



SHALOM

with lots of LOVE to y'all!

After I wrote to you last month about the deluge of false teachings that the enemy is using to draw one away from studying the Word of God, I read where the seeker friendly, spiritually seductive book called "The Shack", which revises Christianity to minimize the divine and to pull one away from the simplistic biblical theology, will soon be made into a movie. I felt a lump in my throat and my spirit felt like it was hit with a two by four. Why, you might ask? Because it's not just the lost souls that like it, but so many of those who call themselves righteous are even having study groups to enhance one's spirituality through this book. Yes, it might do that, but, it's from the dark side.

I am appalled, especially, at leaders OF THE CHURCH as well as some PASTORS who are giving sanction to it. 'The Shack's main character who plays God the Father is an Afro-American woman who calls herself papa. She says she has many followers of different religions who will not punish sin but rather cure it with no mention of repentance or the shed blood. She says God is in all things. (even inanimate objects, new age thinking) She also has scars in her hands as if she were the one crucified.

The Holy Spirit is played by an Asian woman in flesh, not spirit, and Jesus is portrayed as a big nosed Jew who is never called the Christ (Messiah). This book avoids, as well, Christ's divinity as it reduces His attributes. On page 110 you will read that Jesus might not be the only way to the Father (who is a woman).

You might ask what would draw so many to such a tolerance of false ideas? Because this book appeals to the emotional needs by pulling on the strings of one's heart. Now soon to be a movie, false ideas will be implanted into the minds of those who prefer to believe there is another way to heaven. This movie is dangerous but just add it to the many others and we can surely see how evil continues to grow.

And grow indeed! I also just read where Toys "R" Us is promoting and selling a pink Ouija Board made by *Hasbro* for little girls that glows in the dark so they can turn the lights out when they use it! They have to know that this is not just a harmless game. Evil spirits, especially in the dark, respond to this conjuring. Remember the *Exorcist*? This is one step into the paranormal as is *Harry Potter* which now has its own theme park in Orlando dedicated to him and wizardry paraphernalia. I realize this kind of stuff is all around us now and might not affect everyone negatively but what about the some that it does? Does money mean that much? Oh, yes it surely does. Let's all send a letter of complaint and tell them you will never be a customer again!

Ok, so just now I decided to go to Toys "R" Us web page. I put in Glow in the Dark Ouija Board and there it was with the recommended ages of 8 years old and up. 8 years old!!! Then as you move down you can read reviews by those who have played the game. Some just say it is entertaining but most say to be careful suggesting prayer before and after playing. I'm somewhat startled but when I looked at one of the reviews I just had to include it (left spelling uncorrected, probably a younger person?) in this letter. You'll be at a loss for words. (underlining mine)

A reminder that the Feast of Purim is coming up on Feb.28. Along with Hannukah, it is a lesser feast, but both came about due to the attempted destruction of God's people. It is so amazing when you look back in history and see how often Satan has tried to annihilate the Jewish race as the Book of Esther shows us. Would you like a suggestion? Read the Book of Esther again and look at the characters to see of whom they are a type or picture. Your children might like to dress up to celebrate this occasion. The main players are *Mordecai, Esther, the King, Queen Vashti, Hegai, Haman and Haman's 10 Sons.*

You can check your answers by reading February's newsletter from last year, archived on my web page www.shofarministries.net or John and I will be discussing it on Feb.20th's radio program 1220am, also simultaneously on the web www.whkwradio.com at 1pm.

Another reminder: all the programs, as well as all the newsletters, are archived on our web page thanks to computer buff Lew Buckles



"I am a user of the ouija board for the past year now. I can't say I'm an expert but I do know how to play carefully. This really isn't a game. If it were a game the users of the Ouija board would all abuse it, and it is not a board to control. The Key is to have balance with the board. You have to be confident enough to play the game wisely, and also have the ability to protect yourself from the spirits getting into you or off the board. You do have a higher risk when playing alone to be dragged into the board by the spirit trying to escape from the board. Every one is different when they use the ouija board, so I can't say exactly what will happen to you. Always be careful with this board. If 90% of the users who play this board say to play the game with caution, obviously this is a sign you should not ignore. For a safe play, I reccomend an opening prayer when you are going to play the game. You can look this all up on Google and reasearch as much as possible. It's never bad to protect yourself. Never .White candles would be very nice to have as well. If the spirit goes across the board from A-Z it is trying to get out of the board, As well as if they go across 0-9 the spirit is

trying to also escape from the board. If it turns into a figure 8 or goes from one corner to another, it's about to be released from the board. As for the planchette (pointer) sliding off the board, this can mean that either the spirit has left the board and is now into the world, or you are having a bad connection with the spirit. Also if the pointer circles around on the board, this means you don't have a good connection with the spirit. ALWAYS BE NICE EVEN TO THE MEAN OR UNHAPPY SPIRITS. Respect them, and they will respect you. If they don't respect you, Tell them you are going to end the game and you drag your pointer to "Goodbye" After, say a closing prayer to seal the board .If you don't correctly close the ouija board, this is a passage for the spirits to escape. If you are worried about this, I reccomend you use this in another place that is not your house/apartment etc. If playing the ouija board outside, this is more dangerous due to ALL spirits in the neighborhood that draw in the ouija board .Please play carefully. Know what you have to do, even when it come's to little kiddy ouja boards, theyre all a passage to the dead..."

Wow, here's one more review that most kids or adults won't pay much attention to:

"This product is not a game but a tool. it shouldnt be treated as a game either because if used incorrectly you could allow passage into your home, into your life, into your thoughts, and into your sanity. this board is a gate between humans and spirits, a way to contact the dead and possibly interact physically if your not careful."

What more can I say? Parents, protect and teach your children about these evil spirits and begin at an early age. We wonder why so many are killing and doing hurtful things to others these days? The source is from the realm of spiritual darkness. Today evil is at its finest, and the demons know it. Christians, use the power Christ gave you. Rebuke and stand on the Word and try to imagine how different this country would be today if just all those who claim the name of Jesus held a real fundamental Bible based Christian world view, convinced that the Lord was coming back very soon, and were living their lives accordingly.

Can you even begin to see the difference we'd be making? It would be amazing. America would be compared to the Israel of Solomon's day. But we have an enemy who has implemented a conquer -like strategy to divide us. He knows that as long as he can keep the Body of Christ fractured he can keep us weak. Over the years, he's mounted a number of campaigns to implement his plan. Gifts vs. no gifts, the inerrancy

issue, and the proper method of interpretation, baptisms, etc . But one of his most successful efforts has been with end time prophecy.

The many clues God has given us point to our departure happening prior to the seven year tribulation, called the Pre-Trib Rapture. But right from the beginning Satan influenced Church leaders to teach otherwise, knowing that any other view would keep the Church focused on the things of this world instead of always looking up, waiting for the Lord. So even though Paul very clearly taught a pre-trib rapture of the Church, and John revealed a 1000 year Kingdom, alternate views still continue to spring up continuously.

Amillennialism came along in the early 400's to teach believers not to expect any literal Kingdom, ever. It told believers that the Second Coming took place when Jesus came into their hearts, that the Church Age is the Millennium and that end times prophecy is not meant to be taken literally. This became the doctrine of the Roman

Catholic Universal Church, also known

as the church of Thyatira in Rev.3 and continued through the reformation into main line Protestantism, or the church of Sardis in Rev.3.

Post -millennialism taught that the 2nd Coming would take place after the 1000 year millennium which is really a golden age of Christian prosperity and dominance in the world. The prosperity gospel and Dominion theology are offshoots of post-millennialism.

The Post Tribulation Rapture view denied the doctrine of imminence by placing the Rapture after the Tribulation. Consequently those are looking for the anti-Christ, not The Christ.

Mid-Trib (Pre-Wrath) is a compromise between the pre and post trib views that denies imminence as well.

Replacement Theology says the church replaced Israel in all the promises of God. (what about the curses?) And denies that the re-birth of Israel is an end times sign.

Preterism denies all future prophetic events.

Kingdom Now, or Dominionism, contends that the Lord can't come back until we've done our part by converting the world. As a result, millions of believers. are looking for an end-time great revival instead of looking for the Lord. Our next great revival will be in heaven when Jesus calls us up to meet Him in the air, although small area pockets of salvations are still occurring Praise God!

The combined effect of all this is that most believers have been lulled to sleep with no clue as to how close we are to the End of the Age. While prophecies that Christians have been anticipating for nearly 2000 years are being fulfilled right before our eyes, they're more concerned about the long term mortgages on their homes and the interest free financing on their cars. Having sufficient retirement income far outweighs stockpiling treasures in heaven on their list of priorities. False teaching about the End Times has left many ignorant of the closeness of the Lord's return and complacent about their faith. It has stolen their joy, quenched their spirit, and made them no better off spiritually than the unbelievers who surround us. Over 40% have never give to the Lord's work. Even more have never shared the Gospel with anyone. Some studies show that the abortion rate among so-called Christians is the same as for unbelievers, as is the divorce rate.

I lay most of the blame for this at the feet of so-called theologians who've let

themselves be influenced by Satan and have taught those entrusted to them that God's word, at least in its entirety, isn't true. Because of their teaching, millions of Christians are asleep at the switch during the most important and exciting time in the history of man. See **2 Cor. 11:13-15**

Jesus addressed this in his letter to the Church at Sardis, a model of the mainline denominations. *Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard; obey it, and repent. But if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what time I will come to you. (Rev. 3:3)* the majority of the Jews missed the chance to be on the Lord's team at the time of the first coming because they stopped believing the prophecies. Most today are missing the 2nd one for the same reason. getting ready for the Lord's return. They talk of being followers of the Lord not just believers in Him, but in truth there's very little discussion of what either means. Their pews and their bank accounts are full, and their members are kept busy with projects that often do a lot of earthly good but aren't designed to bring any one any

closer to Jesus which can only be achieved by studying His Word! The study of prophecy is viewed as non-

productive and a distraction from their goals, one of which is to strive for a 50/50 split in their membership between believers and non-believers. I

think the reason for this is that the non-believers can help to form a consensus that can ultimately draw the believers away from the moral and spiritual absolutes of traditional Christianity.

It's more popular to just smile and say of the protestant church, "On the essentials of salvation we all agree, but in the non-essentials there's room for lots of different opinions." BALONEY. The Bible is not a document written to provide a debating society with lots of different positions. It's the Word of God and it's not subject to man's opinion. Though we may not like it all, we don't have the right to re-interpret it to suit our desires. In fact Timothy says to use it for reproof against error.

Of the five crowns believers can win as rewards for the way we live, one will be given to those who long for His appearing. (2 Tim. 4:8) It has always fascinated me that it's called the Crown of Righteousness. Most would think that this particular crown would go to those who led exemplary lives. Not so. Our righteousness is imputed to us by the faith from The Word. Longing for His return is a sign of faith in His promise that He will. (John 14:1-3;) Will you be earning that crown?



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BLESS HIS NAME

It has come to the attention of Israel that a secret transfer of very sophisticated 250m long range missiles from Syria to the Hezbollah in Lebanon (country on Israel's northern border) has recently occurred. Israel is now threatening to hit military targets in Syria for they had been warned against doing this. God says in the end of days : *Isa.17:1.. that Damascus (capital of Syria) will cease from being a city and become a ruinous heap!*" I think the handwriting is on the wall or should I say in the book!

Thanks again for your prayers and those who donated last month. Praise to God ...there were a few more of you who responded to the need. My love for you is truly heartfelt.

Contributions can also be given on my web page through pay pal

Will be speaking at Lakeshore A/G in Mentor on Mar.25th,7pm

And Chester Christian Center Apr.14 in Chesterland, Join US!

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Love, Sheila