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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES WHICH ADDRESS RICK WARREN'S GLOBAL P.E.A.C.E. PLAN

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Dedicated to the churches of Jesus Christ our Savior in the 67 countries in which Rick Warren has tested his pilot P.E.A.C.E. Plan in 2005, the 131 countries¹ he has been working on for the last two years, to those who speak the 56 languages in which *Purpose Driven Life* has already been translated, and to rest of the nations throughout the uttermost parts of the earth that he has targeted to consummate the roll-out for his plan in 2006. This is also dedicated to the tens of thousands of churches which have already been stolen by Rick Warren's teachings and to the saints who were purpose-driven from those churches for opposing his teachings and covenants, many of whom now have no church and to all of those pastors and church members still on the fence about Rick Warren's teachings.. We hope this will help alert you to the magnitude and scope of this religion and movement and sound an alarm to those Christians who have never heard of Rick Warren.

INTRODUCTION

The following documentary compares Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan to Scriptural Teachings. (See section on New Reformation in this document for description of Rick Warren's P.E.A.C.E. Acronym.) Warren announced his Global P.E.A.C.E Plan on April 17, 2005 at Angel Stadium in Anaheim, California to an audience of 30,000 people, during a church service marking the 25th Anniversary of Saddleback Church. Earlier in 2005, Warren had previewed it when he disclosed on CNN's *Larry King Live*:

“And we're right now doing a test pilot of the PEACE plan in 67 countries. We're about a year and a half into it. It's a two-year test plan. We plan to go public with it -- well, now, it's going public on LARRY KING -- but **we plan to go public with it in 2006**, which is **to mobilize hundreds of thousands of small groups that have done the 40 days of purpose in churches and communities** and civic groups and corporations -- **churches that have done 40 days of purpose in groups to do these five things around the world**. And that's really why I was in Rwanda, Uganda and Kenya, to test that.”²

1. OPENING SONG AT RICK WARREN'S Global P.E.A.C.E. PLAN INAUGURATION

PURPLE HAZE

Rick Warren launched his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan April 17, 2005 during Saddleback Church's 25th Anniversary celebration. During the unveiling he sang the *Purple Haze* song, written by Jimi Hendrix about the psychedelic drug LSD and demonic visions. Here are the lyrics:

Jimi Hendrix - Purple Haze Lyrics

*Purple haze all in my brain
Lately things just don't seem the same
Actin' funny, but I don't know why
'Scuse me while I kiss the sky
Purple haze all around
Don't know if I'm comin' up or down
Am I happy or in misery?
Whatever it is that girl put a spell on me
Purple haze all in my eyes
Don't know if it's day or night
You got me blowin', blowin' my mind
Is it tomorrow, or just the end of time?*

(c)1967 Jimi Hendrix, *Smash Hits* album³

“The cause of death [of Jimi Hendrix] noted on the coroner's report was inhalation of vomit after barbiturate intoxication.”⁴

David Cloud's research about Jimi Hendrix reveals:

Music was Jimi Hendrix' god. Apparently Hendrix attended church some in his youth, because he later testified: "I used to go to Sunday School BUT THE ONLY THING I BELIEVE IN NOW IS MUSIC" (Hendrix, cited by Curtis Knight, Jimi).

Hendrix and the occult

Hendrix was deeply involved in occultism and mysticism and these themes permeated his music. His song "Voodoo Chile" glorified voodoo practices such as out of body experiences.

"Well I'm a voodoo child/ Lord I'm a voodoo child/ The night I was born/ Lord, I swear the moon turned a fire red/ ... My poor mother cried out now the gypsy was right/ And I seen her fell down right dead/ ... 'Cause I'm a voodoo child/ Lord knows, I'm a voodoo child..."

In fact, Hendrix believed he was possessed by the devil. Girlfriend Fayne Pridgon said:

"HE USED TO ALWAYS TALK ABOUT SOME DEVIL OR SOMETHING WAS IN HIM"...and having some root lady or somebody see if she could DRIVE THIS DEMON OUT OF HIM" (sound track from film Jimi Hendrix, interview with Fayne Pridgon, side 4, cited by *Heartbeat of the Dragon*, p. 50).⁵

Pharmaka (pharmakeia)

Scripture is very clear about *pharmaka*, the Greek term for "drugs." The *King James Version Study Bible* states the following about *pharmaka*:

"Witch (*mekashep*) denotes a form of magic. The root means "to cut up," and thus may refer to one who cuts up herbs and brews them for magical purposes (Gr. *Pharmaka*, drug). The term is used in Micah 5:12 for some such material as drugs or herbs used superstitiously to produce magical effects. The noun therefore means enchanter or sorcerer (Ex. 7:11; 22:18; 2 Chr. 33:6; Dan. 2:2; Mal. 3:5). (*KJV Study Bible*)"

Also see:

"And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; **for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.**" Revelation 18:23 Note: the word "sorceries" is rendered "pharmakeia" in *Strong's Lexicon*:

φάρμακεια

Is this the example Rick Warren wants to set in leading his sober and vigilant billion-man Christian army? Even if Rick Warren sang *Purple Haze* in jest to inaugurate his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan, it still has the appearance of evil and is a bad witness for a Christian. Rick Warren's justification for defending the singing of *Purple Haze* before his congregation, is like saying "Well, I just did a séance with all of my friends just for the fun of it and to help set the tone and stage for the **New Reformation.**" What a song to pick; one whose author regularly took LSD and promoted a psychedelic culture! Is *Purple Haze* the type of song Jesus would ever sing? Is this the kind of song Jesus will sing when he launches his Global Millennium Peace Plan? It is astonishing that Rick Warren would choose a song which glorifies drugs used to produce magical effects. This is not the way to attain either personal perfect peace or the Global Peace that Jesus Christ himself will usher in with the Millennium. It was commonly known to all of us who grew up in the '60s that this song was identified with LSD. This song should be a red flag for any Christian that grew up then. But for the children of the children of the '60s who do not know to what the song was originally referring, it is a clear stumbling block and brings to mind the following Scriptural warning:

"And whosoever shall offend one of these little ones that believe in me, it is better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast into the sea." - Mark 9:42

Promoting a song which glorifies evil, and/or is well known and identified with the drug culture, and the fact that he has not publicly repented for it, should disqualify Warren from being a pastor at all, let alone 'America's Pastor' - the title *Time* Magazine bestowed upon him:

“When *Time* magazine comes out and calls me, quote, "America's pastor," I can't tell you what that does in my life because it's something that I really didn't want. And some people say, "How could he be America's pastor when we're not all Christians?" Well, I can't, okay? You know, somebody has got to be America's rabbi, somebody has got to be America's imam, right? But if that is a role that I'm going to play for one segment of our society, then I want to represent them and the things they value – humility, integrity and generosity – with intelligence and integrity. Those are the three important values to me.”⁶

If Rick Warren actually accepts the mantle of 'America's Pastor' he should be held to an even stricter accounting as an elder of elders. In actuality, there is no such biblical mandate for any single man having the authority to be any nation's pastor. NOBODY needs to be 'America's Pastor' and nobody should be!

Now, Rick Warren seems to have assumed upon himself the role of the world's pastor, or as he puts it, the leader of a billion-man Christian army. Didn't the first Reformation teach us anything? Have we forgotten what Lord Acton said, “power corrupts and that absolute power corrupts absolutely?”⁷ Not even the Apostles Paul or Peter possessed final authority over the whole early church. In fact, they taught against it! For an in-depth study why the Bible does not support the absolute sovereignty of a single pastor in a church, see: ***Pastor is Master, Isn't He?***, **The PZ Insider Report – Where has all the discernment gone?** © Sunday, November 6, 2005,⁸

Music, particularly in the context of a church service, needs to conform to the following Scriptural criteria – qualities completely lacking in *Purple Haze*.

“Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things [are] honest, whatsoever things [are] just, whatsoever things [are] pure, whatsoever things [are] lovely, whatsoever things [are] of good report; if [there be] any virtue, and if [there be] any praise, think on these things.” Philippians 4:8

The Scriptural criteria found in Philippians, to be sure, is exactly what we find in the kind of song Jesus Christ has in mind for *His Global Peace Plan*:

THEME SONG(s) FOR SCRIPTURAL GLOBAL PEACE PLAN

SONG OF MOSES

“And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the **song of the Lamb**, saying, Great and marvelous [are] thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true [are] thy ways, thou King of saints.” Revelation 15:3

“And **they sang a new song**, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;” Revelation 5:9

“And **they sang as it were a new song before the throne**, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred [and] forty [and] four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.” Revelation 14:3

2. WHAT IS MISSING

What is startling about Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan is not so much what it contains, but what it does NOT contain.

There is no mention of our Adversary in spiritual warfare. There is no mention of the Holy Spirit in Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan. Bob DeWaay exposes this fatal flaw in his new book ***Redefining Christianity, Chapter Nine, Understanding the Purpose-Driven Movement***, 21st Century Press, 2006.

Where is the Prince of the Power of the Air described in Scripture, which any Biblical Peace plan must take into account?

“Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:” Ephesians 2:2

Satan still has temporary possession of the kingdoms of this earth; he offered them to Jesus as a temptation in the Wilderness at the Lord's First Coming. In fact, Satan will usher in a Global Peace with signs and wonders that will appear to defeat the giants of Rick Warren's P.E.A.C.E. Plan.

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high [places].” Ephesians 6:12

Warren’s plan implies we can simply restore the earth to its Garden of Eden status ***before*** Christ returns, but no temporal worldwide peace plan can ultimately succeed until these principalities are conquered and defeated. This will be done by Jesus Christ himself on the Day of the Lord; they he will destroyed at the brightness of his Second Coming. Where are the principalities in Rick Warren's Peace Plan? Where is the war? When has the strong man been bound for good?

“Or else how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? **and then** he will spoil his house.” Matthew 12:29

3. WHAT IS THE DEFINITION OF EVIL?

If anyone on the earth should be able to define “evil”, it should be “America's Pastor,” but this is not the case. Here are some excerpts of what Rick Warren said at the July 2005 **Aspen Institute**, an organization that promotes the New Age [more accurately, the New World Order], where he was a featured speaker on the panel entitled: *The Problem of Evil*.⁹

“In fact, I don't think evil and sin are the same... We don't know the answers...we really don't...none of us are going to come out at the end of the day and say 'got that one figured out.' If you do please write the book on it and I will buy it....I don't think it [evil] is the same thing as sin...I don't consider myself an evil person because I sin...I think you have to reserve the word 'evil' for 'evil'....I haven't yet found a good definition of it...maybe Peter has. I was the one who suggested this topic by the way because I wanted to hear what Alan and Peter had to say about it because these are two men I have respected for years read all their stuff and I really came to take notes....We can become an evil person by making bad choices....I think evil is metastization where it just takes over....”

Later on in this panel discussion, Rick Warren continued...

“You're a good man (referring to Alan Wolfe)...**when we begin to compartmentalize our lives we're headed for evil [emphasis mine]**...I don't act one way with Alan and another way over here with Mrs. Resnick and another way over here with Alan Simpson...OK...I am the same no matter where I am. What you see is what you get. Rick Warren has integrity because he doesn't act one way with one crowd and another way with another crowd. He is integrated...and when what I see in our society today is a misunderstanding of character that thinks I can compartmentalize this area of my life and then go do this the next day and that's how they would justify it. And I think that total compartmentalization is a myth and moves us towards more and more evil.....as I pointed out yesterday, Abraham Lincoln and Washington said things that President Bush could never get away with today. There was far more God talk. Go to the Second Inaugural Address of Lincoln. Read it in the Lincoln Memorial. And it is full of God is on our side talk.”

I can't imagine any Christian wanting the pastor of their own church, let alone following him globally as the leader of hundreds of thousands of churches, to be someone who is still looking for a good definition of “evil.” Scripture tells us that “God's people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.” (Hosea 4:6a) We already have the ultimate authoritative book which defines “evil” and good: the Bible.

Rick Warren proceeds to remark that he doesn't know objectively what evil is, but that he would recognize it if he saw it. Are we to depend on his subjective assessment of what constitutes evil? We don't need Rick Warren's subjective assessment of what constitutes evil because we have the objective criteria. The word “evil” occurs 613 times in the Bible (KJV) and Scripture goes into elaborate detail defining and describing not only what evil is but *who* is evil. Subjective definitions of evil produced gnosticism and mysticism, Christianity's earliest heresies, as evidenced by the teachings of the Desert Fathers, now being imported into the church by Rick Warren and the Emerging Church Movements.¹⁰

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Contradicting his earlier statement that he could not find a good definition of evil, Rick Warren then goes on to define it by telling us that sin doesn't become evil until it *metastasizes*, that sin in and of itself is not yet evil. This may sound right, but is it? My father was a physician and often talked to me about the word *metastasize*, particularly as it corresponded to whether cancer was malignant. So when I heard Rick Warren describe the process and meaning of “metastasize,” I knew he was wrong. Medically, **metastasize** is defined:

“To spread to another part of the body, usually through the blood vessels, lymph channels or spinal fluid.”¹¹

This definition virtually echoes the Scriptural process of unholy leaven in a lump, i.e., it spreads until the entire loaf is leavened. When Jesus warns us of the leaven of the Pharisees and Herod, and when the apostle Paul cautions that a little leaven leavens the whole lump, they are not saying that leaven is not evil or wicked until it spreads (i.e., while it is still little), but it is already evil at the beginning *before* it spreads throughout the entire lump.

“Your glorying [is] not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?”
1 Corinthians 5:6

“A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.” Galatians 5:9

From Rick Warren's analogy, we would be led to believe that sin is not evil until it spreads. But sin is evil, period! It does not need to spread (metastasize) to become evil. Even if this were true, who decides at which point of sins' spread now qualifies as evil? Rick Warren? Scripture? It is supremely ironic that Rick Warren would give us this definition of evil because later on in the panel discussion Rick Warren warns of the danger of absolute power. He describes why there are three branches of government, to balance power and keep each branch in check (i.e., to keep it from fully metastasizing to become completely evil). Yet he retains absolute sovereignty in his own church and trains thousands of Purpose Driven Churches to vest a single pastor with the authority to cast the vision for the church through his surrogate Dan Southerland's Church Transitions organization, which has already trained 100,000 church leaders. Warren should heed his own advice given on *Larry King Live*: “You give a guy a little bit of power and they turn into Stalin.”¹² And yet Rick Warren is quite forthright in announcing that he is going to be THE general of his billion-man Christian Army.¹³ Warren tells us Abraham Lincoln said that God is on our side, but that is not what Lincoln actually said. Here is Lincoln's comment from a conversation in the White House during the Civil War. Note that, in fact, Lincoln says quite the opposite of what Warren alleges:

"Sir, my concern is not whether God is on our side; my greatest concern is to be on God's side, for God is always right."

Warren also referred to Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address where we can read just how much God was on our side.¹⁴ (I did as Rick Warren suggested at the Aspen Conference...I looked up and read Lincoln's Second Inaugural address.)

Nothing like what Warren states is in this address. Lincoln did quote Jesus Christ from Matthew 18:7:

“The Almighty has His own purposes. 'Woe unto the world because of offenses; for it must needs be that offenses come, but woe to that man by whom the offense cometh.'”

A Christian leader or pastor should be able to discern evil and be a discerner of spirits. Otherwise, how does he detect doctrines of demons, false teachings, or when a wolf is in the sheepfold? But believers don't necessarily need to have the Holy Spirit Gift discernment to spot a false teaching or teacher. If we are good Bereans, we can ferret out a false teacher using the objective criteria of Scripture.

Rick Warren, by his own testimony, can't do that, and so why would we want him as "America's Pastor" as *Time Magazine* has dubbed him? I don't think so!

Further, it is clear Rick Warren does not recognize a false teacher or evil in his own midst (or at least does not mark him as such), Rev. Peter Gomes, his co-panelist, is openly gay¹⁵, and is a universalist (confirmed by him at the Aspen Conference when Rev. Gomes was asked about his new book). He is a Professor and Chairman of Christian Morals at the Harvard University -- what a mockery of God! But Warren proclaims that he is a great admirer of Gomes and has read *all* his works.

Rick Warren's effusive praise of Peter Gomes is quite ironic, given that Warren now distances himself from Dr. Robert Schuller, who is also a universalist.¹⁶ It is difficult to believe that Warren would discover that Schuller is a false teacher in only the last few years, when his full-blown heresies were in full public view in 1990 as he took his "self-esteem" gospel to Russia (a message mirrored in Warren's *March 2005 Ladies Home Journal* article). Schuller's departure from Orthodox Christianity can be documented as early as 1982 when he published his well-known book entitled: *Self-Esteem the New Reformation, Word, 1982*. (See the section in this document on "New Reformation.")

Rick Warren further states at the Aspen Conference that he does not compartmentalize, that he is the same before all audiences, and that he is not duplicitous. This statement is the height of absurdity! According to Warren's definition of evil, one who increasingly compartmentalizes his life, would then render Warren evil by his own definition as we read the doctrinal position statements of his Saddleback Church then compare it to his *March 2005 Ladies Home Journal* Column and you will clearly see how double-minded Rick Warren is.¹⁷

Who's Laughing?

Upon being informed of Neal Donald Walsch's New Age PEACE Plan, during an interview, **Rick Warren laughs**, then laughs again louder.¹⁸

Warren, who has been dubbed "America's Pastor" and who is continually voted one or two in polls as to who is the most influential evangelical leader in America, should GRIEVE at the many who will be led away from God by Neal Donald Walsch. Woe unto you who laugh now; blessed are those who mourn at the state of the world. Christian leaders and all Christians should following the example of Jeremiah. He did not think what the leaders of Israel were doing to his people was very funny. There is not one single example of Jesus or any of his Apostles laughing in the face of false teachings or false Peace Plans. Instead, they gave the strongest warnings. Did the Apostle Paul laugh when false teachers were threatening the Church of Ephesus?

“Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. **Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears.**” Acts 20:28-31

Also see: *Another Possible Gospel of Robert Schuller's*¹⁹

James 1:8 says that a “double-minded man is unstable in all his ways”. Rick Warren does not and apparently can not discern good from evil, which may explain why he promotes false teacher after false teacher, as outlined in this document and the referenced resources. His own SHAPE program, based on the teachings of occultist Carl Jung who believed good and evil should be balanced and reconciled, belies the claim that Warren knows what he is talking about regarding the definition of evil, let alone the idea that he can be trusted to run a Christian Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan. When he does not blur the line between good and evil, he obliterates it.

"Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!" Isaiah 5:20

If the Lord Himself through Isaiah gives such a dire warning about calling evil good and good evil, wouldn't it be wise for all Christians to heed this warning? And how are we to heed it if we “we don't really have any good definition of evil?” Most assuredly, we don't want a pastor who doesn't have a handle on the definition himself, let alone seek to anoint him “America's Pastor.” A host of Christians do not abide with this title.

For an excellent chart on Rick Warren's leaven, see Greg DeVoignes *Hidden Leaven In The Church Growth Movement: How it got in* by Christian Research Ministries.²⁰

For a list of churches in your State or Country which have ALREADY imported the Purpose Driven leaven, go to the *Simplicity In Christ* website.²¹

4. WHO'S LEADING?

Rick Warren expects to train and lead a billion-man Christian army.²²

The obvious fuzzy math problem with this proclamation is that there aren't that many true Christians on the earth -- the majority will choose the wide highway to Hell:

“Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.” Matthew 7:14 also see Matt. 20:16 and 22:14

“I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?” Luke 18:8

Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan contains no enforcement clause or declaration of who will enforce it whereas in Jesus Christ's worldwide peace, Jesus himself will rule with a rod of iron:

“And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.” Revelation 12:5

It is Jesus Christ who will enforce the rule of ALL the nations, including the global governing of his worldwide plan of Peace (i.e., the Millennium). He will not be initiating Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan; he will be enforcing his own.

5. NEW REFORMATION

Rick Warren says his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan is the New Reformation.²³ However, Robert Schuller already said his Self-Esteem gospel is the New Reformation. He even wrote a book about it nearly 25 years *before* Rick Warren's plan²⁴

What does Rick Warren mean? As Christian author Warren Smith points out:

“The problems weren't new, but... his P.E.A.C.E. Plan methodology of confronting these 'Giants' would be a revolution”.²⁵

In Rick Warren's plan, P.E.A.C.E. is an acronym for: Planting Churches, Equipping Leaders, Assisting the Poor, Caring for the Sick, and Educating the Next Generation. The five 'Giants' he refers to which he plans to obliterate are: Spiritual emptiness, egocentric leadership, Extreme poverty, Pandemic Diseases, and Illiteracy and education.

“Even in villages where you cannot find a clinic, a store, a school, or a post office, you can often find a church. The PEACE Plan will address these five "giant" problems by Planting new churches... Equipping leaders... Assisting the poor...Caring for the sick... and Educating the next generation....I now believe that I know why God is blessing this book [his Purpose Driven Life] in such an unusual way. It is more than just a message that God wants to get out to everyone(which is huge). I now also see that God is using this phenomena to expand the platform for us to mobilize thousands of local churches for **global world missions through the PEACE plan.**”²⁶

From a Christian biblical perspective, global evangelism has always been the mission of the true church. However, this must be qualified. The church is led by elders who then equip the saints. In addition, the biblical references to the poor and sick refer first and foremost to saints of the household of God, and then to our enemies.

In promoting his Plan, Warren is redefining the mission of the church. His idea is that we are to wipe out world problems and make the world a better place to live in before Christ returns. His program screams of Dominionist Theology²⁷ which teaches that Christ can't return until the Church takes over the earth. And his billion man army reminds me of another two other "army" movements in the name of Jesus: The Army of Joel and the Manifest Sons of God who promote the false teaching in which they think the Lord has given them a mandate to take over the earth for Jesus so that he can return.

Though "P" for Church Planting can still be found on Rick Warren's website describing his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan, he changed the acronym to have "P" stand for "Participation" in his keynote speech at the Religious Newswriters convention on Sept. 29, 2005,²⁸ where Warren states that he is getting 400,000 churches to participate in his plan. The mission of the church as defined in Matthew 28; Luke 24; and Acts 1 is to preach the gospel and CALL PEOPLE OUT OF THE WORLD. Once converted, people are taught to "obey everything that Jesus taught." Part of this teaching is giving alms, but that is hardly the key mission of the church, as Warren claims. In fact, Christ tells us NOT to give alms before men to be seen by men; Warren brags about his almsgiving to the whole world.

From a worldly perspective, history is replete with peace plans and men of peace...even those claiming the name of Jesus. Rick Warren thinks Muslims can help his peace plan with "spiritual lostness" (see Section on Islam for reference) in spite of the fact that they themselves are totally lost. Warren's plan is not new; it is simply revisionist history.

Rick Warren:

"GOD'S DREAM FOR YOU—AND THE WORLD" October 27, 2003 Email to Saddleback Church.²⁹

God never sleeps, so God doesn't dream (who could give God a dream?)! But even were God to have given Rick Warren his dream, God gives instructions which are 100% truth, not falsehood or any percent falsehood! One should also note that the dreams God does give even to non-believers in God, primarily are warnings and deal with judgment.

6. GUARANTEES SUCCESS

Rick Warren:

“The Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan IS GOING TO HAPPEN”³⁰

“You are not a part of Saddleback Church by accident...I say this without fear of exaggeration—God is going to use you, and all of us together at Saddleback, to change history!”³¹

Boasting about tomorrow:

“Boast not thyself of to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.”
Proverbs 27:1

"Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain: Whereas ye know not what [shall be] on the morrow. For what [is] your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." James 4:13-14 KJV

“For that ye [ought] to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that. But now ye rejoice in your boastings: all such rejoicing is evil. Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth [it] not, to him it is sin." James 4:15-17

Other Scriptural warnings against Presumption:

Num 15:30, Dt 6:16, 18:20, Isa 45:9, 1Co 10:9, 2Peter 2:10, Gen 11:4, Num 14:44, 20:11; 2Ch 26:16, Luke 12:19

7. HOW IS IT FINANCED?

Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan's initial funding is generated by the royalties he receives from his book *The Purpose Driven Life* and tithes and offerings from his Saddleback Church in California. He also promotes reverse tithing.³² Additional income is derived from his companion books and study guides and the 115,000 pastors who subscribe to his Pastors.com Rick Warren Ministry Toolbox and pay to download his sermons. However, this is just seed money; his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan will require funding vastly exceeding what has currently been financed, if it is to transform every nation on earth.. To fully succeed, Rick Warren is going to have to forge alliances with Heads of State, Corporations, and Non-Government Organizations (NGOs).

I am utterly astonished that someone could write a book saturated with false teachings,

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promotion of false teachers, false translations, and even blueprints for how to practice psychology, then validate his own righteousness by declaring repeatedly how he is going to give 90% of the royalty income from his sales back to the church, charities, and of course, to finance his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan. Rick Warren has made his fortune by “causing my little children to stumble,” deceiving 30 million readers of his Purpose Driven Life book, leading astray 20,000 members of his own church, 400,000 church leaders he has trained, 20,000 churches in a host of denominations and 165 countries, which he hopes to turn into purpose-driven countries under the banner of his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan.³³

We also constantly hear of how modestly Rick Warren lives. This reminds me of the Vatican. The Pope isn't rich; the wealth is held by the Roman Catholic Church. However, as the absolute sovereign authority over its assets and distribution of funds, does he need to technically own anything? Likewise, Rick Warren has absolute authority over Saddleback Church and his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan. He is simply taking money from one pocket and putting it in the other; it is still in the same pair of pants. It would not matter if Rick Warren gained the whole world from the sales of his book and gave all of it to finance his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan, if his fortune was made from a book of false teachings. Warren should refund the money from his books sales, and his publisher Zondervan needs to remand and recall his book! Further, Christians and churches who bought his book should strongly consider having a bonfire and pitching his books into it, as the early Christians did in Acts 19:19 when they burned all of their magic arts scrolls.

Rick Warren has rejected correction and refused to make restitution -- the fruit of repentance. Even if there were such a person as “America's pastor,” Rick Warren has not met the first essential criteria: being faithful to God's Word. As a pastor, he must meet the requirement of an elder, to be able to rightly divide the truth. (For elder qualifications, see 1 Timothy 3.2-7 and Titus 1: 6-7, and the *Pastor is Master, Isn't He?* article³⁴. A true elder must defend, contend and confess The Faith without equivocation or waffling. It is bad enough that much of Warren's income was received from unsuspecting non-believers who could not discern the falsehood of his teachings. Even worse, he has plundered from tens of thousands of church treasuries and individual Christians who bought his book.

Some prominent Christian leaders who should know better say that before Jesus ever criticized anyone, he always found something good to say about them. This is inaccurate. Jesus did this with individual churches, as with five of the seven churches in Revelation, but he never did this with a false teacher. Neither did any of the prophets of the Old Testament nor any of the Apostles in the New Testament. NEVER! Christian leaders who defend Rick Warren think that giving profits to charity somehow sanctifies Warren's false teachings in the book which generated the royalties. Furthermore, even if the income came from honest gain, tithing should be voluntary. Warren forces members of his own church to sign tithing covenants,³⁵ putting Christians back under the law. The Apostle Paul condemned the Galatian church for doing that.

Paul teaches that we are NOT to give out of compulsion, but this doesn't stop Rick Warren. It would be bad enough were he to require this only of his own megachurch, but he trains leaders in his Purpose Driven Church franchises to do the same.

This still doesn't take into account the destruction left in Warren's wake in all of the churches who paid for his Purpose Driven Life book and materials, to facilitate transition from a New Testament church model to Purpose Driven church polity. Many members of these churches did not just lose \$20 paying for one of Warren's books, they lost their church or were purpose-driven

out. In many cases, these were senior members or charter members who had helped build their church. I wonder what all those saints forced out of their churches thought when Rick Warren had the audacity to state the following on *Larry King Live* on CNN:

“One is a reformation of the church in America and the other is a return of civility to society when people who disagree can still get along and like each other even if they disagree.”³⁶

For documented case studies of the consequences for Christians who opposed Rick Warren's teachings and refusal to sign his covenants, see *Spiritual Euthanasia*³⁷

Also see Bob DeWaay *Redefining Christianity, Understanding the Purpose-Driven Movement*, 21st Century Press, 2006, and Dr. Noah Hutchings, *The Dark Side of the Purpose Driven Church*, Bible Belt Publishing, Southwest Radio Church, p. 8. 2005.

Rick Warren tells us how much he is giving to the church and repeatedly advertises this in the market place. So let's see what the Lord commands regarding this practice:

"Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven. Therefore when thou doest [thine] alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly." Matthew 6:1-4

As bad as it is how Rick Warren made his fortune in the first place, as bad as it is that he touts it before men, as bad as it is what happened to a host of saints who resisted his teachings and takeover of churches, and as bad as it is that the unholy leaven of Warren's teachings has virtually if not permanently taken over once God-fearing sound doctrine churches, imagine the greater consequences for using the income from his false teachings and spiritual abuse of authority to finance components of his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan outlined in this document. Warren may succeed with his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan; after all, he has guaranteed it. But what will be the cost? Who will pick up the pieces of the dismembered Christians left chewed up by the propeller in the wake of his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan once it is consummated? There is no room at Rick Warren's table for those Christians he calls “resisters.” His co-conspirator Dan Sutherland of Church Transitions calls leaders who oppose or question this movement 'Sanballats,'³⁸ but there will be room at the table for all true saints who will take their place when they sit at the Wedding Supper of the Lamb. See Matthew 26:26-29 and Revelation 19:19

8. FEAR OF THE LORD

It is not surprising that there are no published statements by Rick Warren mentioning the fear of the Lord in his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan, because he does not teach it in his *Purpose Driven Life* book, the trunk from which the branch of his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan grew. In fact, he teaches the opposite:

“We give ourselves to him, **not out of fear or duty**, but in love.” *The Purpose Driven Life*, page 77, Zondervan, 2005.

It is not surprising that Rick Warren leaves out the fear of the Lord, as later he states:

“We obey God, **not out of duty or fear** or compulsion, but because we *love* him and trust that he knows what is best for us.” *The Purpose Driven Life*, page 95, Zondervan, 2005.

And a third time:

“**We don't serve God out of guilt or fear** or even duty, but out of joy, and deep gratitude for what he's done for us.” *The Purpose Driven Life*, page 228, Zondervan, 2005.

Warren quotes Psalm 147:11 (CEV):

“The Lord is pleased only with those who worship him and trust his love.” *The Purpose Driven Life*, page 64, Zondervan, 2005.

In the spirit of omission so prevalent in Warren's publications, this mangled translation takes away the most important qualifier—the most important phrase—“**for those who fear him.**”

“**The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him**, in those that hope in his mercy.” —Psalm 147:11 KJV. According to *Strong's Lexicon*, the Hebrew word for “fear” is 'yare' which means reverence and fear.

But of course we obey and give ourselves to Him out of the fear of the Lord. For more documentation on the fear of the Lord, see the article *Fear of the Lord* (Rock Salt Publishing) and *Who's Driving the Purpose Driven Church?*, Chapter 3, p.34, Bible Belt Publishers, 2004.

Scripture says much about fearing the Lord:

“The fear of the LORD [is] the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy [is] understanding.” Proverbs 9:10

"There is no fear of God before their eyes" Romans 3:18. According to *Strong's Lexicon*, the Greek for “fear” here is “phobos” which means “fear, dread, terror, reverence”.

“Let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and *godly fear*. For our God is a consuming fire.” Hebrews 12:28-29

Without this critical ingredient, Rick Warren's P.E.A.C.E. Plan does not have a legitimate beginning or foundation.

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There is no expiration date on the fear of the Lord (it will be present even during the Millennium, Jesus Christ's Global Peace Plan on earth); any true peace plan for the earth must contain this pillar. The Antichrist's peace platform certainly won't contain it. At the end of the Age, an angel from Heaven affirms that fearing the Lord is an everlasting command which therefore must extend it through the Millennium:

“And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the **everlasting gospel** to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, Saying with a loud voice, **Fear God, and give glory to him**;.....” Revelation 14:6-7

9. BLOOD OF JESUS

Rick Warren quotes 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 (he doesn't cite translation, but it is from the CEV):

“God sent Christ to make peace between himself and us”³⁹

A sound and complete version of these verses will say:

“And all things [are] of God, who hath **reconciled** us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of **reconciliation**;” 2Corinthians 5:18 KJV

“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.”
2Corinthians 5:19

Reconciling all mankind to God requires exclusively the applied shed blood of Jesus Christ. As that discerning old lady in that old hamburger commercial asked 'Where's the beef?', we need to be asking of Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. plan: “Where's the 'blood' (of Jesus)?”

“And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood there is no remission (forgiveness)” Hebrews 9:22

10. PEACE AS THE WORLD KNOWS

Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan is peace as the world knows it. The World loves his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan because it prescribes a peaceful kingdom *now* for the earth rather than "Thy Kingdom Come" (when Christ returns). Warren seeks to prepare a place for us that where we are, Jesus may be also. **But Jesus has gone to Heaven to prepare a place for us that where he is, we may be also.**

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: **not as the world giveth**, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." John 14:27

"Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword." Matthew 10:34 (Luke 12:51)

"For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape." I Thessalonians 5:3

"They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them. We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error." 1John 4:5-6

For an in depth study of how this applies to Rick Warren's teachings, see: See Bob DeWaay's book *Redefining Christianity, Understanding the Purpose-Driven Movement*, 21st Century Press, 2006.

The world hates true Christians because their message is that God's peace plan requires repentance and reconciliation to Christ alone:

"If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before [it hated] you." John 15:18

"Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you." 1John 3:13

"Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets." Luke 6:26

11. WRATH OF THE LAMB

Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan is a Dominionist⁴⁰, "Kingdom Now" Peace Plan. He completely turns eschatology upside down and what isn't upended has glaring omissions of critical Biblical End Times passages!

Only until the Captain of the Hosts, the true leader of the billion-man (or more) army, the Lord himself descends, will the real Global Peace Plan (The Millennial Kingdom) be inaugurated. See Revelation 19-21. Also see Dr. Noah Hutchings, *The Dark Side of the Purpose Driven Church*, Belt Publishing, Southwest Radio Church, p. 8. 2005.

Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan contains no plan for destroying the Antichrist, False Prophet, and binding Satan.

Jesus Christ will destroy Antichrist and False Prophet with the breath of his nostrils at (AND NOT BEFORE) his return and cast Satan into the bottomless pit for the thousand year reign of His Millennium.

If Warren's plan succeeds, it will leave most of the population on the earth intact, absent the wrath of the Lamb.

Just prior to and in conjunction with the Lord's return, "There will be wars and at least one-half the world's population will be killed..."⁴¹

Rick Warren consummates his final peace plan for the earth without war. But this is impossible because the global peace that the Lord will personally bring to the earth when he returns will not happen until the Lord first sends the Four Horses of the Apocalypse, in particular the red horse who will take peace from the earth:

"And there went out another horse [that was] red: and [power] was given to him that sat thereon **to take peace from the earth**, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword." Revelation 6:4

When the Lord returns, he will first make global war before he inaugurates his Global Peace plan, better known as The Millennial Thousand Year Reign of Christ.

"And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from **the wrath of the Lamb**: For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?" Revelation 6:15-17

Even if the saints as the church could take dominion of the earth before the Lord's return, they could not do so until after the Antichrist is temporarily given power to make war against them and conquer them!!

“And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.” Revelation 13:7

So there will be no permanent final global peace until these things be fulfilled. Then and then only will the Scripture be fulfilled:

“And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, **The kingdoms of this world are become [the kingdoms] of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.”** Revelation 11:15

See Revelation Chapters 19-20 for more details.

12. ISRAEL

Warren has already approved of his *Purpose Driven Life* book to be translated into Hebrew by MAOZ Ministries to soon be distributed in Israel.⁴²

The long term impact of MAOZ Ministry in Israel presenting and translating Warren's *Purpose Driven Life* book into Hebrew to distribute to Israel:

Warren is already in the process of turning Rwanda into a Purpose Driven Country with his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan, and he now has his sights set on Israel. His idea of a Global P.E.A.C.E. plan is to go into a village and form an alliance with a “man of peace.” This could be a Muslim Cleric in charge of the Temple Mount. Were Arafat still alive, the winner of the Nobel "Peace" Prize, he would have been “the man of peace” for the Palestinians. He would not sign the last peace plan because he said he would be assassinated for giving up absolute rule of the Temple Mount in Jerusalem, which he said belonged in total to all Muslims. This book campaign by MAOZ will help pave the way for Warren to get Israel to sign one of his Peace Plan Covenants to convert Israel into a Purpose Driven Country. (Remember, Rick Warren's plan is global, so it must include Israel).

Warren has already formed an unholy alliance with the United Nations and even brags how they are interested in his P.E.A.C.E. Plan. Here is some recent proof that the United Nations is the enemy of Israel;

“The United Nations held a "Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People" last week. A large map of “Palestine,” with Israel literally wiped off the map, featured prominently in the festivities. The ceremony was held at the UN headquarters in New York and was attended by Secretary General Kofi Annan and the Presidents of the UN Security Council and the General Assembly....During the festivities, a map labeled a "map of Palestine” was displayed prominently between UN and PLO flags. The map, with “Palestine” written in Arabic atop it, does not include Israel, a member of the UN for 56 years.”⁴³

Let us take warning about The Man of Peace who will sign a covenant with Israel with this Scripture prophecy:

“And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and **he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many**: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.” Daniel 8:25

“**And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week**: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make [it] desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.” Daniel 9:27

Also see Psalm 83,⁴⁴ which describes what the Lord is going to do to the surrounding nations who will come to take plunder of Israel.

Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan is a plan put in place without addressing *Jacob's Trouble*(see Jeremiah 30:7), which must FIRST come before the Lord's Global Kingdom of the Prince of Peace is established on earth!

Take warning! We must be on guard against THE man of peace who will destroy many with peace...a man who loves covenants and enforces them...will it be The Covenant with Israel? This man of peace will do away with resisters to his peace plan and those who refuse to sign his covenant. Rick Warren has already trained tens of thousands of pastors how to get rid of what he calls "resisters" and "pillars" who would refuse to sign his covenants. We have already witnessed what happens to saints in a host of denominations who dare to oppose his teachings and refuse to sign his covenants.⁴⁵ Also see Dr. Noah Hutchings, *The Dark Side of the Purpose Driven Church*, Belt Publishing, Southwest Radio Church, p. 8. 2005.

13. INCLUDES MUSLIMS

In an interview at **The Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life**, describing his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan, Rick Warren states in reference to “they” in referring to leaders in any village in the world that Rick Warren will recruit to participate in his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan:

“They don’t have to be a Christian. In fact, **they could be a Muslim,**”⁴⁶

Here are two more quotes regarding his position on Islam:

“**I would trust any imam** or priest or rabbi to know what is going on in a community before I would any government agency.’

But, powerful as churches can be in working for the powerless, they can't succeed without governments and nongovernmental organizations, Warren said.

Warren predicts that fundamentalism, of all varieties, will be 'one of the big enemies of the 21st century...Muslim fundamentalism, Christian fundamentalism, Jewish fundamentalism, secular fundamentalism - they're all motivated by fear. Fear of each other.’⁴⁷

One of the pillars of Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan is to “Plant Churches” (i.e., it is the “P” in P.E.A.C.E.) even though, depending on his audience, he says the “P” stands for *participation*). But it should be obvious to every Christian that **MUSLIMS DON'T PLANT CHURCHES**. They wouldn't plant churches any more than they would build a Jewish Temple or synagogue. Though there are Christian churches in some Arab countries, there are none in Saudi Arabia, the center of Islam. In fact, the Islamic “Global Peace” Plan is to destroy churches. In Islamic Law, according to the Koran and the Haddiths, there is no room for Jews, Christians or a Jewish nation. Their global peace plan divides the world into two spheres: the House of Peace (Submission) and the House of War. Once all infidels (yes that's us) are destroyed, there will only be the House of Peace (submission). It won't contain the Nation of Israel, and it won't have Jesus sitting on David's Throne. Matching the Apostle John's own definition of the spirit of the antichrist, Islam does not believe that Jesus Christ is God who came in the flesh. Rick Warren is proposing unholy alliances with not just Islam, but any religion which qualifies as a candidate according to these Scriptures:

“Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is **antichrist**, that denieth the Father and the Son.” 1John 2:22

“And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that [spirit] of **antichrist**, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.” 1John 4:3

“For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an **antichrist**.” 2John 1:7

"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? 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. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean [thing]; and I will receive you,"
2Corinthians 14-17

Rick Warren bases this component of his Peace Plan on this Scripture:

“And if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again.” Luke 10:6

However, this Scripture actually refutes Warren’s contention. Even if this “man of peace” were a Muslim, he would have to repent of being a Muslim and be born again as believer in Creator/Messiah Jesus Christ and renounce Islam.

“Thou wilt keep [him] in perfect peace, [whose] mind [is] stayed [on thee]: because he trusteth in thee.” Isaiah 26:3

A Muslim's mind certainly is not stayed on Jesus Christ, our only Lord and Savior, but on Allah! Yet Rick Warren believes a Muslim in any village could help him build his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan.

For more information and Scriptural support describing Islam's Plan for Global Peace and worldwide domination, see *Islamic Jesus vs. Biblical Jesus*.⁴⁸ Here is a list of twenty comparisons addressed in this article between the Islamic Jesus whom Muslims call “Isa” and the Biblical Jesus. The Islamic position on the identity of Jesus is taken from the Koran and Haddiths, which together comprise the ultimate authority in Islam. Most Muslims are not aware of most of these texts. Likewise, most Christians are not thoroughly versed in their own Biblical Scriptures defending or describing the identity of Christ, let alone the Islamic Scriptures describing Christ.

Muslim Jesus vs. Biblical Jesus: Twenty Scriptural Reasons Why They Are Not the Same Jesus

A Compilation and Comparison by James Sundquist

1. Islamic Jesus was created and not eternal
2. Islamic Jesus is not the Lamb of God who was slain
3. Islamic Jesus will not return until Judgment Day
4. Islamic Jesus prophesied (but did not send) the coming of Mohammad
(Islamic Jesus did not send the Holy Spirit)
5. Islam says Salvation is found only in the Five Pillars of Islam

6. Islamic Jesus is an involuntary Slave to Allah
7. Islamic Jesus was never crucified and therefore was not resurrected
8. Islamic Jesus is not the God in the flesh as the Messiah
9. Islamic Jesus can not be worshiped
10. Islamic Jesus not fit to be intercessor
11. Islamic Jesus will judge by the Law of the Quran and not by the Gospel
12. Islamic Jesus is simply another prophet
13. Islamic Jesus lands on a Minaret in Damascus, Syria
14. Islamic Jesus returns on the wings of two angels
15. Islamic Jesus destroys Antichrist at Lydda (in Israel)
16. Islamic Jesus who returns will not be pierced
17. Islamic Jesus will marry a woman and have children
18. Islamic Jesus will break every cross
19. Islamic Jesus will die forty years after his return
20. RE LOVE: (There is no concept of Agape Love found in either the Koran or the Haddiths).

See full article for the scriptural truth compared to the lies from the writings of Islam. (Courtesy *BE ALERT* Newsletter, Moriel Ministries, November 5, 2005)⁴⁹

I strongly encourage you to read Simon Altaf's new book entitled *Yeshua or Isa?* Simon Altaf is a former Sunni Muslim, now a devout Christian and scholar. He concurs that it is impossible for any Muslim to be a candidate for Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan.⁵⁰

Islam also has a completely different Angel Gabriel than the Bible teaches. Islam teaches that Gabriel said that Mohammad is The Comforter referred to in our Scripture. The Bible teaches that Gabriel announces the birth of Jesus our Messiah. But it was Jesus who then said that the Holy Spirit is the Comforter that Jesus alone would send. This was confirmed and fulfilled in the Book of Acts at Pentecost, several hundred years before Mohammad was even born.

“And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another **Comforter**, that he may abide with you for ever;” John 14:16

“But **the Comforter**, [which is] the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.” John 14:26

“But when **the Comforter** is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, [even] the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:” John 15:26

“Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, **the Comforter** will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.”
John 16:7

“ 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. Acts 1:8.

Muslims have beheaded Christians and Jews for fifteen hundred years and will be responsible for beheading of Christians in the Antichrist's Global Empire, believing they are doing God a favor:

“And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and [I saw] the souls of them that were **beheaded** for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received [his] mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.” Revelation 20:4

Islam has a different Jesus, a different Gabriel, a different Comforter, and a different Peace Plan. Yet Rick Warren wants to form alliances with Muslims to implement his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan?

14. NEHEMIAH COVENANT

Rick Warren uses the fact that Nehemiah invoked a covenant in Israel in the Old Testament as a rationale that he has the right to invoke them in the church. In the following interview, Richard Abanes asks Warren:

“Why do you have covenants? Some people say they're cultic.”

Rick Warren:

“Is the **Nicene Creed** cultic?”⁵¹

“This weekend, I'll unveil our Global P.E.A.C.E plan”⁵²

So was this P.E.A.C.E. Plan of Rick Warren's like the Council of Nicea for the whole world, where many Christian leaders met to represent all Christians? Surely a key difference is that the Nicene Creed isn't a covenant. It is a statement of faith, a summary of beliefs and doctrines outlined in Scripture, reflecting Orthodox Christianity, not a promise about certain church ordinances. This can't be compared to Rick Warren's covenants. Warren has made a false analogy. Ironically, the Nicene Creed was the product of an ultimatum set down by the Emperor Constantine (another example of the Leaven of Herod) in 325 A.D. In like manner, Rick Warren forces compliance with his own covenants.

Nehemiah's Covenant was a renewal of an existing covenant, not a new one. In addition, the existing covenant was God's, not man's. The laws enumerated in chapters 9-10 in Nehemiah were laws already given by God to the Israelites through Moses. Note in verse 29 of Chapter 10 that the covenant was also a curse, and the oath was to bind themselves back to the Law of Moses and back to its curses. Warren is seeking to put his congregation back under the Law; the very thing Paul condemned the churches in Galatia for attempting to do! What was Rick Warren thinking? His list of requirements were NOT given by God to the Church but by Rick Warren himself. In fact, they defy Christ's own commands regarding oaths. Even Nehemiah did not take the draconian measures against the Israelites who did NOT sign the Covenant that Rick Warren has trained Purpose Driven Church pastors and Purpose Driven Churches to do with members who refuse to sign his covenants. Imagine what Nehemiah would think of Rick Warren holding negotiations with an Islamic leader in Jerusalem regarding the desirability of Nehemiah building a wall around Jerusalem. Israel should mark Rick Warren as a national security threat!

In defending covenants, Rick Warren compares the relationship of a Christian and the Church to a marriage. Such a comparison would lead us to believe that Christians are the Bride of Christ and the Church is the Groom. This violates every passage in Scripture which clearly states that Christ is THE GROOM. The Church is simply the collection of individual Christians who comprise the as-yet-unconsummated Bride of Christ. This false analogy is one of the most important keys to see how Rick Warren has deceived the church into swearing loyalty to him and the pastors he recruits in churches throughout the world. Warren's mandatory covenant creates misplaced loyalty and a false foundation for church government, completely corrupting the church and those who sign on to Warren's form of government. For more information exposing the fatal flaws of this type of church government and polity, see: ***Pastor is Master, Isn't He?***, **The PZ Insider Report – Where has all the discernment gone?** © Sunday, November 6, 2005.

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You can also listen to Rick Warren's interview on the *Drew Marshall Show* and James Sundquist's interview response to Rick Warren (scroll down to July 2).⁵³

There is only one New Covenant for Christians! See Jesus Christ's and the Apostle James' warnings about more oaths and covenants beyond the New Covenant! Matthew 5:33-37, and James 5:12. Also see *Who's Driving the Purpose Driven Church?* Chapter Two, Bible Belt Publishing, 2004.⁵⁴

15. ABUSE OF AUTHORITY

Documentation and case studies of the consequences of refusing to sign Rick Warren's covenants and opposing his teachings can be found in the following:

Spiritual Euthanasia

MEDIA SPOTLIGHT • VOL. 28 - NO. 3 SUMMER 2005 PAGE 13, **Al Dager Director**

Bob DeWaay, *Redefining Christianity, Understanding the Purpose-Driven Movement*, 21st Century Press, 2006

&

Dr. Noah Hutchings, *Dark Side of the Purpose Driven Church*, Bible Belt Publishing, Southwest Radio Church, 2005.⁵⁵

In spite of the pandemic abuse of spiritual authority documented above, the **Council for Christian Colleagues and Universities** is now adding insult to injury...a reproach to all of these victims, by awarding Rick and Kay Warren the Mark O. Hatfield Award for Christian Leadership at the 2006 CCCU International Forum on Christian Higher Education.⁵⁶ The CCCU, to date, is still going through with this award, in spite of all of the documentation I sent them on Rick Warren. There has been no response to my subsequent follow-up sent them on Rick Warren.

16. FALSE TEACHINGS AND FALSE BIBLE TRANSLATIONS

Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan is built on the foundation of his *Purpose Driven Church*, *Purpose Driven Life* (now sold over 30 million copies), and his Discovery 101, 201, 301 (SHAPE), and 401 Classes. His Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan is the outgrowth of his Discovery 401 Class which is the global component, though everything he teaches has already gone global, Discovery Class 401 is a more detailed blueprint involving the nations of the world.

“God accepts me as I already am,” according to Rick Warren's March 2005 *Ladies Home Journal* column...and in his series every month after that first article. See Paul Proctor's article: *It's Your Choice*.⁵⁷

This is diametrically and diabolically opposed to Scripture:

“He that hath the Son hath life; [and] he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.” 1John 5:12

“He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the **wrath of God abideth** on him” John 3:36

For more information documenting Rick Warren's own false teachings, see Chapter Four of *Who's Driving the Purpose Driven Church?* Chapter 4,⁵⁸ see also sites documenting Rick Warren's false translations of the Bible⁵⁹ and *Who's Driving the Purpose Driven Church?*, Chapter Three, Bible Belt Publishing, 2004.⁶⁰ and *What are the Roots of Purpose Driven Church* color chart.⁶¹

17. SECRECY

Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan is built on the foundation of his Purpose Driven Church teachings which include secretly introducing heresies into the church by training leaders (while not telling the congregation) how to remove “resisters” and “pillars” in the church and forcing members to sign his covenants. Here is an example from a long-time member of a church in Michigan:

“The pastor and the rest of the 'staff' disappeared for a week to some secret Southern location and none could 'disclose' the reason. Top secret,” without the congregation knowing anything about where they went or why they went, but it was to obtain training in Rick Warren's leadership principles on how deal with anyone opposing Rick Warren's teachings.”

Location:

Safe Harbor Church
3552 South Pipestone Rd.
Sodus , MI 49126 , a Church of God Prophecy Church

And here is what has been going on at Grace Assembly in Wake Forest, NC:

“Resisters were pushed out not just for opposing Rick Warren, but for merely asking what was going on, or for pointing out error. It is now evident that some were removed because they actually resisted the "Transitioning" methods. Many left on their own, not really understanding the undercurrents, but after being hurt by being removed from their positions, sometimes learning about their removal from someone else, or even in the church bulletin! If covenants were required, it was only on staff. I have been told that staff members were not to talk about certain things. My estimate of departed members/attendees is between 45 and 60, most of them staffers or leadership and/or volunteer workers from a church of 150 to 200. There are many more who came and left quickly, before becoming involved.”⁶²

And here is what Scripture says about secret things:

“The secret [things belong] unto the LORD our God: but those [things which are] revealed [belong] unto us and to our children for ever, that [we] may do all the words of this law.” Deuteronomy 29:29

The secret things belong to God, not to Rick Warren, who privily (secretly) introduces these heresies in churches just like Safe Harbor (which is no longer a safe harbor). The saints there couldn't defend themselves until it was too late!

“And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, who came in **privily** to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage:” Galatians 2:4

“But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who **privily** shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.” 2Peter 2:1

“Wherefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and not content therewith, **neither doth he himself receive the brethren, and forbiddeth them that would, and casteth [them] out of the church.**” 3John 1:10

“I wrote unto the church: but Diotrephes, who loveth to have the preeminence among them, receiveth us not.” 3John 1:19

18. PERFECT PEACE OR IMPERFECT PEACE?

Rick Warren said that as his plan was developed and perfected, it would be shared with all of the other churches around the world. Warren's 5-Step P.E.A.C.E. Plan format is similar to one proposed by New Age leader Neale Donald Walsch, who also claimed to be inspired by God.⁶³

Rick Warren's Peace Plan and other teachings copied from others

- SHAPE (was already created by Joe Weider, fitness giant)
- Purpose-Driven already published by Tony Robbins (search Amazon for details)
- Personality Profile ("P") in SHAPE already conceived by Carl Jung
- 5 Point PEACE Plan already conceived by Neale Donald Walsh
- God's Dream (Robert Schuller and Bruce Wilkinson)

God's Peace Plan and Blueprint is original and perfect and already given by Divine Revelation of Scripture. By contrast, Rick Warren first gets input from non-Christians and pagan leaders to formulate his peace plan, THEN he tells the churches. He will share it with them after seeking counsel from the ungodly, without even having received the churches' input, accountability, or correction from fellow elders at his own church or churches all over the world?

“Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.” James 1:17

Christians certainly can use the word peace. However, to claim a blueprint is directly from God when it can easily be confused with a New Ager's Global P.E.A.C.E. plan raises a concern. God is not the author of confusion; a clear and DISTINCT signal would be sent by him:

**“For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle? I
Corinthian 14:8**

**“For God is not [the author] of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.” I
Corinthians 14:33**

If Rick Warren's P.E.A.C.E. Plan is really inspired from God as he claims, it should already arrive perfect. It wouldn't need perfecting! Furthermore, Jesus Christ's Global Peace Plan is inaugurated at his return, not before. When it begins, there will be NO wicked on the earth, only mortal believers and immortal glorified saints, for he will have destroyed the wicked, the AntiChrist (and his peace plan), and bound Satan!

“[There is] no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.” Isaiah 57:21

19. WHAT ABOUT THE CURSES?

I have already addressed some of the glaring omissions in Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan, but there are two contingencies which he fails to account for which would also prevent his plan from succeeding. First, he does not mention that the reason the five “giants” he identifies exist in the first place is because of the curse in the Garden of Eden due to the Fall of Adam. The whole earth is under judgment and will remain so until Christ returns to reverse the curse. It is not a question of what we can do to reverse the curse in an attempt to usher in Global Peace but of who must reverse it. It can't happen until Christ returns to set up his kingdom. Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan is just another human potential movement. Second, Warren does not mention the curse at the Tower of Babel where God confounded the languages. Prior to that time, the world spoke one language; an impostor peace plan is one which still retains the confusion of languages. This still remains yet another still-binding judgment of God on mankind.

Rick Warren touts human potential, but human potential was at the core of why God destroyed the Tower of Babel. Had God not destroyed the tower, the people desired could have achieved anything, including a global man-made peace plan. The real global peace plan will be Christ's kingdom he sets up on earth when he returns, and when he does, he will reverse this curse as well. The Antichrist may attempt to do this, but anyone other than Christ himself who tries doing it is a pretender.

Even if Rick Warren were to succeed in slaying his five giants (which he has guaranteed), his P.E.A.C.E. plan is still inferior to the peace plan the Lord himself will set up. However, it lines up perfectly with Satan's peace plan. The counterfeit peace plan must first come, ushered in by the Antichrist, before the Lord's global peace will be ushered in by the Lord himself. Christians should not buy into any global peace plan that will precede the Lord's worldwide peace plan.

The Lord's Prayer tells us “thy kingdom *come*,” Rick Warren promises us kingdom *now*! Jesus Christ told us that the time when he will set up his kingdom on earth is determined by the Father. Jesus Christ's Global Kingdom of Peace can not be set up until he restores the kingdom of Israel when he returns. Jerusalem will be the capital of the world, and Israel will be the preeminent nation on earth. It will not determined by Rick Warren.

“When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And he said unto them, **It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.**” Acts 1:6-7

20. ALLIANCES

Rick Warren had been talking to world leaders over the last year, getting their opinions and factoring them into his 5-Step P.E.A.C.E. Plan⁶⁴ He recruits Soldiers from Enemy Camp, or promotes them, or votes for for enemy camp, including those who endorse Rick Warren's teachings:

Here are just a few examples of the unholy alliances Rick Warren has formed leading up to the launch of his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan:

August Turak (New Ager) Warren voted \$100,000 Grand prize (unanimously) **Templeton Foundation *Power of Purpose*** Awards, 2004

Peter Drucker

Philip Yancey⁶⁵

Richard Foster⁶⁶

Rwanda: First Purpose-Driven Nation; President Paul Kagame, Summer 2005.⁶⁷

Bill Hybels who promotes occultist Carl Jung (MBTI) and gave Muslim Cleric a platform and spoke with Rick Warren and Blanchard at Willowcreek Sumulcast Summit, August 2005

Richard Abanes, *Rick Warren and the Purpose that Drives Him* [Harvest House] book which promotes Rick Warren and slanders critics. Rick Warren promotes this book. James Walker, President, **Watchman Fellowship**, endorses Richard Abane's book on Rick Warren.

Youth Specialities⁶⁸

Nicky Gumbel (ALPHA COURSE)⁶⁹

Ken Blanchard⁷⁰

Ken Blanchard was the featured speaker at First Assembly of God Church in Phoenix on November 27, 2005. I listened to this sermon on compact disc. I was so shocked and dismayed at the list of false teachers he embraced in this speech, I was compelled to write Tommy Barnett, their Senior Pastor, who had invited him. To date he has not responded to any of my emails or follow-up inquiries. Here are some excerpts from that letter:

December 9, 2005

Dear Pastor Tommy Barnett,

I just finished hearing the CD of Ken Blanchard speaking at your church recently.

I can only hope you are simply not aware of Ken Blanchard's teachings and endorsements, including many he touted in his sermon to your congregation.

The most startling of all was his glowing view of Nelson Mandela. Are you aware that Mandela is a devout Marxist? Here is a quote from Mandela...can you possibly think this is Christian that Blanchard would be his devotee?

NELSON MANDELLA:

“When you don’t feel good about yourself, it is hard to feel good about anything or anyone else... The only way to get out of this vicious cycle is to begin to believe in ourselves... You are a child of God... We are all meant to shine as children do. We are born to manifest the glory of God that is within us. It’s not just in some of us it’s in everyone...

Don’t wait therefore for someone to tell you how wonderful you are. Just simply believe it, know it! Look deep within yourself. As we get to know and affirm ourselves for who we are, we become aware of the divinity that we share. What better place to find God than within ourselves.”⁷¹

I find it equally astonishing that you or at least one wise among your congregation would not stand up and challenge Ken Blanchard's glowing endorsement of Norman Vincent Peale, a mentor to Robert Schuller, whose heresies are well-known. Blanchard further endorses, in his sermon to your congregation, Rick Warren (SHAPE), Bill Hybels and Zig Ziglar, who all three promote occultist Carl Jung's Temperament Divination and Personality Profiling. I proved that Warren is a false teacher in my last email to you. Blanchard also promotes Jung via DISC Profiling, invented by Wonder Woman comic strip author William Moulton Marsden who used Jung archetypes to create a female heroine who put men in bondage).⁷²

Blanchard also spoke glowingly of John Ortberg, who signed a letter⁷³ to President Bush appealing to him to give some of the land of Israel to the Palestinians, bringing a curse upon himself from God to anyone who tampers with Israel's God given boundaries. (God has married ["Beulah"] that land to Israel...no one else has a right to divide it up...read Psalm 83 if you doubt what God will do to those who dare to carve up the Land of Israel). Blanchard also commends Bob Buford whose account and defense of Mother Teresa (95%) [Percent represents Buford's idea that she only need 5% to close the gap to 100% between her and the Lord]*, who saw no reason to convert a Buddhist, is beyond the pale.

I remain shocked and saddened that you would not know about at least some of these false teachers that Blanchard promotes and endorses. I was compelled to bring this all to the attention of the listeners of Sonlife Radio Network (72 stations), and will continue to do so in the upcoming national radio interviews I will be doing in 2006 exposing Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan vs. Scripture.

I hope and pray that you take heed to my words and those of Dr. Opal Reddin [in her October 27, 2005 open letter of appeal and warning to all Assembly of God Churches, which she wrote on her deathbed, one month before she was promoted to Glory. [Dr. Reddin was a matriarch in the Assemblies of God denomination]**. I have spent thousands of hours researching these men's teachings. I also hope that you go before your own congregation and repent for having brought Ken Blanchard to speak to and mingle with your flock.

Kindest regards in Christ,

James Sundquist
Director
Rock Salt Publishing

*Brackets added since this letter was sent in order to explain 95% reference to Mother Teresa.

**Brackets added since this letter was sent in order to identify Dr. Reddin for the reader.

Faith Based Initiative which will dock neatly with Rick Warren's SHAPE Program and his databasing his members

President Bush who has said Islam is a religion of peace and thinks surrendering the Land God gave to Israel will bring peace.

Chuck Colson (ECT signatory)

Hugh Ross (astronomer)

For documentary expose on Dr. Hugh Ross' false teachings see; James Sundquist, *DOES GOD EXPECT MAN TO BE ABLE TO TELL TIME? THE AGE OF THE EARTH & THE FUTURE OF THE EARTH*⁷⁴

Roman Catholic Church

Here is a quote from Rick Warren, who addressed 2,400 theologically conservative Anglicans on November 12, 2005 at *Hope and A Future* conference of the Anglican Communion Network, at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center, during an interview:

Rick Warren: "I really do feel that these people are brothers and sisters in God's family. I am looking to build bridges with the Orthodox Church, looking to build bridges with the Catholic Church, with the Anglican church, and say 'What can we do together that we have been unable to do by ourselves?' "⁷⁵

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For extensive documentation on Roman Catholicism and Rick Warren's alliance, see Richard Bennett's (former Roman Catholic priest) Berean Beacon site.⁷⁶

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Roger Oakland's, **Understand the Times** site, particularly *Upon This Rock: Biblical Christianity and Catholicism* - 7 DVD's 12 presentations.⁷⁷

I also refer you to **Factnet** for more information on Roman Catholicism.⁷⁸

Nonbelievers Too Can Be Saved, Says Pope Benedict XVI:

“Whoever seeks peace and the good of the community with a pure conscience, and keeps alive the desire for the transcendent, will be saved even if he lacks biblical faith, says Benedict XVI.”⁷⁹ (Special thanks to *BE ALERT* Newsletter)

This is a supremely ironic a hypocritical statement, given that when this pope was Cardinal Ratzinger, as guardian of Doctrine for Roman Catholicism issued the following instructions:

The Vatican told Roman Catholic theologians that it will not tolerate public dissent from church teachings.⁸⁰

It should not come as a surprise to pastors promoting Rick Warren's programs, is that dissent is not tolerated in Purpose Driven Churches either, as I point out in my *Spiritual Euthansia* article.

The irony of Pope Benedict's statement is further compounded by the fact that the Council of Trent, which is still binding, anathematizes everyone who is not Roman Catholic wherein no one can be saved unless they are Roman Catholic. This contradiction could not be more clear. Why then is Rick Warren going to build a bridge to this religion to advance his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan?

Bono (Rock Star) who leads the multitudes in singing his lyrics:

*Jesus, Jew, Mohammed - all true. Jesus, Jew, Mohammed - all true...*⁸¹

Christian & Missionary Alliance

National Association of Evangelicals aka NAE

(Ted Haggard, President, 45,000 churches, 30 million members)⁸²

General Baptist Convention

Evangelical Covenant

Assemblies of God denomination

Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary

Baptist World Alliance

Emerging Church⁸³

[Note: This is by far only a partial listing of the alliances Rick Warren has formed.]

There are a host of Scriptures which warn us against unholy alliances...both in the Old and New Testaments. Here are two:

“Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,?” 2 Corinthians 6:14-17

“And he charged them, saying, Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, and of the **leaven of Herod.**” Mark 8:15 (**Religious-political alliances and merging church and state vs. separation of church and state**)

If Rick Warren's P.E.A.C.E. Plan came directly from God, then why is Warren obtaining part of it from man, especially unredeemed man? This would be tantamount to Moses going to the Israelites for the rest of the blueprints for the Ark of the Covenant or the Tabernacle, or Solomon getting the blueprints for the Temple from the Philistines, or Ezekiel obtaining the blueprints for the Millennial Temple from the nations surrounding Israel.

Why is Rick Warren seeking counsel from the ungodly when Scripture warns the believer not to:

“**Blessed [is] the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly**, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful” Psalm 1:1.

Why is Rick Warren supporting a \$100,000 Grand Prize to August Turak, a known and published New Ager and rewarding Ken Blanchard, an endorser of a number of New Age books and a promoter of the occult-based DISC Profiler⁸⁴, with authority to help train his billion-man Christian Army? Scripture warns us:

“Whoso **rewardeth** evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house.” Proverbs 17:3

For more information and alliances and false teachers Rick Warren promotes, see:

What are the *Roots of Purpose Driven Church* color chart.⁸⁵

21. HOPE

Just when it appears that there is no hope because of Rick Warren's take-over of churches throughout the world as he launches his Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan, I received the following letter from a pastor's wife in Dallas, Texas, whose family left Valley View Christian Church In Dallas, Texas, a congregation that her husband had served for nearly 34 years, along with a couple hundred others. Consequently they have since formed a new church. Now I must emphasize that many who left this church did not do so with the knowledge that it was THE INFLUENCE OF Rick Warren's teachings and programs which were behind the changes at the church....until after they left, as much of the infiltration of Warren's ideas, including the transformation process did not APPEAR to be dangerous at first. This letter should not only encourage the saints throughout the country who have been wounded by this movement, but also help equip them to be brave enough to take similar action. The following account is eerily similar to the accounts both Kaycia Key and I have heard reported and documented from Christians who have left or were purpose-driven out of other Purpose Driven Churches around the country:

December 14, 2005 and January 9, 2006

Hi James,

Our newly founded church, Cornerstone, is doing very well, has such a sweet spirit. We have over 250 members and we are meeting in facilities provided by Dallas Christian College. We have to use the gymnasium for worship services because it's the largest area to meet. We're too big for their chapel. We also have refugees from a myriad of other churches.

Ron and I are having an Open House this weekend to try to thank everyone for all the love and support we've received....so that has kept me pretty busy.

I finally got to get a little further into your book and another one that someone else sent which echoes the same concerns you have. I am so grateful to you for identifying some of the causes of my fear and concern for the Lord's church. The Deceiver certainly has come as an "angel of light" in these days.

I recently read an article in Christianity Today, five pages of Rick Warren's Global Plan to end world poverty. It was sad and frightening to read all those pages and only one mention of Jesus...a mention about how Rick Warren was there to restore the hands and feet to the body. And as you point out, his theology is definitely skewed. Have seen numerous articles corroborating your book...

Many who left Valley View Christian Church did so in great part because the leadership had developed an irrational and irrecoverable rupture in our common faith, belief and vision of Christ's church **after** we studied and implemented the *Purpose Drive Life* by Rick Warren.

The church had been experiencing problems between the elders and the congregation and people were quietly (and some not so quietly) beginning to leave. When the elders brought in a new preaching minister people grew more unhappy and then after we did the Purpose Driven programs the rift developed into the rupture of faith and our vision for Christ's church to the point a "re-visioning" even the foundational charter. To try to overcome this growing rift the elders, and Ron and I, agreed to submit ourselves to a Biblically based reconciliation process under the direction of a professional Christian reconciliation group to try to overcome this mindset which had come upon the church. But three days later the elders reversed their decision and asked Ron to resign, with six months severance or be fired and receive two months severance. Ron, my husband and Senior Minister, said that under these circumstances, they would have to fire him, because he said he could not resign when he had lived up to his end of the agreement. Ron Key did not, as some may thought (or been erroneously told) *start* a new church, but was asked to become the minister of the new church, once it was founded.

Since then the church has grown to about 275-300, several of whom were refugees from other churches in the area who were also leaving because of many of the same issues with leadership that had developed in their respective congregations after Purpose Driven Programs. We are also now being able to share in love with more people about the perils of Warren's programs. Believers, who sensed something amiss, but were not aware of the dangers in his teachings and who knew nothing (like me) of the congregations that have developed splits after having implemented his "purpose driven" ideas. As one of our members and past elder at VVCC stated " The question is not whether the congregation will obey their elders, but whether the elders will obey Christ

Kaycia Key

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The ultimate question is not whether Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E Plan or the *Purpose Driven Life* bears witness with spirit of the elders or members of a church, but whether Rick Warren's teachings bear witness to the Scriptural teachings of Jesus.

22. CONCLUSION

Rick Warren, through his *Purpose Driven Life*, *Purpose Driven Church*, and his *Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan* has usurped the mantle and authority belonging only to Christ not unlike the Papacy, which has presumptuously set up the Pope as the vicarious head of the Church. We appeal to all Christians to sound the alarm on His Holy Hill! God is a jealous God, and Christ, not Rick Warren will secure the ultimate victory and will establish his own Kingdom, so help us God!

“But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.” – 2Corinthians 11:3

"And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. 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." – 2 Corinthians 11:14-15

“Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,”– Colossians 2:18

“For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear.” – 1Timothy 4:3

CHURCH GROWTH MOVIE

http://christianunplugged.com/church_movie.htm

ADDITIONAL VALUABLE RESOURCES
WHICH ADDRESS RICK WARREN'S GLOBAL P.E.A.C.E. PLAN

Pastor Bob DeWaay

Critical Issues Commentary

<http://www.twincityfellowship.com/index.php>

Twin City Fellowship has just launched a “discernment tool” so people can check Rick Warren's *Purpose Driven Life* book against the Scripture. This is a new discernment resource that will help you navigate *The Purpose Driven Life* on your own, page by page, day by day—all 40 Days of Purpose. This tool allows you to be the Berean you want to be without wasting precious hours hunting for the texts:

Here's how it works. We've positioned the comparisons side-by-side for each of the forty days to coincide with Warren's text so you don't have thumb through the book's index, then through each one of the bibles Rick Warren references, and then find it in a real bible (a translation.) The left column quotes Rick Warren's source for his teaching and the right column consistently quotes the New American Standard Bible version of that same scripture. What you find when you read and compare may surprise you.

We invite you to visit our site:

<http://www.cicministry.org/berean.php>

Please share your findings with others you feel may need to have this tool.

Regards,

Pastor Bob DeWaay

Twin City Fellowship, Minneapolis, Minnesota

&

The Dangers of Spiritual Formation and Spiritual Disciplines Issue 91 - November / December 2005 by Bob DeWaay at:

<http://www.cicministry.org/commentary/issue91.htm>

Pastor Gary Gilley

Gospel According to Warren, July 2005 Newsletter

http://www.svchapel.org/Resources/Articles/read_articles.asp?ID=112

Berit Kjos

Warren's P.E.A.C.E. Plan and UN Goals - Part 3 of 4

Whom do we serve?

<http://www.crossroad.to/articles2/05/peace-un-3.htm>

List a Scriptures on Peace:

<http://www.crossroad.to/text/responses/archive/purpose-1.htm>

Scroll down to: “**From Jane:** When I read Rick Warren's peace plan I must say I was deeply alarmed, especially because of his world wide influence deceives so many unsuspecting people.”

Rick Warren's Global P.E.A.C.E. Plan

<http://www.lighthouse trailsresearch.com/peaceplan.htm>

Lynn & Sarah Leslie

What is Transformation

<http://www.newswithviews.com/Leslie/sarah.htm>

RICK WARREN'S GLOBAL VISION, PURPLE HAZE, AND NEW AGE ASSOCIATION

<http://www.wayoflife.org/fbns/rickwarren-globalvision.html>

James Sundquist interview by ***Prophezine*** Magazine

http://www.abrahamic-faith.com/James/James_prophezine_interview.html

Crosstalk, VCY America

http://www.vcyamerica.org/crosstalk/event_popup.cfm?programid=1130

Southwest Radio Church

<http://www.swrc.com>

Go to search engine and type in “Rick Warren” for radio broadcasts and documents

Loren Davis

Church Growth Movement in Africa. 11-09-05a

Dr. Stan Monteith Radio Liberty interview (Rick Warren in Africa starts at 30:00 minutes in): 11-09-05

<http://www.soundwaves2000.com/rammaker.asp?id=155a&d=11-09-05a>

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<http://www.soundwaves2000.com/rammaker.asp?id=155a&d=11-17-05a>

Loren Davis, Evangelist Missionary to Africa

<http://www.lorendavis.com>

Moriel Ministries

Rick Warren Connections - Especially to the Ecumenical Third Wave New Apostolic Reformation (NAR) and "Positive Thinking" Movement

http://www.moriel.org/articles/discernment/church_issues/rick_warren_connections.htm

Dean Gotcher

<http://www.authorityresearch.com>

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Mike Oppenheimer

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<http://www.letusreason.org/Popteac26.htm>

Robert Klenck, M.D.

What's Wrong with the 21st Century Church?

<http://www.crossroad.to/News/Church/Klenck1.html>

<http://www.crossroad.to/News/Church/Klenck2.html>

<http://www.johncoleman.org/Bob%20Klenck%20Page.htm>

Roger Oakland

PURPOSE DRIVEN ECUMENISM?

by Roger Oakland

<http://www.understandthetimes.org>

Richard Bennett (former Roman Catholic Priest)

The Adulation of Man in the The Purpose Driven Life & The Purpose Driven Life: Demeaning the Very Nature of God

http://www.bereanbeacon.org/articles/rick_warren_purpose_driven.htm

Former Catholics for Christ

<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Plains/2594/>

Paul Proctor

7/09/2005 interview on John Loeffler's *Steeling of the Mind* radio show interview:

<http://www.lighthouse trailsresearch.com/PaulProctorInterview.mp3>

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"We commend your stated support for a Palestinian state with 1967 borders, and encourage you to move boldly forward so that the legitimate aspirations of the Palestinian people for their own state may be realized."

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