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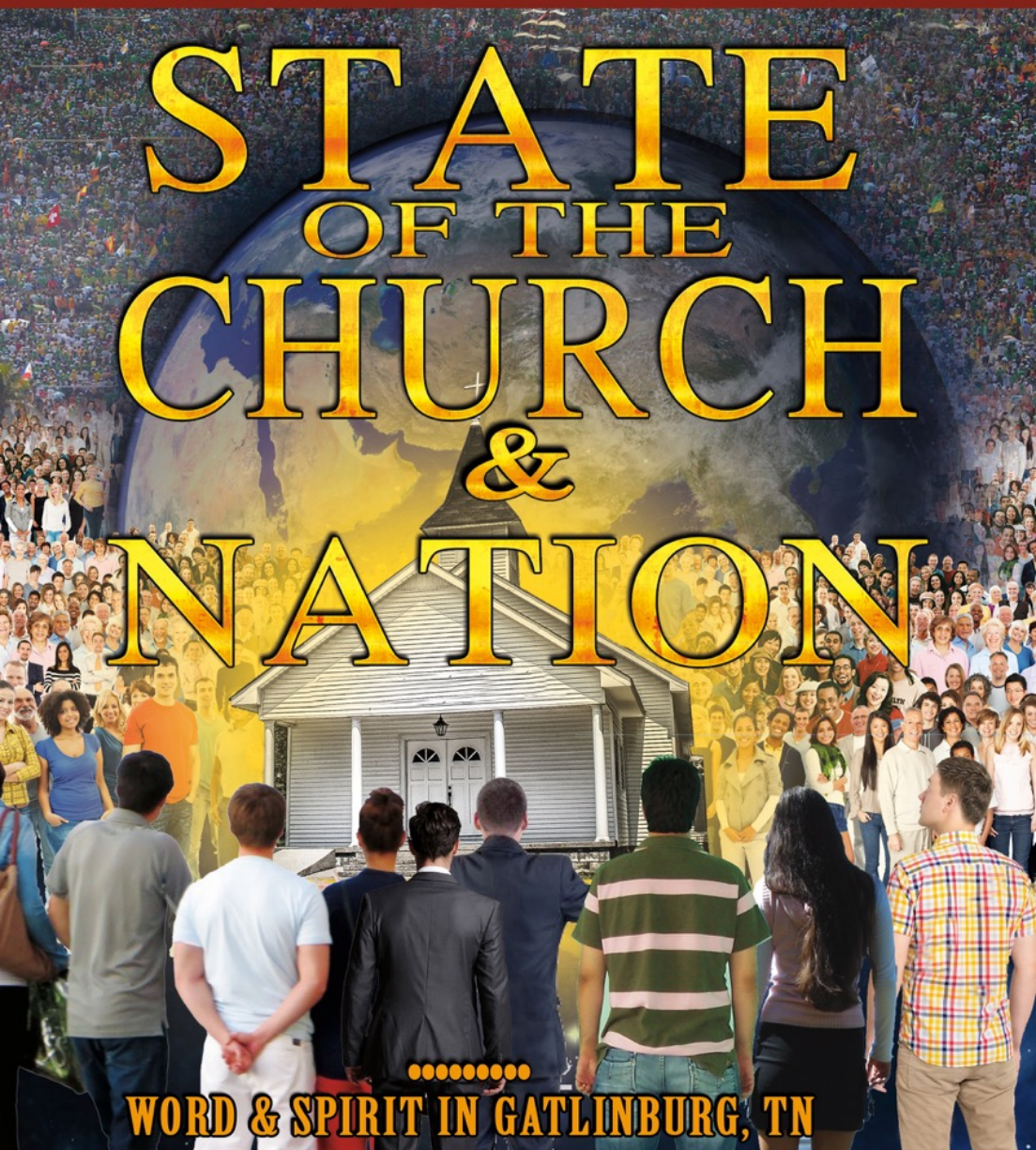


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*Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. (John 16:13)*

This verse has been a keynote verse in my personal life and ministry over the last fifteen to twenty years. I thank God for His Spirit that guides us into all truth and shows us things to come, or reveals to us future events. The Holy Ghost is the only agency of the Godhead at work on the earth today. He works in conjunction with our Heavenly Father and our Lord Jesus Christ. None of us could make it without Him helping us, comforting us and leading us into the perfect will of God.

## State Of The Church

I am so thankful for the local church, pastors, teachers, evangelists, prophets and apostles, as well as the ministry of helps and all Christians. The church has been under great attack in our nation since 2006. Sometimes, it almost seems like the devil is winning with his diabolical plots and schemes, and the church is loosing. Thank God the Bible is true and the church overcomes all evil.

Satan is tempting many Christians to become indifferent and unconcerned about their walk with the Lord. Some have fell into sin.



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I say that, in love, because I care about those who are slipping away into the world. The Lord Jesus Christ cares also. He is moving by His Spirit to draw all men unto Him. He is also restoring those, who fell away, that turn to Him in repentance and faith.

## Nation And False Doctrine

The spiritual condition of our nation has greatly deteriorated in the last 8 plus years. It began in 2006, with an attack from Satan on the church with seducing spirits and doctrines of devils. That is the year that false doctrine, in book form, released that grace covered all sin.

Some people, in the church, began to live like the devil and many joined them. The false doctrine that First John 1 was not written to the church came from the same source. The devil. Since that time all hell has infiltrated many church organizations. This has resulted in the downfall of Godly morals and values in the church and nation.

## Jesus Appears In 2008

This false doctrine, in the church, set the stage for President Obama to be elected, who was and is inspired by Satan himself to destroy Christian values and morals in the U.S. Many Bible believing Christians missed God and voted him into office, not once but twice! Most ministers were silent for fear of offending the flock and loosing people and money.

*Ministers do not tell the truth to attack anyone. They tell the truth to protect the flock.* If ministers fail to preach the truth of God's Word the people will be ignorant of the Bible.

Jesus Christ appeared to me, in a vision, the night before the 2008 presidential election. I was in prayer trying to get Him to change the outcome of the election. Suddenly, Jesus said to me, *"Don't talk to me about the election anymore! I don't want to hear it! The people of the United States are going to get exactly what they want, but it will not be what they think! Tell them they will have 1 Samuel chapter 8 in their nation as a result of this election!"* He appeared to me briefly and with those words He was gone. I quit praying and sat down. I knew hell would come and Satan would have his way. I was saddened greatly.

The Lord Jesus, spoke to me about President Obama's last election in 2012 and I wrongly interpreted what He said to me. The Lord helped me get it right and showed me where I missed it. I thought because of our prayers He would be removed from office. The Lord revealed to me why He wasn't. It is found in the original prophecy found in 1 Samuel 8:18-19. The Lord would not answer our prayers because He had already decreed what would occur. He cannot violate His own Word or He would be a liar. The nation's wrong voting, in 2008, resulted in bad, lasting consequences that are still with us.

## **Cloud Of Darkness**

A cloud of darkness and oppression covered the church and land, and is still there today because the church disobeyed what the Lord Jesus wanted them to do. I know ministers who live just like sinners and are still preaching the gospel today as well as many thousands of those who proclaim Christ as their Lord, yet have no fruit or lifestyle to back up their words. They are all deceived by seducing spirits.

## **New Church Strategy**

The new strategy that started around 2008 was to not be a church. It became shameful to be named a church so the word church was dropped or pushed way down the list. Satan made sure of that.

The church started *"Rock Concerts"* and called them the new way of doing church. Lights flashed, smoked filled the room, the clothes came off and the church began to model the world in every area. Culturally relevant became the buzz word of the day and sin became rampant and accepted, even though the Bible speaks against it. This is a result of demonic oppression, a lack of prayer and compromising the Bible among leaders in the church as a whole.

*The church actually became the problem, as a whole, instead of the solution to the troubles of our nation.* Yes, the church, as a whole, is responsible for the condition of our nation today. God forgive us.

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## New Church Strategy Failed

I have watched as major organizations who went this way declined greatly. The people and money left because church became a side issue in life. It was promoted that way by the leaders as casual Christianity and the people became casual. Now, it has been proven that it doesn't work and the scramble is made to get people to turn back to church, Bible and the Holy Ghost. I have witnessed the desperation from the pulpits to get people back on course.

I have watched the people look at the ministers like a cow looking at a new gate. The people are bewildered because all they have heard for the past 8 years is to be culturally relevant. They were taught the ways of the world and flesh by the same preacher who is now telling them they are going the wrong way.

### What Is The Show For

All the light shows, fog machines and dazzle of the platform is designed to capture people's attention and focus. Otherwise, what is it there for? It is not designed to get people to worship God, it is there to get the people to focus on it. If it isn't there for that reason, remove it, it serves no purpose.

I give the benefit of doubt to those who promote and encourage these shows. They may have never been to a rock concert or the strip club, but I have, many times, in my past career as a sinner. I also came from the hippie generation who invented all of these shows. They were invented to enhance the freaked out experiences we sought after. All we wanted was to escape reality. That is what all these shows, in church, are designed to do. Certainly those who promote them don't realize it. May The Lord God help them to understand what they are doing.

## Have We Gone Too Far

It takes about five miles for a big ship to slow down from cruise speed. You don't stop or turn it immediately. It takes time. We can turn the church around if we continually preach the truth, over and over. It will take time but it can be done. It won't be done if we don't preach the truth to protect the flock from the evil of our times.

People must be told what is sin and what is holiness. The whole truth of the Bible must be taught in context by the Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastor and Teacher. Ephesians chapter four makes this clear if the church is going to stay on course and mature.

### Will There Be A Move Of God

Will there be a major move of God. Yes! *Will it be through the established church of our day?* Many moves of God started outside the culturally relevant church because they would not embrace prayer nor the Holy Ghost. It is up to the church, today, to get relevant with God instead of being friendly with the world system.

In Noah's day every living soul rejected God but 8 people. Noah was not interested in what the people of his day desired. His focus was to please God. We are not in the world to please the people, we are here to please God. When the church, as a whole, realizes that and seeks God things will change for the better.

Another shocking Bible revelation is that not everyone will be saved. Many people will go to hell because they rejected the Lord Jesus Christ and the will of our Heavenly Father.

*Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. (Matthew 7:21)*

## **Will Darkness Increase**

*“In 2015, an evil darkness will sweep across the land trying to hinder His plan. Those who do not have oil in their lamps will not be kept, and into the darkness they will go, not understanding the Holy Ghost flow. Those who have followed His plan, by taking a stand for His Word and Spirit will step into a place they have never been before. The Lord Himself has opened this heavenly, glorious door. The glories of the heavenly realm will be revealed unto them and they will not be defeated in Him.”*

**This message below came by tongues and interpretation in our annual Word and Spirit meeting in Florida in January 2015.**

*“For this year will be known as a year of explosive growth. Growth in the personal realm - developing your life. Some will encounter snares along the way, that will try to get them to move in another direction, but don't go that way. Don't yield to the easy route, stay in the middle and begin to shout, and you will see that MY POWER and MY GLORY will come upon you! You will progress further in this year than you have in the last ten years. It will be MY SPIRIT, MY GLORY and MY POWER and you will tell a brand new story. You won't go around groaning, grumbling and complaining, but you will hold your head up high and you will march for victory is already bought for you, even in the sky. So don't look down, look up for your redemption has already drawn nigh!”*

**THIS IS THE TIME TO GET RIGHT WITH GOD.**



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## **THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH**

The church has been in a battle, in the last few years, to maintain sound Bible doctrine and influence society towards The Lord Jesus Christ. Many, previously, sound church organizations now embrace practices that the Bible specifically states as sin. Many Holy Ghost, pentecostal organizations have turned away from the Holy Ghost, His Gifts, and have become lifeless and will soon be dead spiritually. AFI is moving on in the Holy Ghost and contending for the faith that was once delivered to the saints. The anointing is increasing in all the churches and ministries who are with us in this effort. It makes a difference with whom you are associated with and can make the difference between success and defeat. Dad Hagin taught us that and we have proven it true over and over. Join with us with your supply of the Spirit and we will all be stronger in this endeavor together. **GOD IS WITH US!**

# PARTNERSHIP WITH JESUS

*Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar: and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee. Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me. (Acts 27:24-25)*

I remember back in 2008 when the Lord told me that a natural and spiritual correction was coming. Jesus said, "There will be a correction in the natural world first, then a spiritual correction will take place in the church because things are out of My divine order." He specifically revealed to me that our economy would be affected.

The Lord said, "Fear not! I will take care of you and I have given you all them that sail with you." I knew the Lord was speaking of those who were partners with us in ministry. Since that time, we have had marvelous reports of our partners who were saved from the storm. This is the Lord's doings, not mine, so He gets the glory and praise for it. This is exactly what the Lord told the Apostle Paul when they were in a great storm. Everyone on the ship was saved because they stayed with Paul.

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