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What is the Key to Recognizing False Teachers

What Think You of Christ?

According to the Bible, Jesus is man and God – God came down to be man (John 1:14). He lived a perfect life (1 Peter 2:22) and agreed to take the sin of the world so mankind could be reconciled to God (John 14:6; 1 Peter 3:18). False teachers have different ideas. Many claim Jesus is merely a prophet or a good man. Others believe that since the word “Trinity” is not mentioned in the Bible and it should not be taught. If Satan can't stop people from believing in one God in three persons, he'll have them believe that Jesus is “a god” or that Jesus is the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Anyone teaching differently – man or angel – is to be “accursed” (Gal. 1:8-9). “For if you believe not that I AM, you shall die in your sins” (Jn. 8:24).

Nine Heresies of the Prosperity & Other Gospels:

1. These prosperity preachers believe they qualify to shoe-horn in on the Abrahamic covenant (Gen. 12:15; 17:22) as a means to gain health, wealth and prosperity.
2. These prosperity preachers believe Jesus's atonement extends to the “sin” of material poverty.
3. These prosperity preachers believe they must give in order to gain material blessing and compensation from God.
4. These prosperity preachers believe that “faith” is a self-generated spiritual force that leads to their prosperity.
5. These prosperity preachers believe that prayer is a tool to force God to grant prosperity.
6. These prosperity preachers believe that “the prayer of faith” binds God to do whatever they ask.
7. These prosperity preachers believe it is God's will that they prosper even as their soul prospers.
8. These prosperity preachers believe and teach that Isaiah 53:6, provides for both their complete physical and spiritual healing in this life.
9. These prosperity preachers believe and teach that Matthew 18:18, further binds God to grant whatever else they desire.

A Leading Promoter of the Prosperity Gospel

A leading promoter of the prosperity gospel is David O. Oyedepo. He has been a very good disciple of Oral Roberts and Kenneth Copeland his heroes. Combining all he has learned from them with his own creativity, his Winners Chapel Enterprise is expanding beyond Nigeria to other parts of Africa. By his own admission he believes in “sweat-less Success” and teaches his followers that “the knowledge and the practice of the truth make you a sweat-less winner.” His essential philosophy is that life is meant to be a smooth cruise, free of all struggles and full of material wealth. “Not all winners sweat to win. *Sweating is a curse*. It symbolizes struggle.” He believes that poverty is a curse and self-made.

Oyedepo’s Primary Call is to Make People Rich

“Are we therefore to assume that all those who live in abject poverty in various parts of Africa are reaping the rewards of their willful disobedience?” Oyedepo says God has given him the mission to eradicate it. He believes his primary call and mission is to make people rich. According to him, God gave him the covenant hammer to break all chains of poverty. I took hold of it and declared, “I can never be poor! That was not an empty confession, I knew what I was saying, and what had been delivered to me. It has never disappointed me once! Friend, it is time to hunger and thirst for this same hammer to be delivered to you.” He has been hailed as the wealthiest preacher in Nigeria with a total of \$150 million and properties like four private jets and homes in the United States and England.

Some of the Richest Preachers on the Planet

1. Thomas Dexter Jakes (T.D. Jakes) has a net worth of \$18 million
2. Benny Hinn has a net worth of \$40 million
3. Joel Osteen has a net worth of \$40 million
4. Benny Hinn has a net worth of \$40 million
5. Chris Oyakhilome has a worth of \$40 million - Nigeria
6. Enoch Adeboye has a net worth of \$65 million - Nigeria
7. David Oyedepo has a net worth of \$150 Million – Nigeria
8. Edir Macedo Bezerra has a net worth of \$1.1 Billion – Brazil

The marketing of the gospel appeals to the flesh especially in African countries with their failing economies. The above apostates are proven experts at exploiting the truth for profit. They well fit the context of Jeremiah 5:26-29, “For among My people are found wicked men: they lay wait, as he that set snares; they set a trap, they catch men. As a cage is full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit: therefore they are become great, and waxen rich. They are waxen fat, they shine; yea, they overpass the deeds of the wicked: they judge not the cause of the fatherless, yet they prosper; and the right of the needy do they not judge. Shall I not visit for these things? Says the Lord: shall not my soul be avenged on such a people as this?”

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