

PERILOUS TIMES

II Timothy 3:1

II Timothy 3:1-7 These seven verses of scripture captures exactly how Satan has infiltrated the church of Jesus Christ and influenced, captured and destroyed millions of lost and saved people.

II Peter 5:8 Paul and Timothy along with many other bible writers warns us about being watchful, careful, diligent, and mindful of our greatest enemy the Devil and how he wants to destroy us.

I Timothy 4:1-2 These verses warn us that Satan will use every evil thing he can including witchcraft, evil spirits, lies, false doctrine from demons and any other things to keep people from truth.

WORD OF FAITH MOVEMENT Luke 12:15; Pro. 28:19-20; I Tim. 6:5

The Word of Faith movement grew out of Pentecostalism and Mind Science which is mysticism. The heart of this movement is the belief in the “force of faith.” They believe that words can be used to manipulate the faith-force and actually create what they believe scripture promises, ie. (health and wealth). They believe before the fall in the garden, humans had the ability to call things into existence. After the fall people lost this ability so God had Jesus Christ give up His divinity and become a man, then die physically and spiritually and took Satan's nature upon Himself and went to hell. Jesus then was born again and rose from the dead. Jesus later sent the Holy Spirit so that we could become gods.

Based on scriptures out of context they teach that Jesus and His disciples were wealthy and that God wants all His people on earth to be healthy and wealthy and if you are not it is because of no faith.

The current leaders and teachers of this movement are Kenneth Copeland and his wife, Benny Hinn, Kenneth Hagan (deceased but on radio), Paul and Jan Crouch (Trinity Broadcasting Network), and Fred Price. These people are on radio, Television, Internet, and U tube and have written many books.

NEW AGE MOVEMENT Lev. 20:6; Dt. 18:10-12; I Tim. 4:1

New age belief system is a liberal, self-centered belief system that encompasses whatever you “feel” you want it to mean. There are many branches of New Age from fire walking, meditation, yoga etc. New Agers agree on these basics: 1. God is in everything. 2. All things are one. 3. Man is God. 4. The mind creates reality. 5. One's own experience validates what is truth. 6. Age of Aquarius

New Age people do not believe in evil or sin and we have forgotten our own divinity so we must seek “a higher consciousness” through Astrology, meditation, breathing, yoga, diet, crystals, spirit guides, channeling, Zodiac and more. This movement has crept into schools, doctors offices corporations etc. New Age is from the occult and full of spiritualism, mysticism, Hinduism, witchcraft, and Satanism.

Leading voices of the movement are: Oprah Winfrey, Eckhart Tolle, Robert Muller, Marilyn Ferguson, David Spangler, Sri Chinmoy, Shirley MacLaine, Barbara Max Hubbard, M, and Alice Baily.

EMERGENT CHURCH MOVEMENT Mat. 7:15; Jn. 14:6; Jn. 5:28-29

Emergent Church people cross the boundaries of evangelicals, liberals, reformed, charismatic, etc. They seek to live their faith in what they call a “postmodern” society. Much of their doctrine rejects Christian theology, scripture integrity, and gospel exclusivity. They place a high value on good works, social justice, and collective salvation, (universalism). They prefer “house churches” to church buildings. They encourage women's rights for all levels of ministry including pastor. They use spiritual formations such as centering, (contemplative prayer). Main characters in the movement are, Oprah Winfrey, Rick Warren, Joel Osteen, Brian McLaren, Tony Jones, Eddie Gibbs, Stanley Hauerwas, Nancy Murphy, Rob Bell. There is little doubt that the New Age movement and the Emergent Church movement are on a collision course and will embrace one another to help create a One World Religion.