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THE KINGDOMIZERS HAVE ARRIVED!

They can be found at a location close to you. Perhaps as near as the next corner - but definitely are available at a flick of the T. V. dial.

They are chanting in the streets, praying on the corner, lying in front of cars and playing to the T.V. cameras. The NEW BREED of Christian is poised to take over the earth, precinct by precinct. God's Army is rising up. It is time to put on the militant garb. The glint in the eye becomes fixed as the exhilaration of the hour sweeps through the masses. They can make a difference! The world has been waiting with bated breath for this LAST DAY GENERATION. False prophets in their midst are caught in sin, under discipline, yet their tapes sell to believers of their false prophecies. The call for unity is the common cause bringing them from every denomination. They are calling their unity "revival". After all, when they have set up the Kingdom here on the earth - they will have fulfilled the mandate given to Adam to subdue the earth. A new sound is heard in the land. The music gets louder and the beat gets stronger (even bringing in rock, metal, and funk) but oddly enough the lyrics are always the same! - The choruses proclaiming the triumphant song of the conquerors!

The doctrinal statement of many evangelical churches is very clear on the Blessed Hope and The Millennial Reign of Christ. They believe:

1. The resurrection of those who have fallen asleep in Christ and their translation together with those who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord is the imminent and blessed hope of the Church (I Thess. 4:16, 17; Rom. 8:23; Titus 2:13; I Cor.15:51, 52).

2. The second coming of Christ includes the rapture of the saints which is our blessed hope, followed by the visible return of Christ with His saints to reign on the earth for one thousand years (Zech. 14:5; Mat. 24:27, 30; Rev. 1:7; 19:11-14; 20:1-6). This millennial reign will bring the salvation of national Israel (Ezk. 37:21, 22; Zeph. 3:19, 20; Rom. 11:26, 27), and the establishment of universal peace (Isaiah 11:6-9; Ps. 72:3-8; Micah 4:3, 4). (Assembly of God)

However, we are now living in a time when we must vigorously defend that position. The "Kingdomizers" boast that the Charismatics are dropping dispensationalism and adopting Reconstructionism. There are very ominous trends on the horizon. There is a "Game Plan" to take over the Church. Pastors are opening their doors wide to: (i) The Unifiers (those bringing pastors together to pray), (ii) The Warriors (those who are taking over the 'territorial spirits' and conquering land), (iii) The Rescuers (those who justify civil disobedience), and (iv) The Marchers (those who are organizing marches on capitols). Responsible spiritual leaders must realize that all of the above have an AGENDA which is quite in opposition to what we believe. They are KINGDOMIZERS. Agreeably, not all the participants are Kingdomizers, but many naive and sincere Christians are falling obediently into line. The participants are merely the "troops" who are being used to fulfill the purposes of very highly organized and intelligent commanders. Periodicals like CHARISMA and MINISTRIES TODAY have become willing vehicles to extend the message.

"Today, the Gospel message of 'salvation by grace alone', the 'Lordship of Christ', and the 'Kingdom of God' is spreading through 'evangelical' churches," [By this is meant non-confessional churches - generally those such as Baptists, Bible churches, Pentecostal and Charismatic, and other fundamentalists and independents.] The particular newsletter I am quoting (CARIBBEAN CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES, April News) goes on to say: "it is this long established network and contacts of 'evangelical' churches that God seems to be opening as another primary conduit for Reformation... 'evangelicals' are discovering the bankruptcy of some major theological underpinnings. In many countries they permeate the society offering eternity to individuals but little or no hope for their nation."

It is without a doubt that the Kingdomizers have decided that those of us who believe in THE BLESSED HOPE have a bankrupt teaching. They have decided that the missionaries that have been sent out in this century and have given their lives for the gospel have not accomplished much because the "nations" or "the governments" are not "Christian".

What is the "Kingdomizer's" foundation? Basically it can be summarized in the "teachings of Scripture as taught by the Apostle Paul, Augustine, and Calvin", (Ibid.)

In reading the quotes of the new "prophets" on the scene it is interesting to note the use of terminology like: (i) "there is going to be cross pollination between all the different groups", and (ii) "the streams are all starting to flow together". Some "prophets" have actually said there are twelve streams coming together in unity as a mighty river.

I picked up a book on Hinduism and was amazed by the following quote:

"Bees, for instance, are seen to collect the pollen of different trees and the whole is reduced to honey, the different pollens remaining unaware of what has happened to them, Individuality,

then, is transcended in a higher reality to which it has none the less made its individual contribution, Or it is like the sea into which individual rivers flow, losing themselves and merging in the great whole," (HINDUISM, Zaehner - Oxford University Press)

This is "new age" teaching taking us into a "global consciousness". Remember, we are ONE by the blood of Jesus Christ. We have been born again into the family of God. Nothing can separate us! So, why are we being told that we are divided? Because we are different it doesn't mean we are not one. Children in one family can be significantly different from one another, but by virtue of their birth - they are one family. How much more in Christ. But now we are being told we have to cross-pollinate, the streams must come together and we have to "break down the walls". What walls? This is not unity, but surrender!

So, out come the Marchers!

"I believe the March for Jesus has the potential to become one of the most powerful vehicles for the advancement of the Kingdom of God that we have yet known -- generating new spiritual power for unprecedented evangelistic harvests, as well as for measurable changes in our societies toward righteousness and social justice". This kind of public declaration can do serious damage to the principalities and powers of darkness over a city", What tremendous spiritual power will be released on that day! I anticipate a world that will never again be the same," (MINISTRIES TODAY May/June 1992, C. Peter Wagner - Marching for Jesus).

Indeed it will be a world that will not be the same. It will have undergone the paradigm shift.

In reading a book called, "THE GATHERING - The Story Behind Washington for Jesus", by David Manual, I gleaned some interesting thoughts.

When John Gimenez was questioned, "What is Washington for Jesus?", his reply was revealing: "It is the fulfillment of a vision the Lord gave us of His people reclaiming the government of this nation for Jesus Christ."

The political nature of this type of activity is always the inherent danger. Mobilizing troops is a delicate issue. WE are dealing with the souls of men. This was a concern of many in regard to the 1980 Washington March.

When Pilate questioned Jesus, Jesus answered: *"My kingdom is not of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight; that I should not be delivered to the Jews..."* John 18:36.

Community prayer such as the recent 'meet at city hall' when Christians come together for the common cause of seeking God's face and repenting is to be commended. The Body of Christ is indeed one and should eagerly look forward to times to pray together and seek God's face. It is also commendable that Christians get involved in stemming the tide of evil; however, it is imperative that Christians discern between what is right and what is wrong! The Kingdomizers are using whatever means possible to fulfill their own agenda. They especially use good 'causes' to further their own ends. Many of them teach that God is finished with democracy. They support 'civil disobedience' because they believe they are helping God bring

in a 'replacement government' which is little more than a strict dictatorial pseudo-Calvinist theocracy based on a feudalistic economic system.

'St. Augustine of Hippo had the "CITY OF GOD". This eminent theologian of the early fifth century composed a "City" as the civilization crumbled around him. It offered hope. It was a "community of common belief in which divine law and glad obedience to it are the glue that binds society in one. There has never been a fulfillment of Augustine's celestial city. We have always had "communities - often monastic in nature - that have become in microcosm something close to that for which Augustine longed. Man has always tried to build "communities" to work toward a common goal - the setting up of a perfect society.' (Detroit Free Press)

Today the "Kingdomizers" are attempting the same feat. They allegorize the scriptures hoping to read into their simple words their own agenda for a new political order.

The "City of God" has become the church...the last day glorious church that God has been preparing down through the ages. The marches are being organized as vehicles for this new breed to use to claim "territory" for the Kingdom.

God's ways do not seem to satisfy. When circumstances become difficult, solutions are sought apart from the Word of God. Human rationale takes the scriptures and twists them in a fashion that sounds almost convincing. So convincing that hordes are quickly marching in step to the new drumbeat. A deceiver is not going to jump out of a closet with a red suit on and screech, "Boo, I'm a Scripture twister". Scripture twisters are charming, charismatic, warm and confident. They are convinced that they have the solution to the world's woes. They have decided that it is up to them to change every aspect of society. In order to bring this change about they must first push the literal interpretation of God's Word aside. When they do this they conveniently bypass the Rapture, the Great Tribulation, the Millennium, the Nation of Israel, and most of all, .the Son of God, Jesus Christ. With their mouths they confess Him - even call Him Lord, yet they do not the Words that He commands and their hearts are set on establishing an earthly kingdom. He said to His followers, "I go and prepare a place for you - that where I am you can be also" and they answer back, "No, we are going to prepare a place for You and when we have it ready, you can come back here or You are held in the heavens until we have it all ready for You". So, dutifully they set about to take over every aspect of society. The list of earthly takeovers is long and carefully laid out. First, we must change the thinking. Get rid of the "Rapture" teaching. Develop a "New Worldview" or a "Kingdom Mentality". After the mindset is changed, start permeating society by taking over the school boards, local city councils, the police force, state representatives, etc., etc. Infiltrate the Legal Community, Medical field, Entertainment and the Arts, The Supreme Court and eventually the White House.

This also sounds strangely like the Unification Church:

[It] "owns factories and businesses in Asia and The Washington Times newspaper, advocates infiltrating all aspects of the culture in order to nudge public opinion toward acceptance of a global church-state. The church's members, said to number three million worldwide, believe that the Korean-born Moon is the Messiah who will lead the worldwide government." (Detroit Free Press, May 19, 1992).

Their latest achievement is the acquisition of the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut. Eight years ago the same university was warning their students that the "Moonies" were a "dangerous cult". Yet it was this "dangerous cult" who got the Soviet and American generals together with top level corporations!

The fact that the Kingdomizers are here is not so bizarre after all. Their goal is very similar to that of the Rev. Moon. They want to set up an earthly kingdom. Large meetings are being held to bring churches together in dialogue. The next step after dialogue is to determine the issues that will become the "doctrines". All of this is working closely with the political forces - the same as the Rev. Moon. Issues such as "school prayer" and "abortion" are used to keep the troops mobilized. There is a definite goal to bring church and state together. At the rate this process is moving the individual states may implement this goal first.

In history we always see coalitions being formed to take power. Once they are in power, these coalitions very often turn their guns on the very ones who helped them get there. Christians who participate in political revolutions of any kind, however "spiritual" they seem, must realize that they are being used! Once the New Order is in place - the "cleansing action" or "purging" will take place! The very fact that you cannot question what is happening is enough to put fear in the heart of an honest Christian.

Did you wonder when you recently heard that Pat Robertson was considering buying UPI (United Press International) what the motive behind such a buy might be? Isn't it strange to you that he has formed the American Center for Law and Justice? Have you wondered what the political organization, Christian Coalition, is all about? Do you question what is happening about you? Pat Robertson gave a very strange answer when he was interviewed by Bob Slosser for CHARISMA in October 1988. The following is an excerpt from that interview:

Slosser: If God called you to run, then why did you fail to get the Republican Presidential nomination?

Robertson: I suppose we could ask the same question of Jesus. God sent Him to be the Messiah of Israel and King of Israel; why did He fail first time around and get crucified."

I would question the answer Pat gave. It is the first time I had heard that Christ's crucifixion was a "failure". He was definitely thinking in political tones.

The aim is to take over the political structures. To establish a government ruled by "The Church". This is "Replacement Theology" in its purest form. Not only does The Church replace Israel, it replaces the person Jesus Christ. Many would pull back in horror at the mention of such a possibility. Yet, they turn around and applaud those who are busy accomplishing this very feat. Television evangelists and other "media" figures are positioning themselves to control the future. A political organization called The Christian Coalition has been formed. They are striving to mobilize a bloc of 20 million "pro-family" voters next election.

"This has been formed as a grass-roots, issue-oriented army of the faithful...It has attracted more than 175,000 dues-paying members, each of whom belongs to one of the county chapters organized in forty-five states." (THE NATION, April 27 1992)

This political machine that has been formed applies leverage on the White House like classic power brokers. The appeal is to God, Country, and Family. To a population sick of crime, corruptness, homosexual rights, lewd art, and abortion this seems like the "right course". However, during a recent Christian Coalition conference,

"There was virtually no discussion of abortion or any other 'pro-family' issue, except how they could be used (or misused) in an election. This was a campaign school, attended by more than 800 activists, and a brazenly partisan one at that." (Ibid.)

To find the Scripture twisters actively at work, one doesn't have to look very far. You don't need a theological degree and a strong denomination behind you. All you need to be is a simple student of the Word of God who loves the Lord, is jealous for His Word and willing to walk the Way of The Cross. This type of person is derailed by the Kingdomizers. Pastors are so busy with programming their calendars with events for the year to please their congregations that they fail to see the dark cloud of deception that has developed into gigantic proportions as the "apostasy" is sweeping the church in preparation for the anti-christ. They do not want to "rock the boat". Many pastors are so deluded that they are actually calling this delusion a "revival". Others look blank when the phrase "Kingdom Now" is mentioned. They don't have the foggiest idea what that means nor bother to take a bit of time to find out. But let some big name come to town to get everyone out marching around the city to "take it for Jesus" and they are gung-ho at the front of the line for a photo opportunity.

Yet, in the midst of it all, the true Church of Jesus Christ is intact. The Spirit of God is continually being poured out on all flesh. The ministries are in operation. God is no respecter of persons. There is an openness to The Gospel as never before. The fields are white unto harvest. Pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers. Laborers that will preach the True Gospel of the Kingdom.

At no time in the history of the world have we seen the Scriptures so literally being fulfilled. As "Globalism" becomes the buzzword for the 90's, the countries of Europe are knitting together to form a vast empire. Headlines read: Europe's New Identity Is Unified. This particular article stated that

"...for most Americans, it is a phenomenon that has gone largely unnoticed. Perhaps partly because European unification is a grinding process and not an event, polls indicate Americans know very little about it. Most Americans almost certainly would have more to say about the fate of Ross Perot's presidential campaign than about the prospects for a single European currency, or about the progress of the European single-market program known as '1992'. Yet European unification involves the reshaping of a major part of the world, politically, socially, and Economically." (Detroit Free Press, May 10, 1992)

The article goes on to explain how this unification is going to drastically change our way of life; and by the year 2000, the EC countries expect to have a single currency and a single army defending Europe. This is information of astronomical proportions.

Israel's door is wide open as God is bringing his scattered people home for the final showdown. Since 1948 when the nation was reborn, we have seen the miraculous hand of God directing the events in that land. Even the stones that hold the "Eastern Gate" are crying out, "It is almost time for this gate to open that has been closed for so long - because it is written."

There are always those who will sensationalize and read something into world events. There will always be the date setters who bring confusion. However, this does not change the Word of God.

Those of us who believe in the literal interpretation of Scripture are not escapist. We are God-fearing, law-abiding citizens who obey the Scriptures. We believe in The Gospel of The Kingdom that must go out into all the world. However, we believe that it is that Gospel that changes lives! We believe in the power of that Gospel. It is the Power of God unto Salvation! But we also believe that we are strangers on this earth. Our citizenship is in Heaven. We are looking for a City whose Builder and Maker is God. He has put within our heart a "lively hope" of which we are not ashamed. We must be counted worthy of The Kingdom of God, for which we also suffer.

However, the suave Scripture twisters would have us believe otherwise. They have an agenda - to take over the Church, the political systems, and the earth. This they want to do all in the name of Jesus. Every Scripture that applies to the Millennium they apply now. Thence, every Scripture that only the matchless Son of God is to fulfill, are instead being fulfilled by The Church. So, The Church not only replaces Israel - but is also replacing Jesus Christ.

The Kingdomizers boast that they are putting their books in the libraries of the seminaries in order to influence the coming generations in their way of thinking. One need not look very far in their prolific writings to find evidence of the Scripture twisting. For example, in WINNING THE BATTLE FOR THE MINDS OF MEN by Dennis Peacocke, pages 3 and 4:

"Matthew 12:29 warns that plunder is only possible when the 'strong man' has been bound: 'Or how can anyone enter the strong man's house and carry off his property, unless he first binds the strong man? and then he will plunder his house.' Jesus tells us how to steal another's property: Bind the strong man. Christ's property is the world, the nations. We, the members of His body, The Church, are the 'strong man' who is to guard and protect Christ's nations. To steal the nations from God, The Church must first be bound. False doctrines of abandonment and deception chained us and made us powerless to stop the decay of the nations. Our enemies didn't have to kill Christianity, they only had to get us to abandon our responsibility for others and give us an obsession with 'pie in the sky' escapism. With us preoccupied with other things, God's enemies can do with the nations what they will."

Talk about twisted Scripture. When I read just this one interpretation of Scripture my head feels like a pretzel. What is Mr. Peacocke saying?

1. Jesus tells us how to steal someone's property.
2. Christ's property is the world.
3. The "strong man" is the church.
4. The "strong man" is to protect Christ's property.
5. We must steal the property - "the world" - from "The Church".
6. "The Church" are our enemies.

Are you confused? Take away the allegorizing and what does the Scripture actually teach?

Jesus was casting out devils and was accused of doing so in the name of Beelzubub (Satan). Jesus defended His action by intimating that demons cannot be cast out in the name of Satan, for then, his (Satan's) kingdom would fall. The only way to defeat Satan's established kingdom is to first overpower the might of Satan (the strong man) by the Spirit of God.

Before you jump on the Kingdom bandwagon, look at the Scriptures on the Kingdom of Heaven and the Kingdom of God:

KINGDOM OF HEAVEN	KINGDOM OF GOD
<p>1. Natural humans (flesh & blood) will inherit the Kingdom of Heaven (Ps. 37:11; Dan. 7:18; Lk. 1:32-35; Rev. 21:23-26).</p>	<p>1. Flesh & blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God. Only spiritually born again believers, the glorified saints. (Rom. 8:14-17; I Cor. 4:20; 6:9-10; Gal. 5:21; Eph. 5:5; Col. 1:13; I Thes. 2:12; II Thes. 1:5; Heb. 1:1, 2; II Pet. 1:11).</p>
<p>2. Sinners are never called on to seek the Kingdom of Heaven.</p>	<p>2. Sinners are told to seek the Kingdom of God. (Matt. 6:33; Lk. 12:31).</p>
<p>3. At the Second Advent of Jesus Christ the Kingdom of Heaven is ushered in. Therefore it is some time in the future. (Dan. 2:44-45; Zech. 14:4, 5; Dan. 7:26, 27).</p>	<p>3. The Kingdom of God is always present and eternal. (Matt. 6:33; John 3:1-5; Rom. 14:17).</p>
<p>4. Originates from Heaven and is destined to be established on earth by Jesus Christ for a thousand years under the personal reign of Jesus Christ. Until it becomes submerged into the Kingdom of God forever. (Jn. 18:28-37; I Cor. 15:24-28; Rev. 19:11-20:10).</p>	<p>4. It eternally engulfs Heaven and earth, envelopes the duration of the Millennium. God eternally reigns over the Kingdom of God. (I Cor. 15:24-28; Rev. 21:3; 22:5; Dan. 2:44-48; 7:13, 14, 18).</p>
<p>5. The Kingdom of Heaven comes suddenly with manifestations of glory and the personal appearance of Jesus Christ at His Second Advent. (Matt. 24:29-31; 25:31-46; II Thes. 1:7-10; Jude 14; Dan. 7:13).</p>	<p>5. The Kingdom of God does not come with a dramatic appearance because it is essentially spiritual and cannot be observed with outward show. (Lk. 17:20, 21; Matt. 6:33; Rom. 14:14; I Cor. 4:20).</p>
<p>6. It will extend to the ends of the earth and be limited to all the inhabitants on the earth. (I Cor. 15:24-28; Rev. 5:10).</p>	<p>6. It supercedes all limits; its scope is over all Heaven and earth. (Ps. 103:19; Col. 1:16; Rev. 4:11; 5:11).</p>
<p>7. It will be a definite governmental organization within the sphere of the earth. (Is. 9:7; Dan. 7:13, 14, 18).</p>	<p>7. It is non-political in that it is spiritual and moral in its sphere. (Rom. 14:7; Jn. 3:5; I Cor. 4:20).</p>
<p>8. Unlike all empires before it, it will be Judaic in character throughout the earth. (Zech. 14:16).</p>	<p>8. It is inclusive in its character in that it is over all. (I Cor. 15:24-28; Ps. 103:19; Col. 1:10-18; Rev. 4:11).</p>
<p>9. It is dispensational in duration in that</p>	<p>9. It is eternal – without end. (Ps. 90:2; Rev.</p>

<p>it lasts a thousand years. (I Cor. 15:24-28; Is. 9:6, 7).</p> <p>10. It will include all the nations of the world under one government. (Is. 9:6, 7; Lk, 1:32-35).</p> <p>11. All who profess and subject themselves to the reign of Christ will be qualified to live in the Kingdom of Heaven, (Matt. 13).</p>	<p>8:22-29; 11:18).</p> <p>10. It is over all power and people in heaven and on earth. (Ps. 103:19; I Cor. 15:24-28; Col. 1:10-15; Rev. 4:11).</p> <p>11. The qualification to enter the Kingdom of God – <i>Ye must be born again.</i> (Jn. 3:5)</p>
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It is imperative that we become "WATCHMEN ON THE WALL" in this crucial day we find ourselves. We certainly are not in a popularity contest. Those days are over! Every letter of encouragement and every cent of support for this humble ministry have been greatly appreciated - more than words can express. Some have just written a line or two - and those words have given the courage to go on! Some have sent just a few dollars, but every cent is dedicated to getting the truth out. We are not pleasing people, but are accountable to God. Some get offended when a name is named. However, it is very hard to quote people and not name them. If someone publishes or speaks in front of an audience, what they say or write should be open to discernment. There is an old adage: "You can fool some of the people some of the time, but you can't fool all of the people all of the time". I am the first to admit I have gone through most of my life just accepting everything I heard in the Name of the Lord. I even found myself parroting what others said without even realizing what I was saying. Thank God for His Word that gently leads us on the pathway of righteousness (right standing with God)!

Walking out of the local supermarket this week I picked up an advertisement for a magazine called: NEW AGE. The topics on the brochure caught my attention. They were as follows:

1. 'John Bradshaw on Healing the Child Within'. (This being taught as "truth" by "Christian Psychologists").

2. 'Need a Miracle?' - 'Change how you view the world', says RETURN TO LOVE author Marianne Williamson, and anything is possible. On the photograph she was holding the book "A Course in Miracles". (This book was channeled by a "spirit guide").

The inside advertising was: 'NEW VISIONS - Gain wisdom from the great thinkers, teachers, healers, activists', and innovators of our Age' and 'NEW CONSCIOUSNESS - Uncover your natural healing and helping abilities...your mental and intuitive power...the ways visualization can make positive changes in your life...the hidden meaning of your dreams.'

Just in that much advertising I saw a whole volume of what is being taught as "new revelation" in the Church today. The question crossed my mind, "How many Shepherds are warning their sheep of these dangers?"

The Word of God rings so true. *"Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, And changed the glory of the incorruptible God unto an image made like to corruptible man... Who changed the truth of God into a lie; and worshipped the creature more than the Creator; who is blessed for ever. Amen."*

The emphasis today is on MAN. Man is trying to present the Gospel so that man can relate to the same. Techniques are used that will appeal to sensual appetites. Many of these techniques are totally New Age. The Manna that God has provided has become a "dry morsel" to the palate.

A newspaper article in the DETROIT FREE PRESS last week brought this out so clearly: "CHURCH IS 'FULL-TILT ROAD SHOW'" If people don't like going to church, make it fun! "On a typical Sunday morning well-educated suburbanites, who reject organized religion flock to this 'new church'. This church has left over dusty heaps of hymnals, choirs and a host of other things its audience resents - to recapture what it believes is the heart of the Christian message. The service starts with a half-hour of irreverent good humor and light rock music. The 'sermon' is a few more jokes, and a mix of some poignant personal stories and a simple message about commitment to Jesus and loving concern for other people."

To show where they are coming from - note the attitude towards baptism. A family decided they wanted to be baptized. No problem, they threw a pool party for them. The comment was: 'We immerse adults to baptize them, but we also sprinkle adults if that's what they want... We baptize infants, but we also dedicate infants if people want that instead. We'll back-flip someone into the pool if that's what they really want.'

[The main point is] "that we don't want baptism to become a barrier that would keep anyone from Christianity. People who try to push us into doctrinal corners are always going to be disappointed." (DETROIT FREE PRESS, 6/12/92).