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2	Australia	Brian Houston, Christine Caine, Steve Ciccolanti
2	Austria	Reinhard Hirtler
3-4	Canada	Art Lucier, Barry Wunsch, Carolyn Weber, David Demian (Mohsen), Danielle Strickland, Dick & Joan Deweert, Faytene Grasseschi (Faytene Kryskow), Glenda Dube, Henry Hinn, Hugh Ross, Jordan Peterson, Ken Shigematsu, Len Lindstrom, Mark Buchanan, Rene McIntyre, Stacey Campbell (& Wesley), Todd Bentley, Todd White
5	France	Brother Lawrence
5	Germany	Johannes Hartl, Marcus Rogers, Frank Schäfer (US), Uwe Schäfer, René Wagner
5	India	Mother Teresa, Sadhu Sundar Selvaraj
5	Israel	Benny Hinn (Toufik Benedictus Hinn)
6	Netherlands	Henri Nouwen (Henri Jozef Machiel Nouwen)
6	Nigeria	David Olaniyi Oyedepo, Enoch Adejare Adeboye, Evelyn Joshua, Kim Clement, Sam Adeyemi, T.B. Joshua (Temitope Balogun Joshua)
6	Singapore	Joseph Prince (real name: Xenonamander Jegahusiee Singh)
6	South Korea	Joseph Park, Ock Soo Park
7	Spain	Teresa of Ávila (Teresa Sánchez de Cepeda y Ahumada)
7	Switzerland	Jean-Luc Trachsel
7-9	United Kingdom	Bono (Paul David Hewson), Charles Spurgeon, C.S. Lewis (Clive Staples Lewis), Guillermo Maldonado (US), J. K. Rowling, J. R. R. Tolkien, N.T. Wright, Pete Greig, Tomi Arayomi, William Barclay
10-21	United States	Allen Parr, Andrew Wommack, Andy Stanley, Beth Moore, Bill Hybel, Bill Johnson, Billy Graham, Brandan Robertson, Brian Simmons, Bruce Metzger, Carolina Leaf, Charlie Shamp, Che Ahn, Chuck D. Pierce, Cindy Jacobs, Creflo Dollar (Michael Whitaker Smith), Dallas Willard, David John Stewart (Guam), Donald Trump, Doreen Virtue, Doug Addison, Elizabeth & John Sherrill, Eric Metaxas, Eugene Hoiland Peterson, Francis Chan, Francis Collins, Franklin Graham, Gino Jennings, Guillermo Maldonado, Hank Kunneman, Harald Bredesen, Heidi Baker (& Roland), Israel Houghton, Jack Hayford, Jackie Hill Perry, James M. Rochford, James W. Goll, Jen Hatmaker, Jeremiah Johnson, Jerry Falwell Jr., Jesse Duplantis, Jim Bakker (& Lori), Jim Wallis, Joel Scott Osteen, John Bevere (& Lisa), John MacArthur, John Mark Comer, John Ortberg, John Piper, Jonathan Shuttlesworth (& Adalis), Joyce Meyer (Pauline Joyce Hutchison), Justin Peters, Kathryn Krick, Kathryn Kuhlman, Kat Kerr (Katharine Nancy Brahtin), Keith Ferrate, Kenneth Max Copeland, Kenneth Hagin, Kevin Zadai, Kris Vallotton, Lance Wallnau, Levi Lusko, Lou Engle, Matt Brown (Matthew Stephen Brown), Marianne Williamson, Mark Driscoll, Max Lucado, Michael Brown, Michael W. Smith, Mike Bickle, Mike Todd, Myles Munroe, Norman Vincent Peale, Oral Roberts, Pat Cocking (Patricia CoKing / Patricia King), Pat Robertson, Paula White-Cain, Peter Scazzo, Ralph Reed, Rebecca McLaughlin, Richard Foster, Richard Rohr, Rick Godwin, Rick Joyner, Rick Warren, Rob Bell, Robert Jeffress, Robert Morris, Salvatore Sapienza, Shawn Boltz, Sid Roth (Sydney Abraham Rothbaum), Steven Anderson, Steve Schultz, T.D. Jakes (Thomas Dexter Jakes), Thomas Merton / Father Louis, Tim Mackie, Timothy Keller, Tracey Cooke, Tyler Staton, Wayne Grudem, William Lane Craig

Problematic Schools

22	The Apprentice Gathering, Bethel School of Supernatural Ministry, Biblical Training.org, Columbia Bible College Abbotsford, Oral Roberts University, Regent College Vancouver, Wheaton College
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Problematic Movements & Organizations

23-27	24/7 Prayer (Pete Greig, Emmaus Road Church), The Alpha Course, Canadian Church Leaders Network, Catholic & Christian & Eastern Mysticism / Contemplative Prayer, Christianity Today, Coexist, Dominionism / Seven Mountain Mandate, Ecumenism, Emerging Church, Enneagram, Global Leadership Summit, The Gospel Coalition (TGC), He Gets Us, International House of Prayer (IHOP) / The Kansas City Prophets, New Apostolic Reformation (NAR), / Apostolic Council of Prophetic Elders (ACPE), (Extreme) Pentecostalism (w/ Latter Rain Movement / Oneness Pentecostals / Jesus Only Movement), Practicing The Way, Prosperity Gospel / Word of Faith Movement, Renovaré, Revoice Movement, Southern Baptist Convention (SBC), Vineyard Movement
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Cults & Religions

28-35	The Aggressive Christianity Missions Training Corps, Anglican Church, Anglo-Catholicism, Anthroposophy, Baha'i, Black Mass, Buddhism, Calvinism (w/ Manichaeism, Augustinianism, Reformed), Catholicism, Calvinist-Catholic Connection, Children of God, Christadelphians, Christian Science, Confucianism, Divine Light Mission, Episcopal Church, Freemasonry, Good News Mission-GNM (/ Christian Leaders Fellowship-CLF) / International Mind Education Institute-IMEI / Mahanaim Bible College), Hare Krishna, Hinduism, Inner Peace Movement, Islam, Jehovah's Witnesses, Jesuits / Society of Jesus, Judaism (NOT Ancient, but: Orthodox, Ultra-Orthodox, Reformed, Conservative, Reconstructionist, Humanistic), Local Church (Living Stream Min. / Church of Recovery / Lord's Recovery / Leeist Movement, Manichaeism, Mormons, New Age, Orthodox (Catholic) Church, Perennialism, Presbyterian Church, Religious Science, Rosicrucianism, Scientology, Seventh Day Adventists (SDA's), Shintoism, Spiritual Frontiers Fellowship, Spiritualism, Theosophy, Transcendental Meditation, Unification Church, Unitarianism, Universalism
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Historical Figures

36-38	Akiva (Rabbi), Augustine of Hippo, Flavius Josephus, Jerome, John Calvin, King Henry VIII, Martin Luther, Origen
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	Name	Function	About	Discernment	Sources
				Not Recommended Highly Problematic Evil	Download PDF document for clickable links.
Argentina	Pope Francis (Jorge Mario Bergoglio; AR & VA)	(Pope, Archbishop of Buenos Aires)	[1] [2]	1 Sexual abuse scandals in Argentina; lack of transparency and refusal of Bergoglio to help victims .	[1] [2]
				2 First Jesuit to be elected Pope .	[1]
				3 "Mary is not only the bridge joining us to God; she is more. She is the road that God travelled to reach us, and the road that we must travel in order to reach Him ."	[1]
				4 Active supporter of Kenneth Copeland who has an office in the Vatican. He also spoke at Copeland's Leadership Conference.	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				5 Regularly holds interfaith services and vehemently pushes a One World Religion.	[1]
				6 Explicit and official support of Contemplative Prayer .	[1]
				7 Serious theological errors.	[1] [2] [3]
				8 Supporter of civil union laws for same-sex couples .	[1] [2] [3]
				9 Public endorsement of Thomas Merton, a Buddhist - Catholic monk .	[1] [2]
Australia	Brian Houston	(Founder and Senior Pastor at Hillsong Church)	[1] [2]	1 Sex scandals. He concealed a ninefold child abuse .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				2 Prosperity Gospel Teacher. Author of the book 'You Need More Money - Discovering God's Amazing Financial Plan for Your Life'.	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				3 Considered the father of Pentecostalism in Sydney.	[1] [2]
				4 Endorsements / collaboration with Joel Osteen, Joseph Prince, Kenneth Copeland, Paula White, Shawn Bolz, TD Jakes, Bill Johnson is a friend of Brian Houston and of other Hillsong pastors like Carl Lentz. Johnson has been invited as one of the main speakers at the Hillsong Conferences 2019 and 2020.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	Christine Caine (& Nicholas Caine)	(Activist, Evangelist, Speaker, Pastor Hillsong Church, Equip & Empower Ministries, A21, Propel Women, Zoe Churches)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	1 Ordained pastor. She is actively preaching to men. Egalitarian, rebels against male authority .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				2 At least two of her books had been copied from another author.	[1]
				3 Proponent of Word of Faith (Prosperity Gospel).	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				4 New Age practice of 'Impartation' .	[1] [2] [3]
				5 Spiritual daughter of Joyce Meyer . Co-authors.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				6 Collaboration with Beth Moore, Joel Osteen, Paula White, Priscilla Shirer, Rebecca McLaughlin, Robert Morris, Steven Furtick, T.D. Jakes.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]
	Steve Ciccolanti	(Speaker, End-Times Guru, Best-selling Author, 'Pastor')	[1] [2] [3]	1 His 'End Time University' is being led by · Jane McDonnough (Graduate Rhema Bible College by Kenneth E. Hagin), · Jim Kaseman (Graduate Rhema Bible College), · Wayne Cordeiro ('The Dream Releasers', 'Powerful Attitudes for a Successful Life', Preached at Rhema Bible Church dedicated by Kenneth E. Hagin). He himself studied at Rhema and openly promotes this fact and Word of Faith through his website.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11]
				2 His teachings on eschatology play fast and loose with conspiracy theories , spiritualized numerology, and space aliens. His speculations range from rational to bizarre.	[1] [2] [3] [4]
3 His bookstore includes the books 'Igniting Your Passion to Pray The Way of the Asuzu Street Revival', 'Trump's Pro-Christian Accomplishments', 'Trump's Unfinished Business'. Many of his teachings use and promote Donald Trump, specifically as a future 'ruler of the world' (name of satan) .				[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]	
4 3 times married, 2 times divorced , left wife for nanny, but self-declared expert in marriage counselling.				[1] [2] [3]	
5 He opposes gun control.				[1] [2] [3] [4]	
6 Teaches greed through 'Blockchain & Bitcoin from a Christian Perspective'.				[1] [2] [3]	
7 Rick Joyner is his 'guru'.				[1] [2] [3]	
8 Highest endorsement of Billy Graham .				[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
9 His received endorsements include Rev. Samuel Sia (Anglican), Wong Foo Mun (Presbyterian).				[1]	
Austria	Reinhard Hirtler (AU & BR & US)	(Pastor, Evangelist, 'Apostle', 'Prophet')	[1] [2]	1 Claims to have been teleported .	[1]
				2 Claims to have been dead for 4 hours and to have visited Heaven , having walked alongside Jesus and also spoken to Paul, Abraham, Moses and David.	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				3 Called a random congregation to become apostles and prophets, says that everyone can prophesy .	[1] [2]
				4 Ordained by Morningstar TV (Rick Joyner ; see separate discernment; NAR) where he worked for 8 years.	[1] [2]
				5 Prosperity Gospel Teacher " <i>Prosperity and divine provision are part of the redeeming gift that comes through the wonderful life of Christ.</i> "	[1] [2]
				6 Teaches 'Once-Saved-Always-Saved' heresy and Hyper-grace (nearly identical to Joseph Prince): " <i>A Christian going to a prostitute will still go to heaven without repentance</i> "; " <i>Christians are never punished by God</i> "; <i>Teaches that the New Covenant is not with the believer, but only between the Father and the Son; We do not follow any laws of Christ nor the Moral Law; "It is wrong to bless others"; "Christians do not suffer nor have trials"</i> .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10]
				7 Co-author of Mike Bickle in 'The Power to Forgive'.	[1]
				8 Founded the 'School of Supernatural / Prophecy' .	[1]
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Canada	Art Lucier (Arthur Lucier)	(Harvest Min. Int., School of The Prophets, Battle For Canada, Prophet, Pastor, Apostolic leader)	[1] [2] [3]	1	He teaches about grave sucking . He claimed that God told him to go on a "physical" hill and shoot "physical" arrows at the principalities.	[1] [2]	
				2	"Anointed" by Faytene Kryskow to have dominion over Canada . Close collaboration with her.	[1] [2]	
				3	He prophesied Leslyn Lewis to be Prime Minister of Canada and Trump to win the 2020 election.	[1] [2]	
				4	The School of the Prophets works with Jeremiah Johnson, Paul K. Davis, Stacey Campbell, ... see also Bethel for further comments on "Prophet Schools".	[1] [2]	
	Barry Wunsch	('Prophet', The Canadian Hammer)	[1] [2]	1	Dominionist . Claims to be the Canadian government of God to write the laws of righteousness into the land.	[1] [2]	
				2	His prophecies are published by Elijah list .	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
				3	He feeds conspiracy legacies concerning Trump.	[1]	
				4	He had a vision where he was inside Trump's heart and saw there the cross of Jesus Christ ...	[1]	
	Carolyn Weber	(Author of 'Surprised by Oxford', Professor, Speaker)	[1] [2]	1	She worships Mary, not Jesus . <i>"This virgin who gave me my "mojo", who gave me my God grove for which I had been built" ... " I looked at the statute of Mary, and she looked back. As I sat there, just the two of us, it occurred me: all for which she had labored ..." "For some reason, I felt more comfortable talking to Mary about this."</i>	[1]	
				2	She is most probably an undercover Jesuit: Her collection '10 Of My All Time Favorites' on Goodreads includes: 'Hearts on Fire: Praying with JESUITS'. She endorsed Anthony de Mello (JESUIT priest), Gerard Manley Hopkins (English poet and JESUIT priest), St. Ignatius (JESUIT), John of the Cross (JESUIT, mentored by Teresa de Avila), Mother Teresa (direct enabler of sexual abuser and JESUIT priest Donald McGuire), Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (French JESUIT priest, father of transhumanism) and Teresa of Avila (JESUIT confessor).	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
				3	She says about the latin mass <i>"It's so beautiful, I agree, but no one can understand it. Different generations flock to different service styles."</i>	[1] [2]	
				4	Adoration of the Pope <i>"I do find Pope always a good place to return to ;)"</i>	[1]	
			5	She described Catholicism and Protestantism as 'sects of the same creed'.	[1]		
			6	Female teacher and feminist . Teaching function at St Peter's College (Anglican). She "loves" Kathleen Norris, who is also a strong feminist and of the same spiritual walk. She endorsed Christina Rossetti (Feminists held her as symbol of constrained female genius and a leader among 19th-century poets).	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			7	She draws her inspiration from John Milton (Paradise Lost) and C.S. Lewis . She even attended CS Lewis Society meetings.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]		
			8	She promotes in her book fortune telling .	[1]		
			9	She endorses Augustine, Brennan Manning (Catholic priest), Francis Thompson (English poet and Catholic mystic), Madeleine L'Engle (Episcopal, Universalist), Thomas Merton (used the terms G*d / Krishna / Tao interchangeably), Friedrich Nietzsche, Sarah Young (Jesus Calling), Sigmund Freud, Samuel Taylor Coleridge (Anglican), Sheldon Vanauken (Anglican, co-author CS Lewis), Tolkien, and even quoted Jerome with the title 'saint' .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]		
David Demian (Mohsen) (CA & EG)	(Pastor, Dir. of Watchmen for the Nations, Common Wealth Church, Church of Zion)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]	1	Watchmen for the Nations is connected to New Life Fellowship with Patricia King and Stacey Campbell .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]		
			2	Adultery with numerous women; under the pretext of anointing them with his blessing; no repentance.	[1] most information systematically deleted		
			3	Spiritual Father of Faytene Kryskow .	[1] [2] [3]		
			4	"Close friends" with Dick and Joan Deweert .	[1]		
			5	Works with IHOP.	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			6	Works with Bill Johnson, Che Ahn and Heidi Baker .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]		
			7	<i>"In Hong Kong, Chuck Pierce placed the whirlwind shawl on David Demian's shoulder and declared that God has anointed him as His whirlwind for Asia."</i>	[1]		
			8	<i>"James Goll is a dear brother, and I appreciate this timely and relevant book ..."</i>	[1]		
			9	Collaboration with Art Lucier, Elijah List, Faytene, Sid Roth ...	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]		
Danielle Strickland	(Author, Church Planter, 'Bible Commentator', Justice Advocate, 'Major', Mission Developer, Speaker, 'Spiritual Leader', 'Teaching Pastor', Worship Leader)	[1] [2] [3]	1	Regular female teaching .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]		
			2	Made a public call for congregants to leave churches with male eldership only. Piloting a movement to launch female church planters . <i>"Jesus was a feminist."</i> Recommended the heretical book 'Why Not Women' (see discernment on books).	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			3	Collaboration with Christine Caine .	[1] [2]		
			3	Promotion of 'The Message' by Eugene Peterson.	[1]		
			4	Proponent of the Enneagram .	[1]		
			5	Active in Ecumenism ; collaboration with Alpha Course and Canadian Church Leaders Network.	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
Dick Deweert Joan Deweert	(Miracle Channel, Third Day Church)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8]	1	Extra-marital affair with a married woman made him resign from Miracle Channel.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]		
			2	False promises and using inappropriate fundraising tactics "God wanted them to cash in their RRSPs and donate the money to the station".	[1] [2] [3]		
			3	Collaboration with Patricia King , et al.	[1]		
Faytene Grasseschi (Faytene Kryskow)	(TV Host, Talk Shows, Author, Speaker, TheCry Movement, V-Kol Media Ministries)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1	Fake performance at "ordination" of Art Lucier and Jesus (!), only Faytene but no bystander is affected.	[1] [2] [3]		
			2	Promoter of Dominionism and New Apostolic Reformation (NAR) .	[1] [2]		
			3	Collaboration with Harvest Ministries, Art Lucier .	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			4	Collaboration with Stacey Campbell .	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			5	Collaboration with Patricia King .	[1]		
Glenda Dube	(Senior Pastor at Kingdom Harvest Ministries Int. / Destiny Center)	[1] [2] [3]	1	Female Pastor .	[1]		
			2	Proudly served alongside Benny & Henry Hinn at Vancouver Christian Center. Traveled on crusades; oversaw the altar ministry and prayer healing lines; oversaw the counting of the offerings.	[1]		
Henry Hinn (CA & IS)	(Brother of Benny Hinn, Founder of Vancouver Christian Center)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1	Partnership with Benny Hinn's ministry and active involvement in crusades. False healings and Prosperity Gospel .	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			2	People still slain in the spirit in 2021.	[1] [2]		
Hugh Ross	(Astrophysicist, Christian Apologist, Old-Earth Creationist)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1	He supports the Big Bang Theory - claims that the creation "days" of Gen 1 do not represent literal 24-hour periods.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]		
			2	<i>"There are about 12 species of bipedal primates that predated Adam and Eve but they're in the same category the chimpanzees orangutangs and the gorillas ... and they're roughly similar to us ..."</i>	[1]		
			3	Ross subtly equates science for nature - science and the Bible should be equated in authority.	[1] [2]		
			4	Teachers such as Jack Hayford and Wayne Grudem adapted his teaching.	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			5	Close collaboration with Francis Collins from BioLogos.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]		
			6	Guest at the infamous 700 Club .	[1]		
Jordan Peterson	(Author, Psychologist, Self-help Writer, Cultural Critic)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	1	His aim is not Christianity, but to rather develop an own religion. <i>"An analysis of the world's religious ideas might allow us to describe our essential morality and eventually develop a universal system of morality." He is not promoting the Bible, he is subverting people away from it.</i>	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			2	He is picking and choosing the parts of Christianity he likes. He denies that Jesus rose from the dead when asked "Do you believe that Jesus rose again from the dead" he answered: <i>"I cannot answer that question it depends on what you mean by Jesus ... I would say that at the moment I'm a gnostic about that issue"</i> .	[1] [2] [3]		
			3	He believes that the serpent in the Garden of Eden is actually an electrical force inside the human nervous system called Kundalini that ascends up the spine altering Consciousness and leading to human Enlightenment .	[1] [2]		
			4	<i>"I do kundalini yoga in the morning with my wife ... for 20 years, not every day but I'd say a third of the time."</i>	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]		
			5	Heavily influenced by Carl Jung's Psychotherapy (outmost heretical; called Ab***as a god higher than the Christian God and Devil who combines all opposites into one Being; embraces the gnostic Sophia). <i>"I mean people are very unsophisticated generally when they criticize Jung". "I also spent a lot of time reading Carl Jung."</i>	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]		
			6	<i>"You may know, you may not, that I'm an admirer of Nietzsche."</i> Nietzsche was a popular critic of Christianity <i>"God is dead"</i> .	[1] [2]		
			7	He directly promotes the Catholic 'Hallow' app for prayer and meditation (featuring Jonathan 'Jesus' Roumie, The Chosen), which involves Contemplative Prayer, the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Examen (Jesus origin), Spiritual Writing and Christian Meditation .	[1]		
			8	He promotes Elysium , the fountain of youth pill, and 'Body Armor built for everyday wear'.	[1] [2] [3]		
			9	He took over at Harvard Timothy Leary's previous position, who considered himself to carry out the work of the Satanist Aleister Crowley .	[1]		

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Canada	Ken Shigematsu (Author, Pastor Tenth Avenue Church)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1 He is "pursuing most monastic ideals".	[1]
			2 Teaches Spiritual Formation including Contemplative Prayer (Mysticism; repeat the name of 'Jesus' over and over) and Lectio Divina . Embraces proponents of CP such as Dallas Willard, Henri Nouwen, John Ortberg , Peter Scazzero (friends), Richard Foster and Richard Rohr.	[1] [2] [3]
			3 He spoke at The Apprentice Gathering (Spiritual Formation; see section 'movements').	[1]
			4 He did his dissertation on Teresa de Avila (First female Doctor of the Catholic church, Spanish Carmelite nun, prominent Spanish mystic, levitated, most probably demon-possessed) and St. John of the Cross (Spanish Catholic priest, mystic, and a Carmelite friar). Further studies on St. Benedict (Christian monk, venerated in the Catholic Church). 'Guest Author' at The Discerning Leader Podcast '.	[1] [2] [3]
			5 Spiritual Formation conference with John Mark Comer , Tyler Staton (Practicing The Way) and the Canadian Church Leaders Network .	[1] [2] [3] [4]
			6 Positively quotes in his book 'God In My Everything' Dallas Willard , Eugene Peterson (The Message), Richard Rohr (key figure of New Age), Joseph Martos (Catholic sacramental scholar).	[1] [2] [3] [4]
			7 Friendship and close collaboration with Darrell Johnson (CCLN).	[1] [2] [3] [4]
			8 He signed in 2016 a letter [see 1] from the Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver (only 5 signers), where the coming of Franklin Graham had been opposed for the wrong reasons, precisely for his opposition of Islam and homosexuality. Calvary Baptist Church, co-signer of the letter, is openly supporting homosexuality [see 2].	[1] [2] [3]
			9 Studied at the San Francisco Theological Seminary, an ecumenical Christian graduate school rooted in the Presbyterian Church. It specifically offers Spiritual Formation with a foundational course of ' Contemplative Listening '.	[1] [2] [3]
			Len Lindstrom (Leonard Lindstrom)	(Founder of World Harvest Outreach Ministries Inc, aka Len Lindstrom Global; CEO Liberty of Intl. Mineral Corp.)
2 Collected for a mining project \$18 million from 700 believers and 'lost' all the money. He took a salary of \$200,000 and a hummer. He promised a return of 20, 30, 50 times the investment .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]			
3 Faith healer. Dubious healing services . Use of x-rays found on Google. Et al.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]			
4 Prosperity Gospel teaching; Pentecostal .	[1] [2]			
Mark Buchanan	(Pastor, Author, Assist. Professor at Ambrose University, Contributor to the Leadership Journal and Christianity Today).	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	1 Book 'Your God is Too Safe': Foreword by Eugene Peterson . Includes witchcraft stories by C.S. Lewis.	[1]
			2 Encouraging, but problematic book ' The Rest of God '.	[1] [2] [3]
			3 Studied Master at Regent College (Catholicism, Mysticism, Contemplative Prayer, Eugene Peterson).	[1] [2]
			4 Abide Guest Author' at Leadership Transformations, which is offering Lectio Divina , also endorsed by Richard Foster .	[1] [2]
			5 Jason Ballard from Canadian Church Leaders Network (see movements) declared him to be ' <i>a guide in Christian mysticism, to be in one catalog with Ruth Haley Barton and Richard Foster</i> '. But Mark rejected this notion . His mother was indeed very much into 'Eastern Religions and Mysticism', it was through that quest that she and also he 'encountered Christ'. His wife functioned as his Spiritual Director and his 'guru'. But he appears to have made progress in over 14 years and to have distanced himself from mysticism.	[1] [2] [3]
			6 " Annie Dillard's (Catholic author) books are well worth reading."	[1]
			7 Friends and collaboration with Darrell Johnson and Ken Shigematsu (Tenth Church).	[1] [2] [3]
			8 Promotion of Pope Benedict XVI , Henri Nouwen ...	[1] [2]
Rene McIntyre	(Proph. Preacher, Senior Pastor and Founder of Trumpet Of Truth, Radio Show Host on Hope FM)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]	1 She told Canada to call for the evil spirit of Jehu .	[1] [2] [3] [4]
			2 False word over Canada, assigning the spirit of Jehu to Maxime Bernier.	[1] [2] [3]
			3 She uses a partially destroyed Bible (min 12:02).	[1]
			4 Promotion of Hank Kunneman doctrine.	[1]
Stacey Campbell (and Wesley Campbell)	(Prophetic Voice, Be A Hero & Revival Now Ministry, Dir. of Canadian Prophetic Council)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Shaking performance.	[1] [2] [3] [4]
			2 False prophecy about Todd Bentley .	[1] [2] [3] [4]
			3 Collaboration with Faytene Grasseschi .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
			4 Part of " Catholic Miracle Rally".	[1]
			5 Their book 'Praying the Bible' highly praises Teresa de Avila as 'great saint'; total of 4 quotes. The foreword is written by Mike Bickle (IHOP). Endorsement of projects of Johannes Hartl (House of Prayer Augsburg), Jean-Luc Trachsel and Ben Fitzgergald (Awakening Europe).	[1]
			6 Official endorsement of ' The Passion Translation ' on their website.	[1]
			7 Called out even by Benny Hinn as false teacher.	[1] [2]
Todd Bentley	("Faith Healer", Lakeland Florida Revivals, Fresh Fire)	[1] [2]	1 Both he and his wife are probably demon possessed .	[1] [2] [3] [4]
			2 Sexual misconduct , adultery , homosexuality & alcohol abuse .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
			3 He left his wife for a church intern .	[1] [2]
			4 Heavenly tourist , laying on an operating table.	[1]
			5 False healings . "Visited regularly by angels ."	[1] [2] [3]
			6 Former Hells Angels member.	[1]
Todd White (CA & US)	("Faith Healer", Pastor of Lifestyle Christianity Church)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1 Prosperity Gospel teacher (partly repented).	[1] [2] [3] [4]
			2 He called the documentary ' American Gospel ' demonically inspired and lied that he was never contacted. (It is fair to note that the documentary pushes a Calvinist doctrine and contains several errors).	[1] [2]
			3 Cold reading (techniques used by mentalists, psychics, fortune-tellers, and mediums).	[1] [2] [3]
			4 Leg-lengthening and various other fake healings.	[1] [2] [3] [4]
			5 Teaches outmost heresy .	[1] [2] [3] [4]
			6 Part of Gateway Church, pastored by Robert Morris .	[1] [2]
			7 Friends with his mentor Kenneth Copeland .	[1] [2] [3] [4]
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France	Brother Lawrence (died in 1691; but ongoing and even increasing influence through his teachings)	(Catholic Monk)	[1]	1 His unbiblical technique of Contemplative Prayer and Catholic Mysticism is increasingly being used by Beth Moore, Dallas Willard, Eugene Peterson, Henri Nouwen, John Ortberg, Richard Foster, Rick Warren, Ruth Haley Barton and Timothy Keller, and is a fundamental and inseparable part of the Emerging Church.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]				
				2 Mentored by Teresa of Avila on Jewish Kabbalistic Mysticism (Esoteric Mysticism; levitated !!! on a number of occasions).	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]				
				3 He showed regularly demon-possessed behavior.	[1] [2]				
				4 Wrote the popular and highly influential book ' Practicing the Presence of God '.	[1] [2] [3]				
Germany	Johannes Hartl (Gebetshaus Augsburg, House of Prayer, IHOP)	(Author, Catholic Theologian, Composer, Philosoph)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	1 Mike Bickle in his foreword to Stacey Campbell's book: <i>"In 2005 during a visit to IHOPKC, the vision became clear to JH that they needed to launch a 24/7 HoP with the spirituality of the Catholic charismatic renewal movement and a focus on Ecumenism."</i>	[1]				
				2 Contemplative Prayer, with the specifically mentioned origin in Teresa de Avila and Carmelite Mysticism . Other references are Johannes vom Kreuz , Henri Nouwen and Therese von Lisieux .	[1] [2] [3]				
				3 Strong proponent of ecumenism. The prayer house has been organizing the Ecumenical Conference MEHR since 2008.	[1] [2] [3] [4]				
				4 Wrote the catholic ' Mission Manifest ', mainly with Catholic theologians and specifically promoted with the Vatican.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]				
				5 They try to impress God with many words. <i>"In his prayer instructions, Hartl states that many Christians can no longer think of anything else to say to God after an hour and a half. In order to be able to continue praying, one should, according to Hartl, resort to speaking in tongues or to the Catholic rosary with its prayers to Mary. The ritual prayers of the Orthodox Church could also help here."</i>	[1]				
				6 In Hartl's book on the Catholic faith, he also promotes papal infallibility , celibacy (priestly renunciation of marriage) , the Catholic doctrine of purgatory , and prayer for the dead .	[1] [2]				
				7 Close collaboration with Jean-Luc Trachsel (co-authors of several books, repeatedly invited to preach at his ministry).	[1]				
				Marcus Rogers	(Musical Artist)	[1] [2] [3]	1 He continually twists Scripture .	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
							2 He frankly denies the Trinity .	[1] [2] [3]	
							3 He long maintained the Holy Spirit showed him that Trump would serve as president for another 4 years.	[1] [2]	
Frank Schäfer (US) Uwe Schäfer (DE)	(Frank is LGBTQ advocate; Uwe is Pastor)	[1] [2]	1 Frank: Tried and defrocked by a United Methodist court for officiating at his son's same-sex marriage .	[1] [2] [3]					
		[1]	2 Uwe: Openly defended the position of his brother and same-sex-marriage. Complementarian .	[1]					
René Wagner	(Senior Pastor Zeal Church)	[1] [2]	1 Strong proponent of the Enneagram .	[1] [2] [3] [4]					
			2 Several female (lead) pastors in his church.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]					
			3 Repeated promotion of Brian Houston , a 'role model'.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]					
			4 Works with Matt Olthoff, husband of the false teacher Bianca Olthoff .	[1] [2]					
			5 Rock concert under the pretext of 'church'. Blasphemed the Holy Spirit.	[1] [2]					
India	Mother Teresa (1910-1997)	(Catholic nun; Founder of the Missionaries of Charity)	[1] [2] [3]	1 In 1994, Mother Teresa argued that the sexual abuse allegations against Jesuit priest Donald McGuire were untrue. She wrote to the Jesuits urging his reinstatement and successfully enabled years of further abuse. When he was finally convicted in 2006 of sexually molesting multiple children, Teresa defended him again. He has been described as " perhaps the most egregious offender among American Jesuits " and was convicted after 40 years of horrific crimes to 25 years of prison .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]				
				2 "Mary ... is our patroness and our Mother, and she is always leading us to Jesus."	[1]				
				3 She was a Universalist. "All is God - Buddhists, Hindus, Christians, etc., all have access to the same God ." In her book 'Life in the Spirit: Reflections, Meditations and Prayers' she writes: "We never try to convert those who receive to Christianity but in our work we bear witness to the love of God's presence and if Catholics, Protestants, Buddhists, or agnostics become for this better men - simply better - we will be satisfied. [...] If he does not know any other way and if he has no doubt so that he does not need to search then this is his way to salvation ."	[1] [2]				
				4 She directly worshipped Buddha .	[1]				
				Sadhu Sundar Selvaraj	('A Prophet to the Nations', Founder of Jesus Ministries)	[1] [2]	1 He visited the Philippines in 2013 and warned about a ' flesh-eating disease ', that will spread all over the world. This did not happen, neither in the Philippines nor in the world.	[1] [2]	
							2 He stated that Trump is born again and is amongst only 5 in God's eyes righteous presidents in all US history.	[1]	
				Israel	Benny Hinn (Toufik Benedictus Hinn)	(Televangelist, Miracle Crusades)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Prosperity Gospel teacher --> "repented" in 2019, but still continues	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
								2 Prophesied that Jesus would physically appear in his crusades .	[1] [2] [3] [4]
3 His ministry was inspired by, and he regularly visits the grave of Kathryn Kuhlman .	[1] [2]								
4 God gave him a vision that he was outside of heaven . He then wrote a letter to all his partners and stopped his crusades.	letter not published								
5 He claims that by having enough faith, God will heal people through the agency of a healer like himself.	[1]								
6 Adultery with Paula White .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]								
7 Net worth of US\$60 million.	[1] [2] [3]								
8 He revealed Shawn Bolz and Stacey Campbell as false teachers (2021) ...	[1] [2]								
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Netherlands	Henri Nouwen (Henri Jozef Machiel Nouwen; 1932–1996)	(Celibate Homo-sexual Catholic Priest, Professor, Psychologist, Writer & Theologian)	[1] [2]	1 He was a Jesuit and studied at the 'Jesuit Aloysius College' in The Hague.	[1] [2]
				2 He taught Contemplative / Centering Prayer , Hesychasm and the Egyptian Desert Fathers and Mothers . Desert mysticism included cave-dwelling, starvation, and, at times, bodily mutilation.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]
				3 He endorsed Universalism " <i>all human beings can walk through that door, whether they know about Jesus or not</i> ".	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
				4 Endorsement of a book by Hindu spiritual teacher Elnath Easwaran (mantra meditation).	[1] [2]
				5 He openly embraced Buddhist concepts and asserted we can learn from them.	[1]
				6 Taught Kenosis (to empty one's mind) ; very similar to New Age/ Eastern meditation, but with Christian words).	[1] [2]
				7 " <i>Christ is the clown who came into our circus and made us laugh because he came to tell us that we are not what we perform. He came for the crying, the persecuted, the weak, the hungry, the poor. He who is called to be a minister is called to be a clown.</i> "	[1] [2]
				8 Characterized Thomas Merton (Buddhist - Catholic monk) as " <i>the greatest spiritual writer of the twentieth century</i> ".	[1]
				9 Collaboration with Richard Rohr (New Age) ; forward in book 'Following Jesus')	[1]
				10 Heavily promoted by the Canadian Church Leaders Network , Francis Chan , Gospel Coalition , Mike Bickle , Peter Scazzero , Ravi Zacharias , Richard Foster , Rick Warren , Timothy Keller et al.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
				11 He was a self-confessed homosexual who supported the idea of homosexual unions .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				12 In a 1994 survey of 3,400 U.S. Protestant church leaders, Nouwen ranked second only to Billy Graham in influence among them.	[1]
Nigeria	David Olaniyi Oyedepo (Papa Oyedepo; NG)	(Preacher, Christian Author, Founder of the Living Faith Church Worldwide , Bishop of Faith Tabernacle)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Prosperity Gospel teacher. "If you are not a tither, you end up a beggar."	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
				2 Oyedepo claimed that an embalmed man sneezed and came back to life, after his brother proclaimed that the ' God of Oyedepo ' is in the room.	[1] [2]
				3 Ordained as pastor by Kenneth Copeland .	[1] [2]
				4 He has referred as mentors: Kenneth Copeland , Kenneth Hagin , T.L Osborn , Smith Wigglesworth , Enoch Adeboye , Benson Idahosa .	[1] [2]
				5 Four private jets , estates, restaurants, shopping stores, bakery, processing plants, a petrol station, commercial properties and educational institutions, buildings in London and the United States et al ...	[1] [2]
				6 Net worth of US\$200 million.	[1] [2] [3]
	Enoch Adejare Adeboye ('Daddy G.O. '; NG)	(General Overseer at Redeemed Christian Church of God)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	1 Part of the Pentecostal Church (Latter Rain) . The slogan of his personal website is 'Let It Rain'.	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				2 Active role in the ecumenical movement. He works both for and with Islam . He blessed a spokesman of Boko Haram . He is also Advisory Board Member of the Inter-Parliamentary Coalition for Global Ethics.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
				3 Calls himself 'Daddy' = Father. Open idolatry & blasphemy through congregation praying in his name .	[1] [2] [3]
				4 Several false prophecies , often copied from developments previously announced in newspapers.	[1] [2]
				5 Openly teaches the Prosperity Gospel . Anyone who does not pay his tithes cannot be married in church.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
Sam Adeyemi (NG)	(Founder and Senior Pastor of Daystar Christian Centre , Author, Motivational Speaker, President of Success Power International)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10]	1 Abandoned his church silently. Refused in Aug 2020 to re-open 'due to safety concerns', despite the authorization by the Nigerian government. Only later it turned out that he was already living in Canada /US . Teaches since 2 years (update 10/2022) online from North America, where he heavily pro-motes his business model .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]	
			2 His books have titles such as 'Ideas Rule the World', 'Multiply Your Success', ' Parable Of Dollars ', 'Success Is Who You Are', ' Think And Succeed ', 'We Are The Government' ...	[1] [2] [3]	
			3 Prosperity Gospel "Sam would like to bless you with the Supernatural Promotion Series for love gift of \$20 or more."	[1] [2] [3]	
			4 Teaches the Law of Attraction .	[1]	
			5 Female pastors teaching at his church.	[1] [2]	
TB Joshua (real name: Temitope Balogun Joshua; 1963–2021) Evelyn Joshua	(Televangelist, Founder and Former Senior Pastor of Synagogue, Church of All Nations (SCOAN) , Self-Declared 'Prophet')	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1 He probably committed suicide (" <i>from a yet-to-be-publicly-disclosed ailment</i> ") after the BBC had done the first interview of their documentary released 2.5 years later.	[1] [2]	
			2 He claimed that every 2000 years comes a Messiah , and he is the next after Christ. Proclaimed that he was 'prophesied' 100 years prior. He also forced others to call him 'Daddy'.	[1]	
			3 His disciples lived with him in the church . The passports were taken, forbidden to sleep for more than a few hours at a time, specific dress code, no own phones / personal emails. Corporal punishment. Death threats for those who spoke up and/or being locked up for months or years. He randomly raped 4–5 disciples per week over a time of 15 years. Many forced abortions (at least 1 disciple with 3 abortions), having occurred inside clinic / church complex.	[1]	
			4 Brutal abuse of his illegitimate daughter since age 7, both by him and as commanded by his disciples.	[1]	
			5 Every church service consisted (and still consists!) of fake healings and exorcisms ., which drew followers from all over the world. Countless false prophecies .	[1] [2]	
			6 In 2014, one of his churches collapsed, killing at least 116 people . The church was culpable because of criminal negligence", but he never faced any charges. Widespread bribes to officials and people of power.	[1] [2]	
			7 After his death, the leadership limbo degenerated to a point where Joshua's disciples and prophets were attacked and harassed by the board loyal to his wife Evelyn, who is now leading the church by force. The disciples were evicted from the church, while others were held hostage in their rooms .	[1]	
			8 Net worth of US\$20 million.	[1]	
			9 Follows Andy Stanley , Creflo Dollar , Joel Osteen , Joyce Meyer , K. Copeland , T.D. Jakes , R. Morris .	[1] [2]	
			10 Success Power Int. offers ' How To Create The New You ', 'How To Build Self-Esteem For Success' and 'How to Change Your Mindset for Success'	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
Singapore	Joseph Prince (real name: Xenonamander Jegahusiee Singh)	(Lead Pastor New Creation Church)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Prosperity Gospel teacher. He states that God calls His people to enjoy wealth.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
				2 He claimed that God is not running the entire world.	[1] [2]
				3 He specifically taught that the Holy Spirit does not convict believers of their sin. " <i>Now pay attention to this because it will liberate you. The bottom line is that the Holy Spirit never convicts you of your sins. He never comes to point out your faults.</i> " From 'Destined To Reign', page 134	[1]
				4 Quotes from his book 'Destined to Reign': " <i>There is nothing but blessings for the believers.</i> " (p. 53), " <i>God will never judge America for her sins.</i> " (p. 49), " <i>Repentance and confession of sin are never necessary.</i> " (p. 53). " <i>Repentance just means changing your mind.</i> "	[1] [2]
				5 Hyper-Grace gospel. Grace and law are opposites.	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				6 Insider report from Kevin Kleint.	[1]
South Korea	Ock Soo Park	(Pastor, Founder of Good News Mission)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	▶ see section 'cults': Good News Mission (GNM) / Christian Leaders Fellowship (CLF) / International Mind Education Institute (IMEI)	
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Spain	Teresa of Ávila (Teresa Sánchez de Cepeda y Ahumada; 1515–1582)	(Prominent sixteenth century mystic and Carmelite nun)	[1] [2]	1 Key figure of Catholic and Christian Mysticism . Founded with the mystic John of the Cross the Discalced (without shoes) Carmelites, an order with roots in the eremitic tradition of the Desert Fathers . Her doctrine of asceticism is considered a classic explanation and exposition of the contemplative life .	[1] [2] [3]
				2 First female Doctor of the Catholic church – granted through Pope Paul VI in 1970.	[1] [2]
				3 She attended an Augustinian nuns' school.	[1]
				4 At the age of 41, fellow nuns and her priest confessors suggested that her newfound knowledge could be of diabolical and not of divine origin . She had begun to inflict mortifications of the flesh upon herself. But her confessor, the Jesuit Francis Borgia , reassured her of the divine inspiration of her thoughts.	[1] [2]
				5 Her spiritual adviser was the Franciscan priest, Peter of Alcantara, who is known to have undertaken cruel mortifications and who slept 1.5–2 hrs a night. For more than 20 years he wore an iron belt studded with sharp points which pierced his flesh, and for 40 years he daily scourged himself till he bled.	[1] [2] [3]
				6 She levitated on a number of occasions; at a height of about a foot and a half; for an extended period somewhat less than an hour, in a state of mystical rapture . She called the experience a “spiritual visitation”. It was a source of embarrassment to her and she bade her sisters hold her down when this occurred.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				7 People & organizations specifically endorsing her (and generally also Contemplative Prayer): Brennan Manning, Canadian Church Leaders Network, Dallas Willard, Elizabeth Gilbert, Eugene Peterson, Gareth Brandt, Henri Nouwen, James W. Goll, Johannes Hartl, John Mark Comer, Ken Shigematsu, Mike Bickle, Pete Greig with 24/7 Prayer, Peter Scazzero, Regent College Vancouver, Richard Rohr, Rick Warren, Stacey Campbell (called her a great saint), The Gospel Coalition (TGC), Thomas Merton, Timothy Keller, Tyler Staton ...	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11]
Switzerland	Jean-Luc Trachsel	(Director IAHM–Intl. Assoc. of Healing Min., Awakening Europe, G12 Movement, Global Evangelist Alliance, Europe Shall Be Saved, Van Der Steen Ministries)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]	1 Practices 'Cold Reading / Shotgunning' (techniques used by mentalists, psychics, fortune-tellers, and mediums; see also Shawn Bolz and Todd White).	[1]
				2 He studied at Oral Roberts University.	[1]
				3 Part of the Bethel Church team. Guest speaker for ' Miracle & Healing ' services.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
				4 Bill Johnson wrote the foreword for 'Moving into Miracles & Healings'; Heidi Baker for 'Behind the Scenes of a Miracle'. He also wrote a book together with James W. Goll, Johannes Hartl and Lou Engle .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				5 Guest at Sid Roth's show 'It's Supernatural'.	[1] [2]
				6 The Gebetshaus Augsburg (House of Prayer, IHOP) is "one of his favourite places" .	[1]
				7 Invitation of Benny Hinn, Bill Johnson, Heidi Baker, Johannes Hartl and Todd White to preach at his ministry.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				8 Highly praised Jack Hayford "as a source of inspiration to my own life and ministry" .	[1]
				9 Official endorsements through Bill Johnson, Wesley and Stacey Campbell , including a Dominican priest .	[1]
				10 He spoke at Amsterdam 2023 together with Bill Johnson, Christine Caine, E.A. Adeboye, Heidi Baker and Rick Warren (a conference 'inspired by Oral Roberts').	[1] [2]
United Kingdom	Charles Spurgeon (Charles Haddon Spurgeon; 1834–1892)	(Preacher, often called the "Prince of Preachers" – a title reserved for Christ only; Hymn writer, Author) The book 'Lectures to My Students', read in its entirety by the author of this ministry, provides a good insight into his personality.	[1] [2] [3]	1 <i>"I believe there will be more in heaven than in hell."</i> (<i>John Gill and Jonathan Edwards held similar heretical beliefs</i>). He essentially denies the 'narrow gate' CHRIST taught repeatedly.	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				2 Strong embrace of ecumenism. <i>"Luther was very wrong to nail up his thesis on the church door; he should have seen the Pope, and prayed with him!"</i>	[1]
				3 Open & regular endorsement of a Catholic mystic and co-founder of the Knights Templar , of Bernard of Clairvaux: <i>"What Protestant can refuse to love the holy Bernard? Was there ever a more consecrated servant of God or a dearer lover of Christ than he? Yet he was most sorrowfully in bondage to the superstitions of his age and of the Romish Church."</i>	[1] [2] [3]
				4 He was unashamedly a Augustinian / Calvinist . <i>"Calvinism is the true Gospel, not just a nickname". "Calvinism, then, is the spiritual meat which enables a man to labour on in the ways of 'Christian' service"</i> .	[1] [2] [3]
				5 Goes as far as to call Arminianism (his stereotype enemy, with a doctrine much closer to the Bible) a heresy. <i>"I was afraid the people might veer towards Antinomianism, an extreme as dangerous as Arminianism". "I do not serve the God of the Arminians at all; I have nothing to do with him, and I do not bow down before the Baal they have set up; he is not my God, nor shall he ever be; I fear him not, nor tremble at his presence."</i>	[1] [2] [3]
				6 Spurgeon declared: <i>"Augustine obtained his views, without doubt, through the Spirit of God, from the diligent study of the writings of Paul, and Paul received them of the Holy Ghost, from Jesus Christ."</i> > Augustine was without doubt or the slightest exaggeration one of the greatest antichrists in history. He was the father of most of Roman Catholic & Calvinism's practises and doctrines; see separate discernment. To credit Christ with Augustine's inspiration, is essentially blasphemy.	[1] [2]
				7 He taught Calvin's heresies: <i>"Hence, even infants bringing their condemnation with them from their mother's womb ... and therefore cannot but be odious and abominable to God."</i>	[1] [2] [3]
				8 He taught Grace only + no response (Unconditional Election, Sovereign Grace)	[1]
				9 He taught that Jesus came and died for the elect only (Limited Atonement; terminology originated with Manichaeism , taken over by Augustine and Calvin).	[1]
				10 Entire rejection of 'free will' – he calls it 'ridiculous'. A believer cannot reject the grace of God (Irresistible Grace).	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				11 Unbiblical ' Once-Saved-Always-Saved ' and ' Single-Tense-Salvation ' teaching, no one can fall away in his view. <i>The Bible is a lie and he himself will become an infidel, if he ever came to believe that even one saint of God has ever fallen finally.</i>	[1] [2]
				12 He believed in Total Depravity , that no one could come to God for salvation by his or her own volition.	[1]
				13 In his sermon titled with the verse of Mark 16:15 (where Jesus gave the Great Commission), he explicitly attacked the Great Commission by preaching against baptismal regeneration . When being challenged <i>"I hear you are in hot water"</i> , he answered <i>"Oh, no "it is the other fellows who are in the hot water. I am the stoker, the man who makes the water boil"</i> (clear reference to satanic origin)	[1] [2] [3]
				14 In parts great-, but sometimes also very condescending and hateful preaching with words such as 'fools', 'idiots' or 'ridiculous'. Quote: <i>"a conspicuous absence of brains; brethren who would talk for ever and ever upon nothing ... not capable of conceiving or uttering five consecutive thoughts, whose capacity is most narrow and their conceit most broad ... these brethren will do quite as well without education as with it, and therefore I have usually declined their applications."</i>	[1]
				15 He was both overweight and a chain-smoker (as he stated <i>"to the glory of God" ...</i>), an addiction that may have contributed to his death at young age of 57 yrs.	[1]
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<p>United Kingdom</p> <p>Bono (Paul David Hewson)</p>	<p>(Irish singer-songwriter and activist; lead singer of the rock band U2; he seems for many Evangelicals to represent Christianity)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>1 U2 made the Coexist movement popular. Pointing to the cross, the star of David, and Islam's crescent star, Bono said, <i>"Jesus, Jew, Muhammad, it's true. All sons of father Abraham."</i></p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]</p>
			<p>2 Friendship between him (the band U2) and Eugene Peterson. Heavy endorsement of The Message bible. Peterson says that U2 has a prophetic voice to the world and that Bono is a prophet like John the Baptist (foreword to Get Up Off Your Knees: Preaching the U2 Catalog).</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p>
			<p>3 Rob Bell told that the first time he experienced 'God' was at a U2 concert ... Bono is often endorsed or interviewed by Emerging Church leaders such as Bill Hybels, Brian McLaren, Brian Walsh, Rick Warren, Tony Campolo ...</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
			<p>4 Bono was raised Catholic by Catholic / Anglican parents. He met in private with several popes and attended the mass in Bogotá. Bono describes himself as a <i>"half-Catholic"</i>, and in visiting the Pope (in 2002) he said <i>"I was very glad to be in his presence"</i>, and <i>"I felt he has very sincere beliefs"</i>. At one of his concerts, Bono called out the name of the Pope, - <i>"John Paul"</i> to the crowd and described him as <i>"an Italian who knew the right person [Jesus] to get into heaven."</i> Bono is also featured in the Alpha Course and worshiped by Christianity Today, which are both heavily influenced by Catholicism.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p>
			<p>5 He substitutes Karma for Jesus as the heart of the universe and quotes the Koran.</p>	<p>[1]</p>
			<p>6 U2 website: <i>"On Friday Ireland votes in an historic referendum on legalizing same-sex marriage. Here's what the band say: #voteYes."</i></p>	<p>[1]</p>
			<p>7 He invented the character "Macphisto" and wore a gold lamé suit with gold platform shoes, pale makeup, lipstick, and devil's horns on his head. As such, he made it a routine to make in-concert prank calls, targeting local politicians and mocking them by engaging them in character as the devil.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p>
			<p>8 Bono in an interview: <i>"It's funny, my mother used to call me the Antichrist."</i> When asked, <i>"Who's closer to God, Blur or Oasis?"</i> Bono answered, <i>"Well first of all, I am God. And Liam is my only son."</i></p> <p>When awarded the honorary knighthood by the British crown for his humanitarian work, he said, <i>"You have permission to call me anything you want except sir."</i> Bono then suggested the following titles for himself, <i>"Lord of lords, your demigodness."</i></p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p>
			<p>9 The band intended to erect their own tower (skyscraper) in Dublin.</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
<p>C.S. Lewis (Clive Staples Lewis; 1898–1963; ongoing influence)</p> <p><i>Tott Ministries: "He was no evangelical. His theology is deficient at best in the key areas of Scripture and salvation. Those who read him must filter his teaching through the grid of Scripture and hold him to the same standards that we are to hold all others."</i></p> <p><i>Because Lewis was a man with an incredible ability to package his insights in thought-provoking ways does not mean that what he writes always aligns with God's Word. He was a man who had keen analytical abilities and incredible writing gifts. But he was a man who rejected or minimized many of the most important truths given to us by God.</i></p>	<p>(Author, Lay Theologian, Professor at Oxford U.)</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p>	<p>1 Strongly influenced by George MacDonald (a universalist) who once wrote: <i>"Adam was married to a demon named Lilith before he married Eve ... the devil will eventually be redeemed."</i> The character of Lilith shows up in "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe, as the mother of the white witch.</p>		
		<p>2 "Christianized" white witchcraft. Wrote the heretical book series (Chronicles; Narnian; The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe) long after his 'conversion' in 1931 and 8 years -after- 'Mere Christianity'.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11]</p>	
		<p>3 Lewis dedicated his autobiography to Bede Griffiths, who founded a 'Christian ashram' in India. Lewis: <i>"Hindu temples are a sacrament." ... "No one can say in the proper sense that the Hindu, the Buddhist or the Muslim is an unbeliever. I would say rather that we have to recognize him as our brother in Christ."</i></p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p>	
		<p>4 <i>"Pagan religions have truths." ... "Christianity fulfilled paganism"</i>.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p>	
		<p>5 <i>"Tao contains the highest morality of all religions"</i>.</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	
		<p>6 He presented 2 Roman gods (***) , as visible angelic deities on Planet Venus in his book, Perelandra.</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	
		<p>7 He denied the literal Adam and Eve; theistic evolutionist. <i>"Events found in the first three chapters of Genesis are true myths". "Man is physically descended from animals". "God perfected the animal form which was to become the vehicle of humanity and the image of Himself."</i></p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]</p>	
		<p>8 <i>He believed Jesus was mistaken about the timing of his Second Coming (Mat 24:34 "Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away ..."), simply because Lewis did not know how to interpret the term 'generation' (see Isa 51:8-9 in the Greek OT). Lewis stated: "And he [Jesus] was wrong. He clearly knew no more about the end of the world than anyone else. It is certainly the most embarrassing verse in the Bible."</i></p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>	
		<p>9 He rejected biblical inerrancy and believed in neither <i>sola fide</i> nor <i>sola scriptura</i>.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p>	
		<p>10 <i>"Purgatory (Catholic doctrine) is a real place." "Of course I pray for the dead. The action is so spontaneous, so all but inevitable, that only the most compulsive theological case against it would deter me. And I hardly know how the rest of my prayers would survive if those for the dead were forbidden. At our age, the majority of those we love best are dead. What sort of intercourse with God could I have if what I love best were unmentionable to Him?" [>> very, very clever language manipulation!!!]</i></p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]</p>	
		<p>11 Very close friends with J.R.R. Tolkien (Very strict Roman Catholic; all his writings are consistent with RC doctrine and ideology; instrumental in bringing Lewis to 'Christianity', but disappointed that he became 'only' Anglican and not a full RC).</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p>	
		<p>12 J.K. Rowling (author of demonic Harry Potter series): <i>"C.S. Lewis is one of my two favorite authors!"</i></p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	



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United Kingdom	J. K. Rowling (Joanne Rowling)	(Author, Philanthropist, Film Producer, Screenwriter)	[1] [2]	1 "I feel very drawn to religion, but at the same time I feel a lot of uncertainty. I live in a <i>state of spiritual flux</i> . I believe in the permanence of the soul."	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				2 Central themes of her books are: black magic, communing with the dead and spirit world, curses, divination, evolution, mother goddess, occult symbolism, reincarnation, seasonal nature celebrations, sorcery, witchcraft, wizardry . Lead roles are played by wizards, witches / other magical creatures. Characters cast spells, read crystal balls . There is no higher power to answer to at all. No contradiction between two categories of 'good' and 'malevolent' witchcraft. The books are orientational and instructional manuals of witchcraft woven into the format of entertainment.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12] [13]
				3 The first 6 books have no single mention of God or Scripture, though being purely spiritual books.	[1]
				4 She stated that " <i>God is a black woman</i> ".	[1] [2] [3] [4]
	J. R. R. Tolkien (John Ronald Reuel Tolkien; 1892-1973)	(English writer and philologist. Author of the high fantasy works 'The Hobbit' and 'The Lord of the Rings')	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1 He was one of The Jerusalem Bible translators , a Catholic Bible with 73 books. The translators claimed that Moses did not write the Pentateuch (a theory discredited by Jesus Himself in Mar 12:26).	[1] [2]
				2 His strict Catholicism was a significant factor in C. S. Lewis's conversion from atheism to '~Christianity', although he was dismayed that Lewis chose to join 'only' the Church of England. In the last years of his life, Tolkien resisted the liturgical changes implemented after the Second Vatican Council, especially the use of English for the liturgy; he continued to make the responses in Latin, loudly, ignoring the rest of the congregation .	[1]
				3 His oldest son John Francis Reuel Tolkien became a Roman-Catholic priest. There were a number of legal allegations of child sexual abuse against him.	[1] [2]
				4 He invented his own languages (12 languages) , clearly showing his unbiblical intentions by propelling the consequences of the Tower of Babel even further, to create more confusion in the world.	[1] [2] [3]
				5 The elves in his books present an atmosphere of spirituality, and Tolkien creates a sort of religion or religious system with the "gods" of Middle Earth, such as El***th, Gil***iel , etc., whom the characters pray to and draw on for strength.	[1]
				6 His books are consistent with Roman doctrine and ideology. Although his followers often consider his books to have a Christian theme, none of his books actually includes any element of the redemption of evil men. None of the characters are redeemed or changed. NONE. Good characters remain good; evil characters remain evil.	[1]
7 From an atheist [see article 1]: " <i>Over and over, 'Christian' fans tried to get Tolkien to confess to Christianity in his work.</i> " When Tolkien finally 'agreed' in a letter to a Catholic father who also pushed him on this, ' <i>Christians' had their smoking gun. This became all the proof needed of whatever 'Christian' ideas any Christian would ever bring to Tolkien's work.</i> "				[1]	
8 Close friend of C. S. Lewis, a co-member of the informal literary discussion group The Inklings.				[1]	
N. T. Wright (Nicholas Thomas Wright, Tom Wright)	(New Testament scholar, Pauline theologian and Anglican bishop)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1 He publishes under 2 different names.	[1] [2]	
			2 He stated in his book 'Simply Christian' that the Quran is a 'majestic document' .	[1]	
			3 He stated that the Bible is not inspired, specifically not infallible nor inerrant . He goes as far as to make fun of those Protestants who think otherwise, declaring them as people who believe in 'long-range linguistic thunderbolts' having come down to the authors of the Bible . His conclusion is that God provided the ' <i>energy</i> ' for the writing, but that every writer wrote essentially what was on his heart . The Bible was then assembled through a process of editing back and forth ...	[1]	
			4 He rejects the 7-day-creation account in Genesis. He partners with Biologos and even sang a ' Genesis Song ' with Francis Collins [3]: <i>"Genesis. Earth and Heaven in a cosmic kiss. Evolution must have been like this. Oh, I believe in Genesis. DNA shaping creatures from the dust and clay. Double helix in the Milky Way. Oh, Genesis means DNA. How He made it all 14 billion years ago. [...] In a trice, didn't listen to divine advice. Einstein wondered whether God played dice. We're trapped within a world of vice. Why they had to fall? I don't know – it doesn't say. They did something wrong ..."</i>	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			5 He promotes the highly problematic practice of ' Lectio Divina ' (see Catholic Mysticism).	[1]	
			6 He stated that it does not matter if you call the Communion now ' Mass ' or with any other name.	[1]	
			7 He endorsed Calvin through the questionable quote '~if God is the Father, then the church is the mother '.	[1]	
			8 Several doctrinal issues which are not included here.	[1]	
Pete Greig			see 'Organizations' > 24/7 Prayer		
Tomi Arayomi	("Prophet", Director of Prophetic Voice TV)	[1] [2] [3]	1 School with mission to 'train people to be prophets and prophets to be people'. See also Bethel for further comments.	[1]	
			2 He repeatedly prophesied that Trump will win 2020.	[1]	
William Barclay (1907-1978)	(Author, Radio & TV Presenter, Church of Scotland minister, Professor of Divinity and Biblical Criticism at the University of Glasgow)	[1]	1 Universalist . " <i>I am a convinced universalist. I believe that in the end all men will be gathered into the love of God.</i> "	[1] [2]	
			2 Evolutionist . " <i>We believe in evolution, the slow climb upwards of man from the level of the beasts. Jesus is the end and climax of the evolutionary process ...</i> "	[1]	
			3 He was also " <i>reticent about the inspiration of Scripture and critical of the doctrine of substitutionary atonement.</i> "	[1]	
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<p>United States</p>	<p>Allen Parr</p>	<p>(YouTuber, Speaker, Teacher)</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>	<p>1 Christians ought to “eat the meat and spit out the bones” when sitting under Christian teaching. Parr describes the act of calling out false teachers as a “fallacy,” claiming that it causes others to miss out on the “blessing” and “value” of the true things the false teacher will inevitably say. <i>"Whenever you do listen to Andy Stanley you will be able to say ... I agree with most of what they're saying and I got value from that ..."</i></p> <p>2 Openly teaches 'Once-Saved-Always-Saved'. <i>"Once you become a genuine follower of Jesus Christ it is absolutely impossible for you to lose salvation"</i>.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>
	<p>Andrew Wommack (Murray)</p>	<p>(TV Evangelist, Faith Healer)</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>	<p>1 Prosperity and false teaching in sermons and books.</p> <p>2 He claims that the biggest false teaching in the body of Christ is “The sovereignty of God”.</p> <p>3 Christians not supporting Trump have a 'demonic deception'. Supporter of voter fraud conspiracies.</p> <p>4 Wommack founded with Lance Wallnau the 'Truth and Liberty Coalition' ('Seven Mountain Mandate').</p> <p>5 2020 Tax Filings: Support of Jesse Duplantis (\$20,000), Kenneth Copeland Min (\$360,000).</p> <p>6 Net worth of US\$15 million.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p>
	<p>Andy Stanley</p>	<p>(Pastor of Northpoint Church, Author)</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>	<p>1 Denies the authority of the Bible; Christians should focus on the resurrection and not rely on the Bible.</p> <p>2 In his book 'Irresistible: Reclaiming the New that Jesus Unleashed for the World', he states <i>"The Ten Commandments have no authority over you. None. To be clear: Thou shalt not obey the Ten Commandments" (p. 136)</i>.</p> <p>3 Strongly supports homosexuality in his church. Baptism of an unrepented person.</p> <p>4 Denies the virgin birth of Jesus Christ.</p> <p>5 Endorses pro-feminist worldview.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p>
	<p>Beth Moore</p>	<p>(American Evangelist, Author, Bible Teacher)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>1 Calls Christians opposed to homosexuality 'Hyper-Fundamentalists' !!!</p> <p>2 Egalitarian; advocacy for women preachers.</p> <p>3 She is preaching to men.</p> <p>4 She is using Marxist, Feminist, Social Justice talking points instead of Scripture.</p> <p>5 Claims to have received a direct vision (from God).</p> <p>6 Supports Jen Hatmaker, Joel Osteen and Joyce Meyer.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p>
	<p>Bill Hybel</p>	<p>(Author, Minister)</p>	<p>[1]</p>	<p>1 Severe allegations of sexual misconduct; adultery with Nancy, wife of John Ortberg; ongoing denial and no repentance.</p> <p>2 Contemplative / Emerging Spirituality.</p> <p>3 Problematic theology.</p> <p>4 Bill Hybels approves problematic teachers such as T.D. Jakes, Robert Schuller, Rick Warren, Jim Wallis, Brian McLaren, Rob Bell, Peter Wagner et al ...</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1]</p>
	<p>Bill Johnson</p>	<p>(Leader of Bethel Church, co-Founder BSSM)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>1 False & Prosperity Gospel teaching at Bethel church.</p> <p>2 Unabashed promotion of New Age in his book 'The Physics of Heaven'.</p> <p>3 Liturgical Prayer to the God of Mammon.</p> <p>4 Church staff put gold dust in the ventilation system.</p> <p>5 Part of the New Apostolic Reformation (NAR).</p> <p>6 Spoke at the 2020 Southwest Believers' Convention of Kenneth Copeland. "I Have absolutely fallen in love with this man, who is a genuine believer".</p> <p>7 Close collaboration with IHOP.</p> <p>8 Official endorsement of 'The Passion Translation' on their website. <i>"One of the greatest things to happen with Bible translation in my lifetime."</i> He writes blog articles for Brian Simmons.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]</p>
	<p>Billy Graham (William Franklin Graham Jr.; 1918-2018; his son Franklin Graham is following his father's steps in many erroneous ways)</p>	<p>(Evangelist, among the most influential Christian leaders of the 20th century)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>1 Strong tendency towards Universalism. He suggested that people without explicit faith in Jesus can be saved.</p> <p>2 Key figure in the ecumenical movement. He has often expressed his belief that Catholics who are faithful to Roman Catholic teachings are saved. <i>"I find myself closer to Catholics than the radical Protestants."</i> <i>"I can now have complete fellowship with roman catholic people and there are no barriers that existed 10 years ago, I think all of that is to the good"</i>. He even used Roman Catholic lay people as altar workers (counselors) at his crusade meetings. On at least one occasion a Roman Catholic priest would serve as the supervisor of all of counselors at a Graham crusade.</p> <p>3 Close collaboration with the Vatican and the Pope (since the 1950's). Several meetings with the Pope. The Pope: <i>"Listen Graham, we are brothers."</i> In 1997, Larry King interviewed Billy Graham: <i>"You like this Pope?" "I like him very much. . . . He and I agree on almost everything."</i> Interview in 1999: <i>"I would pick Pope John Paul II as the man of the century."</i> Graham after the Pope's death: <i>"I almost feel as though one of my family members has gone. I loved him very much ..."</i></p> <p>4 When the author of the 'Halley's Bible Handbook' died, Billy Graham bought the rights, and removed all the research and warnings about the Jesuits in the editions he printed. According to Mrs. Halley, her husband spent years working on those chapters and would have never permitted the book to be changed.</p> <p>5 He said at the National Council of Churches on June 12, 1966, that <i>"I don't know of anyone who had done more for the kingdom of God than Norman and Ruth Peale or have meant any more in my life for the encouragement they have given me."</i> Norman Vincent Peale is publically known to be a lifelong Mason (33°) ranging all common grades and innumerable accolades. The Knights Templar, appointed him Grand Prelate for the 1970-1973 triennium.</p> <p>6 In 1969, with his friend Nixon finally in the Oval Office, Graham advised him to try and end the Vietnam conflict in a blaze of glory, with a bombing campaign that Nixon himself estimated would kill one million civilians. Such an act, Graham wrote, <i>"could overnight destroy the economy of North Vietnam"</i>.</p> <p>7 Billy Graham was raised in the Reformed Presbyterian Church, and ordained as Southern Baptist minister. He spoke at 13 SBC annual meetings, served as a trustee of two SBC entities. He even was nominated for SBC president in 1963.</p> <p>8 Billy Graham trained women pastors and he endorsed the preaching Ministry of his daughter, saying that Anne is the best preacher in in the Graham Family.</p> <p>9 He taught theistic evolution.</p> <p>10 He mentored Rick Warren and was very close to him.</p> <p>11 He promoted the Alpha Course.</p> <p>12 Estimated \$25 million net worth. He received a whopping total of \$1.2 million in 2008 and \$880,000 in compensation in 2014.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p>
	<p>Brandan Robertson</p>	<p>(Senior Pastor of Missiongathering "Christian" Church, Author, LGBTQ activist)</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>	<p>1 Preaches a 'radical inclusivity of all people regardless of gender identity or sexual orientation'.</p> <p>2 Preaches polygamy and polyamory. "For those who are in an open or polyamorous relationship ... Your relationships are holy."</p> <p>3 Assigned the terms 'gay and racist' to Christ.</p> <p>4 Pro-choice activist. Denies personhood of embryos.</p> <p>5 Author of books such as 'True Inclusion', 'A Christian Case for LGBT+ Inclusion in the Church', 'The Courage to Be Queer' or 'Gay and Christian, No Contradiction'.</p> <p>6 Directly associates the Holy Spirit with Buddha. All ways lead to Christ. Universalist.</p> <p>7 His mentors include Rob Bell. Collaboration with Richard Rohr. Promotion of several Bart Ehrman books (Strong opponent of Christianity).</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p>

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United States	Brian Simmons	(Stairway Ministries, Lead Translator of TPT)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Strongly unbiblical ' Passion Translation '; 50% longer than the Bible; wrongly claimed credentials.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				2 Promotion of a ' Mark of Christ '.	[1] [2]
				3 Misuse of "spiritual gifts".	[1]
				4 Part of NAR Movement; works under Che Ahn and with Sid Roth , et al.	[1] [2] [3]
				5 He claims that Jesus visited him and will give him another chapter of John 22 .	[1] [2] [3] [4]
	Bruce Metzger (1914–2007)	(Presbyterian scholar, Bible translator and textual critic)	[1]	1 He denied biblical inerrancy and blatantly denied the infallible inspiration of the Bible. He advocated that Matthew incorporated errors in his genealogy of Christ.	[1] [2]
				2 He sat on the ecumenical committee of the NRSV translators amongst Catholics . Earlier in 1973, he was already at the forefront of producing 'the Ecumenical Edition' of the RSV and personally presented a copy to Pope Paul VI . In a private audience granted to a small group, Pope Paul accepted the RSV 'Common' Bible as " <i>a significant step in furthering ecumenical relations among the churches</i> ".	[1]
				3 He co-edited the New Oxford Annotated Bible RSV, which was the first Protestant annotated edition of the Bible to be approved by the Roman Catholic Church . Metzger and May claim the O.T. contains " <i>a matrix of myth, legend, and history</i> ", deny the worldwide flood (" <i>heightened version of local inundations</i> "), call Job an "ancient folktale" , claim there are two authors of Isaiah , call Jonah a "popular legend" ...	[1] [2]
				4 He was was general editor of the Reader's Digest Bible , which cuts out about 55% of the Old Testament and another 25% of the New Testament (including Rev 22:19, which says "if anyone takes away from the words ..."). He questioned in this Bible the authorship, traditional date, and supernatural inspiration of books penned by Moses, Daniel, Paul, James, and Peter .	[1] [2] [3]
				5 Bart Ehrman was one of his students at Princeton .	[1] [2]
				6 Metzger was mentioned in Christianity Today as one of the "highly skilled, believing scholars" of our day.	[1]
	Carolina Leaf (US & SA)	(Author, Self-Proclaimed Neuroscientist)	[1] [2]	1 False title 'cognitive neuroscientist'.	[1] [2]
2 " DNA actually changes shape according to our thoughts ." " 75 to 98 percent of mental and physical illness comes from one's thought life ".				[1] [2]	
3 She distorts Scripture to the extreme.				[1] [2] [3] [4]	
4 Collaboration with Kenneth Copeland, Sid Roth, T.D. Jakes .				[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
Charlie Shamp	(Self-Proclaimed "Prophet", Destiny Encounters)	[1]	1 Failed prophecy about 2018 Hurricane Michale and many other events.	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			2 Prophesied that Trump will be re-elected. God would post a double rainbow around the White House as a sign.	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
Che Ahn (US & SK)	(Prophet, Senior Pastor Harvest Rock Church, Chancellor, Author)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Commissioned Todd Bentley as Apostle.	[1] [2] [3]	
			2 Collaboration with Elijah List, Eric Metaxas, Chuck Pierce, Bill Johnson and Lance Wallnau .	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			3 Part of the New Apostolic Reformation (NAR) .	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			4 Official endorsement of ' The Passion Translation ' on their website. " <i>I believe TPT will be the Bible of choice for the next Jesus people movement</i> ." Writes blog articles for Brian Simmons.	[1] [2] [3]	
Chuck D. Pierce	(Glory of Zion International Ministries, Global Spheres)	[1] [2]	1 He wrongly claimed in 03/2020 to have prophesied in 09/2019, that "plague-like" conditions would hit the Earth through February, March, and April.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
			2 He claimed that Passover 2020 would be the turning point for the virus. The US was hit immediately after.	[1] [2] [3]	
			3 Part of New Apostolic Reformation (NAR) .	[1] [2]	
			4 Official endorsement of ' The Passion Translation ' on their website.	[1]	
Cindy Jacobs	("Prophet", Generals of Intercession, Author, Speaker, and Teacher)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Self-appointed apostle and prophet . Part of the NAR .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
			2 False teachings, heresy .	[1]	
			3 Numerous false prophecies .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
			4 False prophecy about Zimbabwe.	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			5 Claims to be able to raise dead children through TV.	[1]	
Creflo Dollar (Michael Whitaker Smith)	(Televangelist, Pastor)	[1] [2]	1 Little gods theology.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
			2 Every Christian ought to speak in tongues. Improper use of tongues during service.	[1] [2] [3]	
			3 Prominent & successful teacher of the Prosperity Gospel. " <i>Jesus bled and died for us so that we can lay claim to the promise of financial prosperity</i> ."	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8]	
			4 False recantation of misleading his congregants. Only a 'misunderstanding', he does not apologize. Call to throw books away, but not a single video deleted from his channel.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]	
			5 " <i>Jesus wants me to have this \$65 million private jet</i> ." Owns also two Roll-Royces.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]	
			6 Creflo Dollar is worth a whopping \$27 million as of July 2022.	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
Dallas Willard (died in 2013; left on list because of ongoing influence)	(Philosopher, Author)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Editor of the heretical ' The Spiritual Formation Study Bible '; see also Richard Foster.	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			2 Founding member of Renovaré.	[1]	
			3 He holds to either ' Christian Universalism ' or the Wider Mercy doctrine. " <i>I believe that everyone who deserves to be saved will be saved no matter where they are or what they do</i> ." " <i>It is possible for someone who does not know Jesus to be saved</i> ."	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	
			4 Was part of the Emerging church / Contemplative Prayer (mystical experience with God; very similar to meditative exercises used in Eastern religions and New Age cults).	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]	
			5 " <i>Bible Study and prayer are not as important to the Christian life as silence and solitude</i> ."	[1] [2]	
			6 Spiritual twin of Richard Foster; worked with John Ortberg; recommended Bill Hybels, Ruth H. Barton ...	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
David John Stewart (Guam)	('Discernment' websites administered by him; with similar content but differently organized: Dividedbytruth.org Jesus-is-savior.com JesusIsPrecious.org Lovethetruth.com Soulwinning.info)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1 " <i>Thank God for Pastor Steven L. Anderson (see below), whom I admire tremendously!</i> "	[1] [2] [3]	
			2 " <i>Satan has compelled sinful man, through the love of money, to publish 900 English Bible translations. My friend, there is only one King James Bible, because God only wrote one book</i> ."	[1] [2]	
			3 <i>Those who do not embrace Easy Believism embrace "another gospel". "I am going to Heaven, regardless of how I live. But you say, that's crazy! No! That's Bible!</i> "	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
			4 Advocate for the heresy of Pelagianism. "The concept of original sin is demonic."	[1] [2] [3]	
			5 " <i>Beware of the devil's Young Earth Creation Heresy</i> ".	[1]	
			6 Indicted on a criminal sexual conduct charge involving a minor.	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			7 He recommends the heretical movie 'The Man from Earth' on his website and claims to have watched it several dozen times.	[1]	
			8 Divorced .	[1]	
			9 " <i>I personally am not a Christian or a member of any religion</i> "	[1] [2]	
Donald Trump (not a 'teacher', but a self-declared Christian; discerned on that basis)	(Former US President)	[1]	1 1966: He studied at a Jesuit liberal arts college (Fordham College at Rose Hill (FCRH)).	[1] [2]	
			2 1970s: His parents joined the Marble Collegiate Church (Dutch Calvinist) in New York, after reading the book 'The Power of Positive Thinking' (Gospel of Self-Esteem, Pantheism, Humanism) from Norman Vincent Peale. Peale served there as senior pastor from 1932 to 1984 and is publically known to be a lifelong Mason (33°) ranging all common grades and innumerable accolades. The Knights Templar , appointed him Grand Prelate for the 1970-1973 triennium (the time his parents joined).	[1] [2]	
			3 1977: Trump married his first wife Ivana at this church. The ceremony was performed by Peale . His two sisters, Maryanne and Elizabeth, were also married there. Trump and his parents were mentored by Peale until his death in 1993.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
			4 06/2015: Trump highly praised Peale as " <i>one of the greatest speakers</i> " he'd ever seen [1], identified himself as Presbyterian and as active member of the Marble Collegiate, but the church had then not anymore a record of him being a member. In 07/2015 he admitted that he never repented [no salvation without repentance] " <i>Why do I have to repent or ask for forgiveness, if I am not making mistakes?</i> ".	[1] [2]	
			5 Also in 06/2015, he said that moderator Kelly had " <i>blood coming out of her eyes, blood coming out of her wherever</i> " while questioning him during the debate.	[1]	
			6 In 06/2016, Paula White (mouthpiece for Mother Moon and Han, the ~only begotten daughter~ of God) was credited by James Dobson for having converted Trump to 'Christianity'. She also provided the invocation prayer during Trump's inauguration ceremony.	[2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	
			7 He secretly mocks his Christian supporters and called Christianity and its religious practices 'bs', then soon after posing as a fervent believer.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
			8 His Spiritual Advisory Board consists of problematic teachers (mostly Prosperity Gospels) such as Guillermo Maldonado (NAR), James Dobson (Humanist), Paula-White, Kenneth Max Copeland (WoF), Ralph Reed (Indian gambling), Robert Jeffress (False prophet), Jerry Falwell Jr. ("DT lives a life of loving and helping others as Jesus taught in the Great Commandment"), Franklin Graham (Puppet of the RCC), Mark Burns (False curriculum), Robert Morris (WoF) ...	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10]	
			9 Praise of the heretical ' Mother Moon / Unification Church ' (see separate discernment; also strongly supported by Paula White). Keynote speech at their 2021 / 2022 conference [see 12].	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12] [13]	
			10 Intended sale of his property 'Mar-a-Lago' to the Unification Church .	[1]	
			11 " <i>As your president, I will do everything in my power to protect our LGBTQ citizens from the violence and oppression of a hateful foreign ideology</i> ."	[1] [2]	
			12 Open support of the demonic QAnon group.	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
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United States	Doreen Virtue <small>(born as Doreen Hannan; last name from 2nd of 5 husbands, a Buddhist)</small>	(Author, Discernment Minister; former information: "a spiritual clairvoyant Doctor of Psychology who holds BA, MA, and Ph.D. degrees in Counseling Psychology. Dr. Virtue is the author of 24 books on mind-body-spirit issues. Inclusive of this list are such titles as: "Healing with the Angels," "Divine Guidance," "Angel Therapy," "The Lightworker's Way" and "The Yo-Yo Diet Syndrome."; started the Church of Divine Guidance in Hawaii)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 She underwent a transformation from a former New Ager (Angel Therapy) and Christian Science to a self-proclaimed follower of Christ, indeed teaches many truths and is very helpful in leading people away from what she experienced. 2 Her former bookstore [1]. Most books are still being sold, because "she does not hold the license". 3 Her conversion story is very suspicious. She claims on her archived website [1] that she had a vision in an Anglican church, where a 6ft Jesus appeared to her (01/2017). He looked a lot like the visions of Saint Maria Faustina (a Catholic nun). A second vision 2 weeks later included Jesus sending golden light from his heart. 4 Later retraction of the vision(s) and public controversy involving Justin Peters and Michelle Lesley defending her (and themselves). She then announced that, while her conversion was legitimate, the vision had in fact been a demon masquerading as Christ to lead her astray. But 14 months after her conversion, she even (had) published a book with one chapter dedicated to the same 'virgin mystic Maria Faustina', where she praised her visions. The book was published in 03/2018 by Hay House (her New Age publisher until 11/2017) and includes 41 other characters, mostly Catholics and mystics. The artist Lisa Eddy also painted her Jesus vision, but Doreen later plugged the sale after it came out that the image was plagiarized from a Time Magazine cover. The book 'Deceived No More' also included the vision, but the second edition excluded it. 5 Baptized in 02/2017 at Kawaihae Beach (Hawaii), by an Anglican (Episcopal) priest, Rev. David Stout from St. James Episcopal Church, where still today the Catholic mass is held (it is noteworthy that the Episcopal Church is the evil symbiosis between Anglican and Puritans, essentially between the Roman Catholic Church and the Calvinist Church). It is not known that she was baptized at a later point in a Christian setting. 6 She is now heavily involved in Calvinism and shares several 'good friends', such as Lauren Hereford ("Tulips & Honey"), Melissa Dougherty, Michelle Lesley (all Calvinists). 7 She taught in 2020 specifically on Calvinist doctrine; see video "Top Myths about Reformed Theology with Dr. Kim Riddlebarger". 8 She is a self-declared Cessationist. 9 Direct collaboration with Phil Johnson. 	[1] [2] [3] [4]
	Doug Addison	(InLight Connection, Prophetic speaker, Author, Coach, Stand-up comedian!)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Prophetic Dream, Tattoo & Piercing Interpretation. 2 Stand-up comedy; he insulted Jesus and His disciples. 3 On 08/10/2020 he prophesied that Trump would be re-elected; on 15/12/2020 he denied it. 4 Claimed passover 2020 to be turning point for Covid. 5 "Satan's stronghold on the Internet is broken". Soon after, porn consumption strongly increased during Covid. 6 Endorsement of 'The Passion Translation'. He writes blog articles for Brian Simmons. 7 Works with Elijah List, Lance Wallnau, Kat Kerr and Todd Bentley. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	Elizabeth Sherrill & John Sherrill <small>(Other names: Beth Kaiser, Elizabeth Schindler)</small>	(Author, Founder Chosen Books, both employed at Guideposts)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 She worked for 7 decades for Norman Vincent Peale (book 'The Power of Positive Thinking'; a lifelong 33° Mason, appointed Grand Prelate by the Knights Templar; former pastor of Donald Trump) at Guideposts and wrote more than 2,000 articles for them. 2 She also endorsed Masonry multiple times in her book 'Return from Tomorrow'. It is unclear if they were Masons themselves. 3 The Sherrills received -baptism in the holy spirit- after interviewing the Lutheran & Dutch Reformed minister Harald Bredesen (upon the initiative of Norman & Ruth Peale who had dinner with Pat Robertson). Harald Bredesen was often called the father of the charismatic movement. He was friends with Pat Robertson and founded with him the Christian Broadcasting Network (The 700 Club), after having introduced him to the Pentecostal experience of -baptism in the holy spirit-. Bredesen also created a 'Prince of Peace Prize' he later gave to Mother Teresa and Billy Graham. The Sherrills endorse Bredesen in their highly problematic book 'The Cross and the Switchblade' [1; see review]. 4 Repeated endorsement of 'Kracht van Omhoog', which means 'Power from Up'. It is the name of a Dutch Pentecostal movement that teaches replacement theology by denying that Israel will be restored at the end of our times. It also rejects original sin, and states that human first sinned because he gave in to demons that need to be expelled. 5 They were both part of the Episcopal church (St. John the Evangelist in Massachusetts which is almost entirely led by female priests!), and they were proud about their granddaughter being an Episcopal priest. 6 The book God's Smuggler includes in chapter 22 a direct endorsement of Norman Vincent Peale (& Guideposts), and the Sherrills bragged themselves to have converted Brother Andrew after the writing of the book from a Protestant to a de-facto Catholic. Quote: "...attending our Episcopal Church (when Andrew had visited several times the Sherrill's and lived at their home), Andrew found the service too formal: there is no spontaneity. Going to his evangelical prayer meetings, we (the Sherrill's) missed the sense of the past. There is no history. We preened over our powers of persuasion when in the early 1990s Andrew was ordained a priest in the Anglican church of Pakistan [...] We delighted in calling him father Andrew". 7 Display of idol images / other gods on their website. 8 She described Ruth, the wife of Billy Graham, as her friend. 9 She had an extensive meeting with the former First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt, (also) a Freemason. 10 John's father was a professor at Union Seminary, a very problematic seminary founded by the Presbyterian Church. 	[1] [2] [3] [4]
	Eric Metaxas	(Author, Talk Show Host)	[1]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 He wrote fascist children's literature 'Donald Builds the Wall'. 2 He affirms Joel Osteen's false gospel. 3 Collaboration with Mike Bickle and Francis Chan. 4 An outspoken supporter of Trumpism. "You have many people who are professing evangelical Christians, serious Catholic Christians, who are as anti-Trump [...] That, to me, is the darkest of this ..." 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	Eugene Hoiland Peterson <small>(died in 2018; remains on this list because of high influence through his 'Bible')</small>	(Presbyterian Minister, Scholar, Theologian, Author, Poet)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Author of the Message Bible, a highly problematic 'translation' (New Age; "I did the Beatitudes in about ten minutes"). 2 Deleted 'homosexuality' from his bible. Homosexuals can "have as good a spiritual life as I do". Homosexuality is "not a right or wrong thing as far as I'm concerned." 3 Editor of the heretical 'The Spiritual Formation Study Bible' (Mysticism); see also Richard Foster. 4 He 'learned to see by reading' Annie Dillard (Catholic author). "I see the world around me better and clearer with her as my guide." 5 Promoted Contemplative Prayer / Catholic Mysticism. 6 Wrote a front cover endorsement for The Shack - a book that teaches the heresies of universalism, patripassianism, and outmost blasphemies. He endorsed also Rob Bell's universalistic 'Love Wins' and Sue Monk Kidd's 'When the Heart Waits'. 7 Regularly read books from Teresa de Avila (Catholic doctor, levitated, "spiritual visitations"). 8 Promoter of Richard Rohr (New Age figurehead). 9 Promoted by Pete Greig (24/7 Prayer), who even appears in the introduction of the Message bible: "His Message translation of the Bible and the lectio divina complement one another like fish and chips!" [1] 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12]
	Francis Chan	(Author, Teacher, Preacher, Crazy Love, Cornerstone Community Church)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Fallen deep. 2 Works with Bill Johnson, Benny Hinn, Heidi Baker. 3 Close collaboration with IHOP and Mike Bickle. 4 "God might kill you if you criticize church leaders!" ... 	[1] [2] [3] [4]
	Francis Collins	(Physician-Geneticist, Scientist, Author, BioLogos Foundation - an alleged "Christian" advocacy group)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Teaches that man comes from evolution and that interpreting the Bible in a ultra-literal way is wrong. 2 Supports Genetic Enhancement of healthy people. 3 Said that God is ok with aborted fetal tissue research. Serious crimes against humanity as well as animals. 4 Explicit and proactive (!) support of LGBTQ theology. 5 Irregularities regarding his work related to Covid. 6 Manipulation of Christians to get vaccinated. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	Franklin Graham	(Evangelical Evangelist and Missionary; CEO of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA) and of Samaritan's Purse)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 In a 1999 newspaper interview, Franklin Graham said that his father's decision early in his ministry to cultivate broad ecumenical participation in his crusades, including the Roman Catholic church, was "the best thing he ever did". 2 In an April 2, 2005 interview with Katie Couric on NBC's Today show, Franklin Graham praised the late Pope John Paul II and said that they preached the same gospel: "We disagree on a lot of doctrinal issues and I guess those disagreements will always be there." 3 In 2005, he attended the enthronement of Pope Benedict XVI at the Vatican. Franklin's preacher sister Anne Graham Lotz represented the organization at Pope John Paul II's funeral. 4 Many crusades and festivals together with Catholics. At Franklin's 1998 crusade in Adelaide, Australia, out of 400 registered churches, 74 had been either Catholic or Anglican. 5 He has become known, above all, as the most vociferous evangelical ally of Trump. Graham suggested opposition to Trump was the work of a "demonic power", and he compared democrats with Judas Iscariot, suggesting that the Democrats had promised them "thirty pieces of silver", and indirectly comparing Trump therefore with Jesus what leads to blasphemy. 6 During Franklin Graham's "Prayer March 2020" he partnered and joined in prayer with numerous heretics, false teachers, and their organizations, including TBN, Matt and Laurie Crouch, Jonathan Cahn, Jentzen Franklin, Robert Morris, Paula White, et al, and then unashamedly platformed them on his Twitter feed. 7 "Paula White has led an interesting life and now serves as a trusted advisor to Donald Trump. She has a new book coming out tomorrow that you might want to check out." 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
	Gino Jennings	('Apostle', Pastor, Leader, Teacher, Guide, and General Overseer at the First Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Inc.; Pentecostal Church; ~200 International Sanctuaries in Africa, Asia and Europe)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Denies the Trinity. He collapses all distinctions between the persons of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. 2 Cultic and abusive church movement; ill treatment of church members; arrogant behavior. 3 "If you never spoke in tongues, you never received the Holy Ghost!" 4 Adds many requirements to the Bible; identifies women who wear makeup and nail polish as whores. 5 He heavily promotes the Apocrypha and even sells reprinted Bibles with the Apocrypha added to it. "You've been calling that Bible for years ... yeah I know better". 6 He claims to have seen the Lord. 7 Most probably demon-possessed. 8 Serious accusations of systematic adultery and of abuse of church finances. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	Guillermo Maldonado <small>(US & GB)</small>	(Apostle, Pastor, King Jesus Min. / El Rey Jesus)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Church staff put gold dust in the ventilation system. Water turned into "wine". 2 Works with Bill Johnson from Bethel and Sid Roth. 3 Prosperity & Healing Gospel. 4 Part of the New Apostolic Reformation (NAR). 	[1] [2] [3]
Hank Kunneman	(One Voice Ministries)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 He prophesied Trump to win the 2020 election. 2 He claimed in 02/2020 that God will save Americans from the coronavirus. 	[1] [2]	
Heidi Baker Roland Baker	(Missionary, Speaker, CEO of Iris Global, Author)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Works with Bethel / Bill Johnson, Sid Roth et al ... 2 False prophets. 3 Part of the New Apostolic Reformation (NAR). 4 Dangerous and heretical aspects of their teaching. 5 Official endorsement of "The Passion Translation". She writes blog articles for Brian Simmons. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
Israel Houghton	(Contemporary Christian Music Singer, Song-writer, Producer & Worship Leader; Israel & New Breed)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Adultery, divorce and remarriage. Two children due to, adultery; sued by the State of Texas for child support. 2 Support and involvement at a Unification Church conference. 3 Pastor at Joel Osteen's Lakewood Church. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
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United States	Jack Hayford <small>(1934–2023)</small>	(President Four-square Church, Founder of King's University, Founder of The Church On The Way, Promise Keepers)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 He sat on the Renovaré Board with Richard Foster (see Renovaré below). He praised him for his efforts in bringing together all the 'streams' of the church. 2 Female elders at his Foursquare Churches (founded by a woman, Aimee McPherson). Teachings involve 'Spirit-slaying' and tongues for every believer (Hayford boasted that 80% of their members received the gift) ... 3 Hayford publically to his daughter: "<i>The believer must first learn to speak in baby tongues before he speaks in adult tongues</i>". 4 Promoted Catholicism including the Alpha Course and Ecumenism. 5 Promoted Dominionist Kingdom Now Theology. 6 Promoted The Message 'Bible'. 7 Progressive Creationist who followed Hugh Ross. 8 He led The King's University together with Robert Morris. 9 Cleansing Stream is a deliverance ministry that originated out of Foursquare Church. It is rooted in Carl Jung's Psychotherapy, which is also embedded in Rick Warren's SHAPE Program and Richard Foster's teachings. 10 He facilitated teachers such as Rick Warren, Robert Schuller (spoke at his conferences) and Todd Bentley. 11 He was one of the original officers and trustees of Charismatic Bible Ministries (CBM), founded by hyper-charismatic Oral Roberts. He also received a honorary degree from Oral Roberts University. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2]	
	Jackie Hill Perry	(Ex-gay Christian, Author, Teacher, Poet)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Advocate of Social Justice, Critical Race Theory, Intersectionality, Identity Politics and Cultural Marxism. 2 It's okay to be gay, you can expect to stay that way. God told her "not to worry about" being a lesbian. 3 Affirms the movement of Bethel Church. 4 Supports the Word of Faith movement. 5 Introducing Feminism in Evangelical pulpits; she attacked a preacher for holding to biblical views on gender roles in the Church. 6 Female preacher. 7 Collaboration with Grace Selmer Baldrige, Beth Moore, Christine Caine, Lysa TerKeurst ... 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [1] [2] [3]	
	James M. Rochford	(Elder Dwell Community Church (Xenos); Author; Founder EvidenceUnseen.com)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Called repeatedly critics of the 'Once Saved Always Saved' theology 'heretics'. 2 Claims that the book of James talks about a 'Justification before Humans' instead of God. Extreme twisting of Scripture. 3 Claims that unbelievers are grafted in as branches. 4 Elitist and exclusive agenda of his church, which has judged all other Christian bodies as inferior to their own. Cultic and abusive church movement; ill treatment of members. Several suicides directly related to his church! 5 Called people 'faggots' and "mother f...". 6 His wife bullied an ex-member of the church. 	[1] [2] [1] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [1] [1]	
	James W. Goll	(Prayer Storm, Encounters Alliance, Author)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Numerous false prophecies. 2 Possibly demon-possessed. 3 Proponent of Contemplative Prayer / Catholic Mysticism and endorsement of Brother Lawrence and Richard Foster. Wrote the heretical book 'The Lost Art of Practicing His Presence'. 4 "<i>... we know of many women of vibrant faith whose gifts and courage made a difference for the Kingdom ... they are some of my favorites: Vibia Perpetua, Joan of Arc, Madame Jeanne Guyon (French Catholic mystic), Susanna Wesley, Catherine Booth (Feminist), Fanny Crosby, Maria Woodworth-Etter (Healing evangelist), Aimee Semple McPherson, Amy Carmichael, Lydia Prince, Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Basilea Schlink</i>" 5 Part of New Apostolic Reformation (NAR). 6 Official endorsement of 'The Passion Translation' on their website. "<i>What a marvelous job my friend and seasoned leader is doing for the Body of Christ! I applaud the life and ministry of Brian Simmons!</i>" He also writes blog articles for Brian Simmons. 7 He claimed to have been taken on a journey into the realms of God's eternal dwelling. 'Jesus' also appeared to him and gave him an extraordinary teaching on healing. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [1] [1] [2] [1] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [3]	
	Jen Hatmaker	(Evangelical Leader, Author)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Supports same-sex marriage ... "<i>they are brothers and sisters in Christ.</i>" Her daughter is lesbian. 2 She considers Richard Rohr to be a spiritual father and faith hero. 3 Hatmaker's podcast included progressive Christian leaders such as Pete Enns, Nadia Bolz-Weber, Richard Rohr, Rachel Hollis ... 4 "<i>Trying to figure out if I could be more obsessed with Pope Francis.</i>" 5 Hatmaker was baptized by a (pro-)gay bishop. 6 She is the petitioner of her divorce. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [1] [2] [3] [1] [1] [2] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3]	
	Jeremiah Johnson	(Founder of Jeremiah Johnson Ministries, Author, Minister)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 He prophesied that Donald Trump will be re-elected. He had a dream where Trump ran the Boston Marathon and crossed the finish line with the help of praying baby boomers. 2 He said after the lost election that "<i>a lying spirit has filled the mouths of numerous trusted prophetic voices</i>" 3 Wrongly prophesied a man to become millionaire. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [1] [2] [1]	
	Jerry Falwell Jr.	(Liberty University, Spiritual Advisor to Trump)	[1]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 He puts Trump above Christian values. He compared him with Jesus "<i>DT lives a life of loving and helping others as Jesus taught in the Great Commandment</i>". 2 Scandal with open pants and several other scandals and irregularities. 	[1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4]	
	Jesse Duplantis	(Pastor, Covenant Church, Jesse Duplantis Min.)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Regular 'heavenly tourist'. 2 Blasphemies. 3 Scandal related to his private jets. Net worth 20M. 4 False Healings. 5 Prosperity Gospel and false teacher. 	[1] [2] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4]	
	Jim Bakker (& Lori)	(Televangelist, Morningside Church, Author)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Convicted fraudster. 2 Sexual and bisexual misconduct. Divorced. 3 False prophet. 4 Called Trump "prophetic". 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4]	
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United States	Jim Wallis	(Theologian, Writer, Teacher, Political Activist, Founder Sojourners Magazine)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Egalitarian. Mocks Complementarianism. Supports same-sex marriage. <i>"Jesus didn't speak at all about homosexuality"</i>. Married to Joy Carroll, first female priest in the Church of England. Pro-Palestine activist. 22 times arrested for acts of civil disobedience. 	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1]</p>		
	Joel Scott Osteen	(Pastor, Televangelist, Author)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Prosperity Gospel teacher. He frequently misunderstands important matters of faith and doctrine and gets the Gospel wrong. Preaches little gods theory. He studied at Oral Roberts University (one semester). Net worth of US\$40-100 million. Owns a \$325 000 Ferrari and a 10.5 million house. 	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p>		
	John & Lisa Bevere (sons Addison and Arden Bevere)	(Pastor, Founders of Messenger Intl., Authors)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Official endorsement of 'The Passion Translation' on their website. <i>"Brian Simmons' work is truly breathtaking!" Both John and Lisa write blog articles for Brian Simmons. Lisa on her Twitter: "I love TPT"</i> John teaches Dominion theology. John teaches Prosperity Gospel. John was board member of Joyce Meyer Ministries (at least from 2012 to 2016). John and Lisa both have problematic theology. Both are strong supporters of female preaching. Lisa frequently preaches at Sunday worship services. Lisa is a regular conference speaker at highly charismatic church conferences such as Bethel's Women's Conference. Lisa is aligned with several false teachers such as Ann Voskamp, Beth Moore, Caroline Leaf, Christine Caine, Cindy Jacobs, Joel Osteen, John Eldredge, Joyce Meyer, Kris Vallotton, Paula White, Rick Warren, Steven Furtick, T.D. Jakes and Timothy Keller. They sent their son Arden to the Hillsong Sydney Bible college (2015). His book is endorsed by Christine Caine and Jentezen Franklin. Their son Addison (COO of Messenger International) published a book, where Mark Batterson (The Circle Maker) wrote a problematic foreword. John and Lisa served under Benny Hinn at World Outreach Center. 	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1]</p>		
	John MacArthur	(Pastor, Author)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Figurehead of Augustinian-Calvinism. (see separate discernment) He frequently quotes Augustine. Whereas some Pentecostals base their theology on positive experiences, he bases his on negative experiences (both when it comes to Cessationism being defined by the abuse of Spiritual Gifts, and also when it comes to Calvinism being defined by its contrast to Catholicism). But just as a positive experience cannot be the basis of doctrine, neither can negative experiences be the basis of truth. One of the main proponents of the heretical doctrine of Cessationism. Claim that Cessationism is fundamental to the Reformed view. He has been warned already in 2015 in his church: "YOU HAVE GRIEVED THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD. YOUR DOCTRINE OF CESSATIONISM IS AN ERROR. HE HAS BEEN GRIEVED, JOHN MACARTHUR. I'VE BEEN SENT HERE TO TELL YOU THAT. YOU'RE SHARPENING A SWORD AND THEY'RE CUTTING EACH OTHER". After the warning, JMA made no effort to test the Word as clearly instructed in the Bible. He once was asked, "Will people who take the mark of the beast during the tribulation period be redeemed by coming to Christ?" And JMA's answer was, "Yes, they will!" Open endorsement of the false teacher Jack Hayford: He <i>"is a model of diligence, faithfulness to the Lord and enduring loyalty to a local church. It's the long haul that manifests integrity and proven character. Many have fallen in the battle. Hayford is still standing - a tribute to God's marvelous grace."</i> He believes a person can kill themselves and still end up in heaven. His income from 'Grace to You' and 'The Master College' alone was \$323,733 (2006) and grew to \$505,724 (2011). 	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p>		
	John Mark Comer	(Author, Pastor at Bridgetown Church /Solid Rock Church, formerly Koinonia group elder at Applegate Christian Fellowship Practicing The Way)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Offers workshops on the Enneagram. He got into the Enneagram by reading Richard Rohr's book in 2012, and currently sells Rohr's book on his website. Teaches polytheism, with 'good and bad gods under one God'. Bases his reasoning on Psalm 82 - favourite psalm of the Mormons. In his book 'God Has a Name', he states that a better way to think about monotheism is to see Z*us, Shi**r the Wi**an as real spiritual beings and that Jesus is not the only way to God !!! [see link #1] Speaker of the New Wine programme, associated to many false prophets/teachers. Strong proponent of Contemplative Prayer, including the Catholic monk Ignatius's Spiritual Exercises. Highest appreciation for problematic teachers Dallas Willard, John Ortberg and Peter Scazzero, all also included in his book store. Dallas Willard's writings have <i>"done more to shape the way that I follow Jesus more than anybody that I am aware of since the NT"</i>. He spoke at The Apprentice Gathering (Spiritual Formation; see section 'movements'). He stated in interviews and on Twitter that his spiritual director is a Jesuit Priest !!! He quotes Saint Ignatius of Loyola (founder of the Jesuit order) <i>"I smile every time I read Ignatius"</i>. He also cites and links to the Jesuit Spiritual Center at Milford. He teaches a video series on 'The Prayer of Ignatian Examen', a prayer technique developed the Jesuits. He further endorses Dorothy Day (a Catholic who appeared in a Jesuit magazine) and Karl Rahner (<i>"who was one of the most important Catholic theologians of the 20th century"</i>). Ronald Rolheiser is his <i>"undisputed favorite Catholic writer of all time"</i>. He directly taught and endorsed the Catholic Mass. His father Phil Comer served with Luis Palau, who had a great fondness for, and friendship with Pope Francis. Both Phil and John Mark Comer were Elders at the megachurch 'Applegate Christian Fellowship' until 08/2002 (see link #1&2; John Mark met there also his wife Tammy). In the time between 1987 and 2007, another elder, Kelly Rassmussen, abused several children (unclear if through the church or outside the church). The other elders covered it up and Rassmussen was only convicted in 2009 for another case of intended sexual abuse of minors. John Mark refers in his interview with Levi Lusko only to a <i>"long story but a megachurch down in Southern Oregon"</i>, avoiding at all cost its name. Lead pastor emeritus Jon Courson and his son Ben Courson also showed sexual misconduct, which was first covered by the elders, but then came to light. They repeat the suspicious story of how his wife faced for 15 years a rare neurological disorder, resulting in the last 5 years in shaking / facial spasms / loss of vision et al. She then took the Emotionally Healthy Spirituality course by Peter Scazzero and created a Genogram, pointing her to generational curses she then broke successfully through a prayer by a third person. He wrote a song for Jeremy Camp with a Third Wave mentality about emptying your mind. Endorses false teachers Greg Boyd and Christine Caine. John Ortberg wrote the foreword for his book 'The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry'. He regularly quotes in his books Eugene Peterson, Michael Green (Anglican Priest, Oxford), Richard Foster and Richard Rohr, and even positively quotes Pope Paul II. In his interview with Levi Lusko, when speaking about his pure motivations, it somehow appears in min. 12:55 that another voice is speaking through him. 	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1]</p>		
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United States	John Ortberg (Senior Pastor Menlo Church, Former Pastor Willow Creek)	[1] [2]	1 Word of Faith ' Weather Warriors '. 2 He spoke at The Apprentice Gathering (Spiritual Formation; see section 'movements'). 3 Scandal involving his pedophile son in his church. 4 Emergent Church movement. 5 Invited Jim Wallis to his church (mocks Complementarianism; pro-Palestine; pro-Islam). 6 Major promoter of Richard Foster . 7 Mentoring & highest appreciation for Dallas Willard . 8 Promoted Ken Blanchard (New Age book ' The Secret ').	[1] [1] [1] [1] [1] [2] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3]
	John Piper (Calvinist NT scholar, Baptist theologian, Pastor, and chancellor of Bethlehem College & Seminary)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Teaches Antinomianism . When asked " <i>Are Christians under the Ten Commandments?</i> ", his response was unequivocal: " <i>No. The Bible says we're not under the law.</i> " 2 Highest praise for one of the greatest heretics in Christian history, for Augustine (see separate discernment): " <i>He was known throughout the Christian world as a God-besotted, Biblical, articulate, persuasive shepherd of his flock and defender of the faith against the great threats of his day, mainly Manichaeism, Donatism, and Pelagianism. [...] The influence of Augustine in the Western World is simply staggering.</i> " 3 He told half-truth when saying that Augustine willingly walked away from Manichaeism, instead of having been forced by the Roman emperor under threat of death, while making Christianity the state religion. Piper: " <i>For the next nine years he was enamoured by the dualistic teaching called Manichaeism, until he became disillusioned with one of its leaders when he was 28 years old.</i> " 4 An article on <i>Desiring God</i> states: " <i>God . . . brings about these evil aspects for his glory and his people's good. This includes - as incredible and as unacceptable as it may currently seem - God's having even brought about the Nazis' brutality at Birkenau and Auschwitz as well as the terrible killings of Dennis Rader and even the sexual abuse of a young child ... Nothing that exists or occurs falls outside God's ordaining will. Nothing, including no evil person or thing or event or deed.</i> " 5 He defended his friend, Mark Driscoll , long after he was revealed as problematic teacher. He has no regret partnering with him and even called his fall a 'colossal satanic victory' , although it was clear that God made justice, and not satan had won. 6 "I have read more of C.S. Lewis than any other author on the planet except Jonathan Edwards. I love C.S. Lewis , he has made a great difference in my life." 7 His ministry promoted Lectio Divina , but removed it shortly after they had been criticised for it. 8 He wrote an obituary for Billy Graham .	[1] [2] [1] [1] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [1] [1] [2] [3]
	Jonathan Shuttlesworth (& Adalis Shuttlesworth)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1 Prosperity Gospel teacher. " <i>God is not an abundant God, He is a super abundant God.</i> " He e.g. teaches from Deu 28 only the first part about blessings and stops reading right before the counterpart, the curses. 2 His book titles include ' The 20 Laws that Govern the Financial Anointing ' (Foreword Jesse Duplantis) and ' Financial Overflow: 10 Bible Principles To Unlock Heavens Unending Supply '. 3 Typical healing shows including leg lengthening et al. 4 Close collaboration with Jesse Duplantis . 5 Bizarre videos showing him supposedly after a plastic surgery . 6 Very frequent show-off with private jets .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	Joyce Meyer (Pauline Joyce Hutchison)	[1] [2]	1 Female pastor . 2 Prosperity Gospel teacher - without true repentance. 3 She studied at Oral Roberts University . 4 Heretical teachings. 5 Little gods teachings. 6 Excessive lifestyle. 7 Several plastic surgeries . 8 She endorses Andy Stanley, Benny Hinn, Creflo Dollar, Joel Osteen, T.D. Jakes , et al ...	[1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2]
	Justin Peters (Evangelist, WoF Discernment Minister, Author)	[1] [2] [3]	1 He openly confesses to be a follower of Calvin , rejecting the biblical teaching of 1Cor 3:4 " <i>For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are ye not carnal?</i> " and Rom 16:17 " <i>Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them.</i> " 2 Direct involvement in the 2020 scandal of Doreen Virtue concerning her 2017 conversion story and vision. He defended her even though it was clear that her conversion story was (partly) made up. 3 Next to JM Arthur one of the main proponents of the heretical doctrine of Cessationism . He is highly divisive and involved in Twitter battles with several ministers [see 2]. This ministry warned JP already in 06/2022 before the movie 'Cessationist' was done [see 4&5], financed also through his ministry.	[1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] 7 [8]
	Kathryn Krick (US & TZ)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	1 False anointing of her as apostle . 2 False deliverances . 3 Quotes the Passion Translation . 4 Mocks discernment ministers. 5 Endorses Benny Hinn, Beth Moore, Bethel Church / Music, Caroline Leaf, Che Ahn, Christine Caine, Hank Kunneman, Heidi Baker, James Goll ...	[1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [1] [2]
	Kathryn Kuhlman (1907-1976)	[1] [2]	1 " <i>When I met Pope Paul there was a Oneness.</i> " 2 Responsible for breaking up at least one marriage involving children . According to her it was by Gods revelation that she take a married man away from his wife and children. Later divorce (unrepented). 3 An estimated two million people reported that they were healed in her meetings over the years. But her claims of healings lack documentation and definitely include many fake healings. One woman who was said to have been cured of spinal cancer threw away her brace and ran across the stage at Kuhlman's command; her spine collapsed the next day and she died four months later. Testimony Kurt Koch: At once I began to pray in my heart, " <i>Lord Jesus, if this woman gets her power from You, then bless both her and me. If she has gifts and power which do not come from You, protect me from them. I do not want to come under an alien influence.</i> " While Kathryn was praying, two ushers came and stood behind me to catch me as I fell. I felt nothing, however, and stood like a rock without losing my consciousness in the least. Then came a second surprise. Kathryn nudged me gently, probably in order to make me fall. She did not succeed. Then she asked me, " <i>Do you have a healing ministry yourself?</i> " One year after meeting with Kathryn, the state of all twenty-eight people said by her to have been healed was as follows: Ten had not been healed, seven had experienced an improvement in their condition, eleven had diseases in which the mind can play an important part. In the whole of this extensive report, there is not one clear case of healing from an organic disease. ... what KK displays is not a gift of the Holy Spirit of God, but a gift of the spirits who rule in the air. These spirits make use of her, herself deceived and deceiving others ... She is a medium of Satan. " 4 Shady financial practices . She lived a rich and lavish lifestyle, and had serious financial allegations against her that were settled privately and secretly. 5 False teachings . " <i>Faith is that quality or power by which the things desired become the things possessed.</i> " 6 Another appearance with the 700 club . Close collaboration with Pat Robertson . 7 She inspired Benny Hinn to start his ministry following exactly her methods. He wrote the book 'Kathryn Kuhlman: Her Spiritual Legacy and Its Impact on My Life'.	[1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [1] [1] [2] [3] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]



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United States	Kat Kerr (real name Katharine Nancy Brahtin)	(President of One Quest Int.)	[1]	1 False teachings about the creation account and Heaven. 2 Word of Faith ' Weather Warriors '. 3 She prophesied in 2018 that Donald Trump will be re-elected.	[1] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	Keith Ferrate	("Emerging Prophet)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Prophet certification for \$5000. 2 He had a vision playing lego with God . 3 Collaboration with Doug Addison . Mentored by Kris Vallotton .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2]
	Kenneth Max Copeland (CA & US)	(KCM, Spiritual Advisor to Trump, Eagle Mountain International Church Inc. Aka Kenneth Copeland Ministries)	[1] [2]	1 " Jesus Christ was born again in the pit of hell ". 2 Prosperity Gospel and false teacher . 3 He got his start in ministry as a direct result of memorizing Kenneth Hagin 's messages and still refers to him in 2022. 4 He studied at Oral Roberts University . 5 Strong collaboration with Pope Francis . He has an office in the Vatican . 6 He cut himself and drank his blood for communion. 7 Blasphemy. He is most probably demon possessed . 8 " Adam was not subordinate to God "; countless other heresies. 9 Part of the New Apostolic Reformation (NAR) . 10 Invited Bill Johnson to the 2020 Southwest Believers' Convention of his ministry. Spoke at Bethel Church , delivered there a false testimony and strongly unbiblical teachings. 11 Net worth of US\$300 million. Numerous private jets.	[1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4]
	Kenneth Hagin	(Pastor, Speaker)	[1]	Died in 2003; therefore details excluded.	[1]
	Kevin Zada	(YouTuber, Author, Speaker)	[1] [2] [3]	1 He claimed to have been in the future and to have seen Trump win a second term. 2 Spiritual son of Jesse Duplantis ; claimed that Jesus played the saxophone for him.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [1]
	Kris Vallotton	(Leader of Bethel Church, co-Founder BSSM)	[1] [2]	1 False & Prosperity Gospel teaching at Bethel church. 2 Liturgical Prayer to the God of Mammon. 3 He prophesied that Trump will be re-elected in 2020 and later he apologized in public. 4 He perpetuates the false notion that Christians are not to judge insiders . 5 Endorsement of ' The Passion Translation '. He writes blog articles for Brian Simmons.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [1] [2] [3]
	Lance Wallnau	(Prophet, Self-titled 'Strategist, Futurist and Compelling Communicator')	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	1 A key player in the New Apostolic Reformation . 2 He is the architect of The 7 Mountain Mandate (Truth and Liberty Coalition; Dominionism) and has a dedicated bookstore for related books. 3 He wrote the book ' Invading Babylon, The 7 Mountain Mandate ' together with Bill Johnson and Alan Vincent, Ché Ahn, C. Peter Wagner, Lance Wallnau and Patricia King. 4 False prophet. Regular appearance on the Elijah list. Friends with Cindy Jacobs. 5 Close collaboration with Rick Joyner / Morning Star Ministries , which carries a long list of materials by Wallnau. 6 Support and prophecies related to Trump. 7 Promotes Ken Blanchard (New Age book ' The Secret ') on his website.	[1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [1] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [1] [2] [1]
	Levi Lusko	(Author, Lead Pastor at Fresh Life Church)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1 Egalitarian . His wife preaches on a regular basis to their main congregation. 2 He regularly twists Scripture; converts his sermons rather into a TED talk-format / pop-psychology . 3 Very regular use of the heretical Message Bible in his books and sermons, including explicit endorsement of the heretic Eugene Peterson . He also uses the Passion Translation . 4 He invited John Mark Comer and his wife to his podcast. 5 He endorses the Enneagram . 6 Family friendship with the Furtick's . They have preached multiple times at each other's churches, and done conferences together. 7 Collaboration with David Jeremiah . 8 Associates with Andy Stanley, Carl Lentz (Hillsong New York), Christine Caine, Max Lucado ...	[1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [1] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	Lou Engle	(The Call, Lou Engle Ministries, IHOP, Harvest Intl. Ministries)	[1] [2]	1 " A 3-day fast will stop the coronavirus "; 2020 will be the 'Year of Stadium Christianity' . 2 Part of the New Apostolic Reformation (NAR) . 3 Collaboration and friend to Che Ahn . 4 Official endorsement of ' The Passion Translation ' on their website.	[1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1]
	Matt Brown (Matthew Stephen Brown)	(Sandals Church, Author)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	1 Strong proponent of the Enneagram . They sell the test for \$12 on their website. 2 Book Called YOU: Understanding the Enneagram from a Grace-Filled, Biblical Perspective. 3 He is currently still being haunted by voices of previous tarot card reading . 4 Puts the relationship with yourself over the relationship with God. 5 Their giving section includes: ' Stocks, bonds and mutual funds shares, cryptocurrency, automobiles, boats, jewelry, retirement, trusts, assets and more ... 6 Follows Andy Stanley, Bill Johnson, Dallas Willard, John Mark Comer, Joseph Prince, Pope Francis .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [1] [2] [1] [1] [2] [1] [1] [2]
	Marianne Williamson	(Author, Spiritual Leader, and Political Activist)	[1] [2] [3]	1 New Age guru. Williamson's style was called a " trendy amalgam of Christianity, Buddhism, pop psychology and 12-step recovery wisdom". 2 " The Messiah is not a person but a point of view ." 3 She was a frequent guest on the Oprah Winfrey show as well, and became known as Oprah's 'spiritual advisor' . 4 Williamson vehemently supports abortion access, services and choice . She has spoken out against the Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade. 5 She is indifferent about religion, having called it a map in which " the route isn't important. It's the destination that matters ." 6 She teaches a heretical book ' A Course in Miracles ', which Jesus was supposed to have dictated to a psychiatrist in the Seventies. " Some bitter idols have been made of him (Christ) who came only to be brother to the world ." " Is he the Christ? O yes, along with you ." " There is no sin; it has no consequence ." 7 Her books include titles such as ' Illuminata: A Return to Prayer ', ' The Law of Divine Compensation ', ' The Age of Miracles: Embracing the New Midlife '	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2]
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United States	Mark Driscoll	(Author, Pastor at Mars Hill and The Trinity Church; Founder of Real Faith Ministry)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1 Proponent of Contemplative Prayer .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]
				2 Alleged abusive behavior at Mars Hill church and also later at Trinity Church. Cursing, shunning and threatening of people - to sue and bankrupt them. Abusive control of social media activities. Sexually vulgar . Denigration of women . Privileges for the rich . Plagiarism . Division of families over contact to ex-communicated members of his church. A main facilitator is pastor Brandon Andersen .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12]
				3 Driscoll was sending cease and desist letters , threatening to sue whistleblowers of his church. He reportedly amassed a \$10 million dollar litigation fund to sue whistleblowers into oblivion.	[1] [2]
				4 He confessed to have manipulated sales numbers of his books.	[1] [2] [3]
				5 He is utterly obsessed with sex. Public endorsement of anal sex, menstrual sex and cosmetic surgery .	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				6 (New) Calvinist . Went as far (in the common over-emphasis of 'grace') to say that Noah got saved by grace only and that his salvation had nothing to do with faith or righteousness.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
				7 Public defense of the Catholic religion he was brought up with. It is not a cult and we should not argue about the different 'interpretations'.	[1]
	Max Lucado	(Author, Associate Minister at Oak Hills Church, Upwords Inc.)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1 In the ecumenical camp, with Roman Catholicism. Signer of "Evangelicals and Catholics Together II."	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				2 He promotes Catholic Mysticism and Contemplative Prayer , and quotes in his books Saint Thomas Aquinas , Thomas Merton (Buddhist-Catholic Monk who taught universalism) , Eugene Peterson and Richard Foster .	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				3 Prosperity Gospel teaching (Book 'Glory Days, Living Your Promised Land Life Now') and collaboration with PG teachers.	[1] [2]
4 Endorsement of Christine Caine , wrote foreword to <i>Undaunted</i> . "Paul. Mary. Esther. Turns out, I've met all three in the person of Christine Caine."				[1] [2] [3]	
5 He seeks unity with Beth Moore , Jen Hatmaker and Richard Rohr . He refers to Steven Furtick as his friend and referenced his teaching.				[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
Michael Brown	(Radio host, author, apologist, activist, and proponent of Messianic Judaism, Christian Zionism, and the Charismatic Movement)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Endorsement of 24/7 Prayer International .	[1]	
			2 He defended Mike Bickle through a lengthy article and an even lengthier video, although at that point several credible ministers had already " <i>found these allegations of clergy sexual abuse by Mike Bickle to be credible and long-standing</i> ".	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			3 He collaborated / shared a book with Bill Johnson , James W. Goll , Sid Roth ...	[1]	
			4 Endorsement by Cindy Jacobs , Eric Metaxas , Mike Bickle on his website.	[1]	
Michael W. Smith	(Artist, Author, Catholic, Founding Pastor)	[1]	1 Promotes the New Apostolic Reformation and Emergent Church .	[1] [2] [3]	
			2 Songs include liturgy of the Roman Catholic Church . He often collaborates with Catholics and went as far as to perform on the RC World Youth Day.	[1] [2]	
			3 He acknowledged in an interview that some of his songs are influenced by Alan Parsons , one of the most occultic rock musicians.	[1]	
			4 He was mentored by James Goll and Don Finto .	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			5 Uses the heretical Passion Translation in public. Official endorsement on their website. " <i>TPT is a gift to Bible readers.</i> "	[1] [2] [3]	
			6 Praised the heretical movie ' The Shack '.	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			7 Endorses / partners with Eric Metaxas .	[1] [2] [3]	
Mike Bickle (Michael L. Bickle)	(IHOP, author, pastor)	[1] [2] [3]	1 IHOP (Cultic origin, worship style, Mysticism, Gnosticism, false prophecies, denial Sola Scriptura, et al) .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]	
			2 Part of the New Apostolic Reformation (NAR) .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
			3 Self-appointed apostle .	[1] [2] [3]	
			4 False teachings.	[1] [2]	
			5 Mike Bickle in his forward to Stacey Campbell's book: " <i>In 2005 during a visit to IHOPKC, the vision became clear [...] that they [House of Prayer Augsburg] needed to launch a 24/7 HoP with the spirituality of the Catholic charismatic renewal movement and a focus on ecumenism.</i> "	[1]	
			6 Proponent of Contemplative Prayer / Catholic Mysticism and endorsement of Henri Nouwen.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	
			7 " <i>I want this book to be the manual for IHOP-KC.": St. Teresa of Avila, St. John of the Cross, and the Gospel On Prayer.</i> "	[1] [2]	
			8 Bridal Paradigm / Identity places a heavy emphasis on highly allegorized interpretation of the Song of Solomon. In their view, the book is more than a depiction of sensual love between a husband and wife; it is a metaphor of Jesus and the individual believer. Those teachings are reflected in intimate 'worship' songs, tied to and used by Bickle and his IHOP.	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			9 Serious allegations of sexual immorality (adultery) spanning several decades, involving at least 3 (married) woman. Bickle then used manipulating and intimidating tactics towards the victims to isolate and discredit them, and refused to meet with those who revealed later the scandal. IHOP first promised an independent investigation, but it turned out to be one of the most prestigious, aggressive, and expensive law firms, defending IHOP against accusations. Bickle later admitted some the charges.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12] [13] [14] [15]	
			10 He claims to have had several encounters with God, including hearing the audible voice of God and being taken to heaven twice .	[1] [2] [3]	
			11 He studied at Oral Roberts University .	[1] [2]	
			12 Collaboration with / endorsement of Bill Johnson , Eric Metaxas , Francis Chan , James Goll , Richard Foster et al.	[1] [2] [3]	
Mike Todd	(Lead Pastor Transformation Church, Author)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	1 His wife is promoted as Lead Pastor of the church. Amberly Bell, Brie Davis and Tammy McQuarters are other female pastors . 67 % of their pastors are female.	[1]	
			2 <i>The only other male pastor is sometimes wearing women's clothing.</i>	[1] [2]	
			3 Prosperity Gospel teacher " <i>God always wants to heal you. Poverty is based on fear.</i> "	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]	
			4 Teaches Modalism , that God cannot be 3 different persons at the same time, but must change His state. " <i>1 God, 3 expressions.</i> "	[1] [2] [3]	
			5 Preaches the Ransom theory - Jesus was paying the devil to release us.	[1]	
			6 Legitimate concerns regarding his man-centered theology, regularly twists Scripture .	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			7 Easter 2023 scandal, with a outrageous screenplay, include a female crucified Christ .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
			8 He publically uses the Message 'bible' .	[1] [2]	
			9 He spoke at Elevation Church (Steven Furtick) , Lakewood Church (Joel Osteen) ...	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	
			10 Frequent appearance on Preachers n Sneakers for wearing insanely expensive clothing .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	
			11 The founder of Transformation Church, Bishop Carlton Pearson , has studied at Oral Roberts University and was the personal mentee of Roberts himself.	[1]	
			12 He had Robert Morris preach at his church: " <i>Grand-children are God's reward for not killing your children</i> ".	[1]	
			13 While preaching, he wore a shirt picturing Myles Munroe (Oral Roberts graduate) .	[1]	
			14 Regularly shows himself without shirt, once with sensual dancing, and his wife in bikini.	[1]	



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<p>United States</p>	<p>Mike Winger</p> <p>(Youtube, Pastor & worship leader at Hosanna Christian Fellowship)</p> <p>Often with outstanding teachings, but also sometimes watering down the Gospel – specifically when it comes to laws of the Old- and even the New Testament.</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>1 Strong tendency towards Antinomianism. Winger to Joel Webbon: "I don't think the 10 Commandments are binding for Christians".</p> <p>2 Goes as far in his aversion to biblical laws, as to teach a conditional application of the Jerusalem Council (Acts 15): The biblical command to not eat blood "is not a requirement for your sanctification".</p> <p>3 Although criticizing, he over and over proclaims his love to Calvinists (in direct contradiction to Gal 1:8–9 "But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed" and also 2Joh 1:10–11).</p> <p>"I usually enjoy spending more time with Calvinists than anybody else because we have so much in common ..."</p> <p>"For my Calvinist friends, I consider this a family issue you are my brother and sister in Jesus".</p> <p>His final judgment is such weak that non-Calvinists reportedly became Calvinists by watching his videos. Many of his teachings are marked by a middle-road attitude, while constantly avoiding any absolutes that could make him displease any group of followers.</p> <p>4 Instead of marking Todd White or Joel Osteen as wolves, he embraces them as brothers with bad theology. Although criticizing, Pastor Bill Johnson "inspired him in his faith". He would still fellowship with Bethel Church (where New Age is openly propagated!).</p> <p>5 Divorce: he teaches that abuse, adultery or desertion justify divorce and remarriage. Bases much of his conclusions on Craig Keener and historians rather than Scripture.</p> <p>6 Proclaimed a third temple in Jerusalem.</p> <p>7 Regular endorsement of William Lane Craig. He objects "the claim that 'Yom' means a 24-hour period". "Genesis perhaps is just laying out a general facts of reality ... it's not even intending to be taken as a literal historical account ..."</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p>				
	<p>Myles Munroe (1954–2014)</p>	<p>[1]</p>	<p>Died in 2014, plane crash; therefore excluded.</p>					
<p>Norman Vincent Peale (1898–1993; Wife: Ruth Stafford Peale)</p>	<p>(Author, Pastor of Marble Collegiate Church, the church of the Trump family, Founder of Guideposts)</p>	<p>[1]</p>	<p>1 His most popular book, The Power of Positive Thinking, was written in 1952 and has sold more than 20 million copies. It was the model for a flood of self-help books that followed. He is the person who is most responsible for bringing psychology into the professing Church (particularly the false gospel of self-esteem).</p> <p>2 He established a clinic with Freudian psychiatrist Dr. Smiley Blanton in the basement of his church. The clinic was described as having "a theoretical base that was Jungian, with a strong evidence of neo- and post-Freudianism."</p> <p>3 Norman Vincent Peale is publically known to be a lifelong Mason (33°) ranging all common grades and innumerable accolades. The Knights Templar, appointed him Grand Prelate for the 1970–1973 triennium.</p> <p>4 He advocated New Age and/or occult teachings as visualization/positive imaging, pantheism, universalism, human potential, positive confession, positive thinking ... Those concepts are also featured in his popular Guideposts magazine. Guideposts also promotes false teachers such as Joel Osteen (prosperity gospel), Henry Blackaby (contemplative spirituality) and St. Therese of Lisieux (contemplative mystic), and Sue Monk Kidd (contemplative spirituality). Guideposts is strongly ecumenical and interfaith based.</p> <p>5 "It's not necessary to be born again. You have your way to God, I have mine. I found eternal peace in a Shinto shrine"</p> <p>6 He maintained that Jews, Muslims, and other non-Christians worship the true God.</p> <p>7 In 1975, he received a blessing from Mormon Prophet Kimball. In 1980, he was the featured speaker at a dinner honoring this prophet.</p> <p>8 He endorsed 'The Jesus Letters', written by two Connecticut women who claim to have made contact with a communicating entity self-identified as Jesus of Nazareth, who dictated 80 letters to them. Peale said of this occultic automatic writing: "It little matters if these writings come from Jesus of Nazareth or Jesus of Jane [co-author Jane Palzere], they are all the same consciousness and that consciousness is God, I am a part of God, and Jane [is] part of that same God."</p> <p>9 One of Norman Vincent Peale's most 'successful' protégés is Robert Schuller. Schuller teaches that there is no need for one to recognize his own personal sin, no need for repentance, and no need for the crucifixion of self, but that self is to be exalted.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p>				
	<p>(Charismatic televangelist, one of the first to propagate the Prosperity Gospel)</p>		<p>see 'Organizations' > Oral Roberts University</p>					
	<p>Pat Cocking (Patricia CoKing / Patricia King)</p>	<p>(Apostolic and Prophetic Minister)</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>	<p>1 Preached as female pastor while clearly being drunk.</p> <p>2 False prophet. Regular visits of heaven.</p> <p>3 New Age teachings.</p> <p>4 Official endorsement of 'The Passion Translation' on their website. "I personally cannot get enough of this translation! It is beyond beautiful!"</p> <p>5 "The Lord told her to change her name."</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p>			
		<p>(700 Club, Christian Broadcasting Network)</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>	<p>1 Long list of controversies.</p> <p>2 Pat served in the 1950s as assistant pastor at the First Reformed Church of Mount Vernon, New York under Harald Bredeesen, who was often called the father of the charismatic movement. Through him he was introduced to the Freemasons Norman & Ruth Peale, and together with him he founded the Christian Broadcasting Network, after having been introduced to the Pentecostal experience of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Bredeesen also created a 'Prince of Peace Prize' he later gave to Mother Teresa and Billy Graham.</p> <p>3 He denied creation and believes in evolution.</p> <p>4 He "worked for harmony and reconciliation between Protestants and Catholics".</p> <p>5 Use of ministry funds and airplanes to support horrific dictators in order to extract wealth, including blood diamonds.</p> <p>6 He 'prophesied' in October 2020 that Trump will be re-elected without question.</p> <p>7 He 'prophesied' of two attacks on Trump's life during his second term.</p> <p>8 He was CEO of Regent University, where they offer up a Roman Catholic Mass every Tuesday in their chapel.</p> <p>9 His net worth was between \$200 million and \$1 billion.</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1]</p>			
			<p>Paula White-Cain</p> <p>(Televangelist, Main Spiritual Advisor to Donald Trump)</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>	<p>1 T.D. Jakes is the "Spiritual father" of Paula White. Year 2000: Jakes invited her to his conference and boosted her career. In 2007, she sent him a black convertible Bentley for his 50th birthday. 2011: Jakes recommended White for the position of senior pastor at New Destiny Christian Center, after its previous pastor, Zachery Tims, was found dead in a room from "acute intoxication" from cocaine and heroin [3]. Tims's ex-wife said in court filings that White was "the spiritual mother of Zachery" and that the two had a spiritually "intimate relationship." Zachery Tims called her his "spiritual mother" [5].</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Unification Church</i></p> <p>2 She preaches the 'Mother Moon and Han' theology and works with Unification Church to bring the "only begotten daughter of God to America". Clear rejection of the Trinity. She called Hak Ja Han Moon, the widow of Unification Church founder Sun Myung Moon, "a jewel from God" and lauded "Mother Moon for her great work as a spiritual leader who loves the Lord ..."</p> <p>3 Spoke at several Unification Church conferences.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Donald Trump</i></p> <p>4 Main spiritual advisor to Trump, who spoke also at Unification Church conferences. The team of spiritual advisors include(d) false teachers such as Guillermo Maldonado, James Dobson, Paula-White, Kenneth Max Copeland, Ralph Reed, Robert Jeffress, Jerry Falwell Jr., Franklin Graham, Mark Burns, Robert Morris, Eric Metaxas ...</p> <p>5 She claimed in November 2020 that "demonic confederacies" were "attempting to steal the election".</p> <p>6 Very close connection to Donald Trump, they know each other since 2002.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>False Teachings</i></p> <p>7 Prosperity Gospel teacher. She wrote in her book 'Living The Abundant Life': "Prosperity means: welfare, well-being; affluence (wealth); success; smiles of fortune; blessings; and a godsend. . . . Jesus said, 'I come that you would enjoy life'; You cannot be a non-tither and have a breakthrough."</p> <p>8 She urged her followers to donate a "first fruits" by offering of up to 1 month's pay to enjoy 'blessings' for the rest of the year or to otherwise suffer "divine consequences".</p> <p>9 She promises her donors their own personal angel.</p> <p>10 She speaks in tongues without an interpreter being present. "Tika hatta onda ora batta ronda aka aka ..."</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Private Life</i></p> <p>11 She met pastor Randy White, who was married with three children. The two divorced their spouses in 1989 and married each other a year later. She is now 2 times divorced and had in 2010 an affair with the married Benny Hinn.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]</p>		
				<p>(Founder Emotional Healthy Discipleship, former Senior Pastor New Life Fellowship Church)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>1 Teaches Contemplative Prayer / Catholic Mysticism.</p> <p>2 He endorses the late Trappist monk William Meninger, one of the three co-founders of the modern Contemplative Prayer movement, and had him speak at his church.</p> <p>3 Promotes the Enneagram.</p> <p>4 Part of the Catholic-Buddhist movement.</p> <p>5 Practically every reference he gives in his books are Roman Catholic monks, mystics (Brother Lawrence, Brennan Manning, Thomas Merton, Richard Rohr, Parker Palmer, Henri Nouwen, and John of the Cross), New Age teachers or those teaching Hinduism and Buddhism.</p> <p>6 He quoted the Catholic priest Henri Nouwen 22 times on his Twitter account.</p> <p>7 Partnership with Willow Creek Church.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p>	
					<p>Ralph Reed</p>	<p>(Spiritual Advisor Trump, Formerly Christian Coalition)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>1 Indian gambling for God.</p> <p>2 He wrote the book 'For God and Country, The Christian Case for Trump'</p> <p>3 Supporter of voter fraud theories in 2016.</p>
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United States	Rebecca McLaughlin	(Author and speaker)	[1] [2]	1 One of the many SSA (Same Sex Attracted) spokespersons that represent the Gospel Coalition . 2 Her favorite idols include feminism, identity politics, repenting of racial 'privilege', and LGBTQ+ rights . 3 Advisory Council at Biologos (see Francis Collins) 4 Close friends with Christine Caine .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [1] [2] [1] [2]	
	Richard Foster	(Theologian, Author)	[1] [2]	1 He wrote the ' Spiritual Formation Study Bible '. Eugene Peterson (The Message) was one of the editors. The Bible claims that ' Genesis ' was not written by Moses, but merged from several religions !!! Jesus is being described as a ' human agent ' in Isa 9:6-7. Outmost heresy. 2 Part of the ' Emerging church ' / Contemplative Prayer / Mysticism . 3 Imported Roman Catholicism into conservative Christian church by bringing in Roman Catholic spiritual disciplines . 4 His book: '25 Books Every Christian Should Read' should be titled ' How to Become a Catholic Mystic '. Inclusion of Dallas Willard and Richard Rohr at advisory board. 5 His book 'Celebration of Discipline' is filled with the promotion of dangerous Roman Catholic mystics (Ignatius of Loyola, Francis of Assisi, Benedict of Nursia, Teresa of Avila, Brother Lawrence, Dominic, Catherine of Siena, John of the Cross, Meister Eckhart, Hildegard of Bingen, Bernard of Clairvaux, and Thomas Merton) as well as their heretical practices, such as breath prayer, centering prayer and even out-of-body experiences . 6 He plainly teaches New Age . These New Age teachers are often quoted by Foster: Agnes Sandford, Eckhart, Elizabeth O'Connor, Harvey Cox Michael Buber, Thomas Merton (" Well, Thomas Merton tried to awaken God's people! "). 7 Foster and John Ortberg promote each other.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [5] [6] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3]	
	Richard Rohr	(Catholic Mystic Monk, Franciscan Priest and Writer on Spirituality)	[1] [2]	1 Contemplative prayer / Eastern Mysticism and New Age . 2 Proponent of the Enneagram (see below). 3 Claimed that the 4 Gospels conflict with each other. 4 Denied that Jesus died for our sins. 5 Proponent of Pantheism and Perennialism (all religions are paths to truth). 6 Author of the book 'What the Mystics Know: Seven Pathways to Your Deeper Self'. 7 Collaboration with Brendan Robertson, Jen Hatmaker, Richard Foster, Michael Gungor ...	[1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [1] [2] [3] [1] [1] [2] [3]	
	Rick Godwin	(Pastor Summit Christian Center)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Financial irregularities and abuse . 2 He does not acknowledge his own daughter , put her into an orphanage at the age of 8 and denied access for relatives to visit her.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [3]	
	Rick Joyner	(MorningStar Ministries, Public Speaker, Author)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Part of the New Apostolic Reformation (NAR) . 2 " Trump has a divine purpose ". 3 Supporter of Canadian revivalist Todd Bentley . 4 He called the accusations of sexual misconduct against Mike Bickle foul and of selfish ambition. 5 Problematic teaching, prophecies and practices .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
	Rick Warren	(Pastor, Author, Founder of Saddleback Church)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	1 Strong proponent of ecumenism . " <i>I really do feel that these people are brothers and sisters in God's family. I am looking to build bridges with the Orthodox Church, looking to build bridges with the Catholic Church, with the Anglican Church ..."</i> 2 His mentor was Billy Graham . " <i>Billy was my hero and my model</i> " Warren says. " <i>It would be hard to overestimate Billy Graham's influence on my life and ministry.</i> " " <i>Growing up in a Baptist home, Billy Graham was our pope</i> " Warren says. 3 He had been promoting Richard Foster, Dallas Willard, and Spiritual Formation / Contemplative Spirituality as far back as the early nineties in his first book 'The Purpose Driven Church'. 4 The author of the book, 'A Life With Purpose: Reverend Rick Warren - the most inspiring pastor of our time' accidentally revealed Rick Warren's plans to use New Age sympathizer Ken Blanchard (book 'The Secret') for his global P.E.A.C.E. plan in training leaders around the world. The author, who had praised Warren throughout his book, was then attacked and discredited by Warren himself as an unbeliever, although he had attended his church for several years and must have been close to Warren for writing his autobiography. 5 He regularly compares those who believe in the fundamentals of the Christian faith to extremists ("fundamentalists") and to radical Muslims. 6 Saddleback Church was expelled in 06/2023 from the Southern Baptist Convention for having female pastors . 7 He promotes the liberal mantra of 'Judge Not': " <i>God warns us over and over not to criticize, compare, or judge each other ... Whenever I judge another believer, four things instantly happen: I lose fellowship with God, I expose my own pride, I set myself to be judged by God, and I harm the fellowship of the church.</i> " 8 Proponent of the deceptive Sinner's Prayer " <i>If you sincerely meant that prayer, congratulations! Welcome to the family of God!</i> " 9 In 'The Purpose Driven Life' he heavily quotes the ' Message bible '. He further quotes Roman Catholic figures such as Mother Teresa, Henri Nouwen (he elsewhere highly recommends Nouwen's contemplative book 'In the Name of Jesus'), Brother Lawrence (Carmelite monk), John Main, St. John of the Cross (a pantheist) and the mystic Madame Guyon . 10 The foreword for 'Leading with Purpose' is written by John Ortberg . 11 " <i>I encourage you to follow these senior pastors on Twitter:</i> " Joel Osteen, T.D. Jakes, Marcos Witt, Mark Driscoll, Louie Giglio, Cash Luna, Andy Stanley, Brian Houston, Steven Furtick, Craig Groeschel, Joseph Prince, Bill Hybels, Jentezen Franklin, Bill Johnson, Nicky Gumbel, Tony Evans, Robert Morris, Tim Keller, Ligon Duncan	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [3]	
	Rob Bell	(Author, speaker and former pastor)	[1] [2] [3]	1 He denied that the Bible is the infallible Word of God . 2 Universalist. Denial of the eternal judgment of hell. " <i>There is a long tradition of Christians who believe that God will ultimately restore everything and everybody</i> " 3 " <i>I affirm the truth anywhere in any religious system, in any worldview. If it's true, it belongs to God.</i> " 4 He systematically downplays the requirement of salvation : " <i>The church must stop thinking about everybody primarily in categories of in or out, saved or not, believer or nonbeliever.</i> " 5 " <i>Some people are gay [...] are passionate disciples of Jesus just like I'm trying to be, so let's all get together and try to do something about the truly big problems in our world.</i> " <i>"I am for marriage. I am for fidelity. I am for love, whether it's a man and a woman, a woman and a woman, a man and a man ... This is the world we are living in and we need to affirm people wherever they are."</i> 6 He endorses Ken Wilber and his book, the author clearly rejecting Christianity and believing in the divinity of man . 7 He was interviewed by Oprah for her Super Soul Sunday television show.	[1] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [1] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [1]	
	Robert Jeffress	(Pastor, Author, Radio & TV Host, Spiritual Advisor to Donald Trump)	[1] [2]	1 He claimed that God has given Trump authority to take out another country. 2 He prophesied Trump to win the 2020 election . 3 Net worth of US\$17 million.	[1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1]	
	Robert Morris	(Senior Pastor Gateway Church, own TV Program, Chancellor of The King's University, Author)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Prosperity Gospel teacher. Wrote books such as 'The Blessed Life: The Simple Secret of Achieving Guaranteed Financial Results' or 'From Dream to Destiny'. 2 Teaches Old Covenant tithing with a money-back guarantee if the churchgoer is not satisfied! 3 God told him that we ought to put our wives above everything else , including God ... 4 Pastor of Todd White . 5 He is leading The King's University, in the past with its founder Jack Hayford . Morris: "I believe Pastor Jack was an Apostle Paul for our generation". 6 Spiritual advisor of Donald Trump . <i>He claimed in public that "the election was stolen"</i> . 7 Lack of financial transparency . His church refused to provide information to Ministrywatch.com . 8 Highly endorses Creflo Dollar, Joyce Meyer, T.D. Jakes (condemned to have copied some of his sermons).	[1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
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United States	Salvatore Sapienza	(Author, Pastor Douglas UCC, Speaker)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> "Fully inclusive of homosexual people in our church ministry". "Being gay is a gift from God; We are all sons of God". Preaches Interfaith. 	[1]
	Shawn Boltz	(Author, "Prophet")	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Cold reading (techniques used by mentalists, psychics, fortune-tellers, and mediums). He predicted Covid would be gone "soon" back in March 2020. He prophesied Trump to win the 2020 election. Called out by Benny Hinn as false teacher. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	Sid Roth (Sydney Abraham Rothbaum)	(Host of "It's Supernatural")	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> His TV program is a scam - designed to get you to purchase so-called supernatural products, exaggerate healing and preach Prosperity Gospel. Literally taught to throw babies against a wall. He works closely with and invited Bill Johnson, Hank Kunneman, Jeremiah Johnson, Mike Bickle, Tracey Cooke and many other false teachers to his show. "<i>God has called President Trump to lead this next four years (a second term) in our country.</i>" Teaches people how to speak in gibberish. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
	Steven Anderson	(Pastor, New Independent Fundamental Baptist Movement)	[1]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Advocates for the death penalty for homosexuals. "<i>Even if you did something awful like kill somebody or kill yourself, ok, God will not take away your salvation from you.</i>" Publically prayed for the deaths of former U.S. president Barack Obama and Caitlyn Jenner. KJV-only mouthpiece. Anti-Semitic beliefs. 	[1] [2] [3] [4]
	Steve Schultz	(Founder Elijah List / Elijah Streams)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Platform for Bill Johnson, Charlie Shamp, Chuck Pierce, Cindy Jacobs, Hank Kunneman, James Goll, Kat Kerr, Lance Wallnau, ... Exorbitant accumulation of false prophecies. Insider report from Kevin Kleint. 	[1] [2] [3]
	T.D. Jakes (Thomas Dexter Jakes)	("Bishop", Author and Filmmaker)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Prosperity Gospel teacher. He affirmed 'Gay Rights' and 'LGBT Churches. Two of his adopted sons are gay. He had a gay police officer dance in his show and applauded him. 2023 allegations that he engaged in gay sex at wild parties hosted by embattled music producer Sean 'Puffy' Combs, aka "Diddy." "<i>The worst that could happen, if everything was true, all I got to do is repent sincerely, from my heart. There's enough power in the blood to cover all kinds of sin. I don't care what it is, the blood would fix it. But I ain't got to repent about this," Jakes declared afterwards.</i>" "Spiritual father" of Paula White. He boosted her career. She sent him a black convertible Bentley. He recommended her as senior pastor. See also discernment on White. Net worth of US\$147 million. Ministry watch classified him and his ministries with 11/100 'Withhold Giving'. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]
	Thomas Merton / Father Louis (1915-1968)	(Author, Buddhist - Catholic Monk, Poet)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> He taught Contemplative Prayer, is a highly influential figure and inspired Max Lucado, Richard Foster ... Merton taught Universalism and Panentheism. He taught the Gnostic mystic mythology of an alleged "spark of the divine" (God indwells all of mankind) and denied the doctrine of original sin. He was a student of D.T. Suzuki (Zen Master) and Thich Nhat Hanh (Buddhist monk). He said: "<i>I see no contradiction between Buddhism and Christianity.</i>" The Dalai Lama wrote the back cover endorsement for 'New Seeds of Contemplation': "<i>Thomas Merton is really someone we can look up to. I always consider myself as one of his Buddhist brothers.</i>" Other endorsements: Pope Francis "<i>The Cistercian monk Thomas Merton remains a source of spiritual inspiration ...</i>"; Thich Nhat Hanh "<i>He is an artist, a Zen.</i>" Quote from the book 'Thomas Merton and Thich Nhat Hanh - Engaged Spirituality in an Age of Globalization': "<i>Merton left with a feeling of great respect, even fondness for the Dalai Lama and with the conviction that there was a 'real spiritual bond' between them. [...]</i>" "<i>Because of meeting with him I found many common practices between Christian monks and Buddhist monks ...</i>". Merton used the terms God, Krishna, and Tao interchangeably. He wrote books on Zen Buddhism, Confucianism, and Taoism, and how Christianity related to them. Heavily promoted by the Gospel Coalition - years after other ministries exhorted TGC. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
	Tim Mackie	(Lead research scholar and creative director at Bible Project; Pastor, Writer)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Collaboration with 24/7 Prayer. Proponent of Contemplative Prayer (Eastern or New Age meditation, disguised with Christian terms and phrases). Foreword for the book 'Praying Like Monks' with Tyler Staton, co-pastor of John Mark Comer, both part of Bridgetown Church / Practicing The Way. "<i>My hope is that you will come to experience prayer and the presence of God in the way [Thomas] Keating describes it</i>" Denies a literal hell - 'humans created this myth'. Distorted / emergent view on Atonement. Specific endorsement of the Enneagram. He came to it through his wife and it "<i>helped him unlock some really undiscovered territory in his value system.</i>" Serious theological errors in the Bible Project: they often mix up Moral Law and Ceremonial Law; opposition against the Weekly Sabbath by assigning it to Ceremonial Law only ... Waters down the sin of homosexuality "<i>it does not matter if you are gay</i>". 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
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United States	Timothy Keller (1950–2023)	(Founding Pastor Redeemer Church, Co-Founder Gospel Coalition , Author) Author of some good books, but highly problematic. Because Keller (is) a big name in Evangelicalism, there is greater resistance to drawing the same conclusion you would draw to a lesser known figure.	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Clever deception by way of doublespeak and language manipulation. 2 Watered down the significance of homosexual sin; claimed that unrepented homosexual sin does –not– exclude a person from the Kingdom of God. <i>"Heterosexuality does not get you to heaven. So, how in the world could homosexuality send you to Hell?"</i> 3 Support of the Revoice LGBTQ Thriving Conference and Living Out. 4 Theistic evolutionist. Rejected Genesis 1 as literal truth. 5 Promoted Biologos (see Francis Collins). 6 He promoted Contemplative Prayer / Catholic Mysticism, specifically Teresa de Avila (who levitated !!). 7 He openly promoted Lectio Divina. 8 Proponent of Ecumenism and explicit promotion of the Catholic Church. 9 Calvinist. Keller founded the Gospel Coalition, which is the national network for the New Calvinist movement. He is also part of Emerging Church movement. 10 Keller went as far as to describe the Substitutionary Atonement of Christ in his book 'King's Cross' precisely through the 'sacrificial' death of the witch Lilly Potter who forgot her magic wand and died protecting her son Harry. He made no difference between the holy and the profane (witchcraft). Absolutely disgusting and outmost heretical. 11 Christianized Marxism. 12 He surmised that God may actually have a secret way to heaven for those who do not repent of their sins and place their faith in Christ [=Purgatory]. 13 Problematic view on abortion. 14 He publicly praised Stephen Colbert for pronouncing his Catholic faith. 15 Keller regularly mentioned in his sermons at Redeemer Church e.g. Annie Dillard (Catholic author), C.S. Lewis, Michel Foucault (French philosopher and social theorist), Henri Nouwen (Catholic priest), Madame Guyon (French Catholic mystic) and Julian of Norwich (God is all-loving and without wrath; God is both our mother and our father) and Martin Scorsese. 	<p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p>		
			Tracey Cooke	(Cooke Revivals Ministries)	[1] [2]	1 He stated in March 2020 that there will be a turning point on Easter, related to Covid-19.	[1] [2] [3]
						2 He prophesied several times that Trump will be re-elected in 2020.	[1] [2]
			Tyler Staton	(Author, Lead Pastor of Bridgetown Church, Director of 24-7 Prayer US)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	1 He took over as lead pastor from John Mark Comer , one of his closest friends.	[1] [2]
						2 He pastored Oaks Church in Brooklyn, a church with 2/3 of the elders being female . The church offers the course 'The Good Way' which includes Lectio Divina , a teaching of 'The Prayer of Examen' , a prayer technique developed by a Jesuit ; and which teaches the Enneagram with specific resources from Dallas Willard , Henri Nouwen , Richard Foster , Richard Rohr and Ruth Haley Barton .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
						3 <i>"I've spent the last three years attending an incredible program called the Transforming Center uh it's taught by a woman named Ruth Haley Barton who I love [...] I would not describe myself as a contemplative. I would describe myself as a charismatic contemplative. "</i>	[1]
						4 He admires the journey of Eugene Peterson .	[1] [2]
						5 Teaches Contemplative Prayer . He also taught it at Pete Greig's Church, specifically referring to the Russian Orthodoxy 'Poustinik'.	[1] [2] [3] [4]
						6 Teaches the Enneagram .	[1]
						7 He took in 2022 a Nazarene pledge (Old Covenant law; odd but not strictly unbiblical to follow).	[1]
			Wayne Grudem	(Professor of Theology and Biblical Studies)	[1] [2]	1 He denies 24-hour creation days and openly confesses to be inspired by Hugh Ross .	[1] [2] [3]
						2 In 2016, he heartily endorsed the extremely deceptive and erroneous book, The Grand Canyon, Monument to an Ancient Earth , which rejects Noah's flood .	[1] [2] [3]
						3 Calvinist , but not a Cessationist.	[1] [2] [3]
						4 Full-throated support for Donald Trump .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
						5 Former Steering Council member and elder at the Vineyard Movement . He wrote for them a position paper 'Power & Truth, A Response to the Critiques of Vineyard Teaching and Practise by D.A. Carson', which is still published at his website.	[1] [2]
William Lane Craig	(Reasonable Faith, Professor of Philosophy, Theologian, Apologist, Author)	[1] [2]	1 Proponent of Theistic Evolution (Adam&Eve = Homo heidelbergensis; one million years ago ... contradicting the 77 generations in Luke 3:23-28). Teachers such as Norman Geisler , Frank Turek and Lee Strobel have fully absorbed his teachings and act as medium to propagate his scientific 'theology'. See also the review on Strobel's book 'The Case for a Creator' [8] and Turek's book 'I Don't Have Enough Faith to be an Atheist' [9].	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]			
			2 He claims that the genre of Genesis 1-11 is pure myth . Teachers such as Mike Winger have adapted his teaching.	[1] [2]			
			3 Rejects the Flood and the Tower of Babel.	[1] [2]			
			4 Serious errors related to the Trinity and Incarnation.	[1] [2] [3]			
			5 He does not believe in the inerrancy of Scripture .	[1]			
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Schools	The Apprentice Gathering (Apprentice Institute, Things Above Podcast, Wichita, US)	(Founded by its director James Bryan Smith)	[1] [2] [3]	1	The Apprentice Gathering is "designed to inform and challenge attendees in the area of Christian Spiritual Formation".	[1]	
				2	Speakers include a hall-of-fame of problematic teachers and authors such as Ann Voskamp, Curt Thompson (book 'Anatomy of the Soul'), John Mark Comer, John Ortberg, Ken Shigematsu, Ruth Haley Barton et al.	[1]	
				3	Specific dedication to Dallas Willard.	[1]	
	Bethel School of Supernatural Ministry (Redding, US)	(Training in the Supernatural and Miracles, such as Faith Healing, in order that they may become Revivalists.	[1] [2]	1	Organized, fabricated and man-sourced prophecy.	[1]	
				2	Only God - through the Holy Spirit - gives the often temporary gift of prophecy to whom he chooses. We are not able to choose others or ourselves to become a prophet . There is also no indication in the entire Bible that people had been specifically trained to become prophets. 1Sam 19:20 and 2Kin 2:3 speak about prophets meeting as a "group", but not as a "school".	[1] [2] [3]	
				3	Students practise "grave soaking", the belief of absorbing the deceased's anointing from God.	[1] [2] [3]	
	Biblical Training.org	(Education through biblical and theological content at different academic levels)	[1]	1	Their website showcases the endorsement of John Mark Comer, Joni Eareckson Tada and James I. Packer. > I contacted them in 03/2024 and 1. sent them the discernment on JM Comer and 2. pointed out a general error on their website. The error was corrected after only 2 days, while the endorsement of JMC remained untouched.	[1]	
				2	Their professors include Bruce Ware, Gary Thomas, John Piper, Thomas Schreiner, Tim Mackie ...	[1]	
				3	They teach Calvinism and several classes on Augustine, C.S. Lewis and J. R. R. Tolkien. Eugene Peterson is heavily endorsed in their classes.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]	
				4	They endorse in their library Bernard of Clairvaux, Brother Lawrence, Francis of Assisi, Mother Teresa, Teresa of Avila, without any discernment or warning.	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
5				Sales of Charles Spurgeon and Henri Nouwen books on their website.	[1] [2]		
Columbia Bible College (Abbotsford, Canada)	(College & University)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	1	The course Spiritual Formation is taught since 2000 by Gareth Brandt, who includes in his core teaching Lectio Divina.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]		
			a	On Celebration of Discipline by Richard Foster: "I first read this in university in 1982 and it was transforming! I continue to use it as a text in a first year Spiritual Formation Course." [...] 'Foster opened a new world of meditation, silence, solitude, communal guidance ..."	[1]		
			b	Walter Brueggemann, who is editor of the Renovaré Spiritual Formation Bible, is his "favorite Old Testament scholar".	[1]		
			c	He endorses Richard Rohr ("I feel akin to him"), Henri Nouwen, John Eldredge and Teresa de Avila and their books.	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			d	He taught that Jesus became a feminist.	[1]		
			e	He endorsed Bernard of Clairvaux (venerated in the RCC, an abbot, mystic and co-founder of the Knights Templars, a Catholic military order).	[1]		
			f	He teaches the Enneagram.	[1] [2] [3]		
Oral Roberts / Oral Roberts University (Tulsa, US)	(American Charismatic Christian televangelist; one of the first to propagate the Prosperity Gospel. He was ordained in both the Pentecostal Holiness and United Methodist churches)	[1] [2] [3]	1	Pioneer of the Health & Wealth / Seed-Faith / Prosperity / Seed-Faith / Word of Faith - Gospel.	[1] [2]		
			2	In January 1987, Roberts used an unusual means to increase donations. He introduced the television audience to a group of graduates from his university who are willing to go into worldwide missions if they bring in \$4.5 million in new donations. God revealed to him that he would die in March if this mission could not be financed. His son Richard Lee underscored this message by urging the audience to save his father's life.	[1] [2] [3]		
			3	Oral Roberts University was founded by Oral Roberts, and began admitting students in 1965.	[1] [2]		
			4	Notable alumni of Oral Roberts University are: Jean-Luc Trachsel, Joel Osteen, John Hagee, Joyce Meyer, Kari Jobe, Mike Bickle, Myles Munroe.	[1] [2]		
			5	Connected to ORU are teachers such as Kenneth Copeland and T.D. Jakes.	[1]		
			6	The makers of the 'He Gets Us' Campaign support Oral Roberts University with \$41,500 (2015) / \$17,000 (2020).	[1] [2] [3]		
			7	Jack Hayford was one of the original officers and trustees of Charismatic Bible Ministries (CBM), founded by hyper-charismatic Oral Roberts. He also received a honorary degree from Oral Roberts University.	[1] [2]		
			8	The founder of Transformation Church (Mike Todd), Bishop Carlton Pearson, had studied at Oral Roberts University and was the personal mentee of Roberts himself.	[1]		
Regent College (Vancouver, Canada)	(Interdenominational evangelical Christian College of Christian studies)	[1] [2] [3]	1	Teaching of Catholic Mysticism and Contemplative Prayer. Explicit promotion of Richard Foster and Richard Rohr (New Age).	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			2	Their library holds 40 (!) books from Richard Rohr and 97 (!) books from Thomas Merton.	[1] [2]		
			3	Included in the list of 'Christian Colleges that Promote Spiritual Formation' by Lighthouse Trails Research Project.	[1]		
			4	Eugene Peterson was a professor of Spiritual Theology at Regent from 1992 to 1998. He wrote the heretical Message Bible from 1993 to 2002.	[1] [2]		
			5	J. I. Packer (Calvinist and author of Evangelicals and Catholics Together) joined the faculty of Regent College in 1979.	[1] [2]		
			6	Endorsement of RCC and particularly the Papacy "the Pope could easily have studied at Regent".	[1] [2] [3]		
			7	Their newsletter included the display and promotion of nudity, which is systematic at the The Dal Schindell Gallery at Regent College.	[1] [2] [3]		
			8	Professor John Stackhouse Jr. was fired in 2023 from Crandall University in Moncton, N.B.. It turned out that he was during his 17-year tenure at Regent College repeatedly the subject of sexual harassment allegations. Regent fired him, but signed a NDA which enabled him later to abuse students at Crandall.	[1] [2]		
			9	Shailla Visser, director of Alpha Canada, is a member of the Board of Governors. The Anglican Alister McGrath, who appears in the Alpha series, is a Teaching Fellow at Regent.	[1] [2] [3]		
Wheaton College (Wheaton, US)	(Private Evangelical Christian liberal arts college)	[1] [2]	1	Only 2 out of the 200 professors on campus believe the Genesis creation account to be literal.	[1] [2]		
			2	Billy Graham graduated at Wheaton. The College even includes a 'Billy Graham Center' which serves as the graduate school's main headquarters. The Wheaton College Billy Graham Center Museum contains exhibits about the ministry of Billy Graham.	[1] [2]		
			3	Catholicism is deeply engrained in their college and specifically taught there [1, 2], while professors who become catholic while teaching there, are fired in order to conceal their agenda [2].	[1] [2] [3]		
			4	The 'Wheaton in the Holy Lands' program has sent regularly in the past 40 years students to 'sacred sites' including Jerusalem, Galilee, Athens, and Rome, where students ought to explore the Vatican.	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			5	They teach Catholic Mysticism (through Scottie May), specifically Lectio Divina, Centering- and Contemplative Prayer.	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			6	The Marion E. Wade Center is a special research collection of documents primarily relating to 7 highly problematic teachers: C. S. Lewis and his wife (Anglicans), J. R. R. Tolkien (Catholic), G. K. Chesterton (Catholic), Dorothy L. Sayers (Catholic), Charles Williams (Catholic), Owen Barfield (Anglican, Freemasonry, Anthroposophy), and George MacDonald (Universalism) ... A Catholic blogger considers it already to be a Catholic pilgrimage destination [4].	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			7	Wheaton tried to cover up a serious hazing incident and even hired a third-party investigator to discredit the victim's account of the incident.	[1] [2] [3] [4]		
			8	They invited in 2015 and 2018 Timothy Keller to speak at their college.	[1]		
			9	Problematic alumni of Wheaton include: Bart D. Ehrman (publicly opposes Christianity), Billy Graham, John Ortberg (Mysticism), John Piper, Mark Noll (teaches now at the private Catholic University of Notre Dame), Philip Yancey, Rob Bell, William Lane Craig (to do no surprise also Theistic Evolutionist) ...	[1] [2] [3] [4]		



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Movements & Organizations	24/7 Prayer (Pete Greig, Emmaus Road Church)	(Global prayer movement led by Pete Greig, Senior Pastor of Emmaus Road, Ambassador for NGO Tearfund, Teacher at the Anglican St Mellitus Theological College, Senior Leadership at HTB and Alpha Intl.)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] 1 The book 'The Story of 24-7 Prayer, Red Moon Rising' has its foreword written by Bill Johnson and is endorsed by Mike Bickle . 2 Extensive use of the Message Translation (MSG) and endorsement of Eugene Peterson in several books. Pete Greig even appears in the introduction of the Message 'bible' : "His Message translation of the bible and the Lectio Divina complement one another like fish and chips!" [1] 3 They also offer a course on Lectio Divina , a dangerous practise connected to Contemplative Prayer. 4 Greig in the Prayer Course: "I am passionate about Contemplative Prayer . [...] You can meditate on anything. [...] You don't need a Bible verse to justify breathing well , that's just good medicine [...] it could be using the Franciscan prayer [...] There was this desert father , more than 1700 years ago, praying in the Egyptian desert , Anthony of the Desert". Direct promotion of Teresa de Avila (levitated; demon-possessed) and Richard Foster in the video [1]. Richard Foster in turn promotes Greig's books through the Renovaré website. 5 Front-page-endorsement through John Mark Comer : "24/7 Prayer is on the bleeding edge [...] return to a neo-monastic life of deep prayer [...] a pole star for the future church." 6 Tyler Staton (Pastor at Bridgetown Church with JM Comer) is National Director of 24/7 Prayer US and taught at Greig's Emmaus Road Church precisely Contemplative Prayer, specifically referring to the Russian Orthodoxy 'Poustinik' . 7 Pete Greig is also the director of prayer for Alpha International . Nicky Gumbel wrote the foreword for 'How to Pray'. 8 Invitation of Danielle Strickland to their conference. Greig: "I admire her enormously." 9 Endorsement of Heidi Baker .	[1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [3]
	The Alpha Course (UK)	[1] [2] [3] [4] (Evangelistic course, which seeks to introduce the basics of the Christian Faith through a series of talks and discussions) -> Close collaboration with the Vatican as the 6 appearances of Ranerio Cantalamessa already show.	1 Main contributor to ecumenicalism . Nicky Gumbel: "Differences between Protestants and Catholics are totally insignificant compared to the things that unite us"; "Ultimately, unity is not doctrinal, it's relational"; "I've come to love the [Roman] Catholic church." 2 Most professional interview partners in the series have a Catholic background : · Christoph Schönborn (Austrian Dominican friar and theologian; Cardinal of the Catholic Church; Archbishop of Vienna). He approves same-sex marriages and reinstated (!) a man living in a registered same-sex partnership to a pastoral council. · C.S. Lewis (see separate discernment). · Francis Collins (see separate discernment). · Luigi Gioia (Benedictine monk; also invited to HTB Leadership Conference; teaches on Purgatory and Contemplative Prayer). · Ranerio Cantalamessa (Catholic cardinal, personal preacher to 3 popes); several books published under the label of 'Alpha'; 6 (!!) interviews in the Alpha series (Sessions #8, 10, 11 and 15). 3 Their hall-of-fame of martyrs includes: · Joan of Arc (a patron saint of France, Venerated in Roman Catholic Church, Anglican Communion). · Saint Philip the Apostle (stories and feasts added to the Bible!!). · Vladimir Bogoyavlensky (Bishop, Russian Orthodox Church). 4 Direct quotes from Pope Francis and his book . The Pope himself appears in session #16, which is often excluded by churches. 5 Specific production of a catholic Alpha format . The 1st Alpha Conference for Catholics was held in 1996. 6 Alpha appointed a Roman Catholic bishop, Michael Byrnes , to its Board of Directors. 7 "Encourage others to start to speak in another language - tell him / her you will do so yourself."; "Everyone can receive the gift of speaking in tongues ". 8 Nicky Gumbel tells unbelievers to ask Jesus to 'come into their heart' - an unbiblical teaching. 9 Promotion of, and interviews with Joyce Meyer . 10 Promotion of Bono from U2 in one of their videos. Bono one the other hand had several private audiences with at least 2 popes.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [1] [2] [3] [1] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12] [13] [1] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [1] [2] [3] [1] [1] [2] [3] [4] [1] [2] [3] [1]
	Canadian Church Leaders Network (led by Darrell W. Johnson, Scholar at CCLN & Pastor at The Way Church, also Teaching Fellow at Regent College; Brandon Peterson COO at CCLN & Pastor at The Way Church / formerly Alpha Canada; Jason Ballard MC at CCLN & Pastor at The Way Church / currently Alpha Canada).	(Network Committed to Serving Church Leaders in Canada)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] 1 Explicit promotion of Catholic Mysticism , including teachers such as Brother Lawrence , Dallas Willard , Henri Nouwen , Pete Greig , Peter Scazzero , Richard Foster , Ruth Haley Barton and even Teresa de Avila (levitated on a number of occasions!!) . 2 Specific mention of "different formats for prayer including The Examen, Lectio Divina & Centering Prayer ". Their Spiritual Formation Cards are provided by Vineyard Churches . 3 They declared Mark Buchanan to be a guide in Christian mysticism . Mark rejected this notion in his answer to Jason Ballard. 4 Organization of The Emerging Leaders Lab (see also Emerging Church movement). 5 Promotion of Pope Francis , John Mark Comer , Rick Joyner and Tyler Saton (see separate discernment). Collaboration with Practicing The Way. Darrell Johnson / The Way Church 6 Female teaching pastors at The Way Church. 7 Strong support of Orthodox churches ; "our friends". 8 Johnson teaches the Enneagram : "people are calling the Enneagram into question; we work with it; it is useful; that is a secret to know". 9 Eugene Peterson was close to Darrell Johnson. Use of the Message 'bible' in their newsletters.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [1] [2] [3] [1] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] [1] [1] [2] [3]



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<p>Movements & Organizations</p>	<p>Catholic or Christian or Eastern Mysticism / Contemplative Prayer</p>	<p>Not Recommended</p> <p> ("A prayer practice that is becoming popular within the evangelical church. It is also known as centering prayer, listening prayer, breath prayer and prayer of the heart. The essential function is to enter an altered state of consciousness in order to find one's true self, thus striving to find God. Proponents of contemplative prayer teach that all human beings have a divine center.</p> <p>To achieve the state of emptiness, they employ a "mantra," a word repeated over and over to focus the mind while striving to go deep within oneself. The effects are a hypnotic like state: concentration upon one thing, disengagement from other stimuli, a high degree of openness to suggestion, a psychological and physiological state that externally resembles sleep, but in which consciousness is interiorized and the mind subject to suggestion.")</p> <p>Source: www.4truthministry.org</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p>	<p>Highly Problematic Evil</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Contemplative Prayer mirrors the practices of the Desert Fathers / Desert Monks / Christian Monasticism. The reproduction of the wilderness temptations of Jesus and austere simplicity oriented towards CP had to be the route to holiness. It usually includes to empty one's mind (Kenosis). This is a misapplication of Jesus having temporarily emptied Himself from His divine power. We do not have divine power to be emptied from. To the contrary, we want the Spirit to fill us to prevent demons from filling an unoccupied house (Mat 12:44). Closely related to New Age practices - equally entering a meditative state with the emptying of the mind or rote repetition of a word. Brother Lawrence and Teresa of Avila are two of the key figures of Kabbalistic mysticism. BL showed regularly demon-possessed behavior and TdA levitated on a number of occasions. The movement has its own 'Spiritual Formation Study Bible' (Renovaré). It places a heavy emphasis on mysticism. Mysticism is a fundamental and inseparable part of the Emerging Church. -Every- proponent of Mysticism is involved in a number of other problematic practises / teachings. Catholics: Henri Nouwen, John Mark Comer (Jesuit), Richard Rohr, Teresa of Avila, Thomas Merton. Non-Catholics: Ann Voskamp, Beth Moore, Bill Hybels, Dallas Willard, Donald S. Whitney, Eugene Peterson, Jack Hayford, James Bryan Smith, Jim Wallis, John Eldredge, John Ortberg, Ken Shigematsu, Mark Driscoll, Mike Bickle, Max Lucado, Philip Yancey, Pete Greig, Peter Scazzero, Richard Foster, Rob Bell, Ruth Haley Barton, Timothy Keller, Tyler Straton and Walter Brueggemann, et al Organizations: 24/7 Prayer, Canadian Church Leaders Network (CCLN), International House of Prayer (IHOP), Renovaré, The Gospel Coalition (TGC). List of 'Christian Colleges that Promote Spiritual Formation' by Lighthouse Trails Research Project [1]. In Greater Vancouver, Columbia Bible College and Regent College (The Message Bible) strongly promote Christian Mysticism, what has led to a strong prevalence of Mysticism in local, especially Calvinist churches. 	<p>Download PDF document for clickable links.</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]</p> <p>see 'Renovaré' (below)</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12] [13]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p>
	<p>Christianity Today</p>	<p>(Evangelical Christian media magazine founded in 1956 by Billy Graham)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Open endorsement of Henri Nouwen (Jesuit). Involved in the Contemplative Prayer movement. Their 'Books of the Century', published in 2000, include: The Lord of the Rings (no redemption of any evil character, written by a strict Catholic), Orthodoxy (G.K. Chesterton, Catholic), The Seven Storey Mountain (Thomas Merton, Catholic Monk), Celebration of Discipline (Richard Foster, Catholic Mysticism), The Prophetic Imagination (Walter Brueggemann), Pilgrim at Tinker Creek (Annie Dillard, Catholic author), Civilization and Its Discontents (Sigmund Freud), The Chronicles of Narnia (C. S. Lewis), The Cloister Walk (Kathleen Norris, Catholic), The Wounded Healer (Henri J. M. Nouwen, Jesuit), Knowing God (J. I. Packer, Calvinist), The Jesus I Never Knew (Philip Yancey) Sexual harassment scandal involving the editor in chief, Mark Galli, a Roman Catholic (and former Presbyterian). Ed Stetzer is contributing editor and executive director of the Billy Graham Center at Wheaton College. "Eugene Peterson Has Completed His Long Obedience". CT skirted journalistic ethics in dealings with disgraced former megachurch pastor James MacDonald. CT almost worships the band U2 through dozens of articles. When Episcopalian ministers Whiteley & Maynard published the book 'Get Up Off Your Knees: Preaching the U2 Catalog', CT responded with a review entitled "The Legend of Bono Vox: Lessons Learned in the Church of U2." 	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p>
	<p>Coexist</p>	<p>(Interfaith movement based on a logo which includes in its basic form the Muslim Crescent, the Star of David and the Christian cross)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> One common version of the bumper stickers spells "COEXIST" using an Islamic crescent moon for the "C", a peace sign for the "O", the Hindu Om symbol for the "E", a Star of David for the "X", a pentacle for the dot of the "I", a yin-yang symbol for the "S", and a Christian cross for the "T". Coexist House is a charity for interfaith dialogue based at Inner Temple in London, England. The Temple takes its name from the Knights Templar (military order of Catholics). See also Bono / US band for the most popular promotion of the concept. 	<p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p>
	<p>Dominionism / Seven Mountain Mandate (similar / overlapping concepts)</p>	<p>(Authoritarian ideology seeking to institute a nation which is governed by Christians; man's attempt to occupy and subdue the world as God's stewards of the earth)</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> "Christianizing" of the "7 mountains" of society: government, family, media, education, religion, entertainment/arts, and business. Dominionists believe that Trump has been "anointed" by God to help bring about God's Kingdom on earth. A common sign is the church telling you how to vote. The movement says certain of their people are 'anointed', or chosen by God - and says you must obey those people. Prominent figures: Bill Hamon, C. Peter Wagner, Chuck Nolson, Earl Paulk, Fred Price, Gary North, Jim Laffoon, Kenneth Hagin, Rick Joyner, Tommy Tenney. The book 'Invading Babylon, The 7 Mountain Mandate' is written by Alan Vincent, Bill Johnson, Ché Ahn, C. Peter Wagner, Lance Wallnau and Patricia King. 	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1]</p>
<p>Ecumenism (Interdenominationalism, Transdenominationalism, Ecumenicalism)</p>	<p>(The concept and principle that believers who belong to different religions / denominations should work together to develop closer relationships among their churches and promote 'unity')</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> A Protestant / Evangelical would invite a Roman Catholic, or a Catholic invite a Muslim imam to meet or even speak in his pulpit, or a protestant church may get together for a joint conference, prayer or service. Biblical Christianity and Roman Catholicism are two different religions that practice and believe fundamentally different things about how one is saved (see separate discernment). The Catholic Church openly promotes a One World Religion. Pope Francis signed in 2019 a covenant with Islam leaders. The official catechism, p. 230 says "<i>The plan of salvation also includes those who acknowledge the Creator, in the first place amongst whom are the Muslims; these profess to hold the faith of Abraham, and together with us they adore the one, merciful God ...</i>" Leaders promoting Ecumenism: Billy Graham, Carolyn Arends, Charles (Chuck) Colson, Charles Spurgeon, C. Peter Wagner, C.S. Lewis, Dallas Willard, Danielle Strickland, Darrell W. Johnson, David Bryant, Enoch Adejare Adebayo, Eugene H. Peterson, Franklin Graham, Henri Nouwen, Jack Hayford, James Bryan Smith, Jean-Luc Trachsel, J. I. Packer, Johannes Hartl, John Mark Comer, John Wimber, Ken Shigematsu, Luis Palau, Mark Driscoll, Max Lucado, Michael Green, Michael W. Smith, Mike Bickle, Nathan Söderblom, Os Guinness, Paul and Jan Crouch, Paula White-Cain, Pete Greig, Peter Scazzero, the Pope, Richard Foster, Richard Rohr, Rick Warren, Thomas Merton, Timothy Keller, Tyler Staton ... Movements / organizations promoting Ecumenism: 24/7 Prayer, The Alpha Course, Biola, Emerging Church, ECT (Evangelicals and Catholics Together), Fuller Theological Seminary, Global Harvest Ministries, The Gospel Coalition (TGC), International House of Prayer (IHOP), Moody Bible Institute, Regent College Vancouver, Romyan Catholic Church, Southern Baptist Convention, Unification Church, World Congress on Evangelism, World Council of Churches, World Prayer Center (WPC), World Vision ... 	<p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p>	
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Movements & Organizations	Emerging Church	(Principle Idea: as culture changes, a new church should emerge in response; much larger and less well defined than NAR)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Liberal doctrine / Relativism over sound theology · Personal interpretation (eisegesis) over exegetical or expository Bible study · Experience over reason · Subjectivity over objectivity · Spirituality over religion · Christianity as a Relationship only, not a Religion · Images over words · Outward over inward · Feelings over truth · Seeker Sensitive · Non-confrontational · It's not my place to judge · It's just me and Jesus. 2 Often with a strong focus on Ecumenism. 3 Practices more akin to New Age teachings: meditation (sometimes 'christianized' yoga), (Catholic) Mysticism and Contemplative Prayer. 4 It is just principally repackaged liberalism. Phyllis Tickle has already renamed it "<i>The Hyphenated Church, but in reality it ought to be called the Regurgitated Church - it is just Medieval Mysticism and its practices ruminated and brought up all over again.</i>" 5 Prominent figures: Brian McLaren, Dan Kimball, Doug Pagitt, John O'Keefe, Jonny Baker, Erwin McManus, Scot McKnight, Tony Jones. (Formerly) involved: Mark Driscoll, Rob Bell. 6 Some voices conclude that Bono "seems to be the chief theologian of the 'emerging church movement'". Rob Bell told that the first time he experienced 'God' was at a U2 concert ... Bono is often endorsed or interviewed by Emerging Church leaders such as Bill Hybels, Brian McLaren, Brian Walsh, Rick Warren, Tony Campolo ... 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	Enneagram	(Typology of 9 interconnected personality types; Principally derived from the teachings of the Bolivian psycho-spiritual teacher Oscar Ichazo (1950s) and the Chilean psychiatrist Claudio Naranjo (1970s))	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 "87% of individuals were able to accurately predict their Enneagram type (before taking the test) by being read descriptions of each type. [...] "While the Enneagram system shares little with traditional Christian doctrine or spirituality, it also shares little with the methods and criteria of modern science [...] "when used as a means of spiritual growth introduces an ambiguity in the doctrine and the life of the Christian faith". 2 Occult origins - Derived through the occult practice of 'automatic writing'. 3 Ungodly counsel - it gives the 'counsel of the ungodly'. 4 Unscriptural - The teachings cannot be supported by Scripture, and they go against God's Word. 5 Worldly wisdom - Not based in objective reality, truth, reason, or Scripture. 6 Harmful - "We can use it as a helpful tool" is a classic warning sign for when erroneous and harmful ideas or practices are being introduced. 7 Universalist - The main proponents are New Age-ish and mystical, if not outright universalists. Also, almost all Christians who are former New Agers warn of the dangers and deceit of the tool. 8 Weakens dependency on God. 9 Self focused - encourages to discover our 'true self', to get in touch with our true nature, to realize self-actualization - (> New Age). 10 The majority of those who teach the Enneagram are proponents of Contemplative Prayer. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]
	Global Leadership Summit	(2-day leadership broadcast event with remote attendance of approx. 170,000 worldwide; at Willow Creek church)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Invitation / Promotion of Andy Stanley, Brian Houston, Christine Caine, Dallas Willard, Danielle Strickland, John Ortberg, mystic Mama Maggie Gobran, Michael Gungor, Sam Adeyemi, T.D. Jakes. 2 Anti-biblical feel-good leadership axioms such as "How many of us are saving our best for the next life when all we have is this life?" 3 Problematic background of Bill Hybels / Willow Creek Community Church. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12] [13] [14] [15]
	The Gospel Coalition (TGC)	(National network for the New Calvinist movement) Many good writers, but fallen deep. There is an ever-growing contingent of writers and contributors for TGC who seem intent on trying to push the boundaries of Christian doctrine and in so doing make a career for themselves. TGC is now bending their knee to secular progressives with regularity.	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Timothy Keller is the founder and the organization propagates his false theology, such as Calvinism, Contemplative Prayer, Ecumenism, Mysticism, Social Justice Gospel, Theistic Evolution et al. 2 Ecumenism and explicit promotion of the Catholic Church. TGC asked their readers to individually sign the Manhattan Declaration which reads: "<i>We, as Orthodox, Catholic, and Evangelical Christians, have gathered ...</i>" and was originally signed by 15 Catholic bishops. 3 Strong promotion of Catholic Mysticism and Contemplative Prayer. Explicit promotion of Henri Nouwen, Thomas Merton, and Teresa of Avila, who levitated. 4 They hold to Cessationism, essentially saying that Christians do not receive anymore spiritual gifts. 5 Heavy emphasis on the Social Justice Gospel. 6 TGC defends transgender pronouns! "<i>Your inability to use their preferred pronoun could actually be offensive.</i>" 7 Very problematic position on homosexuality. We ought to "<i>affirm their legal right to marry</i>". 8 Explicit promotion of R-rated films that feature underage sex, lesbian sex, oral sex, pro-abortion propaganda, and blasphemy of the name of Christ ... 9 TGC endorses Jackie Hill Perry's books and articles on their website (Evangelical Sexual Revolution; Bethel Church; open lesbian). 10 TGC endorses Rebecca McLaughlin (Biologos; Same Sex Attracted spokesperson; feminism; identity politics, racial 'privilege'; LGBTQ+ rights) 11 TGC endorses Theistic Evolution, writing the creation week off as a 'literary analogy'. 12 TGC endorsed Eugene Peterson (Message 'bible'). 13 Covid. TGC promoted vaccine passports and attacked pastors and churches that stood up for biblical ecclesiology which places Christ not the state at the head of the church. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12] [13] [14] [15]
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Problematic Movements & Organizations



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				Vanderground: "ultimately, the goal is <i>inspiration, not recruitment or conversion.</i> " [...] "... <i>many Catholics are involved in the development of the campaign and it has received positive feedback from Catholic media [...] it is vital that we engage Catholics who represent 70 million people in the U.S.</i> "	[1] [2] [3]
				2 Producer: Stephen Ostrander, charter member of North Point Community Church (Andy Stanley).	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]
				3 The Book 'He Gets Us' shares some core truths of the Gospel, but leans towards Universalism, fails to direct seekers to the next steps and contains theological errors. Written by Max Lucado, a problematic teacher. See review [1].	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				4 Allusions to social justice movements , referring to Jesus not as Savior, but as example: an "influencer, an immigrant, a refugee, a radical, an activist for women's rights and a bulwark against racial injustice and political corruption".	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				5 <i>The campaign reinforces [1] the problematic idea that Jesus's followers have Jesus all wrong.</i>	[1] [2] [3]
				6 Their video 'The Birth' portrays Jesus as being born through fornication with a boyfriend. Blasphemy.	[1]
				7 HeGetsUs, LLC is a subsidiary of Servant Foundation (Missouri), financed by donor-advised fund 'The Signatry'. Both are headed by Bill High (until recently by Stephen French).	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				Financial support (year 2015 / 2020) of: Alpha USA (\$0 / \$500,000), Andrew Wommack (\$20,200 / \$15,700), Bethel Church (\$0 / \$525,280), at least 27 Roman Catholic churches / organizations (> \$492,438 / \$656,938), the Gospel Coalition (\$5000 / \$0), IHOP (Mike Bickle, \$60,290 / \$29,650), Joyce Meyer Ministries (\$20,100 / \$10,600), Kenneth Copeland Ministries (na / \$5100), Lakewood Church (Joel Osteen; \$10,100 / \$10,600), North Point Min. (Andy Stanley; \$118,200 / \$33,000), Oral Roberts University (\$41,500 / \$17,000), at least 16 Presbyterian Churches (\$2,161,717 / \$1,327,689), Ravi Zacharias (\$589,400 / \$604,278), Redeemer (Presbyterian) Church (Timothy Keller, \$1,005,300 / 1,007,800) and Salvation Army (\$347,745 / \$572,448) and Turning Point For God (David Jeremiah; \$2,002,400 / \$757,705).	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				8 Donors: "A diverse group of Christians from a range of denominational backgrounds".	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
www.familyarc.com (founder is Bill High) "... generous members, Independent Presbyterian Church (IPC), The Signatry, National Christian Foundation, Provision Bridge, Hobby Lobby, Broadhorn Foundation ..."	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]				
9 Partners include the Alpha Course (Catholic tool; see discernment), Christianity Today (including Christine Caine), Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Gloop (Christian Big Data company; runs the program), Luis Palau Assoc., National Assoc. of Evangelicals, OneHope, Salvation Army , the Wheaton College Billy Graham Center and Youversion.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [5] [6] [7]				
International House of Prayer (IHOP) / The Kansas City Prophets	(Charismatic evangelical Christian movement)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	1 Cultic origin and worship style, Emotionalism, Gnosticism, denial Sola Scriptura ...	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]	
			2 Proponents of Contemplative Prayer / Catholic Mysticism and endorsement of Henri Nouwen. IHOPKS's bookstore contains dozens of titles promoting contemplative prayer.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]	
			3 Ecumenism: Mike Bickle in his foreword to Stacey Campbell's book: "... they [House of Prayer Augsburg, Germany] needed to launch a 24/7 HoP with the spirituality of the Catholic charismatic renewal movement and a focus on ecumenism. "	[1]	
			4 The ' Kansas City prophets ' admitted that their prophecies were often inaccurate. IHOP essentially views prophets as Christian psychics , with prophetic hotlines, prophetic readings, and an emphasis on personal prophecy. Alleged cases of spiritual abuse and manipulative uses of prophecy.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]	
			5 Extreme overemphasis on the miraculous gifts of the Spirit. Miraculous healings, visions, dreams, prophecies, tongues, words of knowledge, signs, wonders, etc., are claimed to be constant within IHOP.	[1] [2]	
			6 Part of the New Apostolic Reformation (NAR).	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
			7 2023 sexual abuse scandal of Mike Bickle. Very probable cover-up over many years and strong hesitancy in investigation.	[1]	
			8 Collaboration with Bill Johnson, Lou Engle, Rick Pino ...	[1]	
New Apostolic Reformation (NAR) / Apostolic Council of Prophetic Elders (ACPE)	(Dominionist movement with an unhealthy emphasis and often erroneous application of the offices of Apostles and Prophets).	[1] [2] [3]	1 NAR: Bill Johnson, Brian Simmons, Che Ahn, Chuck Pierce, Doug Addison, Guillermo Maldonado, James Goll, Kenneth Max Copeland, Lou Engle, Mike Bickle, Mike & Cindy Jacobs, Peter & Doris Wagner, Rick Joyner.	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			2 ACPE: Chuck Pierce, James Goll, Kim Clement, Lou Engle, Mike & Cindy Jacobs, Paul Keith Davis, Peter & Doris Wagner, Stacey Campbell, Steve Schultz.	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
			3 Seven mountain mandate (see also above).	[1] [2] [3]	
(Extreme) Pentecostalism including Latter Rain Movement, Oneness Pentecostals, Jesus Only Movement	(Protestant Charismatic Christian movement which emphasizes direct personal experience of God through baptism with the Holy Spirit)	[1] [2] [3]	1 A tenet is the unbiblical requirement of speaking in tongues as evidence of salvation.	[1] [2] [3]	
			2 Experience often trumps scriptural teaching.	[1]	
			3 Strong focus on divine healing , sometimes in exchange for (certain amounts of) donations.	[1] [2]	
			4 Jesus-Only crowd. All religious activities should be performed in the name of Jesus only. Rejection of uncomfortable facets of the character of God.	[1] [1]	
			5 Prophecy is often taken very lightly, is rarely being tested and is sometimes false.	[1]	
			6 The Prosperity Gospel is over proportionally being spread through Pentecostals. Positive confessions to enrich oneself financially and materially. Seed-Faith (Seed sowing). The Hundredfold return.	[1] [2]	
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	Prosperity Gospel / Word of Faith Movement	It teaches that one of the promises of the Christian life is health and wealth.	[1] [2]	<p>The book 'God, Greed and the (Prosperity) Gospel' describes best what this theology is all about:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The prosperity gospel overcomplicates faith. Faith isn't giving money to get His love. Faith isn't paying a fee for His saving grace. Faith isn't going broke to get healed. Faith isn't a special healing service to get His anointing. Any religion that says you need to do good works, give enough money, or speak enough positive declarations to unlock God's saving grace or abundant blessings on your life is a false religion. The prosperity gospel turns faith into a works-based system. The prosperity gospel distorts the biblical Gospel. It is rather about the gifts than the giver. It is rather about the redeemed than the Redeemer. It is rather about earthly riches than eternal rewards. It is rather about monetary gain than the glory of God. God is not a cosmic magic genie granting our wishes. Jesus did not die to provide us earthly riches. He is not the cherry on top of materialistic satisfaction. The prosperity gospel twists Scripture. It produces false converts. It fills pulpits with imposters and pews with people who either want to be fooled or are being deceived. It ruins Christianity's witness. Wealth is not a sign of elite spiritual status. To the contrary, the poor and afflicted are given special attention when it comes to spiritual care. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	Renovaré	<p>(Organization for Spiritual Formation based in Colorado (US) and founded in 1988 by Quaker theologian Richard J. Foster; later expanded to Canada, GB, Korea and South Africa)</p> <p>Members include:</p> <p>Anglicans, Baptists, Church of God, Lutherans, Methodists, Roman Catholics, Presbyterians and Quakers.</p>	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Teachings which often contradict Scripture are principally inspired by Thomas Merton and Thomas Keating; Scripture is seen as secondary; many half-truths in their teachings; Universalism; rejection of Isaiah's prophecies pointing to Christ; sin is not normative prior to repentance; God is not our judge; works-based 'self-transformation'; meditation with repeated 'sacred words' based on 'Christian mantras' of Zen-practicing Catholic monks; prayer using meaningless repetitions; teachings include Taoists, Zoroastrians, and Zenpracticing Catholics; discipline of solitude; homosexuality up for debate ... The movement has its own 'Renovaré Spiritual Formation Bible' which includes the Apocrypha. It places a heavy emphasis on mysticism to the detriment of solid theology, and has packaged the mystical thinking of its editors Richard Foster, Dallas Willard, Walter Brueggemann, and Eugene Peterson into 'study notes'. The 'Bible' claims that 'Genesis was not written by Moses, but borrowed from pre-historic mythology !!! Jesus is being described as a 'human agent' in Isa 9:6-7. Dallas Willard and James Bryan Smith are founding members of Renovaré. Jack Hayford sat on the Renovaré Board. Presidents: Richard Foster (see separate discernment); 2008: Christopher Webb (an Anglican Franciscan); 2012 Executive Director: Rachel Quan; 2015 president: Chris Hall. Director of Community Life: Nathan Foster (son). His books are endorsed by Eugene Peterson, John Ortberg, Philip Yancey and Ruth Haley Barton; and include teachings from Brother Lawrence, Henri Nouwen, Thomas Merton; and are listed on Amazon as [Christian Books & Bibles > Catholicism]. Vice Chairperson: Richella Parham, she teaches in her books ideas from Dallas Willard and Richard Foster. She also quotes Thomas Merton. The Canadian site includes extensive teachings from Bernard of Clairvaux, venerated in the RCC, an abbot, mystic and co-founder of the Knights Templars (a Catholic military order). Promotion of books by John Mark Comer and Pete Greig (24/7 Prayer). 	[1] [2] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10]
Revoice Movement	(A group of same-sex attracted 'Christians' who want the church adjust its approach to homosexuality).	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> "Revoice exists to support and encourage Christians who are sexual minorities so they can flourish in historic Christian traditions." Intention to normalize homosexuality within Christ's church. They claim that being gay is inborn. 	[1] [2] [3]	
Southern Baptist Convention	(Baptist denomination based in the United States)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> During the 19th and most of the 20th century, it played a central role in racial segregation while opposing interracial marriage. In 1995, the organization apologized for its history. Strong prevalence of Freemasons in their rows. In the 1990s, 14 percent of SBC pastors and 18 percent of deacons were Masons. At the June 1992 annual conference, an unsuccessful attempt was made by a minority of representatives to root Freemasonry out of the Convention. The SBC 1993 Report on Freemasonry states: <i>"... consistent with our denomination's deep convictions regarding the priesthood of the believer and the autonomy of the local church, membership in a Masonic Order be a matter of personal conscience."</i> In 2006, SBC President Gaines allegedly waited six months to fire a pastor who had confessed to sexual molestations. In 2018, investigations showed that the organization suppressed reports of sexual abuse and protected over 700 accused ministers and church workers. In 2022, a report indicated church leaders had stonewalled and disparaged clergy sex abuse survivors for nearly two decades; reform efforts had been met with criticism or dismissal from other organization leaders; and known abusers had been allowed to keep their positions without informing their local churches. In 2022, the denomination was facing a federal investigation into the scandal. In 2024, alleged abuse victims accused the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention of 'maliciously and systematically' covering up sexual abuse. In the 1960s, the Southern Baptist Convention initially predominately supported the abortion rights movement. In 1971, the SBC passed a resolution urging a loosening of abortion laws in the US. Around 30% of SBC churches admit to be Reformed / Calvinists. In 2007, Ed Stetzer, said that nearly 30% of recent seminary graduates serving as pastors are Calvinists. Robert D. Jones, who is a Calvinist, serves as associate professor of biblical counseling at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Similarly Heath Lambert. Billy Graham was an ordained Southern Baptist minister, spoke at 13 SBC annual meetings, served as a trustee of two SBC entities, and was even nominated for SBC president in 1963. 	[1] [2] [3]	
Vineyard Movement	(Founded by John Wimber in 1982, commonly recognized as 'Third Wave', 'Power Theology' and 'Signs and Wonders movement', 300.000 members in 2019)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Proponent of the Bridal Paradigm, which injects a Jesus-believer love affair into the Song of Solomon. The so-called 'Toronto Blessing' began in a Vineyard Church (it afterwards distanced itself from that particular phenomenon). When one of England's best-known evangelicals, David Watson, was diagnosed with cancer, Wimber flew in and announced how God had shown him that Watson would get well. When Watson died, they tried to 'limit the damage' as best they could. The gullibility of his followers (...) enabled him to continue relatively unscathed. Kevin Prosch was a prominent worship leader within the Vineyard movement. In 1999, he confessed to a string of adulterous relationships. Despite this confession, he led worship at an IHOPKC conference and later had an affair with Misty Edwards, before his marriage ended in a divorce. The movement is associated with the following characters / groups: Brian Doerksen, Calvary Chapel, Don Francisco, Kansas City Prophets, Keith Green, Kevin Prosch, Mike Bickle, Paul Cain, Promise Keepers, Signs and Wonders, Toronto blessing, Wayne Grudem ... 	[1] [2] [3]	



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Cults & Religions	The Aggressive Christianity Missions Training Corps (abbreviated ACMTC; also known as the Death Force Team, Holy Tribal Nation, the Free Love Ministries, or the Life Force Team).	(Militaristic Christian fundamentalist new religious movement)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	1 Extreme form of Pentecostalism . 2 "Anti-ecclesiastical organization that claims that anyone who supports a centralized government or denomination is affiliated with the Antichrist. Salvation can only be found outside church and governmental systems." 3 The founding family ("General" James and Deborah Green, son Peter) was charged with sexual assault of minors, kidnapping, child abuse and murder , sentenced to 72/10 years in prison. 4 Members call Deborah Green an 'oracle' and believe that she has direct communication with God. Selection of disturbing 'visions'. 5 The Greens took their ideas from Catherine Booth, founder of Salvation Army and a feminist leader . Salvation Army still preaches the concept of Aggressive Christianity today!	[1] [1] [1] [2] [2] [3] [4] [6] [7] [1] [2] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	Download PDF document for clickable links.
	Anglican Church (16th c. AD-today)	(Christian tradition that has developed from the practices, liturgy, and identity of the Church of England following the English Reformation)	[1] [2] [3]	1 See discernment on King Henry VIII , who founded the Church of England. 2 Attending the Eucharist at a broad-church parish nowadays is likely to be similar in many respects to a contemporary Roman Catholic Mass . 3 Some Anglicans recite the Rosary and Angelus , are involved in a devotional society dedicated to " Our Lady " (the Blessed Virgin Mary) and seek the intercession of the saints . 4 Widespread support by dozens of Church of England bishops to allow clergy same-sex civil marriages . Many of the clergy are practicing homosexuals , and many are connoisseurs of child porn . 5 An Anglican service will include readings from the Bible and some passages from the Apocrypha . 6 Anglo-Catholic practices, particularly liturgical ones, have become more common within the tradition over the last century. In 1974 the Church of England and English Roman Catholics , Baptists, United Reformed, and Methodists agreed to form a national commission for discussions of the possibility of practical reunion.	[1] [2] [1] [1] [1] [2]	
	Anglo-Catholicism	(Comprises beliefs and practices that emphasise the catholic heritage and identity of the various Anglican churches)	[1] [2] [3]	1 Many high-church or Anglo-Catholic Anglicans hold, more or less, the Catholic view of the real presence as expressed in the doctrine of transubstantiation . 2 Generally prayers for the dead . 3 Observance of all 7 Catholic Sacraments (Confession / Absolution, Matrimony, Confirmation, Holy Orders / Ordination, and Anointing of the Sick / Unction). 4 Most Anglo-Catholics encourage devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary , but not all Anglo-Catholics adhere to a high doctrine of Mariology. 5 C. S. Lewis was considered an Anglo-Catholic in his theological sensibilities.	[1] [2] [1] [1] [1]	
	Anthroposophy (~1910 AD-today)	(Spiritualist movement founded in the early 20th cen.)	[1] [2]	-		
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	Black Mass	(Ceremony typically celebrated by various satanic groups)	[1]	-		
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Cults & Religions	<p>Catholicism (~250 AD through Origen in Alexandria - today)</p> <p>(The Roman Catholic Church)</p> <p>The RCC includes some genuine believers, but the institution itself and their doctrine is evil.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Entire religion based on the false claim that there is the biblical office of a pope and that Peter was the first pope. While most other bishops (and Christians) resisted the idea of a Roman bishop being supreme, the Roman bishop eventually rose to supremacy, due to the power and influence of the Roman emperors. After the western half of the Roman Empire collapsed, the popes took on the title that had previously belonged to the Roman emperors - Pontifex Maximus. 2 The title Pontifex Maximus appears in inscriptions on buildings and on coins and medallions. The official list of titles includes "Supreme Pontiff of the whole Church" (in Latin, Summus Pontifex Ecclesiae Universalis) as the fourth title - a direct offense against Jesus Christ as the only head of His (true) church. 3 [-250 AD] The first hints of Catholic Mariology are found in the writings of Origen, who first used the term Theotokos (Mary the mother of God). He lived in Alexandria, Egypt, which happened to be the focal point of Isis worship, a mother-goddess religion similar to Catholicism. 4 [since ~300 AD] Prayers for the dead. 5 [306 AD; officially 1115 AD] Celibacy of priesthood, leading to a wave of abuse of minors. 1Tim 4:1-3 "Now the Spirit expressly says that in later times some will depart from the faith by devoting themselves to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons, through the insincerity of liars whose consciences are seared, who forbid marriage ..." 6 [366 AD] First Pope, later to be erroneously claimed in direct succession to the Apostle Peter. Long list of adultery, gambling, incest, murder, orgies, prostitution, satanism, witchcraft et al. amongst the Popes. 7 [370 AD] Veneration of dead saints. 8 [405 AD] Inclusion of 7 Ecclesiastical Books (Deuterocanonicals: 1 & 2 Maccabees, Tobit, Judith, Sirach, Wisdom, and Baruch), while 6 other Ecclesiastical Books (Letter of Ieremias, Manasses, Susanna, Bel and the Dragon and 3 & 4 Maccabees) are not included. 9 [390 AD] Mass, daily re-sacrificing of Jesus on the cross. 10 [425 AD] Marian dogmas / glorification of Mary. Later immaculate conception of Mary and assumption of Mary into Heaven. 11 [575-593 AD] Purgatory, a kind of death cleansing. 12 [790 AD] Worship of images and relics. 13 [960 AD] Canonization of catholic (patron) saints. 14 [1075 AD] Greatest mass divorce in history forced upon clergy by Gregory VII. 15 [1190 AD] Indulgences have the power of 'decreasing the duration of time the dead spend in Purgatory'. 16 [1215 AD] Waldensians, the first reformers (long before Luther), had been declared as heretical, been persecuted and many of them killed by the Catholic Church. The estimate is that between 10-20 million Protestants were killed by the Catholic Church between 1550-1870. 17 [1215 AD, possibly much earlier] Transubstantiation of bread and wine, calling Jesus down to their altar. 18 [1545 AD] Council of Trent - Rome turns finally from the authority of God's Word to authority of tradition. Tradition made equal in authority to the Bible. Justification by faith condemned. 19 [1992 AD] Publication of catholic catechism; no salvation outside the Catholic Church. 20 Removal of the 2nd Commandment (No graven images) 21 Open promotion of a One World Religion. Pope Francis signed in 2019 a covenant with Islam leaders. The official Catechism, p. 230 says "The plan of salvation also includes those who acknowledge the Creator, in the first place amongst whom are the Muslims; these profess to hold the faith of Abraham, and together with us they adore the one, merciful God, mankind's judge on the last day." 22 Antisemitism. The RCC persecuted Jews for the most time of its history. Today their official position has changed, but it still took the Vatican 46 years after Israel's independence to recognize them as a state. 23 Official doctrine that suicide does not exclude from Salvation: "We should not despair of the eternal salvation of persons who have taken their own lives." 24 Long list of ~72 unbiblical holidays which are clearly forbidden in Gal 4:9-10. List of programmed and obligatory fasts, and the requirement of abstinence from certain foods. 	<p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [B]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p>			
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Cults & Religions	Calvinist-Catholic Connection	(A connection that should not exist because of two seemingly opposing doctrines, but to our surprise initiated with Augustine, and gains momentum today)		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Augustine (354–430 AD) was at the very same time responsible for most of Catholicism's -AND- Calvinism's doctrines and practices. He was Preeminent Doctor of the Catholic Church, patron of the Augustinians, believed in all seven Catholic Sacraments, Immaculate Conception, no forgiveness outside the RCC. He taught the 5 points of TULIP and Double Predestination. 2 The RCC included ~50% (7 books) of the OT Apocrypha in the Latin Vulgate, shortly after Pope Damasus and Augustine were the 2 decisive figures in canonizing the Apocrypha. Although Jerome's Vulgate was used for more than 900 years almost exclusively (meaning there was no Bible that ever included the full Apocrypha until then), the Reformers suddenly included 100% of the OT Apocrypha (+14 books Matthew Bible, +11 books Luther Bible). The Reformers disguised it as separate section and under the pretext of removing those books at a later point, but it turned out to have been a lie, after the Geneva Bible (character of a Calvinist manifesto) included more than 4 decades into the Reformation again +12 books. 3 Very strong promotion of Catholic Mysticism in North American Calvinist churches and through The Gospel Coalition (TGC) network. The author of this ministry has visited several Calvinist churches in Canada, and found without exception a very strong and specific promotion of Mysticism, propagated through books and courses, and to a certain degree in sermons. Most of those churches are active members of the TGC network. 4 Very specific and sometimes unbalanced attacks of Calvinists against the Roman Catholic church (e.g. documentary 'American Gospel'). Although with often good and biblical intentions to 'go to the truth', it can overall be clearly recognized as an odd and questionable attempt in order to distract from its common background. 5 Very high prevalence of reformed publications that are quoting Catholic saints and doctors (Aquinas, Augustine, Bernard of Clairvaux (by Spurgeon), Chrysostom, Irenaeus, Jerome, Teresa de Avila (see mysticism) ...). 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
	Children of God The Family Of Love The Family (1968 AD-today)	(A 'Christian' New Religious Movement founded in 1968 by David Berg)	[1] [2]	-	[1] [2]
	Christadelphians (1848 AD-today)	(A Restorationist and Millenarian Christian group who hold a view of biblical unitarianism)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 They believe that Jesus had a sin nature. 2 They believe that there has been an apostasy and that Christianity is a false religious system. 3 They deny the doctrine of the Trinity. 	[1]
	Christian Science (1879 AD-today)	(Set of beliefs and practices which rejects medicine and doctors)	[1] [2]	They deny that Jesus is God in flesh.	
	Confucianism (~550 BC-today)	(Ancient Chinese tradition / philosophy / religion / way of governing / way of life)	[1] [2]	They deny that Jesus existed prior to his incarnation.	
	Divine Light Mission (1960 AD-today)	(Organization founded in 1960 by guru Hans Ji Maharaj; northern India)	[1]	They deny the personhood and deity of the Holy Spirit.	
	Episcopal Church (1785 AD - today; 'Protestant Episcopal Church')	(Episcopal = 'as pertaining to bishops', Self-declared 'middle way between Roman Catholic and Protestant traditions)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 The American version of the Anglican Puritan church. See also separate discernment on 'Anglican church'. 2 According to their tradition, the 12 Apostles were the first bishops of the Church, and all the bishops throughout history up until now are their successors in this role. 3 Female pastors / priests make up at least 33% of the all priests (2017). Many churches (e.g. St. John the Evangelist in New York; see [4]) have even predominantly female leadership today. 4 Widespread support of same-sex civil marriages. Many of the clergy are practicing homosexuals. 5 Presidents of the US, who were at the same time confirmed Freemasons and Episcopalians: George Washington, James Monroe, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Gerald Ford. Probably also James Madison. 6 Veneration of saints. 7 Significant opposition to Biblical Creation and endorsement of Evolution. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	Freemasonry (~1300 AD-today)	(Secret society which is anti-Christian and satanic in its roots)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 They deny the substitutionary atonement of Christ. 2 They deny salvation by grace through faith alone. 3 They deny immortality of the soul. 4 They deny that a person exists after death. 5 They deny the existence of hell and eternal punishment. 6 They deny the existence of the fallen angel Lucifer as the devil. 7 Mormonism (Joseph Smith) is a religion found upon, and deeply intertwined with Freemasonry. 8 The Southern Baptist Convention has a strong prevalence of Freemasons in their rows (14% of SBC pastors and 18% of deacons in the 1990s). 9 Freemasons include: 14 Presidents of the US, Norman Vincent Peale (The Power of Positive Thinking), Owen Barfield ... 10 Freemason authors include George G. Ritchie, Ron & Deborah Hall, S. Douglas Woodward ... 	[1] [2] [3] [4]
	Good News Mission (GNM) / Christian Leaders Fellowship (CLF) / International Mind Education Institute (IMEI) / Mahanaim Bible College	(Pastor Ock Soo Park and translator Joseph Park, headquartered at Seoul, South Korea)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 At least 7 mainline Protestant denominations have -officially- stated in between 1985 and 2008 that GNM is a cult. 2 Ock Soo Park wrongly claimed to have been ordained by Dick York. York rejected this notion. 3 OSP claims to have received rewards which do probably not even exist: 1. Gran Prize for the New Korean, 2. New Leader in Christianity, 3. The True Minister Award, 4. 21st Century True Shepherd. 4 On the one hand they show false humility (Stories such as "only two students showed up to our first meeting [6]"), OSP: "I was so poor that I stole wheat grain from the field"), while at the same time trying to impress through the high-ranking officials and presidents OSP met, or through (partly unreasonable) numbers: 800 000 participating pastors from >70 countries, 215 branches in 95 countries, broadcast on 655 tv stations in >125 countries, adviser to national presidents, 51 meetings with 29 heads of states in 23 countries, a best-selling author of numerous publications and books (his books have almost no ratings both on Amazon and Goodreads [see2&3]) ... 5 His 2020 book 'It Is God That Justified', although promoted on TV, has only 22 Amazon ratings (2024). It claims to be a book of sermons heard by 1 billion people, from the 'most influential and renowned preacher today'. 6 Unbiblical teachings regarding sin, no need for ongoing repentance. They teach that there is no good in human, only -"continual"- evil [3]. Pastors who claim that we have both good and evil, are wrong ... They base this on Gen 6:5 and Rom 7:19 [4]. 7 Taught the unbiblical doctrine that John the Baptist transferred the sins of the world to Jesus at His baptism. 8 Claim that the prodigal son left his father to run his own business. 9 Promotion of a 'Mind education' (IMEI) program with the help of politicians. Claim to be the "best mind educator of the age" (OSP) and "the best organization in the world". They call it a baby-formula [1], without it the Bible would be too difficult to understand and "there is no one to listen to it". 10 IMEI teaching: The fundamental cause for divorce and other problems is a weak heart, which can be overcome by a 'change of the mind' [1]. They even give tips for remarriage, and do not treat it as sin. 11 OSP's translator Joseph Park admitted publicly that OSP instructed him to translate more than he actually says, to 'fill the blanks'. 12 Tried for selling over-the-counter stocks of a bio company at unreasonable prices to some 800 church devotees. 3 others convicted, but not OSP. 13 "If a man sees error in the group and resists it, he is deemed unfaithful. If he leaves, his wife is encouraged to be faithful to the group and divorce her husband. The members also are encouraged to go deeply in debt to finance the activities of the group." 14 New York Times reported in 2012 the fake 'English Camp' for college students in Mexico, sponsored by GNM. The students were discouraged by security personnel from leaving. 15 Joshua Park created the Wikipedia page for OSP and criticism is continually being removed. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12]
	Hare Krishna (~1966 AD-today)	(Religious organization founded in 1966; core beliefs are based on Hindu scriptures)	[1] [2]	-	[1]
	Hinduism (~1400 BC-today)	(A diverse system of thought marked by a range of philosophies and concepts, rituals, cosmological systems and pilgrimage sites; discussion of theology, metaphysics, mythology, Vedic yajna, yoga, agamic rituals & temples)	[1] [2]	-	
	Inner Peace Movement		[1]	-	



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<p>Cults & Religions</p>	<p>Islam (~ 610 AD-today)</p> <p>(A monotheistic religion, originally based on Polytheism and centered around the Quran, a religious text revealed to Muhammad, their main and final prophet)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>1 Copied in parts from Christianity and founded ~600 years after the NT was written.</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
			<p>2 Islam imposes its 7th-century Arabian culture in its political expression, family affairs, dietary laws, clothing, religious rites and in its language on the rest of the cultures of the world.</p>	<p>[1]</p>
			<p>3 In pre-Islamic Arabia, the sun god was viewed as female, and the moon was viewed as the male god. A**H, the moon god, was married to the sun god, and together they produced three goddesses called The Daughters of A**h. A**h was represented by a black stone that was believed to have come down from heaven. Muhammad was born into a tribe particularly devoted to this moon god called A**h. When Muhammad took control of Mecca, he destroyed all the idols in the Kaaba except the stone deity, A...h. Today, the symbol of moon worship, the crescent moon is on every flag of an Islamic nation and on top of every mosque. Yet many muslims don't even know why it is there.</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
			<p>4 Muhammad received revelations during which he would go into epileptic fits. He would shake, perspire and foam at the mouth. Clearly demonic. His revelations included the divine authorization to loot, steal and kill tens of thousands of people.</p>	<p>[1]</p>
			<p>5 After his supposed encounter with the angel Gabriel, he had suicidal thoughts, because he correctly thought it to be a demonic encounter with unclean spirits. But his first wife Khadijah and her cousin Waraqah convinced him that the revelation was from God. A few days later Waraqah died.</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
			<p>6 He was married to Khadijah, Sawdah, Aishah (7 years old at marriage), Hafsa, Umm al-Masakin, Umm Salamah, Zaynab, Juwayriyyah, Umm Habibah, Safiyyah, Maymunah, Rayhanah, Mariah. Aishah was his favourite wife, because he received his demonic revelations exclusively through her. In Islamic writings, her name is thus often prefixed by the title "Mother of the Believers"</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
			<p>7 False claim that the Qur'an was miraculously given to Muhammed over a period of 23 years.</p>	<p>[1]</p>
			<p>8 Muhammad could not write, nor did he receive divine help to write the Quran.</p>	<p>[1]</p>
			<p>9 Abrogations (Naskh (tafsir) are used in order to hide contradictions in Islamic law or changes in Muhammad's doctrine. Their prophets could be influenced by Satan and then later receive better revelations ... Surah 2:106 states: "If We ever abrogate a verse or cause it to be forgotten, We replace it with a better or similar one. Do you not know that A**h is Most Capable of everything?"</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>
			<p>10 Rejection of the Trinity. Belief in one A**h. Shahada: 'There is no deity but God, Muhammad is the Messenger of God'. Teaching that God has no son.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p>
			<p>11 Although Christ is more often mentioned than Muhammad (Surah 19:16-33; 4:171; 3:45; 5:110; 6:84-87), and the mother of Christ is more often mentioned than the mother of Muhammed, Islam still degrades Jesus to a prophet only, and denies His divinity. Replacement of Jesus with Muhammad as A...h's final and greatest of all prophets ... Surah 5:116 states: "And 'on Judgment Day' A**h will say, "O Jesus, son of Mary! Did you ever ask the people to worship you and your mother as gods besides A**h?" He will answer, "Glory be to You! How could I ever say what I had no right to say? If I had said such a thing, you would have certainly known it. You know what is 'hidden' within me, but I do not know what is within You. Indeed, You 'alone' are the Knower of all unseen."</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p>
			<p>12 Muhammad, in order to appease the merchants of Mecca (who made tremendous amounts of money by people coming there on pilgrimages), put this requirement into Islam (5th pillar of faith) as part of his religion.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>
			<p>13 Muhammad was poisoned by a widow, whose husband he had murdered. Paul the apostle was bitten by a poisonous snake (Acts 28:1-6), but Paul suffered no ill effects from the bite.</p>	<p>[1]</p>
			<p>14 The declared mission of Islam is to kill first those who keep the Saturday (Jews), then those who keep the Sunday (Christians). They go as far as to say that their resurrection cannot come until all Jews will have been eliminated from the face of the earth. Sahih Muslim Book 4 #79-81 states "The last hour would not come unless the Muslims will fight against the Jews and the Muslims would kill them until the Jews would hide themselves behind a stone or a tree and a stone or a tree would say: Muslim, or the servant of Allah, there is a Jew behind me; come and kill him; but the tree Gharqad would not say, for it is the tree of the Jews." Clear abuse of Revelation 6:12-17 (6th seal): "16 And they said to the mountains and to the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of the one who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, 17 because the great day of their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p>
			<p>Surah 5:51 states: "O believers! Take neither Jews nor Christians as guardians - they are guardians of each other.1 Whoever does so will be counted as one of them. Surely A**h does not guide the wrongdoing people." Jews and Christians are called the descendants of apes and pigs.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>
<p>15 Barbaric treatment of women. Women are often considered property and denied ownership. 75% suffer female circumcision in a most barbaric, painful ritual designed to make them obedient and docile. They must wear what illiterate nomadic tribes wore in the 7th century Arabia, covered from head to toe. Women who dare to drive a car, are called 'red communists, dirty American secularists, whores and prostitutes and advocates of vice', and their names, occupations, addresses and phone numbers are distributed in leaflets at mosques and public places.</p>	<p>[1]</p>			
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Cults & Religions	Jehovah's Witnesses (Dawn Bible Students; 1870 AD–today)	(A millenarian restorationist Christian denomination with nontrinitarian beliefs)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The founder, Charles Russell, who grew up as Presbyterian, did not like the teachings of the trinity (satan is its author), of hell (only a grave) and eternal judgment. After meeting SDA author Nelson Barbour in 1876, he prophesied that Jesus would return in 1874. Once failed, he switched the prophecy to the year 1914. Once failed again, he claimed Christ having indeed returned as an invisible spirit, a ghost. False prophet. He also divorced his wife. After his death, the Watch Tower said that he had been made '<i>ruler of all the Lord's goods</i>'. His successor, Joseph Rutherford, was also a false prophet. He prophesied that the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac and Jacob would return visibly to the earth, and built for them a large palatial mansion in San Diego. After the patriarchs did not show up in 1929, Rutherford lived in the mansion. His successor, Nathan Knorr, was also a false prophet. He prophesied the year 1975 to be the end of the age and that Armageddon would occur. They deny the incarnation of Christ and therefore do not celebrate Passover. They even reject Jesus being God, reject the Holy Spirit being God, and claim that Jehova alone is God. They did their own Bible translation, the New World Translation, to make the Bible fit preconceived Witness theology. Their organization fulfills the typical 'exclusivity signs' of cults: claim that they are God's sole channel for truth; to reject them is to reject God; only they can interpret the Bible and no individual is able to do so. They claimed for long that 144 000 people go to heaven. When they grew bigger than that number, they claimed that 144 000 go to heaven and the majority of witnesses find salvation on earth. 	[1] [2] [3]
	Jesuits / Society of Jesus (S.J.) (1540 AD – today)	(A religious order of clerics regular of pontifical right for men in the Catholic Church headquartered in Rome. Founded in 1540 by Ignatius of Loyola and six companions, with the approval of Pope Paul III)	[1] [2] [3] [4]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> One of the principle actors of the Inquisition, where hundreds of thousands of Christians had been tortured and killed. Jesuits assisted Charles V to advance persecutions with a bigger fury. 100,000 were massacred with unbelievable savagery. Some were chained to a stake close to fire and roasted slowly until their death; others were thrown into dungeons, whipped, tortured in wooden horses, before being burned. Women were burned alive, put into narrow coffins, trampled by torturers. Those trying to escape to other nations were intercepted by soldiers and massacred. See also the books 'Foxe's Books of Martyrs' [6] and 'Halley's Bible Handbook' [10]. Jesuits also took on the brutal leadership during the Counter-Reformation, and became the most dynamic force in the Roman Catholic's Church's effort to rebuild its following, to regain much territory and crush the Reformation in France. The Jesuit priest Donald McGuire was convicted in 2006 after 40 years of horrific crimes to 25 years of prison. He sexually abused multiple children and is described as "perhaps the most egregious offender among American Jesuits". Long list of other scandals in all over the world [2]. <p style="text-align: center; color: red; font-size: small;">Active or Former Members Include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Henri Nouwen (He was a Jesuit and studied at the 'Jesuit Aloysius College' in The Hague), Pope Francis (First Jesuit to be elected Pope), Ronald K. Tacelli (Catholic priest in the Jesuit order) <p style="text-align: center; color: red; font-size: small;">People Who Studied At Jesuit Institutions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Alfred Hitchcock, Bill Clinton, Denzel Washington, Donald Trump, Fidel & Raul Castro, Henri Nouwen, Pope Francis ... <p style="text-align: center; color: red; font-size: small;">(In-) Direct Supporters Include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ann Voskamp (her favourite book is 'Ignatius Prayer' from Hans Urs von Balthasar), Billy Graham (He bought the rights of 'Halley's Bible Handbook' and specifically removed all the research and warnings about the Jesuits), Carolyn Weber (heavily endorses a long list of Jesuit members and authors), Curt Thompson (promoted also the book 'Ignatius Prayer'), John Mark Comer (his spiritual mentor is a Jesuit), Mother Teresa (support of McGuire), Teresa de Avila (her confessor was a Jesuit), Tyler Staton (Prayer of Ignatian Examen). 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11]

Judaism, Branches

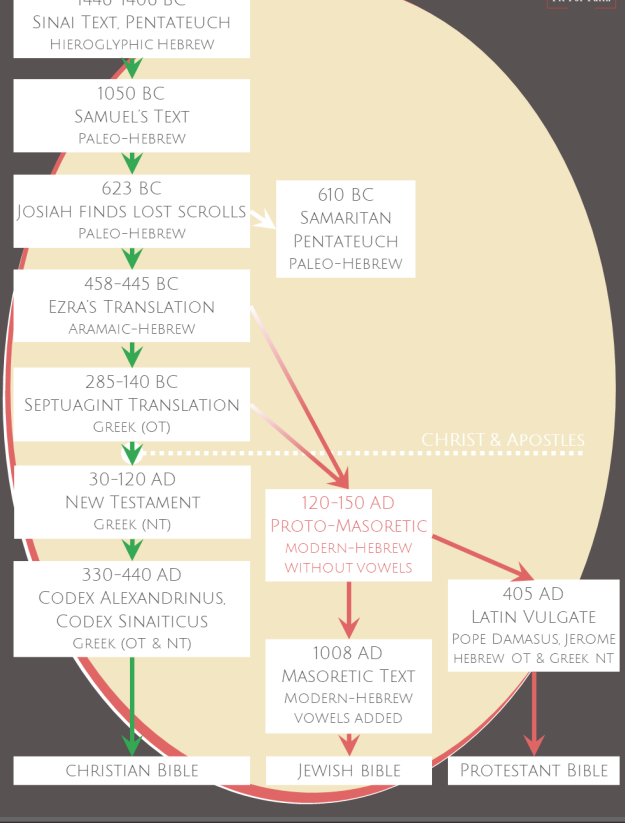
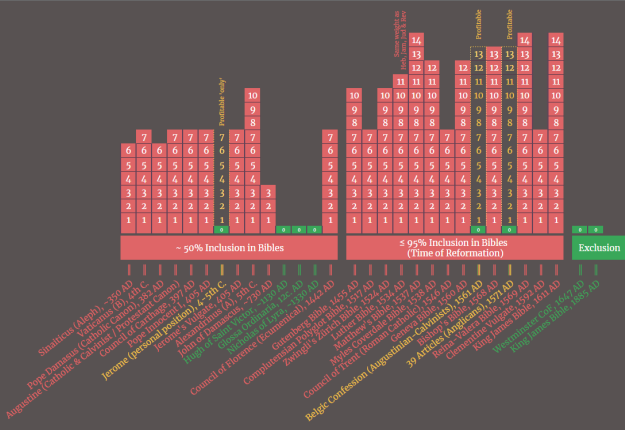
Branch	Description	References	OT	NT	Inspiration	Mishna	Talmud	Following	Accepted as MESSIAH	Authority	Inspired	Observed	Prayers for the dead	Future Resurrection	Sources	
Judaism, Ancient	A) Those who accepted Christ fulfilling the OT	[1] [2]	YES	YES	YES	YES	later 1c AD	later 2c AD	later 2c AD	Some what	Some what	YES	-	later	YES	[1]
Judaism, Ancient	B) Those who rejected CHRIST	[1] [2] [3]	YES	NO	YES	NO	later 2c AD	later 2c AD	YES	YES	YES	-	later	YES	[1]	
Beta Israel / Ethiopian Jews (-6th c. BC–today)	(Emigrated Jews who preserved Ancient Judaism)	[1] [2]	YES	Some	YES	Some	NO	NO	YES	Only OT Holy Days	YES	Not in Ethiopia	NO	?		
Orthodox (end 18th/19th c. AD; some say since 1st c. AD)	(Regards Torah, both Written and Oral, as revealed on Mount Sinai)	[1] [2]	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	Some what	YES	YES	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
Ultra-Orthodox (Haredi, Charedim) (end 18th/19th c. AD; founded in Europe, now mainly in Israel)	(Strict adherence to halakha (Jewish law) and traditions)	[1] [2] [3]	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES	Some what	[1] [2] [3]	
Reformed (Liberal, Progressive) (~1810 AD–today; founded in Germany)	(Lessened stress on ritual and laws; following of external influences; progressive values)	[1] [2]	YES	NO	Some what	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	[1] [2] [3]
Conservative (~1883 AD–today; founded in Germany / the US)	(Conservation of traditional Judaism, but allows for the modernization of rel. practices)	[1] [2] [3]	YES	NO	Some what	NO	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	Some what	YES	Some what	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
Reconstructionist (~1925 AD–today; founded in the US)	(Judaism as a progressively evolving civilization rather than religion)	[1] [2] [3]	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	Some what	YES	YES	NO	[1] [2] [3] [4]
Humanistic (1964 AD–today; founded in the US)	(Nontheistic; Judaism as cultural and historical experience)	[1] [2]	NO	NO	NO	NO	Some what	NO	YES	YES	Some what	YES	Alter native	NO	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]	
Messianic (~1965 AD–today; founded mainly in the US)	(Incorporates some elements of Judaism and other Jewish traditions into evangelicalism)	[1] [2] [3]	YES	YES	YES	YES	Some what	NO	YES	Some what	Some what	NO	Some what	YES	[1] [2] [3]	

Local Church Living Stream Min. Church of Recovery Lord's Recovery Leeist Movement Witness Lee (WL) Watchmen Nee (WN) (1926 AD–today)	(Christian group; started in China in the 1920s; local and nameless churches without 'pastors')	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> WL expressed his ideas in more extreme and irrational ways than WN. No acceptance of books other than WL and WN in their churches. All teachings filtered through WL. Limited use of the Bible, rather use of WL teachings and of a 'Recovery Bible', an attempt to selectively translate the Bible into terms and syntax which supports WL's transformation theology. Both WL and WN teach that 'non-overcoming' Christians will not inherit the Millennial Kingdom, but will inherit what comes after that, having passed through a future (Protestant) Purgatory implying an extra-sanctification. Contemptuous attitude towards other churches and denominations. Spiritual racism. 'Elitist club'. Common mindset that members should not marry Christians of other denominations. They preach an Easy Believism, the Sinner's Prayer and calling on the name of Jesus only (3x 'O Lord Jesus' and you are saved ...). Rather modalistic / oneness concept of the Trinity. Clever deception by way of doublespeak. Countless lawsuits against critics. "<i>I doubt that the Mormons and the Jehovah's witnesses combined that have issued as many lawsuits and threats against evangelical Christians</i>". 2003 - Jim Moran, founder of Light Of Truth Ministries, died suddenly of a 'heart attack'. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] [12]
			<p>2003 - Only weeks later, the LC took over both his websites, deleted one and redirected the other to a new website attacking critics.</p>	[Original] [Original] [Redirected] Deleted
			2000 - LC tried already to take ownership of the critical website www.thelocalchurch.org .	[1] [2] [3]
			1998 - Hacker attack , most probably through LC.	[1]



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Cults & Religions	Manichaeism <small>(250 AD–some until today)</small>	(Gnostic sect founded by the prophet Mani (a name meaning 'King of Light' or 'Shining One'); the main opponent to early Christianity before the spread of Islam)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Manichaeism was known back then as the pinnacle of Gnosticism and was even used as synonym of heresy. Mani's teaching was intended to 'combine', succeed, and surpass the teachings of Christianity, Zoroastrianism, Buddhism, Marcionism, Hellenistic and Rabbinic Judaism and other religions and mystery cults. It reveres Mani as the final prophet after / the reincarnation of Zoroaster, the Buddha, and Jesus. His organized followers were divided into the elite of the 'chosen ones' (Latin electi), from which the officials were recruited, and the ordinary members of the community, the “hearers” (auditores) and the 'sinners'. Augustine of Hippo was such a hearer. <i>"The hearers go on their knees before the elect, humbly begging the imposition of their hands. They join them in adoring and praying to the sun and the moon [...] they deny Christ's birth of a virgin and say that his flesh was not true flesh [...] they speak evil of the patriarchs and the prophets. They say that the law of Moses ... was not given by the true God, but by the prince of darkness."</i> According to Mani, the unfolding of the universe took place with three creations. 	[1] [2] [3]	
	Mormons <small>(Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–Day Saints; 1825 AD–today)</small>	(Religious tradition and theology started by Joseph Smith in the late 1820s)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9] [10] [11]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> [Founded in 1820 AD by Joseph Smith] He received 'a personal visit from God the Father and Jesus Christ'. They claim that God <i>"has not always been the Supreme Being of the universe, but attained that status through righteous living and persistent effort"</i>. Rejection of the Trinity. Believe that there are other gods and goddesses outside the Godhead, such as a heavenly mother. Joseph Smith's father was a master mason. Joseph officially joined the Freemasons in 1842 (22 after founding the church). "Soon after he became a Mason, Joseph introduced the temple endowment. There are some similarities between Masonic ceremonies and the endowment." In the same year 1942, several prominent LDS's became Freemasons and founded a Masonic Lodge in Nauvoo, Illinois. Over 1500 members of the church were listed as freemasons in the city of Nauvoo alone in that time. At least the first 4 presidents of the LDS Church were confirmed Freemasons: Joseph Smith Jr, Brigham Young, John Taylor, Wilford Woodruff. The US is 'the Biblically Promised Land'. Mormons are taught that they are from the tribe of Manasseh or Ephraim and part of the true Israel (Melchizedek priesthood). Their leaders can 'speak scripture when moved upon by the Holy Ghost.' They added the Book of Mormon to the Bible. Joseph Smith fabricated a translation of a 'Book of Abraham', which was revealed to be false after the papyri had been found in 1967. The Bible is just one of their books of scripture, and is probably seen as the least valuable amongst that Canon. Teaches doctrines of eternal marriage ('Temple Marriage Sealing', a man will continue to have sex with his wives in heaven); eternal progression; blood atonement; baptism for the dead (they do genealogies on dead people and re-baptize themselves several times during a ceremony in order to 'save' those dead people); return of some of the dead as spirits or angels; polygamy / plural marriage (had been prohibited in the US but they continued in secret and even actively asked leaders with only one wife to marry other women). All other Christian churches 'are an abomination'; the LDS church is the 'only true church on earth'; the Christian church was lost until it was restored to the prophet Joseph Smith ... Promise of exaltation: if the Mormon is judged worthy enough (temple rituals et al.), he/she can attain godhood. Jesus is their eyes just a bit more advanced on his way to godhead. Each Mormon has to prove every year that they paid the full tithes and offerings. Mormons call tithing their 'fire insurance'. Even children have to do e.g. delivery boy's jobs and meet with their Mormon leader and share tithes with them. They lower the biblical age of accountability from 20 to 8 years and baptize children at that age. They use water in their communion. Systematic racism, claim that black skin is a curse. Being black is being under the curse of Cain ... Smith and his successor Young both referred to this as a justification for slavery. Their churches ('temples') can only be visited with a 'Temple Recommend'. Even marriages conducted in a Mormon Church do exclude non-mormon relatives. They do generally not reference the cross and reject it as symbol. They teach murder and a second adultery to be unforgiveable sins, which clearly contradicts Scripture. Endowment is a two-part ordinance (ceremony) designed for Mormons to become kings, queens, priests, and priestesses in the afterlife. Mormon missionaries are only allowed twice a year to phone relatives and are not even allowed to visit the funeral of a parent. Once a week they are allowed to write handwritten letters. 	[1] [2] [3] [4]	
	New Age <small>(1970s–today)</small>	(Counterfeit philosophy that appeals to the feelings of individuals)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Acupressure, acupuncture, all roads lead to heaven, alternative spirituality, astrology, automatic writing, bypassing the mind, channeling, 'cosmic consciousness', crystal balls / power, denial of moral boundaries, each individual is God, Eastern mysticism, Enneagram, Esotericism, follow your heart, gradual ascent into enlightenment as 'being born again', 'guided tours' of the unseen world, handwriting analysis, harmony, Hindu mantras, horoscopes, instrumental music promoting relaxation, hypnosis, Law of Attraction, love and light, meditation, mediums, mind control, mind dynamics, New World Order, no distinction between good and evil, occultism, out-of-body travel, Pantheism, past-life recall experiences, 'psychic self', reincarnation, rejection of the personal God, rejection of original sin, self-help, semi-divine non-human entities such as angels and masters, spiritual energy healings, the third eye, 'touch' healing, 'trance channeling' (séances), Yoga, zen disciplines ... Spiritual energy healings. Infiltration of the Church. 	[1] [2] [3]	
	Orthodox Church	(Official designation 'Orthodox Catholic Church'; doctrinal and jurisdictional group historically linked to the Eastern Roman Empire and Byzantium; its adherents live mainly in the Balkans, the Middle East, and former Soviet countries)	[1] [2] [3]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Their calendar includes 112 different fasts (!!!) during one calendar year, with each fast lasting from 1 to several days. The Virgin Mary is venerated in the Eastern Orthodox Church as the God-bearer and honoured in devotions; heretical doctrine of the perpetual virginity. Use of many extrabiblical methods and traditions, such as the Hieratikon (the priest's service book used for Divine Liturgy, Vespers, Mattins, choir's handbooks, the Euchologion (services of Baptism, Marriage, Supplicatory Canons, Blessing of waters), peoples handbook (for laity) et al. Use of the Deuterocanonicals (Apocrypha). They consider church tradition and Scripture of equal authority, and discourage individuals from interpreting the Bible apart from tradition. Prayers for the dead. Possibility of receiving salvation after death. 	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]	
	Perennialism	(Perspective in philosophy and spirituality)	[1] [2]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> All religions share the same core truth'. Similar to Universalism. Suggests that most disagreements between faiths are irrelevant or unimportant. 	[1]	
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<p>Cults & Religions</p>	<p>(Protestant denomination)</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>	<p>1 Rooted in the teachings of John Calvin and John Knox (Calvinism).</p> <p>2 Known for its liberal stance on doctrine and its ordaining of women.</p> <p>3 The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) welcomes gay and lesbian persons to serve in leadership positions as ministers, deacons, elders, and trustees within the church.</p> <p>4 Passed a resolution labeling Israel an 'apartheid' state.</p> <p>5 Presbyterian ministers include: Eugene Hoiland Peterson, R.C. Sproul, Timothy Keller. All are Calvinists.</p> <p>6 The founder of Jehova's Witnesses, Charles Russell, grew up as Presbyterian.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1]</p>
<p>Protestant Church (16th c. AD–today)</p>	<p>(Protestants follow the theological tenets of the Protestant Reformation, a movement that began in the 16th century with the goal of reforming the Catholic Church from perceived errors and abuses)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>1 Use of manipulated Bible texts (Masoretic text brought in by the Catholic Church; Pope Damasus and his secretary Jerome), although it has been affirmed by the majority of scholars that the Greek OT nearly always quotes from the Greek OT.</p>  <p>2 After the Catholic church included in the 4c. AD the number of 7 Deuterocanonical Books, the Protestant & Reformed Church increased this number to 10–14 books in the 15th – 16th c. AD. Today 'Sola Scriptura' is being preached, but there was never any formal admission of guilt nor apology from any of the bodies or from scholarship, and history is constantly being blurred and prone to repeat itself.</p>  <p>3 Heavy reliance on Jewish Mainstream for the correct interpretation of the Bible.</p> <p>4 Predominant application of Old Covenant law through the practise of tithing, instead of free-will giving.</p> <p>5 Widespread refusal to apply the Sexual Law by disobeying the Weekly Sabbath.</p> <p>6 Baptism is widely considered to be optional for Future Salvation.</p> <p>7 Very strong mentality against Works of Faith, one of several overreactions to the evil of the Roman Catholic church. Works of Faith are nearly treated as Works of the Law and faith is being separated from good works, although the Bible clearly intermeshes faith and good works.</p> <p>8 Widespread teaching of the highly unbiblical 'Once-Saved-Always-Saved' doctrine. Act 20:29–30 "I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them."</p> <p>9 Widespread legitimation of divorce and remarriage, while neglecting the biblical concept of chastity.</p>	<p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p>
<p>Religious Science (1927 AD–today)</p>	<p>(Founded in 1927 by Ernest Holmes; a spiritual, philosophical and metaphysical religious movement within the New Thought movement)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
<p>Rosicrucianism (1610 AD–today)</p>	<p>(Spiritual and cultural movement that arose in Europe in the early 17th century; built on esoteric truths of the ancient past)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
<p>Scientology (1954 AD–today)</p>	<p>(Set of beliefs and practices invented by author L. Ron Hubbard; defined as a cult / business / new religious movement)</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p>
<p>Seventh Day Adventists (SDAs) (1863 AD–today)</p>	<p>(An Adventist Protestant Christian denomination which is distinguished by its observance of Saturday)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>1 Correct interpretation of the New Covenant law to obey the sabbath (Saturday), but incorrectly making it a primary doctrine and applying the Jewish timing of sunset-sunset.</p> <p>2 SDA places restrictions on consuming meat, advocating vegetarianism. Kosher food laws.</p> <p>3 Ellen G. White has some degree of importance to every Adventist. She rejected the concept of eternal suffering in hell. Adventists then adopted this as key tenet. She wrote that the characteristics of the animals that you ate would become your personal characteristics.</p> <p>4 Heretical teaching of incomplete atonement through Christ.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1]</p>
<p>Shintoism (~ 300 BC–today)</p>	<p>(Japanese, Polytheistic, Indigenous and Nature religion)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
<p>Spiritual Frontiers Fellowship (1956 AD–today)</p>	<p>(Founded by Arthur Ford in 1956; interfaith movement; interest in altered states of consciousness and mystical experiences)</p>	<p>[1]</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>[1]</p>
<p>Spiritualism (1840s–today)</p>	<p>(Pseudo-religious system; disembodied spirits communicating with living persons)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
<p>Theosophy (1875 AD–today)</p>	<p>(New religious movement; part of the occultist stream of Western esotericism)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
<p>Transcendental Meditation (1950s–today)</p>	<p>(Silent mantra meditation created by Maharishi Mahesh Yogi in India in the mid-1950s)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
<p>Unification Church (CN; 1954 AD–today)</p> <p>Official name: Family Federation for World Peace and Unification;</p> <p>Other names: · Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity (historical), · Moonies, · One World Crusade, · Think Tank · Unification Movement, · Unificationists, · Universal Peace Federation.</p> <p>Conferences: · Rally Of Hope · Think Tank · World Christian Leadership Conference.</p> <p>Schools: · Unification Theological Seminary.</p>	<p>(Cult founded by Sun Myung Moon (1920–2012), who started it in Seoul, Korea, in 1954;</p> <p>Currently led by Hak Ja Han, the widow of Moon).</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>What is UC? [1] [2] [3] [4]</p>	<p>1 Rev. Moon and his wife presented themselves as 'Messiahs', the 'True Parents' and the first to have children who were 'sinless'. Moon crowned himself the "King of Peace" in 2004 and claimed to be the Messiah and Savior of the world; he also claimed his wife to be the Holy Spirit.</p> <p>2 Members are asked to donate money to save their ancestors' souls. Teaches that dead people can return to earth for a second chance to atone for some of their sins.</p> <p>3 Their 'theology' denies the Trinity.</p> <p>4 They deny that Jesus was raised from the dead.</p> <p>5 Strong focus on ecumenism, including Buddhism.</p> <p>6 Worship with guns. Moonie involvement with bribery, bank fraud, illegal kickbacks, tax evasion and arms sales.</p> <p>7 The former US president Nixon, the CIA and Republicans support(ed) the cult simply because of their opposition of communism. The cult helped propel both George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush into presidency.</p> <p>8 Donald Trump had a keynote speech at a Unification Church conference: "I want to thank the <i>Universal Peace Federation</i> and in particular <i>Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon</i>, a <i>tremendous person</i>, for her <i>incredible work</i>".</p> <p>9 Intended sale of Trump's property 'Mar-a-Lago' to the Unification Church.</p> <p>10 Promoted by Paula White (Advisor of Trump), who directly preaches the "Mother Moon and Han" theology and wants to bring the "only begotten daughter of God to America".</p> <p>11 Sun Myung Moon founded the Washington Times.</p> <p>12 The Moon family owns the Tongil Group which produces heavy military equipment.</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]</p> <p>[1]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]</p> <p>[1] [2] [3]</p>
<p>Unitarianism (Mid-16th c.–today)</p>	<p>(A nontrinitarian branch of Christian theology)</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>	<p>1 Denial of the Trinity and of the 3 persons of the Godhead.</p>	<p>[1] [2]</p>
<p>Universalism</p>	<p>(Universal; all humans would receive salvation)</p>	<p>[1] [2] [3]</p>	<p>1 Proponents include: Billy Graham, Brandt Robertson, Carlton Pearson, C.S. Lewis, Dallas Willard, Eugene Peterson, George MacDonald, Henri Nouwen, Jordan Peterson, Max Lucado, Mother Teresa, Origen, Rob Bell, Thomas Merton, William Barclay ...</p> <p>2 Organizations include: Renovaré, Unification Church, et al</p>	<p>see individual discernment</p>
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Historical Figures	Akiva, Rabbi (Akiba, 50–135 AD)	(Jewish scholar; 'Chief of the Sages'; instrumental in drawing up the canon of the Tanakh)	[1] [2]	1 He was a hater of the Gospel and went as far as to proclaim Bar Kochba as the 'messiah' .	[1] [2] [3]
				2 He is most probably responsible for the manipulation of the Hebrew text used later for the Masoretic texts (=99% of our Bibles). The manipulations include: · Falsification of 64% of the Gen 5 & 11 genealogies · Distortion of prophecies pointing to CHRIST · Deletion of the patriarch of the Samaritans, Cainan , based on their hate of the Samaritans · Concealment of Cain's sin (which reflected also the sin of the Rabbis -sacrilege and greediness- as called out by Jesus in Luk 11:39). Gen 4:7 in the Greek OT reads: <i>'Hast thou hast sinned if thou hast brought it rightly, but not rightly divided it?'.</i> The manipulated text reads: <i>'If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door'.</i>	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				3 He condemned the public-, but favored a private reading of the Apocrypha; he even made frequent use of the book of Sirach / Ecclesiasticus .	[1]
				4 The Oral Torah (Mishnah, part of extra biblical Talmud) was (in)directly inspired by Akiba. <i>"Our Mishnah comes directly from Rabbis [several names mentioned]; but they all took Akiva for a model in their works and followed him."</i>	[1]
				5 Taught a purgatory of 12 months.	[1] [2] [3]
	Augustine, of Hippo (354–430 AD)	(Theologian, Philosopher, a Church Father of the Latin Church)	[1] [2]	1 Augustine of Hippo (was) a Manichaean, an out-most evil sect, known back then as the pinnacle of Gnosticism (see section 'cults') . Augustine 'converted' after 9–10 years to Christianity, but only under enormous pressure, precisely after the Roman emperor Theodosius had issued a decree of death for all Manichaean monks and shortly before he declared Christianity to be the only legitimate religion for the Roman Empire. Augustine seemed for some years to have proper theology and taught 'Free Will', but later inched back into Gnosticism where he borrowed his ideas of the 'elect' from Manichaeism (where he had never made it to be an 'elect', but a 'hearer' only). <i>"I have tried hard to maintain the free choice of the human will, but the grace of God prevailed"</i> (from <i>Retractions 2.1</i>)	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]
				2 He inspired 'Christian' Calvinism, which should be called 'Augustinian Calvinism'. He taught in his last 18 years variants of the 5 points of TULIP and Double Predestination. Practically every person in the modern era (1500 AD+) who is a determinist, quotes Augustine. B. B. Warfield declared, <i>"The system of doctrine taught by Calvin is just the Augustinianism common to the whole body of the Reformers."</i>	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				3 The Westminster Confession of Faith is entirely Augustinian.	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				4 He was among the first (some say the father) who taught amillennialism (typical today for Calvinism), interpreting Bible prophecy allegorically . He also rejected the Genesis account being literal . Christians who took the creation story literally were his laughingstock and looked like 'idiots' among non-Christians because they denied science and reason.	[1] [2] [3]
				<i>Apocrypha</i>	
				5 He was a key figure in bringing the Ecclesiastical Books (commonly called Apocrypha but never hidden) into our Bibles . While others (e.g. Origen) had previously considered it rather profitable for reading and while the Catholic Church had included in 382 AD some apocryphal books, Augustine was the very first to approve the canonicity of the full Apocrypha through his own Council of Hippo in 393 AD; shortly before the mega codices and later practically all Bibles indeed included those .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				<i>(Roman) Catholic Church</i>	
				6 Augustine received baptism from St. Ambrose, the 2nd doctor of the RCC . He then became a priest and bishop.	[1]
				7 Augustine was responsible for -most- of Catholicism's doctrines and practices .	[1] [2]
				8 Preeminent Doctor of the Catholic Church and the patron of the Augustinians. He believed in all seven Catholic sacraments (contradicting statements on purgatory, but definitely affirming it). B.B. Warfield: <i>"Augustine determined for all time the doctrine of grace. Yet he believed that grace came through the Roman Catholic sacraments."</i> He taught that Mary was born and lived her entire life without sin (only Christ was without sin!). He further taught that there is no forgiveness outside the RCC.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8]
				9 Pope John Paul II, 1986: " ... the authoritative teaching of such a great doctor and pastor may flourish ever more happily in the Church"	[1]
				10 Prayers to the martyrs .	[1] [2]
				11 Although Augustine at first rejected violence, he later turned to the contrary position and even became the father of the doctrine of persecution in the Catholic Church . The historian Neander observed that Augustine's teaching "contains the germ of the whole system of spiritual tyranny, intolerance, and persecution, even to the court of the Inquisition." Augustine: <i>"Many must first be recalled to their Lord by the stripes of temporal scourging, like evil slaves, and in some degree like good-for-nothing fugitives."</i>	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
	<i>Further Heretical Teachings</i>				
	12 Augustine on infant baptism : <i>"So that infants, unless they pass into the number of believers through the sacrament [baptism] which was divinely instituted for this purpose, will undoubtedly remain in this darkness."</i>	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]			
	13 He was one of the first to argue for financial tithing based on Old Covenant law .	[1]			
	14 Heretical teaching that even marital sex involving lust is sinful. The only way to avoid evil caused by sexual intercourse is to take the 'better' way and abstain from marriage . Meanwhile, he was once involved in sexual sin and is famous for the evil prayer <i>"Lord, give me chastity and continence, but not yet!"</i> .	[1] [2]			
	15 He was a Ransom-Theorist (Jesus was paying the devil to release us).	[1] [2]			
	16 Erroneous doctrine that Jesus had no brothers .	[1]			
	17 He did not know Greek and started teaching before the Bible was translated into Latin.	[1] [2] [3] [4]			
	18 Although not heretical and little known, Augustine was the forerunner (and indirectly the creator) of dispensationalism. This doctrine is seen as incompatible by today's Calvinists.	[1]			
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Historical Figures	Calvin, John (Jehan Cauvin, 1509–1564 AD)	(French Protestant Reformer, known as 'the Protestant Pope')	[1] [2]	1 <i>"Augustine is so wholly within me, that if I wished to write a confession of my faith, I could do so with all fullness and satisfaction to myself out of his writings."</i> This is why one finds that every four pages written in the Institutes of the Christian Religion John Calvin quoted Augustine (he references Augustine 4,119 times in his works !!!). Alvin L. Baker wrote, <i>"There is hardly a doctrine of Calvin that does not bear the marks of Augustine's influence."</i> "Calvin would deem himself <i>not a Calvinist, but an Augustinian</i> . [...] <i>Christian Calvinist, should they be more likely deemed an Augustinian-Calvinist?</i> " As a result, Calvinism in particular is sometimes referred to as Augustinianism .	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
				2 Calvin suggested that Genesis <i>"incorrectly but without impropriety describes the moon as being of the same size as Saturn"</i> , while <i>"Matthew mistakes a comet for a star"</i> .	[1]
				3 Promotion of Apocrypha . He was edified by it and cited it in support of already accepted doctrines. He appealed several times to Baruch as a prophet and to other apocryphal books as being sacred . He cited both Sirach (Ecclesiasticus) and Wisdom as "sacred writers".	[1] [2]
				4 Heretical doctrine that Christ died only for the elect and intercedes only for the elect .	[1]
				5 Calvin is directly responsible for the first 'heretic' sentenced to it by Protestants, the burning of his theological opponent, Servetus . He had him arrested while visiting his church and single-handedly provided the points of the indictment. <i>"Throughout the trial (of several weeks) he had put the screw upon the Council to pass a death sentence on Servetus and had gained his end"</i> . <i>"It might be true that Calvin had contemplated a mitigation of the sentence</i> (sword instead of slow burning) <i>– but only if Servetus were to purchase this mitigation by a spiritual sacrifice, by a last-hour-recantation to Farel, the friend of Calvin</i> (of the 'most abominable sin', of Modalism, the second charge was anti-infant baptism). Calvin justified this killing with Old Covenant Law , Lev 24:16. <i>"The one who blasphemes the name of the Lord should be put to death"</i> . Instead of repenting, <i>"he boasted of the deed before a silent congregation"</i> when he entered the pulpit the next Sunday. He also spelled out his theologically reinforced vengeance towards his opponents in a personal letter: <i>"I am persuaded that it is not without the special will of God that, apart from any verdict of the judges, the criminals have endured protracted torment at the hands of the executioner."</i> – Calvin's letter to Farel.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]
				6 He became known as "The Protestant Pope" and was a tyrant , with a reputation spanning continental Europe, though his treatment of humanity was brutal. He was directly or indirectly involved in more than 36 executions , all listed in the book 'Calvin: A Biography'.	[1] [2] [3] [4]
				7 He used the power of the state to compel church attendance.	[1]
				1 He was awarded the title Defender of the Faith by Pope Leo X for his written attacks against Luther.	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
				2 He was a devout Catholic , who only founded his own –thankfully slightly less Catholic– church because the Pope excommunicated him after not having approved his divorce and remarriage.	[1] [2]
				3 He had 6 marriages (1–Catherine of Aragon, 2– Anne Boleyn, 3–Jane Seymour, 4–Anne of Cleves, 5–Catherine Howard although betrothed to another man, 6–Catherine Parr) and several adulterous long-term relationships .	[1]
				4 He had executed approx. 2.6% of the population of England (between 57,000 to 72,000 executions).	[1]
				5 He executed two of his wives. He ordered an expert swordsman from France to come kill his second wife Anne Boleyn. Within 24 hours of her death, he was betrothed to his third wife.	[1]
6 Extreme gluttony , he weighed 180 kg when he died.	[1]				
Henry VIII, King (1491–1547 AD)	(Founder of the Anglican Church)	[1]	1 He was secretary to Pope Damasus . The Catholic Church recognizes him as the patron saint of translators, librarians, and encyclopedists.	[1] [2] [3]	
			2 He was the fourth doctor of the Roman Catholic Church .	[1]	
			3 He taught the doctrine of Mary's perpetual virginity , which has no biblical basis at all (Mat 1:24–25 actually refutes it). He gives a long defense in his letter 'The Perpetual Virginity of Blessed Mary: Against Helvidius'.	[1] [2]	
			4 Next to Augustine, he was one of the most notable defenders of the practice of invoking the saints . He chose outmost evil words against those who opposed this and related doctrines: <i>"All at once Vigilantius (Wakeful– One), or, more correctly, Dormitantius (Sleepy–One), has arisen, animated by an unclean spirit, to fight against the Spirit of Christ, and to deny that religious reverence is to be paid to the tombs of the martyrs. [...] we are bound to meet the snares of the devil. The words may be justly applied to him: "Seed of evil-doers, prepare your children for the slaughter ..."</i>	[1] [2]	
			5 Allegations that he had an improper relationship .	[1]	
			6 He was befriended with Augustine and they wrote several epistles to each other.	[1] [2]	
			7 He was out-and-out lying when he broke all traditions of using the Greek OT, and to the surprise of everyone translated from the manipulated Modern Hebrew text. He defended himself by claiming that the Apostles only quoted from the Modern Hebrew text, while indeed 90% of NT quotes are taken from the Greek OT as we know today.	[1]	
			8 His Latin Vulgate became the official version of the Vatican . It replaced terms such as 'repent' with 'penance', 'mystery' for 'sacrament' and 'elder' (presbyter) with 'priest'. Samuel Berger called the Vulgate <i>"the most vulgarized and bastardized text imaginable"</i> .	[1] [2]	
			9 He had such a bad temper, that he even carried a stone around with him with which to beat himself when his anger threatened to overcome him . He was also called the 'the great name-caller', regularly insulting his opponents (s.a.).	[1]	
			10 Jerome advanced and encouraged the anti-biblical concept of aestheticism to everybody that was surrounded by him.	[1] [2]	
			11 Exodus 34:29, 30 and 35 describe the face of Moses as glowing , after he came down from the mountain. But Jerome translated the Latin Vulgate 'his face was horned' . This misled millions of people, including artists such as Michelangelo, who depicted in their medieval artworks Moses with such horns, giving him an inhuman and demonic aspect .	[1]	
			12 The Roman Catholic Church systematically controls and probably removes articles written about Jerome. Nearly no criticism on his person can be found online, which is highly unusual.		
Jerome (of Stridon) (~345–420 AD)	(Early Christian priest, Confessor, Theologian, Translator, and Historian; he is commonly known as Saint Jerome.	[1] [2] [3]	1 He was secretary to Pope Damasus . The Catholic Church recognizes him as the patron saint of translators, librarians, and encyclopedists.	[1] [2] [3]	
			2 He was the fourth doctor of the Roman Catholic Church .	[1]	
Josephus, Flavius (37–100 AD)	(1st-century Jewish–Roman Historian and Military Leader)	[1]	1 Traitor to the Jews , close collaboration with the Romans, directly enabling them to kill his kinsfolk through his knowledge, after he proposed a group suicide, but 'survived'.	[1]	
			2 Three times divorced (First wife killed by Romans; double adultery afterwards)	[1]	
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	Luther, Martin (1483-1546 AD)	(German Priest, Theologian, Author, Hymn writer, Professor, and Augustinian friar. Seminal figure of the Protestant Reformation in 1517) But the true Reformation began more than 300 years before Luther, with the Waldenses.	[1]	<p>1 He was part of the Augustinian order. "Augustine was the ablest and purest of all the doctors..." John Piper acknowledges that Augustine was the major influence upon both Calvin and Luther. Luther was an Augustinian by training, and he continued to practice many of the core tenets of that version of Catholicism after his excommunication and for the rest of his life. He even received the official last rite from an Augustinian when he was on his death bed.</p> <p>2 He famously wanted Hebrews, James, Jude and the book of Revelation removed from the Christian Canon and organized those in his Bible in a section analogous to the Apocrypha.</p> <p>3 Luther gave his blessing to have Anabaptists executed, simply based on their opposition of infant baptism and emphasis on adult baptism. John Calvin considered Anabaptists also as the greatest heretics. Luther's friend Melanchthon on the other hand praised Calvin for Servetus' death. "The Church owes and always will owe a debt of gratitude to you for having put the heretic (Servetus) to death." (Vance, 42)</p> <p>4 Ruthless rejection of biblical inerrancy in his commentary on Chronicles: "When one often reads that great numbers of people were slain—for example, eighty thousand— I believe that hardly one thousand were actually killed."</p> <p>5 Martin Luther believed that Christians were free to observe any day of the week, contrary to the Bible clearly stating the Weekly Sabbath to be the day of rest.</p> <p>6 Luther expressed in his works anti-Judaistic views, calling for the expulsion of Jews and burning of synagogues. Based upon his teachings, the prevailing view among historians is that his rhetoric contributed significantly to the development of antisemitism in Germany and of the Nazi Party.</p> <p>7 Serious theological errors. He implied it to be an open question if divorce is allowable. He taught that divorced people should be allowed to remarry. Erroneous view on the Sabbath - all church celebrations confined to Sundays.</p> <p>8 He rejected the biblical concept of 'Free Will': "If any man doth ascribe aught of salvation, even the very least, to the free-will of man, he knoweth nothing of grace, and he hath not learnt Jesus Christ aright." Lutherans adhere to 'divine' monergism, the teaching that salvation is by God's act alone, and therefore reject the idea that humans in their fallen state have a free will concerning spiritual matters.</p> <p>9 Luther was extraordinarily devoted to the 'Blessed Virgin Mary' and wrongly believed that Mary died a virgin. But he disregarded the intercession and invocation of the saint.</p>	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]
	Origen (185-253 AD)	('Christian' Scholar, Ascetic, Theologian)	[1]	<p>1 Heretical teaching of the preexistence of souls. When God created the world, the souls which had previously existed without bodies became incarnate.</p> <p>2 Key figure in bringing the Apocrypha into our Bibles. He used apocryphal books indiscriminately with those of Scripture as sources for dogmatic proof texts, and cited as inspired / Scripture: Baruch, Judith, Maccabees (plural), Tobith, Wisdom (of Solomon). He only discriminated the Pseudepigrapha, which he called Apocrypha in the sense of being hidden / secret.</p> <p>3 He excluded the books of James, 2 Peter, and 2&3 John from his canon.</p> <p>4 "A key contribution to the monastic practice of Lectio Divina came from Origen in the 3rd c., after whom Ambrose taught them to Augustine. Lectio Divina was first established in the 6th c. by Benedict of Nursia and was then formalized as a four-step process by the Carthusian monk Guigo II during the 12th c.. In the 20th c., the constitution Dei verbum of the Second Vatican Council recommended Lectio Divina to the general public and its importance was affirmed by Pope Benedict XVI at the start of the 21st c.."</p> <p>5 Universalist. "All creatures - including perhaps Satan-might eventually be reconciled to God somewhere in eternity."</p> <p>6 He speculated that perhaps heavenly bodies are living creatures, referring in an ultra-literal way to passages such as Job 25:5, 38:7 or Psa 148:24).</p> <p>7 Ransom-Theorist (Jesus was paying the devil to release us).</p> <p>8 Taught Purgatory.</p> <p>9 The first hints of Catholic Mariology occurs precisely in the writings of Origen, who lived in Alexandria, Egypt, which happened to be the focal point of Isis worship, a mother-goddess religion similar to Catholicism. The veneration of Mary started there in the 3rd century and the term Theotokos was first used by Origen.</p> <p>10 Pope Dionysius of Alexandria became one of the foremost proponents of Origen's theology.</p>	[1] [2]
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