

The Final Countdown – Rise of Apostasy

Part 2

“One day Al decided to go back to school and finish up his college degree that he’d been working on. But the problem was, one of his classes, he had this college professor that was an avowed atheist who made no bones about it!

And so one day the professor shocked several of his students when he boldly stated that once and for all he was going to prove there was no God. And so he looked at the ceiling and shouted, ‘God, if you are real, then I want you to knock me off this platform. I’m going to give You exactly 15 minutes!’

Well, at this, the lecture hall fell silent. You could hear a pin drop.

So ten minutes go by when the professor spoke up again and said, ‘I’m waiting God, if you’re real, knock me off this platform!’” And again, after about few more minutes, the professor taunted God again saying, ‘Here I am, God! I’m still waiting!’

And just when the count down got down to the last couple of minutes, all of a sudden, Al, the former Navy Seal, walked up to the professor, and proceeded to hit him full force in the face, and sent the professor tumbling right off the platform!

And the students were stunned and shocked and they began to babble on in confusion when Al just simply sat back down in his seat in the front row and remained silent.

Well eventually, the professor came to and he was noticeably shaken and he looked at Al on the front row and asked him in amazement, ‘What in the world is the matter with you? Why did you do that?’

To which Al replied, ‘Well, God was really busy protecting America’s soldiers, who are protecting your right to say stupid things like that. So He sent me.’”

And all the people said...Amen! That's right! But folks, as you can see, sometimes in life, like Al learned, you just got to grab the bull by the horns and take charge of a situation, don't you? Uh huh! Big time! But seriously folks, did you know the Bible says one day there's a situation coming to the whole planet that nobody's going to have control over, and that's going to happen at the rapture of the Church! And the reason why it's going to be such an out of control time is because for those who refuse to accept Jesus Christ as their Personal Lord and Savior, they will be catapulted into the 7-year Tribulation and it's not a joke! It's an outpouring of God's wrath on a wicked and rebellious planet. In fact Jesus said in **Matthew 24** it's going to be a "time of greater horror than anything the world has ever seen or will ever see again. And that "unless that time of calamity is shortened, the entire human race will be destroyed." But praise God, God's not only a God of wrath, He's a God of love as well. And **because He loves you and I**, He's given us many warning signs to show us when the Tribulation was near and Jesus Christ's 2nd Coming was rapidly approaching.

Therefore, in order to keep you and I from experiencing the ultimate bad day of being left behind, worse than Al punching you in the face, we're going to continue in our series **The Final Countdown**. And so far we've

already seen how the **#10** sign on **The Final Countdown** was **The Jewish People**. The **#9** sign was **Modern Technology**. The **#8** sign was **Worldwide Upheaval**. The **#7** sign was **The Rise of Falsehood**. The **#6** sign was **The Rise of Wickedness**. And the **last time** we saw how the **#5** sign was **The Rise of Apostasy**. And what we saw there was that God lovingly foretold you and I that when we see not only the **world** going down the tubes, but even the **Church** going down the tubes, which is happening today right now all over the world, thanks in part to a massive **Flooding of Phony Baloney Believers** in the Church causing a falling away, an abandoning of the Christian faith...uh guess what? It's an indicator from God **you are living in the last days!**

But that's not all. The **2nd** reason people **in the Church** have abandoned the Christian faith, have turned from even the basic truths of Christianity is due to **A Flood of Greedy Christians**. That's right folks, I'm talking about **again** the **Word of Faith Movement**. Or in other words, the Name it and Claim it and Blab it and Grab it group. And we've already talked about this group before in other studies, but I have to bring it up again because it has everything to do with a sign that we're living in the Last Days! Little do people know that all these false teachings of the Word of Faith Movement that we keep hearing about and seeing every single day on

so-called Christian TV is one of the clearest signs we're living in the Last Days. But don't take my word for it. Let's listen to God's. He told us this was going to happen!

2 Peter 2:1-3 “But there were also false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them – bringing swift destruction on themselves. Many will follow their shameful ways and will bring the way of truth into disrepute. In their greed these teachers will exploit you with stories they have made up. Their condemnation has long been hanging over them, and their destruction has not been sleeping.”

In other words, you don't want to be in their camp when Judgment Day comes! But folks as you can see, the Bible clearly says that in the future, in the Last Days that people **in the Church** would actually be led astray, not just by false teachers, but specifically by **false teachers** who are **greedy** and who **exploiting** people in the Church for their **money**. In other words, they're going to be **ripping Christians off** of their cash with **stories they made up**? It says it right there! But man, good thing we don't see any signs of that ever happening today! Are you kidding me? It's all over the place! It's in the Church, on TV, it's in so-called Christian bookstores, it's everywhere! Today, people **in the Church...en masse...**are being led astray by false teachers who are manipulating them of their money, exactly like the Bible said would happen when you're living in the Last Days!

And the **1st way** they're doing it is by **The Promotion False Hopes**. You see folks, if you're familiar with these "Word of Faith" false teachers, that's exactly what they do. And first of all, they're called "Word of Faith" teachers, because that's what they say, that's what they teach, they say that if you **just have enough faith** and **speak the right word**, then we could obtain untold riches and have perfect health from God every single time. Don't believe me? Here's **a sampling** we saw before of some of their most prominent leaders and their false teaching.

FALSE TEACHINGS ON WEALTH

- **Jesse Duplantis**: "The very first thing on Jesus' agenda was to get rid of poverty!"
- **Fredrick Price**: "The apostles were businessmen. They were rich men and had plenty of money. I'm going to show you that Jesus was a wealthy man had plenty of money. Jesus and the disciples were rich, only rich people could take off for 3.5 years."
- **John Avanzini**: "Jesus was handling big money because that treasurer He had was a thief. Now you can't tell me that a ministry with a treasurer that's a thief can operate on a few pennies. It took big money to operate that ministry because Judas was stealing out of that bag. If you have a treasurer, that means you have a lot of money."
- **Creflo Dollar**: "I'm telling you, Jesus wasn't poor, and He didn't wear no rags, either. Like we march in on these Easter little plays that we do at our church, with those raggedy sheets on. Jesus didn't have no rags on. He wore designer clothes, honey!"
- **John Avanzini**: "Jesus wore designer clothes. Well, what else you gonna call it? I mean, you didn't get the stuff He wore off the rack. It wasn't a one-size-fits-all deal. No, this was custom stuff."

- **Creflo Dollar:** “But without faith stuff, you have no stuff, because faith stuff is the stuff of all stuff. Take away the faith stuff, you ain’t got no stuff. Get the faith stuff, and you can get some more stuff, because you got the main stuff. Now, did you get all that stuff?”
- **Robert Tilton:** “The only time people were poor in the Bible is when they were under a curse” and “Being poor is a sin.”
- **Fredrick Price:** “The whole point is I’m trying to get you to see – to get you out of this malaise of thinking that Jesus and the disciples were poor and then relating that to you – thinking that you, as a child of God, have to follow Jesus. The Bible says that He has left us an example that we should follow His steps. That’s the reason why I drive a Rolls Royce. I’m following Jesus’ steps.”

FALSE TEACHINGS ON HEALTH

- **Benny Hinn:** “Sickness does not belong to you. It has no part in the Body of Christ. Sickness does not belong to any of us. The Bible declares if the Word of God is in our life, there will be health, there will be healing – divine health and divine healing. There will be no sickness for the saint of God. That means not even a headache, sinus problem, not even a toothache – nothing! No sickness should come your way.”
- **Kenneth Hagin:** “It is the plan of our Father God in His great love and His great mercy that no believer should ever be sick.”
- **Kenneth Copeland:** “You began to meditate on those scriptures until you built an inner image of yourself healed. As that image grew more crisp and clear, you began to expect – or hope for – that image to become a reality. You’ll be expecting the very presence of God to rise up in you so powerfully that instead of believing for healing every six weeks, you’ll walk in divine health every day!”
- **Marilyn Hickey:** “Say to your body, ‘You’re whole, body! Why, you just function so beautifully and so well. Why, body, you never have any problems. You’re a strong, healthy body.’ Or speak to your leg, or speak to your foot, or speak to your neck, or speak to your back; and once you

have spoken and believe that you have received, and don't go back on it. Speak to your wife, speak to your husband, speak to your circumstances; and speak faith to them to create in them and God will create what you are speaking."

- **Fredrick Price:** "How can you glorify God in your body, when it doesn't function right? How can you glorify God? How can He get glory when your body doesn't even work? What makes you think the Holy Ghost wants to live inside a body where He can't see out through the windows and He can't hear with the ears? What makes you think the Holy Spirit wants to live inside of a physical body where the limbs and the organs and the cells do not function right?"

Excuse me? Every person who ever got a disease, or who was ever confined to wheelchair, or whoever had body parts that didn't work right, these hucksters just put the stake into their heart! And we wonder why there's this **massive falling away** in these Last Days from the Church! Are you kidding me? I'd run too from this baloney! But as you can see, the basic teachings of the Word of Faith Movement are completely antithetical to the Scripture and they're **manipulating people** with false hopes of so-called fabulous riches and so-called perfect health.

But there's a catch. You see, you have to send them **your money** to get these supposed **free** financial blessings or healings from God. And in exchange for sowing a financial seed into their ministry, they will send you the latest religious trinket to get rich or to get your healing. For instance, to acquire these untold riches and healings, right now you can send off for a genuine faith nail, prayer cloth, prayer candle, paper prayer rug, anointing

oil, and that's right, a cornmeal miracle packet. I'm not making this up folks! And lest you think I'm kidding, listen to these guys yourself. They've got all kinds of gimmicks. Check it out!

Kerney Thomas: (Miracle Hankie)

"Financial trouble? Do you need a miracle from God. I want to rush you one of my anointed prayer handkerchiefs in the mail absolutely free of charge"

"Ever since I used it my neck stopped hurting. My whole body starting feeling good. Not only physically, but financially by bringing my mortgage up to date that was 3 months behind!"

"Guess what? This is real. This is the anointing and the spirit of god endeavoring to break the curse of poverty and those generational curses off of your home and your life and your business"

Miracle Manna

"Call for this biblical point of contact and get into position to receive god's best for you and your loved ones."

"\$28,000? \$28,000!!"

"I received one check for over \$50,000. Whatever he say to do. Do it."

"Every bite from this heavenly cake-you'll feel empowered and encouraged to move into all god has for you. Take the first step to a new life. Call the number on your screen and get your free packet today"

"Today, take Him as your Senior Partner. Make a \$1,000 vow of faith and as god begins to provide, listen to me, and as god begins to multiply-that's all god's saying, just keep it watered, fulfill your vow"

Kerney Thomas: (Miracle Hanky part II)

Oh I feel the anointing of god. FOR GOD CALLED MIRACLES to happen in your life!"

Peter Popoff: (Miracle Spring Water)

“I see many miracles coming to you. Money!! Is coming to you. That’s right. Miracle money. Divine transfers. I want to show you how to get yourself into a position so that you can receive.”

“I can feel it now! I can feel it! I can feel it!”

Repeat after me, “I can feel it! I can feel myself getting ripped off!”

And what did the Bible say? When you see these things on TV and these guys ripping people off of their cash in the Church, you’re living in the Last Days. And of course they say when you follow the secret formula on how to pray for your financial blessing or healing, these people promise to personally pray for a 100-fold increase, to your **generous donation** of course!

And you might be out there thinking “Come on! Nobody **in the Church** is ever going to fall for this wacky stuff.” But as I stated earlier **right now**, shelves in every Christian bookstore across America are full of this stuff! And these so-called faith ministries are raking in millions of dollars each year, off of people who are not **seeking Jesus Christ, but cash**. They’re not seeking God, they’re seeking great health! And it’s all for money, and it’s all for profit, exactly like God said would happen in the Last Days!

And if that wasn't bad enough, it gets even worse. These hucksters not only perpetuate this false teaching that once you're a Christian you're guaranteed perfect health and perfect wealth, but then they have the audacity to say if you are not experiencing this, then something's wrong with **you!** Not the stories they made up but you! They say you either have some **secret sin you need to confess** or you just don't **have enough faith**. Excuse me? And so here's the problem. Now you feel **guilty as a Christian** and **horrible** because you don't have this **perfect wealth** and **perfect health** that they say you're supposed to have and it breaks your heart. And so now, not just the **non-Christian**, but now even **the Christian** starts to wonder what's up with God! Why am I experiencing this pain? Why am I going through these hard times? If God's loves me why am I suffering right?

But people the Bible is clear. Bad things are going to happen to us! We're not guaranteed a perfect life or a big 'ol pile of cash on earth! Bad things are going to happen because we live in a world full of evil and suffering. Heaven comes later! But don't take my word for it. Let's listen to God. He tells us what to expect this side of heaven and it's not all perfect!

Psalms 34:19 "A righteous man may have many troubles but the Lord delivers him from them all."

Isaiah 48:10 "See I have refined you though not as silver, I have tested you in the furnace of affliction."

Matthew 5:10-12 “Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Matthew 24:9 “Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of Me.”

2 Timothy 3:10-12 “You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, persecutions, sufferings – what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted.”

Acts 14:21-22 “They preached the good news in that city and won a large number of disciples. Then they returned to Lystra, Iconium and Antioch, strengthening the disciples and encouraging them to remain true to the faith. ‘We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God,’ they said.”

Philippians 1:29 “For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe on Him, but also to suffer for Him, since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have.”

Philippians 3:10 “I want to know Christ and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in His sufferings, becoming like Him in His death.”

1 Peter 5:9 “Resist him (devil) standing firm in the faith because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings.”

1 Peter 4:12,13 “Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ.”

And folks, I’m telling you, that’s just the tip of the iceberg, of the **plethora** of examples throughout the Bible declaring that yes, we the

Christian, are going to encounter suffering in this world. It's all over the Bible! And yet the one of the Word of Faith teachers, Kenneth Copeland, actually had the audacity to say this about God.

- **Kenneth Copeland:** "I was shocked when I found out who the biggest failure in the Bible actually is. The biggest one in the whole Bible is God. I mean, He lost His top-ranking, most anointed angel, the first man He ever created, the first woman He ever created, the whole earth and all the fullness therein, a third of the angels, at least – that's a big loss, man. Now, the reason you don't think of God as a failure is He never said He's a failure. And you're not a failure till you say you're one."

And we wonder why the opening text said, "And their condemnation has long been hanging over them, and their destruction has not been sleeping." God's going to take these jokesters out folks! And you don't want to be there when it happens! What we need to do, is call a spade a spade, and realize that the only one's getting rich off these stories they've made up, is these jokesters! Don't believe me? Even the secular will admit it. Watch this!

Dateline: "He claims he can heal the sick. Critics say the only miracle may be the millions that he is making."

"Though Hinn refuses to make his financial information public. He has said that every dollar given to his ministry goes to the work of the Lord. Be that as it may, Benny Hinn does manage to live very well. His home is this mansion overlooking the Pacific Ocean, built and paid for by his ministry. According to building records its has 7 bedrooms, 8 bathrooms and more than 7,000 sq. feet of living space. The ministry told us that the mansion was its parsonage and a good investment. According to area realtors, today it's worth about \$10 million dollars.

And when Hinn goes to crusades around the world, he travels in this private jet. According to documents we obtained, the ministry pays more than a \$112,000 a month to use the plane. And closer to home “pastor” Benny still travels in style. This photo obtained by Dateline shows him getting out of a Mercedes SUV. And here he is driving a Mercedes convertible. Both cars retail for about \$80,000.

At this crusade in Milwaukee, the documents indicate Benny Hinn occupied the Presidential Suite of the Pfister Hotel. The hotel told us the room costs \$990 per night. At a crusade in Panama, the documents show and we verified with the Intercontinental Hotel that Hinn was in the Royal Suite. The published rate: \$1,700 a night. At a crusade in Montreal we verified Pastor Benny was ensconced in the Royal Suite of the St. James Hotel. The regular rate there, \$2,700 a night. The room is the size of the average house, 2,200 sq. feet. Including a make-up room, dressing room and a piano that plays by itself.

We found some other trips which seemed to have little to do with “spreading the Word of God”. Hinn is a regular at Beverly Hill’s clothing stores like Versace, Louis Vuitton and Bijon- where Hinn’s name is on the window along with Princes and Heads of State. There are questions raised by some of the purchases we found in those expense documents. For example, in just over 4 weeks in 2003, we found six separate charges at high end clothing stores totaling more than \$6,000.00 all charged on the ministries corporate card.

But we were intrigued by what appeared to be stops made by Pastor Benny at resorts and spas around the world, on his way to and from crusades. The ministry called these stops “layovers. Now for most of us travelers, layovers mean long hours waiting for connection at an unfamiliar airport-maybe an overnight stay at a low rent hotel. But remember, Pastor Benny travels in the ministries private jet and sets his own schedule-so consider Benny Hinn’s version of a layover. On his way home from California from this crusade in Columbia, the documents show and the hotel confirmed for us, pastor Benny stopped at this resort in Cancun, Mexico. He stayed in the Presidential Suite there that cost the ministry \$2,684 for one night and the trip was described as a layover.

After crusades in Russia and Sweden in July of 2003. Pastor Benny apparently didn’t get on his private jet and fly west and go home. Instead he

flew from Sweden, south to Italy, then back North to England with an entourage that included his son, his daughter and her fiancé. There were expensive meals. Like this one for more than \$900 in Italy, and one at this Lebanese restaurant in London for more than \$1,700-and check out these hotel bills. Transportation charges of more than \$6,000. In London another \$6,000 for incidentals such a chauffeur services and in-room tea. The documents also list tips. In 3 days more than \$4,500 worth. Including \$1,000 to a concierge and another \$1,000 to a desk manager. And then there were Pastor Benny's hotel rooms. In London-the documents show Hinn stayed at the exclusive Lanes Borough Hotel. The hotel confirmed for us it was Suite 210 and told us they never discount rooms. The going rate the hotel says-\$3,124 per night. And then there's Pastor Benny's hotel in Milan according to the expense documents-Room 1001-the hotel confirmed it was the Presidential Suite. The hotel website says that the room is "fit for a prince" and the largest hotel suite in Europe-among its 5,400 sq feet, 3 bedrooms, a formal dining room, a fireplace, a jacuzzi, a sauna, a turkish bath, a large terrace with a panoramic view of the city and a 100ft long swimming pool decorated with marble and frescos. The hotel tells us this room rents for more than \$10,000 a night. No discounts. And through it all Pastor Benny maintains he has truth and god on his side.

Benny Hinn: Look-come and get a close shot. Look at these eyes. I have never lied to you. Never. I never will. I'd rather die than lie to God's people."

Wow! The audacity! People, when in the world are we **in the Church** ever going to wake up and call it like it is. The world does. They know the truth. These guys are false teachers, and they're ripping people off of their cash! Exactly like God said would happen in the Last Days! He is not some kind of a "Cosmic Santa Claus," that if we rub with the right way, **He has to give us** whatever we want. Are you kidding me! **He is God** and we are not. Besides I know this might be hard to believe, but did you know that the Apostle Peter was profoundly used by God and to my knowledge, he never

once owned an Armani suit or drove a single Cadillac. In fact, did you know, there's no record of him chanting an Old Testament prayer over and over again in order to increase the size of his ministry. But what we do know is the Apostle Peter **clearly warned us** that this kind of monetary manipulation would come by false teachers **in the Church** in the Last Days! And it's happening **right now!** We better wake up!

But that's not all. The **2nd way** these false teachers are manipulating people in the Church for their cash in the Last Days just like God said would happen is by **Perverting Church Discipline**. You see, if you haven't already recognized, these hucksters not only have the perfect scapegoat when you don't get your so-called fabulous wealth and so-called perfect health, **even after** sowing a seed to their ministry. And that was the excuse they come up with we saw earlier it's because **you** don't have enough faith or **you** have some secret sin, blah, blah, blah, right? But they also have a second scapegoat excuse to help make sure they get to keep on teaching this baloney and that is this. When you corner them Biblically for this false teaching, for preaching heresy in the Church, and say they need to be disciplined for it they blow up! They act like **you're the one** who's committing a crime! How dare you question them? Don't you know they're the chosen ones whom God has revealed this new supposed truth? Yeah

right! And here's the point. The Bible clearly says this is **yet another thing** these hucksters are going to be doing in the Last Days. Not only rip people off of their cash, but despising authority with a seared conscious.

1 Timothy 4:1-2 "The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons. Such teachings come through hypocritical liars, whose consciences have been seared as with a hot iron."

2 Peter 2:3 "In their greed these teachers will exploit you with stories they have made up. Their condemnation has long been hanging over them, and their destruction has not been sleeping. This is especially true of those who follow the corrupt desire of the sinful nature and despise authority."

So just what does a seared conscience that utterly despises authority look like, in the Church? Well gee, I kind of think it looks like this.

TRINITY BROADCASTING NETWORK

BENNY HINN: "You wonderful people of god quit attacking man of god by name! Somebody's attacking me because of something I'm teaching. Let me tell you something brother! You watch it! Dear god in heaven, I wish I could just MMPH! (makes a punching motion)

You know I looked for one verse in the Bible, I just can't seem to find it-one verse that said if you don't like him, kill him. I really wish I could find it."

(Audience laughs)

HINN: "But don't mention people's names on your radio program and your TV program thinking you're doing God's service. You're not! You stink, frankly! That's the way I think about it."

(Audience): AMEN! HALLELUJAH!

HINN: "Sometimes I wish god would give me a holy ghost machine gun-I blow your head off!"

Now folks, let me ask the obvious question. Would it be appropriate for me to say that from the pulpit? Then why is it acceptable for that man? Looks to me like he despises authority and has a seared conscience like the Bible said would happen in the Last Days! Their fakes and at least this guy had the guts to admit it.

“Marjoe Gortner was a famous child evangelist who learned the tricks of the trade utilized by many of today’s religious charlatans.

Officially ordained at the age of 4, he was the talk of the revival circuit. Large halls would fill with people who came to hear this young, charismatic boy preach.

As Marjoe grew into manhood, he continued his “profession, preaching in tent revivals, making thousands of dollars, deceiving large crowds.

In the late 60’s Marjoe decided to leave the “ministry” but take on last ride on the revival tent trail...only this time to expose himself to the world!

With a team of producers and TV cameras, he filmed his own documentary and showed the world how he duped people out of their money, pretending to be a Christian evangelist.

Marjoe Gortner confessed that he didn’t even believe god existed.

The following excerpts are taken from the 1972 documentary: **Marjoe**

Marjoe as a young child: “I thank God for my fine Christian mother that’s taken me to Jesus. If we had more good Christian mothers that would speak the Word and pray more instead of drinking cocktails and smoking filthy old cigarettes we would have a better America. Better men and women and not so much juvenile delinquency”

Marjoe: There would be gestures, like when I say “Jesus” my arms would have to go out. When I would say “the devil” I would go forward. And she

had this incredible set of signals. Like she would say “Oh Jesus” if I was going to slow or she would say “Glory to God”. That meant you better speed up and go a little bit faster and later on she would come up with new signals. Like “Praise God” meant you got the people where you need them and you better take an offering and raise some money”

Marjoe to a revival audience: “Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Let’s raise up our hands and worship the Lord. Praise Him tonight. Hallelujah. (Starts speaking in “tongues” Oh God is so real tonight. If you’ve don’t got the Holy Ghost tonight, man, you’re dead and don’t know it. So why don’t you praise Him. Why don’t you call upon His name. Why don’t you worship the Lord tonight. Put up your hands and praise Him. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Oh Hallelujah!” (Lays hands on people as they fall “slain in the spirit)

Notice the reaction of Marjoe’s admirers. They responded to his magnetism in identical fashion as we often see people respond in packed out stadiums featuring popular preachers today such as Benny Hinn and others.

Marjoe to man: “Brother say Jesus, right now Jesus”

Man: “Jesus”

Marjoe: “Say it again”

Man: “Jesus”

Marjoe: “In the name of Jesus, brother. Say it. Say Jesus. That’s right say Jesus”

Man: “Jesus. Jesus”

Marjoe talking to interviewer: “There’s the experience where you say you’re saved and then there’s the fire baptism, when you “get” the Holy Ghost and that’s the tongues thing and they love to work people over, where you gotta shoot in on this when you see people gathering around people and start laying hands on them praying with someone. You gotta come in with the camera too. It’s very important because they’ll be laying hands on someone a poor person saying “Thank you Jesus” Now this is a person that is already saved but getting “the baptism”. Someone will be standing there and we’re saying (fakes tongues by speaking gibberish) and the poor person will be standing there and they’re not saying anything. Then after awhile after 4 or 5 more will gather around and they’ll start doing the same thing. Oh come on speak it out, speak it out til all of a sudden the person will get so overwhelmed by the thing they’ll start (imitates speaking in tongues) And

the next thing you know. Ah good, we got another one, then we'll go on to the next person.”

Marjoe in a hotel room: (Singing) “Are your garments spotless, are they white as snow. Thank you Jesus (dumps paper bag full of money on the bed) Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb? Jesus is so good to me tonight, Hallelujah. Thank you Jesus(counting piles of cash) I praise the Lord. Oh glory, glory hallelujah. I feel good in my soul. Oh praise the Lord. It sure isn't as heavy as it used to be though in the old days, wow.”

Marjoe to interviewer: There's one guy that gets into it so heavy that he prophesies and he told me how he did it. I mean he sat...he looked right across the table back and forth at me and he told me how he confiscates money. He says he's on this station that has over 40 states and uh, he'll go on and he get on the radio and he'll say, “I know listening in my little voice tonite that there's some lady out there and you got \$10 dollars put away in a cookie jar, now God spoke to my heart and told me to go and tell you to get that \$10 dollars and get it in the mail and send it to me and God will bless you. God will give you a reward as you have never known before” Then he comes back to me and tells me if you're on the radio and you're going on over 40 states and you're on at prime time and have thousands of people listening. Chances are that there are at least two or three hundred little old ladies who got a \$10 dollar bill in a cookie jar and so even if you get a couple hundred go ahead and get it and send it to you that's two grand you've made just like that. And so, you know, if you're going to get into big time religion this is the games you gotta play. Things like that. Going into it like a business and work it as a business.

Marjoe to woman showing her one of his secrets: “God is going to do something for you then I turn around to the crowd and say, “DO YOU BELIEVE IT?” And you know everyone says yes, you know, and I say, “That's not enough! But if there's no faith here tonight I can't do anything. You gotta believe it” and I go “DO YOU BELIEVE IT?” and this time the crowds like “YES!!” and then I say “sister if I lay my hands on you its going to happen”. By this time your just like this (shaking and twitching) (laughs) Because I do a whole thing on you and then I sort of get like “Now I'm gonna pray the prayer bow your head” Put his hand on her forehead “IN THE NAME OF JESUS!” (woman and others start laughing) By this time if the shock doesn't get you, you know (laughs again) then once you get one or two that really come up and say yeah I felt that I had a bad back, got a bad

leg then there a host of others that say “yeah i feel better too” because 90% percent of it is psychosomatic.”

People we have to wake up and call a spade a spade. These guys are hucksters, fakes, phonies, and it’s high time we admit it like Marjoe did! And the reason why these hucksters get to continue on with this kind of behavior, even that, is because for whatever reason, they have conditioned us **to keep our mouths shut** by saying stuff like this, “Well, you really shouldn’t talk about other pastors in the pulpit you know. I mean, you really shouldn’t call them out by name or say any kind of bad stuff about them in public.” Really? Have you ever read your Bible? The Bible says a good Pastor or Shepherd not only **feeds** the sheep but he **protects** the sheep from hirelings who come in, to harm the flock, including ripping them off of their cash and promoting false healings! It’s the bad Pastor that keeps his mouth shut! In fact, if you read your Bible you’ll see that Jesus not only called out the Pharisees and their false teaching, but He did so **in public!** And He called them a bunch of blind men, blind fools, blind guides, brood of vipers, band of murderers, bag of dead people’s bones and a bunch hypocrites **in public!** And even the Apostle Paul called and the out several false teachers **by name.**

1 Timothy 1:18-20 “Timothy, my son, I give you this instruction in keeping with the prophecies once made about you, so that by following them you may fight the good fight, holding on to faith and a good conscience. Some

have rejected these and so have shipwrecked their faith. Among them are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I have handed over to satan to be taught not to blaspheme.”

2 Timothy 2:16-18 “Avoid godless chatter, because those who indulge in it will become more and more ungodly. Their teaching will spread like gangrene. Among them are Hymenaeus and Philetus, who have wandered away from the truth. They say that the resurrection has already taken place, and they destroy the faith of some.”

People, I’ll say it **again**, when in the world are we going to wake up **in the Church** and call a spade a spade? These Word of Faith teachers are false teachers and they need to be called out on the carpet by name, like this Pastor did!

Prosperity Pimps Beware!

And you listen to me! Everyone of you prosperity preachers! Jesus Christ did not die on a cross, He did not take the stripes on his back, He did not take a crown on His head, His side was not pierced that we may drive Rolls Royces and buy twelve thousand dollar dogs and live in 40 million dollar homes. But He died on a cross to save mankind from the power of sin and the grip of darkness! And SHAME ON YOU! SHAME ON YOU! SHAME ON YOU!

Man’s problems is not what kind of suit he wears or what kind of house he lives in or what kind of car he drives. Man’s problem is SIN! and man needs a SAVIOR! And that savior is JESUS CHRIST!

There MUST be a reformation of the cross...there MUST be a reformation of...oh you’re not gettin’ it! I SAID THERE MUST BE A REFORMATION OF THE CROSS!! The church MUST come back! For God so loved the world that He GAVE His only begotten Son! The church must have a reformation of Christ and Him crucified!!

I’m angry! I’m mad! I’m tired of God’s people being fleeced!
We...LISTEN!...you better hang on and buckle your seatbelts! We don’t

need....anymore prosperity pimps!...leading the church into spiritual idolatry!

I SAID!...WE DON'T NEED...ANymore..PROSPERITY PIMPS...DOWN A PRIMROSE PATH OF DESTRUCTION! WE DON'T NEED ANY SNAKE OIL SALESMAN! WE NEED MEN OF GOD WHO WILL STAND BEHIND A PUL-PIT AND PREACH THE GOSPEL!

I'm going to say it again! If you're preaching that lie of the greed you are a prosperity pimp. I said....if your gospel...is a gospel of greed, you are a prosperity pimp. And you're gonna stand before God and give an account for every single message that you preached on that... souls are dying and going to hell and you're prostituting the Word of God. Men are bound by alcohol and you're prostituting the Word of God. Homosexuals bound in their sin and you're prostituting the gospel of Jesus Christ!

Prosperity pimps...let me tell you what's going on and let me tell ya what's gonna happen. Jesus said when he walked into the temple, "My house shall be called the house of prayer but you have made it a den of thieves" **YOU ARE THIEVES!** And I'll remind you of what happened. **HE CLEANED THE PLACE OUT! AND HE'S GONNA CLEAN THE PLACE OUT AGAIN! YOUR DAY IS NUMBERED! YOUR DAY IS NUMBERED! HE'S ABOUT READY TO TURN OVER THOSE TABLES! HE'S ABOUT READY TO THROW YOU OUT!**

MY HOUSE SHALL BE CALLED A HOUSE OF PRAYER. WHERE PEOPLE CAN GET SAVED! Not how to have success seminars. I'm sick and tired of preachers saying "we don't want K-mart Christians in this church." Well they don't want ya, but **JESUS** want ya! I don't care if you don't have shoes on your feet. Jesus wants you! I don't care if you ain't got two dimes to your name. Jesus wants you! I don't care if you don't know where your next meal is coming from. Jesus wants you!

Where...tonight...are the preachers...that will stand up and take a stand. Where are they? We need Jeremiahs. We need some Daniels. We need some Isaiah's. We need some Jehosephat's. We need some David's. We need some Hezekiah's. That says I'm sick and tired of a dirty temple. It's time to clean it up!"

Amen and amen! Folks, this is what's so wild about this behavior. Do we have any idea what's really going on and just how close we are to the Last Days? How many people, even in the Church, are clueless to the prophetic meaning of what we just saw and what we just studied? Every time you turn on the TV and you see one of these **prosperity pimps**, it shouldn't just **make you sick**. It should send this **clear message** to you. Oh no! I better start living for Jesus! I better start serving God. I better start witnessing more. I better get saved! **Why?** Because when you see these hucksters on TV it means you are living in the last days! We better wake up! **It's happening now!**

People, what more does God have to do? He loves us. He doesn't want us going into the 7-year Tribulation! And this is why He's given us the sign of the **Rise of Apostasy**...phony Christians, and today with Greedy Christians, to show us that the Tribulation is near and the 2nd Coming of Jesus Christ is rapidly approaching. And that's why Jesus Himself said:

Luke 21:28 "When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

People of God, like it or not, we are headed for **The Final Countdown**. And so the point is this. If you're here today as a Christian it's time to get busy! Stop bickering and start working together, and let's get busy saving souls! But if you're here today and you're not a Christian, then please I beg you,

heed the signs, heed the warnings, don't listen to these guys, they're hucksters! Listen to Jesus. Give you life to Him **now** and become a real Christian **today** because tomorrow may be too late. The prosperity gospel is no gospel at all. And when you see how it not only rips people off of their cash but leads them away from the true Christ and His calling for us, it make you sick, like this guy shares:

"I don't know what you feel about the prosperity gospel, the health, wealth, and prosperity gospel but I'll tell you what I feel about it...hatred.

It is not the gospel. It's being exported from this country to Africa and Asia. Selling a bill of goods to the poorest of the poor.

Believe this message, and your pigs won't die and your wife won't have miscarriages and you'll have rings on your fingers and coats on your back. That's coming out of America. The people that ought to be giving our money and our time and our lives. Instead, selling a bunch of crud called gospel.

Here's the reason it is so horrible. When was the last time that any American, African, Asian ever said 'Jesus is all satisfying because you drove a BMW?' NEVER. They'll say, 'Did Jesus give you that? Well, I'll take Jesus.' That's Idolatry! That's not the gospel. That's elevating gifts above the giver.

I'll tell you what makes Jesus look beautiful. It's when you smash your car and your little girl goes flying through the windshield and lands dead on the street, and you say through the deepest possible pain. "God is enough. He is good. He will take care of us. He will satisfy us. He will get us through this. He is our treasure. Whom have I in heaven but you? And on earth there is nothing that I desire besides you. My flesh and not my heart and my little girl may fail, but you are the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

That makes God look glorious. As God not of giver of cars or safety or health. Oh how I pray that America would be purged of the health, wealth

and prosperity gospel and that the Christian church would be marked by suffering for Christ.

God is most glorified in you when you are most satisfied in him in the midst of loss not prosperity.”

To find the way to God, to understand the *truth* of God’s Word, and to received the gift of eternal *life*, begin by repentance and faith through a prayer like this:

“Dear God, I understand that I have broken Your Law and sinned against You. Please forgive my sins. Thank You that Jesus suffered on the cross in my place. I now place my trust in Him as My Savior and Lord. In Jesus’ name I pray. Amen.”
