

THE CLERGY LETTER PROJECT FROM THE CHRISTIAN APOLOGETICS PERSPECTIVE

The two largest and influential non-Christian Cults in our world today are the Jehovah's Witnesses and Mormons. Yet, the overwhelming majority of mainline Protestant Churches and the Roman Catholic Church view both cults as fellow Protestant Christians. Both of these cults reject the Holy Trinity, deity of Christ and the person and work of the Holy Spirit. They teach another gospel contrary to Scripture and historic Biblical Christianity. It is only when the Protestant or Catholic comes face to face in Biblical conversation with a Jehovah's Witness or Mormon that they realize they do not share the same faith in the same Jesus Christ. Yet, both cults adamantly reject the theory of evolution and boldly proclaim God as Creator of all.

You need to understand that cults consider all Protestants, Catholics, Evangelicals, denominationalist or non-denominationalist one church called "Christendom." Most Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists, Gnostics and Atheists have the same view. Wouldn't that be great if all of Christendom, the one true Church, also called the body of Christ was "who we are supposed to be?" Especially as a witness to the world! Instead, we are an embarrassment to our Lord. A broken house in need of serious repair!

When I say to a Mormon, "Friend, please let us look to the Word of God so I can show you the truth about who God is, and I want to introduce you to the real Jesus Christ," how will he respond in light of "The Clergy Letter Project" plastered all over the Internet? My Jehovah's Witness friends and family members are most likely waiting on pins and needles hoping I would present such a challenge to them as well. You can imagine the reply, "Wait a minute! Are you a member of Christendom?" "Yes, I am," I'll have to answer. "Why should I listen to you? You people believe in Evolution and deny that God is the Creator of all things! What Bible are you reading from?" they will ask with laughter in their voice. I will try to respond by saying, "Just because I'm a member of Christendom does not mean I agree or believe in evolution like others do." They will drive the final nail in my coffin of dead words when they ask, "How or why would you want to be a member of something you don't believe in?"

After nearly two decades of reaching out to the Jehovah's Witnesses and Mormons, (myself having a background in the Jehovah's Witnesses), I can tell you the Kingdom Halls and Mormon Temples will be filled with shouts of joy across this country and around the world. They will sing, "Halleluiah! Now we know where the Trinity came from – IT EVOLVED!" There will be no end to their mockery any time soon. At least not until major changes occur where lines are drawn between those who follow God the Father, and The Son, and The Holy Spirit, or the god of this world who is called the Devil! (2 Corinthians 4:4)

Do you believe Scripture is relevant for us today? I hope you do. I believe in the literal interpretation of Scripture and the plain sense meaning. I believe God says what He means and means what He says. I have no doubt God created the Heavens and the Earth and all living things literally in six days and rested on the seventh. If He said He did it in six minutes, I still would have no doubt. You either believe God's infallible Word or you don't.

In 2 Corinthians 11:26 Paul describes among his list of dangers he endured those he called "false brethren." Paul made this clear in (Acts 20:29-30) ***"I know that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves men will arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them."*** Jesus described these same people in Matthew 7:13-23.

This movement among the churches called "The Clergy Letter Project" is swarming like a beehive and that hive is becoming a CULT! It will not produce sweet honey either. It will pour out bitter darkness and poison from its sting. You may ask, "Isn't that a bit extreme to say they are a cult?" When you examine the anatomy of a "religious" cult you will find a group that is polarized around a leader and/or authoritative writings, rules, disciplines and teachings. They have ministers who lead worship services, rituals, sermons or sacred sayings, etc. ***"But the Spirit explicitly says that in later times some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to deceitful spirits and doctrines of demons."*** (1 Timothy 4:1)

Darwinism, Evolution or whatever belief system it is called has no place in the Christian Church and the basis of evolution is found nowhere in Scripture. Where is Christ glorified? How is God worshiped, and where is the Person and work of The Holy Spirit? When we stand before the throne of God what reason would we give for signing the Clergy Letter Project?

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