

**Articles and Sermons :: Notre-Dame Cathedral, the fire was not about judgement so...****Notre-Dame Cathedral, the fire was not about judgement so... - posted by macbug (), on: 2019/4/15 15:25**

I was praying they could put the fire out for the first hour.

Then the reality was revealed that the Lord was not going to stop it.

Then what was the meaning, the very week of the Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus the Christ.

This was the spiritual equivalent of 911.

This was one of the top 5 pilgrimage sites in the world, so why?

Some would say this or that about our Roman Brothers.

If it were about judgment why didn't, I and about two dozen TV evangelist burst into flames along with the Cathedral?

In my prayer a verse came to me, "they worshipped the creation instead of the Creator".

That was it, too many were looking at the "Stuff", instead of Christ Himself.

They were missing the LOVE, MERCY, FORGIVENESS AND THE SALVATIONS FROM A WASTED LIFE, HE HAS FOR US WHEN WE DRINK THE LIVING WATER.

So here it is, no donations over \$10.00, the Lord wants to hear from those people that have not spoken to Him in decades. He does not want a Telethon, or any other such nonsense. He does not care if it takes a 100 years to raise the money. Just wait and see what He has in store for the faithful.

Re: Notre-Dame Cathedral, the fire was not about judgement so... - posted by TMK (), on: 2019/4/15 17:52

I am pretty sure it burned because wood burns when exposed to flame. That's it.

Don't care what anyone says this is a tragedy for historical reasons alone.

Re: wood does burn, but consider the timing, day after Palm Sunday week of Easter. - posted by macbug (), on: 2019/4/15 18:00**Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2019/4/16 9:43**

What is the significance of the towers and organ being saved? And what about all the iconography that was spared because it had been removed due to the restoration being done?

There is no significance. These things just happen, in this case likely because someone was careless. Insurance companies are shaking in their boots, let me tell you.

Two rich French guys have already pledged about 400 million toward the rebuild.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2019/4/16 21:43

A wonderful prayer we can all echo I read today in regards to the Notre dame fire:

Let the bells ring again O Lord. May the hearts of those who have forgotten you come back from their own sinful ways and deadly ashes to lift themselves from the ground and remember You O Lord once again. Praising You all their days and fully repent from leaving You for their own lustful and worldly desires. May they begin to turn to You from the rising of the smoke, fire and ashes and regain Hope for their Salvation in You. this is my prayer. - David Bartosiewicz

and another person reporting the pledging of 100 million euro's by an individual to rebuild said:

Some good news to report. Let's pray for the reconstruction of Notre Dame to be the catalyst for a renewal and revival of the Church in France, and around the world! -

Richard L Jones

Re: - posted by CalvaryCom (), on: 2019/4/17 19:43

Greg, "Notre-Dame" means "our lady." Roman Catholicism is a false, sacramental gospel of works. Nowhere in the Bible are we instructed to pray to Mary or to saints. This is an error that has plagued the church for many centuries. From 1300 to 1800 the Vatican permitted the Jesuits to slaughter over 68 million people, contrary to the teaching and example of Jesus Christ.

The Notre-Dame cathedral is, humanly speaking, a remarkable architectural feat...but so was Herod's temple. Even the disciples were impressed by its beauty, but not our Lord Jesus. He said that not one stone would be left upon another, and that was fulfilled in 70 A.D. when the Roman armies destroyed it.

The mother & child veneration (a false Mary & baby "Jesus") perpetuated by both the Roman Catholic church AND the Eastern Orthodox church (which split from it in the 11th century) goes all the way back to Semiramis & Tammuz (in Nimrod's day), and has reappeared in Greco-Roman art as Aphrodite & Eros and Venus & Cupid. Here's the syncretist Mystery Babylon religion appearing once again.

There has never been an anointed Word preached in Notre-Dame, but you can always go there to light a candle to the "holy virgin." Over 700 million dollars have been raised to restore the damage to this edifice. Meanwhile, France has over 2 million people (9% of the population) unemployed.

Re: Religious Sins - posted by macbug (), on: 2019/4/18 1:22

I am sure the LORD was just as disappointed in us when we allowed slavery, turned our backs on the holocaust, wiped out the American natives, dropped two nuclear bombs on Japanese cities, then there are the television evangelists, talk about an apostate church,

let the one without sin cast the first stone. WE ARE ALL UNDER SPIRITUAL ATTACK. THE ROMANS 1400 YEARS LONGER THAN US.

I for one love the Roman's, I pray that revival would hit them Like a tsunami.

Innercessory Prayer, with tears, that is what we need for our Roman Brothers.

That's right brothers, backslided, deceived, victims of false teachers, they need our love more now than ever.

Re: - posted by CalvaryCom (), on: 2019/4/18 4:54

I do not hate the people who are deceived by Roman Catholicism. I know many who are quite dear to me. What I referred to was the false religious system itself. The puritan & reformers all believed the Whore of Babylon in Revelation 17 was the Catholic religious machine.

Re: zeal is not hate, if there is love - posted by macbug (), on: 2019/4/18 9:02

I believe the Roman fellowships have been under sustained massive spiritual attack, since the FIRST resurrection Sunday.

Compromise, with the religious traditions of that day. Is why WE refer to Resurrection Sunday as "Easter". even Christmas was replacing the Roman feast day, as a student of early church history. You should recall the political compromise that Constantine had to make with a large powerful and rich PAGAN religious class. They still needed a place or had to be slaughtered.

Killing them would have triggered a Civil War or worse. So the die was cast, political compromise to promote the physical church assuming no ripple effect.

Over the centuries sin crept in and the Bishop of Rome evolved into an emperor of a religious empire along with ALL the vices and sin absolute power attract.

Same thing happens to evangelists that find themselves in a giant cash cow, they modify the message to leverage people into giving. The Roman's sold absolution, that was a practice that pushed reformers to speak out and change.

Re: Amen - posted by macbug (), on: 2019/4/18 19:51

And Amen

Re: Babylon has relocated to New York City - posted by macbug (), on: 2019/4/30 10:59

The Church of Christ is defined by Christ, not denominationalism.
Confirmation is our relationship with the Holy Spirit. The ability to perceive The Spirit.
Too many Christians have not been baptized by the Holy Spirit.
I believe this is because Capitalisms demands on our time.
Remember if the devil cannot make you bad he will make you too busy to pray.

And is that not the ruination of many of us.

First he reveals the love of Christ in others and then that love will manifest itself in us.
I believe
That dispensation, is a gift and manifestation of the Holy Spirit in us .
when we have the full Love Of Christ in our heart that is when we work on true discipleship.

Re: dim view? - posted by Gloryandgrace (), on: 2019/4/30 11:28

Jumping back to about 320AD, Emperor Constantine is rubbing his hands together with a satanic glee...

"Now, I've got those Christians where I want them, I'll just make peace with them and the warring pagans, Ill allow those Christians to have their holidays by renaming them from the old pagan ones...and i'll give them freedom from being murdered everyday...that'll fixem."

Constantine is no less a product of his day than you and I are. His mindset, his ideas and solutions all stem from what he understands of his world. We do exactly the same, I mean exactly the same.

I realize Constantine is a favorite to bash since institutionalized Christianity got a kickstart from his edicts. But I am not at all sold that Constantine thought that his goal was to 'compromise Christianity with paganism'.
Constantine gave Christianity a breather from 10 periods of persecution. So, as long as its not your skin, that 'compromise' is all devil and doom.

I suggest taking off the 21st century glasses and all the accompanying judgment with it. Put on 4th century glasses and look closely at what was done and why. You might be surprised to know God was doing things through him and his Church we could never see with 21st century glasses.

Re: - posted by drifter (), on: 2019/4/30 12:08

"Remember if the devil cannot make you bad he will make you too busy to pray. And is that not the ruination of many of us."

If anyone disagrees with this, can you cite one example of someone growing closer to God and shirking the prayer closet?

Leonard Ravenhill said the way to backslide is get lax in your prayer life.

Re: - posted by drifter (), on: 2019/4/30 12:24

And just so I don't wander from the topic of the OP, I'm not happy the cathedral caught fire, but it was no more a temple of God's presence than the McDonalds down the street is. I read on wikipedia that it was consecrated to the virgin Mary.

Someone I work with asked me if I thought it was right that those billionaires donated millions of dollars to rebuild the cathedral while letting poor people starve. Of course my answer was no.

Does anyone here honestly believe that they have the real crown of thorns in Notre Dame cathedral that was on Christ's head? Or a piece of the cross on which He was crucified? I mean really.

Re: - posted by Gloryandgrace (), on: 2019/4/30 13:42

Places like Notre Dame are worth something according to their historical value. They tell a story and it's worth hearing.

But there's another story, one that as humans we know well but hate to hear. That's the story of "That which is seen is temporal". Whether it be our Synagogues or Church buildings or our Castles or War Machines...everything comes to an end.

The constant tendency to fix our eyes upon the temporal and relish only that which is man-made or physical is a plague upon humanity. By reason of that plague the 'invisible things of God' are replaced by what can be touched and seen. But even behind that there is another reason. Human pride of making something that lasts, making a building or castle or nation, human endeavor strives for permanence in a world that only offers impermanence.

We were created to an eternal kingdom one that lasts beyond all that is created here. But when men do not understand or seek that which is 'invisible' then all that can follow is a chasing after vanity.

If a billionaire wants to spend the cash on a fixer-upper it's no shocker they which are rich in this world love to build in this world. Let them build.

But what do we do with our extra cash? Are we charging the billionaire with vain financial dealings but we spend our extra cash on that which is going to perish equally as fast?

What is the difference between a man's heart misusing a million and a man misusing a hundred dollars? I would say the difference would be indistinct.

Matt 25:21 His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

With what we have been given are we giving back to the Lord an increase of what we have...or are we burying it?

All questions that will appear at the judgment seat of Christ.

Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2019/4/30 15:38

Of course it's all a matter of heart and stewardship.

I once argued with an atheist who felt that any true Christian who lived by the NT standard would give 90% of their income to the poor and subsist on 10%. In other words, grass shacks and pork and beans was the order of the day for any true Christian.

Obviously every person could give more than they do; the issue is whether God is asking them to give more. It is His money; He can do with it what He wants. He may even let some Christians keep some {gasp}.

Re: - posted by drifter (), on: 2019/4/30 18:02

"But what do we do with our extra cash? Are we charging the billionaire with vain financial dealings but we spend our extra cash on that which is going to perish equally as fast?"

I told my co worker that many people blame the rich for not helping the poor when they themselves won't help the poor either.

"Of course it's all a matter of heart and stewardship."

I agree. Just be faithful with whatever God gives you. Give generously and from the heart.

I recall reading that A. W. Tozer would sometimes give as much as half of his salary away. Leonard Ravenhill gave away all of his royalties from his books.

Re: - posted by Lysa (), on: 2019/5/17 1:52

Quote:
-----CalvaryCom wrote:
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There was a Muslim in Iran who God miraculously saved and filled with the Holy Spirit, he had to secretly download a copy of Matthew Mark Luke and John. Those four gospels kept him on fire for 8 years until he got smuggled into Turkey and then a NON-BELIEVER gave him a copy of a small New Testament. EIGHT years he lived and breathed off of the first four gospels!! Praise God.

I'm not arguing with you, my point is that the Catholic church does NOT hold the Holy Bible in high esteem (at all) and therefore, they constantly searching and reading the church fathers when ALL they literally need is the Holy Bible to get them through till Jesus comes.

I don't know many persecuted Christians dying to get their hands on a copy of Ignatius, Irenaeus or Clement but I do know they are dying to get their hands on a copy of the Holy Bible.

The Bible doesn't get too big for us, we get too big (in our heads) for the Holy Bible.

God bless us all,
Lisa

Re: the Whore of Babylon - posted by airjelly (), on: 2019/8/31 21:46

The Whore of Babylon Is Capitalism, Capitalism is the religion of Wall Street, it is predatory, it is parasitic, promotes GREED, CORRUPTION, LUST, FALSEHOODS, FAKE MONEY, and worse.
In the bible the capitalists were the money changers in the temple.
Jesus made it His business to address them with a whip, and action.

Re: Airjelly - posted by JFW (), on: 2019/9/1 7:51

Doesn't seem that you found a fit for your political propaganda so you just tagged it on the bottom of this thread

If meaningful dialogue is what you are pursuing, it would be far more beneficial to simply start a new thread and open the discussion,...prayerfully-

If your intent was to do a digital drive by....

Btw a careful reading of the parable of the ten talents might surprise you as it clearly reveals that God Himself expects a return on His investment and actually rewards the most successful whilst punishing those whom refused to participate. See how that parallels the text book definition of capitalism provided below-

Capitalism; noun politics UK /ˈkæp.ɪ.təl.ɪ.zəm/ US /ˈkæp.ɪ.təl.ɪ.zəm/
C2 an economic, political, and social system in which property, business, and industry are privately owned, directed towards making the greatest possible profits for successful organizations and people.

Re: - posted by CalvaryCom (), on: 2019/9/1 12:01

Furthermore, the whore of Babylon is the woman who rides the Beast (see Revelation 17). Now if the whore is capitalism why would the Beast discard her? Doesn't make sense at all. However, if the whore is a one world religious system riding on the back of a one world political system, run by the Antichrist, then it makes perfect sense that, after unifying the world religions, he would discard them and demand worship for himself alone. All of this will occur during the Great Tribulation.