

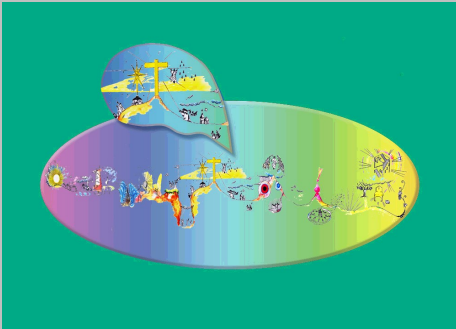
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HULDAH MINISTRY

LETTER TO THE BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST

【A WAY SEEMS RIGHT TO A MAN】

His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But if anyone does not have them, he is short-sighted and blind, and has forgotten that he has been cleansed from his past sins.

Therefore, my brothers, be all the more eager to make your calling and election sure. For if you do these things, you will never fall, and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ...

We did not follow cleverly invented stories when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eye-witnesses of his majesty... And we have the word of the prophets made more certain, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts...

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... 2PETER 1:3-2:3.

Peter wrote two consecutive letters from Rome to Christians around Asia Minor. They were soon to go through or were already experiencing some direct or indirect persecutions, and Peter was himself awaiting his own martyrdom to be executed by the Roman Emperor Nero. While in his first letter, Peter presented warnings and practical help to let them prepare for the incoming opposition from the world, in his second letter, he dealt with internal pressures rising within the church so that they could prepare themselves for opposition and deception by fellow Christians and Christian leaders especially through their false teaching. As quoted at the beginning, Peter, in his second epistle, shows that if Christian faith is going to operate properly, it would be inevitable that it must go through suffering somewhere. This is in accordance with Christ's statement: ***"If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you. Remember the words I spoke to you: 'No servant is greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also"*** (Jn. 15:18-20).

However, Peter proclaims that the Lord's provision for His real servants ('*Doulos*' in Greek which carries the idea of "willing" slavery) is perfect so that their relationship with God through personal faith in Jesus Christ would bring grace, love, peace and divine power, which enables us to do ***'all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue'*** (v.3, KJV). This means that as long as we live according to God's Word and participate in His nature we are able to escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires and take our stand against the devil's schemes. Instead of attempting to resolve all sorts of relational, mental, emotional, and behavioural problems in our lives through man-oriented means and theories, we are encouraged to solely trust in what the Scriptures proclaim. As our nature determines what we hunger for, so Peter proclaims that it is the divine purpose of our salvation for us to live according to God's nature, and there is a gradual step to live out the divine nature from ***'faith'*** to finally ***'love'***, via ***'goodness... knowledge... self-control... perseverance... godliness...brotherly kindness.'*** This spiritual growth is not attained automatically. Personal discipline is required to grow into spiritual maturity.

Accordingly, Peter aimed to firmly establish his readers in the truth, i.e., the Word of God so that they should not depend on his teachings and instructions but on the eternal truth of God alone after his departure. In verses 12 to 18 of 2Peter ch.1, Peter emphasises that our knowledge of God and of Christ is not based on ***'cleverly invented stories'*** but on historical fact, especially singling out the supernatural incident of Christ's transfiguration as true eye-witness material. The incident marked the beginning of the final movement of Christ on earth into the Passion. In other words, it marked the appalling suffering that awaited Him. The incident also gave Peter a glimpse into glorious eternity. Likewise, a believer's triumphant walk in obedience to the Lord would inevitably be accompanied by sufferings as well as the fulfilment of His promise of salvation.

In the last three verses of Ch.1, Peter warned the church of the incoming false prophets and false teachers, who would lead many believers away from the truth. The biblical prospect of the world is that it will neither get better and better, nor will it get better morally and spiritually, but that it will get worse and worse towards the end until the Lord's Second Coming. However, whereas the end-time church may decline with false teachings and compromises on the truth with the world, the true Word of God will remain as ***'a light shining in a dark place'*** (implying a place of uncleanness and lawlessness, i.e., a dirty place). This would remind us of the Lord's parable of "a lamp on a stand": ***'No-one lights a lamp and hides it in a jar or puts it under a bed. Instead, he puts it on a stand, so that those who come in can see the light. For there is nothing***

hidden that will be not be disclosed, and nothing concealed that will be not known or brought out into the open' (Lk.8:16-17). The truth is destined to be made known, and no matter how powerfully Satan's deception prevails in the world, usually by being brought in indirect ways, and thus, cunningly alongside with the truth, eventually, the false will be exposed. Heresy begins as a seeming truth closely laid alongside the truth, which makes it difficult to detect at the beginning but the gap between the two will finally be distinguishable. Despite many warnings about this deceptive method by Satan, the church has been ***'tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming,' (Eph. 4:14)*** since the first Century.

Dave Hunt who warns the evangelical church about the destructive influence of psychological counselling points out that some teachings such as the following which is found in nearly all psychotherapeutic theories reveal none other than Satan's primary lies. 1.*Immorality* 2.*Enlightment* 3.*Godhood* 4.*Knowledge*. Concerning each of them, he argues about a danger of psychotherapeutic concepts by showing the following unbiblical distorted teaching found in it: 1. There is no death in the sense that it should be feared. Materialist psychotherapists teach a judgment-free mortality; spiritually oriented counselors claim that we either evolve to a higher consciousness or reincarnate to improve our next temporal state of being. 2. Knowing the self who we are, why we do what we do, and how we change, all open the critical gate to establishing our mental wellbeing. Some systems teach that our problems of living are determined by traumas related to our past (including past lives), our parental upbringing, our environment, or our having been oppressed by religious dogmas. 3. The solution to humanity's problems is found within the self. Self is deified, whether directly or indirectly. For instance, psychology's "self-actualization" is a process that leads to self-deification, which ultimately replaces any need for salvation outside humanity. 4. The deification process for humanity involves methods of plumbing the depths of the unconscious, which is alleged to be the infinite reservoir that holds all mysteries of life.

Dave continues to expose the demonic source of psychotherapeutic theories that have comfortably accommodated in Christian psychological counselling, "these doctrines of devils now permeate "Christian psychology." Few evangelicals realize that these demonic teachings were introduced to the "founding fathers of psychological counselling" *literally* by "seducing spirits." "It was Sigmund Freud who declared that "religion is the universal obsession neurosis of humanity." Furthermore, there is evidence that Freud hated Christianity, which he erroneously regarded as anti-Semitic. How then would this atheistic rejecter of organized religion advance doctrines of devils? By founding the "religion" of psychoanalysis. None of Freud's theories, whether psychic determinism or psychosexual development or belief in the unconscious, have *any* scientific validity; moreover, they are religious beliefs that are antithetical to the doctrines of the Bible. Research psychiatrist Thomas Szasz had Freud primarily in mind when he declared, "...modern psychotherapy...is not merely a religion that pretends to be a science, it is actually a fake religion that seeks to destroy true religion" (*'The Myth of Psychotherapy'*, Doubleday, 1978, ps.27-28).

Having stated that Freud's "fake religion" is the product of "doctrines of devils" and was led by "seducing spirits", Dave continues to show how his psychotherapeutic theories have been produced from Freud's ungodly flesh-oriented life along with some references, 'Early on, when he was formulating some of his theories, Freud was a regular user of the mind-altering drug cocaine for his bouts with depression. Calling it his magical drug, "he pressed it on his friends and colleagues, both for themselves and their patients.'" [Martin Gross, *'The Psychological Society'*, Random House, 1978, pp234-36, Ernest Jones, *'The Life and Work of Sigmund Freud,'* Volume I (1856-1900), Basic Books, 1953, p81]

' Historically, modern dynamic psychotherapy derives from primitive medicine, and an uninterrupted continuity...through the exorcists, magnetists, and hypnotists that led to the fruition of dynamic psychiatry in the system of Janet, Freud, Adler, and Jung.' (Henri F. Ellenberger, *'The discovery of the Unconscious'*, Basic books, 1970, p48). 'Psychotherapy is a modern form of shamanism, which explains why psychiatrists E.Fuller Torrey rightly observes, "The techniques used by Western psychiatrists are, with few exceptions, on exactly the same scientific plane as the techniques used by witchdoctors

[medicine men and shamans].” [‘*The Mind Games: Witchdoctors and Psychiatrists*’, Emerson Hall, 1972, p8] ’ Shamanism is all about contacting spirit entities to gain their help, wisdom, insights, and so forth...It seems the same for Freud, whose concepts were a reflection not of science but rather removing his own guilt and satisfying his flesh. Freud’s theories were based mainly upon his own personal problems, most of which were sexual perversions. In Freudian thought, the “unconscious” is a God-replacement realm without laws and judgment; *morality* is an oppressive neurosis-generating structure imposed by society and organized religion; *sexual freedom* (including adultery, homosexuality, incest, etc.) is paramount for normal mental health; *dreams* are symbolic messages from unconscious and can be scientifically interpreted through psychoanalysis. These beliefs represent doctrines of devils. Although a materialist, Freud acknowledged the existence of spirit entities. He was influenced from that source, either indirectly, through his patients, or directly, through his own drug use, the ancient statuettes he used to help him write (Shirley Nicholson, ‘*Shamanism*’, The Theosophical Publishing House, p58. Martin and Deidre Bobgan, ‘*The End of “Christian Psychology”*’, East Gate Publishers, 1997, p105), and other techniques he used to explore the unconscious.

Dave also refers to Jung: ‘The Life and works of psychiatrist Carl Gustav Jung clearly reveal that his psychological theories came directly from the “seducing spirits” Paul warns about in 1Timothy 4:1. Jung is far more popular today among professing Christians than Freud (the atheist) because of his perceived affinity for religion and things spiritual. However, though his father was a protestant pastor...,Jung was anti-biblical and resentful of organized Christianity from his youth. His early symbolic visions revealed Jesus as a Dark Lord and God defecating on a cathedral. His mother’s side of the family was heavily involved in spiritualism. His grandfather, pastor Samuel Preiswerk, conducted ongoing séances to commune with his deceased first wife, with his second wife and daughter (Jung’s mother) participating. The latter, who had bouts of insanity, reserved two beds in the Jung home for visiting ghosts. Jung’s doctoral thesis (published in 1902) was based upon séances conducted by his 13-year-old cousin, whom he placed in an altered state of consciousness through hypnosis in order to contact his and her dead ancestors. After referring to how Jung’s household experienced a real assault by demonic beings, and also to the Jung’s religious cult lectured by Richard Noll at Harvard university, Dave argues: ‘Jung’s teachings are doctrines, gleaned directly from seducing spirits: the *unconscious* and the *collective unconscious* represent an impersonal form of God; *archetypes* are viewed as psychological rationalizations for demons, the *anima* and *animus* are terms for the female and male entities within each person; *psychological “types”* are determined characteristics within our make up. Jung promoted all things occult, including astrology, alchemy, the I - Ching, mysticism, necromancy, visualization, dream interpretation, the active imagination, yoga, meditation, etc. Incredibly, his theories and recommended practices are endorsed in the teachings of some of the most influential people in evangelical Christianity. In many cases, ignorance is the principle reason, yet the demonic lies are nevertheless readily promoted and accepted among the sheep. (‘The Berean Call’Vol.XXI)

Dave warns that the present church’s increasing adoption of demonically inspired techniques of visualisation, guided imagery, “emptying-the-mind” type of meditation and so on as counselling methods is a symptom of abandoning of God’s Word and this development will unavoidably advance into an apostate Christian church. I wonder how many Christians are aware of this danger of easily adopting the worldly i.e., seemingly effective means and concepts, which have yet especially been produced through unbiblical ways in not only counselling area but also every other area of life. As Paul, suggesting the possibility of active and deliberate rejection against the Lord’s teaching by the elected, sternly warned: ***‘Don’t let anyone deceive you in any way...The coming of the lawless one will be in accordance with the work of Satan displayed in all kinds of counterfeit miracles, signs and wonders, and every sort of evil that deceives those who are perishing. They perish because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. For this reason God sends them a powerful delusion so that they will believe the lie and so that all will be condemned who... have delighted in wickedness’ (2The.2:3-12)***, falling away from the faith in Christ will be one of the characteristics of the last days. Paul means that there will be those even among professing Christians, who give heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of the devil.