# THE GODS OF THE OUTER COURT1

Even as this is being written, treachery by influential religious leaders is afoot, having worldwide, enormous consequences not only for themselves but for tens of millions of their followers as well. This is extremely serious business, very close in character to what generally is called the Great Falling Away; it is far too close to be coincidental. For it to be linked into the Great Falling Away, there has to have been some position, some pattern of normal religious behavior, in place for some time that is being abandoned. One might incorporate the term The Great Deception. The Great Falling Away will have a prominent aspect of having great public approval by the religious masses, as is the case with what is transpiring now. All of this will affect you and your seed.

The same overall religious acceptance of apostasy was present in the early 1500s, paid indulgences for sins being only one keystone, but a focal point. Luther and a few others opposed the publically-accepted practices; many had opposed years earlier, only to lose their lives at the stake. But Luther's Word-based arguments against such blasphemous acts won the day, and the Reformation was launched. Great terror, torture and bloodshed were the prices paid by many dissenters for hundreds of years. One wonders about the same consequences today...

- 500 years later we find ourselves religiously blind to mass-accepted practices.
- 500 years later we find ourselves as gullible as in the days of the early 1500s;
- 500 years later we find ourselves equally ignorant of what the Word says;
- 500 years later we find ourselves as naive as those caught up in the religious trends of that period;
- 500 years later we hear the same old worn-out clichés reminiscent of Judah. 2
- 500 years later only a very few survivors will escape the consequences. It is to these this paper is written. There has been a shift in His focus for what I am to write; that shift is towards the informing, edifying, and bolstering of the true ekklesia. Some will die, some will become those who escape, and some will become as the sealed, following the Lamb "whithersoever He goeth".

These three portions of the M.T. coincide with the Due Order or Hierarchy of God's Interests; First and foremost, His Glory, Name and Honor (Holy of Holies) Secondly, The Purity of the Bride (Holy Place), and lastly, the Salvation of Man (Outer Court). The latter is important with Jesus' sacrifice, but vastly subservient to the other two. Used by permission, JW, TX.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Outer Court is the uncovered peripheral portion of the three-part Mosaic Tabernacle (M.T.), a model of the one in Heaven. It was the centerpiece of the Exodus of the Israelites in the wilderness. The other two portions were the Holy Place and the Holy of Holies; in the latter the Glory of God rested. The horizontal order of these three sections exemplifies the spectrum of God to Man, and Man to God. The Outer Court was a simile of what Man was physically, his senses, his drives, his flesh, his welfare, his salvation. The two pieces were brazen. The Holy Place in the middle is a simile of the soul. The Holy of Holies exemplified the spiritual end of this spectrum, the Glory of God. In both the pieces of "furniture" were of gold. Ex.25-27; 36-39; Hebrews 8-9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Jeremiah 3:7, 10-11.

## THE GREAT DECEPTION

#### POWER CORRUPTS

We see from scriptural and secular history what power in various forms has done to men. As an instance with which we are familiar, Solomon stands out as one to whom, for his time, was given an exceedingly abundant degree of blessings. He was given wisdom and knowledge that was renown. On top of that, he was given riches beyond measure. All was fine and dandy until these things began to erode his position with the Almighty. From this pinnacle he began to go after foreign women; the rest is history. It would appear from his writings in Ecclesiastes that Solomon did return to the fold.

Leap-frogging over the interim within which many men met the same fate, we come to the present era. We find famous men to whom were given genuine anointing, such as Reinhardt Bunke, Benny Hinn, Jim Baker, Jimmy Swaggart, William Branham, Oral Roberts, James Robison, Kenneth Copeland, J.A. Dowie, Evan Roberts and A.A. Allen. These men in the first half of their 'ministry' did indeed appear to be anointed and blessed. There are too many documented instances of supernatural occurrences to deny such. In the process, tens of millions were drawn to these men, some receiving in various forms a 'touch' from these men, being blessed in the process. These 'blessed' became ardent followers and defenders, but only to a point rightfully so.

But as in the case of Solomon, this God-given power began to be corrupted, largely unnoticed or ignored because of the former anointing. As with Solomon, wealth, influence, adoring audiences hanging on every word, microphones, private planes, ubiquitous recognition, height, charisma, good looks and physical appeal surreptitiously began to sway their opinion of themselves. As Rick Godwin says, "Gold, glory and girls."

At first the change was 90% true anointing-10% corruption; then the ratio slipped ever so gradually to 70-30, then 50-50, thence to near complete reversal of 10-90, with just enough charisma left to make the corpse look alive. By the time this reversal occurred, it was too late for the followers to recognize anything awry. Indeed, they became these corrupt vessels' greatest defenders. Often they were trained to defend their 'doctrine'.

In these men's cases, as in others, scripture begins to be altered, omitted or imagined in order to accommodate and justify the deceived. Then followers welcome this "new view" because it sounds so good ("smooth speech") and thus the ensnarement continues.

To gainsay sounding like I am witch-hunting, this same phenomenon occurs all the way down the food chain to people with substantially lesser degrees of influence, to pastors of large to small congregations, moderately well-known traveling preachers/evangelists, thence down to elders and finally to me. I am as prone to deception as these men have been on top of their religious pyramids, with their millions of followers.

The powers of the Deceiver prey equally strong on me; the *consequences*, however, are different by several orders of magnitude.

I have personally witnessed in five men, with whom I was very close, this sequence of initial anointing to deception to apostasy to destruction and ruin of the followers, particularly their families. I watched the process and can pin-point the exact event which reversed their true anointing into a horrible mess. In *all* these cases, I know personally the **LORD** did send numerous warnings to them. In the case of Jimmy Swaggart, I know he was warned by a highly esteemed leader from New York. But none repented, and several were subsequently exposed publicly. The ruin of some is well-known.

Deception at any level results in loss and ruin; it is the *enormity* of ruin of this current apostasy that is the rub. These men currently are in the limelight, and happen to be the accomplices in the terror and ruin to be leashed upon millions. Here is but a small portion of the evidence.

Quote:<sup>3</sup> "He allowed the devil to drag Him into the depths of hell as if He were the most wicked sinner who ever lived ... Every demon in hell came down on Him to annihilate Him ... [They] tortured Him beyond anything that anybody has ever conceived ... In a thunder of spiritual force, the voice of God spoke to the death-whipped, broken, punished spirit of Jesus ... [in] the pit of destruction, and charged the spirit of Jesus with resurrection power! Suddenly His twisted, death-wracked spirit began to fill out and come back to life ... He was literally being reborn before the devil's very eyes. He began to flex His spiritual muscles ... Jesus Christ dragged Satan up and down the halls of hell ... Jesus ... was raised up a born-again man ... The day I realized that a born-again man had defeated Satan, hell, and death, I got so excited ... !" (K.Copeland, "The Price of it All," *Believer's Voice of Victory*, September 1991, p. 4). REBUTTAL: except for "defeated Satan", *none* of this is in scripture; *all* is fabricated or added.

Quote:4 "Jesus was raped by homosexual Roman soldiers Let me tell you something folks. Anybody in here that's ever been sexually abused, listen to me right now. Listen to me very carefully. The Bible's very careful about the way it says these things. But down there in that dungeon, Romans, ungodly men, ungodly men, put Him (Jesus) to every kind of abuse that you can think of. There is no sin that Jesus didn't bare (sic 'bear'). There is no thing, there is no such thing as a sexual abuse on somebody that Jesus doesn't know firsthand what it's all about. He's been where you are. I don't care what you've been through, Jesus has been through it. And everything's done to him that we couldn't even speak of." (K.Copeland, The Resurrection Truth) REBUTTAL: What 'dungeon"? Jesus did not have to experience every sin in order to carry those sins to the Cross! Did He 'experience' murder and fornication also? ALL of this is fabricated and added. Rev.22:18; "I warn every one....if any one adds (to the words of this book), God will add to him the plagues described in this book."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> http://www.rapidnet.com/~jbeard/bdm/exposes/copeland/general.htm. Esp. under "Other teachings".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ibid.

When Copeland and others preach<sup>5</sup> (among other devilish things) that Jesus was tortured by demons when He went down into Hell, this is way more than just tampering. It's deadly, blasphemous, demonic, hellish. To align themselves with the Catholics magnifies their apostasy.

On or about March 19, 2013, Argentine Cardinal Bergoglio was inaugurated as Pope Francis.

On or about May 21, 2013, during mass, Pope Francis said, "Everyone is redeemed, atheists, everyone."

On or about February 21, 2014, in the Tarrant County Convention Center, Kenneth Copeland hosted a 'pastor's conference', wherein he and others held a teleconference with the Pope. (Tony Palmer arranged the meeting with the Pope). At the end of which Copeland and audience, with outstretched hands, blessed the Pope in tongues. The basic theme was Copeland's group being in agreement with the Pope to have *unity* with the Catholic 'church', bringing Charismatics (Protestants) and Catholics together as one entity. On June 24, 2014, Kenneth Copeland and James Robison met with the Pope. High-fives were in order. Is it "coincidence" that Tony Palmer died in a motorcycle accident shortly after all of this took place?

Earlier in the month, Joel Osteen met with the Pope in Rome and said, "I love the fact he (the Pope) has made the Church more inclusive. That just resonates with me."



In Ezekiel 8 the LORD is addressing Ezekiel about the behavior of His people toward His sanctuary. He lists four abominations, each one 'greater' than the previous. Those four are in order: (four is the number of judgment.)

- Idolatry and the image of jealousy.
- Seventy elders of Israel in the dark looking at dirty pictures.
- Women weeping for Tammuz.
- Twenty-five elders turning their backs to the sanctuary and paying homage to the sun in the east. *Then came* the fierce wrath of God, Ezek. 9,10.

I believe the account of the charismatic elders in Ft. Worth is the current-day equivalent to the twenty-five elders turning their backs to the sanctuary. In spiritual terms, this means that they in association, partnership and tacit approval with Rome, have "taken up the burnt offering of Christ". (In this case, the 'sanctuary' are the souls under their influence who have accepted the "burnt offering of Christ",) These leaders have paid homage to the East, specifically to Rome, turning their backs on their constituents.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> http://www.rapidnet.com/~jbeard/bdm/exposes/copeland/general.htm. Esp. under "Other teachings".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See YouTube video, <a href="http://www.standupfortruth.com">http://www.standupfortruth.com</a>.

"What," you ask, "-is the cause of this blasphemy and apostasy?" These leaders have turned from their humble beginnings and let deception turn them into power mongers. Power corrupts not only politically, but spiritually. The power of the microphone, recognition, and extraordinary talents to convince millions to donate tens of millions of dollars, are coupled with a perversion (or denial) of the Word in these deceived believers.<sup>7</sup>

Their messages of 'Name it and claim it', now 'unity' at any cost, have resonated in these Outer Court Christians, who thrive on the sensual nature of these 'charismatic' gatherings. In fact, one could accurately say the whole sensual element of Falling Away has spread like leaven to us all in one way or another. Is it **universal?** 

It's all about power, self-promotion, influence, seduction and domination. These are the Gods of the Outer Court. It has always been that way with men who use religion as an opiate of the masses. Their sophistry is incredible, and fools fall for this fallacious tripe hook, line and sinker. It is almost like they were programmed to be blinded <sup>8</sup>...Aw, now that couldn't be true, -could it?

One can take the Glory of God onto the Grand Ole Opry stage, or one can promote himself. The same is true with 'feeding the poor' or taking in hurricane refugees, or any other beneficial act good in and of itself. It depends on the heart of the ones doing such things. Now God looks at the heart, and is the best at doing so. But the true child of God, with the discernment of the Holy Spirit, can easily determine the agenda of these deceived who have become charlatans.

Jesus, being universally accepted as an icon of benevolence and 'love' ("Can't we all just get along?") is being used as a poster child, an elaborate dust cover for a book. But the book is rife with all the words, sounds, smells, bells and whistles that appeal to believers of room-temperature mentality. Everything inside the book is Outer Court, man-centered, pleasing to his flesh, and non-confrontational to what he (man) wants to do. The Lordship and Sovereignty of Christ is conveniently omitted, not to mention His absolute Holiness.

This mantra cherry-picks words from Scripture that it knows man wants to hear. It is a masterpiece of manipulation and deceit, honed to perfection. Ah, but the outward show is spectacular! So the Word-challenged masses ooohh and aahhh, swoon and puff up at such pageantry. Flashy smiles, snow-white teeth and syrupy words suck in the gullible and the wounded like flies to cow patties.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Viola, Frank, Barna, George, 2008, *Pagan Christianity*, Barna/Tyndale Publ. An expose' of pagan roots of the bulk of everyday practices of all of Protestantism/Catholicism.

<sup>8</sup> II Thess. 2:11; (context-discussing the man of perdition, the antichrist, the lawless one.) "Therefore God sends upon them a strong delusion to make them believe what is false." See also Ezek. 14.

So it has become with this bastardized form of Protestantism; it no more has Him as its first love than does Rome. It only pretends to do so. Watch what they do, not say.

Charisma<sup>9</sup> (or the flashy, fishy and false equivalents!) has been substituted for the Holy Spirit; "the eyes of a fool are on the ends of the earth" has captivated the gullible. The movement has taken on 'ends of the earth' dimensions with universal objectives, unity being the ostensible primary focus.

These false leaders focus on the sensational elements of the Outer Court, and plagiarize the Holy elements of the Holy Place, often with absurd exaggerations; this is how the masses are controlled. That is why the "lower" spiritual gifts are accentuated, such as tongues and prophesying-they are attention-getters; spiritual Cialis. Therefore the power levels in these abominable gatherings swell to euphoric intensity, but are possessive, deluding, deceiving and sensual. The vacuum of the whole counsel of God and knowledge of the Word in these masses is legendary.

The Spirit has been blasphemed, the sacrifice of Christ used as a latrine, and the Word of the Most High maligned beyond measure. The sacrifice of the Son is now the ultimate feculent act. His sacrifice is now no longer supreme and totally **exclusive**. It has been relegated to the mix with all man-made doctrines of demons. His sacrifice has been made common, profane, non-exclusive, arbitrary. His sacrifice no longer is the exclusive path to salvation, so say the blasphemers, their minions, and all those who sleep with them. These charismatic associates to papal blasphemy are now accessories to murder, and have become vessels of dishonor. Woe to them; woe to their condoning associates. Once warned, ignorance will no longer be an option.

#### THE DESOLATING SACRILEGE

For centuries Rome has been 'inclusive' of other religions in accepting the natives' religious practices of all countries, from inviting the Mormons to conduct a service, to making overtures to the Muslims, to accepting the Mayan pagan/witchcraft rites in Mexico. "We don't care what you believe or practice, just call yourselves "Catholic". Now the word 'catholic', with a small 'c', means broad-minded in beliefs and tastes, comprehensive, universal. The prefix 'uni' is the same used in the word 'unity'.

This 'inclusiveness' and 'unity' is where the grand error lies; Rome's 'inclusiveness' is the evil and polar opposite to the exclusiveness of Jesus. Jesus would no more tolerate the inclusion of a pagan practice than the man in the moon! Nor would He allow leaven of any kind to invade and corrupt His Word; much less would He allow religious association of any kind with anything or anyone other than that of Himself.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> http://www.rapidnet.com/~jbeard/bdm/Psychology/char/more/hist.htm. A must read. Read internal links!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> I Cor. 12:28-31, esp. v. 31.

The following are *His* words, see for yourselves.

Matthew 10:34, Luke 12:51, "Think not I have come to send peace on earth; rather, I came not to send peace, but a sword." In Luke He says, "Nay, but rather division." The word 'division' means exactly what it says, division, disunion. Then He continues in Luke about five in one house being against each other, the father against the son, mother against daughter, etc.

Then down in verse 56 He says, "You hypocrites, you can discern the face of the sky and earth, but how is it that you do not discern *this* time?"

Some 20-odd years ago, I was reading the two passages about Jesus' remarks regarding the desolating sacrilege, the corresponding ones in Daniel, and was struck with a wave of insight by the Spirit. This is what came:

"So when you see the desolating sacrilege spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the Holy Place (let the reader understand) then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains; let him who is on the housetop not go down to take what is in his house; and if those days had not been shortened, no human being would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened."<sup>12</sup>

"For how long is the vision concerning the continual burnt offering, the transgression that makes desolate, and the giving over of the sanctuary and host to be trampled under foot?" <sup>13</sup>

I believe the present-day equivalent of the "burnt offering being taken up" is Jesus' sacrifice being belittled, scorned and replaced by man's ideas.

The equivalent of the "transgression" is the world standing where it ought not-in our souls, our thinking. The 'sanctuary' is us.

The "host to be trampled" is the utter disgust and contempt of the world towards the true *ekklesia*, the saints.

The "shattering of the power of the people" is the sterility of the Body.

The "magnifying of the evil one" is war.

The "taking up of the burnt offering" immediately precedes the abomination of desolation!

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Matthew 24:15; Mark 13:14.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Daniel 8:13.

In short, I believe <u>we are witnessing first-hand the Burnt Offering being taken up.</u> That offense signals the beginning of the Time of Troubles<sup>14</sup> according to the Word. The Continual Burnt Offering is Christ, His *exclusive* and atoning sacrifice. *It is the most holy thing to us mortals, and to the Father*. What the outrage must be in the Heavenlies!

This paper is to inform the ekklesia of what is happening, to open the eyes of you few of this lethal onslaught from this Outer Court/man-pleasing deception. Lambasting Rome or these Azusa Street wanna-bees serves no purpose in and of itself, but exalts the works of evil. This tiny epistle will not have even the slightest effect on them, nor change either group in any way. This shall be the last of it from my pen.

### THE ROOT CAUSE OF DECEIT

Evangelism, or 'preaching', is a part of the whole, but it is not the Whole, no more than the Outer Court is the whole of the Mosaic Tabernacle. Evangelism is the *initial* part of the Whole to introduce the Gospel to fallen man, so he might *continue* onto the other two portions that, in contrast, are the Holy aspects of the Whole. *These latter two exceed the Outer Court by orders of magnitude*. But the Holy Place of our souls and the Holy of Holies of our spirits have been displaced in favor of the Outer Court.

Thus 'preaching' in the USA has been isolated to Outer Court status only, ignoring the continual and complete renewing of the mind through study. It deprives the babes of real food, internal, mature soul food, to which and *only* to which the Spirit responds and nurtures the individual. We have 60-year old adult 'children' teaching babies, but no higher or deeper than what *they* know. So we have multiple generations of 'children', fed little more than O.C. salvation. We have a lot of preachin', but little teachin'.

These Word-vacuous babes will listen to any smooth-tongued, well-couched lie and respond, "Yeah! -that sounds good, let's do it!" Then the fools are led down a deadly path, all because of their ignorance of the Word and innate stupidity. There is little distinction between main-line Denominations and the Neo-Charismatics in this regard.

There are two main principles here; one is the emphasis on the Outer Court, which is a simile of the physical, the five senses, the visible. The unregenerate mind, naturally of the flesh, wants what is easy. Thus the Pope is playing the Neo-Charismatics like a fiddle. He is beating them at their own game, telling them what he knows they want to hear (in this case, 'unity'). Rome ought to know; they have been playing this same game for centuries. See DESOLATING SACRILEGE above.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Daniel 8:1-27, esp. verses 12, 13; 11:31; 12:13; Matt. 24; Mark 13:13-14. I am not trying to get spooky with these passages, or cause alarm with 'mystic' passages. We are in serious times, requiring great insight and discernment. If I were not reasonably sure of that which I write, I would not write it. I am fully aware of the penalty of false prophesying and/or false warnings which He did not tell me. The blood of the survivors is on my hands if I do not.

The second principle is that of a vacuum. Electricity is the flow of electrons to places devoid of same, or an electrical vacuum. The same is true of water, which flows to a pressure vacuum; the same with air, etc. The same principle is true with deceit; it will always flow towards a vacuum, a vacuum of knowledge, understanding and insight. Deceit loves ignorance, cherishes the flesh of ease, and is drawn to carelessness, the simple, the stupid, the proud, especially the *nouveau riche*.

Deceit is IQ-formulated (tailor-made); deceit is ignorance-formulated <sup>15</sup>; deceit is formulated to antiquated events and memories, traditions, emotions and hurts; deceit is formulated to our five senses. Deceit is formulated to whatever spiritual vacuum you possess and to which you adhere, *power* and your affections being prime targets.

Deceit is tailor-made to all things left unattended or un-addressed by the Word. Deceit flows towards the vacuum in the vast majority of believers who have errantly depended on someone else to feed them past infanthood, into adolescence and adulthood. We now have over a 100 years' worth of Word-deficient people who have been kept as babies by this Outer Court 'preaching'. This entire system of institutionalized religion is geared to infantile perpetuation.

What has happened to the eye and ear with this papal and charismatic blasphemy is the spiritual equivalent to what happened in 70 A.D. when the Roman soldiers stood in the Holy of Holies with their blasphemous idols on top of their staffs. This is what Jesus was talking about when He said, "when you see the desolating sacrilege standing where it ought not to stand".

Today's spiritual equivalent is the world's view of 'unity' occupying our Holy Places, our souls and spirits. Please understand this! It is when you think and accept this false teaching and teachers, and accept their un-scriptural stances!

If you do not know the Word, this is what will happen to you. However, you cannot have the Word, or its spiritual meaning, in the Outer Court. It is holy, and always will be. 16 Knowing the Word not only will keep you, it will guide you to get out, to escape, to run, to be protected, to hear Him. The Word *is* the beginning.

If you be one of the few that the Spirit is calling out, you have a choice; if you choose positively, you will be among the true *ekklesia*, *and of those who escape*. For *the ones who would escape*, please take notice, for the Abomination of Desolation is just around the corner. Soon there will be an event that will open your eyes, and make you gasp with disbelief.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> II Peter 3:16; "...which the ignorant and unstable twist to their own destruction, as they do other scriptures."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Viola, Frank, Barna, George, 2008, *Pagan Christianity*, Barna/Tyndale Publ. An expose' of pagan roots of the bulk of everyday practices of all of Protestantism/Catholicism.

If fear and uncertainty are prices too high to pay, and cause your choice to linger and stay, you will become one of the Walking Dead<sup>17</sup>, as the Israelites became after fearing to enter the Promised Land.

Infantile paralysis will set in, and an Iron Lung won't do you much good.

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 $^{17}$  Numbers 14:28-29; "As I live', says the LORD', what you have said in my hearing I will do to you; and your dead bodies shall fall in the wilderness.'