The hearing and the rejection of God's Authority the Bible

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How can the New Testament child of God 'know' they are following their Lord's will and good pleasure? Peter's answer is recorded in His word:

68 Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life. 69 And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.

(John 6:68-69)

Before the New Testament Church was the Son's of God were recorded in His word:

9 ¶ Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word. 10 \P With my whole heart have I sought thee: 0 let me not wander from thy commandments. 11 \P Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

(Psalm 119:9-11)



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As a flood throughout the Bible is God's warning about His word. A contempt for this warning brought an end to the Old Testament temple builders. When the professing Christian is right up against the end of the world, the New Testament church shall have manifested this sign, as the global temple builders fully and publicly practice rejecting one jot and one tittle, after another, from God's word the bible (Matthew 5:18):

Matthew 24:3 And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?

The most significant answer Jesus gives His disciples is in Mark 13:14:

Mark 13:14 ¶ But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not, (let him that readeth understand,) then let them that be in Judaea flee to the mountains:

The next significant answer Jesus gives His disciples is in Mark 13:28:

Mark 13:28 ¶ Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When her branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, <u>ye know that summer is near</u>:

The period, when Israel, [the fig tree], became a nation again, [1948], to the last day, [summer and harvest], God refers to in Mark 13:19-20:

Mark 13:19-20 For <u>in those days</u> shall be affliction, such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created <u>unto this time</u>, neither shall be. 20 And except that the Lord had shortened <u>those days</u>, <u>no flesh</u> should be saved: <u>but for the elect's sake</u>, <u>whom he hath chosen</u>, <u>he hath shortened the days</u>. 22 For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect.

A sign is not faith which is the substance of things hoped for (Hebrews 11:1). Even the wicked can perceive the end of the world (Matthew 8:28-29). But how do God's faithful understand the most significant sign Jesus speaks of in Mark 13:14, that spiritually identifies with our present day:

Mark 13:14 ¶ But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not,: ...

Can it be known when Mark 13:14 has been fulfilled? As the inhabitants of Old Jerusalem were, (Ezekiel 12:1-18), so will the New Testament church be, when God's word the Bible has ceased being the churches authority world wide. God's elect will be the sign in Judea, [the holy place], who, before the eyes of the church, flee to the mountains, where God's people have been cast outside the city.

Part I.

The Bible, Alone, and in its Entirety:

From God's word the Bible, God established the New Testament church as His holy place, and His representative of the Lord Jesus Christ, during the last days. God would demonstrate this as a sign, (Isaiah 8:18), through His elect, who, having the mind of Christ, faithfully keep all of God's word the Bible, while in a world of darkness (Matthew 5:14; John 17:6).

Through the spirit of truth God's people believe that the death, burial, and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ mysteriously abides in His people in earthly tabernacles of flesh and blood, according to the scriptures:

Revelations 19:13 And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

Romans 8:16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

Ephesians 3:9 And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

By the faith of Jesus Christ, God's people believe, that, on this earth, God's word is circumscribed by the Bible – the Bible, alone, and in its entirety (Joshua 1:8; 2 Timothy 3:16; Revelations 22:18-19):

2 Timothy 3:16-17 <u>All scripture is given by inspiration of God</u>, [God Breathed], and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 <u>That the man of God may be perfect</u>, throughly furnished unto all good works.

Through the Comforter, God's people believe that the Holy Ghost, who is God, alone, reveals God's eternal truth, by which the books of the Bible had been written and compiled; and by which the Father and the Son fellowship with God's New testament elect (1John 1:3), as God had fellowshipped with His Old Testament prophets:

2 Peter 1:20-21 Knowing this first, that <u>no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation</u>. 21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

John 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, <u>he shall teach you all things</u>, and bring all things to your remembrance, <u>whatsoever I have said unto you</u>.

1 Corinthians 2:12-13 Now we have received, <u>not the spirit of the world</u>, but <u>the spirit which is of God</u>; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. 13 <u>Which things also we speak</u>, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but <u>which the Holy Ghost teacheth</u>; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

Through the spirit of truth, God's faithful understand how Christ spoke in parables, and that without a parable Christ did not speak. That through proverbs and parables, signs and wonders, the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ would be revealed to every nation, so that the world would be without excuse (Romans 1:18-20):

Matthew 13:34-35 All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spake he not unto them: 35 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, <u>I will open my mouth in parables</u>; I will utter things which have been <u>kept secret from the foundation</u> of the world.

Proverbs 1:5-7 A wise [man] will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto <u>wise counsels</u>: 6 To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; <u>the words of the wise</u>, and their dark sayings. 7 \P <u>The fear of the LORD [is] the beginning of knowledge:</u> [but] <u>fools despise wisdom</u> and instruction.

Through the spirit of truth, and all scripture, [instruction], God's people learn how Christ spoke in parables that the builders, [wise in their own eyes], would stumble over the stone they had rejected who was Christ:

Mark 4:11-13 And he said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God: <u>but unto them that are without</u>, <u>all these things are done in parables</u>: 12 That seeing they may see, and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand; lest at any time they should be converted, and their sins should be forgiven them. 13 And he said unto them, <u>Know ye not this parable?</u> and how then will ye know all parables?

1 Peter 2:7 Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner,

The Living Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, is the stone the builders disallowed (1John 4:3). In the Old Testament the builders were the scribes and the Pharisee's of the Jewish temple. As a flood throughout the Old Testament, the Bible forecasts, in the latter days, the New Testament church would fall into the same rejection of the Lord Jesus Christ who is the word of God. Israel was God's first witnesses of the kingdom of God on earth (Matthew 16:2-3). The New Testament church was God's second witness of the kingdom of God on earth (Revelations 11:3).

Part II.

Another Jesus, another spirit, another gospel:

As prophesized, the time would come when Satan, [the antichrist], and his emissaries, [the false prophets], would take their seat in the New Testament church that no longer represents the whole word of God, who is the Lord Jesus Christ [the stone that was disallowed]:

2 Corinthians 11:4 For if he that cometh preacheth <u>another Jesus</u>, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive <u>another spirit</u>, which ye have not received, or <u>another gospel</u>, which ye <u>have not accepted</u>, ye might well bear with him.

Mark 13:14 ¶ But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not, (let him that readeth understand,)...

The Bible reveals how the end of the New Testament church would arrive, when its spiritual leaders and members, 'in practice', would increasingly deny parts of God's word the Bible; comparing spiritual things with spiritual, that Christ spoke in parables and without a parable He did not speak:

2 Timothy 4:3 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;

In the process of time the New Testament church would market herself so as to bring in greater numbers of people to hear, 'her message of salvation', that was based on earthly things, and not the Spirit of God:

Proverbs 7:12-16; 18-20 Now is she without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.) 13 So she caught him, and kissed him, and with an impudent face said unto him, 14 I have peace offerings with me; this day have I payed my vows. 15 Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and I have found thee. 16 I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved works, with fine linen of Egypt. 18 Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: let us solace ourselves with loves. 19 For the goodman is not at home, he is gone a long journey: 20 He hath taken a bag of money with him, and will come home at the day appointed.

The tare, [carnal mankind], would fill the holy place as pastors. Members who are not of the spirit of God, but who are of the spirit of the world; would not understand the true nature of salvation from sin, while they proclaim 'a works plus grace gospel':

1 Corinthians 2:14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

The Bible, alone, and in its entirety reveals how the day would arrive when the New Testament church would be filled with the spirit of the world, [the spirit of the air], (Ephesians 2:2), rather than the spirit of God. Every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God, which is circumscribed by the Bible, is what the spiritual leaders and its members should have kept as God's authority over them; but instead have rejected the Lord, because of their corruption, and lust for the things of this world:

1 John 2:15-16 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

Part III.

God's dissolution of the New Testament Church:

Manifesting the sign of Christ's coming, is the New Testament church, as it demonstrates its denial of the true gospel <u>according to the scriptures only.</u> <u>and in their entirety</u>. Today's *global Christian church* seeks to be at peace with the world's powers and principalities, as ancient Israel demonstrated with Pilot and Herod, when it rejected the Lord Jesus Christ who is the word of God (Luke 23:1-23; Revelations 19:13). Simultaneously, the love of money, and the things of this world, would replace God's warning of His coming wrath on sin:

Jeremiah 5:13-14 And the prophets shall become wind, <u>and the word is not in them</u>: thus shall it be done unto them. 14 Wherefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, <u>Because ye speak this word</u>, behold, <u>I will make my words in thy mouth fire</u>, and this people wood, and it shall devour them.

In Jeremiah 5:13-14, the LORD is addressing all who receive His word, but, who, as parrots, [hypocritically], speak their own words. God identifies this as those who violate the sabbath:

Isaiah 58:13 ¶ If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words:

In John 5:38, the Lord identifies those, [like ancient Israel], who eat their own bread and who wear their own covering, (Isaiah 4:1); who receive God's word, [in word only], and who observe the holy place; yet, in practice, demonstrate how the word of the LORD is unto them a reproach:

John 5:38 And ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe not.

1 John 2:4 He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. 5 But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.

From God's word the Bible, God identifies those who spiritually reject the word of God. That, because, *intellectually*, they received it; they will be judged by the words they received (Romans 2:14-16):

John 12:48 <u>He that rejecteth me</u>, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.

In the Old Testament, why does God point at those who observed the holy place, [similar to todays outward show of Christianity], yet committed spiritual adultery, **unbelief**, in that they had no love for God's word that had been spoken to them? God gives the warning in Jeremiah 6:10:

Jeremiah 6:10 To whom shall I speak, and give warning, that they may hear? behold, their ear is uncircumcised, and they cannot hearken: behold, the word of the LORD is unto them a reproach; they have no delight in it.

Again, and again, the Lord from His word warns about mankind's shame. That, except some are born again, none can see the kingdom of God! Except we are born of the water and of the spirit, except we surpass the wisdom of the Scribes and the Pharisees; by ourselves, we cannot enter the kingdom of heaven:

Jeremiah 8:9 The wise [men] are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and what wisdom [is] in them?

How is it that the global Christian church doesn't profess these things? Has not God given the world His word? But what does it mean that God has given us His word? In Jeremiah 26:2, the LORD instructs His faithful:

Jeremiah 26:2 Thus saith the LORD; Stand in the court of the LORD'S house, and speak unto all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in the LORD'S house, all the words that I command thee to speak unto them; diminish not a word:

What churches today are hearing: Diminish not one jot or one tittle (Matthew 5:18)! O praise the Lord for His kindness to the children of men! We have God's answer! *All the words that I command thee to speak unto them; diminish not a word*. Is this not the bible, alone, and in its entirety – the word of God!

Whenever the Lord speaks of 'His word'; He is always referencing <u>all the words</u> He has commanded and spoken unto His people through the prophets, where <u>not a word is to be diminished</u>. When this is not the case, it is, <u>another Jesus</u>, <u>another spirit</u>, <u>another gospel</u>. And it is no longer an assembly, *[fellowship]*, where the professing servants of God are representing the true Lord Jesus Christ, according to the scriptures:

John 8:31 ¶ Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, <u>If ye</u> continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;

In John 8:31, we see the phrase 'my word'. We see, that, if it does not mean every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God; then it is another Jesus; it is another spirit; it's another gospel:

Matthew 4:4 But he answered and said, <u>It is written</u>, Man shall not live by bread alone, but <u>by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God</u>.

In Matthew 4:4, the context of the word 'bread' signifies those who receive the earthly nourishment of God. But if they have no root in Christ, [uncircumcised ears], if His spirit is not abiding in them unto eternal life, [being born again], all of God's word is foolishness unto them!

And this is what has been filling the holy place, [the Christian churches], for many years, and specifically, since Israel became a nation again in 1948, about 70 years ago! And the Lord, in His great longsuffering, is warning from the scriptures in the loudest possible way to the New Testament church, [the holy place], as God had warned Ancient Israel:

Revelations 3:9 Behold, I will make them <u>of the synagogue of Satan, which</u> say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie;

Many are being cast outside the city, [the holy place], for keeping all of God's word. But God had ordained before the world began, that His word would remain in those He had called according to His grace (2Timothy 1:9):

Revelations 3:9-11 I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and <u>no man can shut it</u>: for <u>thou</u> hast a little strength, and <u>hast kept my word</u>, and hast <u>not denied my name</u>. 10 Because <u>thou hast kept the word of my patience</u>, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

John 17:14 <u>I have given them thy word</u>; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

John 17:17 ¶ Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

When one jot or one tittle is added to, or taken away from God's Holy word, [the Bible]; it is no longer God's Truth; it is mankind speaking their own words (Isaiah 58:13). From God's word the Bible, this precept of the Lord Jesus Christ is presented as a perpetual warning to all who profess the name of Christ while it is called To day.

The New Testament church does not become apostate because it doesn't believe the end of the world shall come on a specific 24 hour day. It does not become apostate because it doesn't believe the church age is over following a specific date. The New Testament church became apostate and an abomination when it ceased believing all of God's word, [the Bible], is from the mouth of God, and Him alone.

This is how God's people, ancient Israel, manifested unbelief, as they grew in contempt towards God's Holy Word to them from the prophets. Today, following God's revealed word, [the Bible]; this is how the New Testament church demonstrates the same unbelief:

Hebrews 3:19 So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.

2 Thessalonians 2:9-11 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, 10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. 11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

In all of God's word, the most significant evidence that unbelief exists in those who teach the word of God, is when the bible, alone, and in its entirety, in practice, is ultimately denied to be the word of God. The spirit of truth cannot be working in those who perpetually demonstrate unbelief towards *all scripture*. And this is what has been filling the global Christian congregation for close to a century. It is the complete denial of God's Holy Word the Bible that is the most significant sign that God is removing all blessing from the New Testament church. God has warned: while the outside of the cup may look beautiful, [according to earthly things], inside, spiritually, may be full of dead men's bones (Matthew 23:25-26; Ezekiel 37:3).

May the Lord show to have mercy on those, individuals, in every fellowship, who are seeking God with the whole heart. That they may not be found demonstrating the same unbelief and contempt, with respect to God's Holy Word Bible (2 Timothy 3:16; Revelations 22:18-19).