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“And what I say unto you

I say unto all, Watch”

Mark 13:37

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To all Christian Watch Members

Dear Friends,

We greet you in the name of the dear Lord Jesus Christ, who is our only refuge whilst we continue our journey in this life and our only hope for the life hereafter. Recent events, particularly in Japan, are a warning to us of how soon our lives may be terminated and the importance of us being prepared for a never ending eternity. We wonder how many of those who perished in the recent Japanese earthquake and the tsunami that followed were among the Lord's chosen ones, and are now with Him in glory? An event, such as the one which has taken place in Japan, emphasises the importance for us to be prepared for our final moments on this earth.

Another consideration with regard to the terrible events in Japan is that they have not taken place independent of the Lord's will and purposes. He created this world in such a way that would allow His purposes to be fulfilled in every detail. And, whilst the wisdom of man may endeavour to explain how and why earthquakes occur, we must always consider the purposes of God in causing them to take place. In every event recorded in scripture where the mass destruction of life has occurred, it has been in judgment for mans' sinful departures from the commandments of God. The two prime examples are when the earth was corrupt and filled with violence in the time of Noah and when the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, because of the evil that was practised in those cities.

In the light of this, let us consider our own nation. In the United Kingdom the grossest of evils are now countenanced by those in authority. Many innocent children of 5 years old and upwards are being taught in many schools that homosexuality is as normal as heterosexuality and should be considered a legitimate practice. Those who oppose homosexuality on religious grounds are being persecuted and consequently the Christian biblically based foundations, upon which our national laws and constitution were founded, are being rejected and replaced by that which is devil oriented. The Lord warns us in His holy Word, *"Shall I not visit for these things? saith the Lord: and shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this?"* Jeremiah 5:9.

We include a very solemn article by the late John Flavel under the title, **WARNINGS TO AN UNGODLY NATION**. Although it was written many years ago, the biblical warnings given, particularly in the light of what has recently taken place in Japan, should cause us to personally consider how we shall stand if/when our nation receives similar or even worse judgments. We do well to examine ourselves to establish if we possess a sure and certain evidence that we are faithful witnesses for the Lord against the many evils which are now promoted and practised in our day.

There is much false religion in the world which will never take anyone to heaven. The only source of real religion is that which is taught by the Holy Spirit and which is always in accordance with the teachings of the Holy Bible. How many people are deceived by either being brought up as children in a false religion or alternatively are led by the devil to embrace one? What an infinite mercy it is when one who has been indoctrinated in a false religion from a babe, is brought, by the work of the Holy Spirit, to identify its errors. The endeavours of the Roman Catholic Church to promote its erroneous doctrines, under the cloak of real religion, continues to deceive many thousands of poor people throughout the world. We include an article by our good friend and colleague in South Africa, Shaun Willcock, under the title, **The Great Whore of Revelation**, in which he identifies from the Word of God the deceptive and false claims of the Church of Rome.

A member of our Christian Watch management committee, Anthony Busk, has prepared an article under the title, **The Bible, The King James 400 Years Anniversary**, in which he identifies some of the reasons why we can rely on the accuracy of its translation from the

original text. The Lord has wonderfully blessed this version for the spiritual teaching and encouragement of countless thousands of people over the four centuries of its existence. May we continue to uphold it as a precious gift from our Almighty and merciful Lord God.

Prime Minister, David Cameron, continues in his deceitful attempt to convince us that he is a very great supporter of the traditional institution of marriage. The fact is, however, that his government is planning to change the law to allow homosexual couples to become married in a religious service, held in a church or chapel. The relationship of marriage, which is a God established bond between one male and one female, cannot be altered or extended by man without there being dire consequences. We include an article by Melanie Phillips, published in the Daily Mail in February, entitled, **Making a Mockery of Marriage**. In it she deals very eloquently with the catastrophic and harmful effects which will inevitably result, if the government implement their planned strategy. May the Lord in mercy deliver us from the devil's agents who are masterminding our national destruction by their rejection of the laws of God.

It is a wonderful mercy for those to whom it is revealed that there is a '**Refuge**' identified in the Bible whereby the most unworthy people may flee for protection in every circumstance. Isaac Watts composed a hymn which begins;

"God is the refuge of His saints,
When storms of sharp distress invade;
Ere we can offer our complaints,
Behold Him present with His aid."

We include an article by Dr. Alan C. Clifford entitled **GOD CARES** in which he explains the unparalleled benefits there are for those who trust in the Lord, even in the hardest and most difficult times. He explains the Lord's Provision, His Protection and His Promises. We need no other refuge and will never find a better one, however difficult our pathway in this life may be.

So many of the Lord's people confess, particularly at the present time, how they feel a solemn withholding of the Lord's felt presence in their hearts and bemoan the fact that they are not now blessed as once they were. We have to ask ourselves the question. Is there not a cause? One of C. H. Spurgeon's Daily Portions, we believe, provides the answer. We include it under the title, "**I sought him, but found him not**". If we are among those who feel to be at a distance from the Lord we desire to love and serve, may we examine ourselves in the light of C. H. Spurgeon's advice and take heed to it.

Finally, we include an announcement which provides details of a Christian Watch meeting to be held, God willing, in the House of Lords on Wednesday 11th May. Members of both Houses of Parliament are being invited, and if any Christian Watch Members wish to attend, please respond to the notice given.

We thank you for your prayerful and financial support which enables us to continue the work we undertake in the Lord's name.

Yours, in the Lord's service,



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WARNINGS TO AN UNGODLY NATION

From John Flavel (1628 – 1691)

As Paul had many clear premonitions and fore-notices of the sufferings that should befall him at Jerusalem, that he might not be surprised by them when they came, so it is usual with God (though not in such an immediate and extraordinary a manner) to admonish the world, and especially His own people of great trials and sufferings before hand (Amos 3:7). “Surely the Lord will do nothing, but He revealeth His secrets unto His servants the prophets.”

Thus, when He was about to bring the flood upon the world, He gave one hundred and twenty years warning of it before it came (Gen. 6:3), and when He was to destroy Sodom, He saith (Gen. 18:17), “Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do?” And the like discovery He made about the same judgment to Lot (Gen. 19:12–14). So when the captivity of the Jews was nigh at hand, the people had many forewarnings of it; God forewarned them by the prophets (Ezek. 3:17), “Hear the word at My mouth, and give them warning from Me.” And when the time drew nigh to execute the judgment determined upon Jerusalem and the temple, how plainly did Christ foretell them of it! (Luke 19:43, 44). “Thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, and shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee.”

And when the storm was just ready to fall, their own historian (Josephus) tells us, a voice was heard in the temple, saying, *Migremus hinc* (Let us go hence). “Which voice Tacitus also mentions in his annals, affirming it to be more than a human voice, telling them God was departing, and that it was accompanied with a rushing noise, as of persons going out. These were extraordinary warnings.” The like signs have been given to divers other nations, by dreadful eclipses of the heavenly bodies, portentous comets, earthquakes, and other signs of judgment.

Now, though we have no ground to expect such extraordinary warnings, yet we have the most apparent and certain signs of approaching calamities; after which, if they surprise us, the fault must lie in our own inexcusable negligence; for we have a standing rule to govern ourselves in this matter, and that is this:

When the same sins are found in one nation, which have brought down the wrath of God upon another nation, it is an evident sign of judgment at the door; for God is unchangeable, just and holy, and will not favour that in one people which He hath punished in another, nor bless that in one age which He hath cursed in another.

Upon this very ground it was that the apostle warned the Corinthians by the example of the Israelites, whose sins had ruined them in the wilderness (1 Cor. 10:6): “Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.” As if he should say, look upon those dead bodies which are, as it were, cast up upon the Scripture-shore for a warning to you. Follow not the same course, lest you meet with the same curse; if you tread the same paths, expect the same punishment. God is as righteous now as He was then: He hates and will punish sin in you as much as He did in them.

Let us therefore consider what those provocations were that hastened the wrath of God upon His own Israel, a people that were nigh and dear unto Him: a people upon whom He spent as much of the riches of His patience as upon any people in the world, that so

we may reckon whereabouts we are at this day, and what is like to be the lot of this sinful and provoking generation; and we shall find, by the consent of all the prophets, that these sins were the immediate forerunners and proper causes of their overthrow.

1. ***The great corruption of God's worship among them*** kindled His wrath and hastened their ruin (Psa. 106: 39–42). “Thus were they defiled with their own works, and went a whoring with their own inventions. Therefore was the wrath of the Lord kindled against His people, insomuch that He abhorred His own inheritance. And He gave them into the hand of the heathen; and they that hated them ruled over them. Their enemies also oppressed them, and they were brought into subjection under their hand.” They that will not bear the golden yoke of Christ shall be galled with the iron yoke of men. Nothing more provokes the anger of God than the adulterating of His worship; a man will bear a thousand infirmities in the wife of his bosom, but unfaithfulness in the marriage-covenant breaks his heart. After the manner of men, so abused and grieved, the Lord expresseth Himself (Ezek. 6:9), “I am broken with their whorish heart, which hath departed from Me, and with their eyes, which go a whoring after their idols.” Men cannot invent a surer and speedier way to their own ruin than to bring their own inventions into God's worship.

2. ***Incorrigible obstinacy and impenitency***, under gentler strokes and lesser judgments, make way for utter ruin and desolation (Amos 4: 6-12). Scarcity, mildews, pestilence and sword had been tried upon them, but without effect; for the remnant that escaped those judgments (although plucked as so many brands out of the fire, in which their fellow sinners perished) were not reformed by those gentler and moderated judgments.

3. ***Stupidity and senselessness of God's hand, and the tokens of His anger***, were provoking causes and forerunners of their national desolation; they neither saw the hand of God when it was lifted up, nor humbled themselves under it when it was laid on. The hand of God is then said to be *lifted up* when the providences of God prepare and posture themselves for our affliction; when the clouds of judgment gather over our heads, and grow blacker and blacker, as theirs did upon them, and do upon us at this day, but they took no notice of it (Isa. 26:11): “Lord, when Thy hand is lifted up, they will not see”; and (which is the height of stupidity) they all remained senseless and regardless, when the hand of God was laid upon them (Isa. 42:24, 25): “Who gave Jacob for a spoil, and Israel to the robbers? Did not the Lord, He against whom we have sinned? For they would not walk in His ways, neither were they obedient unto His law. Therefore He hath poured upon him (them) the fury of His anger, and the strength of battle: and it hath set him on fire round about, yet he knew not; and it burned him, yet he laid it not to heart.”

O prodigious sottishness! It was not some small drops of God's anger, but *the fury of His anger*; not some lighter skirmish of His judgments with them, but *the strength of battle*. It was not some particular stroke upon single persons or families, but *it set him on fire round about*, a general conflagration; yet all this would not awaken them.

4. ***The persecution of God's faithful ministers and people*** was another sin that procured, and a sign that foretold the destruction of their nation (2 Chron. 36:15,16); “And the Lord God of their fathers sent to them by His messengers, rising up betimes, and sending; because He had compassion on His people, and on His dwelling-place: but they mocked the messengers of God, and despised His words and misused His prophets, until the wrath of the Lord arose against

His people, till there was no remedy." There were also a number of upright souls among them, who desired to worship God according to His own prescription; but a snare was laid for them in Mizpah, and a net spread for them upon Tabor (Hos. 5:1), and this hastened judgment towards them. Mizpah and Tabor were places lying in the way betwixt Samaria and Jerusalem, where the true worship of God was; and in those places spies were sent by the priests to observe and inform against them; so that it became very hazardous to attend the pure and incorrupt worship of God, which quickly hastened on their ruin.

5. ***The removal of godly and useful men by death***, in more than ordinary haste, was to them a sign of desolation at hand (Isa. 57:1); "The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart: and merciful men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away from the evil to come." In this case God acts towards His people as the husbandman in a gathering harvest doth by his corn; he hurries it with a shuffling haste into the barn when he sees a storm coming; or as a careful father with his sons that are abroad at school, who sends his horses to fetch them home speedily, when he hears the plague is begun in the place. Upon this ground the prophet Micah bewails himself (Micah 7:1); "Woe is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer-fruits, as the grape gleanings of the vintage; there is no cluster to eat: my soul desired the first-ripe fruit." Alas! alas! What miserable days are at hand! What miseries must I expect to see! The pleasant clusters (i.e. the societies of the saints) are gathered away by the hand of death; there are but few that remain, here and there a single saint, like grapes after the vintage is done, two or three upon the utmost branches.
6. ***The general decay of the life and power of godliness*** among them that were left foreboded destruction at the door: this is both a provoking sin, and a forerunning sign of national calamity (Hos. 4:18): "Their drink is sour" – a metaphor lively expressing the deadness and formality of the people in the worship of God. It was like sour or dead drink, which hath lost its spirit and relish, and is become flat. Such were their duties; no spiritual life, affection or savour in them. They heard as if they heard not, and prayed as if they prayed not; the ordinances of God were to them as the ordinances of men, of which the apostle saith, that they perish in the using.
7. To conclude: ***Mutual animosities, jars and divisions*** were to them manifest symptoms of national calamities and desolations: for then Ephraim envied Judah, and Judah vexed Ephraim (Isa. 11:13, Hos. 9:7); "The days of visitation are come, the days of recompense are come; Israel shall know it: the prophet is a fool, the spiritual man is mad, for the multitude of thine iniquity, and the great hatred."

When such symptoms of God's indignation do appear upon any people, the Lord by them, as by so many glaring meteors and blazing comets, forewarns the world that His judgments are near, even at the door. These signs all men ought to observe and behold with trembling.

If you ask, Why doth God usually give such warnings of His indignation before it comes? The reasons are:

1. **To prevent the execution**
2. **To make them more tolerable**
3. **To leave the incorrigible inexcusable**

First, Warning is given with design to prevent the execution of judgments (Amos 4:12): “Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel: and because I will do this unto thee, prepare to meet thy God, O Israel”; i.e. Prepare thyself to meet Me in the way of My judgments by humiliation and intercession to prevent the execution. And what else was the design of God in sending Jonah to the great city Nineveh but to excite them to repentance for the prevention of their ruin. This Jonah knew to be the Lord’s meaning, how positive soever the words of his commission were; and therefore he declined the message to secure his credit, knowing that if upon warning given they repented, the gracious nature of God would soon melt into compassion over them, and free grace would make him appear as a liar; for so we must expound his words (Jonah 4:2); “Was not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for I knew that Thou art a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repentest Thee of the evil.” Yea, Lord, I knew beforehand it would come to this. Thou sendest me positively to denounce Thy judgments to Nineveh, meantime desiring nothing more than the execution of them might be prevented by their repentance. And thus Thy mercy hath exposed my reputation, in saving them from destruction.

Secondly, God forewarns His people of judgments to make them more tolerable when they come. Expected evils are nothing so heavy as those that come by surprise; for look, as the expectation of a mercy makes it less sweet, our thoughts having anticipated and sucked out much of the sweetness beforehand, so the expectation of judgments before they befall us make them less bitter and burdensome than else they would be, the soul having inured and accustomed itself to them by frequent thoughts, and prepared and made ready itself to entertain them. To prevent the disciples’ surprise and offence at those days of persecution that were coming upon them, Christ foretold them, and gave the fair warning beforehand.

Thirdly, He forewarns His people of approaching dangers to leave the incorrigible wholly inexcusable, that those who have no sense of sin, nor care to prevent ruin, might have no cloak for their folly when judgments overtake them, “What wilt thou say when He shall punish thee?” (Jer. 13:21). As if He should say, “What plea or apology is left thee, after so many fair warnings and timely premonitions? Thou canst not say I have surprised thee, or that you wast ruined before thou was warned. Thy destruction therefore is of thyself.”

“And they shall come thither, and they shall take away all the detestable things thereof and all the abominations thereof from thence. And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh: That they may walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and do them: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God.

Ezekiel 11: 18-20

The Great Whore of Revelation

By Shaun Willcock

"And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will show unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication. So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration." Rev. 17:1-6

In the first century AD, John the apostle was given, by the Lord, an astounding revelation of things which were to take place in the coming centuries. In chapter 17, he describes "the great whore": and the interpretation of this symbolic prophecy has not been left open to conjecture. There is *only one* institution that has ever fulfilled this prophecy. And the Holy Spirit, in the very same chapter, provides infallible evidence as to which one it is.

Vs.9 says: "And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth."

And vs.18 says: "And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth."

From these two verses, we learn that the "great whore" of this chapter is a great *city*; in fact, "*that great city*" – the greatest of them all – which rules over the kings of the earth. And it is a city built on seven mountains (or hills).

Now, as has been well-known for many, many centuries, there is only one city that has always been known as "the city on seven hills" – and that is Rome. And no other city that has ever existed has reigned over the earth as Rome has.

With these facts in mind, we are able to correctly interpret the rest of the chapter. And there is overwhelming evidence that the Great Whore of this chapter is the great religious-political system known as the Roman Catholic "Church".

The implications, of course, are tremendous. If, indeed, the Roman Catholic institution is the Great Whore, then it is an institution utterly *abhorred* by God; a vile, antichristian institution, a monstrous counterfeit of the true Church of Christ. And the hundreds of millions of souls within it are lost and hell-bound, destitute of the saving grace of God.

Let us, therefore, study the first six verses, in order.

In vs.1, this institution is called a whore. A whore, of course, is a harlot, a prostitute; and from vs.3 we see that a woman is meant. Now, the *true* Church of Jesus Christ is often described, symbolically, as a woman; but a "*chaste virgin*" in 2 Cor. 11:2, and as the bride, or wife, of Christ, in Eph. 5:22-33, Rev. 19:7, and Rev. 21:9. The Lord Jesus Christ is described as the Church's "husband", who *loved* the Church, and gave himself for it, in 2 Cor. 11:2 and Eph. 5:25; "that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish" (Eph. 5:27). The *true* Church is described as glorious, spotless, holy, without blemish.

In Rev. 17, however, there is *another* type of woman set before us! This one is a *harlot*, filthy and vile. That she is set forth as a "woman" means that she is an *imitator* of the true

Church; but she is not chaste, or spotless, or pure – she is a harlot. She may pretend to be a chaste virgin, and externally may appear very beautiful; but she is all filthiness within.

If a "chaste virgin", a spotless bride, is the *true* Church, then the Great Whore is a FALSE "church": a counterfeit. And as we have seen, it is a false "church", or ecclesiastical institution, that "sits" on seven hills – the city of Rome. There is only ONE institution that fits the description, and that is the Roman Catholic institution. Its description as the Great Whore, alone, would be sufficient to identify it; but there is more. The Lord did not want His people to be in any doubt.

We are told that the Whore "sitteth upon many waters". What are these? Vs.15 tells us: "The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues." For centuries, the Roman Catholic institution has ruled over peoples, multitudes, nations and tongues! It still does to this day: there are now over 900 million Roman Catholics worldwide. And she SITS upon them! She suppresses them, squashes them, suffocates them. She controls all aspects of their lives, from birth to the grave, and even *beyond* the grave by means of the money she extracts from the relatives of the departed.

But, let us go on to vs.2. Vs.2 says, "With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication". This is *spiritual* fornication (Jas. 4:4). Ever since the Emperor Constantine became the first earthly ruler to "commit fornication" with the Whore, kings and queens and emperors and dictators and other rulers of the earth have been doing so. They have bowed to her authority, worshipped her and served her. That vile religion has fascinated them, mesmerised them, and they have been seduced by her. The history of Europe, and of other parts of the world, is replete with examples of the unholy relations of the Great Whore with worldly rulers – right down to *our* day!

"And the inhabitants of the earth have been made *drunk* with the wine of her fornication." The Papal institution has committed fornication with the world; it has embraced all manner of evils; it has done this, and the earth's inhabitants have been made spiritually "drunk" on this religious system. NOT ONLY Roman Catholics, but vast numbers of other people, of other religions, have become intoxicated on her wine. And hundreds of millions of "Protestants" are "drunk" on her wine as well! They gaze longingly at her, and desire to be joined to her.

In vs.3, John writes, "So he [the angel] carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness", where he saw this Harlot. Later on, when he is shown the *true* Church, the Lamb's wife, he writes, "And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain..." (Rev. 21:10). The language is identical, and is meant to show us that what John saw in Rev. 17:3 was the great *false* "church", the very opposite of the *true* Church of Jesus Christ, the Lamb, in Rev. 21:10.

The Whore was in a "wilderness". Roman Catholics are, indeed, in a spiritual wilderness. Their spiritual state is desperate. They are not in that place of spiritual rest which true Christians are in. For they have not found rest for their souls in the Lord Jesus Christ (Matt. 11:28-30). They are trusting in their "church", and its sacraments, and Mary, and the so-called "saints", but have not drunk of that living water, which forever quenches one's spiritual thirst (Jn. 4:13,14). They are drinking from a well that never satisfies.

The woman sat "upon a scarlet coloured beast". This is the political power of the Roman Catholic institution. The woman signifies spiritual power, the beast signifies political and military power. History reveals that this system took over the political might of the Roman Empire; controlled the so-called "Holy Roman Empire"; and has sat upon the political powers of Europe ever since. Political and military powers have been *harnessed* by the Harlot and made to work for her. The two most notable examples this century have been

Nazism and Communism. Scarlet, of course, is the colour associated with violence and cruelty and bloodshed; and has also been the "official" colour of various political systems.

"Full of names of blasphemy". This refers to the blasphemous titles given to the popes – "Vicar of Christ"; "God on earth"; "Holy Father"; and many, many others; as well as to the blasphemous doctrines of this system, the titles given to Mary, etc., etc.

"Having seven heads and ten horns". What do these signify? We are not left to wonder. Vs.9, as mentioned previously, declares that the seven heads symbolise seven mountains – and this identifies this system with the city of Rome. As for the ten horns, these are said to be ten "kings", in vs.12. In the fifth century, the Roman Empire collapsed into ten barbarian kingdoms; and these developed into the nations of Europe as we now know them.

Now we come to vs.4: "And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour". In no other religious institution on earth are these two colours so predominant as in Roman Catholicism! These are the colours used by popes and cardinals. The *true* Church of Christ is said to be "arrayed in fine linen, clean and white " (Rev. 19:8); but the Harlot wears purple and scarlet. We are told that the white fine linen symbolises "the righteousness of saints" in Rev. 19:8; which is the imputed righteousness of Christ. The followers of the Romanist religion are not dressed in Christ's righteousness, but, "being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God" (Rom. 10:3).

Next, we read that the Whore is "decked with gold and precious stones and pearls": these represent the vast *wealth* of the Roman Catholic institution. This wealth is so great that it cannot be realistically estimated. The institution has vast real estate, art treasures, gold, businesses, etc.

And the woman is said to have "a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication." Truly, Rome's abominations are many: her false doctrines, her evil actions through the centuries, her idolatry, etc. As for "the filthiness of her fornication": her spiritual fornication was mentioned in vs.2. And as a result of the enforced celibacy for her priests and nuns, she is full of *physical* fornication as well. Immorality of all kinds abounds within her.

The Harlot's *name* is given in vs.5. "And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT". This name is said to be written on her forehead, where it is *visible*. To those with eyes to see, her *real identity* is clear.

"MYSTERY" - Paul the apostle wrote of "the mystery of iniquity" in 2 Thess. 2:7; and he was referring to the same system. The religion of Romanism is derived from the ancient "mystery religion" of Babylon.

"BABYLON THE GREAT" - What a perfect name for this system! For, although its headquarters, the Vatican, is in the city of Rome, the doctrines, rites, ceremonies, etc., of the Roman Catholic religion are all derived from the ancient religion of Babylon, Baal worship! Even Papists have recognised that this is true. Many centuries ago, in its infancy, Romanism *adopted* the various doctrines and practices of Baal worship, and disguised them with Christian names and terminology. All her distinctive doctrines – the mass, purgatory, Mariolatry, the papacy, the celibate priesthood, salvation by works, to name just a few – originated in Babylon. Rome is to the New Testament times what Babylon was to the Old.

"THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH" - It is the boast of Rome that she is "Holy Mother Church". Although she is not the Mother Church, she *is* a Mother – the Mother of Harlots and Abominations! She is a Harlot who has given birth to

daughters. These daughters are numerous, and include even certain so-called "Protestant" institutions, which, by both doctrine and practice, are very similar to her. Anglicanism and Lutheranism are two of her daughters. In both doctrine and practice, they ape their Mother.

In vs.6, the Great Whore's bloody persecutions of true Christians are revealed by the words, "And I saw the woman *drunken* with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration." Century after century, the Roman Catholic institution has sought to destroy the true Church of the living God. It has persecuted unto death literally *millions* of believers. They have been put to death in a thousand diabolical ways. There have been times when so many have been killed, that blood has flowed down the streets. The Papacy has used fire, the sword, the rack, and all kinds of other means to destroy the saints of God. How *apt* is the vision John saw! The woman was *drunk* with the blood of the saints and martyrs! This is a documented fact of history, impossible to deny. Nor must it be thought that Rome has now repented of her persecution of believers. Even in this century, she has provoked wars, and supported dictators, and persecuted the children of God.

Such is the description the apostle has given of the prophetic vision he saw. It has been perfectly fulfilled, down to the smallest detail, in the Roman Catholic institution. That Rome is the city meant in Rev. 17, even Roman Catholic authors have had to admit. That a *religious* system, masquerading as a Christian church, is meant, is clear from the prophetic description, when Scripture is permitted to interpret itself. That there is only one religious system which fits the description, is quite obvious. A worldwide system, with headquarters in Rome, deeply involved with earthly rulers, purple and scarlet in colour, extremely wealthy, whose doctrines and practices originated in ancient Babylon, the greatest persecutor of the saints of God throughout the centuries: this is Romanism, and Romanism alone.

This being so, beyond a shadow of doubt, it becomes clear just how *abhorred* of God the Roman Catholic system is! It is utterly vile in his sight. Indeed, according to his own prophetic Word, the day is coming when it will be completely destroyed (see Rev. 18). And when that happens, Scripture says there will be a "great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God: for true and righteous are his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand. And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever" (Rev. 19:1-3).

The doom of this great enemy of God, Christ, and his Church, is certain, The Lord has spoken.

But, oh! if you are a child of God, does not your heart break with compassion for the multitudes of Romanists, who, thinking themselves to be true Christians, are miserably deceived, and on their way to hell? In our day, we see "Protestants", as spiritually blind as the Romanists, treating the Roman Catholic institution as if it were part of the Christian Church – and the *chief* part at that! It is not! It is not! It is an accursed system, and its adherents are as lost as the Hindu, or the Muslim, or the Buddhist. You who love the Lord, pray for the Roman Catholic people, and preach the Gospel to them! Under the sovereignty of God, those whom he has chosen will be effectually called unto Jesus Christ, will repent, and believe the Gospel, and "come out of her" (Rev. 18:4).

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The Bible

THE KING JAMES 400 YEARS ANNIVERSARY

The King James Bible is a remarkable translation, but behind its poetic English, and grammatical sensitivity, are the original texts from which it was translated. This is why we can rely on it even in the 21st Century: Below are a few reasons why.

The King James Version: Why the Hebrew and Greek Texts are Reliable

If Almighty God considers the Bible as the touchstone of belief and practice, it is inconceivable that reliable texts in Hebrew and Greek would not be preserved down the centuries. Behind the King James Bible are two texts, firstly the traditional Masoretic Hebrew text of the Old Testament; secondly the Greek Textus Receptus, or Received Text.

The Old Testament is Trustworthy

The Hebrew Old Testament books were preserved up to the time of our Lord's ministry. Not only were quotations taken from it, but there was never any inference that parts of those Scriptures should not be trusted. The priests were appointed by God to be both guardians and teachers of the Law, and the Jewish scribes meticulously made copies that could be thoroughly relied upon.

By the 6th Century AD the task of the scribes had been taken over by the Masorettes, or Traditionalists. They had complex ways of ensuring that scribal mistakes could not occur, and it was this text that was printed for the first time in 1488.

Alongside the accepted Hebrew text were Latin versions such as the Vulgate, within which are found various Apocryphal books written between 200BC and 100AD. These are not referred to in the New Testament, and were not accepted as part of the Canon of Scripture by the Jewish guardians or the Early Church. However, most of the Apocrypha has been accepted by the Roman Catholic Church, when the Council of Trent in the 16th Century claimed them to be sacred. They are scattered throughout the Latin Vulgate alongside all the other books as if they were equally inspired.

The New Testament books were drawn together by the early Christians under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and faithful scribes within the Greek Church carefully copied the Greek manuscripts down the centuries. They were first printed in 1516, and this Textus Receptus (Received Text) fully agrees with the *Traditional* text used prior to the Reformation, including the Early Church.

The New Testament is Trustworthy

There are New Testament translations that have depended mainly on two manuscripts: the Codex Sinaiticus and Codex Vaticanus. These were extensively used by Westcott and Hort in their edition of *The New Testament in the Original Greek* in 1881. The most widely sold editions of the Greek New Testament are largely based on the text of the Codex Vaticanus, and not on the Textus Receptus.

The theory behind the rejection of the Textus Receptus is straightforward: the providence of God cannot be relied upon to miraculously preserve a thoroughly reliable source down the ages. Only the rationalist or humanist approach of scientific examination can be accepted to really establish the Scriptures, and logic therefore

dictates rejecting the spiritual approach and searching elsewhere. There is a more subtle explanation. The alternative texts distort the deity and incarnation of Christ as the only begotten Son of God. This of course strengthens the arguments of those who would tear all Scripture apart, and in doing so put in its place a god of their own making.

Further research: <http://www.trinitarianbiblesociety.org/site/articles/tr-art.pdf>;
http://www.1611kingjamesbible.com/textus_receptus.html/. A helpful book is *The King James Version Defended*, Dr. Edward Hills, The Christian Research Press, Iowa ISBN 0-915923-00-9. 1984

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Making a mockery of marriage **Daily Mail, 14 February 2011 – Melanie Phillips**

On countless occasions, David Cameron has declared that he is a tremendous fan of the institution of marriage. So big a fan, it now becomes clear, that he generously intends to bestow its status and privileges far beyond what most people consider marriage actually to be.

Time and again, the Tory leader has used his promise to strengthen marriage so as to reassure people that he was fully committed to defending this core value of conservatism. Now, however, it is becoming all too plain that he is signing up instead to the wilder extremes of political correctness. Indeed, he is planning to go further than even New Labour dared to tread. Eat your heart out Harriet Harman, patron saint of equality!

For it was revealed yesterday that ministers are planning to change the law to allow homosexual couples to 'marry' in religious ceremonies, including in church.

Gay partnership ceremonies in other venues will also be allowed for the first time to contain a religious element, such as hymns or readings from the Bible. These unions will then be called 'marriage'.

For sure, this change doesn't force religious institutions to introduce such ceremonies; whether they do so is up to them.

But the Government's position is anything but neutral. For it implicitly endorses the idea that there is nothing wrong with overturning centuries of Biblical understanding of the sacrament of marriage as the union of a man and a woman. As such, the Government will be cutting the ground from under the feet of religious traditionalists. And what if churches refuse to conduct such a travesty of a marriage ceremony? Presumably, they would then risk being sued for 'discrimination'.

Truly, we are fast reaching the stage where upholding Biblical sexual standards will become the morality that dare not speak its name.

Once again, we have to wonder at the way in which a politically motivated faction within a tiny minority of the population – for many gay people do not approve of this ideological gay rights agenda – is now running public policy.

When I argued here a few weeks ago that this agenda was all about destroying moral and sexual norms, I provoked a storm of protest. But once again, we can see that this is all too true. For Cameron's latest idea proposes to make a mockery of marriage. Gay rights supporters contend that there can be no justifiable objection to extending the status of marriage to those who are not heterosexual. Gay or straight – what does it matter, as long as two people are committed to each other?

But those who make this argument merely reveal they have no idea of the significance of marriage. They seem to think it's just another contractual arrangement involving a binding (or not so binding) commitment – like buying a house or a car. But the truth is that marriage is a unique institution because it involves the process by which humanity reproduces itself – which is only through the union of male and female. The fact that some married couples are childless is irrelevant. The sole reason marriage has universal value is that it is vital for the healthy nurture of the next generation. This is because children need to be brought up by the two people who created them.

Activists argue that gay people should be able to get married because everyone is entitled to the same status. But why should this be the case if their sexual circumstances are different?

If the status of marriage is extended to other relationships – and that includes giving marriage rights to heterosexual cohabitants, as England's most senior family judge, Sir Nicholas Wall, recently so unwisely recommended – the institution will be undermined.

If still in doubt, try this thought experiment. Imagine the Government was planning to recognise polygamy and polyandry (marriage with more than one woman or man, or marriage between 'zoophiles' (people who have 'loving and committed relationships with mammals', or bestiality to you and me) and their, er, partners. If you think this is merely grotesque satire, you would be sadly out of date. There are now campaigns in North America to recognise the 'equal rights' of such people and end 'discrimination' against them.

If 'marriage' were extended to such groups, people would rightly conclude the institution was being turned into a meaningless joke. Yet the argument – that people with different sexual lifestyles must be treated identically – is exactly the same. (And no, before the hate mail starts, I'm not suggesting gays are on a moral par with zoophiles.)

But, of course, to question any of this is to run the gauntlet of bullying, threats and victimisation.

In a still-deepening scandal, a Christian GP, Hans-Christian Raabe, was sacked from the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs. His crime? To have co-authored a document which claimed that 25% of paedophiles were homosexual. It was bad enough that Dr Raabe was bundled off the Advisory Council because he was demonised for views which bore no relation whatever to his ability as a drug policy-maker. But now we learn the astounding fact that the very same Home Office that sacked him had itself published data saying precisely the same thing.

In a report published in 1998, it had referred to research which 'suggested reasonably that approximately 20 – 33% of child sexual abuse is homosexual in nature'.

So this GP, whose views on combating drug abuse would have provided a much needed antidote to the destructive legalisation lobby on this most compromised of advisory bodies, was sacked by the Home Office for reporting facts which the Home Office itself had reported as reasonable.

Did Home Office Minister Jim Brokenshire know this when he terminated Dr Raabe's appointment on the basis that his 'controversial' paper had caused 'embarrassment' to the department? Did he care what the facts actually were – or is Mr. Brokenshire so petrified of the gay lobby that he blindly capitulates to its demands?

This is a truly terrifying totalitarian mindset from which the country cries out for deliverance. Yet, far from defending people against such bullying and seeing off the cultural subversives who are voiding morality of all meaning, Mr. Cameron is going even further down this road.

Pinch yourself – a Conservative Prime Minister effectively endorsing the idea that upholding Biblical morality and the bedrock values of Western civilisation is bigotry. He may be a Conservative, but he is no conservative. True conservatives seek to conserve what is most precious in a society and defend it against those who would destroy it. Mr. Cameron will apparently declare today that his programme is a moral one. Is this his idea of morality – to erode society's core values?

The so-called 'culture' war now raging between those determined to destroy Western moral codes and those struggling to defend them is simply the most urgent domestic issue we face.

Despite the heroic efforts of Iain Duncan Smith to restore the importance of marriage to social policy, Mr. Cameron has shown that in this war he himself is simply on the wrong side.

The most important thing is not whether we have a Big Society. It is rather that if we continue down this path there will be *no* society worth the name. Instead, those cultural 'lifestyle choice' bullies will stamp their boots ever more brutally on the faces of everyone else in a pitiless war of all against all.

United Protestant Council Meeting

At the March, 2011 UPC Annual Meeting, **Rev. Stephen Holland** (Westhoughton) took as his subject, "***Sowing and Defending – the duty to evangelise and defend the faith***".

He warned of FIVE things –

1. The confusion that exists in evangelical circles.
2. The content of what is expressed.
3. The conflict that is entailed.
4. The compromise that is encountered.
5. The courage that is expected.

This was an excellent address – well worth listening to – and CDs (£2 each) can be obtained from Pastor D. Carson, 51 Shelley Road, Blacon, Chester CH1 5TZ.

GOD CARES

HELP IN HARD TIMES

Dr Alan C. Clifford

'A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked. For the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the LORD upholdeth the righteous. The LORD knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever. They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied' (Psalm 37: 16-19).

1. GOD'S PROVISION

'A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked' (v. 16). In every age people are divided into 'rich' and 'poor'. Of course, especially today, recession or not, wealth and poverty can be relative. A 'poor' person in the 'First World' could be quite 'rich' by the standards of 'Third World'. Yet there's always a divide between the 'haves' and the 'have nots'.

As psalmist King David seems to assume, wealth and wickedness often seem to go together. Not surprisingly, there's an uneasy attitude in the Bible towards wealth in general and money in particular. Our Lord Jesus Christ warns us against its dangers: "Take heed, and beware of covetousness! for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth." (Luke 12: 15).

However, David is *not* saying that poverty in itself is better than wealth, or that laziness is more virtuous than work or that wealth is necessarily evil. The Book of Proverbs is a powerful antidote to such thinking (see 30: 8; 20: 13; 11: 25; 13: 11). What then is David saying? **That it is better to be a poor believer than a wealthy unbeliever.**

There have, of course, been wealthy Christians who were not corrupted by their wealth. Among the English nobility, Selina, the Countess of Huntingdon was a godly and generous Christian during the Evangelical Awakening of the eighteenth century. When she read Paul's words that there were 'not many noble' people in Christ's Church (1 Cor. 1: 26), she was glad he wrote 'not many' rather than 'not any'! In the nineteenth century, wealthy Christian industrialists like the Cadburys of Birmingham and the Colmans of Norwich never prospered at the expense of the well being of their workers. On the contrary, they cared for them with Christian care. **Do modern companies match up to this?**

David is now reminding us that since the 'wicked' often prosper, it is better to be content with the 'little' possessed by the righteous than to enjoy the 'much' of the unrighteous. It all boils down to priorities, as the Lord Jesus reminds us: 'But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness: and all these [necessary] things shall be added unto you' (Matt. 6: 33). What makes the difference is the state of our hearts. **If we have covetous or greedy hearts, we'll never be content. If we have renewed hearts, we will be content with all that God provides.** Human wisdom can be useful: 'The best things in life are free'; 'The happiest people are those who don't want what they can't get'.

We smile and say, "How true!" But God's wisdom says 'godliness with contentment is great gain' and 'we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out' (1 Tim. 6: 6, 7). And did not our Saviour also ask, "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" (Matt. 16:26). **So a renewed or Christian heart trusts 'not in uncertain riches but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy'** (1 Tim. 6: 17). Thomas à Kempis was right to say, "Use earthly things. Seek heavenly things" (*The Imitation of Christ*). With a true sense of values, the hymn writer said, 'Change and decay in all around I see; O Thou who changest not, abide with me' (*H. F. Lyte*).

2. GOD'S PROTECTION

'For the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the LORD upholdeth the righteous' (*v. 17*). This is an amazing and comforting statement. **When world, national or personal events such as unemployment fill us with anxiety, we should remember that 'God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble'** (*Ps. 46: 1*). However, a sense of our unworthiness might make us doubt whether David's words could ever apply to us. We might say, "Yes, 'the Lord upholds the righteous' but my sins and failures surely disqualify me."

However this is to misunderstand David's language. Being 'personally righteous' is not always the same as being 'actually sinless' as David made clear in Psalm 32: 1-2 and as Paul argues in Romans 4: 5-8. **Those who are conscious of their sins, yet—in true repentance and faith—trust in God's mercy and pardon through our Lord Jesus Christ, are regarded by God as 'righteous' in His sight.** Every sinner who trusts in Jesus is 'righteous in Jesus'. As the guilt of our sins was taken by Him on the cross, so the merit of His sufferings becomes our own by faith! To be 'justified by faith' (*Rom. 5: 1*) is to be 'declared righteous' in God's sight *on account of Christ's sacrifice alone* (*Rom. 5: 9*). This is the Gospel truth David is pointing to. Of course, when God 'justifies the ungodly' (*Rom. 4: 5*), He also begins to purify them by His Holy Spirit. But since we are never without sin in this life, our righteousness before God is always the perfect sacrificial obedience of Jesus Christ.

Without abusing God's grace or having a light view of our sins, the question is: "Do we forsake our sins and flee to Jesus?" Besides vividly illustrating what David writes here, the example of Samson also reminds us that our salvation is all of God's grace. Though not very 'saintly' in his earlier life and behaviour, Samson is viewed as a saved man of faith (see *Heb. 11: 32*). When he destroyed the Philistines and asked God to 'remember' him (*Judges 16: 28*), were not 'the arms of the wicked broken' and 'righteous' Samson 'upheld'? Yes, he lost his physical life but his soul was saved. Like the thief on the cross who asked Jesus to 'remember' him (*Luke 23: 42-3*), Samson also enjoys paradise and the promise of everlasting life—including a restored body (see *Phil. 3: 21*)! These and other examples remind us that our righteousness is all of God's wonderful, undeserved grace.

3. GOD'S PROMISES

'The LORD knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever. They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied' (*vs. 18-19*). The example of Samson also reminds us that God's people are not promised an easy time in this world. Besides Hebrews 11, the New Testament teaches the same truth: 'We must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God' (*Acts*

14: 22). **So we must not be deceived by the ‘health, wealth and prosperity’ gospel, popular in some circles today.**

What then is our ultimate comfort as Christians? The promises of God! *First*, David tells us that the Lord knows all about us. Since ‘knowing’ sometimes means ‘loving’, this could also mean that God never ceases to love us all our days, both ‘glad’ days and ‘sad’ days. Paul tells us that *nothing* ‘shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord’ (*Rom. 8: 39*). *Second*, whatever disappointments we experience, the ‘upright’ are never losers in the end. While getting everything we *want* is not always good for us, our heavenly Father promises to ‘supply all our *need*’ from his resourceful ‘riches in glory by Christ Jesus’ (*Phil. 4: 19*). **We are not promised immunity from pain or financial and other losses, but ‘all things’ are working for our ultimate good** (see *Rom. 8: 28*). **Has a poet not rightly said, “Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal”?**

David further reminds us that our Christian inheritance is assured. Earthly and material security can be lost but God’s promise of adequate care in this life and complete and lasting happiness in heaven is sure and certain. Thus Peter writes that Christians have ‘an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you’ (*1 Pet. 1: 4*). But not only is our inheritance kept for *us*. We—by God’s keeping grace—are kept for *it* (*v. 5*)!

God’s guaranteed care is reliable even in ‘evil times’. When we are outnumbered by the ‘wicked’ and also despised and devalued by them, we shall not be ‘ashamed’. True, merely nominal Christians might deny Christ. To avoid ridicule and rejection they will ‘go with the flow’. But those who love the Lord will not be forgotten by Him.

This is wonderfully illustrated by Christ Himself. Of the many widows in Elijah’s ‘evil time’, only the godly widow of Zarephath was miraculously fed during the terrible famine (see *1 Kings 17: 8-16; Luke 4: 25-6*). She was doubtless ‘satisfied’ spiritually as well as physically. When idolatrous Baal worship was popular in Israel, the widow continued to worship the Lord. This reminds us that of all famines, the worst kind is ‘a famine ... of hearing the words of the LORD’ (*Amos 8: 11*).

While the life-style of many reveals their true appetites, may we be ‘satisfied’ by Jesus the ‘bread of life’! In a discontented world, He alone can meet our deepest needs, which are spiritual. Did not Jesus say, “Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled” (*Matt. 5: 6*)? Feeding on Him, we ‘shall never hunger’ and believing on Him we ‘shall never thirst’ (*John 6: 35*). **Reader, if you are going through hard times, trust in God and begin to prove the truth and reality of this message from His Word.**

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Christian Responsibility

The series of articles by Mr Andy Clarke about Christian Responsibility will continue, Lord willing, in the next issue.

“I sought him, but I found him not”

Song of Solomon 3:1

Tell me where you lost the company of Christ, and I will tell you the most likely place to find Him. Have you lost Christ in the closet by restraining prayer? Then it is there you must seek and find Him. Did you lose Christ by sin? You will find Christ in no other way but by the giving up of the sin, and seeking by the Holy Spirit to mortify the member in which the lust doth dwell. Did you lose Christ by neglecting the Scriptures? You must find Christ in the Scriptures. It is a true proverb, “Look for a thing where you dropped it, it is there.” So look for Christ where you lost Him, for He has not gone away. But it is hard work to go back for Christ. Bunyan tells us, the pilgrim found the piece of the road back to the Arbour of Ease, where he lost his roll, the hardest he had ever travelled. Twenty miles onward is easier than to go one mile back for the lost evidence.

Take care, then, when you find your Master, to cling close to Him. But how is it you have lost Him? One would have thought you would never have parted with such a precious Friend, whose presence is so sweet, whose words are so comforting, and whose company is so dear to you! How is it that you did not watch Him every moment for fear of losing sight of Him? Yet, since you have let Him go, what a mercy that you are seeking Him, even though you mournfully groan, “O that I knew where I might find Him!” Go on seeking, for it is dangerous to be without thy Lord. Without Christ you are like a sheep without its shepherd; like a tree without water at its roots; like a sere leaf in the tempest – not bound to the tree of life. With thine whole heart seek Him, and He will be found of thee: only give thyself thoroughly up to the search, and verily, thou shalt yet discover Him to thy joy and gladness.

Charles Haddon Spurgeon (Morning Daily Portion - 19 January)

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