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Part I: The Definition of Apostolic

The word Apostle appears in the Bible 60 times. What is an Apostle? When Jesus selected the twelve men that he would teach, He called them *Disciples*. According to Merriam Webster's Dictionary, a disciple is a; **"Convinced adherent of a school or individual."** Therefore, a disciple is an individual that is under teaching or training. So again, we ask ourselves, *what is an Apostle?*

Transparency 1: What Is An Apostle? (SEE PG. 50)

NT:652- Strong's- Apostle

apostolos (ap-os'-tol-os); from NT:649; a delegate; specially, an ambassador of the Gospel; officially a commissioner of Christ ["apostle"] (with miraculous powers):

KJV - apostle, messenger, he that is sent.

We can deduce two things from the above definition:

1. **They are sent**
2. **They are specially empowered**

The nature of them being sent suggests that their process of training has been completed. Having been approved of Christ, He sends them forth with a commission:

Luke 14:23

23 And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.

Matt 10:8

8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.

Mark 16:15

15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

We also see that Christ empowered the Apostles with miraculous powers.

Mark 16:17-18

17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

Acts 5:12

12 And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch.

According to the record of the book of Acts, 120 adherents were gathered together in an upper room in 33A.D. in the town of Jerusalem; obeying the command of Jesus Christ when He told them in chapter 1:

Acts 1:4

4 And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

This church was built upon the promises, and exact teaching that Christ taught His Disciples, and sent them out to undertake. The original church was not founded upon the Apostles, but rather, upon the teaching that they were given. We understand that we have:

1. **A Foundation-** Teaching of the Apostles
2. **A Cornerstone-** Jesus Christ

1. What is the foundation of the Church?**Isaiah 28:16**

16 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.

1 Corinthians 3:11

*11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, **which is Jesus Christ**.*

2 Timothy 2:19

*19 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one **that nameth the name of Christ** depart from iniquity.*

We see that there is a foundation for the true church, and that foundation is Jesus Christ. We must therefore build all that we do upon the name of Jesus Christ.

Colossians 3:17

17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

We furthermore see that the teaching went forth through the avenue of the Apostles. As Revelation describes the New Jerusalem, it allows us to see a cross section of its construction:

Revelation 21:14

14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

Transparency 2: Foundation Stones of the Early Church (SEE PG. 51)

Main Entry: **Foundation**

Function: noun

Date: 14th century

1: the act of founding

2: a basis (as a tenet, principle, or axiom) upon which something stands or is supported *the foundations of geometry* *the rumor is without foundation in fact*

4: an underlying base or support; especially : the whole masonry substructure of a building

5a : a body or ground upon which something is built up

We can deduce that the number twelve in Rev. 21:14 is in direct relationship to the Apostles, hence the wording '*and in them the names of the twelve Apostles.*' The above definition describes a foundation as a 'basis upon which something stands or is supported.' Our basis, or foundation for our doctrine, denomination, or religion, must be the Word of God and it's direct teaching. Custom, traditions of man, or popular idea, can never be trusted as an axiom for belief; nor can we found, establish, or create a church based upon these.

3. What Apostolic Is Not- Transparency #3 (SEE PG. 52)

- A. It is not a denomination
- B. It is not a cult
- C. It is not an organization

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PART II: The Need For Doctrine

The word **Apostolic** means of the Apostles, or rather, of their teaching. We as Apostolics, stand upon that original teaching directly given to the 12 disciples, later called Apostles, and carried out through the early church. Through time, man has tried to change and interject his own philosophy into doctrinal teaching, however, concerning doctrine, the Bible is very clear:

Proverbs 4:2

2 For I give you good doctrine, forsake ye not my law.

Isaiah 28:9-11

9 Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts.

10 For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:

Precept = a commandment

Line = A cord, as connecting, especially for measuring.

This next verse, shows a definite spiritual identity, Holy Ghost filled believers

11 For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.

Matthew 22:33

33 And when the multitude heard this, they were astonished at his doctrine.

John 7:16-17

16 Jesus answered them, and said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.

17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.

John 18:19

19 The high priest then asked Jesus of his disciples, and of his doctrine.

Acts 2:42

42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

Acts 13:12

12 Then the deputy, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the doctrine of the Lord.

1 Timothy 4:13

13 Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.

1 Tim 4:16

16 Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.

1 Tim 5:17

17 Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine.

2 John 9-10

9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.

10 If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed:

What Is Doctrine? Transparency # 4 (SEE PG. 53)

NT:1322- **Doctrine**

didache (did-akh-ay'); from NT:1321; instruction

KJV - doctrine, hath been taught.

Many say today that to adhere to a set code of rules and regulations is too legalistic. Yet the Bible says:

Prov 1:2-5

2 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;

4 To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.

5 A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

Prov 1:7

7 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

I have often heard the word *fanatic* used in reference to Christians who read the Bible often, or go to church frequently, or live by the disciplines of the word of God. Let's look at this word more closely.

Main Entry: **Fanatic**

Marked by excessive enthusiasm and often intense uncritical devotion

they're fanatic about politics

The main difference between we *Fanatics* and the world, is that we direct our excessive enthusiasm towards the God who redeemed us by His blood, and they direct their energies towards the things that they worship or esteem.

Matt 6:21

21 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

From all historical accounts, the early church was very much given to discipline, and very pious about the precepts taught in God's word. Great men such as the disciples were willing to lay down their lives for the gospel's sake. Someone might argue that God doesn't want me to have any fun. Others might say that we've got to change with the times, however, what God required for the early church, He requires for all time. More on this will be dealt with later in this study.

The Problem of Orthodoxy Transparency # 5 (SEE PG. 54)

Main Entry: **Orthodox**

1 a : conforming to established doctrine especially in religion b :

CONVENTIONAL

2 capitalized : of, relating to, or constituting any of various conservative religious or political groups; as a : EASTERN ORTHODOX b : of or relating to Orthodox Judaism.

You have probably at one time or another heard the term *orthodox* used in relation to the church or church practices. In theory, it could be argued that we should all adhere to orthodoxy. However, the common train of thought on this, is that all doctrine should conform to the most widely accepted teachings across the scope of all churches. Majority rules, right? Well, that all depends on who is setting the rules. If we hold that man is the absolute authority in church matters, and that he alone determines what doctrinal teaching we should use, then you must accept man's orthodoxy. A good example of this is found at the Roman Catholic Council of Trent in 1870, where they tried to determine man's supremacy over the Bible.

“All versions of the Holy Bible in any vernacular language made by Non-Catholics are prohibited, and especially those published by the Bible Societies, which have more than once condemned by the Roman Pontiffs, because in them the wise laws of the church concerning the publication of sacred books are entirely disregarded.” (LEO XII)

Modern Ecumenicalism is teaching that we should all accept everyone's belief system.

Freemasonry teaches that all that are accepted within their order must accept each other's beliefs regardless of what they believe in. Even President Bush, after September 11th made the statement that we should not disapprove of the practices of our Muslim brethren; totally disregarding the fact that Muslims, which practice the words of the Koran, believe that Jews and Christians are infidels and should be killed.

You see, orthodoxy may sound like a wonderful thing, and it may not be popular to be called *unorthodox*, however we should not purpose to be acceptable through the eyes of man, but through the litmus test of the word of God.

True orthodoxy should be that the Bible sets the precedent for all doctrine and practice. As we have tried to show, only Apostolic Doctrine was

espoused by the scriptures, and should continue to be our rule of faith and guide in all standards of living.

2 Tim 3:15-17

15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

KJV

Transparency #6 (SEE PG. 55)

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PART III: Repentance

Luke 13:3-5

3 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

4 Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem?

5 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

Jonah 3:8-9

8 But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto God: yea, let them turn every one from his evil way, and from the violence that is in their hands.

9 Who can tell if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not?

Matt 3:2

2 And saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Mark 6:12

12 And they went out, and preached that men should repent.

Luke 13:3

3 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

Acts 3:19

19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

Acts 17:30

30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

Acts 2:38

*38 Then Peter said unto them, **Repent**, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.*

Luke 24:46-47

46 And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:

*47 And that **repentance** and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.*

NT:3341- **Repentance**

etanoia, metanoias, hee

a change of mind: Heb 12:17

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46 times in the Bible we find the word *repent*. Another 26 times we find the word *repentance*. As the definition above tells us, to repent means to have a change of mind, or turn around and go another direction.

Miriam-Webster's says :

Main Entry: **Repent**

1 : to turn from sin and dedicate oneself to the amendment of one's life

2 a : to feel regret or contrition b : to change one's mind

So we see that the act of repentance involves one turning around and dedicating one's life to a new found commitment to Jesus Christ.

We will be looking, through the next few sections, at the basic tenets of salvation. In dealing with the first tenet; repentance, we see that it is the first part of a 3 part process.

Salvation can be viewed by understanding that Jesus Christ is our pattern to follow in all things. Therefore our pattern, which Christ has laid down, is that of:

Transparency # 7 (SEE PG. 56)

1. Death
2. Burial

3. Resurrection

In this section we will be dealing with the death of our old nature, and the putting on of the new man.

The Death of the Old Man

We know that we are born into a sinful nature, and that according to the word, the end result of a life of sin is death.

Ezek 18:20

20 *The soul that sinneth, it shall die.*

Rom 6:23

23 *For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Therefore, we understand, that there is a need for a change to repeal the sentence of death that is against us through our carnal birth. If repentance is indeed a change of mind, then we must put on a new mind, and a new man. Salvation is more than just believing in God. We know this because the devils believe in God, and fear and tremble. Shall a devil be saved?

As we have already said, Jesus Christ laid down the pattern for us, and the first part of this is the element of His death.

Phil 3:10

10 *That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;*

In conforming ourselves to His death, we must also have a death experience. We do not have to physically die, but we crucify our flesh by laying it down on an alter of repentance. Our sins are to be laid down never to be returned to. There must be a blood-shed, for the Bible says;

Heb 9:22

22 *And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.*

Old And New Testament Covenants In Blood

We understand that God has laid down patterns and covenants for us. In the Old Testament, a sacrificial lamb had to be slain to repeal sin.

Transparency #8 (SEE PG. 57)

Leviticus 4:32-34: The Old Covenant

And if he bring a lamb for a sin offering, he shall bring it a female without blemish.

33And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and slay it for a sin offering in the place where they kill the burnt offering.

34And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar:

Hebrews 8:6-8: The New Covenant

6 But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.

7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.

8 For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

Transparency #9 (SEE PG. 58)

The Better Covenant explained

The writer appropriates the prophecy of Jeremiah to explain the nature and provisions of the new covenant. Under the new covenant:

(1) God put new laws in the hearts and minds of the people. (accomplished by Christ through the new birth, thus establishing the new covenant as a covenant of relationship.)

(2) He establishes a new relationship with them – “I will be to them a God, they...to me a people.”

(3) The people have a new function – teach every man...Know the Lord (v.11)

(4) And God's truth has a new outreach- "all shall know me."

(5) A new cleansing is provided, with sins and iniquities forgiven through Christ, the sacrifice and gaurunteer of the new covenant. (v.12)

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2 Cor 4:10-11

10 Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

11 For we which live are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

Serving God leaves a lasting mark on our lives. Having repented, we have in so doing, taken on a new direction in life that will affect the rest of our lives. This new direction should impact:

1. Our ideas
2. Our Speech
3. Our Thoughts
4. Our Actions

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PART IV: Baptism In The Name of Jesus Christ

In as much as we must die to the old man, there must be a burial of the old man. The old nature of man must be buried in a watery grave. I would at this point submit to you that there are three separate baptisms that the believer must undergo:

1. Baptism in the blood- [Repentance](#)
2. Baptism in the water- [Receiving His Name](#)
3. Baptism in the Spirit- [Receiving the Holy Ghost](#)

Baptism Is A Commandment

The second of these, namely the baptism in the water is an essential act, not an option, as some are teaching today. Proof of this can be found in Mark 16:16, where it says:

Mark 16:16

16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

KJV

Likewise in I Peter 3:21, where it says:

1 Peter 3:21

21 The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:`

KJV

We therefore see that baptism was not only implied by the Word, but it was in fact commanded in order to be saved. Christ, as He came up out of the water after being baptized by John, was showing us the way as our pattern for, He indeed was the way.

John 14:6

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

KJV

Primitive Baptism

As early as 30 A.D., the primitive Judaic church was implementing baptism in the name of Jesus Christ. This was the command that went out from Pentecost as the Apostle Peter answered the gathered Jews and Gentiles in Acts 2:38-39; *“Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.”*

39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.”

Where Do We Get Baptism?

NT:907 -Baptize

baptizo (bap-tid'-zo); from a derivative of NT:911; to **immerse, submerge; to make overwhelmed** (i.e. **fully wet**); (Biblesoft's New Exhaustive Strong's Numbers and Concordance with Expanded Greek-Hebrew Dictionary. Copyright (c) 1994, Biblesoft and International Bible Translators, Inc.)

Let's look at the Biblical examples of Baptism.

TRANSPARENCY #10 (SEE PG. 59)

1. At Pentecost, after hearing the words of Peter, those that stood by asked, *Men and Brethren, what shall we do?* Then Peter said unto them, *Repent, and be baptized **every one of you** in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins...* **Acts 2:38**
“Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.” KJV
2. The believers at Samaria were baptized in the name.
Acts 8:16 *“(For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.)” KJV*

3. In Acts 8:35 we find Phillip preached to the Ethiopian Eunuch, the name of Jesus Christ, and in verse 38, they *“both went down into the water, both Phillip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.”*
4. At the house of Cornelius, Peter baptized those the had received the Holy Ghost, and *“He commanded them to be baptized in the name.”* **Acts 10:48** *“And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days. KJV*
5. A group of disciples, who had been baptized by John, were rebaptised, in the name. **Acts 19:4-5** *“Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. (V5) When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.” KJV*
6. In Acts 22, Paul speaking of his conversion, testified of how Ananias told him. **Acts 22:16** *“And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.” KJV*

With the rise of the *trinity doctrine*, which was derived from the early pagan cultures of Babylon, Egypt, and Greece, the mode of Baptism began to change, and was embraced by the protestant reformers. As a result of Rome’s desire to consolidate their counter-culture and the whole of Orthodox theology, a forum convened in 325A.D., better known as the Council of Nicea. At this council, which was called to take place by emperor Constantine, they discussed what would be the official teaching of the church on the subject of baptism. (Never mind that the original church had already been baptizing as the Lord commanded them, in HIS name, for nearly 300 years!)

The central push surrounded a verse out of Matthew 28:19 which said: *“Go ye therefore into all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the son, and of the Holy Ghost.”* This verse is said to be solid evidence that there is a ‘Trinity’ of Gods. The idea of multiple persons in a triune god head had been in existence for some time. This view in theology is known as *polytheism*, or, the belief in more than one God. Although the word *trinity* is never used in the Bible, many use it today with little regard as to where it came from. More will be said about this at a later time.

If Matthew 28:19 was a new formula for baptism, then, in essence, Christ was saying: *“You know fellas, I know that I’ve just spent the last 3 years*

teaching you to honor, respect, and act, in my name. I've taught you to raise the dead, heal the sick, blind, and lame in My name. I've taught you to do all things in word or deed in My name, and that your inheritance in Heaven is through and by my name, but now, I'm telling you to stop baptizing in my name, and start using a different formula, divide My glory, and start baptizing into titles!" Now most of you with an open mind can see the foolishness of this, however this is exactly what is going on in mainstream theology. If Jesus gave his disciples a new method of baptism in Matthew 28:19, then His disciples were in gross error in Acts chapter 2 when all were present, and Peter stood and told all the people that were present, both Jews and Gentiles; believers and non-believers, to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Likewise, he would be in further error by continuing to practice baptism in Christ's name, which is exactly what the church continued to do. Again, **there was no new mode of baptism for 300 years!!**

What we must understand, is that in interpreting the Bible we must never contradict one scripture with another. Let's look at what Christ was saying.

Matt 28:17-20

17 And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted.

18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them **in the name** of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.
KJV

Let's break apart what Jesus was telling His disciples.

1. First, we see the statement, "**ALL power is given unto me.**"
According to Webster's, all is:
 - 1 : the whole of
 - 2 : every member of
 - 3 : EVERY *all manner of problems*
 - 4 : any whatever *beyond all doubt*

If Jesus said He has all power, how much is left over?

2. “**In heaven and in earth.**” I believe that the statement of heaven and earth is binary. Not only is Jesus the master in both places, but He is also master carnally and spiritually. Of things in the carnal realm, He reigns supreme, for He is the ‘*King of Kings, and Lord of Lords.*’ Of things relating to the Spirit, it says:

1 Peter 3:21-4:1

21 The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

22 Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

3. “**Go ye therefore...**” This statement implores us to consider what has just been said, and act accordingly. In essence; “All the power is mine, so you act in me and demonstrate the power of my name.” According to all historical documents written on the early church, the practice was to act in the name of Jesus Christ, and baptism was no exception.
4. “**In THE name.**” We must look at the terminology of the text. It would be improper to say, *in the names* of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, without mentioning every name when we baptize. Yet those who believe that Matthew 28:19 suggests persons or personal individual identities, believe that we must attach each one of these subheadings individually. If this is the case, then for example, if we are going to use the names of the Father, then we would attach:
 1. Psalm 68:5- Father of the fatherless
 2. II Cor. 1:3- Father of mercies
 3. Eph. 1:17- Father of glory
 4. Hebrews 12:9- Father of spirits
 2. James 1:17- Father of Lights

Can you just imagine the confusion upon getting baptized, when the preacher says; “*Jerry, I now, according to Matthew 28:19, baptize you in the name of the Father, and the father of the fatherless, and the father of mercies, and the father of glory, and the father of spirits, and the father of*

lights; and of the son, the son of David, the son of Abraham, the son of man, the son of God, the son of Mary, the son of the Highest; and of the Holy Ghost, the Holy Spirit, the quickening spirit, the spirit of promise, the comforter...”

Transparency #11 (SEE PG. 60)

In fact, there are many names for our God, for instance; look at Isaiah 9:6:

Isa 9:6

*6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his **name shall be called** Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. KJV*

The terminology of the text, however, is that the single **name** is to be used, and that in this single name resides all the power represented by each dispensational revelation. God has revealed Himself as each quotient of the equation, and given us a single powerful name to act through, Jesus Christ. The titles Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, are then merely adjectives that describe the noun, or direct object of the sentence. The direct object is Jesus Christ.

Historical Accounts of Baptism

Transparency #12 (SEE PG 61)

1. Encyclopedia Biblica (1899 V.I Pg 473): “It is natural to conclude that baptism was administered in the earliest times ‘in the name of Jesus Christ’ or in that ‘of the Lord Jesus.’” This view is confirmed by the fact that the earliest forms of the baptismal confession appear to have been single, not triple, as was the later creed.”
2. The New Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge (1951 V.I Pg 435): “The New Testament knows only baptism in the name of Jesus, which still occurs even in the 2nd and 3rd centuries.”
3. New International Encyclopedia Vol. 22: “The term ‘Trinity’ was originated by Tertullian, a Catholic church father.”

4. *Encyclopedia Britannica 11th Edition Vol. 3*: “The baptismal formula was changed from the name of Jesus Christ, to the words, *Father, Son, and Holy Ghost* by the Catholic church in the 2nd century.”

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PART V: The Baptism in the Holy Ghost

The third tenet of the salvation process is the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. John spoke of this in Luke 3:16:

John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire:

The Holy Ghost is mentioned in the Bible 90 times. Jesus foretold of what was to come when:

Acts 1:4-5 (King James Version)

4 And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

A Baptism of Fire Transparency # 13 (SEE PG. 62)

Luke 3:16 called the Holy Ghost a baptism of fire. Since we know that, as we have discussed, baptize means to be fully immersed; to be baptized with the Holy Ghost, means to be fully immersed, or overcome by the Holy Ghost.

NT: 4442 – Fire – pur

Genitive puros(probably from Sanskrit pu, “to purify” (from Thayer’s Greek Lexicon).

The Greek word for fire is pur, pronounced Pure, from which we get our modern pure. This indeed is true, for the Holy Ghost is a purifying agent.

Matthew 3:11-12

11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance. but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:

12 Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

How Do We Know We Have Received the Holy Ghost?

The beginning of the early church was when the Holy Ghost was poured out in the upper room in Jerusalem in 30 AD. The birth date for the believer into the body of Christ, is when he is resurrected from the grave of the old man, and risen a new man; evidenced by *speaking in tongues*.

Acts 10:45-46

45 And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.

46 For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter,

Acts 2:3-4

3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

In every case in which people are said to have received the Holy Ghost, tongues are said to be the sign that one has received. Today, over 2,000 years later, things are still the same. Jesus wants to fill everyone, everywhere with His spirit.

Who Is the Holy Ghost For?

Acts 2:39

39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the LORD our God shall call.

In Acts chapter 19, we will see that the Baptism of the Holy Ghost is for those that have believed in the Lord, yet have not received. Believing in Jesus Christ is the first step. The Spirit of God will draw you, however, all must be filled in order to be saved:

John 3:5-6

5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Acts 19:1-2, 6

1 And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples,

2 He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost.

6 And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.

The Reason For the Holy Ghost Transparency # 14 (SEE PG. 63)

1. Power
2. It Leads Us Into All Truth
3. We Are Liberated By the Holy Ghost

Historical Accounts of the Holy Ghost Outpouring

Transparency # 15 (SEE PG. 64)

731 A.D. – Bede found tongues speaking among the Indo-European tribes. (Bede, XII, pp. 15-16, English History, page 148).

Catholic Encyclopedia, Vol. 14, pg. 776-777- St. Francis Xavier preached with tongues. St. Vincent ferry was one of the greatest missionaries since the Apostle Paul, and spoke tongues and did many miracles. (Vol. 6, page 234).

1520-1532- Apostolic Pentecostalism with it's integral tongues speaking was all through Luther's and Zwingli's Europe. (W. Horton, pp. 97-138).

1685-1909- There were countless Holy Ghost outpourings, and manifestations of gifts. Flaming tongues of the Casmarids were heard, which were prophets of the Cevenes. (P. Shaff pg. 237; V. Synan, pg. 164; M.P. Hamilton, pg. 89).

1728-1731 A.D. - 600 recorded miracles.

1802 A.D. - Vermont had a Shaker's tongues outpouring.

1803 A.D. - Casmarid tongues speaking erupted in Europe. (Knox, p. 557). Glossalalia in many organizations made history in 1803-1830 in Britain. (Knox pp. 550-560).

1856 A.D. – More than 160,000 tongues speakers in America. (Blunt, p. 467). Quakers had the Holy Ghost. Most denied the trinity.

1901 A.D. – The famed Topeka, Kansas outpouring. The glossalalia phenomenon became amplified. (F.J. Foster, *Think It Not Strange*, p. 25.)

1904-1909 A.D. – There was a mighty Holy Ghost outpouring among the Welsh. (M.P. Hamilton, pg. 96).

1914-1916 A.D. – Oneness revival swept throughout the southern U.S.

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PART VI: Holiness

One of the most controversial subjects today is the subject of holiness. God's word is our book of standards that outline for us God's expectations. We are, in it's pages, given a clear path to follow to live a Godly life; pleasing and acceptable to Him.

Hebrews 12:14-15 (King James Version)

14 Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:

15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled;

What Is Holiness?

Holiness- (Thayer's)

1. consecration, purification
2. The effect of consecration, sanctification of the heart and life.

Merriam Webster's Dictionary says this about holiness:

1. exalted or worthy of complete devotion as one perfect in goodness and righteousness.
2. divine: for the Lord our God is holy- Psalms 99:9
3. devoted entirely to the duty or the work of a duty
4. having a divine quality of holy love.

The word holiness is in the Bible 43 times

The word holy is in the Bible 611 times.

God's Holiness In Relationship To His Deity

Lev 19:2

2 Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be holy: for I the Lord your God am holy.

Lev 21:8

8 ...for I the Lord, which sanctify you, am holy.

Rev 4:8

8 And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within; and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

God's Holiness In Relationship To His Humanity

Rev 1:13

13 And In the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.

Deuteronomy 14:2

2 For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God, and the LORD hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto himself, above all the nations that are upon the earth.

The way of Holiness

Isaiah 35:8

8 And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.

(SEE PG. 65)

How Does Holiness Pertain To Us Today? Transparency # 16



Can You See The Difference In These 2 Images?

These images should be familiar to all of us. They are used universally to distinguish a man from a woman. Likewise, God's word gives us distinguishing qualities to live by.

A MAN'S APPAREL

Exodus 28:42 "And thou shalt make them linen breeches to cover their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach:" KJV

Exodus 28:42 "And you shall make for them linen trousers to cover their nakedness; they shall reach from the waist to the thighs." NKJV

Breeches OT:4370 miknac - trousers; a priestly undergarment of linen
(from *The Online Bible Thayer's Greek Lexicon and Brown Driver & Briggs Hebrew Lexicon*, Copyright (c)1993, Woodside Bible Fellowship, Ontario, Canada. Licensed from the Institute for Creation Research.)

Breeches = A: short pants covering the hips and thighs and fitting snugly at the lower edges at or just below the knee

B : PANTS

(Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary)

A Woman's Apparel

1 Timothy 2:9-10

In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;

10 But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

1 Timothy 2:9-10 (NIV)

9 I also want women to dress modestly, with decency and propriety, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or expensive clothes, 10 but with good deeds, appropriate for women who profess to worship God.

A. Modest – Well arranged, seemly. (Thayer's)

B. Apparel – Properly, a lowering, letting down, in Biblical Greek twice, a garment let down, dress, attire. (Thayer's)

C. Shamefacedness – A sense of shame, modesty. (Thayer's)

D. Sobriety – Self control. (Thayer's)

Transparency # 17-18 (SEE PGS. 66-67)

Other Verses On Holiness

2 Corinthians 7:1

Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Hebrews 12:10

10 For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness.

1 Peter 2:9

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light;

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PART VII: The Oneness of God

We must first understand, that there are two main concepts we are dealing with, namely; God is one, or, God is plural.

The view that God is one is known as ***Monotheism***; taken from the Greek *monos* (alone), and *theos*, the study of God.

The view that God is a plurality is known as ***Polytheism***; taken from the Greek *poly* (many), and *theos*.

Deuteronomy 6:4

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:

Some Key Verses

Deuteronomy 4:35

Unto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that the LORD he is God; there is none else beside him.

Psalms 83:18

That men may know that thou, whose name alone is JEHOVAH, art the most high over all the earth.

John 5:45-46

Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust.

46 For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me; for he wrote of me.

2 Corinthians 5:18-19

And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

Transparency # 19 (SEE PG. 68)

The Prayer Shawl – God Our Covering

The prayer shawl worn by Jews has a great significance to us today. It symbolizes wrapping oneself in the mercy of God.

Transparency #20 (SEE PG. 69)

Numbers 15:38-41

38 Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid them that they make them fringes in the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe of the borders a ribband of blue:

39 And it shall be unto you for a fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the LORD, and do them ; and that ye seek not after your own heart and your own eyes, after which ye use to go a whoring:

40 That ye may remember, and do all my commandments, and be holy unto your God.

41 I am the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I am the LORD your God.

One God For Every Need

Colossians 2:9-10

9For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

10And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

1 Timothy 3:16

16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the

world, received up into glory.

If the Bible Teaches Multiple Persons in the Godhead, Who Is the Creator??

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning **God created** the heaven and the earth.

Ephesians 3:9

And to make **all** men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who **created all things** by **Jesus Christ**:

If the Bible Teaches Multiple Persons in the Godhead, Who Is the Savior??

Titus 2:10

10 Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of **God our Saviour in all things.**

Titus 3:4-6

4 But after that the kindness and love of **God our Saviour** toward man appeared,

5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

6 Which he shed on us abundantly through **Jesus Christ our Saviour**;

If the Bible Teaches Multiple Persons in the Godhead, Who Will Set On the Throne??

Rev 4:2

2And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.

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PART VIII: Historical Apostolics

This lesson centers on some of the key players in Apostolic History. Let's start by looking at some of the terms.

Some Key Terms: Transparency #21 (SEE PG. 70)

1. **Apostolic** – The direct teaching of the Apostles, as given them by Jesus Christ.
2. **Anabaptism** – The process of re-baptizing someone. Apostolics would always re-baptize converts out of Rome's mode into the Acts 2 formula.
3. **Arianism** – Adhering to the oneness teachings of Arius (290-335 A.D.)
4. **Donatism** – Adhering to the oneness teaching of Donotus.
5. **Kerygma** – Apostolic teaching of Acts 2:38.
6. **Modalistic Monarchians** – One God doctrine. One mode of worshipping one Monarch – God. It was the Dueteronomy 6:4 godhead belief of Acts 2:38.
7. **Monotheism** – The belief of one God, or one person in the godhead as in Duet. 6:4.
8. **Pricillianism** – A tongues speaking variation of Oneness Pentecostalism. Pricilla, a tongues speaker, was in Montanus' church, hence the name.

9. **Patripassionism** – Means, the Father Himself suffered. It denies Rome's trinity idea. It denotes Acts 2:38 doctrine in a Jesus only sense. It was the same as Judaic – Christian Monotheism. It went with Duet 6:4.
10. **Samosatenes** – Paul of Samosata founded Samosatenism. They were also called Paulianists. They hold Acts 2 tenets, as well as a Judaic Godhead doctrine. Blunt, on page 516 classified him as a Sabellian – Monarchian with Acts 2:38 teaching.

Important Players

Transparency # 22 (SEE PG. 71)

1. **Noetus** – Born in Smyrna in Asia Minor around 130 A.D. He attempted to stop the Trinitarian Logos doctrine from entering Smyrna. Quoted as saying:

“There exists one and the same being called Father and Son, not one derived from the other, but himself from himself, nominally called Father and Son, according to the changing of times; and that this one is he that appeared to the patriarchs, and submitted to birth from a virgin, and conversed as man among men. On account of His birth that had taken place, he confessed Himself to be the son to those that saw Him, while to those who could receive it, he did not hide the fact that he was Father.”
2. **Praxeus – 150-220 A.D.** – Played an important part in keeping the Roman district from becoming entangled in the teaching of Montanism and trinitarianism for nearly 32 years. He then sailed to Carthage and preached there, standing for the truth of the Oneness Doctrine. Influenced Sabellius.
3. **Sabellius – 180-257 A.D.** – Born in the ancient city of Ptolemais. He held that the father and Son were the same divine individual., (God manifested in the flesh). He considered the Trinitarian ‘Logos’ teaching to require another substance and another god. He held Jesus to be God and the Father incarnate. Preached throughout Europe and Africa.

4. **Paul of Samasota – 269 A.D. -?-** Held the Oneness of God without the distinction of persons. He was a Judaic Christian that embraced Acts 2:38.
5. **Wolflien – 320 –340 A.D.-** One of the greatest Apostolic preachers. He translated the early Gothic Bible. He baptized, or caused to be baptized, millions among the Indo-European tribes, to be immersed in Jesus name. (H. Daniel Rops. Page 110).
6. **Michael Servetus –** Lived around 1460-1500 A.D. Burned at the stake by John calvin for writing “The Errors of the trinity.” He was stated as saying that there is no other person of God than Christ.

Transparency #23 (SEE PG. 72)

Modern Thinkers

1. **Charles F. Parham – 1873-1929 –** Founded the school of the prophets in Topeka, KS. In 1901. His student, Agnes Osman received the Holy Ghost on Jan. 1, 1901, and in the next few days, he and 34 of his students were filled, sparking the first North American outpouring of the 20th century. He joined Willian Seymour in Los Angeles in 1906 during the Azuza revival.
2. **William Seymour – 1870-1922 –** Prominent early Pentecostal leader and Pastor of the Azuza Street Mission (1906-1909).
3. **G.T. Haywood – 1880-1931 –** Pastor, church executive, and songwriter. He was a general secretary of the PAW. Wrote the song, “I See A Crimson Stream of Blood.”
4. **Frank J. Ewart – 1876-1947 –** One of the first 20th century Pentecostals to preach the Oneness of God in the U.S. Author of “The Phenomenon of Pentecost.”

5. Nathaniel Urshan – 1920-present- General superintendent of the UPC from 1978-2003.

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PART VIV: The Issue of Separation

This lesson, we will deal with the controversial subject of separation from the world. In an earlier lesson, we dealt with holiness; which is setting certain standards to live by. Now, we deal with the general idea of separating ourselves from things around us that are detrimental to our walk with God. In some cases, it may be necessary to separate ourselves from certain people that may cause us to fall into trouble.

2 Corinthians 6:14-18

14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

The word separate is in the Bible 32 times

Transparency #24 (SEE PG. 73)

Separate – aphorize- to set off by boundary, limit, exclude.

Ephesians 5:11

11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.

How Do We Peacefully Co-Exist?

Hebrews 12:13-14

13 And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.

14 Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:

Hebrews 12:1

1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

We each have a great responsibility to the unchurched around us. To many, we are the only representation of the truth that they will ever see. We have an opportunity to influence them. Many feel pressure to fit in with those they work with, or go to school with. You will NEVER win a lost person to Christ, by coming down lower than His word teaches to befriend them. Likewise, we must maintain a right spirit towards them.

Matt 10:16

16 Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.

3 Important Directives

Transparency # 25 (SEE PG. 74)

1. Our position must be clear
2. Our impact must be positive
3. Our goal must be Heaven

1 Thess 4:7

7 For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.

James 4:4

know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

Attitude Check

1. We should not have a separatist attitude.

Prov 16:18

18 Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.

Isa 65:5

5 Which say, Stand by thyself, come not near to me; for I am holier than thou. These are a smoke in my nose, a fire that burneth all the day.

Isa 2:11-12

11 The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day.

12 For the day of the LORD of hosts shall be upon every one that is proud and lofty, and upon every one that is lifted up; and he shall be brought low:

2. We should be careful not to offend.

Matt 18:6

6 But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea

Offend = Sin, transgress.

To cause discomfort and pain.

Our Purpose In This Life

1. To Obtain Heaven

John 14:3

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

2. To Win the Lost

Matt 10:7-8

7 And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.

8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.

3. To Be An Example of Christ

2 Cor 3:2-3

2 Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men:

Epistle = Something That Is Written

1 Cor 3:3

3 For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?

Transparency # 26 (SEE PG. 76)

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PART X: Miracles, Signs, and Wonders

One of the greatest attributes of the Apostolic faith, is the manifestation of miracles; in our lives, and by our hands.

Miracle: An extraordinary event manifesting divine intervention in human affairs.

One definition is a *suspension of natural laws*.

Transparency #27 (Suspensions of Natural Law) (SEE PG. 77)

The book of Daniel foretold of the Holy Ghost empowered church of the last day...

Daniel 11:32

And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries; but the people that do know their God **shall be strong, and do exploits.**

Jesus Christ commanded us to go forth and do the same things He had done, and more!

Matthew 10:8

Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: **freely** ye have received, **freely give.**

He gave US power at Pentecost!

Acts 1:8

8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

12 And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch.

Some people wrongly say that the power demonstrated in that day, ceased after the age of the Apostles. Why then did Acts 2:39 say:

“For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the LORD our God shall call. “

This verse is talking about the Holy Ghost, including the power thereof, and with that power, comes MIRACLES, SIGNS AND WONDERS!!

Mark 16:16-18

16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

17 **And these signs shall follow them that believe;** In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

Significant Miracles in the Bible

Transparency #28-Miracles in the Bible (SEE PG. 78)

Exorcisms of devils (casting out demons and unclean spirits)

Where found	Problem	Solution
Mark 1:23-28	Man has unclean spirit in synagogue.	Jesus speaks to demon, it comes out.
Mark 5: 1-20	Man possessed by the spirit ‘legion’	Jesus casts legion into swine.
Mark 9:14-29	A young boy has spirit of epilepsy.	Jesus casts out spirit.

Healing Miracles (healing physical illnesses & impairments)

Cleansing a Leper	Mark 1:40-45
Healing a Paralytic	Matt 9:1-8
Giving Sight to a Blind Man at Bethsaida	Mark 8:22-26

Healing a Man at the Pool of Bethesda in Jerusalem John 5:2-47

Restoration Miracles (raising the dead; restoring to life)

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Raising from the Dead a Widow's Son at Nain	--	--	7:11-17	--
Raising from the Dead the Daughter of Jairus	5:21-24,35-43	9:18-19,23-26	8:40-42,49-56	--
Raising Lazarus of Bethany from the Dead	--	--	--	11:1-44

Miracles of Nature (feeding multitudes, calming storms, etc.)

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Catching Unusually Many Fish in the Sea of Galilee	--	--	5:1-11	[cf. 21:1]
Stilling a Storm on the Sea of Galilee	4:35-41	8:23-27	8:22-25	--
Feeding Five Thousand People	6:32-44	14:13-21	9:10b-17	6:1-15
Walking on the Water	6:45-52	14:22-33	--	6:16-21
Feeding Four Thousand People	8:1-10	15:32-9	--	--

Finding a Coin in the Mouth of a Fish	--	17:24-27	--	--
Cursing a Fig Tree near Bethany	11:12-14	21:18-19	--	--
Turning Water into Wine at a Wedding in Cana				

Transparency # 29- Signs in the Church (SEE PG. 79)

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17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

19 So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.

20 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

My Personal Testimonies of Miracles

1. 2 Raised from the Dead

While we were preaching revival at Miracle Hill Deliverance Center in Trussville, AL., a Catholic man came who had never been around Pentecost. His daughter had invited him, and he had come reluctantly. Shortly after the service began, the man stood up, gasped, and fell to the floor. When we got back to the man, his eyes were rolled back in his head, and he was not breathing. His daughter ran out hysterically to dial 911. We began praying with the lifeless man, for several minutes, calling on the name of Jesus to raise him. Suddenly, he gasped, and came back to life, saying, “Thank you Jesus!”

The man later told all of us that he saw himself above his body looking down, and that he knew that he was going out of this world, but Jesus had touched him!

In May of 2008, we were at church camp in Arcadia, LA. Preaching for Sis. Hilda Antee at the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ. We have been friends with the Antee family for many years. After the Sunday morning service we headed to Shreveport to preach for Sis. Teresa Kile. We had fully intended to leave to go back home to Indiana after service, and even had the Suburban packed, but we all felt an urging to go back to Arcadia, 50 miles away, and rest for the night.

When we arrived at the house, we found Sis. Wendy Antee still up, and sis. Hilda was back in her bathroom getting ready to turn in. Sis. Wendy excused herself to go check on her mom, and in a moment came running back into the room shouting, “ You gotta come pray for momma, now!”

We figured that she had fallen, because she had been having problems with her legs. When we got to her room, Sis Hilda was laying on the floor, dead! My wife, Sis. Denise, is trained in CPR, and checked for vitals, but there were none. We immediately began praying for her, along with her husband, Bro Roy, and Bro D. Breeden, who was also with us at the time. I remember Denise rebuking the spirit of death and we were claiming life to return to her. After several long minutes, she gasped, and life began to return. She went back out 3 times, but on the third time, she fully returned back to life, speaking in tongues. Denise said that when she came back, she felt like a wind that brushed past her as Sis Hilda’s spirit returned.

Sis Hilda said she felt far away and at peace, but could hear us calling her back. Today, she is traveling from church to church telling her story.

2. God Heals Man’s Wound in TX.

While at Glory Tabernacle preaching for Bro Henry Liles, a man came who had a wound that would not heal because of diabetes. He never said what was wrong with him, just came up for prayer. The power of God was moving for healing, and when we prayed for him, he fell in the floor, laughing, full of joy. He returned the following evening and testified that he had a running wound that wouldn’t heal, and that a nurse would come and dress the wound each day, but when she came this time, the wound was not

only better, it was gone!! He said he had brand new skin where the wound had been!

3. God Raises People Out of Wheelchairs

It has been our blessing to see 3 people raised out of wheelchairs. The most notable was an 84 year old woman that had a broken hip. It was at the Shreveport, LA. Church. We were having an awesome outpouring, and God said go ask her what she wanted Him to do for her. She said, "I want to be healed!"

We laid hands on her, calling on the name of Jesus, and she got up out of the wheelchair, and danced all over the font of the church! A broken hip, and here she is dancing! She was instantly healed. They folded the wheelchair up and she walked out that night of her own accord.

4. God heals diabetes

While at Huxley, TX., a woman came who had been battling diabetes for many years. The prayer line was given that night, and she got in expecting for her healing. I had noticed that she had a very reddish color to her face, but didn't know why. A couple of nights later, she came back and testified that for two days her sugar had been lower than it had in years, and that she had been eating candy bars and drinking pop, and felt great!

5. God Heals Paralysis

Once we were preaching in Sturgis, KY. For Bro Charles Foster at the Jesus name Holiness Church. We had a service like I have never seen before. I got up and opened my Bible and read the scripture, and the Holy Ghost fell. People began leaping, and dancing, shouting, falling out in the floor, and speaking in tongues. I was lost in worship, when, the Lord directed me to an elderly woman who had been helped in, and had come in using a walker. I went back to pray for her and asked her if she wanted to be healed. She was paralyzed on her right side, and could only nod yes. I took her right hand and said, "In the name of Jesus, be healed!" Immediately, she lifted her paralyzed hand and began waving it around.

The Lord said, "pray for her again", so I again asked if she wanted prayer. She said she did, so we prayed and she stood up, without her

walker, and walked out into the isle, and began to lift her hands and cry, as the Lord loosed her from the bonds of paralysis! As you can imagine, the church went ballistic!

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Matthew 10:7-9 (King James Version)

7 And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.

8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.

What Is An Apostle?

NT:652- Strong's- **Apostle**

apostolos (ap-os'-tol-os); from NT:649; a delegate; specially, an ambassador of the Gospel; officially a commissioner of Christ ["apostle"] (with miraculous powers):

KJV - apostle, messenger, he that is sent.

We can deduce two things from the above definition:

3. They are sent

4. They are specially empowered

Jesus Selected 12

12 = Government

Isa 9:6

6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Jesus gave this power to us in Acts 2

Transparency 2

Foundation Stones of the Early Church

Main Entry: **Foundation**

Function: noun

Date: 14th century

1: the act of founding

2: a basis (as a tenet, principle, or axiom) upon which something stands or is supported *the foundations of geometry* *the rumor is without foundation in fact*

4: an underlying base or support; especially : the whole masonry substructure of a building

5a : a body or ground upon which something is built up

1. Peter

2. Andrew

3. James

4. John

5. Philip

6. Bartholomew

7. Thomas

8. Matthew

9. James- The son of Alphaeus

10. Thaddeus

11. Simon

12. Judas- Replaced by Matthias

The Cornerstone Is Christ

Eph 2:20

20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

What Apostolic Is Not

1. It is NOT a denomination

4 : a religious organization uniting local congregations in a single body.

A man made structure.

2. It is NOT a cult

3 : faddish devotion; also : a group of persons showing such devotion

3. It is NOT an organization

2 : ASSOCIATION : SOCIETY

3 : an administrative structure (as a business or a political party)

What Is Doctrine?

Strong's

NT:1322- **Doctrine**

didache (did-akh-ay'); from NT:1321; instruction

KJV - doctrine, hath been taught.

Webster's

Main Entry:doc*trine

Pronunciation:*d*k-tr*n

Function:noun

1 : something that is taught

2 : DOGMA : TENET

—doc*tri*nal \-tr*n-*l\ adjective

The Problem Of Orthodoxy

Main Entry: **Orthodox**

1 a : conforming to established doctrine especially in religion b : CONVENTIONAL

2 capitalized : of, relating to, or constituting any of various conservative religious or political groups: as a : EASTERN ORTHODOX b : of or relating to Orthodox Judaism.

Simplified Definition: Do what everyone else is doing.

Council of Trent 1870

“All versions of the Holy Bible in any vernacular language made by Non-Catholics are prohibited, and especially those published by the Bible Societies, which have more than once condemned by the Roman Pontiffs, because in them the wise laws of the church concerning the publication of sacred books are entirely disregarded.”
(LEO XII)

This is an example of forced orthodoxy

Questions

1. Why do I believe this way?
2. Where did I get this belief?
3. Does the Bible give us clear principles to live by?
4. What if my acceptance of these beliefs separates me from:
 - a. Family
 - b. Friends
 - c. Co-workers
5. Is my belief the original one?

Remember:

What's popular isn't always right; what's right isn't always popular!

Salvation: A 3 Part Process

1. Repentance
2. Water Baptism in the name of Jesus Christ
3. Baptism of the Holy Ghost

1 John 5:8

8 And there are three that bear witness in earth, the **spirit**, and the **water**, and the **blood**: and these three agree in one. (One Process)
KJV

Old And New Blood Covenants

Lev 4:32

And if he bring a lamb for a sin offering, he shall bring it a female without blemish.

[A lamb] A sheep. See Lev 3:7 note. Three points are to be observed in regard to the victims for sin-offerings:

(a) The common people had to offer a female, as the less valuable animal; they might present either a sheep or a goat to suit their convenience:

(b) the rulers had always to offer a male-goat:

(c) the goat was preferred to the sheep, unlike the victim for a peace-offering or burnt-offering.

The sin-offerings were not accompanied by meat-offerings or drink-offerings. See Num 15:3-11.

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New Covenant Redemption

Luke 22:20

20 Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.

Heb 8:6

6 But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.

The Better Covenant Explained

8:10-13.

The writer appropriates the prophecy of Jeremiah to explain the nature and provisions of the new covenant. Under the new covenant:

- (1) God puts new laws in the hearts and minds of the people (accomplished by Christ through the new birth, thus establishing the new covenant as a covenant of relationship).
- (2) He establishes a new relationship with them - I will be to them a God, they . . . to me a people.
- (3) The people have a new function - teach every man . . . Know the Lord (v. 11).
- (4) And God's truth has a new outreach - all shall know me.
- (5) A new cleansing is provided, with sins and iniquities forgiven through Christ, the sacrifice and guarantor of the new covenant (v. 12).

The old is replaced by the new, and the old is at the point of completely disappearing (v. 13).

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Biblical examples of Baptism

1. At Pentecost, after hearing the words of Peter, those that stood by asked, *Men and Brethren, what shall we do?* Then Peter said unto them, *Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins...* *Acts 2:38*
"Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." KJV
2. The believers at Samaria were baptized in the name.
Acts 8:16 "(For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.)" KJV
3. In Acts 8:35 we find Phillip preached to the Ethiopian Eunuch, the name of Jesus Christ, and in verse 38, they "*both went down into the water, both Phillip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.*"
4. At the house of Cornelius, Peter baptized those the had received the Holy Ghost, and "He commanded them to be baptized in the name."
Acts 10:48 "And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days. KJV
5. A group of disciples, who had been baptized by John, were rebaptised, in the name. *Acts 19:4-5* "Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. (V5) When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus." KJV
6. In Acts 22, Paul speaking of his conversion, testified of how Ananias told him. *Acts 22:16* "And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord." KJV

Which Name Is To Be Used?

There are many names for our God, for instance; look at Isaiah 9:6:

Isa 9:6

*6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his **name shall be called** Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.
KJV*

The terminology of the text, however, is that the single **name** is to be used, and that in this single name resides all the power represented by each dispensational revelation. God has revealed Himself as each quotient of the equation and given us a single powerful name to act through, Jesus Christ. The titles Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, are then merely adjectives that describe the noun, or direct object of the sentence. The direct object is Jesus Christ.

BAPTISMAL HISTORY

1. *Hasting's Dictionary of the Bible* (1898 V.I Pg 241): "One explanation is that the original form of words was 'into the name of Jesus Christ' or 'the Lord Jesus'. Baptism into the name of the Trinity was a later development."
2. *Williston Walker, A History of the Christian Church* (1947 Pg 58) "The Trinitarian baptismal formula was displacing the older baptism in the name of Christ."
3. *The New Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge* (1951 V.I Pg 435): "The New Testament knows only baptism in the name of Jesus, which still occurs even in the 2nd and 3rd centuries."
4. *Canney's Encyclopedia of Religions* (1970 Pg 53): "Persons were baptized at first 'in the name of Jesus Christ' or 'in the name of the Lord Jesus'. Afterwards, with the development of the doctrine of the Trinity they were baptized 'in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.'"
5. *Encyclopedia Biblica* (1899 V.I Pg 473): "It is natural to conclude that baptism was administered in the earliest times 'in the name of Jesus Christ' or in that 'of the Lord Jesus.' This view is confirmed by the fact that the earliest forms of the baptismal confession appear to have been single, not triple, as was the later creed."
6. *Encyclopedia Britannica* (11th edition 1910 Pg 365): "The Trinitarian formula and triune immersion were not uniformly used from the beginning. Baptism into the name of the Lord was the normal formula of the New Testament. In the 3rd century baptism in the name of Christ was still so widespread that Pope Stephen, in opposition to Cyprian of Carthage, declared to be valid."
10. *New International Encyclopedia Vol. 22*: "The term 'Trinity' was originated by Tertullian, a Catholic church father."
11. *Encyclopedia Britannica 11th Edition Vol. 3*: "The baptismal formula was changed from the name of Jesus Christ, to the words, *Father, Son, and Holy Ghost* by the Catholic church in the 2nd century."
12. *Encyclopedia Britannica Vol. 3 Pg 82*: "Everywhere in the oldest sources it states that Baptism took place in the name of Jesus Christ."

A Baptism of Fire

NT:4442- **Fire-** *pur*,
genitive *puros*, to (probably from Sanskrit *pu*, "to purify")
(compare the German: fever); Vanicek (1877 f), Griechisch-
Lateinisches Etymologisches Wörterbuch, p. 541; Curtius (50
A.D.) (1879), sec. 385), from Homer (900 B.C.?) down; Hebrew
'eesh;

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Matt 3:11-12

*11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that
cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to
bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:*

What Fire Does:

1. Purifies
2. Gives Light
3. Consumes

Reason For the Holy Ghost

1. **Power- Acts 1:8-** But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.
2. **Leads Us In to All Truth - John 16:13-** Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth:
3. **Liberator- Rom 8:21-** Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

Historical Accounts of the Holy Ghost Outpouring

731 A.D.- Bede found tongues speaking among Indo- European tribes. (Bede, XII, pp. 15, 16, English History , page 148)

Catholic Encyclopedia, Vol. 14, pg 776-777: St. Francis Xavier preached with tongues. St. Vincent Ferry was one of the greatest missionaries since the Apostle Paul, and he spoke with tongues and did many miracles. **Vol. 6, page 234.**

1520-1532 A.D.- Apostolic Pentecostalism with its integral tongues-speaking was all through Luther and Zwingli's Europe. (W. Horton, pp. 97-138)

1685-1909 A.D.- There were countless Holy Ghost outpourings, and manifestations of gifts. Flaming tongues of the Casmarids were heard-prophets of the Cevenes. (P. Shaff p. 237; V. Synan, p. 164; M.P. Hamilton, p. 89)

1728-1731 A.D.- 600 recorded miracles.

1802 A.D.- Vermont had a Shaker tongues outpouring

1803 A.D.- Camisard tongues-speaking erupted in Europe. (Knox, p. 557). Glossalalia in many organizations made history in 1803-1830 in Britain. (Knox pp. 550-560).

1856 A.D.- More than 160,000 tongues speakers in America. (Blunt p. 467) Quakers had the Holy Ghost. Most denied the trinity.

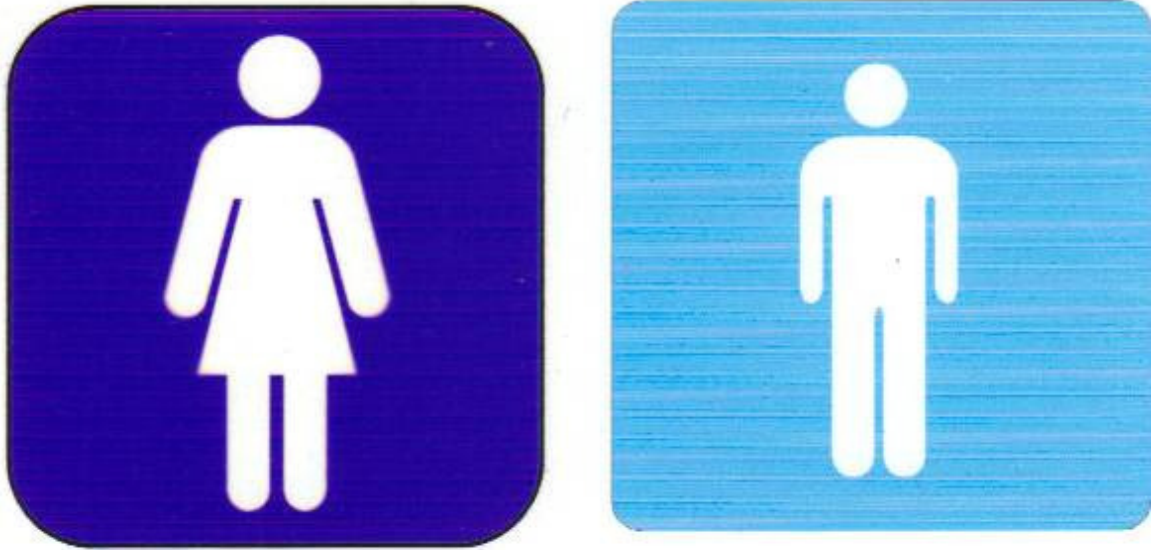
1901 A.D.- The famed Topeka, Kansas outpouring. The glossalalia phenomenon became amplified. (F.J. Foster, *Think It Not Strange*, p. 25)

1904-1909 A.D.- There was a mighty Holy Ghost outpouring among the Welsh. (M.P. Hamilton, p. 96).

1914-1916- Oneness revivals swept throughout the southern U.S.

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Is There A Difference?



Can You See The Difference In These 2 Images?

These images should be familiar to all of us. They are used universally to distinguish a man from a woman. Likewise, God's word gives us distinguishing qualities to live by.

HOLINESS STANDARDS FROM PAST TO PRESENT

1. *Clement of Rome* 30 – 100 AD – Wrote to Corinthian church, “Let us then draw near to him with holiness of Spirit, lifting up pure and undefiled hands unto him.”
2. *Montanus* in the 2nd Century emphasized holiness of life, and a call to Christians to stricter standards.
3. *Peter Waldo* In the 12th Century were temperate in eating and drinking, opposed taverns, did not dance, avoided the accumulation of great wealth, and avoided anger.
4. *John Hus* 1369 – 1415 of Bohemia prohibited dancing, gambling, and the appearance of loose women on the streets.
5. *Girolamo Savonarola* – 1452 – 1498 Italian Priest who burned trinkets, masks, cosmetics, obscene books, dice, games of chance, and objects of luxury. Hanged by the Catholic Church.
6. *Hutterites* – Wear plain clothing, do not own TV’s, do not dance, or smoke.
7. *Mennonites* – Modesty, simplicity of dress, head covering
8. *John Calvin (Presbyterian Church Founder)* 16th Century taught against dancing, gambling, drunkenness, taverns, profanity, luxury, excesses at public entertainments, extravagance in dress, licentious or irreligious songs. Wearing jewelry and playing cards were illegal.
9. *Puritans* 1649 – 1660 Their clothing was modest, somber, and unadorned; their speech was grave and slow.
10. *Quakers* – 17th Century Emphasized no worldly show, ornaments on clothing, wigs, gold, and vain decoration.

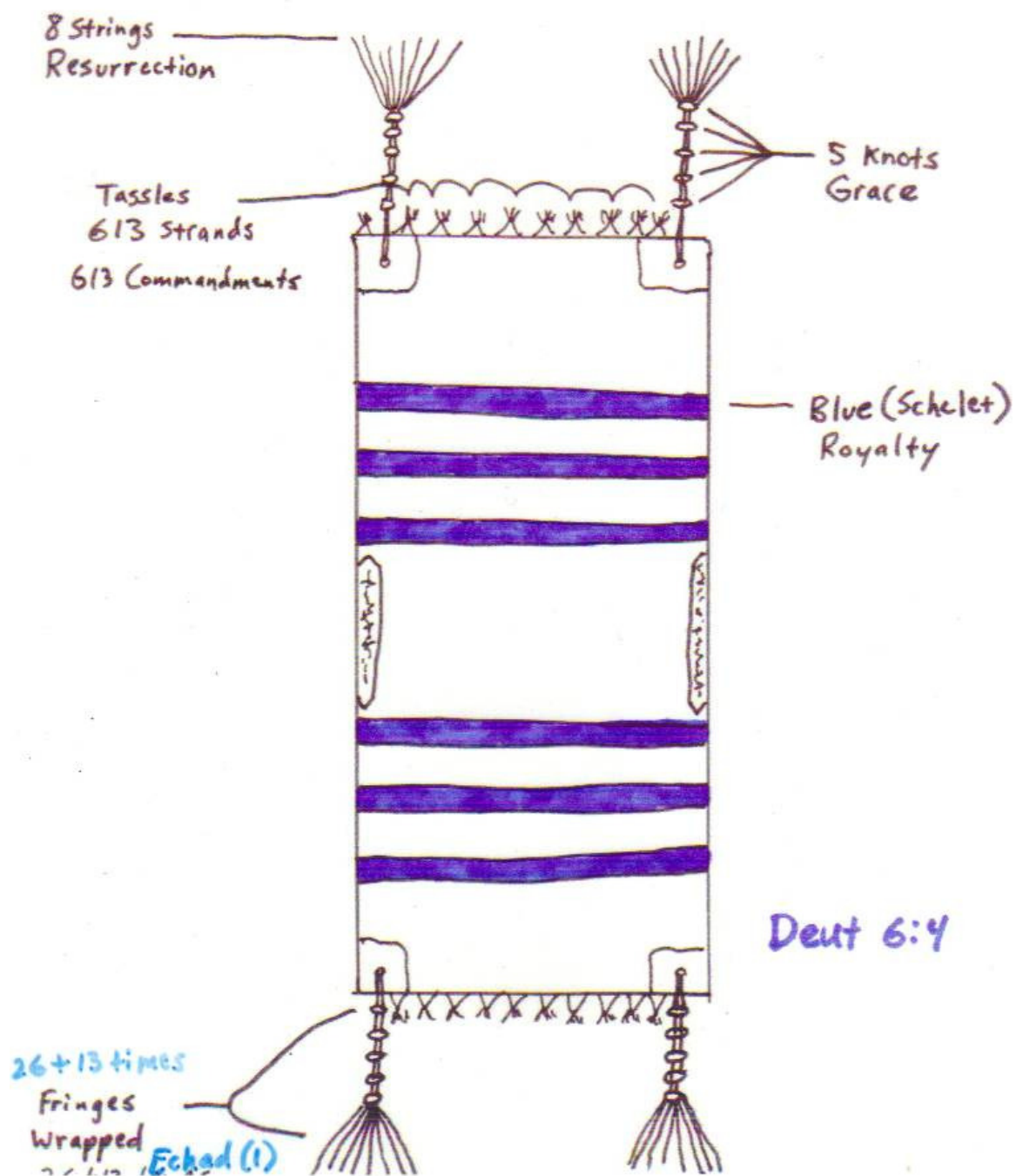
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11. *Pietists* – 17th Century warned of evils of the theatre, playing cards, jewelry, finery of apparel.
12. *Episcopalians* – Bishop J.C. Ryle wrote: “The times require of us a higher standard of personal holiness, and an increased attention to practical religion in daily life.
13. *Baptists* – At first grouped with Puritans, but organized separately in England in the 17th Century, adhering to the same standard.
 - A. *Baptist Bible Fellowship* opposes dancing, drinking, smoking, gambling and movies.
 - B. *Southern Baptist Convention* opposes tobacco and alcohol.
 - C. *Liberty Baptist College (Jerry Falwell)* “Men are not allowed to grow beards or mustaches, or to wear hair that touches their shirt collars or cover the top of their ears. Women are expected to dress modestly, students are not allowed to dance or attend movies.”
14. *Methodist* – formed in 18th Century by John Wesley, taught it was a sin to go to fairs, wear jewelry, or fine clothes, or to attend a theater or dance. Taught against luxuries, taverns, or things that harm the body, drinking, suing Christians, wearing of gold, worldly diversions, worldly music, worldly literature or borrowing with the possibility of repayment.”
15. *Encyclopedia Britannica* – “After WWI, (1914-1918) the following practice developed in American society: Women began to cut their hair, extremely short skirts began to appear, (skirts that exposed the knee) Women’s sportswear and swimwear became scanty and women began to wear trousers for sports activities. During and after WWII (1939-1945) Women began to wear pants to work in factories, and then at their homes. In the 1960’s mini-skirts, short shorts, and unisex styles came into vogue, as well as long hair in men.”

COUNCIL OF NICEA

1. Constantine reunites the empire in 324 AD and he calls a meeting in Nicea in 325 AD in order to consolidate and establish Christianity under his rule.
2. Athanasius, from Alexandria, embraced Tertullian's conceived and warped idea that there was one God, but this God consisted of three "Persons" in the Godhead, referred to as "The Holy Trinity".
3. The Trinitarians, of whom Athanasius was the great leader, taught that the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost were three distinct persons but one God. The doctrine of the Trinity was conceived of the human mind, and is entirely inconsistent with the plain account of Jesus in the gospels.
4. This meeting in Nicea in 325 AD produced the exact Christian teaching for the western Latin Church. It is evident that word "Christian" at this point of time had lost it's true meaning. Everyone must now believe in the doctrine of the Trinity, or be branded a heretic.

The Prayer Shawl



Transparency# 20 A

Not surprising; since symbols are strictly forbidden by the Lord God, symbols are highly esteemed in witchcraft and the occult.

Harpers' Encyclopedia of Mystical & Paranormal Experience (p.594) says, "**Symbols are important to all esoteric teachings**, for they contain secret wisdom accessible only to the initiated." (Harpers' Encyclopedia of Mystical & Paranormal Experience, p.594)



It's also worth noting the symbol used by P.O.D. is also on the cover of the New King James Bible.

The Aquarian Conspiracy, a key New Age "handbook", bears a similar symbol. And New Agers freely admit it represents three interwoven "6"s or "666".



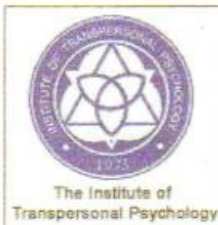
Constance Cumbey, author of The Hidden Dangers of the Rainbow and a notable authority on the New Age Movement, says

concerning the symbol:

"On the cover of the Aquarian Conspiracy is a Mobius, it is really used by them as triple six (666). The emblem on the cover of the New King James Bible **[same symbol as P.O.D.'s]** is said to be an ancient symbol of the Trinity. The old symbol had gnostic origins. It was more gnostic than Christian. **I was rather alarmed when I noticed the emblem...**"
(The New Age Movement, Southwest Radio Church, 1982 p.11)



LEFT: The three esoteric "6"'s separated. Plainly displaying the interlocked "666".



The Triquetra is used as the centerpiece for the logo for The Institute of Transpersonal Psychology (ITP). The ITP is a new age school following the Jungian Psychology [occultist Carl Jung]. One of their stated goals is "... to reach the recognition of divinity within" (www.itp.edu/about/tp.html) (see Genesis 3:5, "...ye shall be as gods...")

The same symbol (with a circle as does P.O.D. also) is displayed by the rock group Led Zeppelin. Members of Led Zeppelin are deeply involved in satanism and the occult. Guitarist Jimmy Page, so consumed with satanism, actually purchased satanist Aleister Crowley's mansion. Most believe the symbol is from the teachings of Aleister Crowley and represents 666.



LEFT: The picture is "The Hierophant" taken from the Tarot card set designed by satanist Aleister Crowley. The "Hierophant" is a priest in the occult and Eleusinian. Notice the "three circles" at the top of the wand or rod in the Hierophant's hand. Inside the the three intertwined circles is the "P.O.D. symbol".

RIGHT: To the right is the top of the wand enlarged. Notice the "P.O.D. symbol" (upside down) inside the three circles.



One of the most occult television shows ever aired is "Charmed". "Charmed"

Some Key Terms

1. **Apostolic**- The direct teaching of the Apostles, as given them by Jesus Christ.
2. **Anabaptism** – The process of re-baptizing someone. Apostolics would always re-baptize converts out of Rome's mode into the Acts 2 formula.
3. **Arianism** – Adhering to the oneness teaching of Arius. (290-335 A.D.)
4. **Donatism** – Adhering to the oneness teaching of Donatus.
5. **Kerygma** – Apostolic teaching of Acts 2:38.
6. **Modalistic Monarchianism** – One God doctrine. One mode of worshipping one Monarch- God. It was the Deuteronomy 6:4 godhead belief of Acts 2:38.
7. **Monotheism** – The belief of one God, or one person in the Godhead as in Deut. 6:4.
8. **Priscillianism** – A tongues speaking variation of Oneness Pentecostalism. Priscilla, a tongues speaker, was in Montanus' church, hence the name.
9. **Patripassian** – Means, *'The Father Himself suffered'*. It denies Rome's trinity idea. It denotes Acts 2:38 doctrine in a 'Jesus only' sense. It was the same as Judaic- Christian Monotheism. It went with Deut. 6:4.
10. **Samosatenes** – Paul of Samosata founded Samasotonism. They were also called Paulianists. They hold Acts 2 tenets, as well as a Judaic Godhead doctrine. Blunt on p. 516 classified him as a Sabellian-Monarchian with Acts 2:38 teaching.

Important Players

Noetus- Born in Smyrna in Asia Minor around 130 A.D. He attempted to stop the Trinitarian Logos doctrine from entering Smyrna. Quoted as saying:

“ There exists one and the same being called Father and Son, not one derived from the other, but himself from himself, nominally called Father and Son, according to the changing of times; and that this one is he that appeared to the patriarchs, and submitted birth from a virgin, and conversed as man among men. On account of his birth that has taken place, he confessed himself to be the Son to those who saw him, while to those who could receive it, he did not hide the fact that he was the Father.”

Praxeus – 150-220 A.D.- Played an important part in keeping the Roman district from becoming entangled in the teaching of Montanism and trinitarianism for nearly 32 years. He then sailed to Carthage and preached there, standing for the truth of the oneness doctrine. Influenced Sabellius.

Sabellius – 180-257A.D.- Born in the ancient city of Ptolemais. He held that the Father and Son were the same divine individual, (God manifested in the flesh). He considered the Trinitarian ‘Logos’ teaching to require another substance and another God. He held Jesus to be God the Father incarnate. Preached throughout Europe and Africa.

Paul of Samasota – 269 A.D.- ?- Held the oneness of God without the distinction of persons. He was a Judaic Christian that embraced Acts 2:38.

Wolflien – 320-340 A.D.- One of the greatest Apostolic preachers. translated the early Gothic Bible. He baptized, or caused to be baptized, millions among the Indo-European tribes, to be immersed in Jesus name (H. Daniel Rops. P. 110).

6. Michael Servetus – Lived around 1460-1500 A.D.- Burned at the stake by John Calvin for writing *The Errors of the Trinity*. He was stated as saying that there is no other person of God but Christ.

Oneness Apostolic Bishops

- 1. Peter 42-67 A.D.**
- 2. Linus 67-79 A.D.**
- 3. Anacletus 79-90 A.D.**
- 4. Clement 90-99 A.D.**
- 5. Evaristus 99-107 A.D.**
- 6. Alexander 107-116 A.D.**
- 7. Sixtus 116-125 A.D.**
- 8. Telesphorus 125-136 A.D.**
- 9. Hyginus 136-140 A.D.**
- 10. Pius 140-154 A.D.**
- 11. Anicetus 154-165 A.D.**
- 12. Soter 165-174 A.D.**
- 13. Eleutherus 174-189 A.D.**
- 14. Victor 189-198 A.D.**
- 15. Zephyrinus 198-217 A.D.**
- 16. Callistus 217-222 A.D.**

Separate

NT:873- Separate

aphorizo (af-or-id'-zo); to set off by boundary, i.e. (figuratively) limit, exclude, appoint, etc.:

KJV - divide, separate, sever.

Main Entry: 1separate

Function: verb

Inflected Form: -rat*ed ; -rat*ing

1 : to set or keep apart : DISCONNECT :
SEVER

2 : to keep apart by something intervening

3 : to cease to be together : PART

3 Important Directives

1. OUR POSITION MUST BE CLEAR
2. OUR IMPACT MUST BE POSITIVE
3. OUR GOAL MUST BE HEAVEN

1 Cor 9:24-25

24 Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain.

25 And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.

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2 Tim 4:8

*8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness,
which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day;
and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his
appearing.*

Prov 11:30

*30 The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth
souls is wise.*

Suspensions of Natural Law

- Water turned to wine – John 2:1-11
- The draught of fishes – Luke 5:4-9
- The leper healed – Matt. 8:2-4
- Widows son raised from dead- Luke 7:12
- The blind man healed – Matt 9:27
- Jesus walks on the sea – Matt 14:22

People In the Bible Who Did Miracles

- Moses – 38
- Elijah – 11
- Elisha – 15
- Peter – 10
- Paul – 11
- Jesus - 43

From Meredith's Book of Bible Lists

Transparency # 28

Miracles in the Bible

4 Types of Miracles In the Bible

Exorcisms

Healing Miracles

Restoration Miracles

Miracles of Nature

Transparency #29

SIGNS in the CHURCH

Mark 16:17-20

17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall

1. speak with new tongues;
2. (18) They shall take up serpents;
3. if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them;
4. they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

20 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, **and confirming the word with signs following**. Amen.

Personal Miracles

Produce Personal Victories

Resulting in a Personal Testimony!!

*He is the same * His word is the same * Our commission is the same*

Matthew 10:7-9 (King James Version)

7 And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.

8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.