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## **The Anointed Seed**

The voice kept droning endlessly from the tape deck of my small compact car. The expressway was busy with the late afternoon traffic. Ahhh - finally I've got it! The "illumination" has dawned! How could I have missed this "revelation". When God created Adam, there were other civilizations already on the earth. Adam was the first of the "God-men" - the special "anointed seed". When the flood came upon the earth, it wasn't upon the "whole" earth, but only the part of the earth where Noah lived. God was again preserving His "anointed seed". From the seed came forth the "pure race" mainly made up of the Anglo-Saxons and Celts. Israel is in actuality the "white races", namely: English, Irish, German, Scandinavian, etc. . . .

This is where Manifest Sons of God teaching leads. It comes in a variety of shades and forms and that is the reason people will declare: "I'm not Manifest Sons of God". The people who hold to this strange set of beliefs have volumes of books on the subject to prove their case. They also use the Apocrypha books extensively. Some even speak of the Druids in a very positive sense. According to some of their writings, it was through Druidism that Christianity came to England. They affirm that the Druids were "men of culture, well-educated, equitable and impartial in the administration of justice. These ancient leaders of thought and instruction . . . had lofty beliefs as to the character of the one God, Creator and Preserver, and of man's high origin and destiny. . . . the way to Christianity for the early inhabitants of Britain was traced by Nature herself, and from Nature to Nature's God. (CELT, DRUID AND CULDEE by Isabel Hill Elder, The Covenant Publishing Company). An interesting note on the Druids is that they danced dressed in white in a circular motion and enacted a "movement dance." The Druids also made much of the use of banners.

We can also trace from this background, that this is where the teaching came from "on the revelation of God in the Zodiac" and the "revelation in the Great Pyramid". William Branham also believed in three bibles. He claimed that in addition to the written Bible that we

all know, there are two others: "the first one, He put It in the sky, the zodiac. . . He made the next one in the Pyramid, back in the days of Enoch. . . " (Roy Livesey, UNDERSTANDING DECEPTION, New Wine Press (Chichester, England, 1989).

However, the important aspect we are dealing with in this article is the particular teaching on who is the "anointed seed". Claims are made that it is possible that Jesus Himself visited England. It is also stated that "the first people in the world nationally to become Christian were the British . . . a people had to be brought into existence which would not only preach, but demonstrate the message of the Kingdom. There had to be a nation which would live by the faith of Christ . . . a nation which would give Christian civilization to the world." (HOW THE GOSPEL CAME TO BRITAIN by Brian Williams, Birmingham, England). This particular author agrees that God made a covenant with Abraham, but he goes on to say that this covenant was conditional upon Israel's obedience. "When Israel broke the Law they forfeited the right to call themselves God's people." The "new covenant" only included the Church and it seems that the Church is made up of Anglo-Saxons. In fact, on page 72 of the same book, it is emphatically declared that "Israel today is a Christian nation, and that nation is Britain and all its kindred peoples." America comes into the picture because America was "peopled" from British stock.

Thus, the promises to Abraham are actually to this "pure breed" of people who have not defiled themselves by intermarriage with the "heathen". ". . . the purpose of God reaches from before the foundation of the world. It plans the transplanting of his sons and his daughters. It plans the creation of a NEW ORDER [the elite] on the earth and thus, it transplanted celestial children to a physical world. It brought them forth into being in the bodies of the Adamic race." (Transcribed tape by William Swift)

I faintly recall a letter received from a friend many years ago in which he stated that we are "Spirit Sons streaming forth from the Father." At the time I couldn't fathom what he was talking about. He had come to this "wonderful" revelation after going into the mountains and fasting for many days.

So, when Jesus came to the earth, He came as the Pattern Son to show us all how we could manifest God on the earth. He was the first one to make it as a divine, immortal, sinless, Manifest Son of God. This accomplishment will be duplicated by each individual who, by following Jesus the Pattern Son, becomes a Manifest Son of God. This Christ Company, now individually manifest as Sons of God, would then be revealed to the world as many "saviours" who would take the dominion (establish theocracy) and execute judgment (annihilation of those they deem as ungodly). The present economic, religious and political systems are identified as Babylon and will see their downfall when the Sons of God are manifest.

In a recent issue of NEW BEGINNINGS, (Aug. 1990) in the cover article, George Hawtin writes as follows referring to Daniel 7: ". . . we have verses which vitally concern you and me, for they speak of none other than that vast company of sons who are coming to perfection through the ages and are seen here as complete. Please pay special attention to this. 'I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man.' This is the same glorious Son of man whom John saw in Revelation 1:7-18. This is the complete body of Yahshua, the vast company of the sons of Yahweh, Yahshua, whose hair was wool, as white as snow, with all His beloved sons, clothed in a garment of righteousness from head to foot - the whole

body with feet of brass as though they burned in a furnace, prepared of Yahweh for judgment. . . . 'But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever,' (verse 18). Not Catholicism, not Protestantism, not Communism - but the Saints, the Sons of Yahweh, one like the Son of man - not the lonely and blessed Yahshua of Nazareth alone, but the complete body of sons - Yahweh's masterpiece of the ages, the body of Yahshua, the house not made with hands - My Father's house of many mansions, each one whether individually or collectively 'An habitation of Yahweh through the Spirit'. . . . The Almighty Elohim marvelously manifested Himself in Yahshua, though no one then alive understood in any real way who this mighty man was, or that He was, indeed, Yahweh manifesting Himself in man. It is a great mystery, but perhaps it is even less a mystery than this, THAT THE HOUR IS AT HAND WHEN YAHWEH WILL MANIFEST HIMSELF IN A VAST FAMILY OF SONS OF YAHWEH. For these sons of Yahweh are indeed the 'One like the Son of man.'".

In 1925 there was a book written entitled, "THE SONS OF GOD" by Swinburne Clymer. It was "A Foreshadowing of the Coming World of the Messenger of The New Age". Note the similarities to the above in the following quote:

"In each life is a spark, a germ of the Divine Nature. This spark is the potential Christos or the potential individual Soul or that 'light which lighteth all the world of man's consciousness.' When man becomes conscious of this light within his own being and recognizes and obeys it's 'still small voice,' he has reached a state bordering on Illumination of Soul or Immortalization. When he has found within himself the CENTER whence cometh the LIGHT, Soul Consciousness is attained. This is the beginning of Initiation; the first revealment of the Divine Mysteries. The Divine Spark in each individual may be developed into a center or globe of pure white fire; it may become a dynamic nucleus of living fires - the Fire of Love and Immortality. This fact gives the key to the significance of the term 'Temple of Illumination.' Man in toto, is the nucleau of Illumination, the Temple of the living, radiating Christos. . . . 'God in me and I in you.' Thus, by obedience to the Divine Law, man attains unto Christhood, becomes the Son of God."

Today again, I am hearing this type of language. Something is amiss. It is so hard to define it to people. Whenever there is esoteric language used, the mind becomes very confused. So instead of trying to understand what is happening and using Scripture as a guideline, confused souls are rather going by their feelings and using a rationalization that they ascertain is the "spirit" witnessing to their hearts.

Many ministers by all appearances seem to be very sound, believe in the basics, are sincere and yet are falling prey to errors along the way. It is because these doctrines have crept in unawares. We have to be very clear in knowing why we believe what we believe. We have to be able to give a reason for the hope that is within us. If we build our belief system on the "inner voice" and on our experiences, the end result will be disastrous. This is the reason for the problems we are experiencing within the church in regard to morality, desire for power and control, etc. The foundations have become shifting sand instead of the solid rock of the "written" Word of the Almighty God. "Though heaven and earth pass away, His Word will endure forever". Take "experiences" away from most Christians and they flounder on the sea of insecurity. The "written" Word of God is the only standard. We walk by faith - faith in what

God has said, He will perform. Faith that believes God regardless of the circumstances and vicissitudes of life.

We are trying by the means of the Word of God to DISCERN the winds of doctrines that are abounding. We are using the Bible as our measuring rod. It is what is being taught in home cell meetings, and preached from pulpits that we are concerned about. In a recent newsletter, Francis Frangipane had the following to say about the gift of Discernment: "Spiritual discernment is the grace to see into the unseen. It is a gift of the Spirit to perceive what is in the spirit. Its purpose is to see into the nature of that which is veiled. But the first veil which must be removed is the veil over our own hearts. . . . There is a 'Jamming station' that inhibits our powers of discernment. Our thoughts and reactions block us from hearing God. Until the motor of the carnal mind is turned off, true discernment will not consistently be ours." This is again taking us into the esoteric realm where "discernment" is actually defined as "gnosis" or "inner knowledge". God in His Infinite Wisdom has given us His Word as the final authority so that there would never be any doubt.

Many are questioning what is coming out of Kansas City Fellowship, now called the VINEYARD. Let us simply look at what they are saying and compare it with the teachings we have previously mentioned.

Paul Cain is called the "most anointed prophet in the world today" by many people. At the Prophetic Conference at the VINEYARD in 1989 he said the following: "...every time God ever planned to do anything, the devil would get wind of it and he'd go out there and try to head it off. . . when he knew how Moses was coming, what did he do to stop him. . . he killed all the babies. What did he do when he figured that Jesus was going to be born at a certain time? He released a decree through the wicked ruler to kill all the babies. Don't you see? And what's he doing now? There's mass mutilation and murder of thousands and millions of unborn babies. Abortions on every hand. So, you must know something's coming up greater than Moses, greater than. . . even in Jesus' day, because the Devil is trying to kill off the NEW BREED, he's trying to kill off the Bride of Christ and he's trying to kill the whole thing off, but the Lord has well planted this seed of the New Bride and the New Breed. . . . He's about to open the womb and He's about to give birth to this NEW THING. . . . when the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us we beheld the glories of the only begotten of the Father and when YOU begin to become that Word I want you to know the world will behold the glory of the Father and that's what we're waiting to see. . . I want you to know that we're going to have some channeling one of these days, but it's going to be channeled right out of the throne room of heaven."

Judging by the response of the crowd, I doubt if anyone actually heard the heresy that was being proclaimed. He was undermining the very deity of Christ by saying the NEW BREED would become THAT WORD! By getting the minds of the hearers on the abortion issue, it is easy to convince the hearers of a symbolic meaning behind the issue instead of the blatant false teaching. Yet many sitting there truly love the Lord and are children of God. However, the Word of God speaks to us very strongly to not give heed to seducing spirits that are gone forth throughout the land. ". For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables." (II Tim. 4:3&4).

Paul Cain isn't the only person who is speaking on this wise. Bob Jones (from Kansas City Fellowship) goes into greater detail. "I believe I have a word from the Lord concerning children that would involve totally hundreds of children that would Come from the loins of this fellowship. . . this seed will bring forth the testimony of Jesus Christ and the glorious Church. These are the deliverers of the end time army. . . these are the children of promise you're looking upon. . . these are them the prophets have waited for many thousands of years to come forth. . . these are the ones He foreknew and predestinated to come forth and to be the last deliverers of the last age. . . He has waited over six thousand years for these to grow up."

On another occasion, (1988 Visions and Revelations) Bob Jones elaborated on the subject: "Their children will possess the Spirit without measure - for they are the best of all the generations that have ever been upon the face of the earth. And the best of all generations are those ELECTED SEEDS that will glorify Christ in the last days. . . they will move into things of the supernatural that no one has ever moved in before. Every miracle, sign and wonder they'll move in the power that Christ did. . . They themselves will be that generation that's raised up to put death itself underneath their feet and to glorify Christ in every way and the church that is raising up in the government will be the head and the covering for them. . the chosen generation of history that will go beyond all the others in power." Then he quotes the Lord saying to him, "From out of the sands of time I have called the best of every blood line in the earth unto this generation. . . Even the blood line of Paul . . . of David . . . of Peter, James and John, the best of their seed is unto this generation. They will be even superior to them in heart, stature and love for me. . . I have elected to bring them forth in this hour. . . this generation of the young people that are coming are going to see the beginning of this World-wide NEW ORDER. . . it is going to change the expression of Christianity in the earth in a generation." Further along in the same tape Bob Jones continues, "But there is a ministry after the five-fold called the MINISTRY OF PERFECTION - the MELCHISEDEK PRIESTHOOD. You that are here now, you'll be moving in to the five-fold ministries, but your children will be moving into the ministries of perfection, coming to that characteristics - coming into that divine nature of Jesus Christ. . . you're in a warfare, start to take the promised land - and then you raise up the generation to possess it . . it is the last generation. . . "

Do you want to see the expression of Christianity in the earth changed in a generation? Do you want to see the Old, Old Story replaced by a New Age Gospel? The feeling is that obviously what the church is getting ready to move into is very exciting because later on the same tape, Mike Bickle (of Kansas City Fellowship) exclaims: "The saints in the New Testament would wait in line to greet the Apostles coming from this generation." The Apostle Paul was more anxious to talk to the end-time Apostles and Prophets than they were to talk to him. What they would do would "go far greater in the glory of God."

I believe that many of those that are prey to the deception of the enemy today are those who are looking for the Kingdom of God to be established here on the earth. They are ready to jump on any bandwagon that promises signs, wonders and prophetic words. They believe "they" have to get the Kingdom ready - they have a Kingdom Mandate. Oh yes, this Mandate includes Israel - to take the territory in the same way they desire to take the cities and nations of the world. This Mandate is becoming very militant. It is sounding alarmingly like something that might have come out of the Third Reich. "No" you say, "We are too civilized to ever let that happen again." There is a new book coming out that should strike.. fear in the heart of every sincere Christian who loves the Word of God. It is called, VIGILANTES OF

CHRISTENDOM. The author of this book states that ". . . the scriptures state that 2/3 will have to die in the last days so that 1/3 might emerge pure. One may rest assured that the Christian Elohim will prevail, and that "His priests will be in the forefront." (NEW BEGINNINGS, August 1990).

The "anointed seed" concept, as taught by the Manifest Sons of God school of thought, clearly parallels "New Age" theosophical philosophy. The idea originated in the garden of Eden when Satan said to Eve, "Ye are gods." The same seductive Gnostic doctrine tempted the early church and by the second century vigorously sought to entrench itself in the established Church. However, since the 17th century (known as the Era of Enlightenment) to the present time, Gnostic thought has firmly entrenched itself in the thinking of Christendom. Out of this thought, new religious ideas and doctrines have sprung. One of these ideas is the "anointed seed". In fact, the concept is gaining such prominence that the proponents of it are not only paranoid with the idea, but are stretching and twisting basic tenets of faith to give theological cohesiveness to the "lie". The besetting problem facing the Church today is that orthodox ministries, while subscribing to basic tenets of faith are at the same time, quite innocently sometimes dabbling and experimenting with "New Age" theosophical thought with the delusion that they are discovering deeper truths hid in their tenets of faith.

Essentially the "anointed seed" concept believes that man, through an inner "gnosis" (mystical knowledge) discovered in his spirit (the "god" part of man), experiences a subjective relationship with God which sets him apart as an anointed being, a manifestation of the literal presence of Christ within and as a member of the blood-line of the seed of Adam - the chosen people of God.

Gnosticism says: "'God in me and I in you'. Thus by obedience to the Divine Law, man attains unto Christhood, becomes the Son of God. He who loves his fellow man is possessed of the Christic power within himself if he deliberately puts forth every possible effort to develop the spiritual essence within him, he will grow into Consciousness (Sonhood). In his fourfold nature of body, spirit, mind and Soul, man is an epitome of the Universe. Potentially he is the Divine Creation in miniature."

This thought is clearly picked up in the teachings of a teacher, . . . "until there came a body of men and women in the earth who could be compared to a corporate mature man...what He was in the incarnate power and life, they would become in their corporate power and life." THY KINGDOM COME by W.J. Ern Baxter.

According to all accounts, historically and currently, the "anointed seed" concept seen in the context of the "manifest sons of God" school of thought pre-disposes itself to rejection and acceptance of the following:

#### **REJECTION OF:**

I. Israel as a chosen people of God.

II. The Deity of the "only begotten Son of God" in that the concept of transubstantiation is preferred, which essentially means that the literal body and deity of Christ was, and is, being imparted to the Church - the "anointed seed". (It is no surprise that certain

Charismatic leaders are encouraging Protestant Charismatics to partake of the Roman Catholic heresies, such as the transubstantiation of the Eucharist and the like. The motive is a unification with Roman Catholicism, but unfortunately, at the cost of our "most holy faith; which was once delivered unto the saints, being much more precious than of gold.")

III. The literal coming of Jesus Christ to meet His church in the air and return with His saints to usher in the Millennium Kingdom reign of Christ.

IV. Rejecting any teaching or doctrine that does not come out in support of the "anointed seed" idea.

#### **ACCEPTANCE OF:**

I. A Christian as a "god"

II. Kingdom Now/Dominion Theology

III. The allegorical interpretation of the Bible

IV. Eastern mysticism/New Age the universal unification of all religions on the basis of religious subjectivity, humanism and brotherhood.

V. Man's independent superiority, domination and reign on earth without the literal presence of Jesus Christ.

VI. That in all men, that is, in all the "anointed seed" The Christ dwells waiting to be discovered. "God wants us to see Jesus as merely the big brother in a huge family of brothers and sisters who are like Him. You have the Divine nature - the Eternal Life of God - still Christ must be formed in you. God reveals that Christ had to be formed - even in Jesus". RESTORATION Magazine, James Robison

No matter from which "stream" you are hearing the teaching, - the terminology may differ, but each is flowing in the same direction. Whether it is the "Man-child company", "Overcomers", "The New Breed", "The Anointed Seed", "Restoration" or Evangelists who have you stand and declare, "I AM . . . ." This teaching is all MAN or SELF replacing the Person of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He is the ANOINTED SEED. THERE IS NO OTHER!

“Beware lest any many spoil you through philosophy (false doctrine) and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.”(Col. 2:8). “Be not carried about with diverse and strange doctrines.” - (Heb.13:9) “. . . giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils”. (I Tim. 4:1). “Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.” (I Tim. 4:16).

God bless you!

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A letter from a reader in Zimbabwe. ". . . . I appreciate receiving your newsletter. It is very relevant. For a long time I have been very concerned about certain practices in the Church - especially the infiltration of the New Age" thinking. I am also very perturbed at the level of gospel communications in general. It seems that the Church has gone off on a scenic trip which has led into gross error - and most people cannot recognize it. Especially certain aspects, the Person of Jesus Christ is no longer lifted up in the Church - and as for the cross - it is never presented anymore - it is no longer popular. The very center of the gospel has been robbed from the Church and few even miss it. The early church believers had a very simple gospel understanding: 1) the Person of Jesus - God incarnate - His nature, character, divinity, humility, sacrifice, sinlessness; 2) His death - passion, suffering, the cross and His resurrection; and 3) His RETURN. These three foundation things are seldom presented in their truth today - no wonder the Church is in such a mess! The old-fashioned gospel is no longer fashionable."