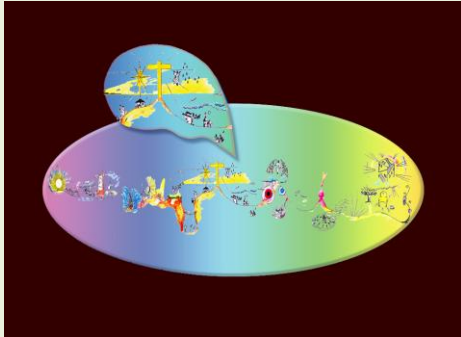


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LETTER TO THE BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST

【 A FALSE WORLD RELIGION: PAGANISED CHRISTIANITY 】

One of the seven angels who had the seven bowels came and said to me, "Come, I will show you the punishment of the great prostitute, who sits on many waters. With her the kings of the earth committed adultery and the inhabitants of the earth were intoxicated with the wine of her adulteries."

Then the angel carried me away in the Spirit into a desert. There I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast that was covered with blasphemous names and had seven heads and ten horns. The woman was dressed in purple and scarlet, and was glittering with gold, precious stones and pearls. She held a golden cup in her hand, filled with abominable things and the filth of her adulteries. This title was written on her forehead: MYSTERY BABYLON THE GREAT THE MOTHER OF PROSTITUTES AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH

I saw that the woman was drunk with blood of the saints, the blood of those who bore testimony to Jesus.

When I saw her, I was greatly astonished. Then the angel said to me: "Why are you astonished? I will explain to you the mystery of the woman and of the beast she rides, which has the seven heads and ten horns. The beast, which you saw, once was, now is not, and will come up out of the Abyss and go to his destruction. The inhabitants of the earth whose names have not been written in the book of life from the creation of the world will be astonished when they see the beast, because he once was, now is not, is an eighth king. He belongs to the seven and is going to his destruction.

The ten horns you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom, but who for one hour will

receive authority as kings along with the beast. They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them because he is Lord of lords and King of kings—and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers.”

Then the angel said to me, “The waters you saw, where the prostitute sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations and languages. The beast and the ten horns you saw will hate the prostitute. They will bring her to ruin and leave her naked; they will eat her flesh and burn her with fire. For God has put it into their hearts to accomplish his purpose by agreeing to give the beast their power to rule, until God’s words are fulfilled. The woman you saw is the great city that rules over the kings of the earth.”

REVELATION Chapter 17.

An ominous creature appears in the book of Revelation chapters 12 and 13, and the same one is further detailed in chapter 17, which the prophet Daniel also saw as *‘a fourth beast—terrifying and frightening and very powerful’* (Da.7:7) in his vision centuries ago. This beast has *‘the seven heads and ten horns’*, and it is *‘covered with blasphemous names’*. Chapter 17 is the final revelation of the fourth beast in the Scripture, and a woman is seen to be sitting on it, as quoted above. The woman has a mysterious title *‘BABYLON THE GREAT THE MOTHER OF PROSTITUTES AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH’* written on her forehead, and when John saw her he was greatly astonished. Who is the woman? What is her identity? Why is she sitting on the red beast? What is her relationship to it?

According to Revelation 12, *‘an enormous red dragon with seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns on his heads’* is a picture of Satan, against which *‘there was war in heaven, Michael and his angels fought’*. As the result, the dragon was *‘not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven.....hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray.....to earth, and his angels with him’*. After the war in the heavenly realms, the beaten and enraged Satan stood on the shore of the sea to set out to deceive the whole world. In the following chapter 13, the red beast appears out of the sea as if it was Satan incarnated and there is also an illustration of Daniel’s *‘fourth beast’* i.e., the fourth world empire’s revival under the rule of the Antichrist. This fourth beast is usually interpreted to be the revived Roman Empire and Antichrist. Obviously, Satan is the power behind both the empire and Antichrist. In the ancient Roman Empire, emperor worship was characteristic of Roman religion and so, in the revived Roman Empire as well, such worship will revive. It is the very woman who sits on the beast in chapter 17 that represents this coming world religion. Concerning the Antichrist, apostle Paul warned: *‘Don’t let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshipped, so that he sets himself up in God’s temple, proclaiming himself to be God’* (2The. 2:3-4), and so, the great apostasy comes first before the revelation of the Antichrist. Christ, through the revelation to John referred to this world religion as *‘THE MOTHER OF PROSTITUTES’*, or in other words, false church, paganised Christianity, or one world religion. Many believe that a way of apostasy is the ecumenical movement involving the union between all religions, and this is very much in development today.

According to Dave Hunt, the Latin equivalent of the Greek “anti” is “vicarious” (from which comes “vicar”), and so, “vicar of Christ” literally means Antichrist. The Roman Catholic popes have for centuries called themselves “vicar of Christ” since Constantine, the first Roman Emperor who became a Christian in 313CE. Ancient Roman Emperors, being the leader of the pagan priesthood were worshipped as God, in that the citizens were forced to bow in worship before an image made to the Caesars. Accordingly, Hunt argues that the Roman Catholic pope’s future counterpart, i.e., the coming world ruler over the revived Roman Empire will be *the* Antichrist, and under his regime those who refuse to acknowledge him as God will be killed. Christ revealed to Apostle John what will happen under the first beast’s, i.e., the Antichrist’s

regime: *'He (the advocator of the Antichrist, so-called false-prophet) exercised all the authority of the first beast on his behalf, and made the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast, whose fatal wound had been healed. And he performed great and miraculous signs, even causing fire to come down from heaven to earth in full view of men. Because of the signs he was given power to do on behalf of the first beast, he deceived the inhabitants of the earth. He ordered them to set up an image in honour of the beast who was wounded by the sword and yet lived. He was given power to give breath to the image of the first beast, so that it could speak and cause all who refused to worship the image to be killed'* (Re.13:12-15).

As shown on the woman's forehead concerning the coming "false church, paganised Christianity, or one world religion", there is a connection to ancient Babylon. Hunt puts it: 'The pagan priests –astrologers, magicians, sorcerers, soothsayers– were the emperor's close advisers and often the hidden influence controlling the empire. Thus a principle characteristic of this woman, who is both a city and a spiritual entity, will be her adulterous relationship with secular governments. The unity of church and state persisted from the day of Babylon...Babel thus represents the unity of state and church, involving the entire world in the attempt to elevate man to God's level...represents man's religion of self-effort...The city and tower of Babel set the pattern of the unholy alliance between civil government and a religion of self-effort and ritual which continued for thousands of years and was exemplified both in pagan Rome and in "Christian" Rome following Constantine's "conversion" ' (*A Woman Rides the Beast* p52-56.). Today many share this interpretation of the identity of the woman, that she represents a worldwide religious system which has its roots in Babel and Babylon, and in the last days this will come more alive. The fact that Rome has long been known as Babylon is reflected in Peter's remarks: *'She who is in Babylon...sends you her greetings...'* (1Pe.5:13, **Line added**), where although Peter was writing the letter in Rome he figuratively used a code word for Rome, 'Babylon'.

Having argued: 'The Vatican has been fulfilling John's vision from its location in Rome for the past 15 centuries. Moreover, we have shown the connection to ancient Babylon which the Vatican has maintained down through history in the paganized Christianity it has promulgated...Babylon lay in ruins while pagan Rome and later Catholic Rome, the new Babylon, was indeed reigning over kings...There is no city upon the earth, past or present, which meets all of these criteria except Catholic Rome and now Vatican City' (p84-85), Hunt interprets why John was so dumbfounded by the woman herself, but not by the beast, nor the fact that the woman was sitting on such a terrifying, world-devouring beast. John had known her before but she had been unbelievably transformed when he saw her in the vision. Hunt puts it: 'Beneath the luxurious attire, the priceless jewelry, the heavy cosmetics, and the shamelessly impudent stare there was a haunting familiarity. It couldn't be possible! How had Christ's chaste bride become this brazen whore? What diabolical mutation had transformed that small, despised flock of humble followers of the Lamb into this notorious prostitute toasting Satan with the blood of the martyrs in a golden chalice! How could the church, hated and persecuted by the world, as Christ had said she would be –how could she have become this powerful worldwide institution that reigned over the kings of the earth?...those who belonged to Christ would find themselves in a false church, a whore...History authenticates John's vision. It has become quite clear that the world religion under Antichrist will not be atheism, Hinduism, Islam, Buddhism, or even new Age. It will be Christianity, but on a paganized form –exactly what it became under the leadership of Constantine and his successors, the popes. The coming world religion will have its headquarters in Rome' (p199-200).

It is almost four decades since Catholicism has become the ecumenical leader in a move to unite not only Protestantism but also literally all of the world's religions. Under Catholic leadership, the Second World Conference on Religion and Peace in Louvain, Belgium in 1974 declared: 'Buddhists, Christians, Confucianists, Hindus, Jains, Jews, Muslims, Shintoists, Sikhs, Zoroastrians and still others, we have sought here to listen to the spirit within our varied and venerable religious traditions...our societies must resolve in order to bring about peace...' (p422-423). Catholics have ever since been in leadership of making the effort to establish a world religion and this

peace- and ecology-oriented movement has received worldwide popularity, by easily attracting anyone to join. Indeed Catholicism is proving a bridge to bring together all faiths, in which people of all religions participate in religious practices and worships with one another. For the past few years the amount of information about the formation of this one world religion has been increasing. Have you ever been informed about “*Chrislum*”, a mixing of the church of Christians and Muslims, which is growing in Nigeria. The church attracts both believers of the two religions with shared worship, prayer, praise and fellowship, and above all, miracles and healings accompanied by alter-calling are a strong attraction of unifying both believers into the church.

The following article is another example of the formation of a new international organisation to bring world religions under one roof: ‘Saudi Arabia has financed the founding of a new international organization in Vienna designed to bring the world's religions together. The organization hopes to prevent conflict through interfaith dialogue: The foreign ministers of Austria, Saudi Arabia and Spain signed the founding treaty of a new international organization designed to foster dialogue between the world's major religions on Thursday. "The thesis is valid that world peace cannot exist without peace between the world's major religions," Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal said during the signing ceremony in Vienna. The King Abdullah Center for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue, initiated and financed largely by Saudi money, is set to have its seat in Vienna. Plans envision an organization with a governing body composed of 12 representatives from the world's five largest religions. The governing body is set to be staffed by two Muslims (Sunni and Shiite), three Christians (Catholic, Anglican and Orthodox), a Buddhist, a Hindu and a Jew. The organization will also have a consulting body with 100 representatives from the five world religions plus other faiths as well as academics and members of civil society. Austria's Foreign Minister Michael Spindelegger said that the organization's structures are designed to ensure that none of the represented religions dominates the organization. The three founding states are also open to the membership of other countries, according to Spanish Foreign Minister Trinidad Jimenez Garcia-Herrera. Saudi King Abdullah initiated the idea for the center after visiting Pope Benedict XVI at the Vatican in 2007, the first Saudi monarch to do so. Shortly thereafter, King Abdullah stated that Christians and Muslims should offer a common message of peace to humanity. Abdullah then initiated an interfaith dialogue in Mecca in 2008 followed by a second meeting in Madrid with Jewish representation. A third meeting took place in Vienna's Hofburg in 2009, where the concept of the organization was agreed upon’ (www.dw-world.de/dw/article/0,,15459243,00.html).

Dave Hunt points out in his book that Catholics are not alone in apostasy but almost a half of Americans who call themselves evangelicals do not believe the existence of “absolute truth”. Under the fashion of relativism and ecumenism, those believers can easily be persuaded to adopt any doctrine, provided the cause is compelling, and this was the case when the late pope, John Paul II declared that all were praying to the same God in one of the feasts of 130 leaders of the world’s twelve major religions, held in 1986. In sharp contrast to the Word of God: ***‘If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land’ (2Ch.7:14, Line added)***, Hunts says that more people are increasingly believing that “peace” will be achieved by prayer to some higher power, and evangelicals as well are joining a mixed multitude to pray and to work for social justice and peace. However, what we must turn our ears and eyes to is our Lord, Christ’s warning: ***‘Come out of her, my people, so that you will not share in her sins, so that you will not receive any of her plagues’ (Re.18:4)***.