spirit” is.

Because the proposition of the Trinity, and that of the Duality, don’t work logically, they are unintelligible and therefore unacceptable to the SOUND MIND of 2 Timothy 1.

Moreover, to someone who accepts either definition (the Trinity or the Dual God doctrine), Jesus cannot exist AS A SEPARATE INDIVIDUAL since in both cases God (Yahweh) is Jesus. To a Dualist, either Yahweh is playing the role of Jesus or Jesus is playing the role of Yahweh. This proposition claims that Jesus is not a separate, viable, mortal individual who REALLY died and was truly raised to immortality by His Father, Yahweh.

Like a dove in a magician’s cage, the illusionists make the truth about Jesus vanish in a puff of smoke! Furthermore, they insinuate that Yahweh

is a liar since He told us that He CANNOT die (He is everliving). Yet the claim is made by Churchgoers that He DID die in the form of Jesus.

Who is correct:, The illusionists or God? Will you believe an intelligible explanation, or an insane one?

There are actually many more points of logic that naturally arise concerning this subject if you have an inquiring mind. None of them can be answered by theologians who cling to ghosts. Since the various points are too numerous to mention here, you should get the study **IS JESUS GOD?** ([www.benwilliamslibrary.com](http://www.benwilliamslibrary.com)).

There are 67 points/questions of logic that are addressed in IS JESUS GOD?. 67! Each item is analyzed at length in the publication and each item cries out for an honest answer, which the author gives. IS JESUS GOD? is an exercise in using a sound mind to study God’s Word rather than relying on unintelligible church propaganda. IS JESUS GOD? totally exposes the Trinity and Duality doctrines for the scams they really are!

IS JESUS GOD? was published in 1990. Since its publication no one has logically rebutted the 67 or more points about the Trinity/Duality doctrines put forth in the study.

Most people have grown comfortable with confusion, mystery, and illusion. They are familiar and comfortable with incomprehensible and unsound thinking.

This tradition of unsound thinking infects other church doctrines as well.

### Death is Life

Churches claim that DEATH isn’t really death. Instead, they say it is just a passage or transition into another form of LIFE. They claim that when your BODY dies your ghost does not die. They claim that the ghost – your immortal self – cannot die. Your body (the outer shell) falls away and your ghost (the real you) continues to live. Using this sophistry, they teach gullible churchgoers that “dying you shall not die” (the serpent’s lie in Eden – Gen. 3:4); that you continue to live either in a place in outer space called “Heaven” (an abode of good ghosts), or in a place below the earth called “Hell” (an abode of bad ghosts). This is the “incarnation” fallacy (“the ghost in the machine”) we mentioned ear-

lier. Under this definition people don’t really die ... they merely exit their flesh envelope and shift over to an alternate mode of life and continue living. By redefining words the churches change the truth into a lie ... as did the serpent.

### Jews are God’s Chosen People

Churches teach that Jews (Israelis) are God’s chosen people even though they hate Jesus. Why would Yahweh put his seal of approval on the ones who hate His Son the most?

Further, if Jesus is actually Yahweh, then hatred of Jesus equals hatred of Yahweh. That leaves the churches to explain how the Jews not only hate Jesus but also Yahweh ... and are still his special chosen people.

22. *Who is the liar if not the one denying that Jesus is the Christ? He is the antechrist, the one denying the Father and the Son.*

23. *Everyone who denies the Son has not the Father: The one confessing the Son has the Father also.*

– John 2:22,23

### God’s Law Is Canceled

The church has the audacity to teach that Yahweh canceled His own Law. Are they claiming it was defective? Did Yahweh change his mind even though He declares He does not change? If He changes (cancels) His Law, then that means He, Himself changed.

6. *For I am YAHWEH, I change not;...*

– Malachi 3:6

### Immortals Are Mortal

Churches teach that Adam was created immortal (meaning not capable of dying or sinning). Then they completely contradict themselves by saying that Adam sinned and died. They completely disregard the simple equation explained in The Bible:

23. *For the wages of sin is death:*

– Rom. 6:23

The meaning of this equation is simple: death is the result of sin. The logic is that immortality (deathlessness) equals sinlessness. Immortals don’t die, therefore they don’t sin. Believe it or not, “immortal” actually means

what it says!

Adam was never immortal. He was created mortal! That's why he could sin and die. If he had been created immortal he couldn't have sinned and couldn't have died.

Should a Christian's beliefs be comprised of impossible propositions? No! God does not contradict himself. He does not want us adopting contradictory beliefs. He has given us the spirit of a SOUND MIND!

## RELIGIOUS TRICK #4: LAWLESSNESS LEADS TO THE LOVE OF LIES

8. *Then, the lawless (ones) will be revealed ...*

10. *... who received not the love of the truth that they might be salvaged.*

11. *For this reason God is sending them inner delusion, that they will believe lies:*

12. *That they all might be judged who believed not the truth, but preferred unrighteousness.*

– 2 Thess. 2:8-12

Reading the above passage about those who do not love truth, some may think of the worst possible people, the scum of the earth. But lawlessness and the love of lies can happen by degree. Some lie-lovers can look like normal, typical people but operate under delusions by degree. It isn't uncommon for people to love some truths revealed in the Bible, and simultaneously love a number of lies told to them by preachers.

People can have holy spirit by degree as well. The following verse is about John the Baptist:

15. *For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with holy spirit, even from his mother's womb.*

– Luke 1:15

And this passage about Jesus:

34. *For He whom God sent forth (Jesus) is speaking the words of God: for God is giving Him the spirit without measure.*

– Jn. 3:34

God gave Jesus the spirit without measure. In other words Jesus re-

ceived it fully. It is notable that if the spirit was given to Jesus without measure, then a less-than-full measure was apparently given to some others (they didn't receive it in its fullness).

Likewise, if there are those who are FILLED with holy spirit, as in the case of John the Baptist, this implies there are others who have it in less amounts.

For instance, let's imagine a man who is basically honest, generous, compassionate, not vulgar or rowdy, and is a diligent worker. In his daily life over the years he has learned, and now believes, certain Bible truths about God, government and human nature. But let's say that he also believes a number of deceptions and ghost stories like the Trinity, the supernatural Satan, or other false church doctrines.

So, to the degree that he may love those church lies, God allows him to be deluded in those areas. But in the areas that he loves truth, God blesses him with discernment and the motivation to learn more.

God reads our minds and hearts. If we are less than honest in one or more areas, it means we have not made the correct response to his initial call. Lawlessness leads to confusion, confusion leads to faithlessness, and faithlessness leads to the love of lies.

13. *Hold to the pattern of sound words as you have heard from me, in faith and love as in Christ Jesus.*

2 Timothy 1:13

When faithful people are disabused of the lies and illusions implanted in their minds by the churches they begin to understand the meaning of freedom. Truth sets us free! Freedom and Christ go together. Ignore either one and we lose both.

Paul admonishes us to follow sound words and develop sound minds. To do that we must avoid the religious and political Illusionists.

The essence of true Christianity consists in awareness and freedom from illusions and lies. Freedom is the result of following a sound pattern of thought. The spirit of Christ (motivation) leads men to be well founded, sensible, logical, and with both feet on the ground. Any religion or philosophy that turns us away from sound patterns leaves us vulnerable to lies

and delusion.

Illusionists (false teachers) turn us away from sound patterns by deceiving and manipulating us with their religious tricks of illusion, many of which are built around the central theme of ghosts. They redefine what we hear and see. They distort words.

We cannot take this lightly. Living in illusion is living a lie. It weakens and confuses us, and it makes us easily manipulated. We must shun illusion and seek reality. We must expose the tricks used by Illusionists to deceive us.

Being aware of their tricks and illusions, like the belief in spirit beings – especially the church's pagan version of "Holy Ghost" – is one very effective way to cut through the mind-bending chicanery.

## RELIGIOUS TRICK #5: DECEPTIVE WORDS

One of the main blessings Christ gave us was the ability to see and avoid deceptions and false teachings. But those who reject Christ still fall to the deception of religious Illusionists and lose the freedom Christ offers:

1. *For this freedom Christ has set us free. Therefore, stand fast, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage (ignorance & confusion).*

Galatians 5:1

We must be sensitive to the accuracy of word meanings if we want to be free of delusion. On the other hand, placing faith in people or institutions that use errant meanings for words is an invitation for them to deceive us and steal our freedom.

## HUMPTY DUMPTY'S WORD MEANINGS (or How Illusionists Can Bend Words To Fit Their Doctrine)

In Wonderland, Alice encounters illusions and illusionists that represent politicians and preachers:

"When I use a word," Humpty Dumpty said in rather a scornful tone, "it means just what I choose it to mean – neither more nor less."

"The question is," said Alice, "whether you can make words mean so many different things."



"The question is," said Humpty Dumpty, "which is to be master – that's all."...

"That's a great deal to make one word mean," Alice said in a thoughtful tone.

"When I make a word do a lot of work like that," said Humpty Dumpty, "I always pay it extra."

"Ah, you should see 'em come round me of a Saturday night," Humpty Dumpty went on, wagging his head gravely from side to side: "for to get their wags, you know."

"You seem very clever at explaining words, Sir," said Alice.

–Through the Looking Glass Lewis Carroll

Humpty Dumpty represented the political and religious word-twisters of that day. He claimed the right to determine a word's intent regardless of its real meaning. Can certain people change the meanings at will, or do words have standard meanings?

In this Alice in Wonderland scene Lewis Carroll borrowed the character of "Humpty Dumpty" from an old English rhyme. In the original children's rhyme Humpty Dumpty represented King Richard III. Carroll was inferring that Kings, and certain others, use words deceptively to trick the public. Lawyers, politicians, and churchmen practice this form of deception by making words mean other than they were intended to mean.

Likewise, modern politicians continue to employ this tactic with regularity. When caught in blatant lies and deceptions they merely redefine them as mere variations and possibilities. Bill Clinton, in his impeachment trial, went on record as a Humpty-Dumpty word changer. He was repeatedly caught in lies which he always denied by insisting that his words meant something different whenever he used them. At one deposition during the trial Clinton found himself backed into a corner by an incriminating statement he had made earlier. When the prosecutor confronted him with it, Clinton floundered and replied, "Well, it depends upon what the meaning of 'is' is."

There are innumerable examples of Humpty-Dumpty Illusionists in the field of politics. The same is true in the church world. They presume themselves masters over words, changing meanings at will, and manipulating man's perception of reality and God's Word.

## 1. "ETERNAL"

Here's a word whose meaning has been twisted. Today's accepted definition of "eternal" is "never-ending or infinite." When preachers link together the words "eternal" and "life" people assume it means never-ending life. Indeed, English versions of the Bible tend to substantiate that view. But we must remember that English Bibles are VERSIONS. They admit this on their title pages. Look at your own Bible and see for yourself. To admit that they are "versions" is to admit that they are different from the originals. Most English "versions" (like the King James Version) were rendered by church hirelings.

The Illusionists of religion have succeeded in distracting people and redefining word meanings. While they wave their hand over here to distract us with a false assumption, they cleverly "palm" the truth and hide it from view.

Here, for instance, we see the result of one of their illusions where they redefined reality by redefining the word "eternal."

In the King James Version the word "eternal" is used to translate the Greek word "aionion." The English spelling is "eonian." The word means "of the age." "Eonian" comes from "eon." "Eon" is "an age."

An age, by definition, has a beginning and an end. An age is not "ageless" or never-ending. Ages COME and GO. For instance: The Ice Age, The Stone Age, The Bronze Age, The Iron Age, The Dark Ages, The Age of Chivalry, The Age of Enlightenment, The Industrial Age. We are now in The Age of Technology. Ages come and go. Ages are terminal: they begin, and they end.

Logically, then, "aionion" cannot possibly be interpreted to mean "never-ending" or "ageless." In fact, it means nearly the opposite.

Whats even more confusing is that the word "eternal" is being used wrongly as well. Both "eonian" and "eternal" actually mean the same thing ... and neither one means "never-ending." One stems from Greek, and the other from Latin.

"Eonian" is the English form of the Greek word "aionian" (of the age).

"Eternal" is the English form of the

Latin word "aeternus" (of the age). Both words mean literally, "of the age." [Greek: eon = "age"]; [Latin: aetas = "age"].

Both words are used in reference to an age: a period of time with a beginning and an end. This deduction is inescapable. However, churches have twisted these words to fit their twisted theology. They have created a major illusion by redefining both these words to mean "ageless" or "timeless" ... the opposite of their original meanings.

To research word origins you need an Etymological Dictionary that shows the history of each word. Typical dictionaries (like Webster's) won't do. All of the run-of-the-mill dictionaries conform to current popular usage by listing all uses and definitions, including those that are different from, and sometimes the opposite of, the original meaning. You have to wonder why dictionary publishers compromise standards by listing a word and then giving it two mutually-exclusive meanings. And why do the "experts" choose the popular meanings and discard the right meanings?

For example, Webster's College Dictionary of 1991 lists the following contradictory definitions:

– e'on, ae'on. n. [LL. *aeon*, Gr. *aion*, an age, lifetime.] a period of immense duration; an extremely long, unlimited period of time; an age; a cycle; eternity.

As you can see, they use the shotgun approach and list every definition that is popular. The reader is left not knowing whether "eon" is "age" or "agelessness." Religious and political Humpty-Dumpty's have become very clever at explaining words. They make words do things they weren't meant to do.

"Eternal life" and "Eonian life" are perfectly good terms when used correctly. But used incorrectly they can mislead.

"Eternal" and Eonian" do NOT mean "infinite" or "endless." Rather they mean "of an age." In some Bible uses it means life (motivation) infused into people during the New Covenant age. Eonian life in the New Testament is the new life Christ gives us: often described as being "reborn." It gives new life to our eyes and ears enabling us to see and hear truths.

3. *And this is eonian life (life of the age), that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.*

– John 17:3

Understand, I am not arguing against God's gift of immortality. Immortality was given to Jesus and has been promised to us. But, you see, it is a different word.

Jesus was born a mortal, and He died. He was then made immortal when Yahweh raised Him from the grave. We, too, will be made immortal if we are raised as Jesus was raised to an endless existence.

The churches' misuse the word and the concept of eonian life. Immortality is a separate subject unto itself and must not be confused with these other terms.

Eonian life in the New Covenant called "the new birth" and "holy spirit."

31. *Behold, the days come, says Yahweh, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:*

33. *But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, says Yahweh, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.*

– Jeremiah 31:31 & 33

25. *Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.*

26. *A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh.*

27. *And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and you shall keep my judgments, and do them.*

– Ezekiel 36:25-27

3. *And he said to me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Yahweh God, you know.*

4. *And He said to me, Prophecy upon these bones, and say to them, O you dry bones, hear the word of Yahweh.*

5. *Thus says Yahweh God to these bones, Behold, I will cause spirit to enter into you, and you shall live:*

6. *And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put spirit in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am Yahweh.*

14. *And shall put my spirit in you, and you shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall you know that I Yahweh have spoken, and performed, says Yahweh.*

– Ezekiel 37:3-6, 14

## 2. "SODOMY"

"Sodomy" is another word whose meaning has been changed. It derives from the infamous cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, known for their moral debauchery. The primary sin for which these cities have become notorious was sexual deviation, primarily homosexuality. Hence the term "Sodomy" (after the city) was coined.

We have graphic proof of Yahweh's attitude toward sodomy. Not only does He condemn it categorically, He also rained fire and brimstone in judgment upon Sodom and Gomorrah, completely destroying them. He definitely did not, and does not, consider sodomy an acceptable alternate lifestyle. Any child can figure this out.

But over the centuries, the Humpty Dumpty Illusionists have been "very clever at explaining words." They bypassed the original stigma of the word "sodomy" by creating the word "homosexuality." The original term fell into disuse, replaced by an unfamiliar word. This helped them develop a more detached, clinical feeling about the concept.

Then in time the Illusionists brought in yet another word: "gay." This blurred the stigma of sin. Like Humpty Dumpty, they took a pleasant word and used it in place of the real stigmatized word.

The legal Illusionists diverted people's eyes from the accurate meaning of Sodomy, and churches accepted it. Another triumph for deceitful words.

But, no matter how well-developed man's illusions may get, Sodomy is still a sin in God's eyes! That doesn't change!

## 3. "CHURCH"

The word "church" is like the word "gay" in that it has been used to cunningly replace a Bible word and

change a concept. Religious Illusionists used "church" to replace "ecclesia": a word and a concept they didn't like.

The word "church" has been passed off as the equivalent of the word "ecclesia." But a "church" is not an "ecclesia." The institution of "Church" is a pagan concept. The "church" has passed it off to the world as a Biblical institution. The pagan "church" has been used to replace and destroy the Christian "ecclesia."

The English word "ecclesia" is taken directly from the Greek New Testament. Thus, the original Greek word was preserved for a time. Later, translators dropped the original "ecclesia" and replaced it with "church" after the Roman tradition. The religious world was told that an "ecclesia" was the same as a "church." But it wasn't! It was a trick to get people thinking differently.

"Ecclesia" has a specific meaning. It does NOT mean "church" although most English Bible versions render it so. An "ecclesia" is a body of "called-out" people ... called-out from among the general population for a particular purpose. In 1st-century Athens "ecclesia" signified an elect (called-out) political assembly.

By the same token, the Christian "ecclesia" is an elect (called-out) body of people, called out from the kingdoms of men and into Jesus' Kingdom. These elect of Christ (i.e., Ecclesians) assemble as a family/community in the Kingship (Reign) of Christ. They reject man-made government as a usurpation of God's throne (the abomination of desolation that stands in the holy place – Mtt. 24:15).

Churches, on the other hand, teach that Christ has no kingship, and that men should follow kingdoms of men. "Church," therefore, promotes the kingdom of men. But "ecclesia" upholds the Kingship of Christ.

Nearly all English New Testaments are produced by churches and are therefore prejudiced. Translators substitute the word "church" for "ecclesia" – not because it is right, but because they must not undermine their sponsors (the churches).

The English word "church" comes from the Old English and Scottish "kirk" or "kerk." The Old German word was "kirche." "Kirk" derived

from the Greek “kuriakon” or “kuriokos.” These Greek words are adjectives meaning “the lord’s.”

They appear twice in the New Testament – in I Cor. 11:20, and in Rev. 1:10. In both instances the translators rendered it “the Lord’s.”

Amazing! The translators had two chances to translate “kuriokos” (their word for ‘church’) as “church,” and in both instances they rendered it “the Lord’s.” To repeat ... in the only two occurrences of the one Greek word that evolved into the English word “church” the translators chose not to render it “church.”

Instead they turned their attention upon the word “ecclesia” – a completely different and unrelated word – and chose it to be replaced by their word “church.”

The “ecclesia” was replaced by “church” concept at the time of the Roman Emperor, Constantine The Great. He invented the “church” as we know it, and both Roman and Protestant forms still continue his tradition.

“Ecclesia” appears many times in the Greek New Testament. In each case the translators removed the right word and replaced it with “church.” Thus the illegitimate word “church” appears many times in English versions.

The true meaning of the English word “church” can only be ascertained by defining the Greek word “kuriakon(s)” from which it came. “Kuriakos” means to belong to a “kurios” (a lord). A “kurios” (lord) can be many things, including a husband, an officer, a dignitary, a ruler, a god.

A church, by inference, claims the authority of a “kurios.” It has no relation to an ecclesia – the word it replaced. Translators, centuries after the New Testament was written, took a modern word (church) and retrofitted it back into the Bible to replace the word “ecclesia.”

Thus, they substituted one distinct concept for another. The organic community of Christ (the ecclesia) was whisked away, and the government institution of “church” was put in its place ... much the same as the Biblical “Israelite” was replaced with the non-Biblical “Jew.” The institution of “church,” like the Roman circus, was used by the government to distract and pacify the masses, and keep them

under control.

By means of a clever translational trick the religious magicians transformed “ecclesia” (which means “the called-out ones”) into “the church” (a religious institution). The tyrants, robbers, murderers and liars (the government lords) didn’t like Christian ecclesias with loyalty to Jesus.

This was WAR! The Beast was waging war against the Reign of Christ. This was a political trick devised to alter the thinking of men and make them docile and tractable.

The church (as we know it) officially appeared on the public scene at the time of Emperor Constantine. Constantine made a great pretense declaring that he, the Roman Emperor, had converted to Christianity. By his decree great religious buildings were built, and the government institution of “church” was created. It was labeled “church” (kuriokon) to signify its “authorized” status with “the lord” Constantine. The pagan Sun God, Mithras, took on a new name (“Jesus”) and was declared the savior of the “Church.”

With a wave of the hand, the organic Christian family/community of “the called-out” had magically been replaced with a totally different concept. “Church” had replaced “ecclesia.” Illusion had usurped reality. Christians began losing sight of Christ’s Kingship and were ushered into an institutional box to live their lives as churchgoers.

“Church” is the Beast System’s replacement for Christ’s Ecclesia. The institution of Church is compatible with the Beast System. Jesus’ Ecclesia is NOT. By definition, churches declare that they reject Christ’s Kingdom. If you are still looking for “the right church,” you’d better forget it. There is no right church, because there is no right way to bypass Christ’s Kingship! There is no right way to do a wrong thing.

#### 4. “JEW”

The word “Jew” has been used by the churches to usurp and replace the word “Israelite.” This has caused much confusion, and has become very difficult to explain to the average churchgoer. Now, whenever the average churchgoer hears the word “Jew” he

automatically thinks “Israelite,” and when he hears the word “Israelite” he automatically thinks “Jew.”

#### 5. ARGOT

Another way of using clever words to secretly change men’s mental dispositions (spirits) is to use “argot” (double-talk). The method employed here is to insert into conversations specialized words that have no real meaning or whose meaning is secret.

Argot is made up of real words along with nonsensical words mixed together in a way to disguise their message. This mind trick is used among Mafia members, Lawyers, Politicians, secret societies and religious circles.

Argot is used by “mentors” to mesmerize the naive who trust them. The victims get disconnected from reality by the meaningless but intelligent-sounding words. Hearers, not wanting to appear ignorant, feign an understanding of the gibberish. The mentors in control know the secret words and thus enjoy an automatic superiority over those who are kept in the dark. This secret knowledge is called the “divine mysteries.” Those who are in on the secret become the masters, and the rest assume the role of neophyte (novice) (See section on Humpty Dumpty). It is a genuine mind game. With their victims in this state of mental uncertainty and confusion, these religious Illusionists remain solidly in control.

Following is a quote from a religious organization that blatantly uses argot to sound intellectual without actually saying anything. It is a mix of sense and nonsense. But the illusion is effective. Neophytes seeking “secret knowledge” of “the mysteries” emulate their “superiors” and get “high” on non-words with non-meanings like these.

*“Within and through the Trinitized GRIDS of CONSCIOUSNESS UNIFICATION the individual is always asking for the Whole and therefore always receiving for the Whole. In this estate, there is a continuum issuing forth DIVINE thought forms and pictographic infusion, combinations of probability and possibility, causation relationships in human expression, the next step(s), in mani-*

festation of the Divine Plan. These areas of inspiration in uplifting Humanity's expression can only be received and actuated through the collective energies of COSMIC CHRIST CONSCIOUSNESS.

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This is gobbledegook talk to impress the gullible. This example may seem extreme, but in fact it is more typical than most would like to admit. Churchgoers routinely accept argot from their clergy without giving it a second thought.

For example, the doctrine of the Trinity is accepted widely in churches. These churches often refuse fellowship to anyone who rejects the Trinity doctrine. The doctrine itself cannot be found in the Bible. It is an ancient pagan doctrine carried over into the Roman world by the Catholic Church. Today, the doctrine rests upon Catholic explanations like this one from Tertullian in the 2nd Century:

*"All (three parts) are of one, by unity of substance; while the mystery of the dispensation is still guarded which distributes the unity into a Trinity, placing in their order the three, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; three, however... not in substance but in form; not in power but in appearance, for they are of one substance and one essence and one power, inasmuch as He is one God from whom these degrees and forms and aspects are reckoned under the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."*

Later, the Church added the Athanasian Creed to its repertoire of mumbo-jumbo for confusing the masses. Athanasius put it this way:

*"The father incomprehensible, the son incomprehensible, and the holy ghost incomprehensible. The father eternal, the son eternal and the holy ghost eternal. And yet there are not three eternal but one eternal, as also there are not three uncreated, nor three incomprehensibles, but one uncreated and one incomprehensible."*

Can you make sense of this, or do you find it "incomprehensible"?

Churches, including Protestant

churches, base their Trinity doctrine upon this and other equally meaningless argot. They use Humpty Dumpty phrases and pretend they mean something.

## RELIGIOUS TRICK #6: CREATING GOD IN THE IMAGE OF MAN

Man's deification of himself is the prime obstacle between him and God. Accordingly, the first sin recorded in the Bible was that of man making himself "as a god, knowing good and evil" (i.e., making his own laws of right and wrong)" (Gen. 3:5).

Thus the first and greatest Commandment is: "You shall have no other gods before Me." This constraint is intended to prevent man from worshipping himself. It is a common fault in our people, especially when we step out from behind the protective wall of God's law. It subverts our mental disposition or spirit. It manifests itself in various ways, starting with the most obvious: spoiled people determined to not let anyone (including God) tell them what they can or cannot do. These insist on making their own rules ... and changing them at will. They are their own legislators and they've dismissed God.

Idolatry of this sort manifests itself in various places. In politics it is the science of obtaining power. Bankers create governments. Governments create politicians. And politicians create and enforce laws to bend people to the will of the bankers.

The entertainment industry has its gods too, in the form of celebrities who are idolized and emulated by the masses. Like Royalty, they assume riches and power given to them by their admirers who look to them as heroes. This happens with professional sports as well. Sports heroes are idolized by millions who worship and emulate them along with their exploits in drugs and sexual feats of heroic proportions.

In religion, pastors aspire to godhood by accepting special treatment and positions of privilege, claiming that they speak for God and are "led" by "a ghost." They greedily clamor for positions of power and leadership.

Man is naturally greedy and competitive. That drives him to seek ad-

vantage over others. Societies that tolerate the vice of greed and self-indulgence breed the criminal class and the immoral and invite them to take over. In churches, for example, the captors stand on a raised stage, in a spotlight, looking (and feeling) important, while the common people sit at a lower level and are talked down to. This is a continuation of a centuries-old tradition established when central government created the church pulpit during the reign of Constantine.

A society whose leadership is based upon a "because I can get away with it" mentality becomes a living hell where the bad people rule. Unless a society's requirement for leadership includes honesty that society's leadership will be of the criminal element. Good character cannot be developed without honesty and critical self-evaluation. Without character, boys grow up into men who are immature, childish and immoral. Unless man develops character and conscience (traits given by Christ) he cannot rightly judge himself or develop self-discipline. Men without self-discipline and humility are dangerous and totally unfit for leadership.

Church leadership is not based upon good character, but rather showmanship, ego and oratory. Church leaders organize stage performances where they are spotlighted. They claim they are helping the people, but no one except themselves really benefit. For short periods of time the people "get high" in a mesmerized stupor. But when they leave the church building nothing has changed. They still have no idea how to deal with the real world or withstand corruption. They are still blind to the gospel of the Kingdom. The futuristic Utopia they've been told to seek after STILL doesn't exist, "Jesus" (according to the church) is still missing, and the scheming pastors (the Illusionists) are still in their glory, spouting argot ... much like Pharaoh's magicians who enjoyed celebrity status but never addressed real problems.

Like stage magicians and temple priests, church leaders keep the secrets of their illusions. Illusions must be performed in a controlled environment. The magician must be in control. The audience sits and observes. It cannot be objective, and it cannot

analyze or critique. By his act, the Illusionist holds the audience mentally within the parameters he sets for them.

As a result, the magician appears to be successful in the working of his magic tricks and the audience is kept in a subordinate role, unable to question or investigate.

The same is true with members of a church congregation. They learn quickly that it is not permissible to conduct their own investigation or be critical of what they hear from the pulpit. If they attempt to do so they will be attacked and/or disfellowshipped. Church doctrines and traditions are preordained by those who control the organization. Parameters are carefully set and no one dares step outside or suggest anything different, otherwise he will be branded a troublemaker.

Furthermore, Illusionists use ghost stories to frighten anyone who might think outside established parameters. Pastors threaten people by telling them that evil ghosts (“demons”) will begin tormenting them and possessing their minds and bodies if they think outside the church paradigm. They are also told that their “soul” (their own personal GHOST) will be damned to a never-ending Hell (the fabled fate of bad “souls”). The pastor will label nonconformists as heretics, claiming they are under the power of the arch-evil-GHOST known as Satan. Ghosts and more ghosts are thrown at the people, and because of the power of suggestion they are scared into submission. Due to their fear of ghosts and “Hell” they’ll never venture outside the parameters set for them by church leaders.

## Idolatry of Buildings

From ancient times men have erected elaborate buildings and monuments designed to project a larger-than-life image of themselves. The pharaohs of Egypt constructed their gigantic pyramids; the cardinals of Europe erected their cavernous cathedrals; and Americans erected their grandiose government temples and monuments.

Today, the Mormons, the Episcopalians, the Anglicans, the Catholics, and other church denominations have their garish temples and churches.

These buildings are “holy ground” to the believers.

The buildings are so important in the eye of the true believer that they seem to possess mystical powers. The religious reverence people show towards these buildings is idolatry. Churches are thought of as “holy places.” Churchgoers reverence the building as if it is God’s abode, ignoring Bible teaching to the contrary:

*24. The God that made the world and all things therein, who is Lord of heaven and earth, dwells not in temples made with hands;*

Acts 17:24

Jesus DID NOT establish a church. Churches were given to us by antechrist Rome. Rulers supply religious and political god-buildings for people to worship. Such buildings, sanctioned by government, are the temples of their gods. Churches assume authority in lieu of the Kingdom of God which they claim cannot appear until the distant future.

In reality, Christianity is the Kingdom of God. It was once called “Christendom” (Christ’s Kingdom). It consists of a Head (Christ) and a Body (the called-out). It is the ECCLESIA at large.

## RELIGIOUS TRICK #7: CHILD BRAINWASHING

*15. Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.*

– Proverbs 22:15

*11. “When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I thought as a child, I reasoned as a child: but when I became a man I put away childish things.”*

– 1 Corinthians 13:11

*6. But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to stumble, it is better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck and he were sunk in the expanse of the sea.*

– Matthew 18:6

Children in America are taught fairy tales which they know to be fiction. But children of churchgoing parents are taught tales of fiction that they are pressured to believe as true. They are taught these fairy tales at home, in church, and in public schools.

The child’s mind is gullible. Children

are told that Jesus wants all people to go to church; that public schools are good; that guns are evil; that all people are the same; that police protect them; and that by voting they can control government. They also hear about aliens, Satan, demons, and ghosts – lots of ghosts.

Their minds are filled with lies and distortions like nonexistent places called “Heaven” and “Hell.” Then, when Christmas comes around, they are told about “Santa Claus” and his “elves” who live in a hidden kingdom at the North Pole.

In Sunday School children hear Bible stories told in fairy-tale fashion. One such church-twisted story tells of two immortal people called “Adam” and “Eve.” They supposedly lived in a botanical “garden” paradise, wore no clothes, and talked with animals. There was no bad thing there except for a “talking snake” and one peculiar tree ... the fruit of which would kill them if they ate it. When the two people ate the bad fruit they lost their immortality, and were kicked out of paradise. They had to start wearing clothes because they sinned and ate the fruit. Then these two people began having offspring, and from their offspring came all the widely variant races of people on Earth.

Children are fed this and many other Bible stories that are relayed to them in such a way as to sound like fairy tales. Even when they get older and can understand deeper concepts, they don’t question these stories.

They never learn the truth: that Adam was created MORTAL with a sin nature (he wore clothes, by the way) in a kingdom known as “Eden.” He was appointed patriarch and entrusted to be the guardian of God’s Way (The Way to the Tree of Life). His duty was to protect God’s Way for the Kingdom (“Garden”) of Eden and guard against anything that might undermine it, like other ungodly systems of society and government. When the subversive Ophite agent (i.e., serpent) came around to tempt Adam to sin by adopting Ophite philosophies and government, Adam succumbed and opted out of God’s government and laws. He accepted the lie that he could be “as a god, knowing good and evil” (i.e., make his own laws).

By rejecting God’s law and govern-

ment Adam lost his trusteeship position over Eden. It was a tragic but understandable story with a logical outcome. It is a far cry from the fairy tale taught by the churches.

Most fairy tales are simply fantasies. However, the Bible uses parables and allegories to teach principles, axioms, or morals. Aesop taught fables for that purpose. The Garden of Eden analogy is similar to that!

Adam wasn't created to commune with animals. And Eden was a kingdom, not a botanical fairyland.

The Ophite (Serpent) tempter was a preacher/politician, not a talking snake. The Greek word, "ophis," means "serpent." The "Ophite" doctrine was the doctrine of the Serpent religion. The Serpent religion is based upon the "wisdom of man" (the term "serpent" signifies "wisdom" of a cunning nature – as in religion and politics). The "cunning" preacher/politician sold Adam and Eve on the idea of making their own laws, thus convincing them that they could be wise on their own, "like Gods, knowing good and evil." Once convinced of this Ophite doctrine, Adam and Eve believed they had godly powers of their own and could define good and evil without Yahweh's help. They became their own legislators.

This truth, however, is hid from those who cannot interpret scripture. "Allegory," "analogy," and "parable" are common forms of teaching found in the Bible. These are viable, honorable, and very OLD styles of writing. In ancient times writers of The Bible used this style often when writing about God's Kingdom and His Law. The serious Bible student should be aware of the symbolic style used by ancient writers to convey concepts.

The ancient style of writing is not like plain, modern English. Its allegorical format was written to be understood by those who already had "eyes to see." Its deeper meaning cannot be realized by a cursory reading. The words paint an underlying picture with deeper meaning.

*29. For to everyone that has [understanding] it will be given, and he will be increased: but as for him that has not {understanding}, even that which he has will be taken from him.*

– Matthew 25:29

Churches have taken vital allegories and treated them as fairy tales. But, unlike most fairy tales, church lore persists even after the children grow up. The "fairy tale" church approach to the Bible doesn't end at adulthood. Churchgoers are given the mental images of fantasy creatures (ghosts, demons, immortal talking snakes or Devils) weekly for their whole lives. It twists their concepts of God and His Kingdom.

By keeping childish thinking alive in their congregations, the Illusionists of religion successfully camouflage God's Kingdom so that the people cannot see it in their lives. Since they think of the Kingdom of God as if it were a fairy tale, they never see it, and they remain outside in "outer darkness."

## GUARDIAN ANGELS

The fairytale view of the Bible, and life in general, continues when people promote a kind of ghost known as "the guardian angel." Guardian angels and tooth fairies are invented ghosts the churches invent to replace the Biblical concept of brethren watching out for one another. With guardian angel-ghosts, men don't have to help one another. The ghosts do it for them.

The classic verses trotted out to "prove" the existence of a race of ghosts known as "guardian angels," are as follows:

*10. See that you do not despise one of these little ones (children); for I say to you that their messengers in heaven are always beholding the face of my Father who is in heaven.*

– Matthew 18:10

*11. For he (Yahweh) shall give his messengers charge over you, to keep you in all your ways.*

*12. They shall bear you up in their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone (stumble).*

– Psalms 91:11,12

With the abundance of superstition and pagan philosophy churchgoers believe that they are the wards of benevolent ghosts assigned to them to guard them from falling into harm's

way.

But why can't we rather give credit where credit is due ... to Jesus and/or mortal men sent by Him? The fact is, most "angels" (messengers) are mortal men doing what Jesus motivates them to do. Our real guardians are Ecclesiasts: elders defending the brethren! Most "angels" ("messengers") are NOT supernatural. The supernatural variety of "angels" (messengers) is rare and when one does appear it exists only temporarily. It appears to speak or act for God, and then it ceases to exist. Supernatural messengers are not issued from a barracks in the sky, to where it then returns to await its next assignment. Supernatural messengers exist only temporarily as the manifested voice of God.

The great emphasis on "guardian" ghosts causes churchgoers to depend on them rather than the real messengers of Jesus – godly elders and friends who are influenced by Christ to help one another.

Churchgoers go through the motions of praying to God, but the mental picture is of someone communicating long-distance or yelling through a long pipe to someone on the other end across a great mysterious gulf. Sure they say that God is "with them," but the mental picture is one of communicating with Jesus or Yahweh from a great distance. The perception is that Jesus and Yahweh are too far away to personally take care of things here on Earth. So they assign and send "ghosts" to do work locally, and therefore the ghosts are the ones who are actually present to watch over us.

Catholics, and other churchgoers, actually pray to perceived ghosts (dead saints, Mother Mary, etc.). To them, Jesus is "gone" to Heaven and is light-years away, so they communicate with the local ghosts that are here with us.

We need to open our eyes and see through this smoke screen. We must "give up the ghosts" ... then we will see the mortal flesh-and-blood messengers (angels) of the Ecclesia. The "heaven" of these mortal "angels" is the Kingship of God on Earth: the Ecclesia.

Those whose senses (spiritual eyes and ears) are "alive" can see through the fallacy of the theory of guardian ghosts. Those who are not alive cannot understand. Churchgoers may

believe that they have ghosts around them to protect them from harm. Yet, they come to harm everyday. Where were the alleged supernatural guardian-ghosts for them when they get sick or die in an accident?

But, instead of concluding that they misinterpreted the doctrine, the churches' answer is always one of MYSTERY: "We don't know why. It was in God's plan. We can't explain it." It's much the same answer we get when we ask them about the Trinity doctrine. "We can't explain it. It's a DIVINE MYSTERY. We just accept it."

The real answer is that God doesn't expect us to believe in mystery and unreasonable propositions. Truth makes sense. Lies don't. Christians have no ghosts hovering around them. Our real guardians are God-inspired Ecclesiasts: brethren helping brethren!

Matthew 18:10 speaks of "messengers" (carriers of God's word) that are pleasing Yahweh. It says that the messengers of "little ones" (i.e., their guardians) are "beholding the face of God!" These children's parents and friends are doing their duty and are pleasing to God as they watch over the children and serve their brethren.

The messengers of God are rarely supernatural. They are usually mortal messengers who uphold The Way of the Ecclesia (God's Way). Since they revere God's Law (The Way of Life) then they are in God's good favor: they are "beholding His face."

11. *By this I know that you favor me, because my enemy does not triumph over me.*

12. *And as for me, you uphold me in my integrity, and set me before your face continually.*

Psalms 41:11,12

Let us leave off childish ideas of ghosts. Let us grow up! The members of the "body" of Christ are the real guardian messengers we should envision when we read these verses, not a race of imagined ghosts.

Mortal men guided by Christ are guardians who care about and watch over their families and friends. These help each other when they stumble on the road of life (dash their feet "against a stone," as it says in Psalms 91:12). These are guardians.

Envision a good father (a messenger of God) foreseeing problems ahead when his young son shows interest in running with a bad crowd of teenagers. If the father were to let his son go ahead and associate with the unsavory lot, the son would "stumble" or bring harm upon himself. Instead, the good father (the guardian messenger) "keeps" the son in all his "ways," as Psalms 91:11,12 says, and "bears him up" by strengthening him against the appearance of evil "lest he dashes his foot against a stone" (makes a foolish mistake that will mar his future).

This is an intelligible proposition. It makes sense. It is what the Bible teaches. It may not be as attractive or magical as childhood fantasies about benevolent ghosts, but it IS the correct NON-PAGAN way of thinking, and it nurtures the Ecclesia (the Body of Christ).

## "GRIEVING" THE HOLY SPIRIT

What, exactly, does it mean to "grieve" the holy spirit? Churches teach that if you say blasphemous things about "The Ghost" then you make him "grieve," and that's the "Unforgivable Sin." Any attempts to explain to them the meaning of "holy spirit" – that it is not a being but a motivation from God – just brings accusations of grieving the holy ghost because you are saying he doesn't exist as a person!

Here is the verse they use to defend their misconception:

32. *And whosoever speaks a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever speaks against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come.*

– Matthew 12:32 (KJV)

As an aside, this verse shows that "the Holy Ghost" and "the Son of man" cannot be one-and-the-same given the fact that speaking against one is forgiven, but speaking against the other is NOT forgiven.

Remember that the King James translators capitalized the word "Ghost" to convey the idea that it is a proper name of SOMEONE. When you take this into consideration you

can see that the translators wanted the reader to think this is a personal sentient being. But in reality it is a mental disposition. The KJV phrase "the Holy Ghost," should be "the holy spirit" (not capitalized).

Once you discard the Ghost so it no longer haunts your thoughts, it is easy to understand what the verse is actually telling us. If God has motivated you with holy spirit but you knowingly turn your back on it (or deny the gift) THAT makes you unrepentant of your sins, and thus unforgivable. Forgiveness requires repentance. Repentance requires that you not ignore God's spirit! To reject holy spirit is to sin against yourself in that you erect a wall between yourself and God. By refusing to repent you make your sin "unforgivable" in that sin cannot be forgiven unless forgiveness is first sought by the repentant sinner. This is not about hurting the feelings of a ghost. It is about an attitude that shuts you out of the kingdom, and out of God's grace.

In light of this, other Scripture verses begin to fall into place and make sense:

26. *For if we are sinning willfully after having received the knowledge of the truth, there remains no more sacrifice for sins,*

27. *But a certain fearful expectation of judgment and fiery indignation, which is to devour the opposition.*

– Heb. 10:26,27

Also in the book of Numbers we see a parallel:

27. *And if one soul sins through ignorance,*

28. *...the priest shall atone for the soul that errs, when he sins by ignorance before Yahweh, to atone for him; and he shall be forgiven.*

29. *Both he that is born among the sons of Israel, and the alien that sojourns among them, one law shall be to you for him who acts in error.*

30. *But the soul that sins presumptuously, (willfully) whether he is born in the land, or an alien, this blasphemes Yahweh; and that soul shall be cut off from among his people.*

31. *Because he despises the word of Yahweh, and breaks his command-*

*ment, that soul shall utterly be cut off; his iniquity shall be upon him.*

– Num. 15:27-31

A presumptuous sinner is one who chooses to sin knowingly, and also chooses to not repent. That makes him “unforgivable.” He remains unforgivable until he changes his attitude.

In Scripture, “grieving the holy spirit” is basically the same as the sinning presumptuously. This is the “sin unto death.”

“Sin unto death” is discussed in the following verse:

*16. If anyone sees his brother committing a sin not unto death, (i.e., spiritual death) and he shall ask, He (God) will give life (i.e., spiritual life) to the one sinning not unto death. There is a sin unto death; I am not saying that he should ask for that.*

*17. All unrighteousness is sin, but there is a sin not unto death.*

– 1 John 5:16-17

John is not talking about biological life or biological death in this passage. He is talking about SPIRITUAL life and a SPIRITUAL death. This is a condition of the spirit (disposition).

Sins of ignorance are not blasphemy, and they do not kill your spirit. But presumptuous sins committed in defiance ARE blasphemous. This sin separates you from God. At that point you are not in God’s good favor; you are spiritually dead ... biologically alive, but spiritually dead. To use the Biblical idiom we discussed earlier, you are not “beholding the face” of God.

Interestingly, another word for “face” is “countenance.” The American Heritage Dictionary says that “countenance” is the “*Aspect; appearance; especially, the expression of the face.*” But the definition goes on to say, “*A look or expression of apparent encouragement ... Support or approval in general.*” The verb form of the word means “*To give or express tacit approval; condone.*”

So, the modern form of the ancient idiom would read: “God does not COUNTENANCE sinners when they sin presumptuously, when they know the truth but choose to reject it.”

Here’s another verse that phrases the same “face” concept in a more poetic style:

*16. Make your face to SHINE upon your servant: save me for your mercies’ sake.*

– Psalms 31:16

And to take that analogy of light to a logical end, anyone whom God’s countenance is not SHINING upon is in spiritual DARKNESS.

*12. Then spoke Jesus again to them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that follows me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of (spiritual) life.*

– John 8:12

*30. And cast the unprofitable servant out into the outer darkness: there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.*

– Matthew 25:30

These verses show that some people who have access to the “light” of God’s Kingdom choose to rebel against it and are “cast out into outer darkness” (spiritual darkness away from God’s face).

“Outer darkness” is not a physical, geographical location where the sun doesn’t shine. It is not a mystical state waiting to appear at a mythical “end of the world.” No! “Spiritual darkness” equates to being outside Christ’s PRESENT Kingship; without spiritual eyes and ears; blind and deaf to the truth. Some people are in the light, “beholding the face of God,” and other people are in outer darkness (outside the Reign of Christ). God does not countenance those who prefer spiritual darkness.

## CONCLUSION

Don’t underestimate the power of superstition in childish minds, for it is the power of suggestion. With it the Illusionists of religion trick people just like stage magicians with their sleight-of-hand. If they get you to believe in ghosts, then the door in your mind is open for them to deceive you with a myriad of other tricks.

Superstition (belief in ghosts) is mind control. That’s the power of Witchcraft and Sorcery. That’s what churchcraft is about. There is good reason why God condemns Witchcraft and Sorcery in the harshest terms. He doesn’t condemn it for its claimed powers. Rather, He condemns it be-

cause it puts stumbling stones in the path of his people ... and history proves that Israel people have a spiritual predisposition – a susceptibility – to superstition like Sorcery. So, while Sorcery is false, it does divert many people off onto wrong paths that cause them to lose sight of the right path of God.

Holy spirit (righteous motive) is a spiritual gift from God. If you have it, you have a valuable treasure. If you discover you can see through the deception of “ghosts” and “incarnations,” then thank God for giving you holy spirit. He has given you eyes to see the King and the Kingdom.

But if you let yourself fall for ghost stories and magic acts by the Illusionists of religion to cloud your thinking, then you are lost in outer darkness. Your perception of God is wrong. The god you follow, and the salesmen who promote him, are all liars and undependable. Your perceived god pretends to be his own son, and he needs legions of ghosts – lesser gods – to help him because he can’t handle the job on his own.

Paul said that he does not “beat the air” (i.e., a fighter’s terminology meaning to swing and miss).

*26. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beats the air:*

– 1 Cor. 9:26

Are you beating the air in a battle with the fantasies of your mind?

*1. The wicked flee when no man pursues; but the righteous are bold as a lion.”*

Proverbs 28:1

Would you like to have better confidence in your ability to understand God’s Word? **Give up the Ghost!**

Get rid of a huge stumbling block. You’ll find that the Bible actually makes sense. You can discover greater truths about your Creator and his creation ... including yourself!

Give up the Ghost and rejoice in true holy spirit and truth!

