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Anti Christian Deception The Da Vinci Code

JESUS IS THE DELIVERER

THE DA VINCI CODE

Well now, I guess that I've heard it all. A local pastor has rented a theater and paid for his congregation of 2000 to go see the Da Vinci Code! Pastor Mike Smith says, "He wants his people to see this blasphemous depiction of Jesus Christ so that they can answer people when they question them about this demonic-Antichrist film!" May God have mercy upon the ensnared people who sit under the ignorance of some that stand behind pulpits today. (2 Cor. 11:13-15), "For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. 14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. 15 Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works."

BEWITCHMENTS AND BLASPHEMY

The apostle Paul was absolutely amazed when he returned to the Galatian Church to find those people that he had taught about Jesus totally bewitched. He asked them, (Gal 3:1), "O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?" Paul saw that these Christians were being led blindly and unresistingly onto their own destruction. That is, foolish for having yielded to the influence of the false teachers, and for having embraced doctrines that tended to subvert the gospel of the Redeemer. ¹ They had shown it in a remarkable manner in rejecting the doctrine of the apostles, and in embracing the errors into which they had

fallen.

DO PEOPLE LOOK AT SIN AND BLASPHEMY TO UNDERSTAND IT?

Would Pastor Smith's congregation have need to be taken to a brothel, bar or a coven of witches, see pornography on the internet, so that they could argue against such things? Pastor Smith's peoples' minds and spirits will be filled with lies, deceptions and bewitchments from this obviously brainless move. God only knows the evil subliminals that will be embedded in their minds. They will also be filled with demonic powers that will blind their eyes and bind their spiritual wills to doubt and disbelief in the truth of Who Jesus Christ really is and His purpose to save their souls. When Christians walk on Satan's territory, they are certainly open for his devices. The Bible says, "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded," (Jam. 4:7-8).

We are certainly in the midst of the "great falling away." The Word of God warns, "Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God," (2 Thess 2:3-4). I feel the breath of Jesus Christ at the door.

Unfortunately, many Christians, who once served Jesus Christ, are now running after preachers that are promising them "things" or "self worth" instead of the true Gospel of Jesus. Jesus is truly the picture that is shown in (Rev 3:20), of standing at the door knocking to come in. He is not the center of many churches today. Christian ministers' are sent by God to preach the gospel and Jesus. Jesus is suppose to be the focus of the gospel and His blood sacrifice is the only way back to God, the Father. The Da Vinci Code denies, defiles and corrupts the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This non-Christian movie is completely engrossed in infidel motivations and inspired by the Devil. Do not be deceived. This book and movie are written for the purpose of misrepresentation of the Godhood and the blood sacrifice of the real Jesus and the denial of His resurrection.

Why are Christian people running after ministers who are not telling them the truth? I believe there are many who want to have the spirit of the world and religion. Freedom is having a false sense of security because they attend a liberal church that does not demand them to live according to the Word of God. Many still want to sin

and would rather live as hypocrites and so they choose ministers who do not preach the Word. So, according to the Word, the people will pick out the false teachers. However, the Word of God warns, (2 Tim 4:3-4), “For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; 4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.”

WHAT IS THE DA VINCI CODE?

The Da Vinci Code is a novel by American author Dan Brown that was published in 2003 by Doubleday Fiction. It is a worldwide bestseller with sales of more than 40 million copies (as of March 2006) and has been translated into 44 languages. Combining the detective, thriller and conspiracy theory genres, the book is part two of a trilogy that started with Brown's 2000 novel *Angels and Demons*, which introduced the character Robert Langdon. In November 2004, Random House published a "Special Illustrated Edition," with 160 illustrations interspersed with the text.

The plot of the novel involves a conspiracy by the Catholic Church to cover up the "true" story of Jesus. The Vatican knows it is living a lie but does so to keep itself in power. The novel has helped generate popular interest in speculation concerning the Holy Grail legend and the role of Mary Magdalene in the history of Christianity. Fans have lauded the book as creative, action-packed and thought-provoking. Critics have attacked it as inaccurate, sacrilegious and poorly written and decry the many negative implications about the Catholic Church and Opus Dei.

False teachers proudly demote Jesus Christ. This in itself is bad enough, but as we have seen, they take it a step farther. They belittle and invalidate the cross as they deny that it is our way of redemption.

The Bible has this to say about the cross in (1 Cor. 1:18), “For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.” Look at (Col. 3), “And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, 14 having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.”

How were our sins taken out of the way? Look now at (Col. 1: 21) “And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled. 22 in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and

blameless, and above reproach in His sight.” According to this passage, did Jesus sacrifice His body or His spirit to reconcile us? We were reconciled from our wicked works in the body of His flesh through death.

(Rom. 10:9), says, “if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.” The Bible says that you must believe that Jesus was raised from the dead. (Rom. 8:3) tells us that Jesus Christ condemned sin in the flesh. (1 Pet. 3), says, “For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit.”

FALLING AWAY

The Apostle Paul warns of the spread of heresy from the Christian faith. The word Apostasy conveys the particular idea of falling away, a withdrawal, a defection from the faith. Paul goes on to say in the scriptures, “Let no man deceive you by any means; for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition,” (I Thess. 2:3). The Bible shows in (II Thess. 2) the last days that a spirit of “strong delusion” will overtake the whole world. Have you noticed that “another Jesus, another Gospel,” is being preached everywhere?

Those who have followed the leadership of men whose minds have been darkened by the powers of the god of this world, must repent. (2 Cor. 4:4), “In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.”

Many have been awaiting for the Lord to return. Will you be absent when He comes back for His bride without spot or wrinkle? (Rev 22:17). “And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.”

CLOSED EYES AND EARS

“For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them, But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear,” (Matt. 13:15-16).

Adam Clarke's Commentary describes this Scripture and it seems to fit the condition of many churches today.

[Heart is waxed gross] *Epachunthee*, is become fat-inattentive, stupid, insensible. They hear heavily with their ears-are half asleep while the salvation of God is preached unto them.

[Their eyes they have closed] Totally and obstinately resisted the truth of God, and shut their eyes against the light.

[Lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.] Lest they should see their lost estate, and be obliged to turn unto God, and seek his salvation. His state is truly deplorable who is sick unto death, and yet is afraid of being cured. The fault is here totally in the people, and not at all in that God whose name is Mercy and whose nature is love. ²

SATAN'S CAPTIVES

Satan has tremendous control over his captives. He can control them completely. The Bible says, "But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost; In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them," (II Cor. 4:3-4).

The Christian Church is filled with backsliding Christians. Backsliding is turning gradually, voluntarily, or insensibly from the knowledge, faith, love, and profession of God, after having once entered into a covenant relationship with Him.

Some Christians open themselves to demonic attack by backsliding. The Word of God says, "The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways: and a good man shall be satisfied from himself," (Prov. 14:14). If a Christian backslides, grows cold in allegiance to Jesus Christ, Satan will come and first tempt that person to do wrong. As the temptation is obeyed, and opens a doorway appears for a spirit to enter and take control. The Christian will fall into great darkness and sin.

Dear Brothers and Sisters. Paul says, "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?" (2 Cor. 13:5).

The Apostle Paul writes about Christians' backsliding in (I Tim. 2:25,26), "Holding faith and a good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith have made shipwreck: of whom in Hymanaes and Alexander, whom I have delivered

unto Satan, that they may learn not to blaspheme?" The sinner is a horrible teacher.

There are conditions for a successful deliverance from demons. Absolute honesty, humility and a willingness to turn from and confess all known sins. A person must renounce of all contact with evil spirits, such as, contacts with witchcraft, sexual sins, the forgiving of all other persons. The complete surrender of every area of the life to the Lordship of Jesus Christ is necessary.

WHAT IS SALVATION?

We must lead a person to the definite accepting of Jesus Christ, if he has not already done this, before we pray for healing or deliverance. If there is no clear testimony to salvation, we first ask him to invite Jesus Christ into his heart orally, to reaffirm his faith (Rev. 3:20), "Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved," (Acts 2:21).

Salvation rests in the finished work of the son of God, Jesus Christ. For further consideration of this truth, we should examine the words of the Apostle Peter contained in (Acts 4:10-12). "Then all of you and all the people of Israel should know that it was in the name of Jesus Christ, the Nazarene whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead; in His name this man stands before you healed. He is the 'stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone'. There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved."

An example prayer for salvation. If anyone will accept the truth of these scriptures and realize that theirs is an incomplete profession of faith for salvation, the following prayer, prayed in faith, will bring one into a saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ and into eternal life.

"Holy Father, I am a sinner. I am hell bound, I believe, and I am wholly convinced, that Jesus Christ died for my sins. I now confess with my mouth that Jesus is Lord. I confess in my heart that you have raised Him from the dead. I repent of all my sins, both of commission and omission. Jesus, come into my life and reign as my Lord and as my Savior. Thank you Father for saving my soul. Amen."

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May God grant the intercessors rise up to pray for the back slidden, bewitched and deceived who are being placated by strange preachers who do not know the Word of God.

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