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"Go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find." -Jesus

Watch the Road Signs! - Deceptions of the Last Hour - 1John 2:18-23

18 Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour. 19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us. 20 But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you know all things. 21 I have not written to you because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and that no lie is of the truth. 22 Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son. 23 Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father either; he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also. NKJV

Life is full of Distractions which are designed to take your eyes away from the main thing, which should be the main thing. What are distractions? Webster dictionary describes as - the act of distracting or the state of being distracted; especially: mental confusion driven to distraction by their endless chatter or something that distracts: an object that directs one's attention away from something else.

In Early 1980's a Driving Distraction known as "Dashboard Dining" became a major concern by insurance companies nationwide. As our fast-paced life continued, so did fast food drive-thru restaurants and so did the consumption of food in vehicles while driving. Statistics of accidents grew as the "Dashboard Dining" phenomena increased. But what moved above this phenomena into a NEW driving distraction during the 1980's was the cell phone. The Motorola DynaTAC, was released on March 6, 1983. The new mobile phone was priced at a whopping \$3,995 when it hit the market. The phone could last for about 30 minutes of talk time. But as technology increased over time, and cell phones were made more affordable for the common worker, so did cell phone driving distractions, which result in collisions. "Driving Distractions" continue to this day.

A Military Strategic Tool: DISTRACTION and ILLUSION. Throughout historical military battles, distraction and illusion continue to be effective tools of conquests. In spiritual warfare, the devil is a mastermind in this powerful tool. John gave several principles to guide us and even alert us of those operating in the counterfeit gospel, which are found in 1John 2:18-23....

First, they "went out from us" (v. 19). The false teacher comes into a local fellowship, begins to teach his lies and, when he cannot influence the whole group to follow him, takes the little band he has deceived and starts his own sect or movement. Watch out for those who would divide and separate Christ's people. They go out because "they did not really belong to us" (v. 19).

Second, they deny Jesus is the Christ or placing Him as inferior to God by word, action, and deed. Rejecting the Son, they reject the Father also. Jude and Peter as well have stressed that the false teachers sooner or later distort the Bible's teaching on who Jesus is and what He said in the scriptures. This is a strategic ploy of the counterfeit god as he attempts to undermine Jesus.

Finally, there is a Subjective Element in Discerning False Teachers. God the Holy Spirit has taken up residence in every true Christian. Our Resident Teacher is a sound interpreter of the written Word and of the teachings of men. But **we** must be in the Word of God both written (Bible) and living (Jesus). This whole passage from 1John 2:18-23 is a great corrective for our own day. It gives us an introspective look at ourselves. It also reminds us to not be afraid to fellowship with those who have differences from us, yet are brothers and sisters in Christ. But the Word of God reminds us of the narrow road of truth. This narrow road is not the road of the antichrist spirit (Matt. 7:13-20).

One Bible commentator once said; "the antichrists are liars for they deny that Jesus is the Christ, that is, God's Son and the appointed Savior (cf. John 4:29,42; 20:31). This denial involves also a denial of the Father. Any claim they might make to having the Father's approval is false. One cannot have the Father without the Son. To reject One is to reject the Other" (from *Bible Knowledge Commentary/New Testament Copyright © 1983, 2000 Cook Communications Ministries. All rights reserved.*)

JERRY LIVERSAGE MINISTRIES MOVES INTO YOUTUBE



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT -We are thankful for the door God continues to open for speaking engagements to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Recently, we launched a new YouTube channel. The channel title is **Jerry Liversage Ministries, Inc.** We are inviting you to spread the word and to **“subscribe”** free of charge. While It only takes a moment to subscribe, we encourage you to view some of the informal 15 to 20-minute Bible studies, which are designed to be an encouragement to your daily journey with Jesus. This little broadcast includes recordings from “On Location” places such as Point Loma Nazarene University, Rosecrans National Cemetery in San Diego, and Cabrillo National Monument also in San Diego, etc.. Please visit the site today! Thank you.

RESPONDING RECOVERY MINISTRIES MOVES INTO YOUTUBE

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT -We are thankful for the door God continues to open for speaking engagements to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In addition to the above YouTube channel, we have just launched another YouTube Channel. This channel was recently constructed. The channel title is **Responding Recovery Ministries.** This channel includes archived recordings from our public broadcast of Responding Recovery Television through Spectrum Cable Station on channel #39 located in Costa Mesa, Ca. We want to encourage you to **“subscribe”** free of charge to this new channel. While It only takes a moment to subscribe, we encourage you to view some of the recovery Bible studies, which are designed to be an encouragement to those in “any type” of recovery and their journey with Jesus.



**Presence
Power and
Purpose - in
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***THE DEVIL'S
SONG OF
SEDUCTION***

Jerry Liversage

NEW BOOK ADDRESSES A SIMPLE ANSWER TO A COMPLEX ISSUE

*As ministry finances allow, Jerry Liversage is publishing some of his completed thesis manuscript into a book. This publication deals with The Counterfeit World Kingdom, which **appears** to be genuine, authentic, and real. The sole purpose and mission of this elusive, deceptive Kingdom are to deceive and lead you away from the Triune Presence of God, the Power of God, and the Purposes of God revealed in Jesus Christ. Sin has caused all of God’s creation to fall from the state of truth, perfection and grandeur to an alluring counterfeit maze of deception, lies, and destruction. As a result, the world is subject to frustration, bondage, decay and spiritual death so that it cannot fulfill its intended purpose. This deceptive and destructive theology has even found its way into some church settings. But there’s a way out! It’s a simple answer to a very complex and elusive issue, which has eternal consequences. We must make the decision to walk the narrow road of TRUTH through God’s Word- **Jesus!***



We are so thankful for the opportunity to preach the Word of God on selected Sundays at Huntington-Westminster Senior Apartments located in Westminster, Ca. This 300+ unit apartment complex has been a mission field where God has raised up followers of Christ to become ministers to this complex. God has allowed us to hold services there for 5 years which includes a small food ministry. During this time, we have watched many come to Jesus before the step into eternity. During a recent memorial service with approx. 80 in attendance, many invited Jesus into their lives. With any complex of this type, there is bound to be various issues of life, but this is where Jesus reveals Himself as the sole answer to ETERNAL LIFE.

We want you to know how much we appreciate you, your prayer, and support to this ministry during the past year. Many of you have followed this ministry down through the years, and we continue to pray for you. If you have any prayer requests, we would ask that you contact us and allow the privilege of praying with you to seek God together for His leading in your life. Contact us through e-mail or through our website: www.jerryliversageministries.org

Also, if you would like to make a tax-deductible year-end contribution to this ministry, you may do so through PayPal on our home page website.

Thank you.... - Jerry Liversage