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WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS

About

SIN & SALVATION
RESURRECTION & JUDGMENT

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HEAVEN

HELL
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THE NATURE OF MAN

◉ *The Nature of God* ◉

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WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE? 2: THE PENTECOSTAL AND WORD OF FAITH MOVEMENTS

PENTECOSTAL TIMELINE

- ▶ John Wesley 1703-1791
- ▶ 1739 John and Charles Wesley publish song "JUSTIFIED, but not SANCTIFIED."

- ▶ 1740: In their preface to “a second volume of Hymns”, the Wesley brothers denied that “full salvation is at once given to true believers”

- ▶ ...because “forgiveness of sins” (justifying faith) comes first, followed later in time by “the abiding witness of the Spirit, and a new, clean heart” (full sanctifying grace). John and Charles Wesley, *Hymns and Sacred Poems* (London: Strahan, 1739), p. 151.

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MOODY HANDBOOK OF THEOLOGY: PAUL ENNS

CLASSIC PENTECOSTALISM

- ▶ Jan. 1, 1901 Agnez Ozman spoke in tongues at Bethel Bible School in Topeka, Ks.
- ▶ This launched the Azusa Street Revival 1906-1907 (William Seymour)

NAZARENES

▶ 1908

▶ In October 1907, the Association of Pentecostal Churches of America and the Church of the Nazarene merged in Chicago, Illinois, at the First General Assembly.

- ▶ In April 1908, a congregation organized in Peniel, Texas, drew into the Nazarene movement the key officers of the Holiness Association of Texas.

- ▶ The Pennsylvania Conference of the Holiness Christian Church united in September 1908. In October 1908, the Second General Assembly was held at Pilot Point, Texas, the headquarters of the Holiness Church of Christ.

- ▶ With the Pentecostal Church of Scotland and Pentecostal Mission unions in 1915, the Church of the Nazarene embraced seven previous denominations and parts of two other groups.¹

- ▶ The Nazarenes and The Wesleyan Church emerged as the two denominations that eventually drew together a majority of the holiness movement's independent strands. <http://www.nazarene.org/history>

THE CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

- ▶ 1960 Sometimes called the **Second Wave**.
- ▶ Dennis Bennett (Episcopalian)
- ▶ Spread to Catholic and Protestant alike.

PENTECOSTAL AND CHARISMATIC THEOLOGY

- ▶ Subscribe to “a work of grace subsequent to conversion in which Spirit baptism is evidenced by glossolalia” (speaking in tongues).

Dictionary of Pentecostal Movements P. 1

- ▶ They believe all the spiritual gifts are for today.

PENTECOSTAL GROUPS

- ▶ Assemblies of God, Church of God (Cleveland, Tennessee), Church of God in Christ, United Pentecostal Church,

CHARISMATICS

- ▶ Charismatics have wider ecclesiastical latitude, being found in the major Protestant denominations, as well as Roman Catholicism.

▶ Apostolic Pentecostal Church, and International Church of the Foursquare Gospel.

THE THIRD WAVE

- ▶ Term coined by Peter Wagner.

- ▶ They identify with the first wave (Pentecostalism) and the second wave (charismatic renewal) in their emphases on healing, exorcism, and receiving revelation.

DOCTRINAL AFFIRMATIONS OF CHARISMATIC THEOLOGY

BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- ▶ The Pentecostal Fellowship of North America states, “We believe that the full gospel includes holiness of heart and life,...

▶ healing for the body, and baptism in the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives the utterance.”

- ▶ The Assemblies of God: “This wonderful experience is distinct from and subsequent to the experience of the new birth.”

SPEAKING IN TONGUES

- ▶ Pentecostals and charismatics also believe that speaking in tongues is an “initial evidence” of Spirit baptism.

CONTINUING REVELATION

▶ “Pentecostals and charismatics teach that the gift of prophecy (giving divine revelation) continues today.”

C. M. Robeck Jr. “Prophecy, Gift of,” *Dictionary of Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements*, 738–40.

GIFT OF HEALING

- ▶ Pentecostals and charismatics generally teach there is healing in the atonement (Christ died

- ▶ for our sicknesses as well as our sins), and on that basis Christians may claim health.

SIGNS AND WONDERS

- ▶ In this phenomenon a person is “overcome by the Spirit” or “falling under the power” of the Spirit and falls down.

- ▶ It is considered a “deeply spiritual” experience in which a person has a “loss of feeling or control”

- ▶ and may not even feel pain if bumped when the catchers fail to catch the falling person.

- ▶ In Pentecostal and charismatic traditions, Maria B. Woodworth-Etter, Kathryn Kuhlman, Kenneth Hagin Sr., and Charles and Frances Hunter have been most closely associated with it.

POSITIVE CONFESSION

- ▶ AKA the “faith formula”
- ▶ Prosperity Doctrine.

- ▶ It refers to “bringing into existence what we state with our mouth, since faith is a confession.”
- ▶ Taught by Kenneth Copeland, Kenneth E. Hagin, Charles Capps, Frederick K. C. Price.

- ▶ This doctrine was popularized by E. W. Kenyon with its origin in New Thought and with its emphasis on “health or healing, abundance or prosperity, wealth and happiness.”

THE WORD OF FAITH MOVEMENT: ROOTED IN THE METAPHYSICAL CULTS

- ▶ Christian Science
- ▶ New Age

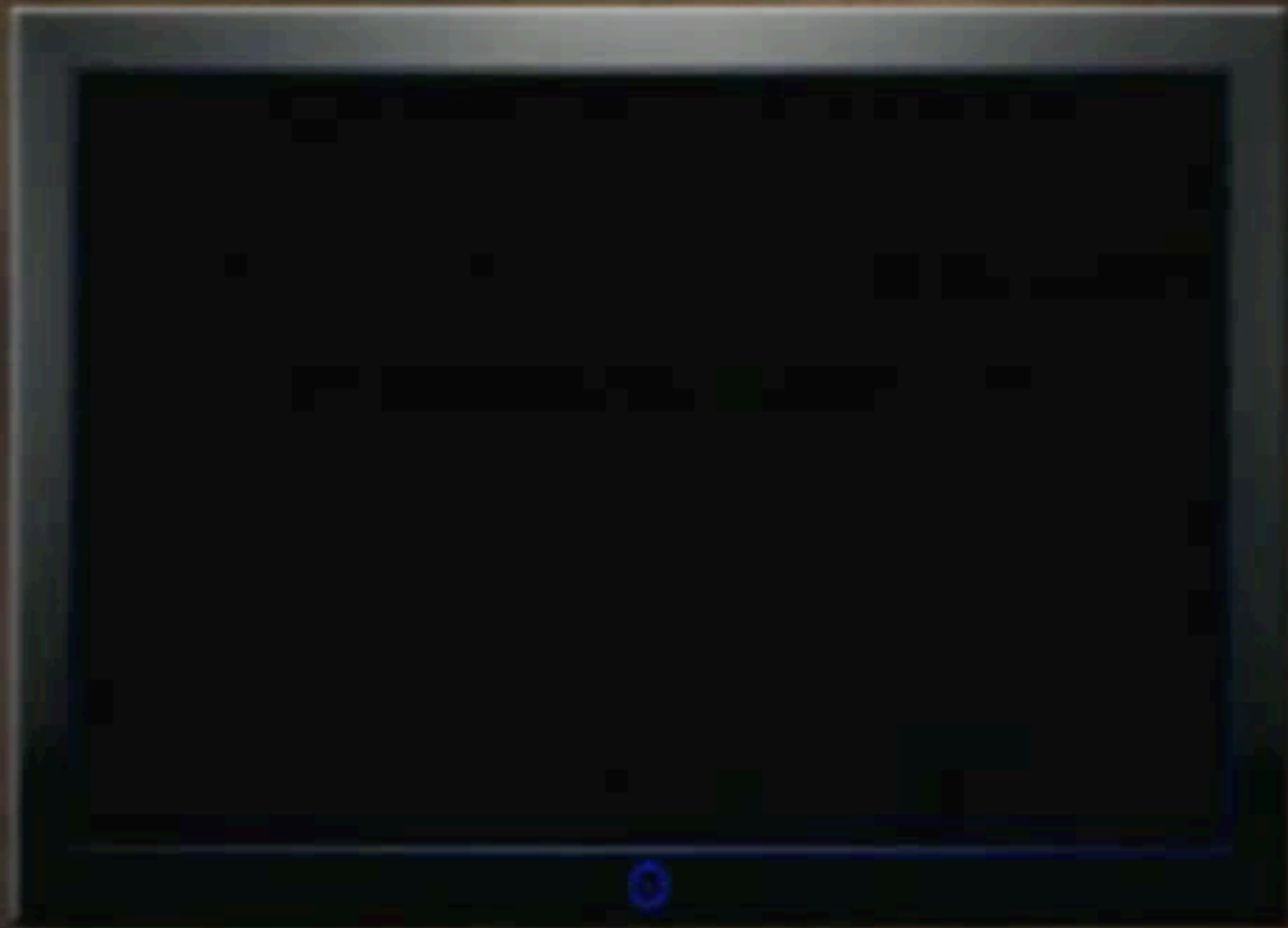
- ▶ New Thought
- ▶ Gnosticism
- ▶ Kabbalah

PHINEAS P. QUIMBY

- ▶ Studied spiritism, occultism, and hypnosis, and influenced Mary Baker Eddy, the founder of Christian Science.

- ▶ Adherents teach that people become gods and therefore have authority over sickness and have the right to wealth and prosperity.

- ▶ It is a collection of cultic doctrines combined with Christian terminology.



EARL PAULK

- ▶ “Just as dogs have puppies and cats have kittens, so God has little gods.... We are little gods.”

DANGEROUS DOCTRINES

- ▶ Positive Speech
- ▶ God is subservient to these universal laws of attraction.
- ▶ Luke 1:18-20

JOEL OSTEEN

- ▶ “Why did God take away his speech? It’s because God knew that Zachariah’s negative words would cancel out His plan...”

▶ See, God knows the power of our words. He knows that we prophesy our future....And He knew Zachariah's own negative words would stop His plan."

Joel Osteen, Discover The Champion In You, TBN, May 3, 2004

- ▶ Our words reign over the God of the prosperity gospel preacher.
- ▶ If you are saved you are a little god.

JOEL OSTEEN

- ▶ “In dealing with people for several years, thousands of people, one thing I can tell you is that 99.9% of people are not bad people.

▶...They may make poor choices,
but deep down they've got a
good heart."

Joel Osteen Message #494: Seeing People Through Eyes
of Love. Spring 2011

▶ The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? Jeremiah 17:9

GOD NEEDS OUR PERMISSION TO WORK ON EARTH

JESUS IS NOT THE ONLY BEGOTTEN SON OF GOD



▶ For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16

▶ John 3:16 ESV

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

▶ John 3:16 (NIV)

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

DIFFERENCES

- ▶ A different view of God
- ▶ A different view of man.

KENNETH COPELAND

▶ “And I say this with all respect so it don’t upset you too bad, but I say it anyway, when I read the Bible where He says I AM, I just smile and say I AM too.”

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