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A NEW BREED

The thought of something "new" is always scintillating to the senses. In a society that from childhood is looking for a new fad, it is not surprising that a preposterous new doctrine would be sweeping the church. The most disconcerting aspect is that this time we can not question this doctrine. It must be accepted blindly as a "new revelation" coming from the "anointed" Last Day "prophets." If we question, we are: (1) divisive, (2) have a "Jezebel spirit" and even, (3) called witches.

I am receiving calls from around the country with the same cry, "What is happening?" Every caller I have spoken to has been a dear Christian who truly loves the Lord. Children of God are confused and full of questions. Many are threatened with discipline if they don't "go with the flow". If a "prophet" is questioned, the questioner is condemned. There is obviously a spiritual elitism attached to those who become part of the "New Thing". When I questioned my friend who has got involved, she told me that I have a "wrong spirit" and she hung up the phone!

Those that are following the "prophets" blindly are doing so because they sincerely feel they have finally found it! This is the "revival" that they've been looking for. They have evolved into a mindset that actually believes that whatever is said in the name of the Lord is right. Because the so-called prophets seem to speak with authority, utter prophecies that sometimes come true, reveal secrets and enjoy the support of many big names, people by the scores readily accept without any question whatever they speak. The current wave of "revival" is said to be the "new thing" God is doing throughout the earth and is unlike anything the Church has ever experienced before. Oh yes, it must be said that this revival without any doubt is different, and is one of a kind. Everywhere it is spread it is causing a stir and sweeping people off their feet. Sweeping people into what? This is a distressing question. After researching the transcripts of many tapes, speaking to many directly or indirectly involved and reading extensively, the answer to the aforementioned question was quite frightening! Below is a list of some of the characteristics that identify the **NEW REVIVAL** based on their own tapes.

THE NEW REVIVAL CHARACTERISTICS

1. It is a revival of the prophets that use the Holy Scriptures deceitfully.

2. It is a revival of "sorcery" (the magic art of manipulating people). People are being manipulated, sometimes by fear and other times by sheer deception, into blindly receiving unscriptural views.

3. It is a revival that wants to see the walls of the Churches and Denominations crumble and come under the authority, structure and network of the **NEW BREED**.

4. It is a revival of a **NEW BREED** that discriminates against Israel and the part of the Church that doesn't go along with their teaching.

5. It is a revival that rejects the literal Rapture of the Church.

6. It is a revival that rejects **SOUND DOCTRINE** as a basis for unity.

7. It is a revival that teaches that it is wrong to judge the prophets according to the Word of God.

8. It is a revival that says that the Church (corporately) is the literal presence of Christ, so don't look for another.

9. It is a revival that says, "Touch not God's anointed." The interpretation being: No matter what is said or how wrong it is, do not question. Christians dare not question or criticize the unscriptural utterances and practices of the prophets, for if they do, they are judged worthy of punishment.

10. It is a revival obsessed with a **NEW BREED** of people and a political agenda on earth.

11. It is a revival bent on turning the youth into a militant people with a war-like mentality designed to take dominion of the world and if need be - by force.

12. This new revival owes its character to a group of specific persons who are misinterpreting the Bible, and like the cults, supplementing it with their own dreams, visions and mystic ideas.

Christian, if you fall for their doctrine, you are perfectly set up for deception. Be careful you are not swept off your feet into the **GREAT DECEPTION - THE LIE!**

One of the most familiar phrases we are hearing is "A NEW BREED OF PEOPLE".

According to Kevin Springer in EQUIPPING, Fall, 1989, (Vol. 3, No.4) speaking of Paul Cain he said: "God created in Paul a living testament of the type of men that one day would be called a **NEW BREED**. He directed Paul to sacrifice everything - his large ministry, the possibility of marriage, wealth, fame. His life was picked clean, so he could truly claim that all he has and is comes from the Lord." This sounds like a very noble, holy and righteous life. However, this certainly is not a picture of a **NEW BREED**. Haven't monks been doing the same thing for centuries? In fact, is this elitist doctrine not of the seed of Phariseeism?

The proponents of this form of godliness are into error. They need to be spoken to and warned of the error of their ways, but the problem is they take correction to mean persecution. Some are so deeply involved in their errors that it would take a miracle to save them. It is generally difficult to save a man from an elitist mindset. It is a form of captivity hard to break.

How dare these "prophets" speak of an exclusive **BREED** of people being raised up in these last days? The whole idea suggests that the Church, ever since its inception, has failed to produce the quality of saints the **NEW BREED** of "prophets" is producing. They believe that until this time, the Church has been a failure. What a presumptuous claim at the expense of the Holy Scriptures and the history of the Church. History is brimming over with accounts of simple and great Christian men and women who lived beautiful, exemplary and spiritual lives. In untold numbers they laid down their lives to the glory of God. Great feats and wonders have followed the heroes of faith throughout the Church age. Some have been unnoticed and others well-known. When Christ returns, the heavenly records will show the numberless multitudes who loved their Lord and gave their lives to His holiness and grace. Their witness throughout the ages rings loud and clear. "Of a truth. . . God is no respecter of persons."

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." Ephesians 2:8, 9.

Nowhere does the Bible teach that a **NEW BREED** of people shall arise in the last days. According to the Scriptures we are all equal in His sight (Galatians 3:28) and we are all complete in Him (Colossians 2:10). Exactly what are these "prophets" looking for that Christ has not already accomplished on the Cross for all His saints? Are they looking for Christ to die again to bring in a **NEW BREED** out of the Church? God forbid! "For if we sin willfully (i.e. reject the efficacy of the cross) after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins." Hebrews 10:26.

The whole **NEW BREED** concept is totally unscriptural. The only way they can attempt to prove their false doctrine is to twist, misquote or allegorize the Scriptures. According to the "prophets" all believers are not a part of the **NEW BREED** because it is reserved for a special quality of Christian in the last days. But Praise God, the Bible refutes this fallacy. On the contrary, it gives all believers the following assurance:

- 1. All believers are equal in Christ. Galatians 3:28.
- 2. All believers are new creatures. II Corinthians 5:17.
- 3. All believers are made righteous by faith, that is of grace. Romans 4:16.
- 4. All believers are of the seed of Abraham. Romans 4:16.
- 5. All believers were baptized into one body. I Corinthians 12:13.
- 6. All believers are members of the body of Christ. I Corinthians 12:14.
- 7. All believers are part of the ELECT. I Peter 1:2.
- 8. All believers are a CHOSEN GENERATION. I Peter 2:1, 2.
- 9. All believers are "born again." John 3:3, 15.
- 10.All believers are lively stones and a holy priesthood. I Peter 2:5.

The word **BREED** is not found once in Scripture, much less the term **A NEW BREED**. My appeal to the "prophets" is: Repent, stay with the Word of God, abandon the concepts that come from the cults and purge your doctrine from this unholy leaven.

Paul Cain, who is one of the **NEW BREED**, is looking for others who also fit this description. The years roll by and then he met Mike Bickle and several of his colleagues from the Kansas City Fellowship. At that point Paul Cain said he came out of his desert experience. By meeting these men in 1987, he met the **FIRST FRUITS** of the **NEW BREED**. There seemed to be a real connection immediately. Bob Jones, a "prophet" has called Paul Cain "the most anointed prophet in the world today." For a number of years already, the

Kansas City Fellowship had been listening carefully to the words of this "prophet" in their midst. Bob Jones also spoke about a **NEW BREED.**

"The children are the best of all the generations that have ever been upon the face of the earth. . . those **ELECTED SEEDS** that will glorify Christ in the last days. .. they will move into things of the supernatural that no one has ever been in the Bible - They'll move in it consistently. . . they themselves will be that generation that's raised up to put death itself underneath their feet. . . . a church that has reached the full maturity of the god- man!" (Transcripts, Kansas City Fellowship, 1988 Interview Bob Jones with Mike Bickle).

Here again we have the popular theme of the modern "prophets" - A NEW BREED. According to their accounts I see three streams of people in the world (1) the unsaved, (2) the Church and (3) the NEW BREED. This NEW BREED is also the ELECTED SEEDS, the BEST OF ALL GENERATIONS, a BREED that will "put death itself underneath their feet." It should be quite obvious to all by now that Bob Jones, Paul Cain and other prophets of their company are ardent believers in the doctrine of "The Manifest Sons of God". Basically, this doctrine rejects the literal and personal return of Christ for His Church, which in a moment - in the twinkling of an eye will put on immortality, incorruption and be translated into the Presence of the Lord in the air. All the evidence shows that these "prophets" with all their alleged spiritual powers, angel companions and experiences are definitely preaching "another gospel". This gospel is in total opposition to the Gospel of Christ.

"Marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed." Galatians 1:6-8.

This **NEW BREED** mentality is one of the most dangerous and divisive doctrines facing the Church. It threatens existing denominations and churches across the nation. Pastors, brace yourselves to face growing confusion as a result!

Again, it needs to be emphasized that this **NEW BREED** doctrine is the kernel thought that undergirds most of the known cults. Hitler, in the name of God was religiously obsessed with the idea of a **NEW BREED** of people, a **PURE RACE**, a **NEW GENERATION** and **A NEW ORDER**. Books and publications have attributed the rise of the Third Reich to the spirit of occultism. Many of the great theologians in Germany at that time gave Hitler's "pure race" ideology theological cohesiveness. Amazingly we are now seeing history repeat itself. However the modern "prophets" interpret their **NEW BREED** of religion, the fact remains it is the same seed thought (elitism) that gave rise to Hitler's **THIRD REICH** that plagued Germany and the world. It was this spirit of "elitism" that led to anti-Semitism. Nazism, the New Age Movement and the **NEW BREED** are one and the same: they are merely different manifestations of the same evil seed -"elitism".

The **NEW BREED** spirit in Hitler's day permeated the churches in Germany. One of the first things the **NEW BREEDERS** sought to do in support of their "elitist" race was to unite all the churches in Germany. With this **NEW WAVE** of "elitism" once again flooding the Church, it comes as no surprise to hear the apostate Church speaking of **UNITING** all the churches at the expense of **SOUND DOCTRINE**.

Let us examine this teaching further:

This "new doctrine" which is ablaze in the Church today actually dates back to the 2nd century A.D. It is once again raising its deceitful head, only this time with ferocious impetus calculated to control the minds and destinies of gullible people. The most frightening aspect of all this is that sincere and well-meaning Christians in great numbers are being seduced in the name of God into the world of the cults. This "new doctrine" is coming in the guise of several other names such as: **THE MELCHIZEDEK ORDER, NEW APOSTLES AND PROPHETS, THE NEW THING** and **THE THIRD WAVE.** Basically, this age-old doctrine has undergirded the cults ever since the inception of the Church. The essence of the philosophy of "elitism" is combined with religion, politics and secularism. History proves that it engenders a form of inspiration that leads to cruel domination, discrimination, anti-Semitism, persecution and bitter wars.

The so-called "prophets" make bold boasts that the **NEW BREED** of leaders, i.e. the "**NEW BREED** of Apostles and Prophets" will perfect the "**NEW BREED** of People" and usher in the "New Order" of government on the earth. The question we need to ask is: "What is the source of reference for their outrageous claims?" It is certainly not in the pages of Scripture, nor can it be found in the literal interpretation of the Scriptures. Before answering the question we must admit that they do use the Bible as a reference point, but the shame is that they allegorize the Scriptures as do the cults to fit their so-called new "elitist" doctrine.

The following quote is a typical case among many quotes of how the **NEW BREED** of leaders using the allegorical method of interpretation wrest the Scriptures in support of their unbiblical concepts.

"During the summer of 1988, God gave me these words: 'Do not call to mind the former things, or ponder things of the past. Behold, I will do something new, now it will spring forth; will you not be aware of it? I will even make a roadway in the wilderness, rivers in the desert. The beasts of the field will glorify Me; the jackals and the ostriches; because I have given waters in the wilderness and rivers in the desert, to give drink to My chosen people. The people whom I formed for Myself, will declare My praise' (Isaiah 43:18-21).

[Application:]

It now appears that God is raising up a 'NEW BREED' of leadership to do the 'new thing.' This NEW BREED will be young and fresh, with a pioneering spirit - whether chronologically young or old in age.

Last year I had the opportunity to meet several young men whom I believe represent this **NEW BREED** of leadership. . . . We invite you to learn more about Mike Bickle, a part of God's '**NEW BREED**' for the '90s." (Fullness Fellowship, COMMUNIQUE, Volume 3, No.4, April 1990).

The literal interpretation of the above text clearly applies to Israel. God promises Israel a time of restoration, prosperity and grace when Israel, as a chosen nation, will indeed "show forth His praise". Unfortunately, a great part of Christendom use the allegorical method to apply certain Scriptures with reference to Israel exclusively to the Church. Applying Scripture pertaining to Israel as being the Church is one thing, but when applied to an exclusive "**NEW BREED**" "in" or "apart" from the Church is quite another equation. Not only do we have here an elitist hierarchy element, but to all intents and purposes a **NEW BREED** that is strikingly parallel with the doctrine of the New Age cult.

This all sounds like a very serious indictment. Indeed our conclusions are very sobering. There is <u>so much</u> <u>more</u> that could be said. We sincerely believe many of those who are promulgating this **NEW THING** are very sincere people who feel that this is what they have been looking for all their lives. Some who are part of

this "New Thing" even compare themselves with Simeon who proclaimed upon seeing Christ, "Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word: For mine eyes have seen thy salvation..." They honestly feel that this is the "revival" for which they have been praying. We pray for every soul who loves the Word of God to see the error of this deception before it is eternally too late!

My prayer is that you will "earnestly contend for the faith that was delivered once to the saints".

Sincerely in Christ,

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